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SHOPS

The boys in the carpenter shop have been working on a new tool room which is nearly completed.

The boys in the blacksmith shop are repairing a tractor. They are also working on a flag pole that will replace the one that fell during a wind storm.

The boys in the auto shop are happy because they are now in possession of a new Rattler boring bar. The boring bar permits them to enjoy their work more.

The bakers are looking forward to making a trip to the Cherry City bakery in Salem. This trip will interest as well as educate the bakers along some of the lines of baking.

During the month of January the boys in the shoe shop have repaired 680 pairs of shoes. Alec Conn and John Peltier have been doing some very excellent work in making shoes.

The boys of the engineering department have just finished cleaning boiler No. 4. It is much easier to clean the boilers now because they are using a cleaning compound that loosens the hard impurities on the inside of the boiler. The appearance of the boilers has been improved by a new coat of paint.

ORGANIZATIONS

The junior high girl reserves, enjoyed themselves at a Valentine party Monday.

The girl scouts of troop 1 are learning the Morse code. The beginners are getting along fine. The girls learned from Elizabeth Arquette that a bear is an insect but they didn't agree with her.

At the last meeting of the Y. M. an interesting discussion of the ill effects of the use of alcohol and tobacco was brought out. Quite a number took part in the discussion and no doubt they will benefit by the valuable facts disclosed.

The girl scouts of troop 3 gave a Valentine party on Monday the 13th. The girls are preparing for the second class and plan to get their pins soon. Our reporter, Agnes Hall, is in the hospital. We hope she will be out soon.

The Catholic boys' association held a meeting for the purpose of electing new officers for the last half of the school year. Officers elected were as follows: President, Lonnie Weeks; vice-president, Louis Orr; secretary and treasurer, James Walters; sergeant-at-arms, Ernest Moran; reporter, Robert Thomas.

At the Y. W. meeting on Sunday Feb. 5 Miss Fout gave an interesting talk on nursing which the girls enjoyed very much. Catherine Bailey gave a reading "Massacre of the Palex." This was interesting to all because the main character was Oma Woodcock's grandmother and was written by her mother. Ruby Dean, accompanied by Carolyn Mahone, played a saxophone solo.

Troop 2 of the girl scouts has been holding some interesting and exciting contests in sending and receiving messages by Morse Code. At the last meeting the Cardinal patrol was outstanding. Girls preparing for the first class are training the tenderfoot scouts.

The Pootan campfire met at the Wigwam Monday for a short business meeting. Two new members, Vivian Barnaby and Delphine Swan, were initiated.

JOURNALISTS COME THROUGH

The class in journalism under Miss Cruise has been rendering efficient and reliable service in gathering news for the AMERICAN and it seems proper to pause at this time and voice a word of thanks. All the copy comes to the shop with a minimum of grammatical errors, well-organized, neatly typed—and *on time*. They have also been following our style sheet closely, which has done away with a lot of needless editing.

The news gatherers are divided into the following groups:

ATHLETICS

Collins Anderson.

GIRLS' ATHLETICS, DORMITORIES AND CHAPEL

Chief: Christine Bailey. Associates: Florence Allman, Pearl Boyd, Eunice Buck, David Berger, Jack Kennedy.

GIRL SCOUTS, CLASS NEWS AND CAMPFIRE

Chief: Ruby Dean. Associates: Anita Forrow, Marie Farron, Clarence Emmons, Adam Williams.

LOCALS, SPECIAL ACTIVITIES, SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

AND GIRLS' VOCATIONS

Chief: Wesley Larsen. Associates: Alma Hawley, Priscilla Hayashi, Gertrude Lukin, Violet Johnson, Luke Markishtum.

SHOPS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Chief: Oma Woodcock. Associates: Josephine Whitebear, Arlie Stanger, Irene Thomas, Francis Thomas, Winfred Parker, Charles Peterson.

A LETTER OF APPRECIATION

Miss Ella Swink, who served as agent for the Southern Pacific here at Chemawa until a few days ago and made many friends during her short sojourn, left the following fine letter at the AMERICAN office prior to her departure.

To beautiful Chemawa—from one who appreciated her grander:

Leaving hurriedly, I will not have an opportunity to say goodbye personally to the many friendly folks who have made my memories of Chemawa among the pleasantest I have ever known.

Since my first day among you I have reveled in the beauty of this wonderful setting, written to my friends of the stately buildings, well-kept grounds, courteous students, efficient management and, best of all, your magnanimous friendliness toward the stranger at the gates.

I am sorry to be leaving, of course, and shall miss the pleasantness of this association: The Club whose excellent service is superior to any I have know elsewhere, the smiling people sitting near, those breaking bread with me, the little station where I sought to be as efficient and helpful as possible, and, in fact, everything belonging to this special environment.

I wish to thank you all for your kindness to me during my brief stay and to say goodbye!

Sincerely, Ella E. Swink.