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School Opens September 30

The Northwest School will open its doors for the thirty-fifth school year on Monday, September 30. The probable enrollment, based on advance room reservations, should range between 375 and 400 students.

Registration

New students will register on Monday, September 30, at the school library beginning at 9:00 a. m. Former students and upper classmen will register on Tuesday morning, October 1. To avoid congestion about Kiehle building during registration, all students with room assignments are asked to report first to their respective dormitories and later take their places in the registration lines.

Students who have not made advance room reservations and students who expect to reside off-campus should report directly to the Registrar's office.

A Red River Valley School

The Northwest School, a regional branch of the University of Minnesota, services primarily the Northwest corner of the state from the south Ottertail county line to the Canadian border. Boys and girls who are graduates of the eighth grade, or any boy or girl who has not completed the eighth grade but is sixteen years of age, may enter. Students transferring from high schools or other subcollegiate institutions are given full transfer credit.

High School graduates are finding an excellent selection of vocational courses in business training, agricultural engineering, animal husbandry, agronomy, horticulture, and home economics from which they can choose in preparing themselves for specific jobs. High school graduates may, through the proper selection of agricultural courses,

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Entertainment Program Arranged For Fall Term

A program of entertainment and social events has been arranged for the school year to be supplemented from time to time with additional worthwhile features as they become available. A full program of movies, lectures, dramatic and musical productions, receptions, parties, dances, and athletic events has been arranged. Students are admitted to all events on the entertainment program with the student activity ticket. The only extra charge for an event during the school year is the Senior class play.

Traditional events of the first week of school include the Boys' Pow-Wow

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New Staff Members Announced

Mr. A. Kirk Crawford, appointed to a full-time position as instructor in agricultural engineering at the Northwest School, assumed his duties on August fifteenth. Mr. Crawford, whose home address is Niagara, North Dakota, is a graduate of the North Dakota Agricultural College



A. K. Crawford

of Fargo, North Dakota, class of 1938. He received his Master of Science degree in Agricultural Engineering from the Iowa State College, Ames, in 1939, and during the past year has been an instructor in his field at the North Dakota Agricultural College, Fargo. The new full-time position in agricultural engineering was created after the resignation of E. R. Clark early last summer. Mr. Crawford will take over the summer position as one of the two home project supervisors and be available for special work in the agricultural engineering program.

Mr. Bryan F. Swan of Minneapolis has been appointed as instructor in Science and will teach



B. F. Swan

subjects formerly taught by Professors E. R. Clark and R. S. Dunham. Mr. Swan received his Bachelor of Science degree from the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1930, his Bachelor's degree from the University of Minnesota in 1939 and is now completing work on his Master's degree at the University of Minnesota. Mr. Swan has served as an Ensign in the United States Navy from 1930-33 and Lieutenant (Jg) United States Navy in 1933-37. Mr. and Mrs. Swan will reside on the campus during the school year.

Mr. W. R. Peterson of Kenyon, Minnesota, has been elected to succeed Raymond T. McVeety as instructor in agricultural engineering. Mr. Peterson received his Junior College training from the St. Paul Luther College and graduated with honors in 1933. His en-

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Football Prospects Bright

Eight lettermen led by Captain Lloyd Lund, Thief River Falls, are expected to report to Coach R. J. Christgau at the opening practice of the 1940 football season. The lettermen are: Martin Egeland, Fisher, fullback; Leroy Maidment, Thief River Falls, halfback; Ed. McMullan, Mahanomen, end; George Myrold, Crookston, center; Donald Jorgenson, Stephen, guard; Andrew Skaar, Thief River Falls, tackle; Telfred Sletvedt, Oklee, tackle. With Captain Lund holding down guard spot Coach Christgau then will have six line men and two back field men of experience.

The season's schedule recently announced by Coach Christgau includes four home games and two on foreign fields. The opening game is scheduled for Saturday, October 5, against the Crookston High School Pirates. This game will be played on the Northwest School campus. Last year these two teams fought to a scoreless tie.

For the second game of the season, the Northwest Aggies journey to Moorhead where they engage the Concordia College freshmen. One week later the freshmen from the State Teachers' College at Moorhead appear on the Northwest School campus.

The traditional agriculture school rivals are included in the 1940 schedule with the Northwest eleven going to Grand Rapids for the North Central homecoming on Saturday, October 26. This will be the eleventh annual game between the two schools and the series now stands, seven victories for Crookston, two for Grand Rapids and one scoreless tie.

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School Buildings Ready For Term Opening

Workmen have been busy during the summer months in getting all dormitories and school buildings in readiness for the return of students on September 30.

Changes have been made in the chemistry laboratory which will permit the room to be used for both class and laboratory work in chemistry and physics.

Several improvements have been made in the agricultural engineering laboratories which will enlarge the scope of the work offered in several courses. New fire brick welding tables have been made for the shop courses in oxyacetylene welding. Final connections have been made for the electric arc welder. The new welding apparatus now rounds out a complete line of

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Correspondence Schools

Members of the Northwest School staff have been called on frequently by young men and women in the Red River Valley for assistance in getting service from various types of correspondence schools. Some of the students involved have exhibited threatening letters from schools of which little is known even in the cities where they operated.

In several instances young folks have sent in quite large sums of money as tuition from which nothing much has been received. Red River Valley young folks are warned to investigate thoroughly the standing of correspondence schools before investing money. There are many reputable commercial correspondence schools that are well established and render service to young people unable to attend schools and colleges. Many of the state colleges and universities offer excellent correspondence courses, some of which may be used for college credit.

The United States Civil Service Commission of Washington, D. C., has issued a warning in Form 2814 against the so called "civil service schools." Quotations from the leaflet timely to members of the Northwest School family include:

"No school can properly promise success in passing civil service examinations or "guarantee" employment in the Federal civil service. Announced examinations are competitive in character. A list is established from each examination, containing the names of persons who pass, arranged in the order of examination ratings. The highest three are submitted to an appointing officer to fill each vacancy. He may select any one of the three.

"No school can obtain special advantages for its students in civil service examinations or appointments.

"No school is given any advance or "special" information regarding civil service examinations or any other civil service information that is not available to the general public without cost.

"The Commission does not make recommendation regarding courses of instruction. No "civil service" course is required for taking civil service examinations, or for learning about them. Training for a position in the civil service does not differ essentially from training for the same kind of position elsewhere. In the Government service, as elsewhere, persons seeking employment must have the qualifications required for performing the duties of the position. A carpenter must be able to

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NEW STAFF MEMBERS ANNOUNCED

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gineering training was received at the University of Minnesota where he received his degree of Bachelor of Agricultural Engineering in June 1936. Since that time, Mr. Peterson has been farming at Kenyon, Minnesota, raising hybrid seed and taking winter graduate work in his chosen field. Mrs. Peterson and their two young daughters will join Mr. Peterson just as soon as suitable housing facilities can be secured.

Miss Dolores Webster of Stillwater, Minnesota, has been appointed to succeed Mr. Edward Wegener as instructor in English and coach of debate. Miss Webster received her Junior College training at the North Dakota



Dolores Webster

School of Science at Wahpeton and completed her undergraduate work at the University of Minnesota in June of this year. Miss Webster has an excellent background of training and experience in speech and debate dating back to her high school training at Fertile, Minnesota, and continuing through her college career. While in the University, Miss Webster was a member of the University debating team, won honors also in speech contests and was elected to membership in three honor societies, Zeta Phi Eta, national honorary and professional speech arts; Delta Sigma Rho, national honorary forensic society; and Eta Sigma Upsilon, honorary education.

ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAM ARRANGED FOR FALL TERM

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and the Girls' Frolic held on Wednesday, October 2, and the joint Y.M. and Y.W.C.A. reception to all students on Saturday evening, October 5. The Sunday evening programs will be opened on October 6 with a faculty music program. Bible study classes are held on Sunday mornings at 8:45 for both boys and girls for all who wish to attend, while full opportunity is given students to attend their own church services in Crookston. Other events scheduled for the fall term are: University Lyceum number, Richard Finnie, October 10; Outdoor Festival, October 11; October 12, movie; October 19, Otto Schacht, tenor, also class parties; October 26, Croatian Tamburitzas, lyceum number; Parents' Day, November 2; C. E. Jones, lyceum number, November 8; Homecoming dance and party, November 9; Movie, November 16; dance and party, November 30; Ritz Trumpeteers, lyceum number, December 7; Song Contest, December 13; December 14, movie; Christmas dinner, December 18; Cushing-Hulton Duo, lyceum number, December 19.

Miss Mary Peterson Appointed School Nurse

Miss Mary Peterson of Anoka, Minnesota, has been appointed as school nurse and instructor to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Elesa Simonson. Miss Peterson has had twelve years' experience as a public health nurse with the Community Health Service of Minneapolis and has public school teaching experience. With her background of training and experience, Miss Peterson will maintain the high standards set by our Northwest School Health Service. Miss Peterson is a member of state and national organizations of public health nurses.

Dr. O. K. Behr of the Crookston Clinic has been appointed as school physician for the year of 1940-41. Dr. Behr represented the Crookston Clinic on the Northwest School staff for the year 1938-39 and succeeds Dr. R. O. Sather of the Northwestern Clinic, school physician last year. The Health Service program at the Northwest School, in which the school physician maintains daily office hours at the school, has met with the hearty approval of parents and the University Health Service alike. Parents of students at the Northwest School appreciate the value of the resident nurse, school physician, and the well-equipped school hospital.

Three Staff Members Resign

Raymond T. McVeety, instructor in agricultural engineering at the Northwest School for the past year, resigned his position at the school to accept a position as engineering instructor for the Brooker T. Washington Foundation in Liberia, West Africa. Mr. McVeety will sail from New York to his new position late in September.

Edward P. Wegener, instructor in English and coach of debate for the past two years, resigned late in August to accept a similar teaching position at the Litchfield High School. Mr. Wegener continued his graduate work at the University of Minnesota during the spring quarter and the first summer session.

Miss Elesa Simonson, school nurse and instructor last year, resigned to take up full-time public health nursing work in the state of Idaho.

The best wishes of the faculty go with Miss Simonson, Mr. McVeety, and Mr. Wegener in their new positions.

Pflughoefts Return To Campus

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Pflughoeft returned to the Northwest School campus on September first from their year spent in Washington, D. C. Mr. Pflughoeft, while on sabbatic leave for the year, took graduate work in the United States Department of Agriculture Extension Service and American University. He received his Master of Science degree at the American University commencement in June.

Mr. Pflughoeft returned to Minnesota in time to help with the 4-H club program at the Minnesota State Fair.

Strickler Brothers Honored

Bennie and William Strickler, of the classes of '27 and '30 respectively, have been given signal national honors for their achievements in starting and building up their beef herd as 4-H club members. The Stricklers live near Euclid, Minnesota.

The Strickler Brothers carried the school motto "Science with Practice" back to the farm where they have developed one of the outstanding Angus herds of the entire Northwest.

A share of the glory for this fine achievement should go to the father and mother of these boys for their encouragement and guidance in getting the boys started in club work and livestock breeding. The Strickler brothers have in the breeding up of fine herds and flocks, in the working out of a well-balanced program of crop production, in the establishment of their own farm homes, in fine cooperation with their parents, and in their aggressive community leadership exemplified most of the highest ideals the Northwest School holds for its graduates.

Strong Squad For Cross-Country

With the first practice of the cross-country squad scheduled for Thursday, October 3, many members of last year's squad and new candidates are expected to report. Cross-country meets will be scheduled with other teams in the territory.

Last year's squad members who are expected to report are: Paul Auer, (Continued on Page 4, Col. 1)

West Section Of Steam Tunnel Completed

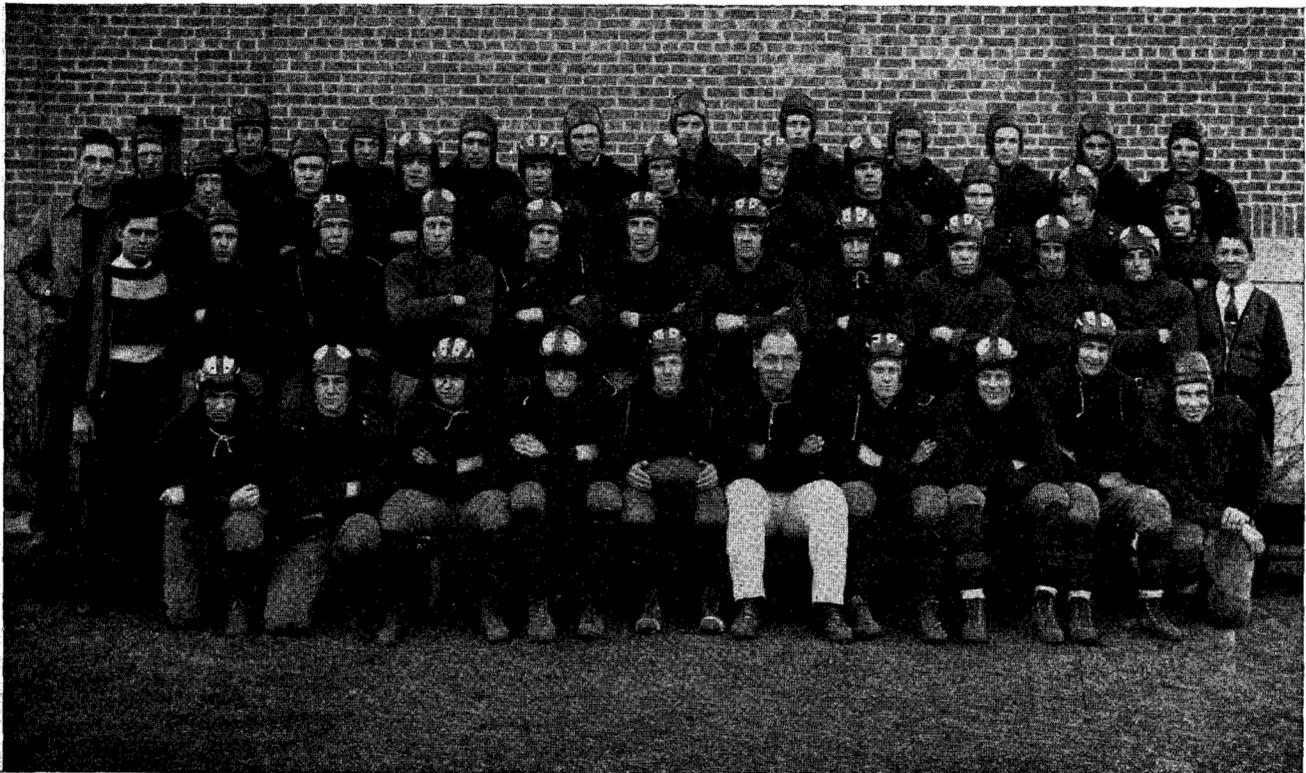
The west section of the new steam tunnel, beginning at the gymnasium and ending at the central heating plant, is now completed with all steam mains and hot water lines in place. The steam tunnel construction was assured when the legislature appropriated \$24,500 for the much needed west section. According to original plans, the west section was to be built in 1939-40 and an additional appropriation was to be sought for the completion of the tunnel from the 1941 session of the legislature. Through the cooperation of the district and state offices of the Works Progress Administration, the tunnel construction on the campus was approved as a WPA project. Through prompt cooperation with the offices of the University Supervising Engineer and Purchasing Department, savings were made on the purchases of construction materials sufficient to buy some of the materials to start work on the east section of the tunnel.

Through the setting aside of \$10,000 of Northwest School and Station funds and further cooperation of the Works Progress Administration, the east section of the tunnel will be completed this year. One of the chief difficulties encountered in the east tunnel project was to move approximately 300 feet of water main which was immediately under the old tunnel. Excavations under the old tunnel have proved the wisdom of replacing the east tunnel this year. Side walls in many sections were in a state of collapse, steam lines and hot water lines were leaking and (Continued on Page 4, Col. 2)

1940-41 Faculty Committees Announced

With the opening of the fall term, Superintendent T. M. McCall announces the permanent faculty committees for the school year. Each committee holds meetings for consideration of problems pertaining to its activities.

The faculty committees are as follows: STUDENTS' WORK—Miss Retta Bede, chairman; J. W. Mlinar, R. E. Nylund, O. M. Kiser, B. M. Bakkegard, W. R. Peterson, and T. M. McCall. ASSEMBLY, SUNDAY EVENINGS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS—Supt. T. M. McCall, the Misses Marion Manning, Marion Frykman, and Elvira Bierbauer. ENTERTAINMENT AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES—R. S. Dunham, chairman; J. W. Mlinar, and the Misses Martha Manning, Fae Hughbanks, Grace Warne, Dolores Webster, Ona Scheidler, and Elvira Bierbauer. ATHLETICS AND PHYSICAL TRAINING—A. M. Foker, chairman; R. J. Christgau, Bryan F. Swan, R. E. Nylund, and the Misses Fanny Lippitt, Elsie Kingston, Mary Peterson. EXHIBITS AND INSTITUTIONAL DISPLAYS—A. Kirk Crawford, chairman; A. M. Pilkey, A. M. Foker, and the Misses Marion Frykman and Elsie Kingston. SPECIAL SCHOLARSHIP—J. W. Mlinar, chairman, R. J. Christgau, O. M. Kiser, and Miss Retta Bede. Y.W.C.A. ADVISORY COMMITTEE—the Misses Retta Bede, Elsie Kingston, and Ona Scheidler. Y.M.C.A. ADVISORY COMMITTEE—O. M. Kiser, A. M. Pilkey, T. M. McCall. PEPSTERS—B. M. Bakkegard. "A" CLUB—R. J. Christgau, J. W. Mlinar, R. S. Dunham.



The 1939 Northwest School Football Team

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qualify for the Northwest School diploma in one year.

What to Bring

Each student should come provided with sheets, blankets, one pillow, three pillow cases, dresser scarf, towels, and necessary toilet articles. Interchange or loss of articles can be prevented by using individual identification markings. Students living in one room generally cooperate in furnishing curtains for rooms.

Tuition Aid for Rural Students

Students residing in rural school districts which are not offering accredited high school instruction and students residing in towns which are not offering four years of accredited high school instruction are entitled to tuition aid. The tuition aid covers all necessary fees until a student has completed the four-year course. To be eligible for tuition aid, a student should be a graduate of the eighth grade, reside in a rural school district which does not offer accredited high school instruction, and must not be over twenty-one years of age. The only cost to boys and girls eligible for tuition aid is for board and room. All students must make the \$5.00 breakage deposit on the opening day of school and pay the first month's board and room in advance.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS READY FOR TERM OPENING

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equipment for blacksmithing and farm shop courses. Students may also elect the courses in electricity which in its practical phases will be of help to all students coming from homes connecting up with rural electrification projects. A full line of leading makes of farm machines will be on hand for the farm machinery course.

A new hand loom will be added to the equipment for handicraft work in home economics.

Considerable new equipment for the music appreciation courses has been ordered. A phonograph with a large library of records will be available for the music classes.

Two hundred and four volumes were added to the school library during the summer. The library now has in excess of five thousand volumes, exclusive of government and state publications.

The large floors of the gymnasium and main dining room have been resanded and treated with special floor finish.

STRONG SQUAD FOR CROSS-COUNTRY

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Waubun; William Pastuck, Hallock; Duane Okeson, Detroit Lakes; Earl Krogstad, Fertile; Arnold Torkelson, Thompson, N. D.; Howard Heitman, Ada; Francis Ysen, Lengby; Alfred Hebert, Argyle; Ordell Frigstad, Gully; Lynn Steen, Halstad; Mat Jensen, Hallock; Harold Hoadley, Bagley; Roy Lerud, Twin Valley; Earl Hvidsten, Stephen; Stanley Johnston, Angus.

Coach R. J. Christgau will announce the schedule of meets at the opening of the school year.

FOOTBALL PROSPECTS BRIGHT

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On Friday, November 1, the Park River, North Dakota Aggies make their appearance on the Crookston campus in the seventh annual meeting between the two schools. Last year the North Dakota eleven scored a 38-14 triumph to make the school standings four victories for Park River and two for Crookston.

Homecoming on the Northwest Campus has been scheduled at a later date than usual in order that the Morris Aggies may furnish the opposition. Saturday, November 9, has been set aside for the seventeenth annual game between the two schools. "Ossie," the football trophy between the two schools, was captured by Morris in the 1939 season by virtue of a 13-12 victory. The Crookston-Morris football series stands at 9 victories for the Northwest School and 5 victories for Morris and 2 ties.

A summary of the football schedule is as follows: Saturday, October 5—2:30 p. m., Crookston High School, here; Saturday, October 12—2:30 p. m., Concordia College Freshmen, Moorhead, there; Saturday, October 19—2:30 p. m., Moorhead State Teachers Freshmen, here; Saturday, October 26—2:30 p. m., North Central Aggies, there; Friday, November 1—2:30 p. m., Park River (ND) Aggies, here; Saturday, November 9—2:30 p. m., West Central (Morris) Aggies, here. **HOME COMING.**

In addition to the lettermen, Coach Christgau expects the following members of last year's reserves to report for the practice session: Norris Hovland, Rothsay; James Wodahl, Erskine; Arvid Gunderson, Fergus Falls; Harold Utech, Clearbrook; Palmer Pederson, Bejou; Ervin Risbrudt, Dalton; Herbert Johnson, Stephen; Iden Magnussen, Roseau; Henry Hoff, Fergus Falls; John Magnusson, Milton, N. Dak.; Bernard Kragness, Glyndon; Ferdinand Mandt, Oklee; Wayne Lantz, Lengby; Howard Anderson, Argyle; Howard Berg, Fertile; Odney Flaatt, Fisher; Owen Weckwerth, Hazel.

WEST SECTION OF STEAM TUNNEL COMPLETED

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in urgent need of repair, and old galvanized connections to the water main were leaking and in need of immediate attention.

The tunnel improvements include new high pressure steam mains to all buildings west of the heating plant with copper pipe for the circulating hot water. All steam and hot water pipes are now up on pipe racks which are easily accessible for repair. The tunnel will also be used for telephone cables and some of the electric service lines.

The new tunnel east of Stephens Hall will replace the old tunnel to a point east of Hill building where the new line will run south to service Senior Hall and the Greenhouse. Present plans call for the completion of the east tunnel project by January. There will be no disruption of service to any of the buildings affected.

PERSONALS

***Raymond Hogenson, '24, visited the campus on September 16. He is making his home at 829 East 3rd Street, St. Paul, Minnesota. Mr. Hogenson is a public accountant with specialization in creamery accounting.

***Vivian Jenkins, Sp., of Crookston, graduated from the Mercy Hospital School of Nursing, Devils Lake, North Dakota, on Saturday evening, September 21.

***A number of Northwest School graduates are enrolled at the Moorhead State Teachers College this year and include: Freshmen—Donald Handegard, Dale; Walter Stromstad, Beltrami; Howard A. Berg, Fertile; Dorothy Hanson, Trail; Kathrine Viker, Halstad; Amy Nelson, Bagley; Delene Hegreberg, Ada; Kay Lehnerr, Ponsford; Ruby Breiland, Thief River Falls. Upper classmen—Arnold Grove, Roosevelt; Duane Moen, Gary; Elmer Mortenson, Wannaska; Alvin Gronner, Underwood.

***Merle Halverson, '37, formerly of Hallock, is now located at 1279 Allston Way, Berkeley, California.

***Alta Torkelson, '37, of Crookston, graduated from the School of Nursing, Deaconess Hospital, Grand Forks, North Dakota, on August 30.

***Alvin Gronner, '32, of Underwood, is captain of the football team at the Moorhead State Teachers College, Moorhead, this year.

***Thorval Tunheim, '16, visited the school on August 19. He visited the campus enroute to his parents' home at Newfolden, Minnesota. Mr. Tunheim is now living in North Hollywood, California, where he is editor and part owner of the "San Fernando Valley Times."

MARRIAGES

***Miss Patricia Durbahn, '37, of Angus, to Mr. Arvid P. Benson of Hannaford, North Dakota, on Sunday, August 25. Mr. and Mrs. Benson will make their home at Moorhead, Minnesota.

***Miss Marjorie Bowers to Jerome Molacek, '34, of Bemidji, on Tuesday, August 27, at Bemidji.

CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOLS

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do carpentering, a nurse must be trained in her profession, a scientist must be proficient in his field. Examinations differ according to the duties of the position. Examinations of various kinds are announced as they are made necessary by the occurrence of vacancies. For many positions a period of apprenticeship, or of specialized experience, is required for admission to examination; for others, applicants must have had recognized high school, college, or university training. A coaching course cannot be substituted for experience, or an apprenticeship, or institutional training, when required.

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