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THANKSGIVING

A very successful and enjoyable entertainment was staged in the school auditorium on the eve before Thanksgiving, consisting of contributions on part of the various grades, and assembled into one whole as a harvest festival.

The opening was a song by the student body, "We Plow the Fields and Scatter," led by the school band, and was sung with vigor and harmony.

Alicia Kimball impersonated Columbia and recounted the old mythological tale of Ceres and her daughter Persephone and of the years of plentiful harvest before Persephone was lost to the world only to return for annual visits of six months' duration. The first attendant was Elsie Spokane who linked this old story of reasons for Thanksgiving with the truly American custom and its origin—the Colonial Thanksgiving day—reciting the story of Priscilla while the scenes of John Alden and Priscilla's romance were enacted by George Berry, Athen Simmons, Annie Sexton, Margaret Chamberlin, Louise Silverthorn and Annie Miller in pantomime. Russell Adams, second attendant upon Columbia, read the President's Thanksgiving proclamation in his usual forceful and capable way, which was a signal that best of all harvest be brought and laid at Columbia's feet as tribute.

The dance of the Autumn Leaves by a number of the fourth and fifth grade girls, dressed in all white with crowns and garlands of autumn leaves, performed various evolutions with grace and accuracy, which was a very pretty number.

Grade three was represented by little girls and boys, in uniforms of blue, carrying paper pumpkin jack-o'-lanterns, and who gave a tuneful little song and acted their part well and received considerable applause. Charles Durkee recited "The Pumpkin," which was followed with a demonstration by the sixth grade girls, dressed in pure white and carrying wands of yellow. They gave an aesthetic dance, while six young ladies in domestic science uniforms sang and demonstrated the making of pumpkin pies. This was a very finished number and brought forth great applause and was responded to by an encore.

Mamie Frisk gave a reading, "Columbia's Emblem," and Percy Marlow recited a cute little piece entitled "Apples." The "Dance of the Flax" by the

ninth and tenth grade students, dressed in very fancy and beautiful costumes, was well received. This was followed by a motion song by the primary grades, "The Turkey and the Duck," which was very amusing to the audience and was recalled.

The program ended with the singing of the new air of America, sung by the student body and led by the band. This was a remarkably well-rendered entertainment considering the short time given to practice and our teachers deserve much credit and thanks for the very pleasant evening given the Chemawa family and others.

BOX SOCIAL

The box social held on Saturday night was successful financially as well as socially. The boxes of all colors and shades, from a miniature railroad station to a shoe box, a locomotive to Uncle Sam's hat; boxes of every conceivable shape, well filled with choicest viands probably 200 in number covered the tops of seven tables, making a beautiful array for the eager young men to select from. The girls took much interest in selecting designs for the manufacture of these boxes, and the boys took equal interest in purchasing them and sharing the contents with the girls.

A goodly sum was raised in this manner as well as in the sale of coffee during the evening for the purpose of providing Christmas gifts for the smaller folks at school. Mrs. Hall was the chairman on committee of arrangements, and was ably assisted by Mrs. Perkins, Mrs. Risser, Mrs. Brewer, Miss Scholder, Miss White, Miss Peters, Leona John, Julia Gromoff and Julia Mills.

THE HOSPITAL MENU

Mrs. Daily took great pains to give the hospital patients, vocational and prevocational nurses and cooks, about 45 in all, a nice Thanksgiving dinner. The dining-room decorations were especially pretty. The menu was as follows:

	Chicken Soup	
Roast Chicken		Giblet Gravy
Chicken Noodles		Mashed Potatoes
	String Beans	
	Minced Pickles	
	Loganberry Jelly	
	Fruit Salad	
Mince Pie		Layer Cake
Apples		Bananas
	Coffee	