



PATRIOTIC DAY AT NORTHWEST SCHOOL

The patriotic day that was held at the Northwest School of Agriculture, December 19, will leave a lasting impression upon all those who participated in it. Patriotic service was the underlying idea that inspired every talk given throughout the program of the day.

At 5:30, students, faculty, and representative alumni gathered in the dining hall for a "get-together" dinner. Superintendent Selvig introduced the speakers. The four class presidents explained the purpose of the gathering.

The United States is now the commissary department for almost the whole world. We must have educated farmers to supply the world with food. No one but a scientific farmer can increase production on less acreage. Efficient service of any kind in time of war or in time of peace, depends absolutely on intelligence and brains. The world is appealing to the United States to save democracy. The United States with all her wealth and all her population cannot do this unless she can depend on intelligent and educated citizens.

Each of the class presidents expressed the resolve of his class to bring back more students than ever before, after Christmas. In this way, the students of the Northwest School of Agriculture would be expressing their patriotism in terms of service.

Mr. Martin O'Brien of Crookston closed the program with a splendid address. Forcefully and directly he showed the privileges we enjoy as American citizens. For such privileges we should be willing to make the supreme sacrifice whatever it may be. We must be animated by the idea that our government must win this war. The national interest must be first in the mind of each American; personal interest must be second. Our slogan must be save, serve, and sacrifice.

The dinner was followed by a short public speaking program in the auditorium given by the Freshmen. The practical value of public speaking work was admirably demonstrated by the fact that Freshmen students who had never been on a platform before, could speak easily and effectively before a large audience. The numbers were all given exceptionally well. The subject of the program was Christmas.

RED CROSS

Our campus Red Cross organization has been loyally doing its bit of patriotic service ever since it was organized in November. All persons on the campus—employees, workmen, faculty, students, and children—are enrolled. The active members of the organization are divided into three sections: the faculty ladies in one, the advanced students in another, and the Freshmen and Junior students in a third. Miss Rockwood has charge of the one section of girls and Miss Sherwood, of the other. The officers for the women's organization are as follows:

- Mrs. A. M. Foker - - - - President
- Mrs. A. F. Haig - - - - Vice President
- Mrs. T. M. McCall - - - - Secretary
- Mrs. C. G. Selvig - - - - Treasurer
- Miss Alice Glise - - Superintendent of Work

Mrs. Selvig and Miss Glise are the instructors in the classes of surgical dressings. These classes were organized the latter part of February and have already prepared over 1000 bandages to be turned into headquarters at any time. A large airy room in the Hill building has been fitted up for this work and affords a sanitary and pleasant place for the classes to meet. A large number of knitted articles have been made by members of the school and faculty and also by the model school children, for they, too, have been taught to knit and are doing their share in making our soldiers warm and comfortable.