

# The CHEMAWA AMERICAN

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## OUR AUDITORIUM

Chemawa moved into its spacious and well-arranged auditorium on Sunday night, last, using it for chapel services, with all employes and students in attendance, together with a number of visitors from the outside. The main floor accommodates 648 seats, the balcony about 400 seats, which added to the choir of 40 members on the stage and an orchestra of 13 members in the "pit," and a row of seats facing the audience on either side of the orchestra pit, renders a capacity for about 1200 persons.

The auditorium is well lighted throughout and a handsomer and more liberally constructed one cannot be found anywhere. The expense of enlarging and reconstructing the old auditorium into a splendid theater cost \$12,500, and was done in the open market throughout. Mr. Fred A. Erixon of Salem, who supervised the construction of some of the big buildings at the Oregon Agricultural College, and a contractor of large experience, handled the work. It is largely due to his keen business sense and proper direction of the progress of the activities that enabled such a fine auditorium to be completed within the amount authorized. A great many hindrances occurred to slow up the work and add to the expense, such as car shortage and bad weather, as well as the exorbitant, unlooked for prices for builders' supplies. However, all obstructions were finally overcome. Chemawa is proud of its modern auditorium.

## GIRLS' CLUB

Ten girls, charter members of the Sigma Phi Delta Society, gave a "fish dinner" at five o'clock Saturday, at the home of Mrs. Hall. They had as their guests, Florence Lindell, Bertha Grimes, Annie Miller and Marguerite Chamberlin. The dinner was planned, cooked and served by the young ladies themselves, Julia Fratis and Marie Shaishnikoff acting as hostesses. Each girl was required to tell one or more "fish" story during the dinner hour, and from the time they sat down at the table until they arose there was not a dull moment, and the peals of laughter heard

going up from the dining room showed what a jolly good time a bunch of girls can have together.

At the close of the dinner they arose and sang "Chemawa" (The Red and the White) with much feeling. The charter members of the club are Anna Loftus, Martha Sprague, Rose O'Brien, Elizabeth Rainville, Laura Squiqui, Rose Simmons, Julia Fratis, Marie Shaishnikoff, Mae Adams and Leona John. This club is expected to expand and no doubt will be heard from in the future.

## Chaperones

Girls: Walking Sunday, April 1, Miss Scholder, Mrs. Pendergrass.

Girls: Town Saturday afternoon, March 31, Mrs. Rosenberger.

Societies: March 28th, Winona, Miss Scholder and Mr. Daly; Nonpareil, Miss Skipton and Mr. Sanders; Reliance, Mrs. Loos and Mr. Kershner; Excelsior, Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Pendergrass.

## ALUMNI NOTES

A letter was received from Haynes DeWitt, '04, Kake, Alaska, where he is chief magistrate or mayor of that prosperous place.

Lee Evans, '12, writes from Tacoma, Washington, where he is employed as a painter, stating that he is getting along very nicely.

Antoine Francis, '11, writes from his home at Nespelem, Washington, and wishes to be remembered to his friends. Mr. Francis owns one the best farms in the famous Okanogan District.

A letter was received from Lavina Wilbur, '14, wishing to be kindly remembered to her many friends in Chemawa. Miss Wilbur is going to school at the Toledo High School, Toledo, Oregon,

Mrs. Alberta Brigham McLeod, '15, surprised her sisters, Zelina and Nellie, by paying them a brief visit last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. McLeod are at present making their home at Cottage Grove, Oregon.

## REPORTER'S NOTES

Robert Downie

Roy Frazier is doing excellent work in the shoe shop, work which is suitable to any person.

Chester Bravo is very busy at making parts of harness. The instructor expects a good future for Chester.

Mr. Swoboda speaks well of the boys in his department. He says that Fred Wilder is learning to run the shoe machine and is doing fine.

Gertrude Marshall, one of the vocational nurses, left last week for Ft. Lapwai, where she has received a position in the sanatorium. The nurses regret her departure, but all wish her success.