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Plan to Attend Alumni Reunion, June 27

Alumni and former students will gather for the annual summer gathering, business meeting, and dancing party at the Northwest School on Saturday, June 27.

Alumni representing all of the younger classes are expected to be in attendance; however, the greatest interest centers on the classes of 1912 and 1917 who celebrate their thirtieth and twenty-fifth anniversaries respectively.

Information regarding members of classes who cannot be in attendance at the reunion on June 27 should send letters of greeting to the school or class officers to be read at the class meetings. Superintendent T. M. McCall has agreed to assemble and hold alumni greeting letters for the reunion groups.

For the convenience of the alumni the names and last address of the class officers of the reunion classes are:

CLASS OF 1912: Ole Torvend, Patterson, Cal.; Carl Berg, Grand Forks, N. D.; Lula Casselman (Mrs. R. W. MacMurphy), Fertile; Edward Osterloh, Stephen.

CLASS OF 1917: Magnus Spjut, Strathcona, president; Martin Soberg, Winger, vice-president; Walter Peterson, Lancaster, treasurer; Charles Aurburg, Rochester, Wash., sergeant-at-arms; Raymond Anderson, International Falls, secretary.

CLASS OF 1922: Lloyd Ness, Ada, president; Neva Gibbons Ness, Ada, vice-president; Ila Slyter Miller, Climax, secretary; William Johnson, Duluth, treasurer; Louis Emerson, Minneapolis, sergeant-at-arms.

CLASS OF 1927: Arnold Aakre, Lanesboro, Minn., president; Carl Widseth, Minneapolis, vice-president; Hannah Degerness Hermanson, Gary, secretary; Selmer Harstad, Fertile, treasurer; Randolph Ostlie, St. Paul, sergeant-at-arms.

CLASS OF 1932: Ed Widseth, St. Paul, president; Kermit Greenley, Dassel, Minn.; Wallace Abbott, Ponsford, secretary; Alvin Gronner, Underwood, treasurer; Arnold Strand, Twin Valley, sergeant-at-arms.

CLASS OF 1937: Ray Higgin, St. Paul, president; Woodrow Evans, St. Paul, vice-president; Lynn Lokken, Shelly, sergeant-at-arms; Dorothy Evans, Middle River, secretary; Morris Dahl, Kennedy, treasurer.

The preliminary plans made by the class of 1932, to present murals painted by a St. Paul artist, have been changed. The date of presentation has been changed due to the inability of the state art director to get the necessary help to install the paintings. The manner and time of the presentation of the class of

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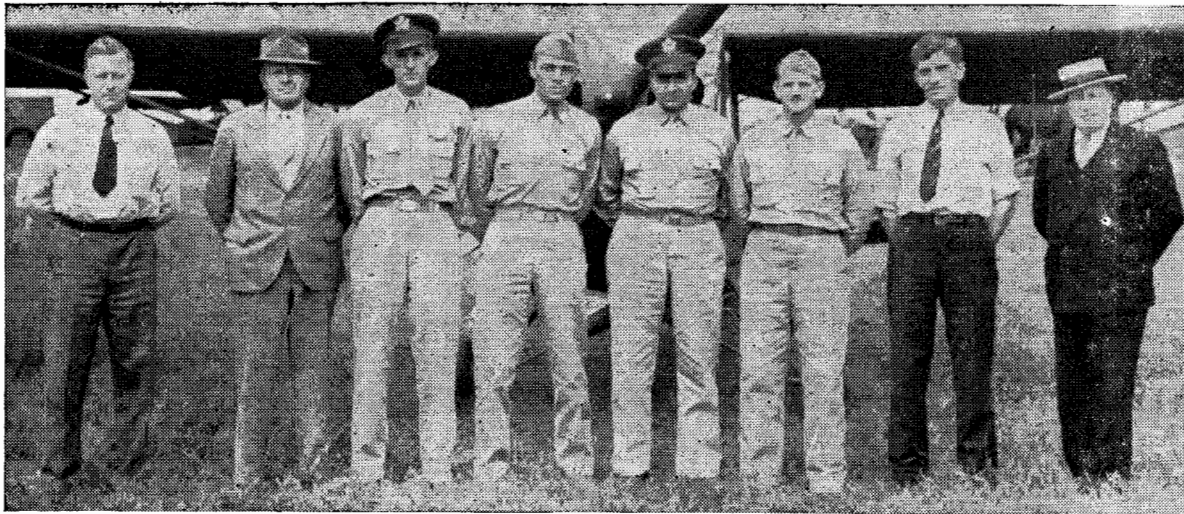
Northwest School Cooperates In Army Glider Training

Ground school for the students in the Glider Training Course started at the Northwest School, Crookston, on Friday, June 12. Three instructors from the Northwest School will give the ground school classroom instruction until such time when other instructors are needed. R. S. Dunham, agronomist and weather observer at the Northwest School and Station, will give instruction in meteorology; W. R. Peterson, a full-time agricultural engineer at the Northwest School, will give the refresher course in navigation; Robert Reynolds of Minneapolis, who is a senior student in aeronautical engineering at the University of Minnesota, will teach aircraft identification, aircraft instruments, aircraft maintenance and assist with the physical education program. Mr. Reynolds, who has had considerable flying experience and flight instruction, will remain throughout the duration of the ground school.

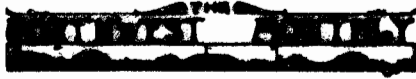
Ground school classes are conducted under the joint sponsorship of the Northwest School; L. Millar Wittig, contractor; and U. S. Army officers.

The large dormitory for boys at the Northwest School, Stephens Hall, has been reserved for the student glider pilots. Students and the ground crew are getting meals at the school's dining hall. Officers in charge of the glider school are residing in Crookston.

New classes will be organized each (Continued on Page 4, Col. 2)



Officials of the L. Millar Wittig Flying school and officers of the United States flying service were welcomed to Crookston by Mayor W. J. Kirkwood and T. M. McCall of the Northwest School of Agriculture where the students are to be quartered. Shown above, left to right, are Mr. Wittig, Mr. McCall, Lt. William S. Waltman, commanding officer; Lt. A. L. Jones, Lt. M. Lipari, medical officer, Lt. W. T. King, Don Hogan, instructor in charge of civilian instruction for the Wittig school here, and Mayor Kirkwood. (Photo by Normann.)



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Crop Outlook for Red River Valley Counties

T. M. McCall

From a discouraging crop outlook in early April, prospects for about normal yields have steadily improved in most of the Red River Valley counties. Crop rotation plans on many farms have been changed due to slow or impaired drainage on certain fields. Many surface drainage ditches which had become clogged with soil or brush during the dry years failed to function during the past fall, and as a result many fields normally well drained were inundated by overflow waters from fall and spring floods. The loss in crop acres for 1942 has been estimated by many crop specialists to be on the average about ten per cent for the seven northwestern counties of the state. The total loss through substitution of crops will not be as great as at first anticipated due to the fact that flax and forage crops have been planted on the late drying fields.

The abundance of subsoil moisture has been of considerable benefit in hastening the growth of late seeded crops. Many farmers are improving the drainage of low fields and summer following them in preparation of the 1943 crop.

Pastures, tame grass meadows, alfalfa, and sweet clover fields are making luxuriant growth which insures an abundance of forage for livestock.

PLAN TO ATTEND ALUMNI REUNION

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1932 murals will be determined by the members of the class at reunion time.

Attendance prizes will again be given to the oldest alumnus, alumnus traveling greatest distance, and most newly married graduate.

The program for the day includes: Registration—Library; 2:30 P. M., kitenball game, alumni and students; 5:00 P. M., Class reunion pictures, picnic suppers on campus; 7:30 P. M., sound pictures, annual alumni business meeting—auditorium; 8:30 P. M., alumni dance, gymnasium.

Staff Members Enlist For Military Service

B. M. Bakkegard, director of the Northwest School band and instructor in English, and A. Kirk Crawford, instructor in agricultural engineering, have enlisted in United States armed forces and are now in training.



B. M. Bakkegard

Mr. Bakkegard enlisted in the army in early May and was attached to Co. F, 104 Bn., Medical Replacement Center at Camp Robinson, Arkansas. While in training at Camp Robinson, Mr. Bakkegard has been called on to do teaching in the field of remedial reading and render assistance in band instruction.

A Kirk Crawford left his position at the school on May 20 to enlist at Fort Snelling. According to the latest report, Mr. Crawford is rated as an engineer of the 349th Regiment of the Corps of Engineers located at Camp Claiborne, Louisiana, where he is taking six weeks of basic training work.



A. K. Crawford

W. R. Peterson, who accepted the full-time position formerly held by Mr. Crawford, will give instruction in navigation at the ground school for glider pilots during the summer and assist in summer project supervision.

Successors to the positions held by Messrs. Bakkegard and Crawford during the school year will be appointed in early summer.

4-H CLUB WEEK HAS GOOD ENROLLMENT

Nine hundred and twenty-two 4-H club members from thirteen Red River Valley counties attended the 31st annual 4-H Club Week held at the Northwest School at Crookston during the week of June 1 to 6. H. A. Pflughoeft, district 4-H club agent and camp leader stated, "The main objectives of 4-H Club Week were accomplished through the cooperation of the Northwest School and county leaders." A. J. Kittleson, state club agent, who addressed both of the camp groups during the week, was well pleased with the progress made by club members in the Red River Valley.

The junior and adult leaders of 4-H
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Y.W.C.A. Camp Held at School

The fourth annual Y.W.C.A. camp for girls in the Grand Forks area of Minnesota and North Dakota opened on June 14 to continue through June 21. A total of 115 girls of junior and senior high school ages are in attendance.

The camp is under the direction of Mrs. Emma Dennis, camp director, and Mrs. Lee J. Saville, program director. Other assistants in charge of outdoor games, swimming, recreation, and handicraft are Mary Kasper, Mrs. E. Ruder, Marjorie Chase, Rebecca Pond, Audre Thompson, Jennie Davis, Frances Weisebecker, Louis Hendrickson, Ruth Lavelly, Ina Rowley, Orpha Thompson.

4-H CLUB WEEK HAS GOOD ENROLLMENT

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Clubs from the various counties met for class work each morning and served as group leaders for the recreational programs held during the afternoons.

Instructors at the camp this year placed great emphasis on production, preservation, and conservation of food. The physical fitness program was presented by Dr. C. G. Uhley of Crookston and Dr. Carl L. Nordly, state director of physical fitness and recreational program.

Members of the staff of the Northwest School and Agricultural Extension Division conducted regular classes covering 4-H Club projects.

County contestants and groups competed for district honors in dramatics, vocal, and instrumental music and better-groomed contests for both boys and girls.

A competitive recreational program was arranged whereby every boy and girl was enabled to participate in all activities.

Among the thirteen county groups competing in the one-act plays, counties who won blue ribbon awards were: Mahnomen, Clay, Norman, Red Lake, Kittson; red ribbon awards: W. Polk, Becker, E. Ottertail, Pennington, Marshall.

In the music contests blue ribbon winners were: Norman, Clay, Mahnomen, Kittson; red ribbons: W. Polk, E. Ottertail, Pennington, Clearwater.

In the better-groomed boy and girl contests, the following winners were selected for the two age groups: (from southern group of counties): 15 years of age and over: BOYS—Blue ribbons—Douglas Erickson, Becker; Reuben Teuber, Mahnomen; Clarence Larson, W. Ottertail; red ribbons—Byron Dorr, E. Polk; John Hest, Norman. GIRLS—blue ribbons—Virginia Bruggaff, Mahnomen; Elaine Olson, E. Polk; Elaine Oberg, W. Polk; Lorraine Fenske, W. Ottertail; red ribbons—Helen Gebeke, Becker; Helen Ronsberg, Clay; Esther Stennes, Norman. Under 15 years of age: BOYS—blue ribbons—Novis Boe, Becker; Arthur Aaskegard, Clay;

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Northwest School Fall Term Opens October 5

119 WOMEN ATTEND WOMEN'S CAMP

One hundred and nineteen women from Red River Valley counties of Minnesota and North Dakota attended the 17th annual Women's Camp at the Northwest School on June 8-11. Eighty-three of the women were in residence on the campus for the three-day session.

Mrs. Albert Lindstrom, of Waubun, a charter member of the camp, was given recognition for her perfect attendance at seventeen camps. Other women attending fourteen or more years included Mrs. Ella Anderson, Fisher, 15 years; Mrs. C. H. Roholt, Mayville, N. D., 14 years; Mrs. Wm. Story, Bemidji, 14 years.

Mothers of present and former students, alumni, and wives of alumni and former students made up more than one-third of the total attendance at the 1942 camp.

Finders of the golden horseshoe each morning were: Tuesday, Mrs. Ed Cailier, Crookston; Wednesday, Mrs. C. H. Roholt, Mayville, North Dakota; Thursday, Mrs. Charles Keuhm, Greenbush.

Three full days were spent by the women at the camp in attending lectures, demonstrations, and doing handicraft work in woodcraft and weaving.

Officers elected for the 1943 camp were: Mrs. Herbert Johnston, Angus, president; Mrs. Olaf Haug, Oslo, vice-president; Mrs. S. Sandberg, Warren, secretary; Mrs. R. D. Love, East Grand Forks, treasurer; Mrs. Loretta Weck-

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School Year Opens October 5

The date for the official opening of the fall term of the Northwest School has been set for October 5. The normal date of school opening, September 28, has been postponed one week to enable students to finish up fall work before the beginning of the school term. In case of necessity, delayed registrations will be accepted; late registrants, cannot, however, expect to carry the normal load of classroom subjects. A full sixty-day term will be completed before the Christmas holidays.

On January 4, the winter school term will open and this will be completed on March 26 in time to permit all students to be at home during the full cropping season.

The regular school year at the School of Agriculture fits in perfectly with the all-out program of crop and food production and enables the boy or girl to get fundamental academic and vocational training without the loss of school time.

School fees and living costs are low at the Northwest School. More than eighty per cent of the students qualify for State Tuition Aid which means that the chief costs for attendance at the Northwest School are for board and room. Transportation Aid, which is available to students from many rural districts, can be applied on living costs at the school.

Courses of study at the Northwest School have been adapted to meet the needs of farm youth in the homes, on

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Crops And Soils Day To Be Held July 21

The annual visitation day for crops and soils experimental projects at the Northwest School and Station has been set for Tuesday, July 21. The county agricultural agents in conference with Northwest School and Station officials set the date so there would be a minimum of interference with midsummer fairs. At the request of county agents, outside crop specialists will be invited to assist R. S. Dunham and J. H. Wampole in the discussion of latest developments in crop breeding.

Great interest has been shown by seed growers in the performance of the new releases of small grains by the United State Department of Agriculture and the Minnesota and adjoining state stations. Increases and small test plots of the new varieties of wheat, oats, corn hybrids, flax, and potatoes can be seen on the experimental fields at the Northwest Station on July 21.

The annual meeting of the Red River Valley Crops and Soils Association will be held in conjunction with the plot visitation program.

The detailed program for Crops and Soils Day will appear in the July issue of the Northwest Monthly.

**BUY GOVERNMENT
WAR BONDS**



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

Pictured above is the University of Minnesota Board of Regents, governing body of the University, Minnesota Schools of Agriculture and Experiment Stations. Back row (left to right) L. R. Lunden, assistant comptroller; M. M. Willey, dean of administration; Dr. F. J. Rogstad of Detroit Lakes; Albert Pfaender of New Ulm; Dr. E. E. Novak of New Prague; James F. Bell of Wayzata; Richard L. Griggs of Duluth. Seated, left to right, Ray J. Quinlivan of St. Cloud; Sheldon V. Wood, Minneapolis; President Walter C. Coffey; Fred B. Snyder of Minneapolis; George W. Lawson of St. Paul, and Albert J. Lobb of Rochester. Members absent: W. T. Middiebrook, Comptroller, and A. J. Olson of Renville.

4-H CLUB WEEK HAS GOOD ENROLLMENT

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George Schulstad, E. Polk; red ribbons—Burton Hoglund, Norman; Harold Walters, Jr., W. Polk; GIRLS—blue ribbons—Mildred Oberg, Clay; Nancy Kingzett, Norman; red ribbons—Eunice Larson, Becker; Elaine Ristad, E. Polk; Joyce Sarpe, W. Polk.

The following were winners in the better-groomed boy and girl contests for the northern group of counties: 15 years of age and over: BOYS—blue ribbons—Roy Carlson, Marshall; Carroll Parnow, Pennington; Willard Purath, Red Lake; Harry Wenner, Roseau; red ribbons—Merlyn Klongerbr, Clearwater; Guy Danielson, Kittson. GIRLS—blue ribbons—Grace Jamieson, Kittson; Gertrude Miller, Roseau; Adeline Besserud; red ribbons—Janet Hagen, Clearwater; Elda Rivard, Marshall; Maxin Przybylski, Pennington; Joyce Meyer; Under 15 years of age: BOYS—blue ribbons—Vernon Mathison, Kittson; Buddie Hulsner, Lake of the Woods; Gerald Smith, Marshall; Norman Jacobson, Red Lake; red ribbons—Allen Klongerbo, Clearwater; Sidney Roy, Pennington; Wesley Peterson, Roseau. GIRLS—blue ribbons—Sylvia Peterson, Kittson; Mae Iverson, Marshall; Grace Dahlen, Pennington; Nancy Harris, Roseau; red ribbons—Penelope Erickson, Clearwater; Nola Jepson, Lake of the Woods; Muriel Hallstrom, Red Lake.

The largest county delegation at the 4-H club camp came from Clay county, followed in order by Kittson and Becker counties. Attendance by counties: Clay, 113; Becker, 91; W. Polk, 85; E. Ottertail, 71; Norman, 70; W. Ottertail, 64; E. Polk, 48; Mahnomen, 40; Kittson, 99; Pennington, 56; Marshall, 48; Clearwater, 46; Roseau, 43; Red Lake, 43; Lake of the Woods, 7. The total enrollment for the first group of
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werth, Hazel, sergeant-at-arms.

Women who served on committees during the camp included: Resolutions Committee—Mesdames E. J. Janssen, Bejou; B. J. Hamre, Beltrami; Alfred Hvidsten, Stephen; Nominating Committee—Mesdames George Page, Beltrami; E. M. Evans, Middle River; Ella Anderson, Fisher; Initiation—Mesdames O. S. Nordine, Karlstad; Frank Zak, Euclid; John Patenaude, Red Lake Falls.

The campers made up a collection of \$8.50 which was sent to the Middle River chapter of the Red Cross in memory of Mrs. Emma Wright, a charter member of the Women's Camp, who died during the past year.

At the closing exercises of the camp on June 11, the following women were given certificates for four years attendance: Mesdames C. H. Bach, Mayville, N. D.; S. M. Ecklund, Hallock; Arne Landsverk, Fosston; A. G. Magnusson, Milton, N. D.; Sanfred Sandberg, Warren; Andrew Wells, Goodridge; and Harry Woolson, Thief River Falls.

NORTHWEST SCHOOL BRIEFS

***Marshall Evans, '37, graduated from the College of Agriculture, University of Minnesota, on March 15. He is now attending Iowa State College where he has an Assistantship in the Agronomy Department while he is studying for his Master's Degree.

***Emil R. Hoppe, '32, is now employed as Junior Inspector at Boeing Aircraft Company, Seattle, Washington. Previous to his employment in the war industries, he was an instructor in a high school in Idaho and during the summer months employed by the U. S. Bureau of Entomology. He graduated from the University of Idaho in 1940 majoring in agronomy.

***Woodrow Evans, '37, graduated from the College of Agriculture, University of Minnesota, in June. He majored in agricultural economics.

***Richard F. Radway, '31, has been appointed county agricultural agent in Sherburne county, Minnesota. He started his new work in March.

***Helen I. Carlson, '34, graduated on June first from the Asburg Hospital School of Nursing, St. Paul.

***Roy Hawley, 1911-12, was a campus visitor the latter part of May. He is making his home in Minot, North Dakota.

***Clarence Sargent, '41, of Crookston, was elected president of the Minnesota 4-H Club Federation and took over active duties in business sessions of the federation at the annual meeting held at University Farm, St. Paul, in June.

***Lenus Landby, '12, of Warroad, was recently elected president of the Roseau County Farm Bureau.

Information Regarding Northwest School Alumni, Former Students, and Former Faculty Members in the Armed Forces:

***Earl Krogstad, '40, Pvt., Co. B, 743rd Bn., A. P. O. 309, Fort Lewis, Washington.

***Charles Bosard, P. F. C., Hq. Batry., 98th F. A. Bn., Fort Lewis, Washington, A. P. O. 309.

***J. Fredrick Egeland, '34, Reg. Hdq. Batry. 188 F. A., A. P. O. 309, Fort Lewis, Washington.

4-H CLUB WEEK HAS GOOD ENROLLMENT

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counties (southern half) was 582, while the enrollment for the second group (northern counties) was 342.

NORTHWEST SCHOOL COOPERATES IN ARMY GLIDER TRAINING

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week until the quota of students has been reached.

Flight instruction is given on the new airfield purchased by the city of Crookston which is located north of the old Crookston airport. Flight instruction is given by a staff of trained pilots under the direct supervision of L. Millar Wittig of Hibbing, Minnesota.

***Matthew C. Jansen, '40, P. F. C., 2nd Bn. Hq., 36th Armed Inf. Regt., Camp Polk, Louisiana.

***Ernest Malmskog, Pvt., Platoon 374, M. C. B., San Diego, California.

***Paul Auer, '41, A. S., V. S. N., Service School, group II, Sect. 15, Barracks 306, Great Lakes, Illinois.

***Ralph C. Brandt, '34-'36, Pvt., Battery "B" 217 C. A., 1931 Center St., Berkeley, California.

***Oray Tangen, '38, Pvt., U. S. Army, Co. B, 106 Med. Tng. Bu., 3rd Battalion, Camp Joseph T. Robinson, Arkansas.

***Donald E. Anderson, '32, Lt., 82nd Pursuit Squadron, Naval Air Station, San Diego, California.

***Benjamin M. Bakkegard, instructor at Northwest School, Co. C., 2nd Platoon, Medical Department School, Fitzsimmons General Hospital, Denver, Colorado.

***A. Kirk Crawford, Instructor at Northwest School, H. and S. Co., 349th. Eng., Prov. and Org. Engineer Center, Camp Claiborne, Louisiana.

***D. Jack Ferrier, 37091338, 3rd Inf. Div. Hdqts., A. P. O. 3, Ford Ord, California.

***Howard Brandt, '39, of Gonvick, is employed in the Lockheed Aircraft Corporation; his address is Warrick Apartments, 1828 Santa Ynez, Los Angeles, California.

MARRIAGES

***Mildred Mykleby, '38, of Eldred, to Melvin Pearson, '35, of Hallock, on February 12, at St. Paul, Minnesota. Both attended the University of Minnesota and Melvin graduated from the College of Agriculture in 1940. He has been employed by the Van Dussen Harrington Company of Minneapolis. Mr. and Mrs. Pearson left on June 7 for a wedding trip to California, after which Melvin plans to go into active duty in the naval reserve.

***Gladys Tangen, '37, of Frazee, to Roy Swanson of Wadena, on June 6. They will make their home at Wadena, Minnesota.

BIRTHS

***To Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Shannon (Myra Hoiseith '37) a daughter, Vivian Myra, on May 21.

SCHOOL YEAR OPENS OCTOBER 5

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the farms, and to give basis training of value in all walks of life.

Boys with mechanical training received in agricultural engineering courses are well equipped to handle power machinery on farms and have been given preferential ratings in war industry work and in branches of military service.

WANTED

Names and addresses of former students and alumni in armed forces of the United States. The present mailing list is incomplete due to changes of address of boys in service. School news will be sent regularly to boys in service. Send information to Supt. T. M. McCall, Northwest School, Crookston, Minn.