

OUR BUDGET OF LORE

LOCAL AND OTHERWISE

Our first snow of the winter fell on the morning of December 19, 1914. There was not nearly enough to satisfy the small boy or other snowball fiends.

Not long ago Mr. Van Tassel and Mr. Sanders enjoyed an excursion to the Siletz country for the purpose of catching a few fish. They were successful.

Mr. Nelson Rainville visited his children at the school during the holidays. Mr. Rainville stated that this was the sixth consecutive Christmas that he had passed at Chemawa with his children. A pretty good record, eh! Mr. Rainville's home is in Adams, in Eastern Oregon.

On the 27th of December news reached Chemawa to the effect that the father of Mrs. Fulkerson had just died at his home in Indiana. His death was expected and Mrs. Fulkerson had gone east to attend his bedside when the sad parting was to be. Mrs. Fulkerson has the sympathy of all in her great loss.

The students' dining-room was most tastefully decorated at the Christmas season this year, as in the past. The dinner on the great holiday was perfect in every particular. Both Miss Skipton and Mrs. Brewer, and their assistants, deserve the thanks of all for the matchless quality of the decorations, and the turkey dinner.

Just before Christmas Mrs. Chalcraft and daughter, Miss Alice, made Chemawa friends a brief visit. Mrs. Chalcraft was suffering with a broken bone in her left hand, the result of a fall some time prior to her visit, and came out from Siletz to Salem to have an x-ray examination made. It proved a most distressing accident for Mrs. Chalcraft.

The regular employes' party for the month of January occurred on New Year's night and proved to be a memorable affair in every way. Dancing was one of the attractions of the evening. Splendid music was furnished by the band. An oyster stew, piping hot, was served at the close of the evening, to the pleasure of all. It was a social success.

Among the nice and thoughtful courtesies of Commissioner Sells was his act of sending out Christmas cards to the various employes of the service. This act was prompted by a beautiful holiday thought and is appreciated fully on this account, and also because of the impressive appropriateness of the card to the great public service over which Commissioner Sells presides. The card will be treasured by all.