

## The Red River Aggie



LINCOLN

*Top Row* — V. BRYNGELSON, SEVALD, CARLSON, DOBIAS, LOUIS, NELSON, C. NELSON, ANDERSON.  
*Second Row* — NISBIT, LOHN, SCHLAUDERAFF, SUNDRUD, BERGGREN, C. LINDQUIST, ANDEN, BRATON.  
*Bottom Row* — FLYNN, NEWHOUSE, G. LINDQUIST, MR. AVERY, TORGERSON, JOHNSON, E. BRYNGELSON.

### Literary Societies

LITERARY society work has ever been one of the leading outside activities in the student life at the Northwest School. The Agricultural Literary Society was the only medium through which students could get training in public speaking until public speaking was made a part of the school course in the year 1912-13. School credit was given for participation in literary society work during the early years of the school.

The Agricultural Literary Society was a mixed organization until the year 1912-13, at which time the girls withdrew and formed their Home Economics Club. The Society divided again in 1914-15 into two groups, the old organization taking the name Pioneer and the new Society the name Lincoln. The Agrarian society was organized in 1919.

The Home Economics Club divided in 1920, and the new group took the name Sanford in honor of Maria Sanford.

Literary society work has been popular with the students all through the years. The programs consist of discussions of every day problems and current events, readings, music and debates.

Former Superintendent C. G. Selvig presented a silver loving cup to the Northwest School in 1916 to stimulate inter-society debating. The Pioneer Society won permanent possession of the cup in 1922, by winning it three times in succession.

The inter-society declamatory contest was held first in 1923, with an oratorical section for boys and a dramatic section for girls, during the five years of declamatory contests, the major honors have been won by the Pioneer and Home Economics Clubs.