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## FOUR WAYS TO ADD TO FARM EFFICIENCY.

There are four possible ways for increasing efficiency in agriculture to meet the war needs of today.

First: Use only what is necessary, for family food, for livestock feed, for automobile fuel, for field labor; save the rest for the national service.

Second: Produce at home the largest possible proportion of the family's needs. Difficulties of transportation and the unnecessary expense of handling by middlemen must be eliminated as far as possible.

Third: Make meat out of feeds which cannot be used by human beings as food; save the cereal grains for human use.

Fourth: Bring under cultivation every possible acre of land which is now unproductive; drain the parts of your farm which are now producing only inferior swamp hay; cultivate out-of-the-way tracts, in fence corners, along roadways, etc.; grow crops which are suited to the climate of your locality; avoid planting crops which may be damaged by frost where the growing season is short.

R. W. THATCHER,

Dean of the Department of Agriculture, University of Minnesota.

## ALUMNI RE-UNION.

Plans are under way for making Alumni Re-union Day, Thursday, February 14, an occasion long to be remembered by the alumni and former students of the Northwest School of Agriculture. The Commercial Club rooms will be headquarters for the alumni on that day. The business meeting will be held at one o'clock. At five o'clock, or shortly thereafter, the banquet will be served. It is called at that hour on account of the necessity of concluding it before the evening program at the Armory. President M. L. Burton and Dean R. W. Thatcher will be the guests of honor. A committee of the faculty has been appointed to act with a committee of the alumni to perfect arrangements for this event, and it is hoped that three very enjoyable hours may be spent by those fortunate enough to be present on this occasion.

It is incumbent upon each alumnus to write to Secretary M. L. Skibness, Battle Lake, stating whether he is planning to attend or not. Provision can be made for serving a limited number. It will be necessary to know before-hand the exact number.

Alumni and former students fill out this blank and mail at once to M. L. Skibness, Battle Lake, Minnesota.

I intend to be in Crookston, Feb-

ruary 14, 1918, to attend the "Get-to-Gether Alumni Dinner."

Class.....

Shall a get-together party with dancing be arranged for, after President Burton's lecture?

Yes or No

Notice to Alumni, and Former Students:

So far only a few members of the association have signified their intention of being present at the "Get-to-Gether Alumni Dinner" February 14, 1918.

We are anxious to know how many to prepare for, and urgently request all Alumni and former students to write at once if they intend to be in Crookston. We wish to hear also from former students who left school before completing their course.

Dr. M. L. Burton, president of the University of Minnesota, and Dean Thatcher of the Minnesota Agricultural College, will be present to speak to us.

Besides the arrangement committee, there has been appointed a reception committee made up of the following members: John Hest, Florence Haenke, and Bertha Bjoin.

The dinner will be served in the Crookston Commercial Club rooms from 5:00 to 7:40 p. m. At 8:00 o'clock President Burton speaks in the Armory and after the lecture, should the members wish, we will return to the club rooms and dance.

The price of plates will be seventy-five cents. Tickets for the Alumni ball will be pro rated on basis of cost of the music.

M. L. SKIBNESS.

## HONOR ROLL.

Anderson, Herbert, '17, 75 Company, 6 Regiment, Expeditionary Force, care Postmaster, New York.

Billings, Richard, '15, "Somewhere in France."

Billings, Robert, '15, Medical Corps, Camp Funston, Kansas City.

Boness, Olaf, '18, Camp Winfield Scott, California.

Borge, Harold, Red Cross field service.

Dahl, Albert, enroute to France.

Ferris, Walton, '14, South Barracks, Fort Omaha, Nebraska.

Hagelle, Bernt, Camp Lewis, Washington.

Hales, Murray, '16, Aviation Service.

Johnson, Norris, '14, Camp Dodge, Des Moines, Iowa.

Johnson, Oscar G., Aviation Service.

Johnston, Harold, '14, Camp Kelly, 49 Aero Squadron, San Antonio, Texas.

Sergeant Willard Johnston, 1st Co.,

Officers' Training Camp, Camp Dodge, Iowa.

Layton, Arthur, Camp Cody, Deming, New Mexico.

Lien, Albert, Navy, Great Lakes, Illinois.

Lovcik, Stephen, Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Lyngholm, John, Camp Mills, Hempstead, New York.

Lytle, LeRoy, Sergeant, Battalion E. 125 United States Army, Field Artillery, Camp Cody, Deming, New Mexico.

Maltrud, Gilman, 164 Inf. Band, Hds. Co., France.

Nelson, Alfred J., Corp. Machine Gun Co. 2nd Inf. Fort Shafter, Hawaii.

Peterson, Walter, '17, Co. C. 4th Regiment, Great Lakes Naval Training Station, Illinois.

Rossberg, E. F., Ordnance Department, 125 United States Artillery, care Supply Company, Camp Cody, Deming, New Mexico.

Rud, Henry, '16, Camp Winfield Scott, California.

Schuck, Harold, 1st Lieutenant, Aviation Section, Signal Corps.

Sheridan, Walter H., Camp Joseph Johnston, Co. 23, Rec. Block K-10, Jacksonville, Florida.

Stow, Ray, '16, Camp Joseph Johnston, Jacksonville, Florida.

Stenseth, Martinus, 2 Aviation Instruction Camp, A. E. F., Paris, France.

Sundberg, Roy, '14, Camp Belvon, Washington, D. C.

Vigstol, Ole, Camp Pike, Arkansas.

## NORTHWESTERN MINNESOTA FARMERS' WEEK AND FARM CROPS SHOW.

Plans are progressing satisfactorily in preparation for the annual farmers' week and Farm Crops show. The final program will be ready about February 5, and will be distributed widely. A great deal of interest has been shown, and the indications are for a well attended meetings during the week.

The Red River Valley Live Stock Breeders' association will hold an exhibit of registered live stock. At one o'clock, Wednesday, February 13, a sale of pure bred live stock will be held under the auspices of that association. Professor William Dietrich is secretary of the Live Stock Breeders' association. Entries to the exhibit and list of animals to be offered for sale should be sent to him.

## NORTHWEST STATION MEN ADDRESS MANY MEETINGS.

Mr. C. E. Brown attended the Farmers' and Homemakers' Week at University Farm, St. Paul, beginning January 1. On January 7 he addressed the South Side Farmers' club near Moorhead; and on January 8, the Eg-

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lon Farmers' club at Hawley. On the evening of the 8th he addressed the Gynodon Poultry association meeting at Glyndon. On the 9 Mr. Brown and Mr. William Dietrich held an all-day institute at Fosston. The week of January 15, Mr. Brown spent in LacQuiParle county where he addressed a series of farmers' clubs. On the evening of the 21st he met with the Mallory Farmers' club at Mallory. He spent the 22 and 23 with County Superintendent N. A. Thorson organizing boys' and girls' poultry clubs near Erskine.

Mr. O. M. Kiser met with the Booster Farmers' club of Crookston on January 2. He addressed the annual meeting of the Park Farmers' club at Mentor on January 4. On the 18 he addressed a farmers' club at Borup. On the afternoon of the 24 he met with the Hawley Farmers' club; and in the evening, the Rustad Farmers' club. On the evening of the 28 he addressed the annual meeting of the Middle River creamery.

Mr. A. H. Larson went to Red Lake Falls on January 15, where he acted as judge in the debate between the East Grand Forks and Red Lake Falls high schools.

Mr. T. M. McCall attended a meeting of the Grain Growers at Stephen on January 3, and addressed a meeting of the Burns club at Mallory on the evening of January 25.

Superintendent C. G. Selvig attended a meeting of the Agricultural Schools committee at University Farm, January 4 and 5. On January 12 he addressed the conference of high school superintendents at the capitol on "Home Project Work in Smith-Hughes Agricultural Departments." On January 16 he delivered an address before the State Dairymen's annual meeting at Thief River Falls, while on the 29th he attended a meeting of the Polk County Farm Bureau of which he is a member.

## RED CROSS DAY, FEBRUARY 5.

On Tuesday evening, February 5, the Freshmen students of the Public Speaking department will present a program devoted to the Red Cross. On that evening a beautiful service flag will be presented to the school. This flag has been made by members of the faculty. Charles Auburg, '17, representing the Alumni and the students, will present the flag, and it will be accepted in behalf of the school by Superintendent Selvig. There are twenty-nine stars on this flag. This number is being increased weekly as information regarding former students

and graduates is being received by the school. A Red Cross service flag will also be presented by Hilda Nyquist, representing the students, and accepted by Mrs. A. M. Foker in behalf of the Northwest School Red Cross branch. This service flag is to be hung in the school auditorium. It is thirty-six inches wide and seventy-two inches long, and has 244 red crosses, each representing a member of the Northwest School Red Cross branch. The school holds the proud record of having every person on the campus enrolled as a Red Cross member, including all the students, all the members of the faculty and their wives, all employees, and all the children. The youngest Red Cross member is Robert Larson, three months old. It has been said that when he was asked whether he wished to join the Red Cross, he gleefully raised his hand and cooed out, "yes."

## THE RURAL SCHOOL SPEAKS.

By A. P. Hollis in North Dakota

"Educational News Bulletin."

"I am the one-room rural school. The farmer has improved his house and barn; he has left me primitive.

The farmer has improved his machinery; he has left me primitive.

The farmer has improved his corn; he has left me primitive.

The farmer has improved his hogs; he has left me primitive.

But I feel the throb of new growth; I feel sensations of infinite yields about to be made.

I feel the wild strains giving the place to the power of a new science. I am in process of becoming civilized.

Soon I, too, shall burst from the hard shell of my primordial self. One room is too small for my accretions.

I must have two, four, ten rooms.

Let go! Let me rise! Let me expand!

I am to be the consolidated rural school.

I will make newer, higher, richer educational yields.

I will produce a new type of farmer-proprietor, farmer-legislator, farmer-citizen."

## LETTER FROM "SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE."

Herbert V. Anderson, '17, "Somewhere in France," in a letter to Superintendent Selvig, dated December 19, 1917, writes in an interesting way of his life in his new surroundings. He is a corporal in the 75 company, 6 regiment, United States Marines, American Expeditionary Force, and can be reached by mail if addressed as follows: 75 Company, 6 Regiment, U. S. Marines, American Expeditionary Force, care Postmaster, New York.

He states that the country is very interesting, especially from the historic stand-point. He is comfortably located with his company, and says he never felt better. He writes feelingly of life at the Northwest School and extends his greetings to all the students and to the graduating class, and in particular to the alumni. He says he would like to impress the graduates with one thought; when they leave school in the spring he hopes that they will realize the responsibilities that

are placed on them, and that they will help their country by applying in actual production on their home farms the things they have earned during their course at school.

He closes by saying: "You are, after all, to a certain extent responsible for our keeping, and it would be quite impossible for us to be here if the farmers in America did not produce enough for us to eat. I know that if you apply what you have learned, we shall be able to do the rest, which will bring peace and honor to all mankind."

This message from Herbert Anderson went straight to the hearts of all the students who heard the letter read at assembly on January 23.

## OTHER BOYS HEARD FROM.

Walter A. Peterson, '17, writes from Great Lakes Camp of Marines, under date of January 16, that he is getting along nicely. He tells of the barracks: "This place is just like the Crookston School of Agriculture in that we clear and take care of our barracks, but the rules concerning cleanliness are more rigidly enforced. We roll out of our hammocks at five o'clock sharp, and after we have all bathed and dressed we turn to and clean the floor and windows. The inspecting officer goes through the barracks at nine o'clock every morning." Walter speaks very highly of the Y. M. C. A. at the camp and states that the association is doing a great work. He sends his very best wishes to the students and the alumni of the Northwest School of Agriculture.

Walter H. Sheridan, '17, writes from Camp Joseph E. Johnston, Jacksonville, Florida, that he spent a very wonderful New Year's day in camp. A young man, who had served under the French colors who spoke at the New Year's meeting, portrayed a vivid picture of the conditions in the war zone kindling in all who listened to him new and more earnest feeling of devotion, and making all consider the obligations in a higher and nobler sense. He writes also of a Xmas dress made by his lieutenant who to the boys that they were up-holding the same principles the Christ up-held long time ago, and urged as the guiding aim in their new work, "victory rather than peace." Walter reports that all left the meeting feeling that they had responded to a great call, and that their obligations were of the highest and noblest kind. He is sure that with such an enthusiastic and spontaneous group of men much more can be expected in the way of the complete downfall of German autocracy.

Ray C. Stow, '17, is in the same camp, so that Walter and he frequently meet to talk over old times.

## HORSE SENSE.

If you work for a man, in heaven's name work for him. If he pays wages that supply you your bread and butter, work for him, speak well of him, think well of him, stand by him and stand by the institution he represents. If put to the pinch, an ounce of loyalty is worth a pound of cleverness.

If you must vilify, condemn, eternally disparage—why, resign your position:—and when you are out

damn to your hearts content. But, I pray you, so long as you are a part of an institution do not condemn it. Not that it will injure the institution—not that—but when you disparage the concern of which you are a part, you disparage yourself.

—Elbert Hubbard.

#### RED WING REPUBLICAN APPRECIATES NORTHWEST SCHOOL'S BOOKLET "AROUND THE CAMPUS."

The Northwest School of Agriculture of the University of Minnesota at Crookston, Minnesota, has recently issued a very attractive booklet giving an explicit idea of the work of the institution, with illustrations of the buildings, the classes at work, the live stock, and the fields. "America, My Country" has the honor of a page in the booklet. Superintendent C. G. Selvig and his staff are to be congratulated upon the success of this branch of the University as shown in this little booklet, the official name of which is "Around the Campus."

#### SONG CONTEST ECHOES.

The University's Agricultural College at Crookston enjoyed its annual singing contest recently. Eighty per cent of a class must participate to give it a right to compete for the honors. This year the first prize was won by the Senior class, singing "America, My Country."—Red Wing Republican.

#### NEW BOOK BY DIETRICH.

W. B. Saunders Company, of Philadelphia, have published a book written by Professor William Dietrich of the Northwest School and Station on "Live Stock on the Farm." As stated in the preface, the purpose of the volume is to get information to those who wish to improve their condition by means of live stock, to farmers generally, and, especially, to those interested in live stock farming and in breeding. The chapter on poultry was written by C. E. Brown of the Northwest School and Station. The book contains chapters on grain farming, live stock farming, farm animals, feeds for animals, animal breeding, horses, cattle, the dairy cow, beef cattle, sheep, swine, scientific swine feeding, and poultry.

It is a book of 296 pages and contains a large number of illustrations.

The Northwest Monthly congratulates Professor Dietrich upon writing so valuable a volume, and commends the book to the reading public.

#### FOOD CONSERVATION NOTES.

A conference of county chairmen in charge of food conservation work, and of village and township leaders will be held at Crookston during the week of the Northwestern Minnesota Farmers' meetings. This conference will be attended by Elizabeth C. Lange, state leader of food conservation demonstration; Mrs. T. R. Sewall, formerly in charge of home economics work at the Northwest School of Agriculture; Mrs. Cavenor, of the State Extension division; and Miss Hallgrim. The meetings will be held at the Presbyterian church, Crookston, February 12, 13, 14,

and 15. It is urged that as many as possible northwestern Minnesota women come to these meetings, which will be exceptionally interesting and beneficial.

#### COMMENCEMENT WEEK.

The dates for commencement week have been selected, Commencement Day falling on Wednesday, March 27. The annual Inter-Society Debate will be held Tuesday evening, March 26, and will be followed by a presentation of a cantata by members of the Senior class and the school chorus. On Monday evening will be given the annual reception to the Senior class by Superintendent and Mrs. Selvig. The baccalaureate address will be given Sunday afternoon by Rev. W. E. Dudley of Crookston.

#### 1918 JUNIOR SHORT COURSE.

The Junior Short Course will be held the week of April 1. Circulars and posters have been forwarded to all the rural schools. Considerable interest is being shown by boys and girls eligible to enter this course, and all indications point to the largest Junior Short course in the history of the school.

#### NEWS FROM THE COUNTIES.

##### Poultry Clubs Organized.

Prof. C. E. Brown is organizing poultry clubs in Polk county, and will continue the work in Red Lake, Marshall, and other counties during this season. The county superintendents of the various counties are cooperating actively in this work. An increased poultry production is urged as a war measure; moreover it is desirable from the standpoint of adding to the farm income.

##### RURAL SCHOOL SPELLING CONTEST.

Miss Grace B. Sherwood, head of the teachers' training department of the Northwest School of Agriculture, who is in charge of the Farm Crops Show Rural Spelling contest, reports that a great deal of interest is being taken in this contest, and that there will be representatives from nearly all of the ten counties located in the northwestern Minnesota district. This contest will be held on Tuesday, February 12. The judges are Superintendent W. B. Numbers, Red Lake Falls; Superintendent I. E. Moats, Argyle; Mrs. Eudell Everdell, Crookston; and Mr. J. P. Bengtson of the Northwest School. The oral contest will take place at four o'clock, Tuesday afternoon at the Armory. The awards will be announced at the evening session.

#### SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Northwest School of Agriculture announces three scholarships of \$125 each, to be given to successful boys and girls club contestants at the close of the 1918 contest. The Crookston Milling Company offers \$125 to be used in the Girls' Bread Making Contest; the Crookston State Bank offers \$125 to be given in the boys' and girls' Corn Growing contest; and Mr. J. W. Wheeler, St. Paul, offers \$125 to be given in the boys' and girls' Potato

Raising contest. It is hoped later to be able to offer suitable awards in the pig raising contest, and also in the dairy cow record contest.

#### SEWALL BECOMES WISCONSIN LIVE STOCK BREEDERS.

The Stevens Point Daily Journal of January 6 records the organization of Portage County, Wisconsin, Holstein Freisian Breeders' Association, of which T. R. Sewall was chosen vice president. Mr. Sewall received his inspiration for the Holstein at the Northwest Experiment Station, and we are pleased to know that he is interesting himself in live stock work in Wisconsin.

#### ADDITIONAL FARM BUREAUS FORMED.

Additional farm bureaus have been organized in northwestern Minnesota since the January Northwest Monthly was published. A conference of the officers and directors of northwestern Minnesota farm bureaus will be held at Crookston on February 13 when State Food Administrator, A. D. Wilson, will be present to speak on "The Farm Bureau in Relation to Agricultural Work."

#### MARSHALL COUNTY.

The Marshall county farm bureau organization was perfected by electing the following officers: President, James J. Sinclair, Stephen; 1st Vice President, George Johnson, Grygla; 2nd Vice President, Earnest Mack, Argyle; Secretary-Treasurer, M. L. Warner, Warren; County Commissioner, A. O. Fladeland, Grygla; County Fair, Dr. E. T. Frank, Warren; County Federation of Farm Clubs, Theo. Miller, Argyle; County Live Stock Breeders association, J. S. Hilleboe, Warren; Farm Loan associations, G. N. Morkassel, Warren; Farmers Co-Operative associations, F. A. Green, Stephen; County Schools, David Johnson, Warren; Commercial clubs to be selected by each club.

The above officers constitute the board of directors. They, representing the various organizations, will cooperate with and assist the county agent in planning his activities with those particular organizations.

#### ROSEAU COUNTY.

The Roseau County Farm Bureau has been organized with the following officers: President, Walter Anderson, Badger; Vice President, A. M. Landby, Swift; Secretary-Treasurer, P. N. Burden, Roseau; Executive Committee: Martin Widsten, Warrad; Benjamin Franklin, Roseau; Fred Nordine, Roseau; E. L. Thompson, Badger; Louis Enstrom, Malung; C. B. Goodrich, Greenbush; and A. S. Roetman, Badger.

No town or village advisory council has yet been appointed.

#### CLAY COUNTY.

The names of the officers of the Clay County Bureau are as follows: President, T. B. C. Evans, Hawley; Secretary, C. R. Oliver, Barnesville; Treasurer, A. H. Costain, Moorhead; 1st Vice President, R. L. Scott, Borup;

2nd Vice President, T. H. Skrei, Glyn-don; 3rd Vice President, E. C. Schrod-er, Moorhead; Farmers' Club, B. H. Briggs, Moorhead; Live Stock, J. W. Friday, Hawley; Potato Growers, H. P. Hendrickson, Ulen; County Fair, J. L. Bredmeier, Barnesville; Commercial Clubs, C. T. Borgen, Moorhead; Cream-eries, H. E. Roberts, Moorhead; Coun-ty Commissioners, Frank Kimm, Moorhead; and County Schools, S. O. Tang, Moorhead.

#### RED LAKE COUNTY.

Ed. Enright of Brown's Creek, presi-dent; Frank Grenier of Louisville, vice president; George W. Nelson of Red Lake Falls, secretary and treasurer, and Charles C. Lake, county agent.

Ed. Enright represents Brown's Creek and Wylie; Earl Smith, Poplar River; L. E. Slyter, Lake Pleasant; Frank Grenier, Louisville; George W. Nelson, Red Lake Falls township; Ole O. Lee, Equality and Garnes; Joseph Bergerson, Lambert; J. A. Perrault, Gervais and Emardville; Arthur Prene-vost, Terrebonne. Messrs. Ole O. Lee, Joseph Bergerson and Arthur Prene-vost are county commissioners, and in addition to their towns, will represent the county in the affairs of the association.

#### NORTHWEST EXPERIMENT ASSOCIATION.

It is proposed to organize an experi-ment association of the graduates and former students of the Northwest School of Agriculture.

The object of the association will be to promote better farming methods in general, and the use of pure seeds in particular. The Northwest Station has reached the point where it can state positively which one of several varie-ties of the various field crops is the best one to use in northwestern Min-nesota, and it is proposed that mem-bers of the association shall have the first choice of any recommended grains or forage crops which the Sta-tion has to offer. The seed is to be sold and not given away. Anything of value is worth paying for.

The former students and graduates can do themselves, their community and the state a great service by becom-ing members of this association and growing under the direction of the Station one or more of the approved crops. He will help himself by secur-ing pure seed of acknowledged su-periority and increasing this for sale to his neighbors. He can aid his com-munity by the dissemination of this better seed. He can aid the state by securing data for his particular soil type and by increasing the total pro-duction of the state.

Any graduate or former student of the Northwest School of Agriculture is eligible to membership. All that is re-quired is that the seed stock be se-cured from the Northwest Experiment station and that it be kept pure if sold for seed purposes.

In addition, it is hoped that a suf-ficient number of farmers will be in-terested and that an organization of such might be perfected. A meeting is called for 4 p. m. Thursday, Feb-ruary 14, at the Armory, for the pur-pose of organization.

We hope to have every community

represented, and as the associations develop, to have a system of inspec-tion so that all seed sold by members may have the stamp of approval placed upon it.

For more detailed information, write to F. L. Kennard, or Superintend-ent C. G. Selvig, Crookston.

#### USE MORE POTATOES.

The food administration has sent out a letter calling attention to a very serious situation existing, relative to the 1917 potato crop. The national crop was eighty million bushels above the normal production, while the consump-tion thus far has been below normal. Unless it is possible to increase at once this consumption materially, the food value of this surplus—equal to approximately twelve million bushels of wheat—will be lost. One potato ad-ditional for each person every day, would take care of the surplus.

#### NORTHWESTERN MINNESOTA FARMERS' WEEK.

Armory, Crookston

Monday, February 11

Stock Judging Contests, Corn and Potato Judging.

High School Declamatory Contest in evening.

Tuesday, February 12

Live Stock and Farm Management Topics.

Spelling Contest. Musical program and Red Cross address in evening.

Wednesday, February 13

Live Stock, Farm Bureau, and Food Problem Topics.

Premier Norris in the evening.

Thursday, February 14

Live Stock, War Problems in Relation to Farming.

Seed Corn and other topics.

President Burton in evening.

Friday, February 15

Poultry, Potatoes, Pastures, Farm Machinery Repairs and other topics. Governor Burnquist in evening.

#### GONVICK FARMER RAISES MUCH STOCK.

Superintendent J. H. Hay of Thief River Falls writes an interesting ac-count of a visit he made to the home of John E. Peirson, who lives one mile east of Golvick. Mr. Peirson is the manager of the Golvick Live Stock Shippers' association. He is feeding forty-six two-year-old steers which he picked up during the seasons of 1916 and 1917 in his own neighborhood. He buys the corn by the carload lot, and is feeding the stock according to up-to-date methods. Some forty hogs fol-low the cattle. These are on full feed as Mr. Peirson proposes shipping early in March. This is a live stock project on a large scale. It is not only inter-esting, but it is prophetic in that it points to what will happen to a greater and greater extent as years go by.

#### CAMPUS BRIEFS.

The Faculty Women's Knitting club met with Mrs. T. M. McCall, Wednes-day evening, January 23. The next meeting will be held at Robertson Hall, Mrs. Haig, hostess. These meet-

ings are well attended and very inter-esting. After the regular business is transacted, some member reads aloud from the current magazines articles of interest in the present crisis.

The Students' Knitting club meets each Friday evening. It is divided into two groups. One group meets in the sewing room on the second floor of the Home Economics Building, in charge of Miss Rockwood, and the other in the rooms of the Normal Training Depart-ment on the first floor of the Home Economics Building, in charge of Miss Sherwood. Every girl on the campus is knitting a sweater, a helmet or a pair of sox. While the girls knit, some one reads aloud some good story or in-teresting article.

The girls are enjoying these meet-ings, and are most enthusiastic over their knitting achievement.

Plans are rapidly maturing for classes to be formed in surgical dress-ings by members of the Northwest School of Agriculture branch of the Red Cross. The museum on the second floor of the Hill Building is being fitted up for the work. The walls have been freshly kalsomined, floor and tables have been revarnished and ev-erything made thoroughly sanitary for the work.

Mrs. Selvig and Miss Glise, who have taken a special course in the work, will be in charge of the classes. The classes, which will include both faculty and students, will meet four times a week. The enthusiasm and interest shown in this work, promises excellent results.

Miss Clara Sollie, of Fosston, was a guest of the campus, Sunday, January 27. Miss Sollie attended the prelimi-nary spelling contest at Crookston on Saturday, where Carl Lindfors, one of her pupils, was a contestant.

Mrs. T. R. Sewall, formerly at the head of the Home Economics Depart-ment of the Northwest School of Agri-culture, will have charge of some of the demonstration work in connection with the women's meetings at the Farm Crops Show. This will be welcome news to Mrs. Sewall's many friends in all parts of the valley. Her name on the program will assure a large at-tendance at the meetings where she appears. While on the campus, Mrs. Sewall will be the guest of Superin-tendent and Mrs. Selvig.

An event which everyone is looking forward to with a great deal of inter-est is the Inter-Society contest which will take place Monday evening, Feb-ruary 25, in the auditorium. The con-testants will be chosen from the mem-bers of the Lincoln debating club, Pioneer debating club and the Home Economics club. The program will consist of one declamation, one patriotic oration, one musical number and one original number from each organization respectively. Each of the clubs has chosen people who they feel sure will carry off the victory and the spirit of rivalry is running high. Without a doubt no one will want to miss the opportunity of at-tending this program for the winner will surely earn their "booty."

R. E. Harlan, of McIntosh, was school visitor on Saturday, Januar-26. He is a classmate of Misses Rockwood and Piemeisel, class of 1917, Min-nesota Agricultural College.