

LOCAL

Mr. Kline purchased an auto recently.

Miss Strout spent the week-end at home, in Amity.

Mrs. Palmer and Mrs. Clark are on the sick list, and mumps are the style among the children.

Charles Lusk, president of the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions, visited the school on Monday.

The senior girls, chaperoned by Miss White, visited the State Legislature on Wednesday afternoon of last week.

The Chemawa students are all glad to learn that Theresa Williams' health is improving. She is at her home.

Mr. Iliff was obliged to go to one of the lumber mills in the McKenzie river section last week to inspect some lumber for the government.

Mrs. Leary, the club manager, was called to San Francisco by wire on Saturday. She is a very efficient club manager and will be missed. It is hoped that she can return soon.

Miss Virginia Thornhill, who recently transferred to the Hoopa, California, school, has written Chemawa friends that she likes her new location very much, but that she "misses her dear sixth graders" at Chemawa.

During Chapel last Sunday evening Dr. Hall, speaker of the evening, exhibited his \$5,000.00 Guadagnini violin for the benefit of those present. John Dexter, first violinist of our orchestra, took the instrument and played a solo on it so that those present could hear the tone of this famous violin. The instrument was made in Cremona, Italy, in 1703 and it is in a splendid state of preservation. Dr. Hall is desirous of selling it, as he does not play violin, and if any of our readers want to purchase it the opportunity is hereby offered.

We are in receipt of a letter from Mr. Cruz McDaniels, now employed as band and orchestra director at Haskell Institute. For some years Cruz was a student at Chemawa and he has many friends here, for his energy and fidelity in discharging all tasks delegated to him was something which caused him to be an outstanding young man. At the time of his recent letter he was on a tour with the Haskell orchestra, as director, and reported that their programs were "going over big" with the audiences. He reported that he was using two of Mr. Turney's compositions, from one of his "Indian Suites," and that they were proving most successful with the public. Cruz wrote that it is possible that ere long his orchestra may make a "coast to coast" tour, in which event his Chemawa friends would be given a chance to meet him again. We would be glad to meet Cruz at any time, any place, for he is honest and energetic, a fine musician and a loyal friend.

Dr. John Hall, professor of oratory and elocution at Willamette University, was the speaker engaged by the boys of the Junior Class for our chapel exercises last Sunday evening, as the exercises were in charge of the Junior boys. It was a most happy choice. Dr. Hall's ability as a public speaker was well known to many of us, as he had addressed Chemawa audiences in years past, but even so he seemed more entertaining, instructive and inspirational than ever last Sunday evening. His was a great address. Moses George was chairman of the occasion and did splendidly in that capacity. The Junior boys' quartet sang "Benedemeer's Stream" by Moore, George Flach gave a recitation and the orchestra played the "Lustspiel" Overture of Keler Bela. In every way the exercises were splendid.

On the evening of Friday, the 4th of February, the Excelsiors gave their annual open session in the auditorium. In spite of several severe handicaps they came through in fine style and furnished one of the best entertainments of the year. To pick any single number from a program so uniformly excellent would seem unfair, but it is believed that two or three deserved special mention. John Dexter rendered his violin solos well—as usual. A black-face team, Bowker and Thompson, performed with the finish of professionals and kept the audience in a continual uproar. "Just as the Sun Went Down," a pageant of a patriotic nature, was well presented, the stage being set to represent a battle field in France with soldiers and nurses to lend the proper atmosphere. The theme of the act was the dying wishes of two of our dough-boys and these were beautifully expressed in words and song by the Excelsior actors. Captain Stacy is the guiding genius behind all these good works.

OFFICIAL COMMITTEE AT CHEMAWA

Some months ago at the request of Dr. Hubert Work, Secretary of the Interior, with the cordial approval of Charles E. Burke, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, the Institute of Government Research, a private organization at Washington, is making a comprehensive general survey of Indian Affairs. The survey is to embrace the educational, industrial, social and medical activities maintained among Indians, their personal and civil rights, and their general economic conditions.

The committee consists of Mr. Lewis Meriam, Mr. Wm. F. Willoughby, Mr. Henry Roe Cloud, Dr. Herbert R. Edwards, Dr. F. A. McKenzie, Miss Mary Louise Mark, Dr. Will Carson Ryan, Miss Emma Duke, R. B. Stambough. The majority of the above party arrived at Chemawa on Monday, in the forenoon, others appearing later. As we were making ready to go to press we are unable to give as complete details of the mission of our welcome visitors as we would like to do, but hope to make amends in our next issue. We wish in the name of Supt. McGregor and the entire school to bid the party a hearty welcome to Chemawa and we are all desirous of assisting them in any way within our power.