

LOCALS

Nearly every vocational girl in school has been taught knitting by Miss Mitchell in the sewing department.

Our little girls are no slackers. They spend several hours each day piecing quilts for the Red Cross in addition to their regular darning and mending work.

A Social for the large students on Saturday evening was an unusually enjoyable affair, possibly more enjoyed on account of the many interruptions this winter by reason of our athletic schedule.

Practically every boy physically able of proper age at Chemawa has enlisted in the army or navy. Chemawa is proud of her boys and feels that she is doing her share toward assisting to win the war.

Mrs. Belle Bishop, of Portland, who stands sponsor for a number of our Alaskan girls, was a week-end visitor. She chaperoned Julia Fratis, Maggie and Minnie Curran to Salem on Saturday for a shopping and pleasure trip.

Mrs. Brewer has two classes among the younger girls, known as knitting clubs, there being twenty in each club. These clubs meet on Thursday evening and Saturday afternoon. With all her strenuous work in her department cooking for the student body she always finds time to take part in the life of the institution, ready to do anything to upbuild the students.

The Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the Red Cross Auxilliary at Chemawa, Miss Skip-ton, is planning various ways by which to raise money to secure working material. This auxilliary, which is just now starting in on real active work, has already turned in to headquarters a goodly number of pairs of socks and are knitting up materials faster than the Red Cross can supply it, hence it is desired to raise funds and be self-supporting.

The Winona Society program committee has been putting up some pretty posters bearing their programs. One was a heart, at St. Valentine time, outlined with pink roses on white paper with the program printed inside. The one on the bulletin boards now has two rabbits bearing baskets of gaily colored eggs and "Easter Greetings" above the program. Of course the bunnies are white and wear pink neck ribbons, for pink and white are Winona colors.

An especially enjoyable program was given at chapel Sunday night. The song by the octette girls, "Life's Dream," was pronounced by many one of the best numbers yet rendered by this new organization. The orchestra also gave a most pleasing number, followed by Juanita Montgomery, fifth grade, in a reading, "The Picket Guard." Her voice was musical and she spoke with splendid emphasis. The Irish Ballad by the choir as a commemoration of St. Patrick was well received. Superintendent Hall in his remarks emphasized the necessity of our boys who are daily enlisting to be honorable, clean in thoughts and actions, to be truly patriotic.

The white uniforms for Company C of girls have been entirely completed and sent to quarters. Company B uniforms are about finished.

Martha Sprague, an ex-student, passed through Chemawa last week in company with two brothers for Seattle where she will keep house for the brothers.

Delegates from Chemawa for the Sunday School Convention to be at Dallas during April are Mary Motanic, Julia Gromoff and Annie Miller. These girls are preparing musical and literary numbers to be given on that occasion. Mrs. McCrosson will act as chaperone.

Rev. Mr. Hood, wife and family, expect to leave Chemawa on April first to take up missionary work for their church (Presbyterian) on the Spokane Indian reservation, Washington. These good people have made many friends at Chemawa and it is regretted that Mr. Hood feels that he can accomplish more good on the reservation end of the work, where he can devote his entire time to the cause of christianity.

A student body meeting took place on Wednesday night in the auditorium. There was considerable business to transact concerning athletic funds and means for raising additional money to complete the year's schedule. A committee was appointed to handle the manufacture of a service flag in honor of all Chemawa boys who have joined the colors, such flag to be suspended in the auditorium. A short program was given in which all four of the literary societies were represented.

Secretaries Baker of war, Secretary Daniels of the Navy, Secretary Lane of the Interior, Commissioner of Education Claxton, in a pronouncement on Government policies involving the schools in war time, state that "boys and girls should be urged, as a patriotic duty, to remain in school to the completion of the high school course. The army and navy do not want, and cannot use boys under 18 years of age, nor boys or men of any age who are not strong and well developed physically. So far as the army and navy are concerned there is nothing more important than the schools can do than to keep them going at full capacity, and at the same time to emphasize in every possible way their work in physical education."

Frank Peratrovich, George Nix, Joseph Belgarde, Gus Gartiez, Albert Gray, Andrew White, Henry Campbell, Isaac Jones, Eddie Hayden and Albert Norton are the latest to enlist. Frank, George and Joseph left for Bremerton Navy Yard last week, while Albert, Gus and Isaac were ordered to Vancouver Barracks on Monday. The other young men will leave tomorrow. We doubt if there is another institution in the country which has sent more men to war in proportion to the number in school than Chemawa. Ninety boys have volunteered from Chemawa since war was declared and about fifty ex-students, as far as heard from, have also enlisted. A pretty good showing it would seem for a school with a usual attendance of 300 boys.