

help, she has Sunday afternoon off.

Through the years our young people have married, many have settled in our community, are rearing their children and sending them to public school—two are finishing high school this year. These homes have helped greatly to provide for happy, healthy social life. The Phoenix school, while three miles away, has street car service so band concerts and entertaining and instructive programs attract our attendance. Also the Cook Bible School in the same vicinity makes a center of social activity. Two afternoons a month are planned for in cooperation with the outing matron. Chorus singing is conducted once a week by the head of one of our Indian families in town, a partner in a good printing business and a trained musician. In May we have a picnic in one of our parks to which all are invited.

While our girls marry and go forth to make their own homes and many are kept as employees in the schools where they are trained, the number of girls employed in Phoenix has steadily grown. Last year 280 were on the outing list, 118 of them school girls that worked through the summer vacation, most of them a real credit to the educational system under which they were trained, and an

asset to the community in which they worked. Wages ranged from \$16 to \$50 a month and totaled \$27,180.35 for the year.

Because we outfit the school vacation workers with necessary clothing, in the interest of thrift we do not permit them to have more than a dollar a week of their wages; the rest of their earnings is placed to each girl's credit in the school office at the end of the working period, to be drawn on during the year or to take with her when she leaves the school.

The girls who are permanently out of school are urged to start bank accounts and advised about careful spending, but they handle their own funds and almost without exception help their people. Homes have been built, repaired and enlarged; horses, wagons and fences furnished by these good daughters, besides clothes and provisions. Now they are helping to buy autos, and as against home needs a bank account seems a rather useless asset. However, girls have acquired bank accounts in various sums up to several hundred dollars, the highest between thirteen and fourteen hundred was augmented by war insurance.—*Amanda M. Chingren, Outing Matron.*

Boys' Outing at Phoenix School

DURING the school year the Phoenix Indian School sends out an average of 100 boys on the Outing every Saturday. Their work varies from house work, yard work and ranch work to some of the skilled trades such as painting, carpentry and masonry. For ordinary work our boys receive from twenty-five cents to thirty-five cents an hour and for skilled work they receive forty cents to fifty cents an hour depending on the boy's ability.

During the summer we have a greater demand for boys than we are able to supply for some of the trades as well as yard, ranch and dairy work. Long ago the public learned that Phoenix school is a satisfactory place to secure help. They find that our boys who have been trained and disciplined are more dependable and trustworthy.

We have many calls all year for boys and men for various kinds of work and a number are given steady employment.

Our experience is that the Outing is splendid training for our boys, they meet the better class of white people as they are sent to the best homes in the city. We believe the Outing furnishes a

form of education that the school is unable to give. The boys who work regularly as a rule talk better English and make a better appearance than the boys who do not care to go but prefer to stay at the school.

As a result of the Outing our boys are better dressed, for with their earnings they are buying hats, shirts, shoes and clothing. When they come to us as a rule they are not very presentable but when they return to their homes they are a credit to the school for they are well dressed and there is great improvement in their general appearance. The money invested by the students is a great saving to the school.

Phoenix school only gives part time to the Outing which is handled by the Superintendent of Industries. Much is being left undone for lack of time, we have a large field and a great opportunity to help place and supervise our ex-students which would require the full time of an Outing officer. The one in charge of this work should be energetic, polite and at the same time firm with both Outing boys and patrons, always having the interests of the students and school at heart.—*Harlan W. Grattan, Superintendent of Industries.*