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Alumni, Students, Graduates, and Friends of the School . . .

We are combining the material for November of 1958 with the material for February 1959 in this issue. Unfortunately, due to many reasons beyond our control it was not possible to get out the regular issue. However, that gives us still more news for all of you this time.

As we go into 1959, we again report: many short courses and conferences here on the St. Paul Campus and the School of Agriculture in its 71st year, many student organizations underway, and fine young men and young women from all over the state and other countries in positions of leadership in these student organizations.

As usual we have a very fine group of young farmers from Sweden and Denmark, and this year, in addition, we have a group from West Germany. All alumni and friends of this School will be interested in the recent development concerning foreign students coming to the School of Agriculture on the St. Paul Campus to study agriculture and leadership on a post high school nondegree basis.

First, as many of you will recall, we got the original arrangement through the State Department for a group of young Swedish farmers back in 1949. Then under the splendid leadership of Dr. Sherwood Berg, now head of the Department of Agricultural Economics here at the University, arrangements were made for a group of young Danish farmers to come here under the same arrangements as the young Swedish farmers. At the time those arrangements were made, Dr. Berg was Agricultural Attaché to Denmark.

To refresh your information, this program for foreign farmers provides a one-year program, six months on a good farm in Minnesota and six months here at the School of Agriculture. The students arrive some time in March and go to their farms, which are selected here at the University with the assistance of the county agents and the vo ag instructors throughout the state. If anyone is interested in being con-

sidered as a host farmer for one of these young farmers from Sweden, Denmark, Norway, or West Germany, kindly write directly to me at the School of Agriculture, Institute of Agriculture, University Farm, St. Paul 1, Minnesota.

Reunion Set for SAUM Alumni

500 alumni are expected at the 68th School of Agriculture Alumni Reunion on March 15 and 16.

At the January meeting of the officers and executive committee detailed plans were set for this famous reunion. Nothing in the way of time, effort, and preparation is being spared to give the returning alumni the best and most active reunion in the history of the Association.

The Institute of Agriculture will be the center of these activities. Being honored this year are the classes of: '94, '99, '04, '09, '14, '19, '24, '29, '34, '39, '44, '49, '54, and the graduating class of 1959. A strong interest has been indicated by the alumni and a record attendance is expected.

Coffey Hall will be the headquarters for the alumni on Sunday, March 15. All honored classes will hold their individual class reunions in Coffey Hall, the Agriculture Union, Home Economics Building, Dexter Hall, and Meredith Hall. The traditional Sunday night supper for all alumni, visitors, and guests will be held in the School Dining Hall after the class reunion meetings.

The Party Dining Room in the Agricultural Cafeteria, will be alumni headquarters on Monday, March 16, with mid-morning coffee and tours of the new campus buildings in the forenoon. In the afternoon the annual alumni business meeting will be held in the Party Dining Room.

The famous annual alumni banquet will be Monday evening, March 16, in the Jr.

But, to get on with the story. The Danes started coming here two years ago. Our second delegation from Denmark is not a large group, just four. But, it is another excellent group, in keeping with the traditions and patterns set by the previous groups from Sweden and Denmark. Then we had a request from the Norwegian farm organizations that we accept some young farmers from that country on the same basis. That request was approved by

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Ballroom, Coffman Memorial Union, on the Minneapolis Campus. Banquet facilities are not available on the St. Paul Campus this year but construction of a new food service building and a new union are now underway. This banquet will be entirely an alumni program with Senator C. Elmer Johnson, '14, presiding as master of ceremonies.

Some of the highlights of the banquet program will be: special recognition of the Golden Anniversary Class of 1909, Dr. J. O. Christianson's talk, "Looking Ahead," prize for the alumnus traveling the greatest distance, receiving the class of 1959 into the Association, and top entertainment.

Alumni secretary, Martha Hawkins, '17, states that announcements, class lists, reservation cards, and a program of the two days reunion activities will be mailed to each member of the honored classes. If you did not receive yours by March 1, write to Martha at 1400 E—Minnehaha Pkwy., Minneapolis 17, Minn., telling her that you are coming to the reunion.

All alumni are cordially invited to attend the Alumni Reunion on March 15 and 16. Your officers and executive committee are pleasantly looking forward to serving you and to help you in making this a memorable and thrilling reunion.

—VICTOR G. DOSE, '37

President, SAUM Alumni Association

GREETINGS ALUMNI . . .

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the State Department, and the Sons of Norway Lodge is our cooperating agency. The Danish Brotherhood is our cooperating and sponsoring agency for Danish students. For the Swedish students, the American Swedish Institute is our sponsoring agency.

Then, we had a request from the Federal Republic of West Germany. This came through the International Cooperation Administration in Washington. The West Germany government asked the International Cooperation Administration to gather material from all the Land Grant Colleges in the United States concerning programs for high school graduates who wish nondegree training on a post high school level in vocational agriculture and leadership.

These students were not interested in working toward degrees but more particu-

larly in gaining experience on farms in this country and in a shorter period of training, such as is provided here in a six-month period.

The International Cooperation Administration in Washington gathered and sent this material to those requesting it in West Germany. After careful study of what the Land Grant Colleges in this country offered, the German organization, the Carl Duisberg Gesellschaft, and the Ministry of Agriculture decided on the School of Agriculture on the St. Paul Campus of the University of Minnesota.

When request was made for another special arrangement for this country, the International Cooperation Administration and the State Department indicated that they would like to give a blanket approval to all young farmers from any country in the world with which we have diplomatic relations and cultural exchange. Therefore, we now have the authorization which

allows young farmers from any of the countries indicated to make application for visas to come to this country for a 12-month period. This consists of six months practical experience on the farm and six months work in the School of Agriculture on the St. Paul Campus.

Of course, each student must first make an application to the School of Agriculture to see if we are able to take care of them. We will undoubtedly have more requests than we will be able to accommodate. However, a few students from each of these countries are of definite help to our student body. It is very much worthwhile for our Minnesota students to associate with these excellent young farmers. This cultural exchange is definitely of mutual benefit. We here at the School of Agriculture naturally feel rather proud of the selection of this school for the nondegree post high school vocational training in agriculture and leadership.

School of Agriculture Alumni Reunion

School of Agriculture alumni will return to the Campus on Sunday and Monday, March 15 and 16. In this publication you will find a letter from Mr. Victor Dose, President of the School of Agriculture Alumni Association, outlining the events and the classes of special honor and recognition. All former students of any year, I am sure, are invited to participate in this great occasion which each year brings some 500 or 600 of the graduates back to the Campus.

The graduation exercises will begin with a Baccalaureate sermon Sunday evening, March 15 and with the graduation exercises Wednesday evening, March 18 at 8 o'clock.

Sunday and Monday, March 15 and 16 will be devoted to the alumni reunions, the alumni supper Sunday night, and alumni banquet Monday night. In connection with the Sunday program for the alumni, it is anticipated that following the supper the alumni will come to the Commencement sermon in the Auditorium of Coffey Hall. Dr. Harvey M. Rice, President, Macalester College, will give the commencement sermon. We hope that all of the classes back for the reunion will include the Commencement sermon as part of their program here in the School of Agriculture. It means much to our graduating class to have you there.

On Wednesday, March 18, Dean and Mrs. Harold Macy and Mrs. Christianson and I will give a reception for the graduating class and parents in the Fireplace Room of the Home Economics Building from 3:00 to 4:30 P.M.

Graduation exercises will be held in the Auditorium of Coffey Hall at 8 o'clock on Wednesday evening, March 18. At that time, Dr. W. H. Dankers, professor and

Extension economist, (School class of '25) will deliver the Commencement address. Dr. Harold Macy, Dean of the Institute of Agriculture, University of Minnesota, will present the diplomas. Dr. Katherine J. Densford, director, School of Nursing, University of Minnesota, and Miss Eugenia Taylor, assistant professor, School of Nursing, will cap the practical nurses.

These exercises will conclude the 70th year of the School of Agriculture of the University of Minnesota. In October, the School will open for its 71st year. We can all be proud of the great contribution this School has made and is making in the ongoing program of agriculture in the state of Minnesota. We shall look forward to continuing that service to meet the changing problems and needs.

I want to impress upon all of you alumni and friends that you may serve as field people or missionaries to interest young people in the program in this School. Don't forget that we offer a program here in Practical Nursing and Home Management covering six terms. We also offer a course in Food Technician Training covering nine months, six months here in the School and three months at the University Hospital. These are outstanding courses and the girls who have taken them have been most happy in the fine opportunities that have been made available to them in preferred employment. And then again, don't forget the training opportunities for those young men who have finished high school and who definitely plan on farming but who do not plan on going through four years of college for a degree. We all know that there are many, many of these young folks out in the country who could profit from the opportunities available here for a shorter period of training in

technical agriculture and in leadership. May we ask each of you alumni to contact some young person and direct him in this way if such counseling seems to be advisable. We shall be happy to hear from any of you.

The original purpose of this school was to train young people for rural living. It still continues to be that and in so doing, emphasis is placed as in the beginning on the spiritual development and the moral stability out of which people may grow strong within themselves and contribute to the strengthening of the community, state, and nation of which we are a part.

As I said through this publication a year ago, "As we look to the future, we still see these young farmers finishing high school who are anxious to get a short period of training in technical agriculture and in leadership. We see girls wanting training in practical nursing and home management. We see girls wanting training in food technician work, in order that they may serve in rural hospitals as food service supervisors or assistants to the dietitians and we see the opportunity of continuing to serve in the interests of better rural living through meeting the needs of these young people. All of you alumni can play a very significant part in this program."

Summer Reunions

Mark these dates on your calendar for School of Agriculture reunions during this coming summer:

District No. 1—July 12, 1959—Silver Lake Park, Rochester, Minnesota.

District No. 2—July 19, 1959—Flandrau State Park, New Ulm, Minnesota.

District No. 3—July 26, 1959—Lake Koronis Community Park, Paynesville, Minnesota.

Students Attending School of Agriculture — 1958-1959

BIG STONE—Roger Brandt, R. 2, Graceville

BLUE EARTH—Harold Case, R. 1, Garden City; Robert D. Hall, Amboy; Harvey Hesse, R. 1, Pemberton; Wayne R. Hohenstein, Garden City; John E. Larson, R. 1, Amboy; Leonhard G. Mau, Vernon Center; William B. Webb, R. 2, Mapleton; Richard H. Whitney, Mapleton

BROWN—Paul R. Broste, R. 1, Hanska; Susan J. Wendt, R. 2, Sleepy Eye

CARVER—Sandy Silfverston, R. 5, Excelsior

CASS—James Coffland, Backus; LeRoy Dumpprope, Leader

CHISAGO—Rosalea M. Gabel, Barnesville; Brian K. Halverson, R. 1, Baker

COTTONWOOD—Gilbert Friesen, Box 87, Mountain Lake; Roy D. Heppner, R. 2, Mountain Lake; Harold E. Loe, Cottonwood; Harold Vaupel, Westbrook

DAKOTA—Nancy J. Anderson, R. 2, Lakeville; David B. Errington, R. 2, Northfield; Barbara Heinold, 216 W. 14th St., Hastings; Judith M. Kranz, 653 W. 2nd St., Hastings; Jerome S. Millard, R. 2, Rosemount; Nicholas P. Ries, R. 2, Hastings; William N. Storlie, R. 1, Lakeville; Howard C. Wachter, R. 2, Farmington

DODGE—Larry E. Schaefer, West Concord

DOUGLAS — N. Dennis Anderson, Evansville; Bernard L. Rachel, R. 2, Alexandria

FARIBAULT—Bruce Carney, R. 1, Delavan; Gerald Carney, R. 1, Delavan; John C. Stewart, Elmore; Jan E. Willette, Delevan; Eugene L. Stallkamp, R. 2, Blue Earth

FILLMORE—Philip Abrahamson, Lanesboro; Donald S. Hoegh, Rushford; Loretta R. Larson, R. 1, Mabel; Donald P. O'Connor, R. 2, Preston; Maynard I. Rustad, R. 1, Peterson

GOODHUE—James L. Edlund, R. 2, Cannon Falls; John E. Gardiner, R. 1, Welch; Gary Gerken, Zumbrota; David Langsdorf, R. 2, Cannon Falls; Dale H. Mehrkens, R. 2, Red Wing; Joan R. Petersmeyer, R. 1, Nerstrand; Paul R. Voxland, R. 3, Kenyon

GRANT—Stanley E. Anderson, R. 1, Hoffman; Harlan E. Nelson, Ashby

HENNEPIN—Audrey Bigalke, Rockford; Robert Black, 2309 Irving Ave. So., Mpls.; Gerald Carlson, 5616 37th Ave. So., Mpls.; Jane E. Caverly, 5000 Wentworth, Mpls.; William A. Emery, R. 2, Box 520, Mound; James P. Herington, 2440 23rd Ave. So., Mpls.; Beverly J. Kotila, 3539 N. 6th St., Mpls.; Joanne M. Linner, 5520 Fremont

No., Mpls.; Janet C. Nordquist, 1816 Fairfield Rd., Mpls.; Arthur R. Peterson, R. 2, Rogers; David Peterson, R. 2, Rogers; Margaret E. Rohe, Orchard Road, Hopkins; Lores Nichols, 521 12th Ave. S.E., Mpls.

HOUSTON—James R. Stemper, R. 3, Caledonia

ISANTI—Sheldon L. Larson, R. 1, Braham; Darlene Schlicht, R. 1, Cambridge

KANABEC—Elfrieda M. Kent, R. 1, Mora; Gertrude Kent, R. 1, Mora

KANDIYOHI—Sherman C. G. Mankell, R. 2, New London; John H. Taatjes, R. 1, Raymond; Dale E. Yungk, R. 2, Atwater

LE SUEUR—Ronald Anderson, 604 So. 4th St., Le Sueur; Ramona D. Dressel, R. 1, Le Sueur; Elaine Langhoff, R. 2, Henderson

LYON—Alan B. Johnson, Russell

MARSHALL—Keith Dyrud, Newfolden

McLEOD—Delbert Brede, R. 1, Glencoe; David Goebel, R. 2, Brownton

MEEKER—Karen E. Greeley, R. 2, Grove City; Maurice E. Nyquist, R. 1, Box 103, Cokato

MILLE LACS—Jay G. Hakes, R. 2, Princeton

MOWER—Paul A. Ulwelling, R. 1, Rose Creek

MURRAY—Paul W. Buldhaupt, Lake Wilson; Everett R. Olson, R. 1, Box 52; Avoca; Loren Richardson, R. 2, Tracy

NICOLLET—Robert D. Webster, R. 2, Nicollet; Ronald R. Webster, R. 1, Lafayette

NOBLES—Dorothy M. Peil, R. 1, Brewster

NORMAN—Carolyn J. Olson, R. 2, Halstad

OLMSTED—Dale L. Krier, R. 4, Rochester; Henry G. Schroeder, R. 1, Rochester

OTTER TAIL (EAST)—Donald Berger, R. 1, Dent; Peter R. Holm, R. 2, Parkers Prairie

PENNINGTON—Larry D. Johnson, R. 1, St. Hilaire

PIPESTONE—Loren J. R. Bauman, R. 2, Jasper; Judy A. Hess, 423 W. Main St., Pipestone; Joann M. Van Hulzen, Woodstock

POLK—Robert D. Roue, R. 1, Fosston

POPE—Keith W. Naig, R. 1, Hancock; David A. Tollefson, R. 3, Starbuck

RAMSEY—Robert J. Benz, 1797 Randolph, St. Paul; Norma J. Johansen, 233 11th Ave. No., St. Paul; Mrs. Alma K. Lawrence, 1740 Graham Ave., St. Paul;

Elaine M. Norton, 2039 Worcester Ave., St. Paul; Helen C. Proctor, 1881 W. McKnight Rd., St. Paul; Mrs. Dorothy Westrup, 4195 Hodgson Rd., St. Paul; Jerrold Sandeen, 3500 E. Hwy. 36, St. Paul

RENVILLE—Jim Baumann, R. 2, Olivia; Elton A. Braun, R. 1, Danube; Marilyn Bullert, Buffalo Lake; Laurence Gass, R. 2, Bird Island; Iver C. Lalim, R. 1, Maynard; Donald R. Prodoehl, R. 2, Olivia; Rolf N. Rodmyre, Hector; Leo C. Zenk, R. 2, Bird Island

RICE—Wayne P. Anderson, 528 Short St., Faribault; Ruth A. Holt, 1110 S. Union St., Northfield

REDWOOD—Janice N. Nackerud, Walnut Grove; Arlen C. Thomas, R. 2, Tracy; Ralph H. Zeise, R. 2, Redwood Falls; David J. Zwach, R. 1, Tracy

ROCK—James J. DeBates, R. 1, Jasper

ROSEAU—Richard M. Krueger, Box 97, Wannaska

ST. LOUIS—Jeanne N. Foucault, 3904 1st Ave., Hibbing

SCOTT—Don D. Taylor, Belle Plaine

SHERBURNE—John P. Enger, Big Lake

SIBLEY—Carol L. Nagel, R. 2, Le Sueur; Roy M. Nelson, Jr., R. 2, Winthrop; Jerome H. Nordland, R. 1, Gibbon; Richard A. Rieke, Gibbon; James C. Rieke, Gibbon

STEARNS—Kenneth M. Kulzer, R. 1, Box 118A, Melrose

STEELE—Francis A. Wanous, R. 5, Owatonna

STEVENS—Merrill Carlson, Chokio; Laurel W. Maanum, R. 1, Kensington

SWIFT—William S. Clark, Kerkhoven; Lloyd Muehlbauer, R. 2, Appleton; Harold V. Pust, R. 1, Milan

TRAVERSE—Roy Arens, Wheaton

WABASHA—Glen Anding, Zumbro Falls; Keith E. Bremer, R. 1, Box 31, Lake City; Clement J. Kreye, R. 2, Box 75, Wabasha; Melinda A. Sommerfield, R. 1, Mazeppa; Lewellyn J. Sprenger, R. 1, Zumbro Falls

WASHINGTON—Myron W. Lindgren, Marine; Lawrence J. Murphy, R. 1, Newport; Sherman H. Peters, Scandia

WATONWAN—Robert W. Munsterman, R. 2, St. James

WILKIN—Maynard P. Hughes, R. 3, Rothsay; Harris C. Richardson, Tenney

WINONA—David Drenckhahn, Minneiska

YELLOW MEDICINE—James Barber, R. 2, Granite Falls

Out-of-State Students

Lindalou P. Rodbro, 2719 Birchwood Lane, Deerfield, Illinois; James T. Woodruff, R. 1, Hudson, Wisconsin; Russell M. Johnson, Grantsburg, Wisconsin

Kadir Mutlu, Ada pazari, Turkey

Gerald F. Spiess, Montanas Calizas 620, Mexico 10, D.F.

Rolf Bertil Andersson, Askatorp 6, Fjaras, Sweden; Richard Bengtsson, Norr Malarstrand 24, Stockholm, Sweden; Karl-Erik-Erikson, Vastergarden, Hallsta, Sweden; Rolf I. Johansson, Mysinge, Ostra Husby, Sweden; Olov Ragnar Kling, Karlskogas, Sweden; Nils G. Klingenstierna, Boarps gard, Forserum, Sweden; Krister Carl Palsson, Allgatan, 18, Simrishamn, Sweden; Werner G. Von Schwerin, Skarhult, Skane, Sweden; Bo Gustav Wahlmark, Odensala, Skjorsta gard, Sweden; Kurt Sturesson, Marieholm, Hogestorps gard, Sweden

Mogens Hansen, Valiomagle, Ringsted, Denmark; Erik Egede Jensen, Herslevgaard, Høng Sjelland, Denmark; John M. Larsen, Lunsgaard, Guldbjerg, Fyn, Denmark; Henry Pedersen, Roskildewej 13, Herning, Denmark

Gebhard J. Betz, Kirchen, Krs, Ehingen 48, Germany; Werner C. R. Furste, Norf, b. Neub, Rheinstr. 8a, Germany; Adelbert Heinz Gechter, Adolfstrasse 35, Keil, Germany; Hienrich Gerstl, Riekofen, Post Taimering, Germany; Christoph Haselbarth, Immeldorf 67, Ansbach, Germany; Peter Nissen, Opmunderweg 101, Soest, Westfalen, Germany; Dieter Pingel, Boostedt bei, Neumunster, Germany; Fritz-Arno Purrmann, Seelze bei, Hannover, Germany; Joachim K.G. Schneider, Niederwalluf, Rhg., Germany; Gunther Spalek, Bremen-Menwerder, Johanneweg 193, Germany; Anselm Strehler, Anhausen 56, Germany; Eckart T.E. Wendebourg, Alexanderstr 1, 22a Essen/Rhur, Germany

Scholarship

The Committee on Scholarships and Awards reports that the nine high single scholarship students during the fall term were as follows: In the dormitory competition, Dexter Hall was the winner with 2.635, followed by Dining Hall with 2.587, and Meredith in third place with 2.091.

Meredith is the girls' dormitory housing primarily the practical nurses and the food technicians. The foreign students made a very fine record with two of them being in the upper nine. Their over-all average was 2.836. This compares with an average of all the Minnesota boys of 2.569. An over-all average for all the men, Minnesota and foreign students, was 2.613 and the average for the entire school was 2.492. Even though we believe very strongly in extracurricular activities and general leadership training we believe that good scholarship is basic to all.



BANKERS SCHOLARSHIP STUDENTS — 1958-1959

BACK ROW (left to right)—Harvey Hesse, R. 1, Pemberton, Blue Earth County; Delbert Brede, R. 1, Glencoe, McLeod County; John Taatjes, Raymond, Kandiyohi County; James Coffland, Backus, Cass County; Stanley Anderson, Hoffman, Grant County; Paul Broste, R. 1, Hanska, Brown County; Kenneth Kulzer, R. 1, Melrose, Stearns County; Eugene Stallkamp, R. 2, Blue Earth, Faribault County; Jan Willette, Delavan, Faribault County; William Webb, Mapleton, Blue Earth County; Peter Holm, Parkers Prairie, Otter Tail County.

THIRD ROW (left to right)—Harold Vaupel, Westbrook, Cottonwood County; David Drenckahn, Minneiska, Winona County; William Emery, Mound, Rural Hennepin County; Loren Bauman, R. 2, Jasper, Pipestone County; Elton Braun, R. 1, Danube, Renville County; Clem Kreye, Wabasha, Wabasha County; Merrill Carlson, Chokio, Stevens County; David Errington, Northfield, Dakota County; Dale Yungk, R. 2, Atwater, Kandiyohi County; Donald Arens, R. 2, Wheaton, Traverse County; Donald Berger, Dent, Otter Tail County.

SECOND ROW (left to right)—Kenneth Wales, Executive Secretary, Minnesota Bankers Scholarship Association; Harold Pust, Milan, Swift County; Keith Dyrud, Newfolden, Marshall County; Ralph Zeise, Redwood Falls, Redwood County; Maynard Hughes, Prairie View, Clay-Wilkin County; Gilbert Friesen, Mountain Lake, Cottonwood County; Robert Roue, Fosston, First National Bank, Fosston, Polk County; Harris Richardson, R. 1, Tenney, Clay-Wilkin County; James DeBates, Jasper, Rock County; Harlan Nelson, R. 2, Ashby, Grant County; Paul Lindholm, Chairman, Minnesota Bankers Scholarship Committee.

FIRST ROW (left to right)—Keith Naig, Hancock, Pope County; N. Dennis Anderson, Evansville, Douglas County; Don Taylor, Belle Plaine, Scott County; David Goebel, Brownston, McLeod County; LeRoy Dumpprope, Leader, Cass County; Brian Halverson, Baker, Clay-Wilkin County; Dale Krier, R. 4, Rochester, Olmsted County; Dale Mehrkens, Red Wing, Goodhue County; Glen Anding, Zumbro Falls, Wabasha County; Larry Johnson, R. 1, St. Hilaire, Pennington County.

CLASS AND OTHER OFFICERS ELECTED

Class officers for the class of 1959 for the School of Agriculture are: President, Paul Voxland; Vice President, Harris Richardson; Secretary, Alice Schlicht; Treasurer, Harvey Hesse; Student Council Members — Paul Voxland, Lawrence Murphy, Francis Wanous, Harvey Hesse, Darlene Schlicht, Lewellyn Sprenger.

Class officers for the class of 1960 are: President, David Tollefson; Vice President, Dale Mehrkens; Secretary, Susan Wendt; Treasurer, John Stewart; Student Council Members—Nancy Jo Anderson, Audrey Bigalke, Harold Loe, Werner Von Schwerin, Joanne Linner, David Tollefson.

Student council officers include: President, Harvey Hesse; Vice President, Paul Voxland; Secretary, Nancy Anderson.

Dormitory officers elected are:

MEREDITH HALL—President, Margaret Rohe; Vice President, Dorothy Peil; Secretary, Janet Nordquist; Treasurer, Joan Petersmeyer.

DINING HALL—President, Harris Richardson; Vice President, Keith Bremer; Secretary, Harvey Hesse; Treasurer, Elton Braun.

DEXTER HALL—President, N. Dennis Anderson; Vice President, James Edlund; Secretary, Clem Kreye; Treasurer, Dale Mehrkens.

Officers elected for the various student activities are listed below:

CAMERA CLUB—President, Maynard P. Hughes; Vice President, Karl Erikson; Secretary, Ralph Zeise; Treasurer, Dieter Pingel.

FOOD TECHNICIAN'S CLUB—President, Audrey Bigalke; Vice President, Helen Proctor; Secretary, Rosalea Gabel; Treasurer, Susan Wendt; Committee Chairman, Karen Greeley.

F.F.A.—President, Dale Mehrkens; Vice President, Francis Wanous; Secretary, LeRoy Dumpprope; Treasurer, Nicholas Ries; Reporter, Robert Hall; Sentinel, Sandy Silfverston.

G.A.A.—President, Darlene Schlicht; Vice President, Joanne Van Hulzen.

DAIRY AND LIVESTOCK CLUB—President, Kenneth Kulzer; Vice President, Jan Willette; Secretary, Gilbert Friesen; Treasurer, Robert Hall.

TOASTERS CLUB—President, William Storlie; Vice President, Clement Kreye; Secretary, Jan Willette; Treasurer, James Edlund; Sergeant at Arms, Joanne Linner.

RURAL YOUTH—President, Robert Roue; Vice President, Henry Pedersen; Secretary, Audrey Bigalke; Treasurer,

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Convocation Remarks — February 17, 1959

Paul Lindholm—Northwestern National Bank of Minneapolis, Chairman of Minnesota Bankers' Association School of Agriculture Scholarship Committee:

"Dr. Christianson, my colleague, Mr. Kenneth Wales, young ladies and young gentlemen—I am indeed pleased that I am here to tell you something about the Minnesota Bankers' Agricultural Scholarship Program. We in the Minnesota Bankers' Association are very proud of our scholarship plan. We are equally as proud of the students whom we have had attend the School of Agriculture as those of you now here.

"I would like to take you back and tell you briefly how this program of the Minnesota Bankers' Association Scholarship started. Our very good friend, Dr. J. O. Christianson, urged the Bankers' Association back in 1951 to think about sponsoring this type of scholarship program. The first Chairman of the Scholarship Committee was Charlie Wilkens of Austin, Minnesota, who called up 10 of his good friends around the State of Minnesota and asked them if they wouldn't please send a student to the School of Agriculture for training. In 1951 we had 10 students representing 10 different counties. Since that time we have sponsored 333 one-year scholarships—with a total investment of \$66,000. Anyone who knows bankers knows that this money would not have been invested if they did not feel that the program was worthwhile. In 1959 there are fifty counties represented in our Agricultural Scholarship Program. Not all of the counties are sponsoring students at this time, and we urge them not to send a student but rather to "run open" for a year if they cannot find a good representative to send to the School.

"Briefly, here is how the program works . . . The banks in the county decide to join the program. Announcement is made through their local newspapers, in the high schools, through the county agents, and we are hoping to work more closely in the future with the 4-H and the FFA.

"The prospective student fills out his application—it is forwarded to the Minnesota Bankers' Association office here in Minneapolis where it is processed and sent back to the Selection Committee in the county where the student goes to school or does his banking business or where his father does his banking business. The Selection Committee is generally made up of the county agent, the vocational agricultural teachers of the local high schools, and one or two alumni of the School of Agriculture. If there is more than one application pending, a choice must be made by this committee. It is strictly an unbiased selection. The winning applicant receives \$200.00 per year (in most cases), for a total of \$400.00 for two years, which is split proportionately among the banks

in the county. We have suggested to our banks that they present the award at a suitable public gathering such as the high school commencement exercises, 4-H or FFA achievement dinners, or the county fair. We have further suggested to our banks that the money for the scholarship be placed in a checking account for the student so that he can write a check to the University of Minnesota for his tuition.

"We have a basic philosophy for our Minnesota Bankers' Association Agricultural Scholarship. The bankers of Minnesota want young men who would not be interested in going to school beyond the high school level if it were not for our two-year scholarship. We are not in competition for four-year students, or the student who wants his degree in agriculture. In a survey made in 1956, 85 percent of the Bankers' Scholarship students returned to the farm. It is our understanding that a high percentage of the four-year students enter some fields that are related to agriculture such as chemicals, fertilizer companies, implement companies, research and teaching positions. We are interested in a high caliber of youth. In the survey of 1956 we had answers from the bankers in the territory, which indicated that some of these young men would be better farmers than their fathers. We are looking for dedicated future farmers—those young men that are definitely planning to return to the farm—those young men that are interested in leadership, in new ideas, and new techniques. These young men want to farm.

"Why is your banker interested enough in you to provide a scholarship?"

"By the way, I think some of these remarks will be interesting to some of you students who are not here on a Bankers' Scholarship. A large proportion of a bankers' deposits in rural banks are from farm customers. He knows that by the additional training in new methods which you receive here at the School of Agriculture, it will result in higher profits for you, which in effect creates more business in the rural communities and more deposits in your local bankers' institution. You have heard of large industries plowing back their profits into plant, equipment, and research—well, the same thing is true of the banker, he plows back a proportion of his profits into new buildings and equipment—but in the case of banks that are sponsoring the scholarship, he also sets aside a portion of his profits for educational purposes. He knows that now more than ever, farmers need strong leadership and intelligent thinking to wade through the ever increasing amount of legislation that is involved in our agricultural economy.

"I feel that the biggest single assist that you can give your local banker is to know

him better, help him get acquainted with other farm youth, invite him to your 4-H and FFA dinners, visit with him and tell him about your scholarship and whether you liked it or didn't like it. There are even some former banker students who help their banker call on his rural customers.

"You young people are standing on the threshold of a brilliant opportunity. The so-called "family farm" is becoming larger and larger each year. The competition in all industries is becoming keener and the farming industry is no exception. Profits will be determined by how far you can cut your costs below that of your competitor or neighbor. Efficiency, new methods, new techniques, new ideas will spell the difference in whether you will stay in farming or move to another industry. It is one thing to read and to learn new ideas and new techniques and new methods—it is another to take them home and apply them."

Mr. Kenneth Wales, Executive Secretary of the Minnesota Bankers' Association, also spoke to the students at this convocation. Mr. Wales explained the part played by bankers in rural life in this state. Mr. Wales has long been a most enthusiastic supporter and promoter of the School of Agriculture scholarship program.

Workshop Held

The Seventh Annual Workshop on Current Problems in Grain Storage and Marketing was held February 19 and 20, according to Paul W. Brown, Instructor in the School of Agriculture. This program is arranged by Laddie Elling, associate professor, Department of Agronomy and Plant Genetics, and Paul W. Brown, in cooperation with Al Donahoo of the Minneapolis Grain Exchange. Highlights of the workshop include visits to the Farmers Union Grain Terminal Association, Minneapolis Grain Exchange, Bailey Malting Plant, Hamm's Co., and Northrup King and Co. Seed Processing Plant.

Participating schools to date include North Dakota State, South Dakota State, and the School of Agriculture, University of Minnesota.

The workshop is sponsored by the School of Agriculture and the Department of Agronomy and Plant Genetics, University of Minnesota, and the Minneapolis Grain Exchange.



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Parents' and Visitors' Day

On this page there is a picture of those who attended the Parents' and Visitors' Day on Wednesday, December 3. The attendance was excellent and the interest of the parents and visitors was most stimulating to all of us here. The address of welcome was given by Dr. H. Macy, Dean of the Institute of Agriculture.

A luncheon was held at noontime for the host farmers who had had our Swedish and Danish students on their farms during the past year. Those farmers and the students were the guests of the American Swedish Institute and the Danish Brotherhood. Members of the Advisory Committee of both groups also attended the luncheon.

At the noon convocation, in addition to the welcome by Dean Macy, Fritz J. Sprenger of the class of 1931, spoke in behalf of the parents and visitors. Since there was some possibility that Mr. Sprenger might not be able to get here for the noon convocation, he had written his talk out so that someone else might read it for him. However, fortunately, he was able to be with us and he addressed the group as follows:

"Dr. Christianson, distinguished guests, parents, students, and friends—Some time ago, I received a letter asking if I would speak a few minutes to this audience, as a father. I felt honored, to think that I, knowing myself as I do, would have this privilege. Perhaps some of you older people here remember the dear old English teacher who taught here some years past. Mrs. Hause, at that time, though she never laughed, would have laughed right out loud, had I suggested that some day I would be speaking from this stage. I guess I was considered about her poorest pupil.

"As a father, I would like to say a few words to the parents here. I think some times we get so busy making money we forget the valuable issues in the "Art of Living." You will notice I said "Art of Living" rather than the "Art of Life." Day by day, just living becomes more and more of an art, so to speak, because of the closeness of the rest of the world. The best thing we can give to our children is, this "Art of Living"—living obediently, un-

selfishly, with humility, and with not only a love for country, but a love for fellowmen and God. Perhaps I should add here, fear of God, also. Life nowadays is geared for all rosy living, so to speak, so I think I could add fear of God also.

"Now, to you students, you don't realize it now, but these are the best days of your lives. Looking back to my student days here, I realize it now. You are gathering information and the advancements in farming that will help carry you through all walks of life. Management of farm or business is about the most important part of it. Changes in farming come so fast that if you cease to advance, you are not just standing still, you are falling behind, because of the advancement of others. Never in history has there been a time more critical, with as much opportunity to serve mankind. The kind of life you live is your choice, no one can choose for you. This is part of the freedom we enjoy here. Invest your talents full fold, to multiply your joy of living.

"We have just finished another Thanksgiving season. I think thankfulness is another very important thing. To the Pilgrims it was enough to be thankful that one-half lived through the first winter, so let's be thankful.

"And now, in closing there are two things I would like to have you remember, that you can't do big things well without learning to do little things well, first, and it isn't weapons that will keep the hearts of men free. It is God."

There were so many fine things at this Parents' and Visitors' Day that I cannot tell all of them to you in the space allowed in this publication. Student organizations participated all the way through. Musical programs were excellent and the whole event, including the banquet and the evening program, was arranged by a joint committee of School of Agriculture faculty and members of the School of Agriculture student council working cooperatively under the chairmanship of Professor Ralph E. Miller. Many of the parents came to me at the end of the day and said that it was one of the great days of their lives

to be here with their sons and daughters. By the way, Mr. and Mrs. Fritz J. Sprenger have a son, Lewellyn, who is now in attendance here at the School preparing to go back on the farm. He is another one of our many outstanding student leaders in worthwhile activities. As we concluded the long and active day, the mother of one of our students said to me, "Isn't it wonderful to have a school like this where students have such wonderful opportunities to receive training not only in technical agriculture but also in worthwhile basic philosophies of life which mean so much to them and to everyone through the years ahead." As we say every year to the parents and visitors who come, "You do much for us by coming because you stimulate us even more to see the value of the work we do."

NORWEGIAN FARMERS HAVE ARRIVED

We wish to call special attention to the first delegation of young Norwegian farmers who arrive here about the latter part of March. They will be working on good Minnesota farms. School starts the first Monday in October. The cooperating and sponsoring agency is the Sons of Norway Lodge of Minnesota. If any of you are interested in having one of these boys on your farm, be sure to send me a letter and we will send forms for you to fill out for consideration by the committee. Our boys are all placed for this year.

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