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The first sociable will be held tonight and all are looking forward to an enjoyable time.

The gardener boys are now getting ready for the harvesting of the winter apples which will be put away for use during the months of November and December.

The car which comes out from town at four o'clock in the afternoon is loaded with children of our employes who are now enjoying the privilege of the Salem public schools.

Mr. Westley harvested the pears amounting to several hundred bushels. These were given to the children and afterwards a couple of hundred bushels were canned for winter use.

Chemawa had a record breaking prune crop this year. Besides using all of the green fruit the pupils could possibly eat, more than five hundred bushels were made into prune butter while all of the half-gallon jars and all the five-gallon cans that could be found were filled with choice canned prunes and many thousand pounds were dried. During the harvesting of the crop everybody in the kitchen, dining room and hospital kitchen were employed and worked day and night with the fruit.

Plans are now being prepared for our new brick bakery.

Most of the pupils of Chemawa come from a section of country where salmon is their diet mainly. Hence they were glad to know that there was a contract made for a supply of 500 pounds of salmon each week throughout the year. This comes to us from Portland every Thursday evening packed in ice.

Chemawa now has the advantage of street car connection with Salem. This brings Willamette University and Salem Business College to our door and gives our advanced pupils advantages that are not to be exceeded by any other school in the service. Cars are running every hour between Chemawa and Salem from 5 a. m. until 11 p. m. Grading on the road is extending to the north and by June 1st of next year we are told, we can ride into the City of Portland on the Interurban.

Hop-picking is over. This year it lasted twenty-five days. The boys and girls were picking in eight yards. The boys were camped during this time. Their rations were issued to them and taken to them once a week, while the girls left on the hayracks each morning in charge of one of the ladies of the school. Their noon meal was sent to them and on returning to the school they had a late supper. All were happy and enjoyed their outing very much and everybody seemed to be in better health as a result of their hop-picking experience. This allowed the pupils to make considerable money in a short time. Apis Goudy carried the banner as a picker having earned \$75.00 during the short time he was at work in the hop-fields.