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ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM OUR BOYS IN SERVICE.

Harold Walland is with the A. E. F. in France. He served first as musician, but has recently been a radio operator. He volunteered for service before the United States entered the war.

John Harry Green arrived in France August 12, and was at the front on November 11. His last letter written November 27 stated he came through the conflict unharmed.

Martin Bang is with Company "B" 4th Am. T. N., American Exp. Forces.

Eddie Underdahl arrived in France the twenty-third of December, 1917. He had been in active service during the entire year, but had received no injuries. He has not written since the close of the war, but it is hoped that he came through unhurt.

Melvin Samstad is in France. He enjoys army life and says he is having a good time.

Alfred C. Ulvan wrote on November 13 that he was feeling well. He arrived over seas in July and has had several experiences in the front line trenches. Christian Hagen is with the Hdq. Co. 349th Infantry in France. He writes that he is well and feeling fine.

Raymond Anderson is with Battery "C" in the 1st Army Corps in France.

King H. Scherfenberg is at Camp Knox, West Port, Kentucky.

Kenneth W. Johnston is with the American Expeditionary Forces in France.

Harold Johnston is in the students' division, University of Texas, Austin, Texas.

Henry Gibson landed in England October 7. He is in the truck division.

Oscar G. Johnson is at Aberdeen, Washington. He expected to leave in time to return home for the holidays.

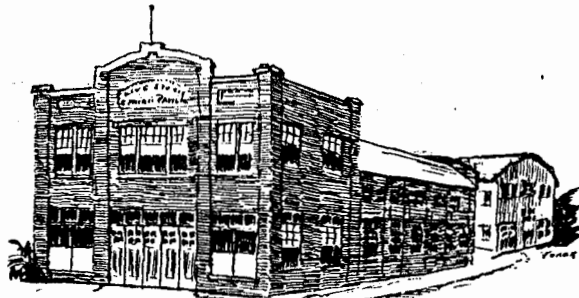
Private John Paulsrud was in Camp Grant, Illinois, and Gunnar Paulsrud is at Camp Forrest, Georgia. Both expect to be mustered out soon.

Alfred Nelson was transferred from Fort Shafter to Camp Fremont, and from there to Camp Dodge where he was transferred to the 88th Inf.

eter Nelson landed in New York December 2, returning from active service. He is a member of the 216th Aero Squadron.

Martin Breiland is with the 158th Inf. in France. A letter received some time ago stated that he was feeling fine.

Ralph Hedley was a student of the Dunwoody Institute, returning home early last month. Lieut. Harold Schuck also returned from army service some time ago.



THE NEW \$25,000 PAVILION LOCATED NEXT TO THE ARMORY
CROOKSTON, MINNESOTA

1918 CHRISTMAS AT NORTHWEST SCHOOL

The flu brought about a pleasant Christmas celebration for the students at the Northwest School of Agriculture. That sounds like making the most of a bad thing and a true illustration of the old saying, "It is an ill wind that doesn't blow someone some good." It happened thus, however. On account of the influenza epidemic, the fall term had been shortened. To make up time, only two days were taken for the holiday vacation,—Christmas day and the

day following. Many students did not go home, preferring to celebrate the Christmas joys at the school. The festivities began with a good old-fashioned Scandinavian Christmas Eve supper. There was lutefisk swimming in melted butter, kott bullar that made your mouth water, and lefse just like mother used to make, besides other goodies too numerous to mention.

The evening was spent at Senior Hall. About sixty students and twenty of the campus folks were there. The cozy parlors had been suitably decorated, a beautiful Christmas tree was all alight, and the fireplace glowed with a Yule log all ablaze. Following a short program of songs, readings, recitations, and an address by Superintendent Selvig on "The Christmas Spirit", the company, like one big congenial family joined in a series of merry parlor games. There were tests of skill and wit that brought great amusement.

Popcorn balls and apples were next brought out in great quantities. The rapidity with which they disappeared was evidence of the wonderful capacity of young people in holiday season.

Just at this point there was a loud noise in the chimney of the fireplace. Sleighbells had already been heard in the distance. Many ran to the window in the hopes that the sleigh would be seen before "airplaning" to the roof, but old Santa beat them to it. For presto, in the very center of the room he stood with a huge pack on his shoulders, his gray hair, snowy beard, kindly eye and generous proportions making him that mysterious figure about whom we have read so much, but about whose whereabouts, excepting at Christmas, we know so little. There were presents for all and loads of them. The crowd was so absorbed in the surprises that the packages revealed that, when the last one had been opened, they suddenly discovered that Santa had left as suddenly and mysteriously

Aviator William Espe spent Christmas vacation at home. He returned to Texas to complete his training, expecting soon to become a full fledged airman.

Olaf S. Boness is with Battery "B" 67th Artillery in France. He wrote November 3 that he was in good health and was getting along nicely and hoped it would not be long before the boys would return home.

Elvin B. Sillerud is machinist with the 55th Pioneer Infantry in France....

THE LIST IS GROWING

Northwest School students and faculty are joining the Red River Live Stock Association in increasing numbers each month. It is hoped to secure the \$1000 quota for the pavilion before the February issue of the Northwest Monthly. If you don't see your name in the list this month, send in your card for the next issue.

Subscriptions Received

Everett Ball.....	\$ 50.00
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as he had come. By this time Christmas morn was approaching and soon Senior Hall settled down to its usual nightly stillness awaiting the day of Christmas gladness and joy on earth, peace and good will to men.

Christmas day was spent quietly. A number of the students attended church in Crookston. A sumptuous turkey dinner was served at noon. The evening was spent pleasantly at parlor games in the gymnasium.

NEW YEARS DAY

New Years Day was also observed as a holiday. The respite from study hours New Years Eve was celebrated by the students by an interesting program of moving pictures, basket ball, and a general good time. It was a jolly crowd that watched the old year out and the new year in, quite reminiscent of the days before the flu when such pleasant student functions were common on Saturday nights.

RETURNED FROM WAR SERVICE

Mr. A. H. Larson and family returned to the Northwest School of Agriculture, January 1. Mr. Larson has been on leave of absence for six months and during that time has been inspector of munitions in the Ordnance Department of the United States Army.

Mr. Carl A. Berg, a graduate of the Northwest School of Agriculture and a former member of the faculty, also returned to the campus at the beginning of the new year. Mr. Berg will assist in the department of engineering. He comes here directly from Camp Cody, where he has been in training for several months.

ALUMNI ATTENTION

The Alumni who were present at the banquet during the Farm Crops Show last year will welcome the suggestion that the event be repeated this year. Last year's banquet stands out as one of the most interesting and enthusiastic gatherings of the week as far as those connected with the school were concerned.

The suggestion has been made, that if possible, a banquet be held this year on the same date President Burton will be in Crookston. It has been found that this arrangement is possible and it is only necessary that the Alumni express themselves on this subject as to whether it will be possible for them to attend the banquet Friday evening, February 14.

It is therefore requested that the Alumni inform Secretary Paul Engel-

stad at an early date stating whether they intend to be present at the banquet. Let us all get behind this and boost for a most successful banquet.

ANOTHER ALUMNUS MAKES THE SUPREME SACRIFICE

A letter which just reached the Northwest School tells of the death of Edward Rud, '12 N. W. S. A., on December 9, in France, where he was a member of 352nd Infantry, A. E. F. Death was caused by bronchial pneumonia.

The news of his death was a severe shock to his wife who was waiting for his return at their home in Middle River. It was equally so to his parents and relatives at Viking, Minnesota, as well as to his large circle of friends on this campus.

He had written a letter received only two days before the news of his death was flashed to the people that he was in the best of health and entertained fond hopes of returning home very soon. The last Northwest Monthly contained a brief note from a letter to Supt. Selvig.

The Northwest School sends its sincerest sympathy to the bereaved widow and mourning parents in their great loss. Only the thought that he was one of the finest of men, honest, of strong heart and kindly disposition, and that he gave his all that our country may live, will ameliorate the grief of those who mourn his untimely departure.

DEATH ENTERS HOME OF FACULTY MEMBER

Death entered the home of Mr. W. V. Gousseff on December 21 when his beloved wife Maurine Nye Gousseff was removed from our midst. She succumbed after an attack of Influenza followed by the dread scourge of pneumonia, which is numbering thousands among its victims in all parts of the country.

Mrs. Gousseff came to the Northwest School early in October. During the brief period that she was among us she greatly endeared herself to all who came in her presence.

The entire school and faculty felt deeply the personal bereavement occasioned by this loss. Their heartfelt sympathy goes out to Mr. Gousseff and to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nye of Ottumwa, Iowa. An appropriate floral offering including the letters N. W. S. A. was sent by the faculty and students of the Northwest School to her parents' home where the funeral services were held.

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Reece W. Shoop.....	10.00
Louis O. Regemibal.....	10.00
Swan Pearson.....	10.00
Ralph Hedley.....	10.00
Elmer Latta.....	10.00
Herman Skyberg.....	10.00
Fred Rubert.....	10.00
Bernard Moses.....	10.00
Esther Pearson.....	10.00
Harold Morris.....	10.00
Marlon Johnson.....	10.00
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Agnes Bjoin Nelson.....	10.00
Bertha Bjoin.....	10.00

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FARM SCHOOL STOCK PURPLE BLOODED

Did it ever occur to you that live stock has a trade mark? For instance recall to your mind certain products advertised in practically any periodical you pick up. And have you ever noticed that when you call for a product in a store and mention no definite kind you usually are given the one advertised the most?

What has this to do with live stock and more directly the Crookston Farm School stock? This is the answer: In order to be so well advertised the product must be good and there must be a demand for it.

Study over the pedigrees of the Farm School herd and satisfy yourself if the stock is not what we call the so called "royally bred" stock.

Beginning with the Holstein herd study the breeding of the herd sire. Since there is a possibility of a sire exerting two-thirds of the influence in a breeding herd, satisfy yourself what he can do. Duke Pietertje Ormsby Korndyke is a son of Sir Pitertje Ormsby Mercedes whose 60 daughters include Bess Burke Ormsby, a cow that made over 42 pounds of butter in a week, or in other words 6 pounds of butter per day. Seven other daughters made from 30 to 35 pounds in a week and 32 others from 20 to 29.8 pounds in 7 days.

This sire is recognized by many as the greatest sire of showing winners in the world and has more yearly record daughters than any other sire. Four daughters have yearly records of from 1133 to 1389 pounds of butter per year. Think of cows producing almost their own weight in butter in 365 days. Not only does Duke Pietertje Ormsby Korndyke have such wonderful breeding on his sire's side but he traces back on his dam's side to the famous Changeling family, recognized as a milk producing family. You are convinced of this when you realize that his grandsire on his dam's side had 90 daughters that passed the Advanced Register test. He also traces back to Pontiac Korndyke the sire with 150 A. R. O. daughters and one son with 250 A. R. O. daughters. Mated to cows representing Ormsby, Burke, Korndyke, Hengeveld, DeKol, Aaggle, Calantha and Julianna breeding, the result can be nothing but the breeding and conformation that constructive Holstein breeders are demanding.

If good blood lines have anything to do with the livestock breeding business, the Crookston Farm School herd should develop some good stock. Watch for the trade mark and see it develop. The remainder of the stock will be discussed next month.

RED RIVER VALLEY WINTER STOCK SHOW

CROOKSTON, MINNESOTA, FEBRUARY 10 - 14, 1919

The Winter Live Stock Exhibit

The directors of the association have definitely approved the schedule of premiums for the coming show as printed in this report. It is expected that the amount to be paid out for premiums will be about \$1400, which will be provided jointly by the Crookston Association of Public Affairs, the proceeds from admissions to the Farm Crops Show, and, in addition, receipts from stall rentals and from the commission on sales. It is hoped that every stall, pen and available square foot of space will be utilized. There will be room for 250 head of cattle and a large number of sheep and swine. Our first request is for all the pure bred stock breeders to ship animals to the show. We should have all the breeds represented and all the counties of the district as well. It is hoped to secure additional trophies and special awards to be announced later.

Live Stock Sales

The sales will be held Feb. 12. The dairy animals, hogs and sheep will be sold during the forenoon, followed by the beef animals and those shown in the market classes that the owners wish to dispose of. A sales catalog will be issued. The sales will be advertised widely in order to secure good consignments and, also, to attract prospective buyers..

Stock Judging Contests

It is hoped to continue the judging contests for high school and farmers' club teams. A new class will be organized composed of three in a team from a township where there is no farmers' club at present. Later announcements will be given regarding these contests. Your suggestions regarding them are also invited.

The Live Stock Exhibit Building and Barn

A full set of blue prints of the exhibit building and barn plans will be sent to each of the county agents in the twelve northwestern Minnesota counties in order to give as many as possible a chance to see what they look like. The frame work of the barn is already up. They began laying brick on the pavilion December 20. The contractor states it will be ready by February 1. The total expenditure for two lots (two buildings, ventilation, heating and lighting will be between \$24,000 and \$25,000. Of this amount \$20,000 is pledged by Polk, Marshall, Norman, Red Lake and Kittson counties, leaving \$5,000 to be raised in the other counties or thru some other means. The splendid response that has come in this movement removes any doubt as to ultimate success. It will be much

easier, however, for the board of directors and advisory board to plan the first exhibit and sale and to look forward to much larger things in 1920, if the other counties would organize at once to raise the balance necessary. On account of the flu, there has not been the attention given to the building campaign it should have had. It is hoped from now on to enlist the active support of a committee of ten in each county to secure the balance needed. This will make raising the necessary funds to complete the building a matter of a few days' work only. This should be done before January 15.

N. W. Minnesota Farmers' Week Meetings

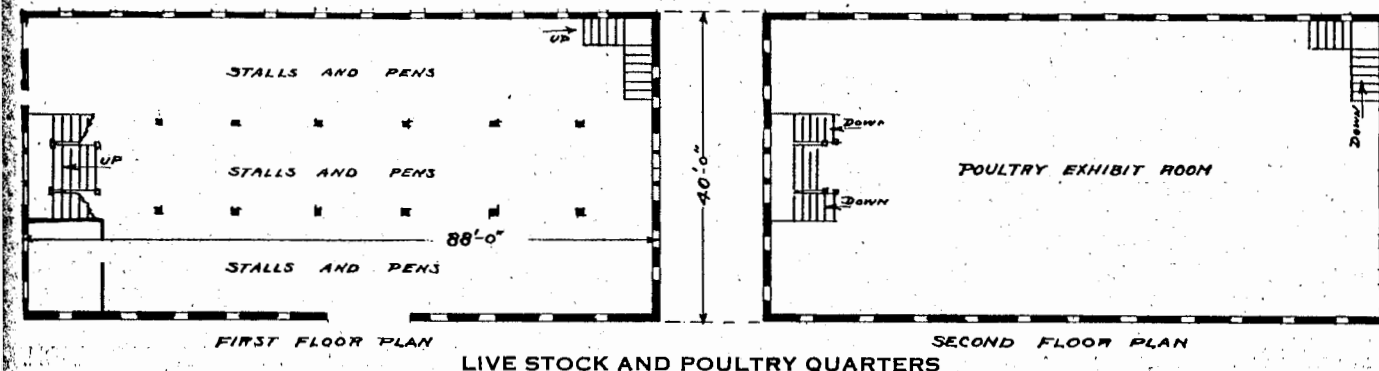
Plans are being made for a strong program of live stock and other subjects at the N. W. Minnesota Farmers' Week meetings held by the Northwest School of Agriculture during the week of February 10. Several prominent live stock men will be present. In addition Dr. George E. Vincent and President Marion L. Burton will be here. All reports indicate that the Flu is subsiding which it is hoped will remove any risk from that source by February. The women's meetings will take up important topics. Mrs. T. G. Winter is expected, in addition to a notable group of other lecturers and specialists.

Farm Crops Show

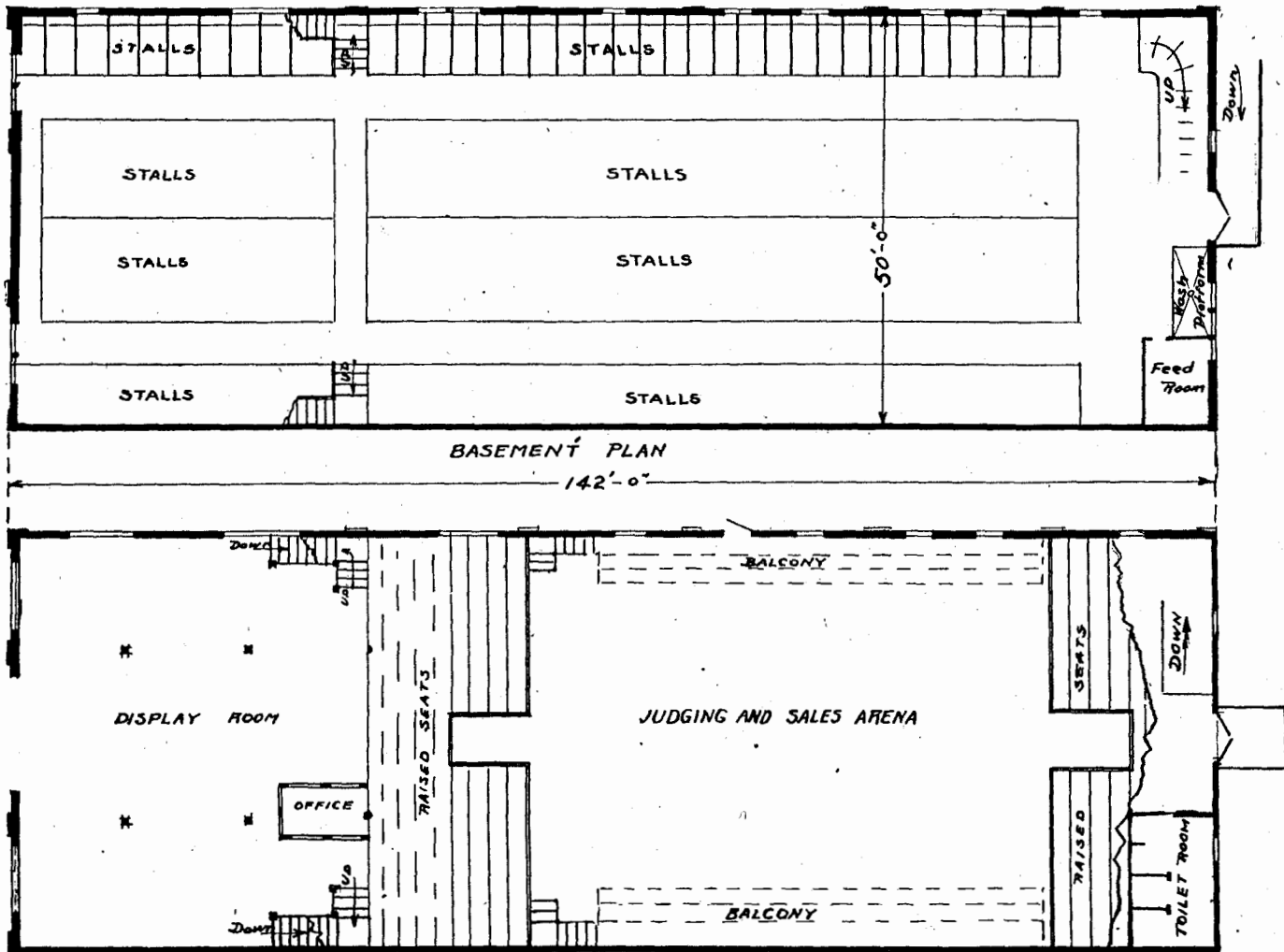
The farm crops exhibits will be shown in the Armory as before. Secretary Zealand announces that the premium list for that exhibit will soon be ready for distribution. Two rooms each 42 x 50 in the new live stock pavilion will be used for a farm machinery and agricultural implements show. This important feature promises to be bigger and better than ever.

Community Cooperation

Many splendid things have been done in all of the communities of Northwestern Minnesota. All are proud of the records made by this group of counties, townships, and cities. May we not get together again and make this new live stock movement go with a rush and a push that will mean something. By all working together there is no limit to what may be accomplished. A new year is here, the most glorious year in all history, for it will mark the permanent establishment of peace and justice on earth. Let us make the new year, 1919, mean much to us also, first and foremost, in giving support to these principles of humanity and democracy; and also, to improve our own condition and our farms. In this program we know live stock looms large. Let us start in 1919 a movement that will be permanent. It can be done, if you will do your part and interest your neighbor and ask him to do his.



LIVE STOCK AND POULTRY QUARTERS



FIRST FLOOR PLAN
 FLOOR PLANS OF LIVE STOCK PAVILION
 DISPLAY ROOM IN FRONT TWO STORIES

PRELIMINARY PREMIUM LIST

DIVISION I. CATTLE. Premiums: 1, \$10.00; 2, \$6.00; 3, \$4.00; 4, \$3.00; 5, ribbon for EACH of the following eight lots: Bull, 3 yrs. old or over; bull, 2 yrs. under 3; bull, 1 yr. under 2; bull, under 1 year. Cow, 3 yrs. or over; cow, 2 yrs. under 3; heifer, 1 yr. under 2; heifer calf, under 1 year; and herd of four (\$10.00). Rosette Ribbons for champions. This classification for registered animals of the following breeds: GUERNSEY, HOLSTEIN, MILKING SHORTHORN, SHORTHORN, ABERDEEN ANGUS, and HEREFORD. For each breed \$194.00. Total \$1,164.00.

Age For Cattle will be figured at January 1, 1919

DIVISION II. SWINE. Premiums: 1, \$7.00; 2, \$5.00; 3, \$3.00; 4, \$2.00; 5, ribbon for EACH of the following six lots: Boar, 2 years or over; boar 1 year and under 2; boar under 1 year.; sow, 2 years or over; sow, 1 year and under 2; sow under 1 year.; herd, boar and three sows any age (\$5.00). Rosette Ribbons for champions. This classification for registered animals of the following breeds. DUROC JERSEY, POLAND CHINA, CHESTER WHITE, YORKSHIRE, BERKSHIRE. Total \$535.00 or \$107.00 for each breed.

Age for swine and sheep will be figured at February 10, 1919

DIVISION III. SHEEP. Same premiums as for swine for EACH of the following six lots: Ram, 2 yrs. or over; ram, 1 year under 2; ram under 1 year; ewe 2 yrs. or over; ewe 1 yr.

under 2; ewe under 1 year; flock, ram and 3 ewes any age. (\$5.00); pen of three lambs bred by Exhibitor, \$5.00. Rosette Ribbons for champions. This classification for REGISTERED SHROPSHIRE sheep. Total \$112.00.

DIVISION IV. MARKET CATTLE.

Steer or heifer, 18 mos. or over, \$20.00, \$15.00, \$10.00, \$5.00, \$5.00, \$5.00, \$5.00; Steer or heifer under 18 months, \$12.00, \$10.00, \$8.00, \$5.00, \$5.00, \$5.00, \$5.00; Steer or heifer under 18 mos. to be exhibited by member boys' or girls' club, \$12.00, \$10.00, \$8.00, \$5.00, \$5.00, \$5.00, \$5.00.

DIVISION V. MARKET HOGS. Pen of three market hogs, \$10.00, \$8.00, \$6.00.

DIVISION VI. MARKET SHEEP. Pen of three market sheep, \$10.00, \$8.00, \$6.00.

Total for classes IV, V and VI, \$213.00. Total premiums offered in classes I-VI, inclusive, \$2,024.00. Special cups and trophies will be awarded to exhibitors of the best dairy herd, best beef herd, best swine, best sheep, and champions in classes IV, V and VI. Watch for later announcements. Send for the premium list which will be ready about January 15. Let us have a good show and sale at the first winter show in the new buildings. Send for complete premium list. Address W. V. Gousseff, Secretary, Crookston.

RED RIVER VALLEY LIVE STOCK ASSOCIATION.