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Hundreds to Return For Home Coming October 31

Hundreds of alumni and former students are expected to take part in the Annual Home Coming celebration scheduled for Saturday, October 31. The day's activities will open with a special assembly program in the forenoon, followed by a football game with the Grand Rapids Aggies in the afternoon. Other special features will include the annual Alumni Get-Together dinner in the school dining hall at 6:00 P. M., with a dance and party scheduled for the evening.

This will be the second clash between the Grand Rapids and Crookston Aggie football teams, the local Aggies having defeated Grand Rapids by a score of 34 to 0 last year. Coach R. J. Christgau expects a hard fought game as Grand Rapids is determined to take revenge for last year's defeat. Alumni will be especially interested in this year's reunion as this will be the first meeting to be held in the new Auditorium and the first Home Coming game to be played on the new athletic field.

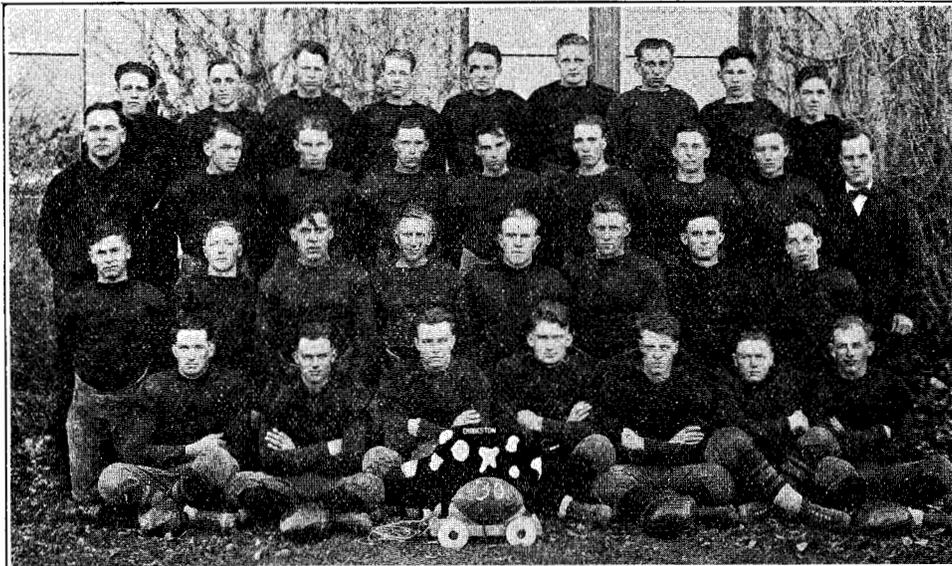
One of the bright spots in the afternoon program will be a special parade by the Crookston Ladies' Auxiliary Drum Corps. The Drum corps will parade over the football field during the intermission between halves.

The following committees, as announced by Superintendent A. A. Dowell, will have charge of the Home Coming program, and are making final plans for what they expect to be one

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FOOTBALL PROSPECTS BRIGHT

Tackling the toughest schedule ever attempted by a Northwest School football team, Coach R. J. Christgau's gridiron warriors opened the 1931 season against the Bemidji Teachers' College eleven, Saturday, October 3, and went down to a 25-6 defeat. The Aggies, with only five days of practice, played a better game than the score indicates. Of the four touchdowns run up by the Pedagogues, one came as a result of a blocked Aggie punt from behind the goal line, while the other was accomplished on the last play of the game. A strong defense held the Teachers to a lone touchdown during the first half,



The first Inter-School game of the season will be played on Home Coming Day, October 31, when the Grand Rapids Aggies clash with the local team. Above—1930 Champion Aggies.

while the Aggies scored their lone marker early in the fourth quarter, when Edwin Widseth plunged over the goal line. Captain Kenneth Avery, Ed. Widseth and Stanley Radniecki starred for the Aggies on the offense, while the Aggie line played a strong game throughout.

In the second game of the season, the Aggies engaged the University of North Dakota freshmen in a night game at Grand Forks, October 9. Performing for the first time under lights, and before a large Grand Forks crowd, the

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Parents' Day Scheduled for November 7

School officials have announced Saturday, November 7, as the date of the Twelfth Annual Parents' Day celebration. On that date the entire school will be "at home" for the parents of students now in attendance. Parents will thus have a special opportunity to acquaint themselves with the work of the institution, as well as meet all members of the faculty and visit with other parents from fifteen Northwestern Minnesota counties.

The regular class schedule will be followed in the forenoon so that parents may visit classes and familiarize themselves with the instructional work offered in the several departments. At twelve o'clock the parents will be guests of the student body at a special Parents' Day dinner to be served in the school dining hall. The afternoon program will begin at one o'clock with a tour of in-

spection of some of the more important buildings. The feature of the afternoon, however, will be a program presented by the students in the auditorium at two o'clock. The different numbers offered will represent the work given in the Departments of Home Economics, Agriculture, Music, Public Speaking, and Physical Education, and will include a play, a debate, special music by the choruses, and the orchestra, a demonstration of calisthenics, and a style show in which dresses made by home project stu-

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THE CAMPUS BEAUTIFUL

For the first time in many years the Northwest School opened before the first killing frost of the fall. Faculty and students were thus privileged to see the "Campus Beautiful" at its best. As the days passed by, the flowers, shrubs and leaves, untouched by frost, began to show the color scheme common to the advanced season. Even at this late date, however (October 22), one can look across the Campus and see Nature's unmatched paintings with the bright greens, yellows, and reds that cannot be described, but must be seen to be appreciated.

HUNDREDS TO RETURN FOR HOME COMING OCTOBER 31

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of the most impressive Home Coming celebrations ever held on the Northwest School Campus: **Decorations:** Senior Hall, Mr. S. A. Anderson; Stephens Hall, Mr. Denis McGenty; Robertson Hall, Miss Retta Bede. **Physical Education and Athletic Field:** Mr. George Wight, Mr. E. L. Ocock, and Miss Elsie Kingston. **Admission and Sale of Tickets:** Mr. T. M. McCall, Mr. A. M. Foker, Mr. George Wight, Mr. Denis McGenty, and Misses Fae Hughbanks, Elsie Kingston, and Ruth Sheldon. **Publicity:** Mr. J. W. Mlinar. **Assembly Program:** Mr. R. S. Dunham, Mr. J. W. Mlinar, Misses Cynthia Weinberger, Grace Warne, Leona Hines, and Mrs. Roy Hollander. **Cheers and Songs:** Mr. J. W. Mlinar, Mr. Denis McGenty, Miss Fae Hughbanks, and cheer leaders. **Stunts between Halves:** Mr. J. W. Mlinar, Mr. Denis McGenty, and Miss Cynthia Weinberger. **Dance:** Mr. A. M. Foker, Mr. S. A. Anderson, and Miss Grace Warne. **Party:** Mr. George Wight, Mr. Denis McGenty, and Miss Ruth Sheldon

SUCCESSFUL POW WOW AND FROLIC

As the first step in their introduction to Campus life at the Northwest School, new students were entertained by upper classmen at the annual Pow Wow for boys and Frolic for girls held Wednesday evening, September 30. The boys first get-together of the season was staged in Senior Hall with Edwin Widseth, president of the Y. M. C. A., in charge of the meeting. The program was opened with community singing, after which Mr. R. S. Dunham gave several piano selections. Short speeches were made by faculty

members and student representatives of the various school activities. Coach R. J. Christgau and Captain Kenneth Avery spoke in behalf of the athletic work at the school. Mr. T. M. McCall explained the purpose of the literary societies to the new students, while Mr. Denis McGenty extended an invitation to all students to try out for the debate team. Harry Tangen, vice president of the Y. M. C. A., spoke in behalf of that organization and invited all boys to take part. Following these short speeches, Superintendent A. A. Dowell addressed the gathering and encouraged all to take part in some phase of outside activity. Upon completion of the program, apples were distributed to all, and the boys lined up in single file for a snake dance across the Campus to Robertson Hall, where they serenaded the girls.

At the Girls' Frolic held in Robertson Hall, faculty members and students entertained with readings and musical numbers. Girls attending the Northwest School for the first time were introduced to the gathering by answering to a roll call and telling something of their first impressions of the Northwest School.

Coming Events

October 31—Home Coming.
Grand Rapids Aggies here.
November 7—Parents' Day.
November 11—Football Game with Morris Aggies at Morris.
December 12—Inter-Class Song Contest.
December 18 — Fall Term Closes.

NEW FACULTY ENTERTAINED

The two new faculty members of the Northwest School were guests of other instructors at the annual faculty reception held at the home of Superintendent and Mrs. A. A. Dowell Saturday evening, September 28. Following a brief initiation stunt, at which time they were called upon to prove that they could successfully fill their positions, Miss Leona Hines and Mr. Denis McGenty were formally welcomed into the Northwest School family.

The program for the evening consisted of solos by members of the Music department, and readings by members of the English department. All faculty members were required to give a three-minute report of their summer's activity.

Interesting letters extending best wishes for a successful school year were read from the following former faculty members: Miss Laura Gerber, former home economics instructor, and now connected with the National Dairy Council with offices at Columbus, Ohio; Miss Lydia Dahlen, school nurse during the 1929-30 school year, and now residing at Thief River Falls; Miss Elesia Simonson, school nurse 1927 to 1929, and now stationed at White Mountain, Alaska; Miss Anne Simley, formerly head of the English department, and now teaching at Hamline University, St. Paul; Mr. Robert H.

Connery, debate coach of last year, and at present studying at Columbia University, New York; Mr. A. H. Larson, former Registrar, now connected with the Eastman School of Music, Rochester, New York; Mr. E. W. Avery, former debate coach, now residing in Los Angeles, California; Mrs. Myron J. Perry (Helen Brown), former vocal teacher, now living at Faribault, Minnesota; Mr. E. R. Clark, on sabbatical leave for graduate study at the University of Minnesota; and Mrs. DeEtte C. Genung, instructor at the Vocational High School, Minneapolis.

Refreshments were served by a committee consisting of Mrs. H. A. Pflughoeft, Mrs. A. M. Foker, Mrs. T. M. McCall, Mrs. R. S. Dunham and Mrs. A. A. Dowell. Members of the Program committee included Mr. J. W. Mlinar, Mr. A. M. Foker, Mr. George Wight, and Mrs. O. M. Kiser.

CLASS OFFICERS ANNOUNCED

Special inter-class events to be held at the Northwest School during the fall term include the inter-class football contest, and the annual inter-class song fest, which will be held just before the Christmas holidays. During the winter term, chief interest will center around the livestock judging and basketball contests, with the field meet scheduled for the last Saturday of the term.

During the year the Senior Class will also present the annual Class Play under the direction of Miss Cynthia Weinberger, who has been in charge of the English department the past two years.

Class activities opened the first week of the term when the different groups met to elect officers, and to lay plans for the year. Officers were elected as follows: **Freshmen:** Lenning Aubol, St. Hilaire, president; Helen Carlson, Halstad, vice president; Gladys Quantock, Argyle, secretary; Helen Krogstad, Fertile, treasurer; Floyd Tack, East Grand Forks, sergeant-at-arms; Miss Elsie Kingston and Mr. Denis McGenty, class advisers. **Juniors:** Paul Ingebretson, Ulen, president; Edna Sorenson, Plummer, vice president; Harriet Severson, Clearbrook, secretary; Clarence Weckwerth, Hazel, treasurer; Llewellyn Reese, Park Rapids, sergeant-at-arms; Mrs. Roy Hollander and Miss Cynthia Weinberger, class advisers.

Seniors: Edwin Widseth, McIntosh, president; Kermit Greenley, Viking, vice president; Alvin Gronner, Underwood, treasurer; Wallace Abbott, Mentor, secretary; Arnold Strand, Twin Valley, sergeant-at-arms; Supt. and Mrs. A. A. Dowell, class advisers. **Advanced:** John Pearson, Middle River, president; Helmer Nornes, Lockhart, vice president; Emerald Abbott, Mentor, secretary; Donald McCall, Crookston, treasurer; Ann Brandli, Warrad, sergeant-at-arms; Miss Grace Warne and Miss Fae Hughbanks, class advisers.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Christgau of the Northwest School announce the birth of a son, Roger Alfred, at the Bethesda Hospital, Crookston, on Wednesday morning, September 9.

OUTDOOR FESTIVAL HUGE SUCCESS

Ideal fall weather contributed much to the success of the Annual Outdoor Festival which was held on the Campus October 10.

A splendid camp fire supper of wieners, beans, salad, buns, doughnuts, marshmallows, apples, and cocoa preceded the evening's performance. Following the meal the four classes grouped together and selected representatives for the various contests. Class spirit was at a high pitch and the Campus resounded to cheer upon cheer as the favorites came romping home in the three-legged race, potato race, sack race, egg race, and the various other events. The final count gave the Advanced class first place with the low score of 19½ points, followed by the Seniors with 26½ points. The Juniors and Freshmen tied for third with 32 points each.

After the contest the Freshmen led the way to the huge bonfire which soon lit up the sky with a merry blaze. Then all adjourned to the gymnasium, where an hour of dancing completed the evening's program.

The Entertainment committee composed of Mr. R. S. Dunham, Chairman; Mr. J. W. Mlinar, Misses Cynthia Weinberger, Fae Hughbanks, and Grace Warne, Mrs. Roy Hollander, Mr. E. L. Ocock, and Mr. Denis McGenty, was in charge of the program. Mr. J. W. Mlinar officiated as chief announcer while members of the faculty served as judges and explained different athletic events.

FOOTBALL PROSPECTS BRIGHT

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Aggies displayed considerable nervousness during the first half, when the Nodak Freshmen ran up a 33-0 score. But, it was a much stronger and more confident team that took the field for the second half and the University Frosh were held to a lone marker during the period, while the Christgau men scored their touchdown in the closing minutes of play. The final score was 39-6.

The annual struggle with Thief River Falls produced the first 1931 Aggie victory, when the Prowlers were administered a 6-0 defeat at Thief River Falls, October 17. Although they were held to a single touchdown, which came soon after the opening whistle, the Aggies out-classed the Thief River Falls eleven in all departments of the game. Numerous penalties and several fumbles when within scoring distance handicapped the maroon and gold men in running up a larger score. The ball was in Thief River territory for the most part of the game. On one occasion the Aggies carried the ball to the eight yard line, but a fifteen yard penalty prevented their scoring. The Aggies were penalized a total of 180 yards during the game. The maroon and gold backfield, consisting of Captain Avery at quarterback; Radniecki and LeMasurier at halfbacks, and Widseth at fullback, tore the Prowler line to shreds, while the

Aggie line presented a very strong defense as evidenced by the fact that in their only scoring chance the Prowlers failed to gain two yards in two tries.

Games remaining on the Northwest School schedule are with Concordia College freshmen, October 24; the Grand Rapids Aggies, October 31, and the Morris Aggies, November 11.

Last year the Northwest Aggies won the School of Agriculture Championship by defeating the Morris Aggies 20 to 0, and the Grand Rapids Aggies 34 to 0. Both teams are determined to return the compliment this year, so that two real battles stand between Coach Christgau's men and the 1931 championship.

More than forty men have been reporting for football practice daily. Coach Christgau has been well satisfied with the daily turnout and the interest in the sport. A large number of freshmen boys have been working out each day. Following the completion of the regular schedule, the annual class football games will be held.

LEONA HINES JOINS STAFF

Miss Leona Hines has been appointed to fill the vacancy in the English Department due to the resignation of Mrs. DeEtte C. Genung, who



joined the staff of the Minneapolis Vocational High School. Miss Hines' training includes a regular four year high school course at the Bemidji High School, and two years study at the Bemidji State Teachers College, followed by two

years at the University of Minnesota, where she specialized in speech and English. While at the University of Minnesota she took an active part in dramatics, having carried principal parts in ten major performances. She was a member of the Masquers Society, Honorary Dramatic Society, and National Collegiate Players.

In writing of her new work Mrs. Genung states that she is enjoying her teaching, which includes English, Speech and Dramatics. She adds, "I know that I shall miss working with our Northwest School boys and girls. I am confident that nowhere can be found such an earnest group of workers."

Faculty and students join in wishing Mrs. Genung much happiness in her new position.

Carl Larson, '24, is located at 6016 Baldwin Street, Detroit, Michigan.

LITERARY SOCIETIES ELECT OFFICERS

The regular classroom work, as presented by the English Department of the Northwest School, is supplemented by actual practice in public speaking, debate and dramatics. Much of this outside work is carried on by the literary societies, of which there are three for boys, and two for girls. At the preliminary organization meeting, the following officers were elected by the various societies:

Girls' Societies: **Athenian:** Carrie Buck, Crookston, president; Ann Brandli, Warroad, vice president; Tumina Slette, Twin Valley, secretary-treasurer. **Sanford:** Ruth Stenborg, Clearbrook, president; Helen Carlson, Halstad, vice president; Olive Heegard, Crookston, secretary-treasurer.

Boys' Societies: **Agrarian:** Wallace Abbott, Mentor, president; Paul Sorenson, Hallock, vice president; Clinton Donley, Fergus Falls, secretary-treasurer. **Lincoln:** Rodney Lindstrom, Lake Park, president; Emil Hoppe, Warren, vice president; Allan Hoff, Dalton, secretary; Halbert Johnson, Underwood, treasurer. **Pioneer:** Edwin Widseth, McIntosh, president; Helmer Nornes, Lockhart, vice president; Arthur Hendrickson, Fosston, secretary-treasurer.

SCHOOL ORCHESTRA BEST IN YEARS

With sixteen students reporting for the initial orchestra tryouts, Miss Rose Polski, director, expects to have not only the largest, but best balanced organization in years. According to Miss Polski, the first public appearance is scheduled for Home Coming Day on October 31, when the Grand Rapids football team will clash with the local Aggies on the home field.

Members of the group include the following: **Violins:** William Stepp, Williams; Elmer O. Johnson, Newfolden; Clarence Skaren, East Grand Forks; John Yutzenka, Warren. **Reed:** Jewel Nelson, Shelly, alto saxophone; Donald McCall, Crookston, soprano saxophone; Clinton Donley, Fergus Falls, clarinet; Joy Kiser, Crookston, clarinet. **Brass:** Lowell Ryden, Hallock, trombone; Allan Hoff, Dalton, cornet; Halbert Johnson, Underwood, trumpet; Vernon Stenerson, Dalton, trumpet; Loren Kiser, Crookston, baritone; Robert Sunderland, Crookston, cornet; **Drums:** Arthur Hendrickson, Fosston. **Piano:** Esther Torgerson, Fosston. **Director:** Miss Rose Polski, assisted by Mrs. Roy Hollander, and Miss Grace Warne.

SPECIAL PRIZES OFFERED BY CROPS AND SOILS ASSOCIATION

One hundred dollars in additional premiums will again be offered by the Red River Valley Crops and Soils Association to growers in Northwestern counties who show winning samples of wheat, oats, flax, red clover, and sweet clover at the International Hay and Grain show at Chicago, November 28 to December 5, 1931. These awards made for the first time in 1930, are

again offered this year to growers in Kittson, Roseau, Marshall, Pennington, Red Lake, Polk, Clearwater, Norman, Mahnomen, Clay, Becker, Wilkin, and Ottertail counties.

Awards will be made on the following basis:

1. To growers winning placings in spring wheat (not durum), \$25.00, to be divided, \$12.00, \$8.00, and \$5.00 among the three highest placings. If only two growers win awards, the division shall be \$15.00 and \$10.00. If but one wins a place, the entire \$25.00 shall be awarded to one exhibitor.
2. To growers winning placings in the oats class, \$25.00 will be awarded under the same provisions as in 1 above.
3. To growers winning placings in flax, \$30.00 to be divided \$15.00, \$10.00 and \$5.00, if three exhibitors win awards in this class. If only two win places, the division shall be \$17.50 and \$12.50. If only one award is made, the entire \$30.00 shall be awarded to one exhibitor.
4. To the grower winning highest placing in sweet clover seed, one award of \$10.00 will be made.
5. To the grower winning highest placing in red clover seed, one award of \$10.00 will be made.

Entries for the International Show must be in the hands of the Superintendent not later than November 10, 1931. Samples must reach the Exposition grounds not later than November 24. Premium lists and entry cards may be obtained from R. S. Dunham, Northwest School, Crookston.

PARENTS DAY SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 7

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dents will be exhibited.

Following the program a reception for the visiting parents will be held in the school gymnasium. At this time the swimming pool and other features of the new gymnasium will be open for inspection and an opportunity will be given to view the Eleventh Annual Home Project display. This exhibit includes work completed at home during the summer months under the direction of home project supervisors George Wight, R. J. Christgau, and Miss Retta Bede. Girls will show the results of their dressmaking, canning, baking, embroidery, and hemstitching projects, while the boys carrying farm crop projects will display samples of pure seed grain, potatoes, and corn. Students registered in the plant identification projects will also display collections of weeds and farm plants.

Parents are cordially invited to remain for the Hallowe'en Party which will be held during the evening in the New Physical Education building.

For Sale—S. C. Rhode Island Red pullets and cockerels. From trap-nested, pedigreed stock. Write Poultry Department, Northwest School.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hvidsten (Jennie Peterson, '22, Carl 1915-16) of Steph- en, are the parents of a baby boy born Saturday, September 5.

MISS PETERSON WEDS

Miss Hildur Peterson, instructor in voice for the past two years, was married to Mr. Roy W. Hollander of Minneapolis, on August 22. Following the wedding, Mr. and Mrs. Hollander spent their honeymoon at Burnside Lake, in Northeastern Minnesota.

Mrs. Hollander will continue her work at the Northwest School this year and will have direct charge of the Boys' Glee club, Girls' Glee club, Mixed chorus, quartets, and octettes, in addition to private lessons in voice. Last year, she directed the Operetta, "Sunbonnet Sue," which was considered to be one of the finest productions ever staged in the school auditorium. The Operetta selected for this year is "Oh, Doctor." It will be presented January 29 and 30.

Members of the faculty and student body join in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Hollander much happiness in the years that are to follow.



PERSONALS

Lester Tangjerd, '30, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Tangjerd, passed away at the Clearwater hospital October 1, following an operation for ruptured appendix. Lester's death came as a shock to members of the Northwest School family, for it seems but yesterday that he was taking a leading part in all worthwhile school activities. As a student, debater, athlete, and as a man among men, Lester will long be remembered by faculty and students of the Northwest School. All join in extending their heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

Edwin Lofthus, '24, formerly of East Grand Forks, has moved to 6809½ Albany street, Huntington Park, California.

Miss Stella Lundberg and Mr. Melvin Bengtson, '20, were married August 29, at Minneapolis. Following a trip to Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Bengtson left for Baltimore, Maryland, where Melvin is an instructor in the Johns Hopkins University. Melvin was a Campus visitor Tuesday, August 25.

Miss Marie Strickler, '24, and Mr. William Duden, both of Euclid, were married at Crookston Saturday afternoon, September 12. Miss Esther Strickler, '25, attended her sister. The young couple are making their home on a farm near Euclid.

Miss Edna Bergene and Mr. Robert Nelson, '25, were married September 9, and will make their home in Crookston. At present, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson are spending their honeymoon in the Western states.

Mr. and Ms. Iver Tande (Stella Sorenson, '24) of Oklee, are the parents of a baby boy born September 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Filipi (Gerda Kulle '19) of Angus, announce the birth of a daughter, Delores Elaine, on August 24.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Howard (Lydia Miller), at Good, ridge a few weeks ago. Both Oliver and Lydia are graduates of the class of 1924.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Skime, (Carl 1919-20) of Leonard on Tuesday, September 8.

Alton Eia (1930-31) of Beltrami, died Saturday, August 29, of heart failure. He was buried Tuesday, September 1.

Mrs. Arne Buck, of Grygla, died September 10. She is the mother of Paula Buck (1929-31).

Dennis Raymond, the 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ole Flaata, (Ole, '16) of Fisher, died Friday, September 4, in a Grand Forks hospital. He is survived by his parents and two brothers, Odney Vernon and Ole Lowell.

Julius Nelson, '25, visited relatives in Crookston during the past month. Julius accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nelson on their western trip, and rejoined the U. S. S. Colorado at San Pedro, California, on October 16.

Gerald Stephens, '22, was a Campus visitor Tuesday, September 8. Gerald is working at the Hansel Forge Dairy, Duluth.

Lillian Walhaug, R. N., '26, sends greetings from 1501 East Fourth Street, Duluth.

Arne Solem, '24, in company with two other University students, made an 8,000 mile tour to Central America and the West Indies during the past summer. They gathered more than 25 specimens of reptiles on their journey. Arne has again resumed his studies at the University of Minnesota, where he is completing work for his Master's degree in Literature.

Arthur Grove, '31, Pope County Club agent, Glenwood, writes as follows: "I received my school paper today and my one regret is that I cannot return to the Northwest School to take advantage of some of the splendid projects that were completed during the past summer."

Raymond Schlauderaff, '29, who has been at the Walker State Sanatorium for some time, is now at Sand Beach Sanatorium, Lake Park. Raymond writes that he spent ten days at his home in Detroit Lakes before going to Lake Park.

Mrs. R. H. McLaughlin (Elba Buhn, '19) writes that they have 2½ acres near Minneapolis, and that they intend to try poultry raising as a hobby. Their address is Route 3, Wayzata.

Dr. Harry Hedin, '11, was recently elected Commander of the American Legion Post No. 157, of East Grand Forks.

Miss Laura Gerber, former faculty member, has been appointed health education director of the Columbus Milk council, with her offices at 904 High-Long Building, Columbus, Ohio.

Miss Elesia Simonson is now stationed at White Mountain, Alaska, about 80 miles by air from Nome. Miss Simonson writes that her new work is in connection with an industrial school of the best Eskimo students from that portion of Alaska.

Willard Johnston, '15, has moved from Thomas Avenue to 4625 Vincent Avenue South, Minneapolis.