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TO THE CLASS OF 1922, NORTHWEST SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE:

We recently had a distinguished banker deliver a convocation address at the University. In his address he emphasized certain old fashioned virtues as the basis for success. He pointed out that there is no substitute for honesty in business dealing, that success is never achieved by those who have not learned what hard work means, and that one's value to the community in which he resides is based upon a quality which he called generous-mindedness. It is clear to those who think about the matter that there is something in this world of greater value than money or power, and that is the satisfaction of a life spent in doing the best one can, not merely for himself, but for others. Whenever one leaves out of consideration his obligations to his fellow men, he becomes narrow, selfish and bigoted, but when he keeps these considerations clearly in mind, he becomes broad-minded, liberal, and thoughtful in his treatment of others, and humble in the sight of his fellow men. This is one of the lessons which you should have learned, partly, at least, in the Northwest School at Crookston. It is a lesson which will be more clearly defined and in which you will grow more and more proficient with the passing years.

Cordially yours,

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