

Northwest School News

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Parents' Day To Be Held November 24

More than 400 parents of Northwest School students are expected to visit the school on Parents' Day, November 24. A program of varied interests has been arranged for the day.

The day's program includes: visitation of classes, 8:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.; meeting of officers and county directors of Northwest School Parents' Association, 10:00 a.m.; annual meeting of Parents' Association, 11:00 a.m.; dinner for parents in school Dining Hall, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; concert by Northwest School band in auditorium, 1:15 p.m.; students program, 1:30 p.m.—auditorium, including music by choral groups under the direction of John A. Miller and Miss Mary Croal, a style revue under the direction of Miss Retta Bede and Mrs. Evelyn Peterson, boys' home project summaries under direction of H. H. Lysaker; and coffee hour and student home project show in gymnasium, 3:15 p.m., with faculty and students as hosts.

Capacity Enrollment At Northwest School

A total of 425 students are enrolled at the Northwest School for the fall term of 1954.

Four states represented in the school enrollment include: Minnesota, North Dakota, Illinois, and New York. One student has come from Alaska and two students have come from the Province of Manitoba in Canada. With more than one hundred students in each of the three lower classes, the members of faculty are carrying heavy teaching loads.

The students are serious minded and are doing better-than-average work in their classes; also, many are participating in extra-curricular activities such as music and athletics.

Potato Growers Visit Potato Plots

A large number of potato growers viewed the exhibit of new and standard varieties of potatoes on display, on September 22, in the plots at the Northwest School and Experiment Station.

No formal potato program was held; however, comparative acreages of each of the varieties of harvested potatoes were piled and labeled for the exhibit.

Some of the newer varieties grown in comparison with the standard varieties were: Redburt, Keswick, LaSoda, Early Gem, Kennebec, Cherokee, Waseca, Osage, Red Pontiac, Red Kote, Sebago, 49-17-0, 49-9-4, Irish Cobbler, (continued on page 4, col. 1)

Honor and High Scholarship Roll Announced

The Honor and High Scholarship Roll for the first six weeks of the fall term at the Northwest School shows five students with straight "A" averages and eighty students on the Honor and High Scholarship roll.

Students receiving straight "A" averages were: Walter Fehr, East Grand Forks; Delmer Johnson, Middle River; and Allen Steinhauer, Thief River Falls—Sophomores; and Wayne Erickson, McIntosh; Wendell Kelm, Neche, N. Dak.—Seniors.

Students on the Honor Roll (2.50 points or above) include: **Freshmen**—Peggy Bjornson, Arvila, N. Dak.; Mylo Carlson, Angus; Sharon Hanson, Lockhart; Daryl Krogh, Hillsboro, N. Dak.; **Sophomores**—Allan Brandli, Warroad; Bruce Chapman, Baudette; Allan Dragseth, Eldred; Walter Fehr, East Grand Forks; Delmar Johnson, Middle River; Duane Kuzel, Angus; Allen Steinhauer, Thief River Falls; Roger Tollef- (continued on page 4, col. 1)

Marlys Love Crowned Homecoming Queen

One of the highlights of Homecoming at the Northwest School on October 30 was the crowning of the Homecoming queen. The 1953 Homecoming queen, Evelyn Holy of East Grand Forks, placed the crown on Marlys Love of Euclid who was elected queen for 1954. Other highlights of Homecoming included the torchlight parade, bonfire and pepfest on Thursday evening, and the student Homecoming program in the auditorium, the dormitory decorations contest, the football game, and Homecoming dance and party on Saturday.

The boys from Robertson Hall won first place in a close contest on Homecoming dormitory decorations. The West Central Aggies overwhelmed the Northwest Aggies in the football game by a score of 14-7 and carried away "Ossie" the championship emblem.

West Central Aggies football team members and coaches were guests of (continued on page 4, col. 3)



HOMECOMING QUEEN AND HER ATTENDANTS

Marlys Love of Euclid (pictured in center) was crowned 1954 Homecoming queen at the Northwest School on October 30. The queen's attendants were (reading from left to right); Marilyn Hovet, Thompson, N. Dak.; Marilyn Balstad, Fosston; Barbara Kagg, Viking; and Marlys Fjeld, Goodridge.

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1954-55 Basketball At Northwest School

H. H. LYSAKER, Coach

The basketball team of the Northwest School, for the coming season, is still an unknown quantity. The players are short on playing experience; however, they expect to be in top form to successfully defend the State Agricultural School title that they have won nine out of the past ten years.

During the first week of practice, starting on November 8, more than one hundred boys reported for basketball with work-outs being held by classes. By Thanksgiving vacation, the boys will be divided into A, B, C, and D squads.

Basketball schedule for 1954-55 is as follows: Nov. 19 and 20—Isaac Newton High School of Winnipeg, Here; Nov. 22—Climax, Here; Nov. 26 and 27—Isaac Newton High, There; Dec. 2—Gary, Here; Dec. 4—Alumni (tentative), Here; Dec. 8—Crookston Central High, Here; Dec. 11—Sacred Heart, Here; Dec. 14—Fertile High, There; Dec. 16—Erskine High, Here; Jan. 8—Plummer High (tentative), Here or There; Jan. 11—Crookston Central High, There; Jan. 15—Grand Rapids Aggies, Here; Jan. 20—Climax High, Here; Jan. 27—Morris Aggies, Here; Feb. 3—Grand Rapids Aggies, There; Feb. 5—Morris Aggies, There; Feb. 8—Fertile High, Here; Feb. 12—Sacred Heart, There; Feb. 18—McIntosh High, There; Feb. 25—Twin Valley, There.

Wrestling Prospects Good

J. I. KRUTA, Coach

Wrestling practice has started at the Northwest School. The thirty boys who reported for wrestling the first two weeks have been busy working out for positions on the team. The work so far has consisted of road-work, calisthenics, and wrestling fundamentals. More advanced work will be undertaken later as the boys show progress.

The tentative wrestling schedule is: January 7—at Morris; January 8—at Waseca; January 22—Waseca, here; January 28—at Grand Rapids; February 4—Morris, here; February 18—Grand Rapids, here; March 4—Conference meet at Morris. The schedule is subject to change. In addition, it is hoped that additional meets can be arranged with nearby schools.

There are several lettermen working out. They are bolstered by several new recruits. The lettermen include co-captains LeRoy Sondrol, Reynolds, N. Dak., and Lowell Hanson, Mahanomen; (continued in column 2)

Veterans Day Observed November 11

The Veterans Council of Crookston, representing the posts of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and Disabled Veterans of America, cooperated with the Northwest School in presenting an impressive memorial program on Veterans Day, November 11.

In the formal program at the school auditorium, State Senator Louis A. Murray of East Grand Forks was the speaker of the day. Superintendent T. M. McCall paid tribute to the former students of the Northwest School who lost their lives in World Wars I and II and the Korean war. The mixed chorus, under the direction of John A. Miller, with the Misses Mary Croal and Marlys Love as accompanists, sang "This Is My Country" and "The Battle Hymn of the Republic."

The procession to the memorial monument on the campus was led by color bearers and guards from the Veterans organizations; Company G of the National Guard of Crookston furnished the firing squad for the salute. Wendell Kelm of Neche, North Dakota, president of the Senior class, paid tribute to the gold star veterans from the school and placed the wreath on the monument.

WRESTLING PROSPECTS GOOD

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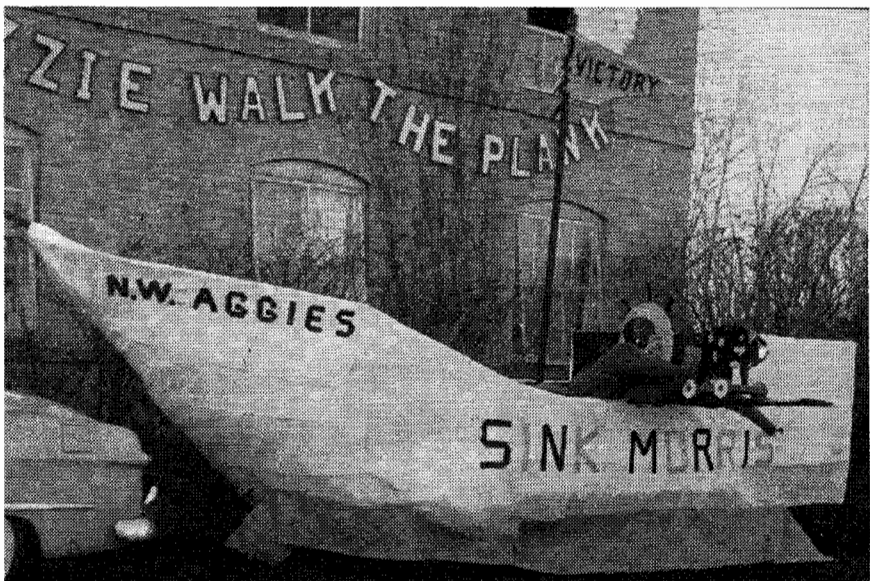
Raymond and James Wiertzema, Euclid; Alphonse Doyea, Red Lake Falls; Roger Tollefson, Crookston; Claude Mosher, Lockhart; Eugene Austin, Gilby, N. Dak.; Sylvester Greskowiak, Jr., Crookston; Robert Kuznia, Stephen, and Ronald Sluka, Badger. With a large list of new candidates out to give competition to the lettermen, a good team will be selected to represent the school this year.

Third Annual Turkey Day Held At Northwest Station

National authorities on turkey and poultry production appeared on the Turkey Day program held at the Northwest School and Experiment Station on Friday, November 12. Many of the largest producers of turkeys in the Red River Valley counties were present for the meeting and tour of the turkey yards. Turkey growers present were producing some 190,000 birds during the current year. Two large producers in the Bagley area present for the meetings (and graduates of the Northwest School), were Ralph Sheldon and Norman G. Nelson.

Speakers on the program were from the Institute of Agriculture, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, and included: "Consumption of Turkeys in the United States and New Possibilities of Reduced Production Costs"—Elton L. Johnson, head of the Department of Poultry Husbandry; "New Developments in the Production of New Turkey Breeds of Promise"—R. N. Shoffner, Department of Poultry Husbandry; "Value of New Drugs in Turkey Disease Control With Special Reference to Blackhead"—Benjamin S. Pomeroy, Department of Veterinary Medicine; "Where Do We Go From Here in the Turkey Business"—W. A. Billings, Agricultural Extension Division. A. M. Pilkey, poultry husbandman at the Northwest School and Experiment Station, gave a report on the 1954 Northwest School and Experiment Station turkey projects and four-year summary of turkey projects.

Following the presentation of the results of the feeding and disease control trials at the Northwest Experiment Station, A. M. Pilkey conducted the tour of the turkey yards at the Station.



Robertson Hall, Senior boys' dormitory, won the trophy for the best dormitory decorations for the 1954 Homecoming, October 30. "Don't Let Ozzie Walk the Plank" was the theme of their decorations in the float they had entered in the contest.

Program Presented By International Assembly Students

Five graduate students from the University of Minnesota presented a program of international interest at the Northwest School assembly on November 12. The five foreign students, representing four foreign countries, were a part of the International Assembly of more than forty foreign students who were guests of the people of Crookston, November 11-14.

The goodwill visit of the foreign students to Crookston was sponsored, cooperatively, by the Crookston Chamber of Commerce, service and study clubs of Crookston, and the guests were entertained in the homes about the city and at the Northwest School. The Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. organizations at the University of Minnesota served as the contacting agency for the Assembly.

The five foreign students appearing on the assembly program were majoring in as many fields in the Institute of Agriculture, University of Minnesota. Speakers were: M. J. Hasscan Aleem—Pakistan; Stuart Bampton—England; Hellmut W. Eggers—Germany; Susan Reed—England, and Shigeo Tajima—Japan. C. S. Eliot, executive secretary of the University's Y. M. C. A., and Superintendent T. M. McCall were other speakers on the program.

A large delegation of the Embassy visited the school during the afternoon and the five students appearing on the assembly program were guests of the school at the noonday dinner.

Cross-Country Runners Have Good Season

PHILIP LARSON, Coach

The Northwest Aggies cross-country team competed in five meets during the regular fall season. Meets held, teams participating, and rank of teams include: Detroit Lakes, Thief River Falls and Crookston high school at Northwest School—Aggies ranked second; at Grand Rapids, dual meet with North Central Aggies—Northwest Aggies, first place; West Central of Morris, Crookston High—Northwest Aggies, 2nd place; at Detroit Lakes with eighteen teams competing—Northwest Aggies ranked 8th. In the Agricultural School Conference meet at Crookston, the meet was won by West Central Aggies, with North Central Aggies second, and Northwest Aggies third.

Members of the 1954 cross-country squad were: Alfie Doyea, Red Lake Falls; Paul Tollefson, Crookston; Wilfred and Bernard Friesen, Morden, Canada; Keith Chisholm, Gary; Charles Armstrong, Euclid; Clem Benoit, Red Lake Falls; Fredrick Larson, Euclid; Donald Audette, Red Lake Falls; Joseph Armstrong, Euclid, and John Murphy, Reynolds, N. Dak.

Eighteen other students competed in cross-country workouts this season.

New English Instructor Appointed

Miss Jolanda Folson of Grand Forks, North Dakota, was appointed as instructor in third year English to succeed Miss Margarette McNaughton. Miss Folson's appointment was effective on October 28.

Miss Folson graduated from the University of Minnesota, with distinction, in December 1953 and continued in the graduate school through the winter and spring quarters of 1954. In her undergraduate training, Miss Folson spent one year at Carleton College and one year at Bemidji State Teachers College before enrolling at the University of Minnesota.



Miss Folson

Since coming to the Northwest School, Miss Folson received the high honor of being elected Potato Queen of North Dakota. She is no stranger to the potato growers of the Red River Valley; her father was one of the prominent growers of certified seed in the center of North Dakota seed production at Hoople, North Dakota.

Miss Margarette McNaughton, a newly-appointed instructor in third year English, resigned from her position at the Northwest School because of ill health. In her one month's stay at the Northwest School, she did excellent work in her department and served as faculty adviser to the Aggie Board. The best wishes of the faculty and student body are extended to Miss McNaughton for her speedy and complete recovery.

1955 Winter Shows Dates, February 21-25

Plans have been made for the 45th annual Red River Valley Winter Shows and Northwest School Farmers' Week to be held February 21-25, 1955.

Advance information indicates that all space for concessions, livestock, crops and poultry shows will be filled to capacity.

Many of the speakers for the educational meetings have accepted invitations to take part on the programs. The program for the week will be ready for distribution in early February.

The livestock sales dates have been set for February 24—bred ewes and gilts, and February 25—cattle sale. The schedule of judging livestock will be same as in former years with the exception that open class judging of sheep will start on Monday afternoon, February 21.

Winter Term Opens January 3, 1955

School Organizations Elect Officers

Red River Valley counties were well represented in the school organization elections held at the Northwest School during recent weeks.

The Northwest School chapter of the National Honor Society elected the following officers: President—Willis Finifrock, Barnum; Vice-President—Glenn Filipi, Angus; Secretary-Treasurer—Donna Miller, Crookston; Faculty Adviser—E. N. Reiersgord.

The four classes in the school at their organizational meetings elected officers and class advisers as listed: **Freshmen**—President—Alden Weeks, Leyden, N. D.; Vice-President—Sharon Dahlin, Euclid; Secretary-Treasurer—Barbara Thureen, East Grand Forks; Treasurer—Keith Miller, Crookston; Sergeant-at-Arms—Yvonne Filipi, Angus; Faculty Advisers—Mrs. G. Milford Peterson and R. M. Stolen. **Sophomore**—President—Allen Dragseth, Eldred; Vice-President—Walter Fehr, East Grand Forks; Secretary-Treasurer—Georgina Earle, Oak Island; Treasurer—Roger Tollefson, Crookston; Faculty Advisers—Miss Margaret Larsen and J. A. Miller. **Junior**—President—Donald Enright, East Grand Forks; Vice-President—Leon Driscoll, East Grand Forks; Secretary—Frank Szczepanski, Stephen; Treasurer—Patricia Kirk, East Grand Forks; Treasurer—Fred Ophus, Erskine; Faculty Advisers—Miss Ruth Ann Nelson and Jaroslav Kruta. **Senior**—President—Wendell Kelm, Neche, N. Dak.; Vice-President—James Olson, Reynolds, N. Dak.; Secretary-Treasurer—Harlene Hagen, Gatzke; Treasurer—Donald Wald, St. Hilaire; Faculty Advisers—Miss Mary Croal and Charles Whiting.

The students named to serve on the staff for the 1955 school annual, The Aggie, include: Editors-in-chief—Marilyn Balstad, Fosston; Donna Miller, Crookston; Associate Editors—Kathryn Clementson, Erskine; Marilyn Hovet, Thompson, N. Dak.; Copy Editor—Paul Tollefson, Crookston; Faculty—Jean Stromstad, Lockhart; Willis Finifrock, Barnum; Music—Marlys Love, Euclid; Howard Duncan, Cando, N. Dak.; Organizations—Donald Wald, St. Hilaire; David Mickelson, Menahga; Stanley Johnson, Menahga; Carol Soltis, Angus; Dorothy Benson, Grygla; Classes—Shirley Norgaard, Bemidji; Angeline Salentiny, Euclid; Margie Iwen, Arthur, N. Dak.; Robert Glass, Crookston; Glen Finkenbinder, Crookston; Athletics—Leonard Bailey, Halstad; Glenn Filipi, Angus; Henry Hettwer, Mahanomen; Lay-out Editor—Harlene Hagen, Gatzke; Lay-Out-Staff—Bernice Jones, Goodridge; Barbara Kagg, Viking; Mary Lou Arveson, Goodridge; Business Staff—Wayne Erickson, McIntosh; James Olson, Reynolds, N. Dak.; Wendell Kelm, Neche, N. Dak.; Typists—Sheryl Eisert, Euclid; Jeanne Vanek, Angus; and senior girls. Faculty Advisers (context and art)—J. W. Mlinar and Miss Jolanda Folson; E. N. Reiersgord, business adviser.

HONOR ROLL AND HIGH SCHOLARSHIP ROLL ANNOUNCED

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son, Crookston; **Juniors**—Arnold Balstad, Winger; Arlene Christianson, Goodridge; Donald Diedrich, Warren; Gerald Green, Gary; Cathryn Hovland, Perley; Theone Larson, Twin Valley; **Seniors** — Marilyn Balstad, Fosston; Mardell Boyum, Mentor; Wayne Erickson, McIntosh; Glenn Filipi, Angus; Willis Finifrock, Barnum; Henry Hettwer, Mahnomen; Stanley Johnson, Menahga; Wendell Kelm, Neche, N. Dak.; Henry Landin, Warroad; Marlys Love, Euclid; David Michelson, Menahga; Donna Miller, Crookston; Shirley Norgaard, Bemidji; Paul Tollefson, Crookston.

High Scholarship students (2:00 points to 2.49 points) include: **Freshmen**—Gordon Filipi, Warren; Darold Hassler, Crookston; Lyle Johnson, Middle River; Larry Kennedy, Red Lake Falls; Ann Lizakowski, Minto, N. Dak.; Elizabeth Mergenthal, Hillsboro, N. Dak.; Esther Molskness, Crookston; Theodore Veen, Cummings, N. Dak.; **Sophomores**—Elwood Gormsen, Middle River; Robert Hance, Red Lake Falls; Philip Kopecky, Angus; Larry Kresl, Angus; Dalmon Larson, Twin Valley; Jean McWilliam, Winger; Gary Paseka, Georgetown; Judy Piker, Angus; Duane Setterholm, Stephen; Michael Vanek, Angus; Allan Ziegler, Perley; **Juniors**—Walter Anderson, Stephen; Rosemary Auer, Waubun; Sadie Carlson, Roseau; Dell Christianson, Thief River Falls; Kathryn Clementson, Erskine; Barbara Hylland, Grygla; Ruth Iverson, Goodridge; Allene Johnson, Middle River; Janice Michaelson, Euclid; Wesley Motschenbacher, Sabin; Alicia Rae Nelson, Grygla; Clarice Olson, Crookston; Fred Ophus, Erskine; David Pechacek, Ulen; Muriel Setterholm, Stephen; Leon Thoreson, Climax; Harley Thureen, East Grand Forks; Glenn Weber, Crookston; **Seniors**—Melvin Allrich, Gary; Leonard Bailey, Halstad; Howard Duncan, Cando, N. Dak.; Donovan Edwards, Crookston; Lowell Hanson, Mahnomen; Bernice Jones, Goodridge; Melvin Larson, Crookston; James Olson, Reynolds, N. Dak.; James Paulson, Trail; Arnold Skae, Winger; Donald Wald, St. Hilaire.

POTATO GROWERS VISIT POTATO PLOTS

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and Red Bliss Triumph.

B. C. Beresford, horticulturist at the Station, conducted the tour of the plots.

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For school information, write:

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Northwest School, Crookston

Northwest School Briefs

***News Regarding Northwest School Alumni and Former Students:

***Elmer Halstenggaard of Bejou is attending University College at Manhattan, Kansas.

***Raymond Price is a third year student in the School of Dentistry, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis.

***Pfc Milton Van Raden of Fertile is stationed with the 463rd Medical Detachment in Korea. He entered the Army in March 1953 and arrived overseas last February.

***Quentin V. Matson of Trail, aviation electrical technician, second class, United States Navy, is now serving in Hawaii with the Navy Air Transport Squadron Eight (VR-8), at Hickam Air Force Base.

***Richard R. Mahlke of Fisher has enrolled at Concordia College, Moorhead, as a freshman, after being in the Air Force four years. He was separated from the service August 31 at Walker Air Force Base, Roswell, New Mexico, where he served most of his tour of duty. He spent some time overseas, both in Europe and the Far East, being stationed in Guam just before his discharge.

***Glenn J. Ceravsky visited the campus on September 15. He is attending the Minneapolis School of Art. His address is: 127 W. Lake Street, Ap't. 204, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

***Grace Fraser Johnson visited the campus on September 15. She is employed at the Denoyer Geppert Company in Chicago. Her address is: 1658 Summerdale, Chicago 40, Illinois.

***Peter E. Fehr of East Grand Forks was one of twenty future doctors receiving Minnesota Medical Foundation scholarships for study during the 1954-55 school term at the University of Minnesota medical school. Peter, a sophomore, received a \$500 grant.

***Ardelle Larson, Twin Valley; Carol Ewing, Beltrami; and Duane Halstenggaard, Fertile, are attending Concordia College, Moorhead. Adelle Larson is a member of the Chapel choir.

Marriages

***Miss Ruby Jorgenson to Menford Brekke, on October 2, at Ross, Minnesota. They will make their home at Greenbush, Minnesota.

***Miss Merlene Eisert of Euclid to Gordon W. Radi of Fisher, at Crookston, on November 5.

***Miss Rose Ann Hebert of Argyle to Ernest Quiner of Warren, on September 18, at Argyle.

***Miss Irene Grindeland of Winger to Joel M. Vesledahl, on October 2, at Winger. They will make their home at Winger, Minnesota.

***Miss Lois Krogstad of Fertile to Lt. Carl J. Hesse, Jr., of Minneapolis, on October 13, at Bryon Air Force Base, Bryon, Texas. Their home address is 109 Morton Street, Denison, Texas.

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1954 Football Summary

H. H. LYSAKER, Coach

The 1954 football season found the Northwest Aggies team short on victories but high in spirit and hard play. The boys never gave up and always turned in presentable performances. However, this was one year when the breaks of the game all seemed to come against the Aggies just when they could least afford it, and the result being six losses against no wins in spite of the fact that the Aggies made twice as many first downs as their opponents. The Northwest Aggies "football win" percentage of 0.770 per cent for the past ten years took a 0.70 drop as a result of this past season.

Taking everything into consideration, the boys deserve a lot of credit for the improvement shown from the first to the last game. From the point of view of participation, the season was perfect. Practices went off without a hitch with some really rugged scrimmages between the sophomore and junior boys. The freshmen squad numbered twenty-five boys, and as a result of all the enthusiasm and willingness displayed in practice this fall, the Aggies are really going to surprise somebody come next season.

Twenty-two boys qualified for letters and chevrons in football during the season. The names of these winners will be announced at the December Awards assembly and the names listed in the next issue of the Northwest School News.

HOMECOMING QUEEN

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the school and Northwest Aggies at a banquet and the school parties.

NORTHWEST SCHOOL BRIEFS

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***Miss Janice Knutson of Oslo to James Arthur Anderson of Argye, on October 27, at Oslo, Minnesota.

Births

***To Mr. and Mrs. Dick Stenberg (nee Dorothy Setterholm), a son, on September 19. Their address is 8735 Portland Avenue, So., Minneapolis, Minnesota.

***To Mr. and Mrs. Vernon (Joyce) Youngren of Fergus Falls, a daughter, on September 4. Mrs. Youngren is a former member of the faculty. Their address is 1020 W. Cavour, Fergus Falls, Minnesota.

***To Mr. and Mrs. David E. Brown, a daughter, Susan Diane, on June 24. They live at 310, 8th Street, So., Fargo, North Dakota.

***To Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Johnson (nee Elaine Kopecky), a daughter, Gail Ann, on November 6, at Grand Forks, North Dakota.

Deaths

***Emil Hallgren, formerly of Crookston and recently of Minneapolis, on October 18. Mrs. Hallgren's address is 4924, 36th Avenue So., Minneapolis 17, Minnesota.

***Kenneth Monson of Libertyville, Illinois, in February 1954.