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GENERAL ITEMS

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The friends of Henrietta Chamberlin are glad to note that she has recovered from a period of illness.

Dr. Wedge gave a very beneficial talk on hygienic habits to the boys on last Wednesday evening.

On account of ill health one of our Alaskan pupils, George Churchill, will leave for Fort Lapwai or home soon.

The painters have been setting glass for a hot bed for Mr. Ross and have also painted part of Brewer Hall.

The carpenters made a number of packing boxes and ice boxes last week. They are now working on repairing and exhibit work.

The farmers have been very busy in the past week. They finished most of the plowing and are clearing the stump patch south of the barn.

Under the able management of Mr. Downie the boys of Brewer Hall are taking more interest in keeping their quarters clean and the building is looking much better than it has for a long time.

Dr. Wedge talked to the third year vocational class last Wednesday and to the fourth year vocational class Thursday. Neither teacher will tell, for both were banished from the class rooms.

An average grade of 75 percent must be made the last of next month in order to entitle one to be promoted. Nothing less will do this year, the principal says. A lot can be done in the next seven weeks.

A busy room is number 5. The teacher has gathered a great number of boys' and girls' magazines, bound them together in consecutive numbers, and distributes them to the pupils to read when the routine work of the room is done or when a boy or girl needs something to keep them busy.

"Our teacher knows everything," said one of the girls when she asked what star that was near the moon the other evening, "Botany' Agriculture and Astronomy." "Yes," said another in the agriculture Botany class, "we are having many things now we had last year." Sometimes it helps to wander into unexplored realms.

The track boys seem to be in fine condition. They are seen every day training.

We believe that the study hour in rooms has been a great improvement for the pupils. We only wish each student could have a separate room in which to study and a separate set of books. This would avoid the necessity of preparing work in the school rooms. We believe pupils should study in their rooms without being told what to study. The assignments for the following day are sufficient.

Supt. Hall visited the library one day last week. He said, "You need some new books." We said, "Yes, and some magazines and papers, too." A school without books is like a carpenter without tools. A good book or magazine lying around is a splendid inducement to keep boys out of mischief. The reading habit if contracted and a school library will many times take the place of a bad habit contracted in the alley or around the corner.

Twenty-one pupils received grades of 95 per cent or above in the industrial departments for the period ending April 2nd. They are as follows:

First Year Vocational

Roy Courville	96	Engineer
William Moses	96	Engineer
Thomas Filesteel	96	Engineer
Elijah Washington	96	Engineer
David Phillips	96	Engineer
Royal Bean	95	Engineer
John Hanson	96	Engineer
William Barton	95	Engineer
Corbett Belgarde	95	Agriculture
Isaac Medicine	95	Tailor

Second Year Vocational

Julia Fratis	99	Home Economics
Anna Holst	95	Home Economics
Thomas Hoaglin	95	Engineer
Andrew Fox	95	Engineer

Third Year Vocational

William Frazier	96	Agriculture
Daniel Orton	97	Tailor

Fourth Year Vocational

Andrew White	96	Engineer
George Berry	95	Blacksmith
Duane Kimball	95	Printing
Louise Silverthorne	95	Nursing
Elizabeth Montgomery	95	Nursing