

## LOCAL

During the last few days we've had some pretty nipping frosts in this section.

The Southern Pacific Company has done considerable work recently improving the depot property at Chemawa. Among other things the roof was entirely re-shingled.

A letter from Irving Shepard assures us that all is moving nicely with him at the Hoopa (California) school. Both Irving and his wife have employment at the school and we are pleased to note that they are doing well.

Mrs. J. S. Osmond from Chignik, Alaska, visited with some of the pupils from Chignik. She has taken a great interest in the children from that locality and makes them a yearly visit, bringing them news from their parents.

Last Wednesday the new members of the Nonpareil Literary Society were treated to a "Goat" ride. They tell us that it was similar to the Pendleton Round-Up. Let'r Buck! Who was guilty of holding on to the horns?

Arthur W. Johnson, who graduated here a few years ago, is still attending the Teachers' College at Chico, California. In a letter he states that he is going to stick it out till he finishes. He has been playing on the varsity football team.

Basketball teams, wrestling and boxing teams are now being organized in vocational classes to compete for honors during the holidays. The seniors are setting the pace and have their teams organized already and have had at least a few workouts together.

An immense quantity of celery is shipped from Chemawa every fall by the Japanese gardeners nearby. The greater part of the celery is shipped into various sections of the great Mississippi valley. No finer celery than is grown here can be found in all the world.

The new uniforms that recently arrived have kept the tailors busy fitting the right uniforms to the right boy. They claim that they can work for any Jew in the "cloding" business now. It is for most of us to realize just how much work is ever present in other departments beside our own at Chemawa. It is also a matter of no small importance that certain work is faithfully preformed early in the morning while most of us are peacefully sleeping. Especial mention is deserving of the boys of our dairy, who rise at 4:00 rain or shine, hot or cold, clear or cloudy, and report to the dairy barn where they take care of and milk the cows. It is a fact worthy of mention that during the first seven days of this month these boys delivered to the school kitchen 3040 pounds of milk from 17 cows. We desire to express our appreciation for the faithful work of these boys, and to let them know that we realize the importance of the work they are doing at all hours of the morning and in all kinds of weather.

The second division of the Junior girls spent a de-

lightful hour Sunday evening after chapel as the guests of Mrs. Hall and the Sigma girls. The evening was spent in progressive conversation, singing class and Society songs and listening to a musical program over the radio, Supt. Hall being the "manipulator." Refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served.

Joseph W. Purns, of the Chemawa class of 1911, writes us from Mescalero, N. Mex., stating his pleasure at again receiving The American. A gratifying feature of his letter was a dollar bill enclosed in payment for two year's subscription. Joe is in the machinist and automobile business and says he can out-buzz the "busy bee." He informs us that Mr. M. W. Cooper, for many years an employe at Chemawa, is at Mescalero in the position of principal teacher. Best wishes for both of them.

During chapel last Sunday evening the orchestra played "Les Adieux" by Sarasate, Anna Peratrovitch sang "Fallen Leaf" by Logan, Edna Audette recited "No Room for Mother," a chorus of girls sang "Hark the Mandolin" by Parker, the choir sang "Ashamed of Jesus" by Benjamin and Supt. Hall gave another of his splendid talks in closing the exercises. He took up the matters of promptness and the value of time in regard to character building and gave a lesson that all should have taken to heart.

On Saturday evening the Excelsior Literary Society gave its annual open meeting at which time programs are always in order for the entertainment of society guests. The program on this occasion proved unusually good and of just the right length. Mr. Iliff, critic of this society, and his boys have a right to feel satisfied over the program given, as it more than pleased the large crowd present. The Nonpareil, Winona and Reliance societies are each to give an open session program later.

Last Friday was home-letter writing day and it marked the end of ten weeks in school. The grade cards of pupils go home to parents or guardians along with the letters. It should be a source of great pride to send home reports showing fine vocational and academic standing. There is no good reason why all of our students cannot boast of good grades as the opportunities are the same for all. All who lack pride and are downright lazy will always have low grades.

## JUNIOR NOTES

The Junior girls have adopted another new song to the tune, "It ain't gonna rain no mo."

Albert Orr wore a 100-percent smile when he received his 100-percent algebra grade for the period.

Lorraine Hoptowit was much disappointed that she could not stay with us here. We hope she will be back next year.

Raymond Jones has been out from school for some time, on account of his sore eye. We hope that he will be able to continue his studies soon.

Every place you go you can't help seeing some Juniors boys and girls. Junior carpenters are doing the most work at the new Domestic Science and Junior electricians are doing the light wiring. Junior girls are busily engaged in arranging costumes for the elaborate play being staged by the prevocational class for the Thanksgiving celebration.