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Chemawa Agricultural 4-H Club Program Growing

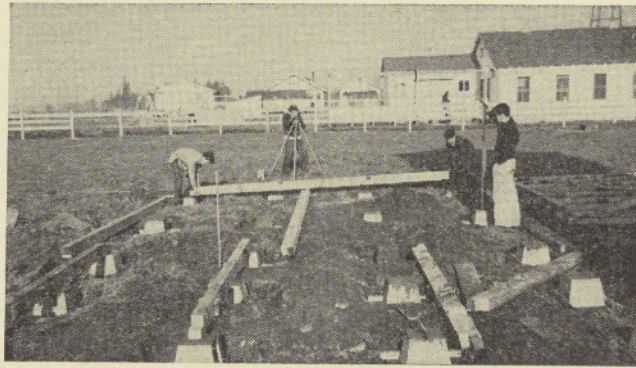
The principal concern of the dairy club boys is getting their barn built. The weather has been interfering to a great extent but they are making very good head way with it. Ted Jake, one of the dairy club boys, is foreman over the construction crew of Indian boys who are building the barn. Under the guidance of their leader, Lawrence Thomas, these boys are getting very valuable training and experience in the care, feeding and management of the school dairy herd. As soon as their barn is completed they will transfer their activities with their own cows to their new location and will continue their instructions under Mr. Thomas as their leader. These boys are especially fortunate in having the opportunity to work under the direction of Mr. Thomas as he is an outstanding authority in dairying.

FARM SHOP

These boys are continuing daily practice in the various methods of handling and treating iron and making articles for machinery repairing and up-keep, such as the average farmer should have on hand. They are progressing very nicely in assisting in building the 4-H club dairy barn. The accompanying picture shows the boys using the transit and laying the sills, foundation and concrete supports. They made the forms and mixed and poured the concrete for these supports. This barn will be large enough to house two cows and will have a feed room in it.

POULTRY

Although the weather has been very unfavorable for outdoor work the 4-H Poultry boys have progressed very nicely with their new poultry house. Framework is all up and the sheeting nearly completed. Indications now are that the buildings will be completed within two weeks. The boys, under the direction of their leader, Mr. Raymond Dutoit, are constructing this building. It is to be very snug and well planned, and when completed their activities will be transferred to their new house with their flock of fifty chickens.



4-H Dairy Club boys building their barn

Poultry boys are keeping very accurate accounts of the production of the hens that have been assigned to them in the school battery house. They have secured several patrons from among the employees who buy eggs from them. A portion of the funds received by the boys from the sale of eggs will be paid to them and the remainder held in trust with the hope that when they have finished their work here they will have saved enough money to start them with a farm flock at their home.

Just now the main training experiences they are having in addition to their regular feed and care activities are: judging and culling poultry for egg production. Other boys are planning on joining this project when their activities are transferred to their own poultry house.

FARM PROJECT

Bill Williamson, Carl Leder and Calvin Leder are new members added to this very active club. When asked why they joined the club one boy said, "This is a good set up, I like to work." This attitude through life, boys, will bring you health and success. On Saturday, January 18, Ben Finley, a member of this club, will demonstrate the shoeing of a horse, all of the agricultural leaders will be there to see just how he does it. Ben knows his "stuff." We expect to learn something from Ben Saturday. He has made a request to take care of a calf, a team of horses, and do farm work.

Among the practices they have had this month are: currying and harnessing horses, clipping fore-locks, splicing rope, feeding horses, proper bedding of stalls, naming parts of harness, judge

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