

# Northwest School News

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## NW SCHOOL ALUMNI REUNION SET FOR SATURDAY, JUNE 13 CLASS OF '14 CELEBRATES 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Saturday, June 13, is the date set for the annual summer Alumni Reunion at the Northwest School of Agriculture. For the past three years, the reunion has been held in the month of July. This year, the reunion will be returned to the month of June which was the summer reunion month for a number of years prior to 1961.

Celebrating its 50th anniversary will be the class of 1914. The graduating class of 1949 is planning a special 15th Anniversary reunion; also, the class of 1954 is planning a 10th Anniversary reunion. Classes observing their special reunions will be those ending in "4" and "9"; however, the alumni reunion is for alumni of all graduating classes as well as former students and faculty. All are invited.

A "smorgasbord" supper will be served in the Northwest School dining hall at 6 p.m. with a charge of \$1.00 per person. The meal will be available to the alumni, former students, and faculty who have their meal reservations in by June 5. Reservations should be mailed to the Superintendent's Office, Northwest School, Crookston.

The Northwest School Alumni Association will have its annual business meeting immediately following the supper meal. After the close of the business meeting, there will be a brief program and a social hour. Alumni who arrive on the campus early are invited to join a bus tour. The bus tour of the Northwest School and Experiment Station—including the West Farm, plots, orchard, etc.—will begin at 3:30 p.m. from Kiehle building.

Members of the Class of 1914 and their guests will meet in the Aggie Inn—Dining Hall building at 3 p.m. The Class of 1949 will meet in McCall Hall at 4:30 p.m. with Mrs. Marvlyn (Vesledahl) Stromstad as chairman. At 4:30 p.m., the Class of 1954 will meet in the school library with Mrs. Lorraine (Zipoy) Love as chairman. It would be appreciated if those graduates who cannot attend the reunion would write a letter, addressed to their class, telling where they are located and what they have done since graduation, etc. The letters may be mailed to Superintendent B. E. Youngquist at the Northwest School

and they will be distributed for reading to the class groups concerned.

At the Northwest School Alumni Association meeting, the traditional prizes will be awarded to the oldest alumnus, the alumnus coming the greatest distance to attend the reunion, and the most recently married alumnus. There will be a social hour following the business meeting. All are invited to stay for coffee—a time for "grads" and others to meet and reminisce.

Members of the Northwest School staff serving on the Alumni Reunion committee are: E. N. Reiersgord, chairman; H. W. Soderburg, H. H. Lysaker, Mrs. Myrtle Brown, Mrs. Harlene (Hagen) Overgaard, '55; and Berneil Nelson, '43.

Officers of the Northwest School Alumni Association include: Leo Ash of Orleans, president; Glen Finkenbinder of Crookston, vice-president; Mrs. Charles Holmquist (nee Bonita Vesledahl) of Crookston, secretary; and Mrs. Roger Tollefson (nee Barbara Thureen) of Beltrami, treasurer.

## FALL TERM OPENS SEPTEMBER 30 AT NORTHWEST SCHOOL

The 57th school year opens at the Northwest School of Agriculture on September 30. Registration will be held on September 30 with classes beginning on October 1.

On December 23, the fall term closes. Registration for the winter term is scheduled for January 4, 1965. Students or parents who wish to receive information regarding the school may write to the Northwest School of Agriculture, Crookston, Minnesota.

**DORMITORY CHANGES:** Due to the large enrollment of boys who have been filling the three boys' dormitories at the Northwest School to over capacity, a number of dormitory changes will be made for the coming school year. McCall Hall, girls' dormitory, has not been filled to capacity; therefore, this will be assigned as a boys' dormitory for the Seniors. Selvig Hall is being redecorated and repaired and will be used as a girls' dormitory. The Freshmen and Sophomore boys will

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## NWSA HOST TO FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT

Bo Magnus Nordenswan of Kara Turkhauta, Finland, arrived on the Northwest School of Agriculture campus on April 7. He is one of a large number of students in the United States under the European Exchange Students program.

He is receiving his agricultural experience at the Northwest School and Experiment Station and will live on the campus until December 1. This student is especially interested in horticulture; therefore, he is working in the Horticulture Department at the Station with B. C. Beresford, horticulturist, as his supervisor. When he completes his assigned stay at the Northwest School, he will register for three months study in the Institute of Agriculture, University of Minnesota, St. Paul.

Mr. Nordenswan attended grade school in Kara Turkhauta, Finland; graduated from the high school in Helsinki, Finland; and attended college—The Swedish School of Economics (1957-1960) in Helsinki, Finland. Also, he was a member of the Military Service in Finland, 1953-1954.

## NORTHWEST SCHOOL

### CALENDAR

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#### Women's Camp

June 9-12

#### Alumni Reunion

Saturday, June 13

#### 4-H Club Week

June 15-19

#### School Lunch Workshop

June 29-30; July 1-2

#### Crops and Soils Day

Tuesday, July 14

#### Horticulture Day

Saturday, September 12

#### Cattle Feeders' Clinic

Thursday, September 24

#### Fall Term Opens

September 30, 1964

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## Study Continues on Two-Year College

The proposed replacement of the high-school-level Northwest School of Agriculture with a college-level two-year technical institute was supported in preliminary discussions with the liaison committee on higher education—a coordinating body created by the State Legislature. The two groups met at the University of Minnesota the third week in May.

Appointed by President O. Meredith Wilson, the Planning Committee for the Technical Institute is charged with proposing a curriculum for the college-level Technical Institute for consideration by the University Board of Regents. The committee has spent several months in study and will be ready early in June to present their recommendations to the Board of Regents. The Board of Regents, in turn, will study these recommendations and, as appropriate, make recommendations to the 1965 Legislature.

According to Superintendent B. E. Youngquist, the School of Agriculture continues as before. High school freshmen are already registering for the fall of 1964.

The Technical Institute Planning Committee has made trips to various parts of the nation to study technical institutes which are operating today. After these trips and after spending a considerable amount of time in discussions and visits with other people, the committee is now concentrating on studying two or three possible curriculums for the proposed Technical Institute. These programs can roughly be identified as Agricultural Production Technology, Agri-Business Management and Sales, and the Health-related Technologies of Nursing, Medical Secretarial training, and Medical Technicians.

Courses in general education would be included as an essential core and in support of the technical course work.

## DATES ANNOUNCED FOR SUMMER EVENTS AT NW SCHOOL AND EXPERIMENT STATION

A number of special meetings and camps are scheduled for the summer months—June through September—at the Northwest School and Experiment Station.

The annual summer alumni reunion of the Northwest School graduates and former students and faculty will be held on Saturday, June 13.

Women's Camp, the homemakers' three-day holiday, is scheduled for June 9-12.

4-H club delegates of Northwestern Minnesota clubs will attend the district 4H Club Week, June 15-19.

A workshop for school lunch personnel will be given June 29 and 30; July 1 and 2. Sponsors of this short course are the Institute of Agriculture of the University of Minnesota, the Northwest School of Agriculture, and the School Lunch Section of the State Department of Education.

The annual Crops and Soils Day at

the Northwest Experiment Station is set for Tuesday, July 14.

On Saturday, September 12, the annual Horticulture Day will be held at the Northwest School and Experiment Station. The horticulture day program and tour will begin in the forenoon at 10 o'clock and continue until noon. In the afternoon, the 11th District Horticultural Society garden club members will have an awards day and meeting at one o'clock.

The annual Cattle Feeders' Institute will be held on Thursday, September 24, in the Winter Shows Arena at Crookston. This meeting will be sponsored by the Agricultural Extension Service, Northwest School and Experiment Station, and Department of Animal Husbandry—all of the University of Minnesota; the Central Livestock Association, Inc.; and the Red River Valley Winter Shows Board of Managers, Inc.



**1964 WOMEN'S CAMP OFFICERS:** "Resident" Women's Camp members, who attended the 1963 Women's Camp, elected the following women to serve as officers for the 1964 Women's Camp to be held at the Northwest School, June 9-12. Reading from left to right: Front Row—Mrs. John Thompson, Newfolden—president; Mrs. Chester Ramberg, Mentor—vice-president; Back Row—Mrs. Walter Nyquist, Moorhead—secretary; Mrs. Philip Dufault, rural Crookston—treasurer; and Mrs. James Enright, East Grand Forks—sergeant-at-arms.

## Beef Feeding Work at Northwest Station



Pictured is Lot 3 of the four lots of 10 animals each in the Beef Cattle Feeding Trials at the Northwest Experiment Station, Crookston.

According to Martin von Ruden, herdsman, the lots are being fed sugarbeet tops, beet pulp, and either high moisture barley or rolled dry barley. This particular lot averaged over three pounds per day gain during the month of April. All lots will be going to market by June 10.

The sugarbeet tops were cut directly with the field chopper and were placed in a Harvestore Silo—half beet tops and half beet pulp (by weight). The results of the feeding trial will be

### HOMEMAKERS INVITED TO WOMEN'S CAMP

Homemakers in the Red River Valley counties of Minnesota and North Dakota are invited to attend the 39th annual Women's Camp which will be held June 9-12 at the Northwest School of Agriculture.

An interesting program of lecture—demonstrations, talks, handicraft, entertainment, and recreation covering fields of general interest to homemakers has been arranged for the camp period. Women who attend have found this to be a three-day vacation from their home responsibilities, and also they receive many new ideas in the fields of homemaking. Mrs. Har-

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analyzed and published in the late summer.

According to B. E. Youngquist, superintendent, an addition is being built to the beef feeding lots this summer which will make it possible to feed 80 steers at a time—8 Lots of 10 steers each or 8 Lots of 15 calves each—depending upon whether it is a growing ration or a fattening ration.

Plans are now underway to windrow six rows of beet tops, wilt them down to 40 or 50 per cent, and to chop these with a field chopper and fill a 14'x40' silo to use with a group of steers next fall.

lene H. Overgaard, home economics instructor at the Northwest School, will be the camp leader.

The cost will be \$12.00 for "resident" camp members for the camp period (June 9-12); and late registrants (meals and lodging per day)—\$5.00. "Day Camping" will be held on June 11 only.

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live in Stephens Hall and the Junior boys will live in Robertson Hall. A great deal of renovation, painting, and furniture replacements will be made by fall so the dormitories will be in readiness for the opening of school.

## Sunflower Breeding Project in Early Stages At NW Station

The best estimates available place total acreage of sunflowers for last year at about 19,000 acres in the Red River Valley. This has increased from a relatively few number of acres ten years ago. A major processor of sunflower seeds for the birdseed trade and for the confection trade is located at Crookston, Minnesota. The sunflower crop appears to have possibilities as one of the minor crops suited to the Valley area.

Freeman Johnson, agronomist at the Northwest Experiment Station, in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Agriculture and with Dr. Eric D. Putt of the Morden Station in Manitoba, Canada, has brought the world collection of sunflowers to the Northwest Station. Additionally, he was launched the early stages of the proposed project to breed sunflowers for the confection trade as well as the oil trade. Mr. Johnson is cooperating with the research leaders from St. Paul on the investigation of insects and diseases and also weed control as such affects the sunflower crop. If the consumption of the crop continues to expand, the current work on sunflowers at the Station will probably develop into a major longtime project.

The Northwest Experiment Station is growing ten acres of commercial sunflowers so that they might learn firsthand more about the field problems in growing this crop.

### THIRTEEN COUNTIES TO BE REPRESENTED AT 4-H CLUB WEEK

4-H club delegates of thirteen Northwestern Minnesota counties are making preparations to attend the district 4-H Club Week at the Northwest School scheduled for June 15-19.

An excellent program of instruction and recreation is being arranged by state 4-H club agents, county Extension agents, and Northwest School faculty.

Counties will be divided in two sections for camp attendance with identical programs for each group. Counties attending in the first group, June 15, 16, and 17 (forenoon) will be: Becker, Clay, Clearwater, Norman, East and West Ottertail. Attending in the second group, June 17 (afternoon), 18, and 19 will be: Kittson, Lake of the Woods, Mahnomon, Marshall, Pennington, East and West Polk, Red Lake, and Roseau.

## Around and About With NW School Alumni

### \*\*\*News Regarding Northwest School Alumni, Former Students, and Faculty:

\*\*\*Jane Stromstad, '60, of Lockhart, graduated from Concordia College, Moorhead, on June 1. She has accepted a teaching position in the high school at Jackson, Minnesota, for the coming school year. English and Speech were her majors in college.

\*\*\*The Reverend Obert J. Landsverk, '38, formerly of Fosston, has been in the United States on leave from his duties as a Missionary in North-east India and Pakistan. He prepared for the vocation of Missionary by attending Augsburg College and the Theological Seminary in Minneapolis where he was graduated and ordained into the Lutheran Ministry in June 1948. Before his departure to India under the Santal Mission in October 1951, he served as a pastor at Pelican Rapids, Minnesota. For the past ten years, he has been principal of Kaerabani Santal High School in Bihar State (a school for more than 800 students) about 150 miles northwest of Calcutta, India. In his last five-year term, along with his activities as school principal, he served as superintendent of district evangelistic work.

\*\*\*Maynard Helgaas, '53, has been named general manager-secretary-treasurer of the Production Credit Association of Crookston beginning May 1. He attended college at North Dakota State University, Fargo, majoring in Agriculture. For two years after college, he was employed as assistant county agricultural agent for Clay county, Minnesota. He took Farm Credit Training through the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of St. Paul and later accepted employment with the Production Credit Association of Fargo, N. D. Prior to accepting the position in Crookston, in May, he had served for five years as branch manager of the Wahpeton Production Credit Association office at Wahpeton, N. D. He and his family are making their home at 717 Park Lane, Crookston, Minnesota.

\*\*\*Lyll Bjornson, '59, of Arvilla, N. D., graduated from the School of Medicine, University of North Dakota, on May 31. On June 29, he plans to sail from New York City to London, England, and then travel by plane to Africa. He will live in Nigeria, Africa, with a family and work for one month in a Nigerian hospital. He will be a member of a group of students going to Africa under a program planned by the Experiment in International

Living. Nigeria is a country with a population of approximately 55 million people; only one-twentieth of one per cent are white. In September, he will enroll for advanced work in a School of Medicine at Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

\*\*\*Ronald Dufault, '60, of Red Lake Falls, is an agricultural Junior student at the University of Minnesota, St.-Paul. He is a member of the Punchinello Players of the University of Minnesota and has made three appearances in dramatic productions of the Players.

\*\*\*Francis A. Mireault, '47, formerly of Red Lake Falls, is now making his home in East Grand Forks, Minnesota. He is the owner-manager of a jewelry store in that city; also, he recently became owner, in partnership, of the Mighty Fine Fish Company, East Grand Forks.

\*\*\*Jeanette Thureen, '60, of East Grand Forks, graduated from the School of Home Economics at the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, on May 31.

\*\*\*Peggy N. M. Bjornson, (Mrs. Preston), '58, is employed at St. Michael's Hospital, Grand Forks, N. D. She is a recent graduate of the College of Nursing, University of North Dakota, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing.

\*\*\*Henry Hettwer, '55, formerly of Mahnomen, has accepted a position for the coming school year with the Minot State Teachers College at Minot, N. D. He will serve as a teacher as well as wrestling coach. Last year, he was a faculty member of the high school at Wadena, Minnesota.

\*\*\*Neal R. Bjornson, '54, formerly of Arvilla, N. D., has accepted the position of agricultural advisor to Senator Milton R. Young. He and his family are making their home in Washington, D. C.

\*\*\*E. N. Reiersgord, of the Northwest School faculty, was recently named president of the Crookston Rotary Club, to succeed Dr. R. O. Sather, at the annual election of officers. He will begin his duties in this office on July 1.

\*\*\*Joseph Mazzitelli of Crookston, an instructor at the Northwest School for the past three school years, was one of 21 Minnesota coaches to be honored during the annual state basketball tournament held in Minneapolis in March. He became a new member of the Minnesota High School Coaches 25-Year Club and received a Minneapolis Star and Tribune award.

\*\*\*Army Pfc. Carroll (Kelly) John

Nasset, '62, of Rochert, qualified as expert in firing the M-14 rifle in Germany, early this year. He is in the 78th Engineer Battalion's Company C, near Karlsruhe, Germany. He entered the Army in November 1962 and completed basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

\*\*\*Richard A. Danielson, 60, has attended the Skagit Valley Junior College at Mt. Vernon, Washington, for two years. This spring, he transferred to the University of Washington to complete studies for his Marketing major. His address: 213 North Fourth, Mt. Vernon, Washington.

\*\*\*Army Pvt. Richard M. Moe, '59, formerly of Beltrami, was assigned to the 57th Artillery's 1st Missile Battalion at Fort Buckner, Okinawa, February 28. He entered the Army in July 1963 and was last stationed at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Prior to entering the service, he completed a two-year electrical course at the North Dakota State School of Science at Wahpeton, N.D. He received his trade-technical school diploma and graduated in May 1962.

\*\*\*Superintendent B. E. Youngquist of the Northwest School and Experiment Station has been the speaker at a number of area events recently, including: April 15—F.F.A. (Future Farmers of America) Parent and Son banquet held in the Lincoln High School, Thief River Falls; April 24;—F. F.A. banquet in Fosston High School, Fosston; May 14—F.F.A. banquet, Plummer High School, Plummer; May 15—N. W. Minnesota Symposium, Fergus Falls; and May 30—Memorial Day services, Starbuck, Minnesota.

### Marriages

\*\*\*Miss Carol Ann Budzeak of Grand Forks, N. D. to Richard Charles Hutton of Manvel, N. D., on December 27, 1963, at Grand Forks, N. D. They are making their home at: 810 14th Ave, So., Grand Forks, North Dakota.

\*\*\*Miss Mary Jenifer Olson to Arthur Loyland, Jr., both of Thompson, N. D., at Grand Forks, N. D., on January 18. Their address: 1427 Sixth Avenue, South, Fargo, North Dakota.

### Births

\*\*\*To: Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee of Fertile, Minnesota (nee Edith Bergeson, '52), a son, on September 21, 1963.

\*\*\*To: Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Swan of Balaton, Minnesota (nee Donna Miller, '55), a daughter, Rita Kay, on March 31.