

### THE HOLIDAYS AT CHEMAWA

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test and it was a race from the start. Lila Crofoot proved to be the champion spud-lifter, though closely pursued by Anna Fagerstrom.

In the first basketball game the Junior Nonpareils followed in the footsteps of their older sisters by winning from the Junior Winonas by an 8 to 2 score, while the Nonpareils had little difficulty in defeating Winona 20 to 0. In a like manner the Reliance five walloped the Excelsior quint 13 to 1.

The points tallied up for the afternoon sports as follows: Nonpareils 40 Vs. Winonas 0. Excelsiors 30 Vs. Reliance 30.

On Friday evening the annual spelling contest between the four older literary societies took place, with teams representing each society in competition. This match was a good one in every way and has value away beyond many other forms of entertainment. It was a good "spelling bee" and was won by the Nonpareil society. Mrs. Leavenworth gave out the words.

On Saturday evening the Winona Hall girls gave a reception to the youngsters of Small Boys' Home and the small boys of Mitchell Hall. This was a little folks affair, but it proved that little ones can be as nice as the nicest and have just as much enjoyment. This proved to be another delightful affair.

On Sunday we had our regular religious exercises at scheduled intervals, closing the day with chapel exercises in the evening with Supt. Hall in charge. This proved of interest, as is ever the case, and the exercises were brought to a close by a very fine talk by Supt. Hall—in fact, it was one of his very best.

On Monday evening, Dec. 29, we were all treated to a moving picture entertainment at the auditorium. "The Call of the Canyon" was the main picture and it proved of interest to all.

On Tuesday evening under the avalanche of our basket-shooting basketeers, the much touted Salem high school five who were strong contenders for the state championship last year and were favored to win by no less than a two to one margin, were defeated. The first minute of play found the score 7 to 0 in our favor after a succession of rapid fire passes and shots. Salem hardly had time to wake up to the fact that the game had started before William Brendible, our midget forward, had hooped the ball three times and threw one foul.

Dewey Matt and William Brendible, forwards; Reginald DePoe, center; Charles George and Dandro George, guards; were our men who started the game. All played throughout the whole contest except Dandro. He was taken out just before the close of the first half on account of four "Personals." His absence weakened the team a lot in both the offensive and defensive play on account of us having no available seasoned substitute, but that did not weaken their determined spirit and at times they displayed a lightning-like passing game that Salem was unable to solve and that was good to see.

With but a scant two minutes to play Salem forged into the lead for the only time of the game. At the one minute mark and the score 23 to 18 in Salem's favor, our five uncorked the speediest passing and

most accurate shooting we hope to see and netted six points in less time than it took to say "scat" and won the most exciting game played here in a long time. The final score was 24 to 23 in our favor.

On Wednesday evening, the last of the year of 1924, the young ladies of McBride Hall were hostesses in a "Costume Party" given in the gym. This affair proved most delightful in every way. There was good music and mirth on every hand, and at the proper hour delicious refreshments were served. Many surprisingly attractive costumes were in evidence and a committee consisting of Mrs. Brickell, Miss Gunn, and Mr. Bewley were judges in the selection of the prize-winners and for the girls Marie Andrews was awarded first prize in a Russian costume, Anna Fagerstrom and Josephine Nelson—Purette—took the second prize; for the boys Joe Racine took first as a Zuave, Eleanor Hauk (representing a boy) took second in Spanish attire, while Joe Verney took third, also in Spanish costume. In every way this party proved most memorable.

On Jan. 1, in the second game of the week, the same team that humbled Salem high took the Anderson & Brown combination and contenders for the Commercial League championship down the line by a 41 to 24 score. The score does not do justice to the class and speed displayed by the Salem aggregation for they played hard, fast and clean ball to the very last minute. This same team came out last year and they were the same good sports then that they were on Thursday. Our team seemed to have struck its stride in the Salem game and worked even better against the commercial leaguers. Their passing and basket shooting was faster and much more accurate. Dewey Matt was a whole team in himself, having registered 24 of the 41 points made.

Led by their captain and hard-working center, Reginald DePoe, Dewey Matt, William Brendible, Charles George and Dandro George displayed machine-like team work that could not be beaten. In fact a team that continues to pass the ball around and up to the basket like they did in this game cannot be beaten. Our five varsity men seem to have been found, and though they are a long way from being perfect or unbeatable, they have made a very good start and are improving with each game. Though there are many hard games on our schedule the team will not have to worry providing they keep up the harmonious spirit and hard consistent playing that they have displayed in the recent games.

On Saturday evening, January 3, we closed our vacation period with moving pictures featuring Douglas Fairbanks, Jr. Who dares to suggest that those at Chemawa did not have the time of their lives? It was truly a great vacation, but now that it is over it is time for us all to buckle down to business. Let all again take up the struggle to gain an education with all determination to win out—enter into this undertaking as you did into our recent entertainment features and you are certain to win. A few months more and "school days" will be over forever for some of you. Make the utmost of your remaining few months. Did you have a fine Christmas season? You did.