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Chemawa now has fifteen cottages for employes with families.

The new students are fitting in the grooves and getting down to business at Chemawa.

The roofs of the entire list of Chemawa structures were given an application of asphaltum paint this summer.

Five acres of onions are being pulled and topped this week, preparatory to being stored in the crates of the onion dry house.

The half-dozen or more of English walnut trees had a splendid crop. It was difficult to keep the small boys away from them.

Have you seen the booklet gotten out by the Chemawa American? It contains about 80 views of our school and is worth having.

Every department at Chemawa is working full time and every endeavor is being made to carry out the intent of the course of study consistently.

Football is the chief order of the day during recreation hours these days among the boys. Our 'varsity will play the Pacific University at Forest Grove next Saturday.

The big school truck in addition to hauling lumber, wood and various supplies throughout the week days, is used Sunday afternoons giving 45 girls to a load an outing.

The larger values of school training are estimated only in the moral character and in the conscientious achievements of students and others influenced by students in homes, shops, farms, business, etc.

The Cleveland tractor of a track laying type which was purchased early in September is a splendid addition to our farm machinery. It easily does the work of eight horses. Mr. Daly, the teacher of agriculture, appears much pleased with the work accomplished. The 30-acre field in the lake bottom was ploughed and made ready for seeding in a very few days. At present it is used to drive the large Blizzard ensilage cutter.

The potato crop of "lates" is estimated at about 2,500 bushels. This, added to the earlier varieties, which usually is sufficient to provide for the students until December first, will supply our wants throughout the year.

Arrangements have been made with Dr. Bried, Superintendent of the Fort Lapwai Agency, to supply the school this year with flour. The flour received is manufactured from hard wheat and makes excellent bread.

About \$1,200 was received last year for harness manufactured in our school shop. We have an order for a larger quantity at better prices the present year. With leather at 62 cents per pound and harness at \$65 per set leaves a margin for a fair profit.

School started promptly on September 8th in accordance with Departmental orders. It was a little earlier than is customary at Chemawa on account of hop picking and other work contracted to be done by pupils. However, everything worked out alright.

At the last sale of Chemawa hogs in the market at Portland 22 cents per pound liveweight was secured, the highest price up to that date ever received for hogs in this market. There were 70 head in the lot. We sell two bands of hogs each year in lots ranging from 70 to 100 each time.

Mr. Joseph Iliff is now on high pressure at Chemawa, having been transferred from Chilocco as Superintendent of Industries. Mrs. Iliff is acting as teacher. The family is now occupying the two-story residence lately vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Kirk, who have moved into the "bachelors'" quarters near the Girls' Industrial building.

Swift & Company, Chicago, have our beef contract this year at \$12.40 per hundred. We paid \$16.50 last year. Coal cost us \$2.65 per ton last year while this year we secure it at \$1.75. The price of fuel oil is so high that our appropriation would not permit of its use. When we last used oil the price was 55 cents a barrel. The lowest bid this year was \$1.80.

John Beyer, Nick Orloff, Elwood Towner, Andrew White and Gus Gartiez, discharged soldier and sailor boys, have returned to Chemawa and taken up their work where left off before joining the "Forces." John Beyer was in every engagement in France in which the American forces took part. He was wounded at the battle of the Argonne, but recovered in time to be with his battalion in the next engagement and was with the army of occupation at Coblenz. Martin Colby, who will soon return to school, was also in the battalion. The 220 Chemawa boys who enlisted are worthy of the greatest honor and we who know them so well are proud of them.