

The burning of the Main School Building (2)

by an officer to look over and repair the motor~~s~~ on the farm.

Thursday.

Early in the morning a friend from the city arrived with his contractor to look over the building. He offered some building materials at 100% less than the market price, and the loan of 10,000 francs for as long as we needed. Settlement was made with the Insurance Company for \$600 less than \$4,400. for which the building was insured. Later, General Howell arrived with the offer of more tents if necessary.

Friday.

Boys began drawing materials for the building. Mr. Baxter, the Scotch engineer, commenced work on the tool shed to be used for a temporary kitchen and diningroom for the boys. General Travis Clark came to say he would send two army marquees.

Saturday

Thirtysix friends from the city and camps came bringing their own refreshments for a "tea" under the trees. Army and navy were well represented.

Thus ended the first busy week after the fire.

The help and sympathy of those on the spot have proved what friends the School has made. From that time on, many gifts of all kinds have come and Dr. House reports that never in the history of the School have so large gifts been received from friends abroad.

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