

News from Former Students

We are always happy to hear from our former students. Helen Thomas writes from Kiowa Lodge, Riverside Indian School, Anadarko, Oklahoma. The four other girls from Chemawa are Louise Chavez, Lena Bigman, Rita Rose Joe and I. The boys are Leroy Tsiniginie, Randy Willie, Andrew Begay, Irving Begay, Gilbert Yazzie, Kee Benally, Franklin Johnson, Johnny Costillo, Leo Howard, and George and Tom Haney."

Linabah Charley is in Ririe, Idaho. Because of a death in the family she missed the bus back to Chemawa.

Letters from Bertina Mercer and Georgianna Gordon mention the following students attending school at Mt. Edgecombe: Midas Koenig, David Smith, Alice Kawanna, Margaret Alexie, Grace Wassily, Grace Obrouk and Sophia Kagoona. Gladys Angaboogok, Mary Ann Allockeok, Mina Sage, Carlos Frank and Hultman Jacobs are also at Mt. Edgecombe.

Larry Joe Jackson wrote that he did not return to school this year as he is working in Santa Cruz, California.

Julia Begay started to public school in New Mexico but returned to Chemawa when the second bus came and is in the ninth grade which was started a few weeks ago.

SPECIAL TRIPS

Sometimes we have special trips to Salem. Yesterday the girls in Mrs. Hauser's class had a special trip. We went to town to shop for material to make a house dress. Some of us girls went to the J. C. Penney Store. We looked at different kinds of material then we bought the kinds that we liked. We bought patterns, belts, buttons and thread.

We had a little time left so we went to the fountain and had a cup of coffee. We listened to the juke box. We walked around town for a few minutes and bought a few more things that we wanted.

Blanche Issacs

VOCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

SHOP

METAL SHOP

There are eleven boys in the metal shop. We keep our metal shop teacher very busy. We are studying sheet metal, welding, and other metal work.

Yesterday Charlie Nichole, Orrin John and I started making a trash can out of sheet metal. I did this work last year but Orrin and Charlie did not, so I have to teach them. I think they will make a good trash can. When we finish the trash can we will work on the playground. We will put up poles for a volley ball net near Winona hall. Some of the boys are working in the gym fixing the basketball backboards.

Raymond Peneak

TEST DRUMS MADE AT METAL SHOP

The metal shop students made two new test tanks for the auto shop. The main use of them will be for testing outboard motors. Every boy in the metal shop made parts for the two drums. Some of the parts were bolted and some were welded together. We finished the drums today. They are all painted and ready for the auto shop to use.

Simon Arnakin

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These new tanks are round and will hold over 400 gallons of water which will weigh 3200 pounds. They will hold several long shaft outboard motors. The tanks are painted green.

Roosevelt Titus

SHOP WORK

We boys go to shop in the morning at 8:40 to 10:00 o'clock. In our shop every boy is working on a project. Some of the boys are working on wood work, some on metal work. The boys who are working on woodwork are making picture frames. The boys doing metal work are making metal boxes for nails and screws.

Sometimes our shop teacher talks to us and tells us the names of the tools. Sometimes the teacher gives us a test on the tools and things that are in the shop. These are some of the things that we have and do in the shop.

Clarence F. Shay

THE NEW PAINT SHOP

A new paint shop is being built here in Chemawa. The size of the shop is 30 feet by 60 feet. I haven't any idea when the shop will be finished.

Now the paint shop crew is painting inside and the carpenter shop crew is working inside, too. The metal shop boys help when they are needed.

We all learn much by building the shop. It will help us in the future, too.

Bentley Mark

MAKING PICTURE FRAME

In Shop we are making a picture frame. My shop teacher's name is Mr. Ashcut. After we finish our picture frame we will make a sanding block. Then we will make another picture frame like a C. The C stands for Chemawa. After that we can make anything we want. We surely have lots of projects to make in our shop.

Harvey Hopson

HOME ECONOMICS

HOME ECONOMICS REPORTS

The Homemaking classes have 273 girls enrolled. Starting through October 1 to October 11 all the Vocation II home economics girls will be taking a course in Mother and Baby Care.

The Vocational II girls will also take a Driver Training Course for 45 minutes each day. This is to be book learning only with the boys with the hope of making the girls safety conscious through the knowledge of good driving practices. There are too many boys and so no "behind the wheel" practice can be had at this time. Each group of girls will study this for seven weeks.

Starting October 1, Mrs. Greer will again have Vocational II boys for Home Economics. Since some boys will come in the afternoon, this means that each group of six boys can have an extra week of Home Economics. This course will be on good grooming, care of clothing, good manners, and simple meal preparation.

Mr. James Tryan joined the Student Feeding Center staff this fall. He is replacing Mrs. Helen Smith in the dishroom. Mr. Tryan is a local person.