

SHOP TALK

SHOE SHOP

There are nine boys working in the shoe shop at present, Harry L. Dodsens, David Copazoni, Bennie Claw, Eugene Tsosie and Bensen Gibson make up the morning class. The afternoon class members are Petey Henthorne, Ken Conner, Pat Morin, Ai Hawley and the two barbers, Joe Coburn and Snookin Honena.

The shoe shop boys are all well acquainted with all kinds of shoe and leather repair. Mr. Ashcut is teaching a unit in leathercraft to the boys. They have made billfolds, belts, leather picture frames and various other items. These articles will be on display when the shops have open house. The barbers are taking advantage of the leather work too.

Two of the Navajo boys, Harry Dodsens and Eugene Tsosie, are doing on-the-job work in Salem on Saturdays.—Ben Gibsen, reporter.

ELECTRIC SHOP

The boys in the electric shop are assigned to certain buildings on the campus so that when job orders come into the shop from any of the buildings the boys assigned to that building go out and do the job requested.

Justin Pinkham and Alfred Hawk are assigned to the hospital, high school, Navajo school and grade school buildings besides outside construction and maintenance. Mitchell R. Crane and William Edmo are assigned to laundry, McNary and Mitchell halls, and do shop repair. Charles Wyman and Owens Yallup are assigned to Brewer, Hawley, McBride and Winona halls and shop repair. Len Wahsise has a student to whom he teaches code and how to maintain the shop. His student is Bensen Gibsen, who is on a special program and reports to shop at 2:30 p.m. after he finishes his academic program at the high school.

During the past month Alfred Hawk, Justin Pinkham and Owens Yallup have been helping Mr. Carl

Bartell, a district telephone man, install a fire alarm system on the campus.—Owens Yallup, reporter.

AUTO SHOP

The boys in the auto shop have just finished repairing the school bus and the paint shop boys did a paint job on it, so now it looks like a new bus and in good running order.

Another job that was just completed was the repairing of the big army truck. It is on its feet and able to run again.

The auto shop inherited a new boy. Earl has worked on cars before so he is already initiated in the art of being a "grease monkey."

NAVAJO CARPENTERS VISIT SALEM HI

March 4, 1952 was an educational field trip for the fourth year Navajo boys in the afternoon 1 to 4 p.m. class.

The eight boys present were Wallace Jackson, Nelson Jackson, Kenneth Lee, Charlie Peshlakai, Franklin Roanhorse, Roland Widehat, Bobbie Tracy and Wallace Yellow-shirt. Mr. Holmes, Shop Instructor, was along as Teacher-guide.

The field trip was very profitable as the boys were shown through all the Industrial Arts class rooms where the Salem High School instructors were happy to explain and show what was being done in their classes by their students.

Of great interest to the Navajo carpenter boys was the woodshops and all its power equipment. Mr. Davis of Salem High School explained to the boys how their shop was organized and operated, the different machinery in the shops, showed how certain power tools worked and then took the Navajo carpenters through the supply rooms, paint and spray room, and storage rooms where many of the Salem High School students had various projects that they had been working on. Our boys expressed much interest in these projects and also in the projects being made by the night school classes.

ENTERTAIN OPTIMISTS

A smoke signal sent up by the Portland Optimist club was answered by the Indian club on March 12.

We dressed in rooms at the hotel and were ready to dance at 12:30 at the luncheon meeting of the Optimist club. Mr. LaVatta is a member of the club. Mrs. Brannon was a speaker and Mr. Uentillie read the club creed in Navajo.

The hotel people were very nice to us. We were given rides up and down in the elevators. One operator took the girls to the top floor which is the ninth floor. Who was it that screamed when the elevator started, girls?

Since we brought lunches to eat just before getting to Portland we weren't expecting any from the Optimist club. When they invited us to eat we found that we were to have a full meal. There were even waiters and waitresses going back and forth for our benefit. The luncheon was greatly enjoyed and appreciated.

At 2:30 Mr. LaVatta decided we needed exercise after our big meal, and took us for a walk. We stopped at a broadcasting station, KPOI. They showed us an interesting time. At the mike the Northwest group sang two songs and the Navajo group sang one. Orin Allen and Pauline Brown were interviewed on their vocations at Chemawa and got to act as disc jockeys.

We arrived on the campus at 5:30, a group of tired but very happy Indians.

Mrs. Johannaber and Mr. Uentillie accompanied the club on the bus.—Augustine Phillips and Thelma Dick, Grade 11.

The boys are now looking forward to other educational field trips when they can visit some local saw-mills and lumber supply houses. They have shown by their conduct on this trip that they will be welcomed back to Salem High School any time and are prepared to go on other educational field trips.