

SUMMER TIME EXPERIENCES

SUMMERY STORY

Last summer there was not much to do at home. Sometimes the weather was so hot it made me feel sick. At the end of July I was so happy because then it was the month of August. August is the month of returning to school. I was very anxious to come back to the Chemawa campus. I had a nice trip from Arizona to Chemawa.

Thomas Lee Chee

SUMMER VACATION

My vacation was not very good because I couldn't find anything to do. When I got home I did not do anything for about two weeks, then I got to work at the Trading Post near home. This job lasted about two weeks, then again I had nothing to do. I went to a rodeo at a place called Sawmill. That was all I did during my vacation.

Anderson James

VACATION

I had a nice vacation this summer. I went to different places. One place I went to was Window Rock. I went to a Youth Conference that was held there. There were many activities for all who were at the Conference to do. We all had lots of fun.

Mary Frances Bennett

SUMMER JOB

Last summer I worked at Cloverdale, Oregon. There I worked seven days a week. Sometimes I had some leisure time on Sunday. When I had leisure time I either did some writing or went to the beach. The beach was just four miles north from where I worked. I surely had lots of fun on the beach. I hope that I can go back there again.

Jackson D. Tapaha

WENT PLACES

I did not do anything very special during my vacation. My family and I just went places and visited our relatives in different areas.

I did have fun with my friends. We would get together and talk about things that we did when we were in the first and second grades.

I went to the Indian ceremonial which was held near our home. I saw many Chemawa students there.

Laberta Swartz

MY SUMMER VACATION

When I got home from school last spring I started looking for a job. I finally got one at a new Trading Post. I worked there for

two weeks and then got a job with a road construction crew. When I worked there I started working at six o'clock in the morning and quit at six o'clock in the evening. Some times we worked overtime. Then we quit at eight o'clock in the evening. Sometimes I had to get up at four o'clock in the morning. I was six miles from work. Sometimes I got a ride in a car and sometimes I had to walk. Working with a road construction crew was the hardest job that I ever had.

David Yazzie

SUMMER WORK

Last summer we went to Idaho Falls, Idaho. Some of my brothers worked on sugar beets and on hay for farmers. My sisters and I cooked for them every morning and evening. They had free days on Saturday and Sunday. We went to the movies and down town on Saturday. We stayed there for two months and came back to New Mexico because it was time for school. My folks went back to Idaho Falls. They are still working there. I surely enjoyed my summer at Idaho Falls.

Rena Davis

BUILDING A HOUSE

I worked all summer with my brother and father. We were building a house. We went to the mountain to get logs. We like to ride the horses. My father and I got water to drink. Father worked at home building a log house. Next year we will build a log house for my grandfather. We always make the houses for our family.

Frank Chee

OUR FARM

This spring just when I came home from school we planted 50 pounds of corn seed, 25 pounds of beans, and one bucket full of watermelon seeds. We used a tractor and a drill to plant them. After we finished planting the seeds we fixed our own fence around the farm. I helped my brother on the farm all summer.

Billie Pinto

WORKED AT GERVAIS

I would like to tell you about my job during the summer. I spent one month at home and then came back to Oregon. I got a job working at Gervais, Oregon, for the rest of my school vacation. Gervais is not very far from Chemawa.

I surely liked my employers and

it was fun working for them. They raised beans, strawberries and blackberries. When it came time to pick the beans and berries many Mexican people came to work for them. The Mexicans came from Mexico and Texas. These people made lots of money picking beans and berries. I had fun picking beans and berries but working in the house was more fun.

I took care of three little boys. I really had fun with them but there was one thing that I did not like that is they always messed up the house after I finished cleaning it. But everyone was so nice to me and they were such nice people I liked them. I hope I can work for them again next summer.

Stella Becenti

FISHING ON A BOAT

I went on three boats this summer. Some of you will find it good on a boat. Some will find it not so good. I liked to work on the boats. I come from Southwestern Alaska and it is not like it is here in Oregon. We fish on a boat. There are more than 500 boats going out each summer from all over S.E. Alaska and Seattle, Wash. We fished for humpy, coho, sockeye, and dog salmon. On the boats there is a captain and the captain is the boss of the boat. If we need spending money we can draw ahead on our wages. At the end of the summer the cannery pays you for your work.

Sidney Carle, Jr.

WORKING AT HOME

At home we cut wood and we hunt. Sometimes we hunt moose. We tear down old houses. We look for odd jobs. Some boys go fire fighting. We help people that need help. We pack wood and water. Sometimes we ride on the boat. We check the fish wheel every morning and night. Our homestead is on the highway near Nenana, Alaska. Now we have moved to Fairbanks.

Ronnie Williams

MY DOG TEAM

I have five dogs at home. I take good care of them. I drove them last winter, going out and coming back from trapping. I drove them around the town. I drove them to get wood. I say "haw" to go left. I say "gee" to go right. We hitch the dogs straight. The dogs are two together and one in front for the leader.

Andrew John