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On February 14, 1918, members of the Alumni Association and former students of the school organized an association which bears the above name. John Hest, '15, Perley, was elected president, and Mr. Kennard, who was the agronomist at the School, was elected secretary-treasurer.

The object of the association is to aid in the raising and dissemination of seeds which have proven their worth at the Northwest School and Station. There is no membership fee. Every student or graduate is eligible to become an active factor for good in his community. A member has only to purchase sufficient seed for one or two acres of land. This seed is to be tested carefully in comparison with the common sort, and if it proves better than the old, it is to be kept pure and enough of it produced for sale. After a short time each member will thereby be in a position to be a center of pure seed in his community.

This project which was organized among the alumni has justified its existence. The Alumni have taken an active interest in the work.

It is planned to make more use of the Alumni through this association. It is hoped that much pure seed work may be done in potato, grains, shrubbery and other lines in which the school is interested.

ALUMNI BANQUET

Farmers' Week is coming more and more to be the home coming week for graduates and former students of the Northwest School. An unusually large number attended the meetings during the week, and also paid a visit to the campus. A large number of them were among the winning exhibitors of both farm crops and livestock. James Porten, Nels Palm, and Fossbakken Bros. numbered among those who made purchases of fine stock at the sale.

The banquet this year was a particularly joyous occasion. Almost a hundred were present. J. P. Bengtson acted as toastmaster, and responses were made by Superintendent Selvig, Anna Evanson, '14; Albin Johnson, '19; Ole Flaatt, '17; Dean Thatcher and President Burton. Much was added to the occasion by the presence of the following boys, lately returned from service: Harold Schuck, Harry Hedin, Rasmus Heiberg, Carl Berg and Martin Solberg.

THE ONLY WAY.

There will be suffering in our country,
In our dear old U. S. A.,
And 'tis high time for conservation,
Which is now the only way.

Our boys will not refuse to yield,
Their lives for us upon the battle field,
And we can help them win the cause
By obeying the conservation laws.

Some A. C. boys have answered the call
To save Democracy from a terrible fall,
To help our Allies in their time of need
And establish "Peace" as a universal creed.

All this would be enough, I'd think
To drive Old Kaiser Bill to drink—
Then be forever gone to return no more.
A deadly dose of H₂SO₄—

Marie Mariner, '14.
Delivered at Alumni Banquet, February, 14, 1918.