

McBride Has Birthday Party

On March 31, the matrons at McBride Hall, all of whom had birthdays in the preceding three weeks, gave a birthday party for all the girls who live in the dormitory.

Mrs. Faulkner, dining hall matron, was a guest, and played the piano for the girls. A delicious birthday cake and ice cream were served. The girls enjoyed the party very much.

Portland Group Visits

We had visitors from Portland. They visited all the buildings at Chemawa school. At noontime they ate lunch in the home economics dining room. Some of the fourth year Navajo girls helped to serve the women.

In the afternoon they came into our classroom. All the girls were doing something. Some of the girls were cooking, two of them were washing the gas stove outside and inside. Another two girls were washing windows.

Some of the visitors came to our program at assembly. We had a short western program.

—Etta R. Yazzie

Learn English

We should always talk English to each other every day when we are in the classroom or when we are in the dining hall or in the building. If you want to say something, say it in English, not in Navajo. If we speak English all the time we will learn lots of things.

When we speak English we will get a job easily, but when we talk Navajo we will not get a job.

—Mary Helen Betselie

Thank You

The girls of McBride Hall are enjoying the use of the basketball goals, volleyball nets, and bulletin board recently put up for them by men from the shops. They say, "Thank you for such nice things!"

Campus Trip Combines Business and Pleasure

Our classroom girls went for a walk yesterday after the boys went to shop. Our teacher, Miss Dora Bender, told us the names of the different trees and plants. Later she asked us questions about the new names.

We certainly enjoyed our walk, and we know all the trees' and plants' names now.

The large cherry orchard is blooming. It is very beautiful. The boys and girls here next summer will eat the ripe cherries. I wish all of us could be here and help eat them.

When we go to the apple orchard the boys are going too.

—Mary Rose Gleason

Group Presents Program

Katie Yazzie, Jane Wauneka, and their teacher, Mr. James Johnston, were guests at a meeting of the P. T. A. of the Mountain View school on Friday, March 26.

Since the beginners at the school had been studying Indians, all of them were present at the meeting to see some of Mr. Bramlet's color slides of the Navajo country.

During the question and answer session following the pictures, Mr. Johnston told the group about Chemawa's O. J. T. program, and answered many questions pertaining to job training for boys and girls.

Cake and coffee were served afterwards. During the refreshment time, Katie and Jane sang a Navajo song. The girls wore Navajo costumes, and the people at Mountain View asked them many questions about their silver, shoes, and skirts.

Visitors from Germany

On Friday, March 26, there were some German people visiting our campus. It's rather interesting to have people from far off countries come to Chemawa. To us, they were strangers, but to them, we were the strange ones. They took pictures of students and visited with some of us. I believe they enjoyed talking to us as well as to the employees.

—Margaret Wesley

Older Boys Visit Army Reserves

Last night we went to visit the army reserves. It is south of Salem. We could see how we liked it.

There we saw many guns. Some army men told us how to use the machine guns and how to do other things.

After we all had doughnuts and coffee or pop, we went to different places. All the seventeen year old boys went upstairs. I went up there. The boys all sat down in a classroom. A man said, "We are going to have a test." Some of it was easy and some of it was too hard.

I surely enjoyed the army reserve visit.

—Jack Raymond Yazzie

Navajo Boys Visit Auto Shop

Some time ago we visited auto shop to get an idea about it. Maybe some of us are going to choose auto shop for our vocational training next year.

One of the boys showed us around and told us about the parts of a car. We appreciate that.

There were some boys working on cars and some were doing welding.

Mr. George Speed is the instructor of the auto shop. He answered a few questions which we decided to ask him. One of the things he said was that you have to know arithmetic to work in shop. We learned some interesting things.

—Johnnie Pohl

Navajo Students Return

All Navajo students who have been hospitalized at Tacoma Indian Hospital for surgery, have now returned to Chemawa. Kee Bahe Lake, Maizie Blake, and Guy Johnston were the last to return.

We Learn from Movies

We go to an educational show every Tuesday morning. We go to the show at 10:15. I learn many things from the show. Don't just look at the show; learn something from the show.

—John Begay