

COMMENCEMENT NOTES

Elwood Towner gave a fine talk to the student body at chapel Sunday night.

This is the last issue of the year. We will greet you again at the commencement of next school year.

Mr. Bent and his able assistant, Major Downie, had their hands full this past week and rose to the occasion. Everything moved off with snap and precision.

The class annual for 1920 is now on the press and will be issued soon. It will rival last year's effort. It is an artistic job and Chemawa will be proud of it.

Miss White, junior teacher, was the trainer and director of the operetta and Mrs. Risser, senior teacher, had full charge of the class play. Both of these entertainments will go down in history as near professional.

The corsage bouquets and boutonnieres worn by the graduates on the evening of the presentation of diplomas were furnished and arranged by Miss Eakin and Miss Judd. Chemawa thanks them for this kindly act.

Supt. and Mrs. Hall entertained Governor and Mrs. Ben W. Olcott and Mr. Fred Lockley at dinner in the domestic science department on the evening of the graduating exercises. Mrs. Brickell and her class prepared a seven-course dinner, which was faultlessly prepared and served.

The beautiful decorations of the stage and auditorium during the week were made by Miss Marie Roberts. Each evening the decorations were different and many were the exclamations of delight when the doors were opened. Miss Roberts has splendid taste, but she outdid herself the past week in rendering the auditorium a scene of artistic beauty.

Chemawa is particularly interested in the commencement program of the Salem High School on account of Rose O'Brien and Elwood Towner, both Chemawa students, graduating. These young people had the grit and determination to stick until they finished. Rose anticipates continuing her studies at the Oregon Agricultural College and Elwood will secure a position in some business.

The class day program given by the seniors took place on Friday evening before commencement. The usual class will, prophecy, and amusing stunts took place. The Seniors were on one side of the stage and the Juniors the other. The seniors finally disappeared one by one leaving the Juniors in charge. **During the reading of the will** a beautiful framed picture of the class was presented to Superintendent and Mrs. Hall. Also a big purse of money was left in the care of the Superintendent for the erection of a fountain to be placed in front of the new library building, commemorative of the 1920 class.

A great many of our students have already departed for their homes and to places where they will work during the summer.

Mr. Fred Lockley is writing a series of articles concerning Chemawa which are appearing in the Oregon Journal. We hope to publish them in our future issues.

The year's work just ended has been fraught with much success in every line of instruction. All Chemawa is proud of its accomplishment. A splendid body of students have taken advantage of the opportunities offered. New students for another year are already arriving.

Mr. and Mrs. Loos are largely responsible for the magnificent setting of the stage for the Japanese operetta. Mr. Loos painted the wings and flaps and rendered the various scenes most realistic by his keen knowledge of colors and ability to handle the brush. Indeed, this estimable couple gave freely of their time and professional knowledge in adding to the beautiful effect produced at the operetta.

Chemawa duly appreciates the interest shown by two very busy and big-hearted public men in the persons of Governor Olcott and Mr. Fred Lockley who gave up their many responsibilities to spend a day at our school and thereby lend their presence and influence toward the uplifting of this educational work. It is a mighty nice thing for the Governor of a great state who has big questions before him continually to cast them aside in order to be helpful to our people.

A special demonstration dinner was given on Wednesday evening by members of the various classes in domestic science in honor of Professor J. C. Nelson, principal of Salem High School, and Mrs. Nelson, Mr. T. E. McCroskey, Secretary of the Salem Commercial Club, and wife. The other guests were Superintendent and Mrs. Hall, Prof. Devol, Mrs. Risser and Miss Rose O'Brien. Mr. Nelson was amazed at the scope of training given our girls and the high school students will secure full credits in the future for their work in domestic science.

The annual class party given by Superintendent and Mrs. Hall on Friday evening previous to commencement week was a gala affair. There were about fifty guests present, including the nineteen members of the 1920 class. A delightful evening was spent during which progressive rock was played, the class gave their songs and some stunts, while the members of the Alumni present gave some musical numbers. Marina Nelson secured the prize for the girls, consisting of a Chemawa pillow, while Arthur Johnson secured the prize for the boys in the shape of a big beautiful pennant. Elaborate refreshments were served.