



## Basketball

Basketball at the N. W. S. A. is the leading sport of the year. Because of the short season, football soon gives way to the basketeers. Prospects for a good team were very bright, as among a large number of candidates who reported were to be found three letter men: William Johnson, Harold Peterson and LaVern Peterson. After two weeks' practice, the squad was cut down to fifteen men and the real work commenced.

The season opened December 2, with Fisher in our gym, and the result was altogether gratifying from our standpoint. We went to Argyle the following week and won by the narrow margin of five points. Our boys were handicapped by the narrow floor, which makes the criss-cross, short pass game very difficult. The next Saturday we hung up a new record for the Aggies. We completely outclassed Moorhead State Teachers' College on their own floor and won almost two to one. The team reached the highest point of aggressiveness of the school year.

Fisher, on their own floor, were unable to hold our team down and we returned victorious by a comfortable margin. At Warren the team met its first defeat and that only by a few points. The game had been a see-saw affair up until the last few minutes of play, when the opponents broke away for three baskets, which won for them.

The tables were turned on us when East Grand Forks, conceded not to be very strong this year, beat us on our own floor by five points. The superior fight put up by the East Siders explains the victory.

An old rival, Ada, was given a severe trouncing which helped to take the sting out of their gridiron victory over us.

Moorhead Normal squeezed out a victory by a very narrow margin. That our boys were in poor condition for the game can be attributed to the excitement attendant on Winter Show week. The next week we tasted defeat again, this time from North Star College. Another big surprise came when we took them into camp on their own floor.

A few games are yet to be played—one with Crookston and one with Warren. The outcome of these contests is uncertain.

All in all, the season has been fairly successful. Marred by delinquencies and erratic playing, yet brightened by un hoped-for victories. Grouping the work of the team we find at forwards Brustad, a good shot and consistent performer; Briden, with his elusive foot work and quick stop, and William Johnson, a dead shot. These three make a combination which makes the defense of the opposition work at top speed. At the center position we find Check Peterson and Hanson, whose work is characterized by flashy form and strong floor play, respectively. Gandrud and Fraser at running guard prove a speedy pair to play against. At standing guard LaVern Peterson, a veteran goal guarder, Iver Johnson, a steady performer, and Julian Halvorson with his speed and aggressiveness, all put up a strong defense. Mr. Constans coached the team.

	Scores	Aggies	Visitors
Fisher at Crookston .....		45	9
Argyle at Argyle .....		15	10
Moorhead at Moorhead .....		36	18
Fisher High at Fisher .....		33	21
Warren High at Warren .....		20	27
East Grand Forks at Crookston .....		23	28
Ada at Crookston .....		45	19
North Star at Crookston .....		17	24
Moorhead at Crookston .....		29	35
North Star at Warren .....		28	25