The band practicing in the early morning gives the rest of us a jolly happy feeling which we carry with us to our work.

Hops are picked, prunes gathered and now our boys and girls are ready to settle down to good earnest work in school-rooms and shops,

Even Minnesota cannot out do Oregon in September and October weather—if one excepts the mornings. These clear starlitnights are inspiring.

Messrs Pugh and Van Patten have staked out the location for the laundry, Machine shops, and Girls' Quarters, and work will begin at once.

The Chemawa school exhibit this year was far ahead of any former exhibit. The location given in the Pavilion was most desirable and displayed the work of the pupils to advantange.

It will pay the store-keepers of Salem to patronize the columns of the AMERICAN. The pupils and employes of Chemawa have money to burn, and are looking for the hungry merchants, who want their trade.

Ernest Brewer met with what might have been a serious accident in the school room. In reaching for some books he over turned a cup of carbolic acid upon himself and was burned on the face and hands. At this printing he is doing well.

Mr. Potter is very fond of animals and on last Saturday he brought home a nother one, this time it is a deer, and it is so tame that it follows the girls around on the grounds like a dog. We will soon have enough wild annimals at Chemawa to make a genuine menagerie.

Dr. Buchanan, Superintendent and Acting Indian Agent of the Tulalip Agency arrived at the school yesterday with eight pupils from the Lummi Reservation in Washington. The employes of Chemawa welcome the Doctor with open arms and are very glad to have him with us.

The latest is The Chemawa National Bank, This is an Institution established entirely for the pupils, Dr. Clark very efficiently fills the position of cashier and book-keeper. Pupils are obliged to fil out their own checks and thereby learn in a practical way the method of banking.

Prunes are still the most interesting things to the Farmer and the small boy. Farmer Childers will tell you that he has tound a place where the small boy is a jewel. Little hands and short back do good work in a prune orehard. About 75 of the small boys have been picking prunes for last two weeks, and several tons have been dried for winter use.

Supt. Potter sent Julia Sorter and Cora Rienardson to fill positions of assistant cook and assistant seamstress at the Government school on Umatilla Reservation. Miss Gaither having written that she needed two good competent girls to fill those positions. Julia who was an old Chemawa pupil has just finished a Two years' course at Haskell Institute,

The latest arival at Chemawa is Bessie Deer from near the mouth of the Columbia, who by her great beauty and kind lovely disposition has won the hearts of pupils and teachers. She will enter the kindergarten Dept, and promises to be a Chemawa favorite. Her coming reminds several of the older pupils of the day on which Jack Back Bear first made his appearance at this school.

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One day Tommy accompanied his mother on a shopping expedition, and seeing a large candy man in a confectioner's window, he paused in front of it with a wistful look; then turning away regretfully, he said:

"Mamma, I could lick that fellow with both bands tied behind me."

[The Indian Leader.

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"Sallie, what is 8 minus 6?"

Sallie could not answer, which was nothing unusual, wereupon the teacher, thinking it might aid her by stating it less abstractedly, said:

"Now Sallie if your mama went to the barn and found eight eggs and used six of them to make a cake, what would she have left?"

With a smile of comtempt, Sallie answered:

"Why, shells?"

[Red Man and Helper.