



## Dedication

The Northwest School is fifty-five years old.

Over 5,000 students will have received diplomas by 1962. One does not travel far in the Red River Valley without finding graduates of the Northwest School in positions of leadership in all walks of rural life. Up until the late 1930's, the Northwest School was probably the single most important educational force in agriculture in Northwestern Minnesota.

The Red River Valley will be largely agricultural in character for decades ahead. This agriculture is changing at a faster pace each year. The Northwest School is called upon for new and added educational service for this rural life. This evolving role will provide post-high school education of a technical nature. Necessarily, the technical role must be geared to a farmer who must increasingly feed more people and who must have more knowledge and skill than any previous time in history. This knowledge and skill will need continuous reshaping as this farmer goes through life. The farmer of the future needs liberal arts as well as technical arts.

Among those graduates of the Northwest School will be those citizens interested in an orderly and timely adjustment of this valuable education and research medium—the Northwest School and Experiment Station.