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Home Coming Day - October 30

ENROLLMENT RECORDS BROKEN

All-time enrollment records for the fall term and for the entire school year at the Northwest School were broken this year when a total of 438 students registered for the fall term. The total of 426 for the first week was raised to 438 by late registrations making a 14 per cent increase over fall registrations in 1936 and approximately nine percent increase over the highest recorded total of 401 for the year which was reached one year ago. The Northwest School has the unique distinction this year of leading the schools of agriculture in total attendance and percentage of gain over previous records.

The official record of attendance of the schools of agriculture as of October 9 reported by Registrar R. C. West was: Central, 316; West Central, 303; North Central, 59; Northwest School, 426.

The distribution of students by classes at the end of the first week was: Freshmen, 129; Juniors, 120; Seniors, 97; Advanced, 53; Special, 27.

AGGIE RECEIVES

NATIONAL HONORS

The 1937 Northwest School's senior annual—the "Red River Aggie"—was given the first class honor rating by the National Scholastic Press Association yearbook critical service. The '37 Aggie competed with high schools having enrollments of 200 to 400. The Agrarian from Central School of Agri-

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HOUSING SITUATION RELIEVED

Dormitory accommodations have been secured for all students. The extra rooming accommodations made in the Home Economics building together with the second floor of the Health Service and two supervised rooming houses in Crookston have taken care of the overflow of girl students from Robertson Hall. A total of twenty-six girls are residing in the two supervised dormitories in Crookston. In the boys' dormitories it was necessary to

HOMECOMING PLANS COMPLETE

Several hundred alumni are expected to join with faculty and students in observing the annual Homecoming celebration at the Northwest School on Saturday, October 30. The day's program will include a special assembly program in the forenoon, the football game with the North Central Aggies in the afternoon, a get-together dinner and dance and party in the evening.

Requests for guest tickets for the evening dance indicate that many gradu-

ates will travel great distances to be present for the celebration. The expected large number of graduates that will be present, plus the largest student enrollment in school history, impresses the various committees in charge of the huge task confronting them to adequately entertain the crowds.

As a preliminary to the Saturday program, a pep fest including a parade and bonfire will be held on Friday,

Homecoming Eve. Speeches by Superintendent McCall, Coach Christgau, faculty members and students will be part of the student rally which is scheduled to be held following the parade.

Many alumni are expected to arrive early Saturday morning to visit classes and renew faculty and student acquaintances.

At the morning assembly the special program will include music by the school orchestra, introductions of the two football teams, and a skit entitled "Homecoming Revue".

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Grand Rapids Winning at Crookston, 1935—Score 1937 (?)

assign three boys per room for sixty rooms.

The dining hall is filled to capacity for each meal. New tables and new arrangement of tables has increased the capacity of the dining hall ten percent over last year. The "Aggie Inn" is adequately caring for the overflow from the main dining room.

The shortage of class rooms has been alleviated temporarily through the use of the auditorium for all vocal groups. The addition of three class rooms in the proposed improvement of Owen Hall for next year will relieve the class room shortage to some extent.

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JUNIORS WIN OUTDOOR FESTIVAL

Continuing a tradition of many years' standing, the Northwest School's annual Outdoor Festival was held on the second Saturday of the school year, October 16. Despite a strong, cold wind, the affair proved to be most successful and gave faculty and students an opportunity to forget classroom work and join together for the picnic supper, the weiner roast, and the traditional interclass contests.

Each class was assigned duties in connection with the event. The responsibility of serving the meal was entrusted to the Seniors and Advanced; the Juniors were responsible for fuel for small bonfires; and the Freshmen gathered and prepared sticks for the weiner roast.

In the first interclass competition of the year, the Juniors surprised upper classmen by emerging victorious after trailing throughout most of the events. Ten races were staged, and throughout the first eight the Seniors led but were closely followed by the Advanced. The ninth and tenth races witnessed the Juniors capturing first place. A tabulation of the points revealed a triple tie existing upon completion of the scheduled races. In the play-off event, the Junior representatives captured first to increase the class score to 31 points and take first place. The Advanced, with 29 points, finished second. Third place went to the Seniors with 26 points. The Freshmen scored a total of 12 points.

Following the outdoor program, a full-length feature picture was shown in the school auditorium. In the words of many freshmen—"That was one swell evening"—"We had a dandy time"—"That was fun."

MILLER DORMITORY ELECTS OFFICERS

The students residing in the Miller dormitory at Crookston have organized and elected the following set of officers for the month of October: President, Yvonne Fredrick; vice president, Patricia Hart; secretary, Gladys Friedman; reporter, Marilla LaDuke.

Officers will be elected each month in order to give all girls parliamentary practice. The house officers are cooperating with Mrs. Juell Torvi who is acting as house matron for the girls.

H. A. PFLUGHOEFT INJURED

H. A. Pflughoeft, district 4-H club leader and member of the Northwest School staff, was injured in an automobile collision near Madison, Wisconsin, on Thursday, October 14. Mr. Pflughoeft was returning from the National Dairy Show at Columbus, Ohio, with four 4-H club members who represented Minnesota at the Dairy Show. From meager reports received, all occupants of the car received cuts and bruises and were taken to a hospital in Madison. Apparently the injuries to the boys were of minor nature and they were released from the hospital. Mr. Pflughoeft suffered a knee injury and hand lacerations. According to latest word received, Mr. Pflughoeft was to be released from the hospital about October 23, after which he was to convalesce at the home of his sister in Madison before making the return trip to Crookston. The car Mr. Pflughoeft and the boys were riding was demolished. Club members from this district who accompanied Mr. Pflughoeft were Gerald Butcher, Detroit Lakes; Charles Waller, Charles Brockman, and Gerald Amundson of Ada.

"Y" ORGANIZATIONS

HOLD RECEPTION

The joint reception of the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. organizations on Saturday evening, October 9, opened the social and entertainment program at the Northwest School. The reception was held in the school gymnasium. The officers of the two associations and their faculty advisers constituted the program and entertainment committee. The receiving line was headed by Marshall Evans, president of the Y. M. C. A., and Ivy McVeety, president of the Y. W. C. A., followed in order by other officers, Superintendent T. M. McCall, and members of the staff.

Professor E. R. Clark, faculty adviser of the Y. M. C. A., was master of ceremonies and Miss Retta Bede, faculty adviser of the Y. W. C. A., was general chairman of the refreshment committee. The entertainment consisted of group activities and contests. Patricia Durbahn of Angus, a member of the advanced class, won the prize for the identification of the largest number of students. Dianysius Young of Waubun won the prize for the new student identifying the largest number. The officers of the host organizations served refreshments at the close of the get-acquainted program. The gymnasium floor was taxed to capacity to hold the student body in attendance.

FACULTY PRESENT

SACRED CONCERT

A large and appreciative audience greeted members of the faculty from the Departments of Music and English who appeared in recital in the auditorium on Sunday evening, October 10. Marshall Evans, Middle River, president of the Y. M. C. A. presided at the recital and introduced the various numbers.

Miss Grace Warne, instructor in violin, opened the program with two

numbers—"Gavotte" by Bach arranged by Kreisler; "Spanish Symphony"—Lalo. Miss Marian Nelson, instructor in piano, presented "Hark, Hark, The Lark" by Schubert and "Fantasi Impromptu" by Chopin. Miss Elvira Bierbauer, instructor in voice, sang two numbers—"Jerusalem Thou Killest the Prophets" from the oratorio "St. Paul" by Mendelssohn and "Come Ye Blessed" by Scott. Miss Marian Nelson played the piano accompaniment for the solo numbers.

The program was concluded by Miss Dorothy Smith and Mr. Donald Streetter, instructors in the department of English. Miss Smith and Mr. Streetter excellently portrayed the characters Queen Elizabeth and Lord Sussex in the Chamber Scene from Maxwell Anderson's "Elizabeth the Queen".

The faculty recital has proved to be one of the outstanding Sunday programs throughout the school year.

SCHOOL BAND ASSURED

Thirty-three students have registered for work in band. Mr. Lloyd Sorenson of Grand Forks, a member of the University of North Dakota band and part-time assistant to Professor John Howard, will organize the band work at the Northwest School and give the individual and group instruction. Much of the foundation work in establishing a band will be done in the next few weeks after which it is hoped the organization can become a traditional part of the Northwest School life.

OCTOBER ASSEMBLY PROGRAMS

Mr. Henry Langenberg of Crookston was the first of a series of outside speakers to address the Northwest School students at their assembly programs. Mr. Langenberg gave the Northwest School students an interesting account of his visit to his parental home in Germany. He pointed out the conditions which made Naziism possible in Germany, Hitler's accomplishments, the dangers of Naziism, and the unappreciated advantages of American citizenship.

Dr. J. F. Norman gave a description of the school systems of England and Scotland and gave many interesting sidelights on his observation of places of historic interest in the British Isles and France.

On October 16 the student assembly was addressed by Mr. Lou Benshoof, editor of the Detroit Record and president of the Minnesota Editorial Association. Mr. Benshoof is a pioneer conservationist and his subject was "The Conservation of Fish Life in Minnesota". He has made the study of fish life his hobby and has made valuable contributions to our knowledge of conservation of our game fish.

Mr. W. A. Marin of Crookston addressed the assembly on October 19 and gave the first of a series of lectures on the early settlement of the Red River Valley. He gave a very interesting account of the life of the early settlers in the Crookston area. Mr. Marin's word pictures of the prairie and joys of the early settler were of special interest to the Northwest School audience.

Parents' Day - November 6

BOYS' POW WOW AND GIRLS' FROLIC ENJOYED

The annual girls' frolic and boys' pow wow, sponsored by the Young People's Christian organizations, were held at the Northwest School on October 6.

The girls' frolic was held in the Aggie Inn with Ivy McVeety, president of the YWCA as chairman. The informal program at the frolic was in charge of a committee consisting of Dorothy Evans, Myrtle Hanson, Katherine Molaček, Delene Hegreberg, Martha Rasmussen, and Ruthellen Lindamood. The program consisted of a grand march, various competitions, and singing of school songs. Miss Retta Bede and Miss Elsie Kingston, faculty advisers, assisted with the program. The final feature of the frolic was the serenade march of the girls through the auditorium where the boys' pow wow was being held.

The boys' pow wow was held in the school auditorium with Wilson Radway, vice president of the YMCA, as program chairman. The pow wow, the first pep meeting of the year, opened with the singing of school songs led by Registrar J. W. Mlinar and cheered by cheer leaders Werner Weindorf and Daniel Wavra. Marshall Evans of Middle River, president of the YMCA, gave the address of welcome to the new students. Football prospects and the athletic program were discussed by Coach R. J. Christgau. Woodrow Evans, captain of the football team; Morris Dahl, captain of the basketball team; and Werner Weindorf, captain of the cross-country team, spoke in behalf of their athletic activities.

Staff members speaking in behalf of the many extra-curricular activities included O. M. Kiser, livestock judging; E. R. Clark, crops judging; D. C. Streeter, debating; and A. M. Pilkey, outdoor festival. A. M. Foker entertained the group with a chalk talk and R. S. Dunham entertained the group with piano selections. William Promersberger, as senior class adviser, spoke on the subject "The 1938 Senior An-

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PARENTS' DAY NOVEMBER SIXTH

The eighteenth annual Parents' Day will be held at the Northwest School on Saturday, November 6. Plans are made to entertain the largest group of parents ever assembled at the school. Invitations have been extended to more than eight hundred parents and between six and seven hundred guests are expected for the Parents' Day dinner in the dining hall at noon. The entire auditorium will be reserved for parents for the student program in the afternoon. The gymnasium, which seats more than one thousand persons, will be taxed to capacity to seat parents and students.

CLASSES ELECT OFFICERS AND ADVISERS

Ten counties in Northwestern Minnesota are represented in the list of officers elected in the class elections recently held at the Northwest School.

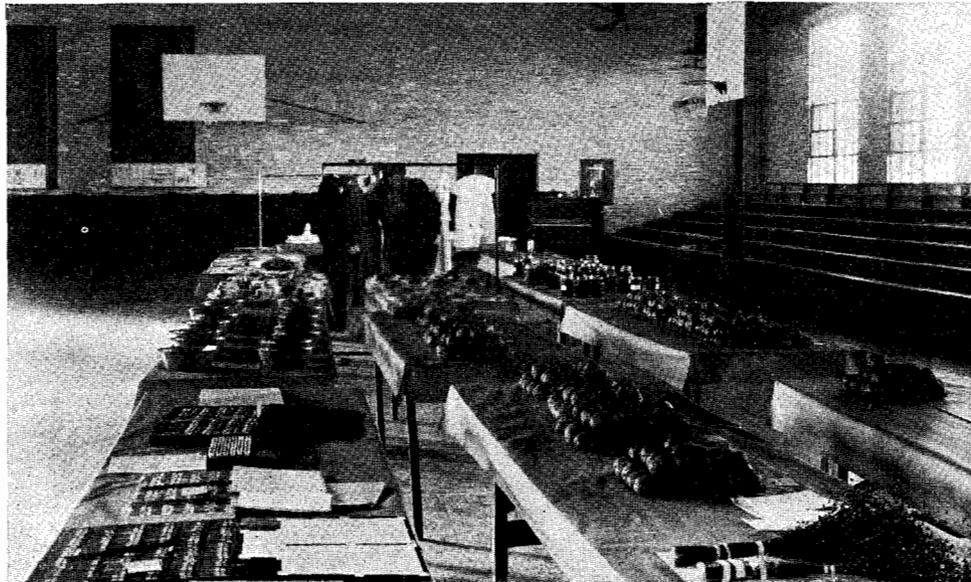
The freshmen class of 129 members elected Miss Caryl Meyer, instructor in English, and V. C. Kallal, instructor in agricultural engineering, as class advisers, and the following class officers: Marvel Benson, Euclid, president; Geraldine McFarlane, Oslo, vice president; Louise Krogstad, Fertile, secretary; Donald Jorgenson, Stephen, treasurer; and Mathew Jansen, Hallock, sergeant-at-arms.

The Junior class of 120 members elected Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Vogeles as class advisers. Evelyn Brandt of Gonvick was re-elected Junior class president, and other officers include: Kenneth Rosvold, Fergus Falls, vice president; Julian Erlandson, Fergus Falls, secretary; Dorothy Larson, Argyle, treasurer; and Thomas Benson, Euclid, sergeant-at-arms.

The Senior class of 97 members with their faculty advisers Miss Dorothy Smith and William

Promersberger made preliminary plans for the publishing of the 1938 school annual, the RED RIVER AGGIE. Senior class officers elected for the year include: Wilson Radway, Roosevelt, president; Harold Klemetson, Ulen, vice president; Dorothy Setterholm, Baudette, secretary; Kermit Trangrud, Badger, treasurer; Clifford Olson, Halstad, sergeant-at-arms.

The fourth year or Advanced class of 53 members, and 27 special students, elected Miss Marian Nelson to serve with D. C. Streeter as faculty advisers for the year. Advanced class officers for the year include: Ray Higgin, Bronson, president; Woodrow Evans, Gully, vice president; Chester Tandberg, Newfolden, sergeant-at-arms; Dorothy Evans, Middle River, secretary; and Morris Dahl, Kennedy, treasurer.



Home Project Show—A Parents' Day Feature Attraction

The student program in the auditorium will consist of music by the school orchestra and choral groups, and demonstrations of student summer home project work by both boys and girls. The student program will be concluded with a one-act play.

PARENTS' DAY PROGRAM

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| 9:00-11:30 A.M. | Visitation of Classes and Home Project Show. |
| 11:30- 1:15 P.M. | Dinner in the Dining Hall. |
| 1:30 P.M. | Group Picture of Parents and Students. |
| 2:00- 3:45 P.M. | Student Program in Auditorium. |
| 3:45- 4:30 P.M. | Get - Acquainted and Coffee Hour. |
| 8:00-10:00 P.M. | Sound Pictures in School Auditorium. |

FOOTBALL SEASON OPENS

The 1937 football season at the Northwest School was officially opened Saturday, October 9, when the Northwest Aggies clashed with the reserves of Grand Forks Central High.

With only a few days of practice behind them, the Aggies were not expected to make an impressive showing against the reserves who had the advantage of several weeks' addition practice. Coach Christgau, however, trotted out an Eleven that proved to be a pleasant surprise as they scored a 20-0 victory. Despite the fact that they were outweighed, the Grand Forks outfit offered excellent opposition, using their greater speed to good advantage. The three Northwest touchdowns were scored by Captain Woodrow Evans playing at the fullback position. Evans and Morris Dahl were the outstanding offensive stars for the Aggies, while defensively Oray Tangen played a stellar game at end. Tangen also was a decided asset on the offense when on two occasions he grabbed forward passes of 25 and 35 yards to put his team in a scoring position.

For the second game of the season the Aggies journeyed to Bemidji where they met the high school team. The greater speed of the Bemidji Eleven was too much for the Northwest team and they were smothered by a 38-0 score. The Bemidji warriors were held to a scoreless tie in the first quarter and then romped all over the field to score six touchdowns.

In an effort to increase the speed of his first stringers, Coach Christgau has been making many shifts in the lineup. Those, coupled with several injuries, have resulted in a keen fight among squad members.

Remaining games on the Northwest School's schedule are with the Grand Rapids Aggies, October 30. **HOME-COMING**; Mahnomen High, November 5, there; Morris Aggies, November 11, there.

The squad consists of the following students: Glenn Barry, Downer; Glenn Bloomquist, Drayton; Thomas Benson, Euclid; Elmore Bergh, Hallock; Henry Berquist, Baudette; Ray Carlson, Middle River; Vern Dahlgren, Kennedy; Morris Dahl, Kennedy; Martin Egeland, Fisher; Julian Erlandson, Fergus Falls; Marion Erlandson, Kennedy; Captain Woodrow Evans, Gully; Odney Flaot, East Grand Forks; Harris Floan, Melvin; Melvin Gibbons, Crookston; Daniel Gerlach, Mahnomen; Alton Gunn, Wadena; Charles Hoper, Stephen; Donovan Haak, Waubun; Ray Higgin, Bronson; Lloyal Harris, Wadena; Matthew Jansen, Hallock; Lester Knutson, Ashby; Francis LaPlante; Crookston; Obert Landsverk, Fosston; Ivan Larson, Fertile; James Lenes, Fosston; George Myrold, Crookston; Ernest Malmskog, Ulen; Edward McMillan, Mahnomen; Edwin Mortenson, Wannaska; Roger Panzer, Crookston; Ervie Prenevost, Red Lake Falls; Roman Radniecki, Trail; Curtis Riel, Crookston; John Rader, Warroad; Tilford Slettvedt, Oklee; Silas Strand, Twin Valley; Tilford Strand, Twin Valley; Robert Sunderland, Crookston; Kermit Transrud, Badger; Oray Tang-

DOCTORS GIVE HEALTH EXAMINATIONS

Four doctors from the University of Minnesota Health Service spent three days on the campus and made physical examinations of every student. An annual physical examination by competent physicians is given every regularly enrolled student at the Northwest School each year as a part of the medical service rendered for payment of the health service fee. Each parent is notified of a student's condition in case corrective measures are necessary for minor or major ailments. In case of defective tonsils or teeth, poor vision or other ailments requiring the attention of a doctor or specialist, parents are urged to get the necessary medical attention for the student as soon as possible to safeguard the health of their children. Susceptibility tests for tuberculosis, scarlet fever, and diphtheria were given and where positive reactions to those diseases resulted, the parents were notified. The doctors recommended that all students with positive reactions to the tuberculin test be taken to the family doctor, clinic, or sanitarium where more complete examinations can be given. Students showing susceptibility to scarlet fever and diphtheria can be immunized against those diseases by their home physicians. Small pox vaccinations were made on all students not vaccinated in recent years.

The visiting doctors, new to the campus, expressed surprise and pleasure in noting our modern well-equipped Health Service building and the facilities available for dealing with the health of students.

Doctors Inspect Dormitories

Three of the visiting doctors were asked to make a thorough inspection of the girls' dormitories and housing facilities at the school. The doctors reported that excellent accommodations were provided for students at the Northwest School, and even though three students were required to live in one room, conditions were more healthful than exist in many homes and schools; and with the health service facilities available, no particular health hazard existed.

University doctors giving the annual health examinations were B. P. Davies, R. C. Sherman, G. Goehrs, and Mattie Bullard.

BOYS' POW WOW AND GIRLS' FROLIC

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nual." The formal program was concluded with a brief address by Superintendent T. M. McCall on the subject of "Planning Ahead". The informal program was concluded with a traditional snake dance and serenade of the girls' dormitories.

FOOTBALL SEASON OPENS

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en, Menahga; Daniel Wavra, Angus; Reuben Thompson, Underwood; Harry Ward, Duluth; Owen Weckwerth, Hazel; Orval Pederson, Strandquist.

AGGIE RECEIVES NATIONAL HONORS

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culture, University Farm, St. Paul, received the all-American honor rating followed in order with the Aggie receiving the first class honors. The congratulations of the faculty and school have been extended to the faculty advisers and members of the 1937 Aggie board.

The national honor rating of the 1937 Aggie is particularly gratifying to Northwest School officials because the system followed in publishing the senior annual is unique among schools of agriculture and high schools of the state. At the Northwest School the responsibility of publishing the senior annual is delegated to the class and their class advisers which means that a new set of advisers and managers is required each year. The Northwest School method, while lacking in some of the elements of business efficiency, does help develop initiative and give experience to all members of the board of publications.

The Aggie Board responsible for the 1937 Aggie was—Woodrow Evans, editor-in-chief; Dorothy Evans, associate editor; Lois Haug, business manager; Clifford Stolan, assistant business manager; Marlan Augustine, advertising manager; Grace Olson, assistant advertising manager; Lynn Lokken, features; Effie Stonehouse, senior editor; Werner Weindorf, athletics; Cora Dalager, faculty editor; Helen and Leona Kellerman, typists. D. C. Streeter and Katherine Hennig were faculty advisers.

HOME-COMING PLANS COMPLETE

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The football game, with the kick-off scheduled for 2:30 p. m., is the chief attraction on the afternoon program. The North Central Aggies of Grand Rapids, traditional rivals, offer the opposition to the N. W. Aggies. Already the Northwest School student body has taken up the plea "We Want the Jug". By virtue of their victory two years ago, the Grand Rapids team captured the jug, trophy of football victory between the two schools. Last year the two teams played a tie game giving possession of the jug to Grand Rapids for another year. Northwest rooters are confident that their team can recapture the trophy this year.

A special program in the dining hall is being prepared by the various committees. A feature of the Homecoming dinner program this year will be the unveiling of a life-size picture of former Superintendent A. A. Dowell; the picture is a class memorial from the Class of 1935.

The evening program includes the annual Homecoming dance and party. As announced in a previous issue of the Northwest Monthly, admission to the dance or party will be by guest ticket, applications for which must be made in advance and approval given by faculty committee in charge of applications. **ALL APPLICATIONS FOR GUEST TICKETS ARE CONSIDERED APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE UNLESS CONTRARY NOTICE IS SENT TO APPLICANT.**