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School Term Opens October 4th

Dormitories Ready For Opening

The work of preparing for the largest resident enrollment in the school's history is now practically complete. Professor A. M. Foker, superintendent of buildings, has stated that all dormitories and classrooms will be in readiness for the arrival of faculty and students.

The girls who reside in Robertson Hall will be pleased to see the many improvements made in their dormitory equipment. The carpeting of the stairways will be an improvement which will be appreciated by both students and faculty. New carpeting has been purchased for the first floor halls. A new style of trundlebed cot has been installed in all of the rooms of the second floor. This type of cot has proved very popular for girls' dormitories in the colleges of the Midwest. All furniture in the dormitory has been reconditioned and all study chairs have been replaced with new dark-finish birch chairs.

Miss Retta Bede will be general preceptress of girls' dormitories. Faculty members assisting the preceptress in Robertson Hall include the Misses Grace Mary Warne, Fae Hughbanks, Emma Tohms, and Caryl Meyer.

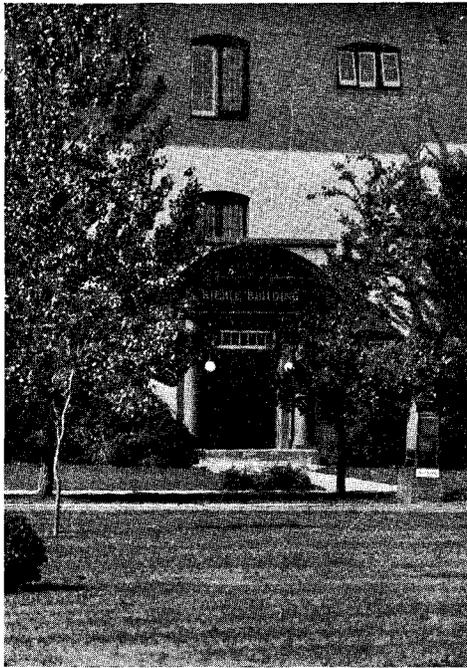
Dormitory facilities in the Home Economics building have been enlarged to meet the housing emergency for girls. An additional twelve to fourteen girls can be given rooms on the second floor of the building through the utilization of the large music classroom and junior girls' dining room. Partitions will be placed to accommodate two girls per room. Classes in music will be transferred to the auditorium and Junior girls' cooking classes will use the Home Management dining room for special meal service. Miss Elsie Mae Kingston will be preceptress in the Home Economics building.

Stephens and Senior halls for boys have been put in excellent shape to accommodate a maximum number of students. All furniture has been reconditioned, and parlor floors in Stephens Hall have been refinished. J. W. Mli-

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NEW CLASSROOM AND LABORATORY EQUIP- MENT PURCHASED

A new delinescope for lantern slides with a film strip attachment has been purchased for use in visual instruction in the various departments. Additional slides have been purchased for botany and biology courses to supplement the present library of slides. With the new equipment, rental slides, and film



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Where Students Will Be Registered

strips available for all departments, class work in many subjects should be made more interesting and teaching more effective than in the past.

Four new benches will be installed in the carpentry shop, increasing the capacity of the wood-working laboratory to twenty-four. A new bench scroll has also been added to the power equipment of the shop. A full line of farm machinery will be on hand for the farm machinery courses.

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Interesting Programs And Events Scheduled

An attractive schedule of outside events has been arranged for the 1937-38 school year which opens Monday, October 4. Movies, lectures, dramatic productions, dances, parties and athletic events are included in the series. Students are admitted as usual upon the presentation of their activity ticket.

Traditional events which are included in the series and which will be recalled by alumni and former students are: YM-YWCA Reception to new students, October 9; Faculty Music Recital, October 10; Outdoor Festival, October 16; Homecoming Dance and Party, October 30; Parents' Day Program, November 6th; Thanksgiving Day Program, November 25; Inter-Class Song Contest, December 20.

The University of North Dakota Band, under the direction of Professor John F. Howard, will present a program on Saturday, October 23. Rated as a top-notch musical organization, the program to be presented promises to be one of the high-lights of the fall series.

Wilfrid Laurier Husband, noted lecturer, will present a program of colored and still motion pictures with his lecture on the topic "Sweden". The program is scheduled for Saturday, November 13.

Max K. Gilstrap, famous as the "whistling ranger" and "America's Boy Scout" is booked for Saturday, December 11. "Our National Parks," title of Mr. Gilstrap's lecture, promises to be an outstanding educational feature.

Others in the series and which will be offered during the second term include: The Hugo Brandt Trio, January 12, offering a program of melody, song, and story; Glen Morris, on February 26, with his program of popularized science demonstrations; and the Musical Art Woodwind Ensemble of Chicago which will be here during the latter part of March.

**PARENTS' DAY AND
HOME PROJECT SHOW
NOVEMBER 6**

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LEADERSHIP WORK FOR SPECIAL GROUP

A special course for leaders in 4-H clubs and adult leadership is planned for Indian girls with high school and college training. The work, if plans are approved by the National Youth Administration, will be a project for students out of school. Tentative plans have been drawn up by district officials of the NYA, Indian agency, extension workers of the Indian Service, and Northwest School officials.

The students will elect courses in business, home economics, crops, and poultry and many other departments which will fit them particularly for group leadership. The students will be given special instruction in leadership work by H. A. Pflughoeft, 4-H club district leader, and J. F. Cline, extension agent in the Indian Service. Special orientation lectures and demonstrations will be given by heads of the different departments in the School and Station to acquaint the students with all phases of 4-H club leadership work.

Due to the fact that all rooms in the girls' dormitories had been reserved well in advance of the opening of school, arrangements have been made to house the special students in a large house rented and fitted for that purpose. The house will be rented and supervised by a competent family in compliance with housing regulations approved by University authorities.

The special Indian students will be given work aid by the National Youth Administration.

V. C. KALLAL RETURNS TO STAFF

V. C. Kallal, former instructor in farm engineering, will return to resume his former position which was held for the past two years by W. D. Rusk. The faculty and older students join in welcoming Professor V. C. Kallal back to the Northwest School. Professor Kallal left his position at the Northwest School on April 1, 1935, to enter full time service in the Soil Conservation Service where he acted as Senior Engineer and Junior Agronomist respectively with headquarters at Greenville, Illinois. During the past past year Mr. Kallal has been acting as assistant manager on his father's farm. Mrs. Kallal and the two children will remain on the home farm in Illinois for the winter months.

1937 NEARLY NORMAL IN RAINFALL

Apparently the cycle of dry years recently experienced in the Red River Valley has been broken. According to weather records at the Northwest School and Station, every year since 1927 has had less than average precipitation. In this year, however, 17.42 inches have been recorded up to September first which is more than the total for the entire year as an average of the last nine years.

The annual precipitation (rain and melted snow) is 19.76 inches as an average of 36 years. As an average of the years 1928 to 1937 it is 16.16 inches. With 17.42 inches already recorded in 1937 it will require only 2.34 inches from September 1 to January 1 to equal the long-time average.

Although the rainfall this season has been ample for crop needs, it has not been sufficient to increase or even maintain subsoil moisture under growing crops, according to R. S. Dunham, agronomist at the Station. Beginning the season with 22 per cent of water in May at a 36 inch depth under wheat, the same soil contained only 14 per cent August 2 when the crop was ripe. This loss is equivalent to approximately 3.2 inches of rain.

There has been only one cooler July in nine years than the one in 1937, but August was unusually warm. Maximum temperatures were not extreme but the average for the month was considerably above normal. The maximum temperature for the year so far was 96 and occurred in July.

PLANT TREE SEEDS THIS FALL

Students and alumni who need trees for shelter or ornamental planting should take advantage of the heavy seed crop of green ash, hackberry, boxelder, and other species and gather the seeds now before they are lost. Students and 4-H club members who have been planting the seeds are getting excellent tree nurseries at no appreciable cost. The potential possibilities of one bushel of ash or other tree seed are greater than many people imagine. One bushel of ash seed planted on a farm near Crookston produced more than five thousand seedling trees when planted in a garden plot 12x132 feet. Five thousand trees planted in rows of a wind-break 3x8 feet would plant approximately three acres of land. Many 4-H club members who planted four-ounce packets of ash seed sent out in 1935 produced more than two hundred trees on small plots of a few square feet.

Greenash and boxelder can be planted directly in a seedling row this fall. It is best to delay planting until late October or early November before the ground freezes. Rodents may prove troublesome to early fall planted seeds. Many tree seeds such as Russian olive and nut seeds can be stored in sand, and other seeds stored dry; however, for the tree planter with but little time available, the fall planting is best.

BAND INSTRUCTION OFFERED

For the first time in many years instruction in band instruments will be offered in the curriculum. Private lessons in band instruments will be given all students desiring special instruction with term fees the same as in other branches of music. No tuition fees, however, will be charged for membership in the school band.

The extent and scope of the band work offered this year will depend upon the reception given the work by the student body. A great deal of interest and enthusiasm has been shown over the inauguration of the band work on the part of both old and new students. With many of the band instrumentalists of the 1936-37 school orchestra as a nucleus and many new prospective band men in attendance, the Northwest School band will be a reality this year. The band instructor, a pupil of Prof. John Howard, University of North Dakota, will be definitely appointed before the opening of the school term.

A few of the necessary larger band instruments will be provided by the school. All students with band instruments are urged to bring their instruments with them, as they come to school. Parents or band members will be able to buy band instruments either through local dealers or elsewhere. The student desiring to play a band instrument should, however, consult the band director as to his fitness for this instrument before a purchase is made.

Students desiring to play in the band or take private lessons who do not have instruments will be able to secure good instruments on reasonable rental terms from the music houses of the Red River Valley.

The Northwest School orchestra will continue with Miss Marian Nelson as director. The close affiliation of the orchestra, bands, and vocal groups will not only give a great impetus to music appreciation on the part of the students, but will give every student opportunity to engage in some music activity.

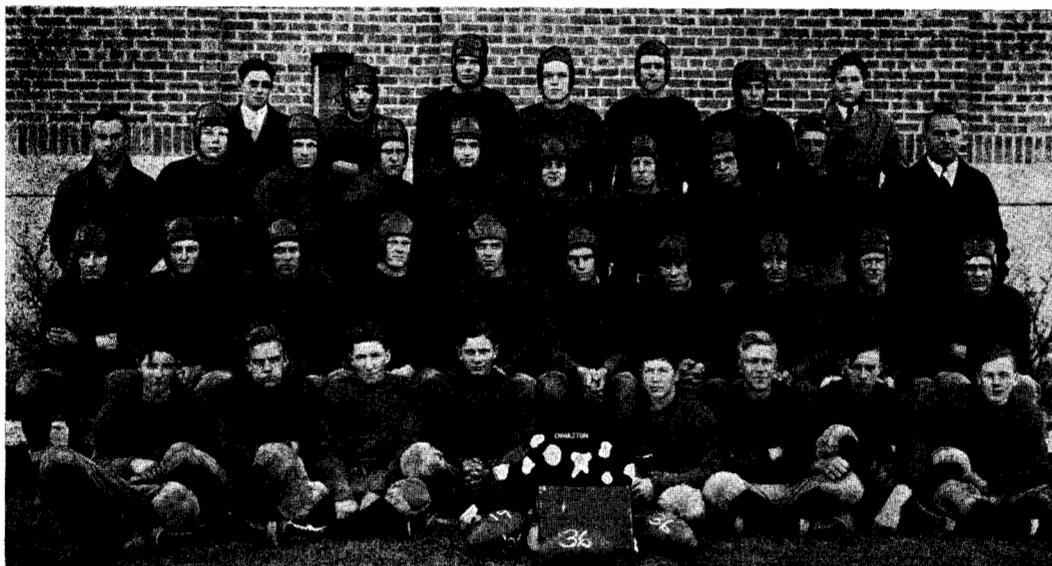
NEW CLASSROOM AND LABORATORY EQUIPMENT PURCHASED

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Ten new typewriters and ten typewriter tables will be installed in the typing and business training rooms to make additional facilities available for the increased enrollment in the business training courses.

Both hand and electrically-operated adding and calculating machines will be on hand during the year as needed by the classes in advanced bookkeeping and secretarial science. An up-to-date motor driven mimeograph installed in the general business office will be available for use for the advanced classes in commercial subjects.

Senior girls in home management classes will welcome the opportunity of using new equipment in the home management rooms. A new electric refrigerator has been installed to complete the modernization of the home management kitchen.

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1936 FOOTBALL SQUAD

Top Row: Doble, manager; Floan, Thieling, H. Nabben, Hilmo, Tangen, Weckwerth, Mgr.
 Second Row: W. D. Rusk, Assistant coach; Hemmestvedt, V. Dahlgren, Widseth, Harris, Freije, Hodgson, W. Hanson, L. Knutson, Coach R. J. Christgau.
 Third Row: Higgin, Hegreberg, C. Trangsrud, R. Carlson, Evans, Captain Wentzel, Rader, Radway, R. Carlson, Dahl.
 Bottom Row: Bergh, Mortenson, Burnside, Wavra, Gandrud, Flaten, Sorvig, Strand.

1937 Football Schedule Announcement

Three home games and an equal number on foreign fields—that is the 1937 football schedule for the Northwest Aggies.

Two traditional rivals, the North Central Aggies of Grand Rapids and the West Central Aggies of Morris, occupy prominent places on the schedule. The Grand Rapids encounter will be the feature of the annual Northwest homecoming, Saturday, October 30. The West Central Aggies will play hosts to the Northwest eleven in the homecoming festivities at Morris on November 11.

On Saturday, October 9, the Grand Forks High Reserves journey to the campus for the season's opener for the Christgau-coached Northwest eleven. The two teams met in the 1936 curtain-raiser and the Aggies triumphed 14-7.

The second game of the season for the maroon and gold team finds the Aggies traveling to Bemidji for the clash with the high school eleven on Friday, October 15. The game will be the first meeting between the two schools.

The Concordia College Freshmen of

Moorhead return to the Northwest schedule after an absence of four years. In 1931 the maroon and gold scored a victory over the college yearlings but suffered defeats in the next two meetings in 1932 and 1933. Aware of not only the greater weight of the Concordia boys but also of the greater experience, Coach Christgau booked the yearlings expecting that the maroon and gold will benefit by the stiff opposition and be better prepared for the tough opposition remaining on the 1937 schedule.

Homecoming will be celebrated on the Northwest campus Saturday, October 30. The game with the Grand Rapids Aggies, present holders of the "little brown jug", headlines the day's program. In the 1936 game the two teams finished with a scoreless tie. Grand Rapids, having scored a 19-0 victory in 1935, retained the coveted "brown jug", football trophy between the two schools.

Friday, November 5, the Aggies go to Mahnomen for the third annual clash between the two schools. In the two previous meetings the teams have each

scored a victory, Mahnomen winning by a 13-6 score in 1935 and the Northwest eleven emerging triumphant 6-0 in 1936.

The season's finale will be played at Morris November 11. The game will be the fourteenth annual clash between the two teams. The rivalry between the two schools dates back to 1924. Crookston has scored 8 victories, suffered 4 defeats and 1 game ended in a tie score. "Ossie", black and white wooden pig, football prize between the two schools, is now in possession of the Northwest School following their 1936 victory by a 7-0 score.

The complete 1937 football schedule:
 Saturday, October 9—Grand Forks High Reserves—HERE.

Friday, October 15—Bemidji High—THERE.

Saturday, October 23—Concordia College Freshman—HERE.

Saturday, October 30—Grand Rapids Aggies—HERE.

Friday, November 5—Mahnomen High—THERE.

Thursday, November 11—Morris Aggies—THERE.

1937 Homecoming Dance and Party

By faculty action, the following regulation governing attendance at the annual Homecoming Dance and Party will be enforced on October 30, 1937: "Admission to Homecoming Dance and Party for former students and alumni shall be by guest tickets only."

Send in your request for a guest ticket for yourself and partner to: HOMECOMING DANCE COMMITTEE, Northwest School, Crookston, Minnesota, by October 20, 1937.

Remember that attendance is limited. Only those presenting guest tickets will be admitted. The committee reserves the right to refuse admission to those who do not properly qualify. Upon presentation of the guest ticket, the prevailing admission charge will be made.

NEW METHODS FOR BUSINESS TRAINING

The special business training department, begun one year ago at the Northwest School, is expected to have an enrollment during the coming term that will in all probability more than double that of last year. Additional equipment has been added to accommodate the great demand for this work. Courses in accounting, secretarial science, business English, commercial law, shorthand I, II, III and typewriting I, II, III are offered in the Business Training Department.

The secretarial science course will be expanded to include comptometer work in addition to mimeographing, duplicating machines, addressographs, adding machines, and various systems of filing.

By the newest teaching techniques it is expected that students in the shorthand and typewriting classes will acquire a much greater speed in the six-month period than in previous years. New textbooks in shorthand and typewriting, employing the most recent methods in not only teaching but in learning, have been purchased to assure students of the most up-to-date work. Extra typewriters have been added to the laboratory to accommodate the increased enrollment.

Miss Fae Hughbanks and Miss Emma Tohms will be the instructors in the commercial subjects.

The special business course is open to only graduates of high schools or four-year graduates of the schools of agriculture.

HOUSING COMMITTEE

APPOINTED

A faculty committee consisting of Registrar J. W. Mlinar, A. M. Foker, Retta Bede, and Lydia Dahlen has been busy inspecting and approving rooming places in Crookston for the overflow of students from Northwest School dormitories.

University housing rules are followed in placing homes for student roomers on the approved list. The Northwest School housing committee will be the advisory group for students and parents; however, final arrangements for rooming off the campus must be made by or with the full approval of parents involved.

Students rooming off the campus will be given the same social and entertainment privileges as campus residents and bus service will be provided for all regularly scheduled events.

The housing committee is placing, on the approved list, homes in favorable locations, which have the necessary conveniences and which can supply sympathetic supervision. Homes to comply with approved regulations can take only boys or only girls except where students live with relatives.

The housing problem has been acute at the Northwest School for several years; however, the overflow of students from the campus this year creates many new and perplexing problems, the correct solution of which demands the full cooperation of faculty, parents, students, and householders.

MISS KATHERINE HENNIG RESIGNS

Miss Katherine Hennig resigned her position as instructor in voice on September 24 to continue her study of voice in studios of New York City. Miss Hennig was instructor at the Northwest School for four years and did much to inspire in her many vocal groups a better appreciation of music. The best wishes of the faculty and students for a brilliant future go with Miss Hennig as she continues her study of voice.

Miss Elvira Bierbauer has accepted the position as instructor in voice and will take over all individual and group instruction formerly given by Miss Katherine Hennig. Miss Bierbauer comes to the Northwest School faculty with excellent college training and a splendid teaching record.

Miss Bierbauer is a graduate of the Mankato State Teachers College and received her Bachelor of Science degree in music at the University of Minnesota in 1932, and did graduate work in music at the University last year. Miss Bierbauer has given private and group instruction in both piano and voice and was instructor in music at Cloquet High School for two years. She was successful in training a district and state winning group in the contest of the National Federation of Music Clubs.

All group instruction in music will, due to increased enrollment, be given in the school auditorium. The large main floor dressing room will be converted into a studio for students in voice.

There will be no changes in the piano and violin teaching staff. The Misses Marian Nelson and Grace Warne will resume their teaching of piano and violin. The new additions to the music staff, together with the present staff members, will give students at the Northwest School outstanding opportunities for instruction in music and will insure a number of very much worthwhile student music organizations.

MISS EMMA TOHMS RE- PLACES HOWARD MYSTER

Miss Emma Tohms, a graduate of the University of Ohio and of the Minnesota School of Business, has accepted the position as instructor in the commercial department. Miss Tohms replaces Mr. Howard Myster who resigned to accept full-time work as a public accountant. Miss Tohms received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education at the Ohio University in 1935 and has since finished the teachers' training course in commercial subjects at the Minnesota School of Business.

DORMITORIES READY FOR OPENING

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nar, preceptor of boys' dormitories, will be assisted in Stephens Hall by Wm. Promersberger and Donald C. Streeter, and in Senior Hall by V. C. Kallal.

PERSONALS

***Alvin Gronner, '32; Roland Wentzel, '36; Elmer Ross, '35; and Clarence Stromberg, '35, are attending the State Teachers College, Moorhead. They have been elected as members of the football squad at that institution.

***Arthur Grove, '31, who is attending the State Teachers College at Moorhead, has been chosen chairman of the Homecoming Decorations committee; president of the Art Club; and a member of the Lutheran Students' Association committee.

***Oscar Mollidren, '32 Gary, is teaching at Strandquist, Minnesota, this year.

***Clifford Lerud, 1923-25, of Portland, Oregon, visited the campus enroute to his parents' home at Twin Valley. He was returning from a Furniture Workers' Union meeting held recently at Buffalo, New York.

***Ruth Stenborg, '31, was a campus visitor on September 22. She was married on November 19, 1936, to Mr. B. W. Fullhart, and now lives at 1140 North LaSalle street, Chicago, Illinois.

***George Roisum, '28, Bagley, visited the campus on September 17. He will enroll at Hamline University, St. Paul, and will be a junior this year.

***Ann Brandli, '31, formerly of Warroad, was married on November 26, 1936, to Mr. Keith Harris and is now making her home in Marshfield, Oregon, at 1449 Commercial avenue.

***Williamine Cenfield, '29, is employed as nurse aid in the psychopathic ward at the University of Minnesota hospital, Minneapolis. Her address is 418 Oak street S. E.

***Helen Selvig, 1921-22, was a campus visitor on August 19. She is making her home in Washington, D. C.

***Harry Tangen, '32, Menahga, visited the campus on August 21. He has been employed in the Agronomy Department at University Farm, St. Paul, during the summer. He will enroll in the College of Agriculture, University Farm, St. Paul, this fall. Harry reported that a number of Northwest School alumni will register in the College of Agriculture again this fall, they include Torlief Boe, Raymond Mykleby, Stanley Alseth, Noel Hanson, Earl Lindberg, Lester Lerud and Margaret Lerud.

***Mr. and Mrs. Howard Myster (Lois Lohn), former faculty members, are making their home at Bismarck, North Dakota.

***Dean W. C. Coffey, Dr. H. J. Sloan, and Dr. L. M. Winters of the College of Agriculture, University Farm, St. Paul, visited the school and station on Friday, September 17.

MARRIAGES

***Jean Nisbet, '33, East Grand Forks, to Mr. Walter Roberts of Mallory on Sunday, September 12, at the home of her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts will make their home on a farm near East Grand Forks.

***Elmer O. Anderson, '25, Clearbrook, was married on Wednesday, September 1, to Miss Margaret Taffin. They will live in Clearbrook.