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Farmers, however, are exempt from offering under official grade, cereal grains, buckwheat, field peas and beans and corn when sold delivered on their own premises for seeding by the purchaser himself.  
Growers or dealers who wish to offer seed for sale in the trade draw a representative sample from the lot and submit it to the Dominion Seed Branch for test and grade. A Control Certificate is issued on this sample but the seller is responsible for maintaining the general quality of the seed lot up to the standard of the sample submitted for the test. The Certificate shows the names and numbers per ounce or per pound of the different weed seeds or other impurities found in the sample, the percentage germination if required and the grade. The official grade indicates the quality of the seed in regard to purity and vitality and is accepted as a basis of trade in both domestic and foreign markets.  
If farmers or gardeners are in doubt as to the quality of any seed purchased, they may send a representative sample and quote certificate number to check with the original sample on which the certificate was issued. The Seed Branch will test for any person three samples free of charge each year. If difficulties are found in cleaning grain to remove weed seeds, send a sample

and advice will be given on what screens to use and where they may be obtained. Care in regard to the seed sown will increase the yield, improve quality in crops, and materially add to profits with very little extra expenditure in time and money.

### GET FOUR PERFECT HANDS AT BRIDGE

OTTAWA, March 2.—When it comes to sheer luck Ottawa bridge enthusiasts are not to be outdone by the four residents of Putnam, Connecticut, who reported four perfect suit hands at one table last Saturday night.  
This was revealed in a striking manner last night at a bridge game held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Palmer, 258 Kent street, who had Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sharkey, 475 Somerset street west, in for a game. The vagaries of fate found the two husbands pitted against their wives. With all the formalities observed the host dealt.  
As the initial bidder, Mr. Palmer said he glimpsed his hand with great assurance bid four spades. Mrs. Sharkey then declared five hearts, followed by Mr. Sharkey with six clubs. Thinking that a "hoax" was being perpetrated Mrs. Palmer threw down her hand displaying thirteen diamonds, and the other three players revealed they were in a similar unique and enviable position.  
Speaking to the Ottawa Journal last night Mr. Palmer was emphatic in stating that the cards were not "stacked" all the usual shuffling and cutting formalities have been rigorously adhered to.

MONTREAL, Que., March 2.—Phillip Skinter, 27, was treated at Montreal General Hospital last night for a broken jaw. He is a restaurant waiter. Asked by hospital authorities how he received his injury he said he served an order of biscuits to a customer who objected to their state of preservation. The customer seized a biscuit and hurled it at the waiter, striking him on the jaw. Skinter loyally refused to say where he worked, but wanted to go on record that he had not made the biscuits.

### FEED THE BIRDS CONTEST

The Guardian offers prizes of \$2.50, \$2.00 and \$1.00 to each of the three Counties to children Feeding, Counting, and Writing the Best Story about the Birds visiting their farms.  
This contest closes March 31.  
For further particulars read regularly "Agricola's" Notes in The Guardian.

## MAY BE USING SCARFACE AL AS A PAWN

(British United Press)  
CHICAGO, March 2.—A ring of supergangsters, it developed tonight, might be using the notorious "Scarface Al" Capone as a mere pawn to direct suspicion of Federal, State and city officials away from the actual heads of America's most powerful liquor, vice and gambling syndicate. Capone, the information goes, has been allowed to attain his reputation as the lord of the American underworld, so that his mysterious employers may pursue their billion dollar extra legal businesses without any particular interference from authorities. Exclusive information indicates that Capone's immediate employers are citizens of Chicago, men who have no ostensible connection with his nefarious operations. So fearful was the information given that he would be "put on the spot," however, that he refused flatly to identify further the men for whom he said, Capone labored as a sort of human show window. Other sources close to Capone, insisted, meanwhile, that the story was "absurd." It is to the advantage of the Capone cohorts, of course, to keep intact his reputation as the richest criminal now living, whether or not the story is true.  
"It's a . . . lie," heately replied a confidant of Capone, when informed of the report. "Scarface is the head man in his racket and don't let anybody tell you different. You know what happened to all those other fellows who didn't think Capone was boss. They tried some 'moon key business,' and then they went on a ride and they didn't come back." Whatever the situation may be, Capone has gone into hiding again, now that he is under Federal sentence, imposed last Friday, of six months in county jail for contempt of a Federal Grand Jury. He probably won't do jail time until summer comes and in the interim must face an assortment of charges ranging from that of vagrancy, probably to that of evading payment of Federal income taxes on his illicit profits. His vagrancy trial comes up before Judge Frank M. Padden this Wednesday, when Capone will argue that no man who owns Florida mansions, yachts, Detroit hotels and fleets of motor cars, both armored and ordinary, possibly can be called a vagrant. And until Wednesday he's going to lay low, because no gangster chieftain, whether he be real or synthetic, can afford to get in the range of opposition's machine guns.

### HOPES FOR NEW RECORD

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Mar. 2.—(U. P.)—George Kojac, Rutgers swimmer, hopes to establish at least one new intercollegiate record tonight when Rutgers and Yale compete in the Carnegie pool here. Kojac is expected to compete in the 100 and 200 and will race against two of Yale's speediest swimmers, Butler and Leedy.

### RUNNER WARNS AGAINST BOOZE

HARTFORD, Conn., March 2.—(U. P.)—Drinking, especially by athletes, "doesn't pay" according to Clarence De Mar, famous marathon runner. In an address before a young people's church society here he attributed his stamina to abstinence from liquor and described the jeers he received for a failure to "be a good fellow" and drink.

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## Hanover Church Celebrates With Island Pastor

The following clipping will be of interest to many Islanders as Rev. E. A. MacPhee is a brother of Messrs. A. K. MacPhee and George MacPhee Long Creek and has many relatives and friends here.  
(Rockland Standard)  
An event of considerable importance ecclesiastical in the history of Hanover, was the observance, this past week, of the establishing, one hundred and twenty-five years ago, of the First Baptist church in North Hanover, the only church of its faith in the town.  
A survey of the church records are extremely interesting, as Deacon Crane in his evening address, "What hath God wrought?" In 1806, a few faithful followers of Christ, who had been worshipping at the first Baptist church of Marshfield decided to establish a church of their faith in their own town. As ever, in such undertakings, many obstacles were encountered, but on February 11th of the same year, the faithful few beheld the first fruits of their efforts in the singing of the covenant by twenty-four members, at the home of Curtis Brooks, now occupied by Horace S. Crane and family. Among the names of those early signers we find the familiar ones of Curtis, Brooks, Damon, Ford, Turner, Winslow, Lambert, Beal, Thomas, Cox and Bourne.  
During the past century and a quarter there have been twenty-nine pastors and only ten deacons (those being Curtis Brooks, John Coliamore, Thomas Brooks, John Brooks, William Church, George Damon, John S. Brooks, H. M. Sutherland, Horace S. Crane and John F. Brooks.  
The little band also became a Missionary Church, and through out the years have supported the cause in foreign fields with unflagging devotion.  
The society has the unique distinction of being the only congregation in the town to worship in its original building. In 1812, the first structure was raised on the present site, and in later years, when the growth of the church demanded larger quarters, the original building was raised and vestry and class rooms built beneath.  
On Sunday morning, the pastor, Rev. Edward MacPhee, delivered the anniversary sermon, "A hundred and twenty-five year old landmark." Mr. Charles Hammond was the soloist.  
In the evening, a review of the church history for the past twenty-five years was presented by Deacon Horace S. Crane. As none of the five former pastors were able to be present, letters of congratulations were read from the following: Rev. Frederic L. Cleveland of West Roxbury, Rev. William H. Nobbs of Winchendon, and Rev. Guy P. Benner of Rockland. A letter was also read from Mrs. J. J. Tobey, Widow of Rev. J. J. Tobey who supplied the pulpit from 1893 to 1900.  
Greetings were brought from the other Hanover churches by Rev. Walter Muir Whitehill of St. Andrew's Parish; by Rev. John C. Vernon of the Methodist church of Church Hill and the Second Congregational church of Hanover Four Corners; and by Rev. Robert W. Putsch of the First Congregational church, Centre Hanover. Rev. William Barclay of Hanover and Rev. Clarence L. Eaton of the Universalist church of Assinippi sent letters of regret as they had made previous engagements. Mr. John F. Brooks, assisted by the choir, sang a selection, the words of which were written by the pastor Rev. MacPhee in commemoration of the event.  
On Tuesday evening, Rev. Howard P. Weatherbee of North Bennington, Vt., a former pastor, gave a stereotypical lecture on Palestine the land of the three religions. Rev. Weatherbee had the privilege last summer of spending his time in these lands, and was ably fitted to discuss upon the scenes thrown on the curtain, many of the pictures having been taken by himself.

### FIVE JACKS ON THIS TEAM

OSKALOOSA, Ia., March 2. (U. P.) Oskaloosa's high school basketball team is composed of five Jacks. All given names are John, but they all respond to Jack. John McCormick plays center. At forwards are John Morgan and John Anderson and at Guards John Gilberblom and John Francisco.

### PRIMO LOSES SPAGHETTI

MIAMI, Fla., March 2. (U. P.)—Spaghetti, the dish that probably Primo Carnera, giant Italian who did as much as anything to build meets the puny 200 pound Jim Maloney of Boston here soon, has been banned from his diet until after the fight.

## New England Grapples With Rail Problem

BOSTON, March 2.—New England, caught in the throes of her own ambitions, today is struggling with facts, figures and theories in an effort to solve the problem of railroad control.  
Out of available data have grown suggestions for the allocation of New England's railroads to Great Eastern Trunk lines that approach her territory, consolidation of the major roads and merger of all roads into one great New England system. Simultaneously has come the advice to leave well enough alone.  
Various causes contribute to the discussions. Predominant is the nation-wide surge towards consolidation of railroads to develop better service and decrease operating expenses and subsequent charges to the public. Others have been industrial depression, the Interstate Commerce Commission's grouping plan, growing demands for development of the port of Boston and increased competition among the roads, and the reported and denied domination of the Boston & Maine and the New York, New Haven & Hartford roads by the Pennsylvania Railroad interests. Unless the roads themselves approve one of the proposed plans, the Interstate Commerce Commission cannot order adoption of such a plan of consolidation. It can approve any, however, considered to be in the "public interest."  
This point is of considerable importance for the New England railroads themselves have been reticent about offering such suggestions. With all the roads in good financial condition, suggestions by them are likely to be few.  
The extent of the problem is reflected in statistics. The value of New England railroads is approximately \$1,000,000,000 with about 8,000 miles of tracks. Although the territory served is only about 2 per cent of continental United States, it contains about 7 per cent of its population, 13 per cent of all its manufacturing establishments, produces 10 per cent of the value of all manufactured products and pay 12 per cent of all the factory paid site, and in later years, when the growth of the church demanded larger quarters, the original building was raised and vestry and class rooms built beneath.  
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trackage rights over the Boston and Maine to the Canadian Pacific for lines into Boston and Portland, Me. The plan of C. P. and M. J. Van Sweringen is somewhat similar to the Providence plan. The New Haven would go to the Pennsylvania and Baltimore & Ohio under joint ownership; the Boston and Maine, Maine Central and Bangor & Aroostook, to the Chesapeake and Ohio-Nickel Plate; the Boston and Albany and part of the Rutland to the New York Central, and the Canadian roads as they now exist.  
Consolidation of the Boston & Maine and the New Haven roads as suggested by President Atterbury of the Pennsylvania.  
Under plans to bring the trunk lines into New England the so-called bridge or gateway roads at the Hudson River would be allocated among the trunk lines for connecting purposes.

## HOCKEY

The second game of the semifinals for the McLean Cup was played Saturday night in Kensington Arena between the Borden Nationals and the Kensington Granites.  
Starting the third period two goals down on the game, and three on the series, the Nationals turned the large crowd of supporters who had come with them to see the game, into a frenzied band of wildly cheering and deliriously happy enthusiasts when they crashed their way to a place in the finals by sagging the meshes for four successive counters. With three minutes to go, and the Kensington sextette fighting to maintain their precious one-goal edge on the two-game series, the Borden manager sent on his first string forwards for a do-or-die effort, and the red light behind the Granite net flashed twice in a bewildering short space of time to snuff out the aspirations of the red and white squad for the present season.  
It was a heart breaking game to lose, but the losers gave all they had, and with a little more favor from Lady Luck might have won the encounter. This is not stated to detract in any way from the credit of the winners, who fought a game, uphill battle, and deserve all the credit in the world for carrying on and winning through against odds that would have daunted many less courageous puck chasers.  
The condition of the ice was fair during most of the first period, but became steadily worse until good hockey was almost an impossibility.  
For the winners, McPherson on the defence, and Paquet and Harper on the front line, were particularly effective. McPherson's rushes gave the Granite defence plenty to worry about, and one the quartette of goals resulted from a neat pass he laid down in front of the Kensington net. The seemingly tireless Paquet kept

up a constant bombardment of accurate shots at the Granite goal tender, Harper, lightning fast in flashes, is one bad hombre to allow elbow room around an enemy stronghold. Allenach in goal, though not rising to the heights of the previous game, made some fine saves.  
For the losers, I. Darragh, MacFarlane, and White in goal were impressive. Darragh is improving with every start. His poke check seldom missed fire, and he played his position well. White in the goal was superb, having an edge on the redoubtable Allenach. For two periods he was unbeatable, and three of the four shots that twinkled the light in the last frame had "goal" stamped all over them. Clint Howatt and Wedlock tried hard but were handicapped by the heavy going which gummed up their flashy combination play. E. Gaudet skated miles but seemed not so dangerous around the nets as of yore.  
**The Scoring**  
After ten minutes of play in the first period, I. Darragh drew first blood with a low shot from left wing. Clint Howatt repeated three minutes later when he took charge of a loose puck in the centre of the blue line and drove it home.  
The second period was scoreless, and owing doubtless to the condition of the ice, much golf shooting was indulged in.  
After three minutes of poor hockey in the third, Paquet broke away from his check and hit the upper left hand corner of the net from close in. Roy Worters wouldn't have stopped it. When the period was more than half gone, Harper took a pass from McPherson and made sure of number two. A minute later the same sniper snagged up the series when he skated right in to the goal mouth and poked the rubber in the left corner. With a little over a minute to go, and the spectators all set for overtime, Campbell let fly a high drive from a mix-up, and Borden was one up.  
**Borden Line-up** Kensington  
Allenach Goal White  
MacPherson Defence MacFarlane  
B. Howatt O. Darragh  
Campbell Forwards Clint Howatt  
Harper Murphy  
Paquet Wedlock  
Larter Gaudet  
McAleer Bernard  
Clout Howatt I. Darragh  
Gallant handled the whistle and was forced to hand out but few penalties during the game.

### THREE YOLKS IN EGG

TARBERT. (Argyllshire), Wales, March 2 (U. P.)—An egg containing three yolks was laid by a hen here which previously had laid two double-yolked eggs.

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