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Each year new land is added to the Chemawa cultivatable acres, as stumps and brush are removed from the wooded lands.

Mr. Kirk, property clerk, spent several days in Portland last week taking samples of flour for various jurisdictions in the Indian Service.

Mr Bent, our genial disciplinarian, had a minor surgical operation last week and was confined to the hospital for several days. He is now on duty.

About 1000 little chicks were hatched out the other day, with double that number yet to come. Mr. Turner, poultryman, and his detail of boys, give our flock good care.

Next year we expect great things at Chemawa. The higher grades will enable a good many young Indian people to gratify their desire to take more advanced work in every line.

Mr. Carrow, our hard-working and capable mason, took his detail and cleaned out a mile of the sewer and drainage ditch last week. Mr. Carrow is certainly a willing worker. We find few Mr. Carrows.

Mrs. Parks, matron of Winona Hall, who has been on sick leave for some weeks, returned from Portland the first of the week. Mrs. Peery has been handling the work alone during Mrs. Parks' absence from duty.

Mrs. Bronson and Mrs. Sly, of McMinnville, were luncheon guests of Supt. and Mrs. Hall on Saturday. The ladies motored over in order to attend the D. A. R. meeting in the afternoon. Mrs. Bronson was a school-mate of Supt. Hall in Salem, New Jersey, in the '70's, and with whom our people are acquainted, as she visited Chemawa some weeks ago.

The reading circle composed of Chemawa employes met on Monday evening of last week in the school library and had a most beneficial meeting. Miss Strout, Mr. Iliff, Mr. Kunkel, Mr. Fisher, Miss White and Miss Vesper lead the discussions growing out of various chapters. These people were all well prepared and did full justice to the subjects in hand.

Edna Audette and Mabel Bremner, seniors, certainly did themselves credit last Wednesday when they entertained Supt. and Mrs. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Turney, Miss White and Mrs. Brickell at a dinner given as their demonstration in cooking and serving as required in their domestic science course. These two hostesses are the youngest two members of the senior class.

Our hospital, by reason of illness on part of Mrs. Snapp, assistant nurse, and the resignation of Mrs. Wells, dietitian, is short-handed. Mrs. Ranzell, head nurse in charge, has the responsibility of all departments on her hands, but she is such a good manager, willing and efficient, that the hospital in all its varied

interests moves along in the regular professional manner.

The Winona Literary Society of girls held their annual open session last Friday night. The program consisted of the speech of welcome, songs by society, reading of the "War Whoop," and other literary stunts. The feature of the entertainment consisted of a cantata, "The Flower Queen." A woman, weary of the world, goes to a vale in the forest. Here as a recluse, she learns from the flowers the lessons of purity, truth and love. The girls representing flowers never appeared prettier or sweeter; the music was creditably done for such a heavy piece. Mrs. Leavenworth did the directing, Miss Strout was pianist, and Miss Thompson assisted with the costuming. The evening was much enjoyed by all. It was noticeable that there were no waits between numbers.

The singing on the part of the school choir, as well as the members thereof in quartets, solos, octettes, etc., has gained quite a reputation locally. Indeed, we are proud of the splendid harmony produced by the vocal classes. The chapel exercises are greatly enhanced by our musicians. Last Sunday evening the school orchestra rendered a splendid number, "A Romance;" Nick Stepetin sang a solo, a negro spiritual entitled "Oh Peter, Go Ring Dem Bells;" the boys' quartet sang a beautiful arrangement of "Juanita;" by Parks; a reading by Clifford McCloud, "A Hero of the Furnace Room," which was so vividly portrayed as to startle us all. The choir sang "Come, Thou Almighty King." The superintendent drew a picture of the difference between a trained mind and ignorance. He always has a message on some subject for the upbuilding of our students.

The D. A. R.'s of Salem, numbering possibly 50 ladies, were guests of Mrs. Hall on Saturday last. The ladies held their regular business meeting in the spacious parlor of the Hall home, after which they were shown through the school. At Hawley Hall a surprise was sprung on them by Mrs. Gibson's little girls who sang and recited. The entertainment was delightful and unique. After visiting the junior domestic science department, domestic art and sewing-rooms, the ladies were escorted to the "Homemakers' Wigwam," which is the pride of Chemawa. Here the senior girls under Mrs. Brickell served afternoon tea. During the refreshment hour Mrs. Turney and her vocal music classes delightfully entertained the guests with solos, boys' quartets, girls' octettes and mixed octettes. The ladies were more than delighted and surprised with the character of work done by the students and their ability to act as entertainers. On April first the McMinnville D. A. R.'s will be here, and on April the ninth the Oregon City Womens' Club, 100 strong, will be our guests.