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THE HOLIDAYS AT CHEMAWA

Educational, Social and Athletic Features Contribute to a Great Series of Entertainment—The Mid-Winter Holidays Made Pleasing and Memorable by Many Functions of Varying Character

The holidays are past—just a pleasant memory of the last few days of 1925. All of Chemawa shared in the joys of the Yule Tide season and "peace on earth, good will to men," was in evidence on all sides. From beginning to end it was a season of joy that will never be forgotten.

It is impossible to say with any degree of accuracy just when the "spirit of Christmas" first appeared at Chemawa, but we recall quite clearly that shortly after school began last fall Supt. Hall and a few of his loyal aids began to devise ways and means to raise the money necessary to finance our Christmas. This really marked the advent of the "spirit of Christmas" at Chemawa in 1925.

According to our schedule of events the first thing to be featured was a cantata, "The Night Before Christmas," presented by pupils of the primary and prevocational grades. It was given on Wednesday evening, December 23rd, and was under the direction of Miss Judd. It was in every way pleasing and Miss Judd was amply repaid for her long siege of drill with her young charges. It proved a fine launching of the events of Christmas.

On Thursday, December 24, both forenoon and afternoon, various classes in the academic department had "class trees" and all enjoyed themselves immeasurably. In the evening there were trees laden with gifts in certain of the dormitories. Joy and mirth were unconfined.

At four o'clock on Christmas morning Mrs. Turney and the members of her choir were abroad and singing the beautiful Christmas carols, bringing "Joy to the World." Various buildings about the campus were visited by the singers and the singing was beautiful. We've heard many compliments on it.

Promptly at 5 o'clock the choir repaired to the Catholic chapel, where they sang while Father Gall said early mass and gave communion. This was followed by more Christmas tree events and presentations of

presents—then came breakfast, which, however, owing to the high tension of the nerves of the students was not partaken of in the usual hearty manner. The students were so full of joy that they did not care to eat.

Promptly at noon Supt. Hall signaled the orchestra and to the strains of a stirring march the entire student body marched into the dining hall to partake of the Christmas feast—and it was a feast, too! A fine and abundant "spread" greeted our students, who did full justice to it. During the meal the employes, following the custom of former years, acted as waiters and waitresses and the orchestra provided music during the entire time.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the members of the literary societies put on a number of sport events that proved decidedly interesting. According to reports to reach us the Reliance boys triumphed over the Excelsiors by a good score, but a tie is reported between the Nonpareils and Winonas—girls' teams.

In the evening, at seven o'clock, there was a reception in the gym given by the McNary Hall boys and the large Mitchell Hall boys to the girls of McBride Hall and the large girls of Winona Hall. This proved a most pleasing social feature in every way—a big time for all. Quite a number of employes were in attendance as invited guests. At the proper time all repaired to quarters and so ended the joyous Christmas Day.

On Saturday evening our basketball team competed on the home floor with representatives from Franklin High School of Portland. This proved a mighty interesting contest and it was won by our boys, the score being 32 to 25—a hard-fought-for victory.

On Sunday morning, December 27th, at 9 o'clock, the regular inspection of quarters occurred. At 10 o'clock there were the Catholic and Protestant religious services as usual.

At seven o'clock in the evening the choir put on what may be termed a pageant which was symbolic of many historical events in the life of Jesus Christ. Mrs. Turney and Miss White had the affair in charge, but they voice their thanks to many other employes who so freely assisted them. This is a feature of our

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