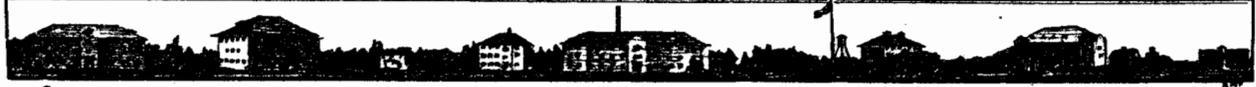


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New Division in Farm Crops Section

At a recent meeting, the Board of Managers of the Red River Valley Winter Shows created a new division of the Farm Crops section and appointed T. M. McCall superintendent. The new division will include classes for bees and honey, onions, and potatoes.

With the increasing activity of the R. R. V. Bee-keepers' association, honey is becoming an important crop in this section. It was the decision of the Board that onions also should be accorded recognition at the Crops Show, and two classes were inaugurated; one for red onions, and one for any other variety.

Potatoes have long been a major crop in the Valley. Although classes for this crop have been included in the premium list for many years, an expansion of this department is looked for under the able management of Prof. McCall.

Get Potato Samples Ready for Winter Shows.

Exhibit samples of potatoes should be selected now and properly stored to be in the best possible condition for showing next February. The potatoes that were hand selected in the field at digging time should be sorted over and all potatoes of good type and size for the variety should be wrapped in paper and put in a dark cool cellar. It is not difficult to get samples ready for showing if we get the preliminary selection work done before the potatoes go into the cellar in the fall. Select tubers free from injury, scab and black scurf, and before the potatoes are displayed it is well to brush them with a soft brush to clean them up. There have been some excellent local and county shows for potatoes this fall. Winners from these shows should send their peck samples (32 potatoes) to the Winter Shows at Crookston, for good prizes are offered and good publicity is given. Write T. M. McCall, Superintendent of the Horticultural Section, of the Winter Shows, Crookston, for further information.

HOME PROJECT EXHIBIT

The Seventh Annual Home Project Exhibit held at the school Saturday, November 5, in connection with Parents' Day, closed one of the most successful seasons in summer project work in the history of the school. With 57 exhibits of girls' work and 46 entries in farm crops the exhibit was one of the largest on record. Eighteen boys showed exhibits from their potato projects. The tubers were remarkable in uniformity, trueness to type, and show condition. Twenty-two students showed samples from the pure seed grain projects, and four had mature samples of corn.

Two exhibits of honey were new and interesting features of the show. One student had grown 178 bushels of red globe onions on three-fourths of an acre, and netted \$254.45 on his project. Unfortunately the livestock,



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engineering, and farm accounting project work could not be shown, but splendid work along these lines was completed during the summer.

The girls' exhibits were judged by Miss Mildred Schenck, assistant state club leader, University Farm, St. Paul. The exhibits were arranged by Miss Retta Bede, supervisor of home economics projects at the school. The farm crops exhibits were in charge of E. R. Clark and were judged by T. M. McCall and R. S. Dunham of the school faculty. Several hundred visitors attended the show, including two hundred parents, who were guests of the students on Parents' Day.

Winners of first places in the various projects were as follows:

Early Ohio potatoes, Walter Johnson, Bantry, N. D.; Irish Cobblers, Carl Hogenson, Winger; late potatoes,

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Livestock Directors Hold October Meet

Directors of the Red River Valley Livestock Association met on October 26 for the purpose of discussing affairs relative to the livestock section of the forthcoming Winter Shows which will be held February 6-10, 1928. As a result of this meeting several important changes were made in the prize list.

Sheep—The two classes for ewes two years and under three, and ewes three years and over will be combined into one class for ewes two years and over. The class for pen of three yearling ewes was dropped from the classification. Aside from these changes the classification for Shropshire sheep will be the same as before.

No change was made in the section for market classes of sheep.

Hampshire, Rambouillet and Southdown breeds will be included for the first time in the 1928 Premium list. Premium awards for these three breeds will be based on a sliding scale depending on the number of animals shown in any lot.

Beef Cattle—Senior and Junior yearling classes for beef cattle will be separated into three lots as follows: Senior yearling, Janu-

ary 1, 1926, to June 1, 1926; Junior yearling, June 1, 1926, to September 1, 1926; Winter yearling, September 1, 1926, to January 1, 1927. The addition of a third lot in the yearling classification will narrow the spread in ages compared to the former prize list.

Swine—The important changes in the swine classification were changes in the weight requirements for market hogs. As many of the market hogs exhibited in February are nearly one year old at the time of showing, it was deemed advisable to raise the maximum weight.

In two of the swine groups, "Breeders' Aged Herd" and "Breeders' Young Herd," it will not be necessary for exhibitors to own the boars in these groups. Many exhibitors heretofore have been barred from these groups

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RED RIVER VALLEY'S BIG WEEK — FEB. 6 TO 10, 1928

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HONOR ROLL FOR FIRST SIX WEEKS

Grades for the first six weeks of the fall term were mailed to parents during the week of November 14. Names of students who appeared on the honor scholastic roll as reported by A. H. Larson, Registrar, are as follows:

Freshmen: Theodore Anden, Fergus Falls; Ellen Anderson, Stephen; Vernon Bryngelson, Callaway; Johanna Caudle, Crookston; Alvin Degerness, Gary; Alice Erickson, Pencer; Anna Erickson, Waukegan; Emma Krogstad, Fertile; William Strickler, Euclid; Melvin Sundrud, Fosston; Earl Swenson, Fosston; Lester Tang-Jerd, Bagley; Arthur Widseth, Gonvick.

Juniors: Hilma Ahlm, Argyle; Orville Anderson, Hallock; Evelyn Bain, Baudette; Harold Cordes, Henning; Harvey Evenson, Climax; Estelle Filipi, Angus; Florence Hanson, Mentor; Sanna Hanson, Wanke; Mervin Hough, Bagley; Harvey Johnson, Rollag; Wilfred Knutson, Clearbrook; Lauritz Mikkelsen, Hawley; Martin Odland, Wadena; Hazel Stephenson, Gary.

Seniors: Carrie Buck, Crookston; Laura Buck, Crookston; Theodore Carlson, Hallock; Ruth Hamre, Gary; Ethel Harris, Crookston; Ernest Newhouse, Crookston; George Roisum, Bagley; Adelle Strom, Gary; Chester Torgerson, Fergus Falls.

Advanced: Rolf Anderson, Fisher; Lillian Bakken, Erskine; Hannah Degerness, Gary; Glenn KenKnight, Clearbrook; Randolph Ostle, Montevideo; Loren Parkin, Euclid; Lawrence Spears, Shooks; Carl Widseth, Gonvick.

HONEY ADDED TO PREMIUM LIST OF WINTER SHOWS

The management of the Winter Shows is cooperating with the Red River Valley Beekeepers' association in staging a show for honey and bee products. The prizes to be offered are the same as in the crops division, namely, \$4.00, \$2.00 and \$1.00, prizes to be awarded for both comb and extracted honey. Beekeepers should save their extra fancy sections of comb honey for exhibition and also prepare exhibits of extracted honey. The extracted honey shows to best advantage in clear glass containers. Exhibitors may use their honey labels on their exhibits of extracted honey. The name and address of the exhibitor should, however, be deleted until after the judging is completed. Plans are under way for the annual meeting of the Red River Valley Beekeepers' association at the time of the Winter Shows. The present officers of the Beekeepers' association are: T. M. McCall, Crookston, president, and M. A. Thorfinnson, Hallock, secretary-treasurer.

OVER 200 PARENTS ATTEND PARENTS' DAY

Over 200 mothers and fathers visited the Northwest School on November 5 for the eighth annual Parents' Day program. Every section of Northwestern Minnesota was represented, many coming long distances to see their sons and daughters at work and at play. As the forenoon was given over to the visitation of classes, most parents made it a point to come in time to visit several divisions. At noon a dinner was served in the dining hall, at which time the parents were the guests of the students. A special assembly program was held at 1 o'clock. Music was furnished by the faculty orchestra, the mixed chorus, the girls' glee club, and solos by Iris Gibbons and Lloyd Weaver. After the address of welcome by Supt. A. A. Dowell, two readings were given, "Homes of the People" by Loren Parkin, and "Heap O' Livin'" by Hannah Degerness. Harold Norseth and Rudie Johnstad gave their thesis, "Horse Power versus Tractor Power on the Farm." Ernest Newhouse followed with a demonstration on refinishing furniture, and Vickie Marsuka on pictures in the home. Following the program, the parents either watched the football game with East Grand Forks high school, or returned to the exhibit room to see the Home Projects show. Previous to returning home, the parents were served a lunch in the home economics building by the girls of the home economics department. Those who could stay remained for the evening program, which was an all-school party staged as a Halloween affair, with costumes, ghost walk, and stunts.

ARMISTICE DAY OBSERVED

Armistice Day was again observed in an impressive manner at the Northwest School when tribute was paid to the Northwest School boys who were in the world war and who lost their lives in the struggle. The program this year began at 10:20 A. M. with a piano solo by Miss Rose Polski. After the singing of America the mixed chorus sang the "Recessional." The address of the day was given by Col. Charles Loring of Crookston, who had taken an active part in the war. Colonel Loring gave his impressions of the first Armistice Day as well as later celebrations, both here and in foreign countries. After the solo, "Christ in Flanders," by Loren Parkin, A. M. Foker, of the Northwest School faculty gave the tribute to the Northwest School boys in service. The march to the school memorial was then made, under the direction of members of the Nels T. Wold legion post of Crookston. Theodore Carlson, Hallock, president of the senior class, gave the flower tribute and placed the wreath on the monument after which the buglers and rifle squad fired the salute and played taps.

BABY BEEF TRIALS UNDER WAY

On November 1, thirty-two purebred and high grade Hereford calves, purchased early in October from Bolstad Bros., Fosston, Minnesota, were placed in four lots of eight head each and started on the current winter's feeding trial. During the summer these calves ran with their dams on pasture. No grain was fed until after their arrival at the Station, when they were started on alfalfa hay and a light grain ration consisting of equal parts of ground oats and barley.

The calves varied in age from late winter to early summer. In type and quality they were quite uniform, carrying the depth and width of body desired in calves to be finished for baby beef. At the start of the trial their average weight was approximately 380 pounds.

All lots are being fed alfalfa hay, silage and oilmeal, the latter at the rate of 1½ lbs. per head daily. The grain rations are as follows: Lot one, ground barley; lot two, 2-3 ground barley and 1-3 ground oats; lot three, 1-3 ground barley and 2-3 ground oats; lot four, ground oats. The calves in each lot will be continued on these rations until the early summer of 1928.

Beef feeding trials have been carried on at the Northwest Station for several years, the object of such trials being to secure information that would be of value to beef producers of the Red River Valley. The immediate object of the present trial is to compare the feeding value of barley and oats when fed alone and in varying proportions.

SUCCESSFUL FOOTBALL SEASON

The 1927-28 football season closed November 11, when the Aggies met the Thief River Falls high school aggregation on the latter's home field. In summarizing the work of the year it is agreed that it has been a most successful season. Of the six games played, three were won and three lost. The games that were won are as follows: Red Lake Falls, 18-0; Model High of the University of North Dakota, 18-0, and the Morris Aggie, 20-0. Bemidji Teachers' College won the game on October 29 in the last minute of play, after the Aggies had made 19 first downs to Bemidji's 6. East Grand Forks and Thief River Falls had veteran teams that were considered the strongest in the Northwest. The former won at the Northwest School by a score of 26-0, and the latter took the long end of a 16-0 count at Thief River Falls.

The team has been under the able direction of Coach LaVoi, who has accomplished next to the impossible in developing a strong team from green material. The success of the season has been due to Mr. LaVoi and to the members of the team, who worked hard, trained well, and were ever loyal and willing to cooperate. It has been a team of which the school could well feel proud to send out to represent the institution and the rest of the student body. It was a successful season.

NORTHWEST SCHOOL WEEK'S PROGRAMS AND RED

PREPARE NOW FOR CROPS SHOW

Approximately \$1300 were paid out in premiums in the Farm Crops section of the Red River Valley Winter Shows in 1927. Prizes offered again this year are sufficiently large to interest the professional and amateur exhibitor alike. Farmer seedsmen will find splendid opportunity to display their samples and make personal contact with buyers. There are more opportunities for the exhibitor to win awards in this show than in any other crops show in the state. There are classes for everybody in the district; professionals, amateurs, farmer seedsmen, farm clubs, boys and girls, and those who wish to compete with others in the same county.

Now is the time to prepare samples. Begin cleaning grains and small seeds with the fanning mill so there will be ample time to rework them before show time. Sort out two or three hundred ears of corn from which samples may be selected later. Begin to gather farm club exhibits. Good samples are seldom selected a few days before the show. Winning samples represent care, study, and work. Purity (freedom from weed seeds and other grains), color, and uniformity are important points in grains and small seeds. Maturity, slender ears with smooth indentations, and uniformity are important factors in corn-judging. Remove a kernel or two to note color of cob. Red cobs in white cobs and N. W. Dent, and white cobs in yellow corn and Minnesota 23 are discriminated again. Select ears relatively long and slender, with indentations smooth but not flinty, and with kernels firmly attached and cobs that are hard and dry.

Do not be discouraged with your oats. The crop was generally poor. Samples may be improved by thorough fanning. Do not let your samples of grain or corn mold. Keep them dry. There is the least competition in 50 ear samples of corn, beardless wheat other than Marquis, yellow oats, 2-row barley, buckwheat, red clover, alsike clover, soybeans, and millet.

There are many groups of classes: (1) Open, anyone in the following counties may enter: Kittson, Roseau, Marshall, Pennington, Clearwater, Polk, Red Lake, Mahnomen, Clay, Becker, Norman, Wilkin, and Ottertail; (2) Amateur, only those who have not won a first prize in the class to be entered during the last three years may enter; (3) County, all those living or farming within the same county may enter; (4) Utility, a class for farmer seedsmen where bulk samples of seed are entered; (5) Farmer Club, a class for collections of threshed grain, legume seeds, corn, and potatoes grown by members of a farmers' club. Samples will be entered in all classes to which they are entitled by the entry clerk. There is no charge for entering any sample.

For further information, write R. S. Dunham, Superintendent of the Farm Crops Show, Crookston.

HOME COMING WELL ATTENDED

Many alumni and former students of the Northwest School took advantage of the Annual Home Coming, October 29th, to visit the campus, renew old acquaintances, and take part in the day's activities. An attractive program had been arranged, which began the evening before with a pep fest for the football game with the Bemidji Teachers' College. Several alumni were present and were introduced to the present student body. At assembly on Saturday, the program was in the form of another pep fest, with songs and school yells. The new song, "The Valley Aggie," arranged and composed by Miss Simley and Miss Polski, was sung. The speakers for the assembly were Supt. A. A. Dowell, Prof. A. M. Foker, Coach D. H. LaVoi, E. W. Beck, assistant coach of the Bemidji team, and Olaf Stenborg, captain of the Aggies. In the afternoon the football game with the Bemidji Teachers presented an excellent exhibition of the National game and gave the visitors plenty of thrills. The game was lost in the last minute of play by a shoe string play, the final score being 6-0. A get-together dinner in the evening was another pleasant affair. Music was furnished by the faculty orchestra and the faculty ladies' octette. Addresses were given by the two coaches, the two captains, and Professor T. M. McCall. Following the dinner, the students and visitors divided into two groups, one attending the dance in the gymnasium, and the other, the party in the cafeteria.

**LIVESTOCK DIRECTORS
HOLD OCTOBER MEETING**

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because ownership was required.

Junior Club Work—Probably one of the most important actions taken by the directors was the appropriation of \$150 to be used in defraying shipping expenses on stock shown by boys and girls. The junior division of the Winter Shows is recognized as one of the most important features of the live stock show, and every effort is being made to encourage as many boys and girls as possible to enter their stock.

Colt Show—Since the Board met, an appropriation from the Minnesota Livestock Breeders' association has been secured to be used as prizes for a colt show. Details for the colt classification will be worked out in time for all interested horse exhibitors to familiarize themselves with the necessary entry requirements.

Market Classes—Market classes of beef cattle, sheep, and swine have not had as large a number of entries at past shows as the premiums warrant. As these classes are open to grades as well as purebreds, producers of market stock are urged to fit animals for these important classes.

Judges—The following men will serve as judges: Sheep, Dean W. C. Coffey, University Farm, St. Paul; Swine, H. G. Zavoral, Swine Extension

specialist for the State of Minnesota; Dairy cattle, R. L. Donovan, Dairy Extension specialist, University Farm; Beef cattle, Professor W. H. Peters, Chief of Division of Animal Husbandry, University Farm; Horses, Professor H. B. Sommerfeld, Manitoba Agricultural College, Winnipeg, Canada.

Officers of the Red River Valley Livestock association are Honorable C. G. Selvig, President; F. A. Green, Vice President; M. E. Dahl, Treasurer, and O. M. Kiser, Secretary. For further information regarding the livestock show and classification, write to the Secretary, O. M. Kiser, Crookston. The 1928 Premium list will be ready for distribution in December.

HOME PROJECTS EXHIBIT

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Lawrence Philipp, Germantown; Gopher oats, George Roisum, Bagley; Velvet barley, Stanton Gandrud, Detroit Lakes; Chippewa flax, Harold Norseseth, Gonvick; Corn, Carl Hogenson; canning fruits and vegetables, Elida Erickson, Clearbrook; canning meats, Anna Osmundson, East Grand Forks; preserving, Anna Osmundson; bread Viola Parduhn, Cedarbend; house dress, Alma Krogstad, Fertile; made over dress, Alma Krogstad; table linen, Alma Krogstad; embroidery, Anna Osmundson; hemstitching, Ethel Harris; cakes, Evelyn Bain; cookies, Esther Viker, Fertile; pies, Esther Viker; and desserts, Esther Engebretson, Clearbrook.

FOOTBALL TEAM**HAS ANNUAL BANQUET**

The annual football banquet in honor of the first team, was given by Supt. and Mrs. A. A. Dowell at their home on November 18, with covers placed for 27 guests. The banquet was all that could be desired and all training rules were broken in the manner the team accepted the hospitality of the hosts. Reviews of the season were made by T. M. McCall, A. H. Larson, A. M. Foker, Captain Olaf Stenborg and Superintendent A. A. Dowell. In the election of Captain for 1928-29, Elmer Wardeberg, McIntosh, was selected. Elmer has played center the past two years and during that time has made an enviable record by his accurate passing. Elmer is also a good line man, especially on defense. Members of the team who were present were:

Rolf Anderson, Fisher; George Berggren, Greenbush; Elon Bryngelson, Callaway; Harry Confer, Angus; Chester Engman, Hallock; Stanton Gandrud, Detroit Lakes; Henry Heathman, Shevlin; Melvin Hole, Dalton; Elmer Wardeberg, McIntosh; Elmer Johnson, Erskine; Glenn Lindquist, Wylie; Lloyd Mylerberg, McIntosh; Martin Odlund, Wadena; Randolph Ostlie, Montevideo; George Roisum, Bagley; Olaf Stenborg, Clearbrook; Ivan Suchomel, Ogema; Arthur and Carl Wisdeth, Gonvick, and Lawrence Spears, Shooks, student manager. Other guests were George

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Hillmon, Andy Anderson, A. M. Foker, A. H. Larson, D. H. LaVoi and T. M. McCall. Dr. A. C. Dean, of Crookston, who has been assisting in coaching the second team, was unable to be present.

VALLEY SPELLING CONTEST

The fourteenth annual Red River Valley rural school spelling contest will be held in connection with the Winter Shows during the week of February 6-10, 1928. Spelling lists have already been forwarded by the Winter Shows Management, to County Superintendents in thirteen Northwestern Minnesota Counties as follows: Becker, Clay, Clearwater, Kittson, Mahanomen, Marshall, Norman, Ottertail, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, Roseau and Wilkin. It is expected that delegates will be sent from each of these counties to participate in the final contest.

Each county is entitled to send one regularly enrolled pupil selected from ungraded one or two room schools, providing the delegate has not at the time of the contest completed the eighth grade, or one regularly enrolled delegate from ungraded schools employing more than two teachers, providing the student has not completed the seventh grade. Pupils who have already won first place in any Winter Shows Spelling Contest, or who have participated in a State Spelling contest are not eligible.

Friday, February 10th, 1928, is the date set for the final contest. Tests will be given as follows:

1. Individual list of 25 words to be spelled orally by each contestant, in the presence of the director and judges.
2. Written list of 50 words to be given to all contestants.
3. A dictation exercise in which fifteen words have been selected by the judges—no credit for composition.
4. Spell-down.

These tests will be credited as follows: (1) individual test 25 per cent; (2) written test 50 per cent; (3) dictation test 15 per cent; (4) spell-down 10 per cent.

The Winter Shows Management will reimburse delegates for transportation upon presentation of receipts by the nearest practical route, based on railroad rates. Rooms and meals will also be provided while in Crookston. Prizes will be awarded as follows: first prize, \$7.00; second prize \$5.00; third prize \$3.00; fourth prize \$2.00; five prizes of \$1.00 each to the next highest. A championship award, an embossed certificate, will be presented to the county scoring the highest in the entire contest. This award will go to the school from which the contestant comes.

Twelve counties were represented in the 1927 contest. Marcella Wambach of Clay county carried off first honors, with Inez Stroble, Polk county, second, and Phoebe Henderson, Norman county, third.

The following committee is in charge of the 1928 contest: I. S. Hov,

Crookston; Miss Erba Pouliot, Red Lake Falls; and Nels M. Engen, Warren.

THANKSGIVING DAY ENJOYED

The program for Thanksgiving Day partly compensated for the loss the students might have felt in not being able to go home for the occasion. The annual turkey dinner with all the "trimmings" was held in the dining hall at one o'clock. At three o'clock a program was given in the auditorium. Invitations had been sent to the farmer friends of the School who live within convenient driving distance, and many of them joined with the students in enjoying this event. After the responsive reading music was furnished by the School orchestra under the direction of H. C. Rutt. The address on the "Meaning of Thanksgiving" was given by Supt. A. A. Dowell. The mixed chorus, under the direction of Miss Helen Brown, sang "The National Hymn." George Roisum, of Bagley, read the president's Thanksgiving proclamation, after which Miss Laura Gerber gave a piano solo, "Rustle of Spring." The play this year, entitled "The Florist Shop," was again directed by Miss Ann Simley and the characters were taken by Irwin Flynn, Leonard; Hazel Stephenson, Gary; Esther Viker, Fertile; Ernest Newhouse, Crookston, and Theodore Gervais, Gently. The girls sextette sang "Fays and Elves," from "Martha." The sextette is composed of Esther Viker, Fertile; Adele Strom and Hazel Stephenson, Gary; Lillian Bakken, Erskine; Clara Ness, Wanke, and Alta Morrill, Browns Valley. School parties were held in the evening and concluded the activities for the day.

LECTURE COURSE PROGRAM STARTS WELL

Judging from the first number of the 1927-28 lecture course program there will be several excellent entertainments during the year. The first number was by the Cordova Concertiers on November 19. Their program consisted of vocal, violin and piano solos in addition to ensemble numbers. All four members were artists and were well received by the audience. The second number will be on December 10 by Glenn Morris, the electrical wizard. Two numbers will come after Christmas and will be the Anollo Duo and the Roberts company.

VALLEY DAIRYMEN MEET

The Red River Valley Dairymen's Association held a most successful two-day meeting at Warren on November 16 and 17, this being the association's twenty-fourth annual convention. Officers in charge of the meetings had arranged a well balanced program that held the attention of the large gathering from first to last.

On the speakers' program were Senator Henry Arens of Jordan; Superintendent A. A. Dowell of the Northwest School and Experiment Station;

J. H. Berg, herdsman of the Spaulding Holstein Farms, Warren; Emil A. Boie, representing the Minnesota Live Stock Breeders Association in their Pure Bred Sire Campaign in Minnesota; C. M. Pesek of the State Dairy and Food Department; H. A. Pflughoeft, assistant state club leader at the Northwest School; Professor W. B. Combs of University Farm; John Brandt, president of the Land o' Lakes Creameries, Inc., and J. H. Hay, Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture, St. Paul.

Among the many special features, mention should be made of the butter makers' scoring contest, the tour of nearby dairy farms, and the excellent evening entertainment by the Warren Commercial Club, with A. H. Larson of the Northwest School, leading the community singing.

The Viking Cooperative Creamery won a beautiful loving cup offered as first prize in the attendance contest, with 52 patrons present. Second prize went to the Bagley Creamery, with 35 delegates, and Newfolden third with 25.

Officers of the association were all re-elected, as follows: Stuart McLeod, president, Goodridge; A. R. Knutson, 1st vice president, Pelican Rapids; Marius Waldal, 2nd vice president, Plummer; Leonard Houske, secretary, Halstad, and E. E. Thorson, treasurer, Hendrum.

NEW CLASS FOR ONIONS

The Red River Valley onion will be given its inning at the forthcoming Crops show at Crookston. The onion is the leading commercial truck crop in the Red River Valley. This crop is being grown successfully in all parts of the valley. The production, however, is most concentrated in western Polk and western Clay counties. The Red Globe variety will constitute one class and, for this year, all other varieties will compete together in another class. If conditions warrant, the list will be revised another year to include more varieties. Three prizes will be given in each class, namely, \$4.00, \$2.00, \$1.00, peck samples, (13 lbs.) to be shown. Onions on exhibit should conform to the variety type in shape and color, be sound and solid and uniform in size, quality and condition. Onions should not be peeled. Dry outer scales which hold should be left on the bulbs.

PERSONALS

Alvera Applequist, who attended in 1923-25, writes from Dunnell to extend greetings to her former schoolmates. Alvera is working in the First National Bank.

H. A. Pflughoeft, district boys' and girls' club leader, accompanied the Minnesota club delegation to Memphis, Tennessee, early this month.

Supt. A. A. Dowell addressed the Red River Valley Dairymen's convention at Warren, Nov. 16. In the evening A. H. Larson directed the community singing. H. A. Pflughoeft, district club leader, addressed the convention the following day.

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