

Vocational Activities

Auto Shop Makes Use of Old Equipment

The auto shop boys are all making tool boxes out of old hospital bed stands. They take off the small wheels and put on larger casters, burn off the old paint, sand them down, and paint them in bright colors. When they are finished a hasp and lock will make the boxes a safe place to keep tools.

Paint Shop Boys Learn By Doing

The paint shop offers a promising future to boys who are willing to learn. Besides painting, decorating, wallpapering, upholstering, and window glazing are studied and worked at.

Some of the jobs the boys in paint shop have completed with this term are, painting in the grade school, Brewer Hall, McNary Hall, teachers' cottage, and several employees' apartments.

Agriculture Classes Have Pig Project

On December 10, the classes in agriculture got their project pigs. Each boy is expected to work to pay for the pigs and the feed. The boys will take care of the pigs until they are big enough to sell. Then the money will be divided among the boys according to their work on the project.

Each week one boy will feed the pigs, check the water, and change the bedding, mornings and evenings. While the pigs are small they have to be kept out of drafts.

One of the ways boys work off project hours is to get up at four in the morning and work at the dairy. There are various jobs to do, such as milking cows, pasteurizing milk, putting the milking machine together, and feeding the calves.

Boys Find Printing Interesting

Printing has been a trade for a long time and will be for a long time to come. It is an interesting trade, and the boys who are in the school print shop, Arden LaBelle, Everett Capps, Alvin Bullchild, Harry Foster and George Umtuch, find it an interesting place to learn.

An all-round printer has to know many things. For instance he has to know the many kinds of stock and the best kind of ink to use for each.

One of the interesting jobs the boys have just finished was running newsprint stock for twenty attendance report books with seventy-five blanks to a book. Such jobs require mathematics and skillful makeready prior to the press-work.

Spoilage is Prevented

We take care of the meat used at Chemawa. The kitchen has freezers in which to keep meat from spoiling. When meat is frozen flies do not bother it, and germs cannot grow.

One thing is sure,—we boys have to have clean hands and finger nails and clothing when we cut meat.

Shoe Shop Activities Include Leathercraft

In shoe shop, besides shoe repair, the boys get to learn leathercraft. We learn to tool and assemble by hand, a number of articles such as belts, purses, and billfolds. We do leathercraft on Fridays and on days when there are no shoes sent over from the dormitories that need repairing. The shop has all the necessary tools for the work.

Knights of Columbus Sponsor Christmas Party

A party, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and seminarians from Mt. Angel, was given for Catholic students at the gymnasium Saturday evening, December 12. It was a very pleasant and enjoyable party.

The program consisted of several movies, one of them a picture about Mt. Angel Monastery. A boys' choir sang **Silent Night**, **White Christmas**, and **Here Comes Santa Claus**. St. Nicholas, who looked something like a bishop, came out and talked to the boys and girls, and the seminarians passed out treats and a gift book with a medal in the back.

When it was time to leave, everyone thanked Father Johnson and the people who gave the party.

Girls who decorated and trimmed the tree for the party are, Geraldine Hamlin, Arlene Vaile, Lorraine Farmer, Dixie Sellars, Charlotte Runningcrane, Eleanor Rabbie, Evelyn Lloyd, Myrna Lloyd, and Lavinia Johnson.

New Student Assistant In School Office

Sarah Lewis, who has been working in the library, has been assigned to help Miss Velma Ackels in the school office. This is a new experience for Sarah, and she is working hard to learn to do new things and to be of as much help as possible.

Boys Eager to Learn Code

In the electric shop radio code practice is held every morning from 9:00 to 9:30. Three boys, William Wyman, Charles Wyman, and Stanford Townsend are interested in taking the practice because they want to get novice class licenses. When the boys get such licenses they are declared hams or amateur radio men.