

## General News.

Commencement exercises will be held on Thursday, June 25.

New flower beds are being added to the grounds each week.

The harness-makers are making a set of single harness for Dr Pierce.

The Salem baseball team won 6 games and lost 4 so far this season.

Mr. Campbell is very busy drilling a few of the pupils for commencement.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams spent Sunday in Salem, returning on Monday morning.

The grounds of Chemawa have never been so beautiful as they are this summer.

These are our strenuous days. After commencement we will all take a long breath.

Mrs. Charles Gray, Mrs. and Miss Helverson visited Mrs. Campbell during the week.

A hydrant was put in back of the employes building first of the week for the benefit of the lawn.

Rev. St. Pierre gave us a good sermon on Sunday evening. In spite of the heat it was very appreciated.

The boys in the engineer's department took up one of the steam pumps in the towerhouse this week and repaired it.

Addie Cammeron has four little boys to take care of at the little girls' home. She keeps them very neat and clean.

Grade 5, class A, are through with their quarterly examination. The B class, 6 grade, will finish in a few days.

The school gardens are looking very well. A pleasant rivalry exist among the different grades and the gardens benefit thereby.

Fourteen acres of late potatoes were planted this week, and the farmers are preparing a large piece of ground to plant next week.

We had another pleasant band concert on Sunday evening. Mr. Beard led most acceptably until Mr. Stoudenmeyer returned from town.

Mr. and Mrs. Woods visited Salem Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Becker were Salem visitors last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell spent last Saturday with friends in Portland.

Farmers are hard at work in cutting down barley for the cows to feed on.

Last Sunday was the warmest day at Chemawa in 27 years, the thermometer registering at 95 in the shade.

The Chemawa lodge of Modern Woodmen give a grand picnic in the grove near their hall today.

Miss O'Here's detail in the sewing room did some excellent work in stitching programs for this office last Monday.

J. N. Shantz, the new and second hand furniture man of Salem, has a change of ad. this week. See what he has to say.

Superintendent Potter and Mr. Gotwin spent Tuesday and Wednesday riding in the country purchasing stock for the school.

Miss Hutchinson, instead of whiling away her spare moments at tennis or other amusements, has been busily engaged in making a lovely shawl for her mother, as a birthday present. She is a good daughter.

The game of ball to have been played between the employes of this school and the Asylum did not come off last Saturday as scheduled. It will probably be played some time in the near future.

At the graduating exercises of the Northwest Normal College at the First Baptist church in Salem last Tuesday evening Miss Woodin, of Chemawa, and Mrs. Dr. Skiff, of Salem, captivated the large audience present by playing a piano duet. The Daily Journal complimented the ladies in most glowing terms. The Statesman, in part says: "During the hush that followed the invocation Mrs. Mark Skiff and Miss Birdie Woodin quietly took seats at the piano. If the people assembled were expecting a musical treat, no one was disappointed; the music was classic, and so perfectly rendered that everybody applauded."