

LOCALS

Henry Campbell has been acting as gardener since Mr. Westley left.

Miss Lucy J. Gard, of Albany, is acting temporarily as assistant seamstress.

Mr. B. N. Everett and his mother took the north-bound train for Portland on Saturday evening.

The installation of stokers at the power house is about completed. A saving of fuel is anticipated.

Mr. Hobucket is seriously considering the advisability of enlisting in the quartermaster's department.

The drive at Chemawa for the Y. M. C. A. fund for the soldiers resulted in securing something over \$80.00.

Mr. Westley, the school gardener, does not seem to recover from his rheumatism. He has just applied for a two-months' leave without pay.

A contract has just been made with Mr. Mark Aspinwall and Mr. Alvin Van Cleve to plant 18 acres of onions for the school on the lake bottom, known as peat land.

Last Friday Mrs. Woods and her laundry force thoroughly cleaned and dried the football suits. They are now carefully put away and are ready for next season's use.

Eva Hood and Jessie Cleveland, in their respective divisions, have charge of the mending room during the present five-weeks' detail. These young ladies are doing good work.

Mrs. Perkins resigned the management of the teachers' club at the end of November. Mrs. Risser has assumed the responsibilities of directing the "Mess" affairs for December.

The completion of the lowering of the culvert under the S. P. railroad track will now drain the bayou below the barns and enable the school to use a piece of good land for farming.

The gardeners have commenced to plow the land assigned on which to raise garden truck next spring. Four acres are to be planted in strawberries also on account of the present patch having about run its limit.

Chemawa has had to "turn down" many applications for entrance this year on account of lack of capacity and appropriation. The school has been full for some time. Had all applications been acted upon favorably we would have had at least 750 pupils here.

Mrs. Teabo, our efficient and popular baker, sustained a serious injury to her left hand on Monday. In handling the dough in the power mixer her hand was caught in the paddle, severely wrenching it. Dr. Cashatt was called, who dressed the injury. It will be some time before Mrs. Teabo will be able to use the injured member.

Mr. John R. Wise, late superintendent of Haskell Institute, but now a member of the Competency Commission, visited Chemawa recently and was most interested in the work done here.

Mr. McLean, Mr. Hobucket and Mr. Stewart now occupy the upstairs in what was formerly the assistant superintendent's cottage. Mr. Devol, Principal, uses the lower rooms for quarters and private office. This building is now known as Bachelors' Hall.

Nearly every mail the Alumni Association is informed that some ex-student or graduate will return to spend the Christmas holidays at the school. We certainly are glad so many are coming, that they may see the good work that is being carried on at Chemawa.

Some one started something when he got E. A.'s Sammies and "Jim" Loos' Sailors to match on Thanksgiving day. It was some game and a tussle from start to finish. Judging by the way the crowd stayed in the bleachers through the down pour of rain, it was the most interesting game of the season.

A neat little compliment was paid to the Excelsiors by the Nonpareils last Friday evening. The girls of the Nonpareils, assisted by their advisor, Mrs. McCrosson, composed a very cleverly worded song, "Here's to You," and presented it to their brother society, who received it with much appreciation and immediately had it printed and now sing it with much enthusiasm.

With two teams engaged all the time, including Sunday, hauling coal and wood for the power plant, one team on the campus, another for the hog department, one at the dairy, and two teams on the garden and horticultural department, but one horse is left at this time for the farmer, who is now becoming quite restless over his inability to complete his plowing. The management, owing to the scarcity of funds, is compelled to have all the coal hauled by school teams—an arrangement not anticipated. Next year we hope to have a traction engine with which to do all plowing. It will be an economical innovation.

Chemawa is proud of her boys that are in the army and navy. Without an exception so far as heard from our boys are receiving deserved promotions right along. Supt. Hall has just received a letter from George Jackson, who is now a first-class fireman and a second-class machinist, with the rank of a petty officer. This is George's third promotion. He writes that his ship, the U. S. S. Marblehead, has just arrived in San Francisco from South America, where they have been for three months. He hopes to spend his Christmas at Chemawa, provided he secures a fifteen-days furlough which he desires if his ship is not ordered elsewhere before that time. His many friends hope that he will be able to visit them.