



On May 4th occurred the last sessions of the Literary societies of the school. This work has been carried on in a very creditable manner this year and the boys and girls with their instructors are to be congratulated on the work accomplished.

This season has been cold, wet and backward. Considerable time has been lost in farm operations but this section seems to be about as well fixed as any in the country and the school has its work farther advanced than the ranchers of the neighboring sections of Nebraska.

Messrs. Schaffer, et. al. reconstructed our well on May 9th and succeeded in getting, down at a depth of some 75 or 80 feet, to an extra fine deposit of water bearing gravel. When the water clears up we will be independent of the "city" when the creek water is of consistency and color of bean soup.

May 17th, the employees met in the intermediate room to discuss plans for the annual school commencement. The regular departmental meetings were eliminated to make room for this general meeting. In addition to discussing plans for commencement the handling of the first uniform examination was also a subject for consideration.

A Correction.

In our April number, on page 27, we published a news item from the Omaha Bee regarding an investigation at the Omaha Agency conducted by Inspector Knight. In a letter dated

May 21, 1917 Mr. Knight calls our attention to the fact that the report as published was absolutely untrue and we are glad to take this opportunity of making the correction.

On May 1st, Mr. Smith, temporary farmer, with Joe Bullman, one of the farm boys, made a trip to Rushville with two teams to haul out some coal. A considerable supply was on the tracks at the station but owing to the miserable condition of the Indians' horses and the impassable roads it was impossible to get any hauled. The school and the agency were both practically out of coal while the weather remained cold and dismal. The school was obliged to call on the supply of timber that grows along the creek to tide over until sufficient coal could be hauled to run the plant.

Our baseball season has been conspicuous by its absence this year. We were to open the season on American Indian Day but bad weather again forced us to postpone the game. The first game was played May 19 by the shop boys against the farm boys, two of the three teams of the school league. An interesting game was had and when the smoke of the conflict cleared away the shop boys were on the long end of a score of 15 to 13. The batteries were Broken Rope and Good Weasel for the farm with Blue Bird and White Whirlwind for the shop. Blue Bird pitched a very good game, being obliged to strike out most of the batters that opposed him in order to retire the side.