

BOTH VIEWS OF LIFE

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Such a mental attitude will bring out resources which the calamity howler, the one who looks on the dark side, loses because such a mental attitude closes their ability to receive instead of opening it up. If every one here at Chemawa would persistently cultivate the hopeful spirit, the hopeful way of looking at things, we could increase our efficiency 100 percent and correspondingly reduce the disagreeable things which at times appear to confront us.

Half of our troubles and trials come from our own gloomy outlook, from anticipating evil instead of good. Look around you sometime when you cross the campus, or are in Salem, and see if you think nine-tenths of the people you meet look as though they might be coming from a funeral instead of being on their way to joy and gladness. Let us quit this way of looking at life. Let us accept the view-point that sees things joyously and happily—a view-point which will broaden us tremendously during every day's work and render our eventual outlook upon life a veritable song of contentment, which everybody desires.

GENERAL ITEMS

The gardeners have already given considerable time and attention to weeding and pruning our berry patches.

The large truck of the school is being most thoroughly overhauled at the blacksmith shop. It is reported that the overhauling was fully due.

Teams of horses and the tractor are being utilized every available moment now in turning over the soil preparatory to the planting of this year's crops.

The vocational kitchen girls serve meals for their own tables in the big dining-room. There are four tables where these girls eat and preside and they are getting much valuable experience. This is a good idea.

George Thomas and Joe Racine are the carpenter students who have the work of constructing a garage for the blacksmith and engineer in charge. These young men are fully equal to the work they have in hand.

The Evans brothers, two of our school boys, have installed a new electric motor in the carpenter shop. It is 15-horse power and will drive various machines in the department. From now on the "wheels of progress" are expected to turn regularly and rapidly.

When considering various departments of our school plant it is well not to overlook the bakery, where the "staff of life" is produced. At all hours, early and late, the baker and his boys have to be on the job. All work and attend business—who can do more or do it better?

ITEMS FROM THE TRADES

The farmers are making the most of the small consignment of good weather. Watch them go!

The painters are working in the Small Boys' Building now and after repairing the plastering are painting the walls and ceilings.

The gardeners are going on with their preparations for planting. They hope for a continuation of the good weather the farmers so earnestly wished for, and received.

The plumbers are always busy but sometimes more than usual. So if your sink gets choked, or the bibb leaks water, or the radiator is needing attention, just give them time and they will have things going smoothly before long.

The engineers expect to substitute a larger motor for the present equipment in the carpentry department. The wiring done by this department at the machine shop is a credit to them and the dispatch with which the job was completed is also commendable.

The adverse weather conditions during the past winter have made the removal of stumps and the clearing of land almost impossible. However, when one gets a close look at the enormous amount of debris gathered and the amount of land cleared, we feel that the boys should be commended for their efforts.

The machinists, blacksmiths and truck crew are all interested in the working over of the large truck which is now in the machine shop. The machinists are working over the lathes and cleaning and adjusting them after their long journey and idleness while preparation went forward for their use.

The carpenters also are coming in for a share of the prosperity of fine weather. The garage is going forward by the efforts of the boys of the third year vocational class. The prevocational boys are doing some good work also, and Saturday sees the primary boys by the dozen making tops, aeroplanes, and what not. Mr. Mason is on hand to encourage and help and the only difficulty is that the shop is too small.

There has been demonstrated recently, in the blacksmithing department, the qualities that make for success in any line. Several of the boys of this department, in the vocational division, returned Saturday P. M. and carried on their work in the automobile shop in order to learn more about the business. They successfully cleaned the carbon from an engine, ground the valves and replaced the parts, under the direction of Mr. Welch, to the entire satisfaction of the owner. These young men are on the right road, traveling in the proper direction, and with perseverance will eventually arrive.