

## MUSIC



J. Nelson, Foker, Fox, Lee, Miss Polski  
Stepp, Skaren, Yutzenka, Torgerson

Donley, L. Kiser, Ryden, J. Kiser, Hendrickson  
Sunderland, Stenerson, Johnson, Hoff

## Orchestra

The Northwest School Orchestra for 1931-32 opened its season with a personnel of seventeen members. The balance of instruments follows: three violins, string section; two clarinets and four saxophones, reed section; four trumpets one baritone and one trombone, brass section; piano and drums. These instruments in orchestral ensemble were both stimulating to the players and enjoyed by their audience.

The orchestra made its debut at the Home Coming program, playing an overture and school songs. Further appearances were on Parents' Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas dinner program, Junior-Senior banquet, Commencement Recital and exercises supplemented with assembly performances during the year.

## Piano

Students at the Northwest School are offered an opportunity to study the piano, an instrument of home and unlimited community value. Few students come to the Northwest School having memorized piano selections or having had an opportunity to appear in public. Memory of several selections a year is stressed as is also the accomplishment of sight-reading of music.

Ample opportunity is given piano students to expand in instrumental experience. We may state first, the auditorium is equipped with a Steinway Grand piano for all performances. Many weekly programs and special programs provide occasions for solo work. A formal spring recital is arranged, at which time the advanced piano students are presented, playing a classical composition by memory. Also, four students accompany their respective class for the annual song contest, and students preside at the piano for hymn-playing on the weekly Sunday evening programs. The culmination of the year's work is reached by way of a special recognition awarded at the Commencement Exercises to the student who has made the greatest progress in piano study during the entire school year.

—ROSE C. POLSKI.