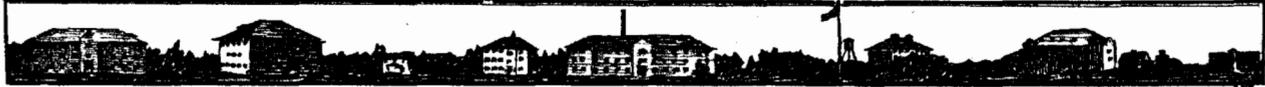


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HOME PROJECT SHOW SET NEW RECORD

With 138 individual entries, the Sixth annual home project exhibit, held in connection with Parent's Day, November 6, was the largest and in many features the most interesting project show ever held at the school. The dress making projects with 29 entries and the pure seed exhibits by 18 students were splendid demonstrations of the work accomplished during the summer months.

Championship for home economics exhibit went to Elida Erickson, Clearbrook, who won first on house dress, first on preserves, third on cake making and third on table linen. Vivian Olson, Thief River Falls, was a strong contender for this honor, winning first on made over dress, first on canning and second on house dress. Lawrence Letness, Thief River Falls, won championship on boys' exhibits Ishmael Rynning, Kennedy, won first on potatoes; Bennie Strickler, Euclid, first on corn; and Arthur Ramse, McIntosh, first on pure seed flax.

Winners of the first places in the girls' projects were: Canning, Vivian Olson, Thief River Falls; meat canning, Palma Hornseth, Thief River Falls; preserving, Elida Erickson, Clearbrook; bread baking, Julia Miller, Goodridge; cake making, Adeline Buness, Eldred; cookies, Laura Buck, Crookston, pies; preserves, Nellie Strickler, Euclid; table linen, Adeline Buness, Eldred; house dress, Elida Erickson, Clearbrook; made over dress, Vivian Olson; hemstitching, Anna Dunbar, Caribou.

Miss Mildred Schenck, assistant state club leader, University Farm, St. Paul, formerly home project leader of girls' projects at the Northwest School judged the home economic classes. T. M. McCall, horticulturist, and R. S. Dunham, agronomist, judged the crops exhibits. The show was arranged by Miss Retta Bede, Miss Laura Gerber, and E. R. Clark of the school faculty.

Announcement of winners of the two silver trophies and scholarships for home project work will be made at the December get-together dinner. These silver cups, one for boys' project and one for girls' work are awarded upon the basis of home work record and story, as well as exhibit, and all projects, including livestock, tractor records, farm accounts, poultry and carpentry are judged in this competition.

Mr. Selvig Elected Congressman Northwest School Head To Go To Washington

On November 2 the voters of the ninth congressional district of Minnesota voted to send Superintendent C. G. Selvig to Washington for the next two years to serve in the House of Representatives from this section.

When Mr. Selvig leaves for his new duties he will have completed a long period of service at the Northwest School and the Red River Valley. Since July 1910 he has been the su-



Congressman-Elect C. G. Selvig

perintendent of the Northwest School and Station without interruption.

During this period the School and Station has passed thru its final pioneer stage. This institution now is an established part of the Red River Valley, near and dear to everyone. Its usefulness has grown proportionately both in attendance and as a source for information.

Not only has Mr. Selvig worked to build the Northwest School and Station to a high standard but he has been active in other matters which have helped make the district a better place in which to live. Among these are his work with the Northwest School Farmers and Women's meetings and Red River Valley Winter

Shows, The Red River Valley Livestock Association together with other groups devoted to better seed, better stock, dairying and community life. His work for farm relief has placed him among the leaders for the promotion of better conditions on the farm.

Cooperation, hard work, leadership and unselfish contribution of service have characterized his work as head of the Crookston school and prompted the confidence the voters expressed in the election November 2.

New Students January 3

The second term at the Northwest School will open Monday January 3 and new students may enroll at that time.

Beginning classes will be organized for boys and girls who come at that time. The total school expense for the three months will be about \$75 which includes board and room at the school.

With the completion of the new health service building by January 1 additional rooms now used for health service will be released for dormitory use. While the enrollment now is 243 it will be possible to accommodate those who wish to take advantage of the three months course.

Those who are planning on attending should write the Registrar for additional information. To assist in the preparation for the new students each one should reserve a room as soon as the student knows he is coming. Each one should suggest the studies desired.

PARENTS' DAY

Four o'clock in the morning was not too early for some mothers and fathers to get started for the seventh annual Parents day which was held at the Northwest School November 6. Several came long distances and reached the school early in the forenoon.

The program was arranged so that parents might see the entire school with the students at work and play. The forenoon was given over to the visitation of classes and buildings. At noon 93 were the guests of the students for dinner.

After a tour thru the dining hall the guests attended a program in the auditorium. This was intended to explain work of the music and public speaking departments in addition to other divisions of school work. Two demonstrations were given, one on

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etiquette and the other on rope work.

The football game followed between the Northwest School and Thief River Falls high school. The parents had the pleasure of seeing the Aggies win a close game by a score of 7-6.

Most of the visitors began to leave at the close of the game so as to reach home that evening. Several remained over night and attended the school party in the gymnasium. This was in the form of a hallowe'en party. An old time mouth organ, accordian and fiddlers contest was especially well received and helped contribute to the success of the party.

HONOR ROLL

The following students were placed on the honor scholastic roll at the Northwest School for the six week's period ending November 13.

Freshmen:

Evelyn Bain, Baudette.
Herman Beiswenger, Kratka.
Marian Dahlberg, Clearbrook.
Gordon Ellinger, Crookston.
Earl Ellinger, Crookston.
Estelle Filipi, Tabor.
Mabel Fletcher, Bagley.
Anna Hanson, Stephen.
Florence Hanson, Mentor.
Anna Heddan, Stephen.
Irma Hoppe, Crookston.
Emma Letnes, Thief River Falls.
Lauritz Mikkelson, Hawley.
Lawrence Newhouse, Crookston.
Ruth Sintak, Tabor.
Lloyd Weaver, Crookston.

Juniors:

Lillian Bakken, Erskine.
Theodore Carlson, Hallock.
Isabelle Dobias, Angus.
Elida Erickson, Clearbrook.
Ethel Harris, Crookston.
George Roisum, Bagley.
Albert Sandel, Syre.
Arthur Sandel, Syre.
Harriet Skjerva, Hawley.
Esther Vikar, Fertile.

Seniors:

Adeline Bunness, Eldred.
Hannah Degerness, Gary.
Selmer Harstad, Fertile.
Gladys Huartson, Gatzke.
Maurice Lillo, Oklee.
Randolph Ostlie, Montevideo.
Erma Ross, Crookston.
Ishmael Rynning, Kennedy.
Glenn Smith, Bluffton.
Lawrence Spears, Shooks.
Carl Widseth, Gonvick.

Advanced:

Inger Lundeen, Erskine.
Arthur Ramse, McIntosh.
Phinny Stenborg, Clearbrook.

THANKSGIVING 1926

As usual Thanksgiving Day will be a busy one for everyone at the Northwest School. The program will begin at noon and continue through the evening.

Since school is in session Friday and Saturday almost every student and member of the faculty will participate in the events. The community dinner at noon will begin the day of festivities.

At 3:30 a community program will be given to which the neighbors residing near the Northwest School will be guests. This will consist of the reading of the Thanksgiving day proclamation and songs in keeping with the day. The address will be given by Superintendent C. G. Selvig.

A play "The Dear Departed" and a film will conclude the program. During the evening there will be school party to which all the students will be present.

LECTURE COURSE ARRANGED

The program of lecture course numbers and recitals for the school year has been filled and promises to be one of the best ever arranged for the Northwest School. Some of the numbers will be given during the first term and the others will come after Christmas.

On November 20 Arthur Moose will be the entertainer. The Playmakers of the University of North Dakota will present the University play "Kempy" on November 27. On January 15 No Yong Park of Japan will give his lecture on "The Outlook in the Far East." The Buckeye Male quartette will be the fourth number of the course.

Four musical recitals will also be given. On December 11 Karl Scheurer, violinist and Henry Williams, harpist, will give a joint concert. Early in January a concert by Crookston and Northwest School musicians will be given. Miss Gertrude Hull, soprano, comes January 27 and Mrs. Kate Mork Twichell, piano, is scheduled for February 15.

With the exception of the local artists, the musicians are members of the faculty of the School of Music, University of Minnesota. In addition to hearing them at the Northwest School the students may also attend the recitals in the evening which will be given in Crookston.

Orchestra is Organized

One of the best orchestras of any previous year is in the making this year. The director is E. R. Uggem, Grand Forks who has been in charge of this work for the past several years.

In addition to the orchestra students are given an opportunity to learn to play almost any instrument they prefer. As a result each time

the group meets there is a wide selection of musical instruments ranging from accordians to violin, brasses and others used in bands or orchestras.

Students who come after Christmas should bring their musical instruments with them. Those who do not play will be given an opportunity to join the beginners.

Radio Program Pleases

The radio program by the members of the Northwest School faculty was given from station KFJM University of North Dakota, Grand Forks from the Hotel Frederick studio November 9.

There were 85 direct communications during the evening concerning the program and numerous letters were later received. Many of these came from alumni, former students and parents of students. These messages were appreciated by members of the faculty.

The program consisted of solos, trios, readings, a story of the Northwest School by Superintendent C. G. Selvig and songs by the quintette.

Those who took part were Misses Simley, Gurley, Polski, Hughbanks, Warne, Mrs. Genung, Mr. Dunham, and Mr. Larson was the announcer.

Basketball Season Begins

Prospects for the basketball season are not known at this time as practice was begun on November 15. A large squad is working with Coach D. H. LaVoi and it is expected that some of the men will prove to be good material.

In addition to the first and second team squads, each class has teams. There are also teams among the girls so that everyone who wishes may have an opportunity to learn the game. Basketball is a major sport since school is in session during the winter months.

The schedule of games is not completed but will include some of the larger high schools, Teachers' colleges and the Morris Aggies.

The games already scheduled are Fosston there on February 18, Mah-nomen here February 5, Fertile here February 21 and Morris there on February 26.

FOR SALE—Five Registered Holstein bulls born in September and October 1926 calves. Wonderful chance to secure a herd sire. Write N. W. Experiment Station, Crookston.

COCKERELS FOR SALE—White Leghorns, Banded Rocks, and Rhode Island Reds. Write Northwest School, Crookston.

FOR SALE—Purebred Duroc Jersey boar. Farrowed March 18, 1926. Write N. W. Experiment Station, Crookston.

NORTHWEST SCHOOL WEEK'S PROGRAMS AND RED

HOME COMING WAS BIGGER AND BETTER THAN EVER

The 1926 Home Coming on October 23 was attended by the largest number of alumni and former students who have ever been back for a similar event. The day was perfect in every respect and as far as the program was concerned was ideal.

The events of the day began with a special assembly program. After the Morris team and coaches had received the welcome from the student body in the form of cheers and yells a football game was staged. This consisted of throwing a football at figures representing players and coaches with counters for each direct hit. The game was won by Morris 36 to 18.

Following the contests the address of welcome was given by Superintendent C. G. Selvig and the response by Superintendent P. E. Miller.

The football game in the afternoon was a hard fought battle and the Northwest School won from the Morris Aggies 13-0. This was the third annual contest and Crookston has now won two games and Morris one. The next game will be played at Morris.

Successful Grid Season Closes

Coach LaVoi and his football team passed thru one of the best seasons this year and won all their games with the exception of one. The season began October 4 and closed November 6.

In this short period the team was gotten into condition and played the five games that were on the schedule. The team this year gave good exhibitions of football showing the result of conscientious attention to coaching and training. D. A. Milligan assisted in the coaching and between 40 and 50 men were out for practice.

The games were all played at home this year with the exception of the contest with the Mayville Teachers. A summary shows that Red Lake Falls high school was defeated 58-0, the Mayville Teachers game was lost 33-0 after the Aggies had held them to a 7-0 score until the last quarter. The game with Morris on October 23 was won 13-0. On October 30 Hillsboro was defeated 19-12 and on November 6 Thief River Falls lost 7-6.

The line up in most of the games this year was as follows:

Ends, Henry Mackowiak, Crookston and Melvin Hole, Dalton; Tackles, Randolph Ostlie, Montevideo, Chester Engman, Hallock; Guards, Earl Luchau, Gary and George Berggren, Greenbush; Elmer Wardeberg, McIntosh, center; Olaf Stenborg, Clearbrook and Karrol Gandrud, Detroit, half back, Joe Skatvold, Twin Valley, quarterback and Carl Widseth, Gonvick, fullback. Others who played in some of the games were Harry Confer, Angus, Alfred Danielson, East Grand Forks, Ivan Suhomel, Ogema, Marvin Ofstedal, Winger, Glenn Lindquist, Wylie and Otto Saugen, Thief River Falls.

RED RIVER VALLEY JUNIOR CLUB MEMBERS EXCEL

Northwestern Minnesota 4-H club members made a very creditable showing at the Junior Livestock Show at St. Paul November 9, 10 and 11. The Grand Champion hog and Reserved Champion steer and Champion Angus of the Show came from this district. The 1926 Show was the largest ever held, there being 556 entries in beef, pig, sheep and poultry. The quality too was equal to that of former years.

Five students of the Northwest School of Agriculture took part in this show. They were Henry Roningen, Juel Stephenson, Chester Torgerson, Harry Confer and Lawrence Elton.

Henry Roningen of Pelican Rapids, West Ottertail county, had the Grand Champion hog of the show. He purchased a Bred Gilt last spring for \$50. On March 22 she farrowed twelve pigs of which nine were saved. The pigs were weaned when six weeks old. They were fed milk, ground oats, and wheat with hulls sifted out. They were pastured on one-half acre of alfalfa. At this time the sow was shipped bringing \$38.60 on the market.

Henry made a self-feeder of an old barrel in which he fed ground oats and wheat, besides this milk, mineral feed and ear corn were fed. The feed up to August 20 for the entire litter cost \$57. Henry's pig weighed 342 pounds at the time of the Junior Livestock Show. Armour and Company paid \$1.25 per pound or a total of \$427.50.

Juel Stephenson, a club mate of Henry, also comes from Pelican Rapids. Juel won first at the county fair with his barrow and placed third in the Duroc Jersey class with thirty-five entries at the Junior Livestock

Show. He also won second in the county in the Ton Litter class. His litter weighed 2,436 pounds. Juel bought his sow two years ago for \$50. This year she farrowed thirteen pigs, March 24, of which eleven were saved. He sold four when six months old receiving \$100.90. His barrow brought \$41.92. He still has six sows which Juel values at \$30 each. He also won a trip to the 1926 State Fair with his gilt. He is paying his own way through the Northwest School of Agriculture.

Lawrence Elton of Hawley also made a fine record with his Grade Yorkshire pig. This is Lawrence's first year in 4-H club work. He will bear watching another year for with a little better pig he will make the best of them go some.

The Reserved Grand Champion steer and Champion Angus was fed and raised by Wayne Naugle of Norman county. This is Wayne's third year in 4-H club work. He is eighteen years old. His calf was a purebred Angus. Wayne thought that his calf was not gaining fast enough so the last few weeks he got up during the night in order that he might feed him five times a day. Wayne bought his calf for \$50. It cost him \$34.50 for feed. It weighed 936 pound and was sold to Witts Market of Minneapolis for 65 cents, bringing him \$608.40.

Harry Confer of Angus, Polk County, fed a purebred Shorthorn yearling. Harry's calf gained at a rate of a little better than four pounds daily for several months. Besides feeding a baby beef, Harry together with Ernest Palmer of Warren, prepared a beef demonstration. They were asked to join the Beef Special last summer giving their demonstration at



Gopher, a Southern Minnesota Variety and Northwestern Dent. Pictures taken same day. Note difference in maturity.

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the various stops made by this train. Later they were awarded a trip to the State Fair where they gave the same demonstration. Harry feels that any ambitious boy or girl can get a good deal out of 4-H club work and encourages them to take up this work.

Chester Torgerson of Fergus Falls exhibited a purebred Angus calf at South St. Paul. This is his seventh year in club work and second in the baby beef. Six of these years he raised pigs. This year he took up the leadership work also helping other boys and girls. In 1925 he won a scholarship to the Northwest School of Agriculture. He regrets that because of the age limit this will be his last year in club work.

WEATHER NOTES

The total precipitation, including melted snow, from January 1 to November 1, 1926 has been 13.05 inches. The 10-year average for the entire year is 18.69 inches. Unless we are to experience a year below the average, which has happened only five times in 30 years, we are due for at least 56 inches of snow or 5.6 inches of rain, between November 1 and December 1.

April, with a total precipitation of 0.14 inches, was the driest April in 30 years of record at the Northwest Experiment Station. During the growing season from April 1 to October 1 there were 9.15 inches of rain which is approximately 13 inches less than we had during the same period last year and 5 inches less than the 10-year average.

Our total killing frost in the spring occurred May 22, three days later than the 30 year average, and our first killing frost in the fall occurred September 12, ten days earlier than the 30-year average. Our frost-free period therefore, was 13 days less than the 30-year average and 29 days less than last year.

PREPARE YOUR CROP SHOW SAMPLES NOW

It is none too early to start picking over samples for the Farm Crops Show. Thoroughly cleaned grain, free from weeds and admixtures of other grains, take the prizes. Corn samples should be chosen largely on the basis of maturity. Select ears with kernels firm on the cobs. The poor year for corn is sure to reduce the number of exhibits so bring what you have.

There will be classes for all; amateurs, professionals, and seed-producers. The utility seed class will be featured at the 1927 show. Bushel samples of wheat, oats, barley, rye, flax, corn, and soy beans are required. One peck samples of alfalfa and sweet clover seed are sufficient. These samples should represent bulk lots of seed for sale. Advertising literature will be displayed. Many seed sales are made on the basis of this display.

Personal Notes From Far and Near

Helen Gibbons '25 who is attending Carleton College was recently elected to play the leading part in the college play this year. The play was "The Merchant of Venice" and Helen's part was that of Portia.

Einar Ellertson '25 and Theodore Neske '25 drove from the cities to attend home coming, October 23. Both are attending the Central School of Agriculture where they are completing their intermediate year. Einar is a member of the cast selected to give the play "The Case of Suspension."

Ella Short and Grundy Sannes were married November 8. They will live near McIntosh.

Ben Hurner '26 is now official cow tester for a cow testing association near Fertile.

Howard Balk '25 wrote October 22 from Bismarck, North Dakota where he is employed as a tester for a cow testing association. Howard is planning to continue his work in College soon.

George Wilson, St. Hilaire was elected president of all the 4 H clubs of the state during the Junior Livestock show. There are about 26,000 boys and girls in 2,000 clubs in the state.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Auburg (Josie Imsdahl) are now located at Winona, Washington where Charles is superintendent of schools.

Alice Landro is now located at 2173 Commonwealth Avenue, St. Paul, where she is attending the College of Agriculture. Alice writes that she becomes rather lonesome for the Crookston A. C. and wants the Northwest Monthly sent to her at St. Paul.

Darragh Geddes '14 and Ella Fossbakken '19 were married at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Harry Hedin, Crookston, November 18. They will live on Darragh's farm near East Grand Forks.

Miss Mildred Schneck was present for Parents' Day and judged the girls' exhibits at the home project show.

A. K. Pierce is again at Chisholm this year and extends greetings to the "Northwest Monthly" readers. Mr. Pierce was a member of the Northwest School faculty a few years ago.

Dr. Harry Hedin '11 and A. H. Larson were guests of Ray Magnuson '26 at Four Towns during deer hunting season. Both secured their limit. Mr. Larson's deer was served in the dining hall November 28.

Minnie Malm '12 and George Ekman '15 both of Argyle were married November 16. They left for a two weeks' visit at Miltona and the Twin Cities.

Kenneth Monson '22 made the trip from Chicago to visit his parents at Orleans and attend home coming. Kenneth is herdsman for a large dairy concern near Chicago.



Some of Winter Shows Trophies to be Awarded Feb. 7-11.

REDUCED RATES AND SPECIAL TRAINS ON BOTH G. N. AND N. P.