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ATHLETIC NOTES

Chemawa 39, Oregon Normal School 23, was the score of the game played at Monmouth last Tuesday evening and closed one of the most successful basketball seasons our team has enjoyed in several years. In fact, it was an enjoyable season for the entire school because of so many good games played on the home court.

The team played the same brand of ball Tuesday that has made it victorious in 13 out of the 18 games played. Nothing brilliant or flashy about it, but steady and consistent and clean and fast. Along these lines the team has worked all season and by it have won the majority of its games as well as the respect and good will of their opponents, many of whom have said that our boys played the cleanest basketball of any team they had met. This in itself counts for more than all our victories.

Though it is not unusual it might be said the team has been well received wherever it has appeared and has always given a good account of itself both on and off the floor. Probably this can all be accounted for in the fact that each one of these fellows is here for a purpose and means business. Single out any one of them and you will find him well up in both his shop and classroom work. The point we wish to make is this: You can not neglect one and make a success of the other. Following is the way our team lines up: Peter Rassmussen and William Brendible, forwards; Reginald DePoe, captain and center; Charles George and Dandro George, guards; spares, John Milne, guard; Eldred George, center and forward.

Our basketball suits were collected late last week and baseball practice started at once. Usually there is a lapse of a week or ten days between these two sports, but this year our basketball schedule ran a little latter than usual. Forty candidates have been reporting daily to the gym for light workouts on the gym floor before getting out in the open. Of the group Jake Atkins, catcher; Charles George, Leander Wilson, pitchers; Eddie Sanderson, second base; Reginald DePoe, William Brendible and Leo Burns, fielders, are present from last year's team, and Tom Claplanhoo, fielder, and Dandro George, shortstop, of the 1923 team, are back. Valin Davis, Sandy Matilton and Solomon Fleury of the new ones, look most promising.

ACADEMIC NOTES

For the first time this semester every question in current events asked of the student body in the school assembly was promptly answered by students. Usually the Juniors and Seniors manage to find at least one question that leaves their fellow students with a blank stare.

In completing the weight-height-age chart for March 819 pupils were measured and weighed. Of this number 710 were within a few pounds of normal in weight; 22 were exactly normal; 39 varied in weight from 30 to 66 pounds above the standard for their age and height, while 48 fell 3 pounds or more below.

Ida Uttecht, one of our sixth grade girls, had her first experience in classroom work as teacher when she took charge of Miss Judd's second grade recently. Ida handled the work nicely. Seniors and juniors are frequently called on to help out, but not many pre-vocational students have developed the ability to handle large classes.

In teachers' meeting on Monday morning chapters three, four, and five of The Technique of Teaching were discussed and many helpful points were brought out. Problems in posture, testing pupils' hearing and sight, and other matters concerned with the health of the students were taken up. The test for hearing has been given in several classrooms.

Mrs. Palmer's fourth grade sent birthday greetings to Luther Burbank of Santa Rosa, California, on his seventy-sixth anniversary. In reply the great American naturalist sent a personal letter, a photo of himself, and some very helpful and interesting literature to the class. On this occasion Mr. Burbank receives thousands of letters from school children in all parts of the United States.

LOCAL

We are pleased to hear from former Chemawa students who are now in Lapwai, Idaho. We have but a few there, but we are informed that they are doing very nicely.

With plenty of vegetables such as potatoes, parsnips, carrots and onions to last throughout the year our students will fare pretty well. The unprecedented duration of cold weather for some weeks in December ruined all of our cabbages.

Charles Wells, a pupil who came from Candle, Alaska, died of double pneumonia last week and was buried on Friday in our school cemetery. This boy was one of our very best students in every respect; very popular with all. His death cast a gloom over the whole school and the funeral was largely attended. Flowers in profusion decorated his grave.