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Merry Christmas!

Miss David and Miss Judd were on the sick list during the past week.

All of the literary society spellers are working hard for the contest on Dec. 27.

Christmas gifts and Christmas cards are pouring into Chemawa these days in amazing quantities.

We are now having the shortest days of the year. The nights seem to be proportionately long, exactly!

We are informed that Mrs. Iliff won a prize in one of the metropolitan ad-writing contests held recently.

Miss Virginia Brickell arrived home from Eugene on Friday evening to spend Christmas with her mother and brother.

Many of the Chemawa employees enjoyed "Madame Butterfly," Salem's first attempt at grand opera, on Monday evening.

The red and white division in the 7th grade physiology classes have been 100 percent perfect in their night work for one month.

A recent movie at Chemawa was Rin-Tin-Tin in "Below the Line." It was a "hummer" and our students enjoyed it immensely.

Owing to our holiday schedule we will not issue The American next week. Our next issue will inform you of the "Joys of Christmas."

The social last Saturday evening for assisting in raising a Christmas fund for Chemawa's little ones was in every way a great success.

Work on our new dining hall for students is progressing nicely in spite of the inclement weather. Rain does not stop many enterprises in Oregon.

Robert Archambeau, Dick Kugruk, Arthur Bruce and Louis Dupuis have been selected to represent the Excelsior Society in the spelling contest.

Capt. Stacy was "under the weather" for a few days last week and could not teach his class of seniors. We are pleased to note that he is again on duty.

Anna Peratrovich and Percy Woodcock made the highest industrial grades in the senior class. They were the only pupils in the class making 98 percent.

Miss Eakin provided her "flock" with a Christmas tree on Sunday morning, a "big sister" treat was given the Hawley Hall "tots" by the older girls on Sunday afternoon, and a Y. M. tree in the evening.

Susie Tippleman is married to Mr. Douglas Tagin, carpenter of Portland. Susie met Mr. Tagin last summer and since that time the two have carried on almost daily correspondence that resulted in the wedding last Thursday.

Supervisor Lipps, too well known to the service for introductory remarks, arrived at Chemawa on Friday and left on Sunday. The school is always glad to see Mr. Lipps and was sorry that his visit was so short.

Mr. Iliff is home again from Seattle, where he has spent considerable time of late inspecting wooden pipe which is being manufactured on a government order, to be shipped to Wyoming, we understand.

Forty members of the Sigma Phi Delta held their first meeting of the year in the Wigwam on Thursday evening, Dec. 16. The sorority is now sponsored by Mrs. R. G. Downie who was one of the charter members when it was organized some eleven years ago. Superintendent and Mrs. McGregor, Mrs. Brewer and Mrs. Brickell were present. Anna Peratrovich is president of the organization.

Mr. Roger Mason left last week for Arizona where he will have a long term of employment as a carpenter on government work. He left in response to a call from Mr. Roy Bradley, supervisor of construction for the government. Supervisor Bradley has been down there for several weeks. Mr. Mason's family remained here; their departure for Arizona is of an indefinite date.

Our chapel exercises last Sunday evening were in charge of the Freshmen class and the class had engaged Mr. Hug, superintendent of the Salem schools, as speaker of the evening. The gentleman gave a fine talk on education for young people, especially stressing five important points. A good, practical talk, earnestly given. Mr. Bergman, also of the Salem schools, was present and on invitation gave a "Christmas Story." Both gentlemen were well received. Ida Audette presided and was a credit to herself and her class. The orchestra played the "Lustspiel" overture by Keler Bela, members of the class sang a pleasing number, and Zelma Johnson gave a recitation. All good.

Last Friday evening the boys' and girls' two octettes and the orchestra put on a program at the Zena schoolhouse in Polk county. The singing of the boys and girls was excellent, and in addition to their ensemble work Raymond Haldane sang a couple of solos. Harry Frost and Louis Dupuis each gave recitations and the orchestra assisted at intervals throughout the program. Supt. McGregor, Mr. Carroll and Mr. Sanders accompanied the party to Zena. At the close of the evening Supt. McGregor was asked to make some remarks on Chemawa and her aims and objects. He responded with a most appropriate talk. In fact in every way the entertainment of the evening was most creditable to our school and every feature of it was well received. The weather was bad but the attendance was good just the same.