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RESEARCH COMMITTEE AT CHEMAWA

In our last issue we mentioned the fact that a committee representing the Bureau of Research Work of Washington, D. C., had just arrived at Chemawa. It is needless to state that Supt. McGregor and all others at Chemawa gave the noted party a hearty welcome. We all felt that we could not assist them enough. They made friends while here, but they have passed on in pursuit of information elsewhere. We feel that we can add nothing to the report of the committee as printed in the Capital Journal, so are pleased to make a reprint, as follows:

Visiting the Salem Indian School were some of the most representative educators and research members in the United States who are making a survey tour of the entire country, visiting all the Indian Schools and reservations in an effort to find out the faults and a correct and simple improvement for the care of the American Indians.

These people who are specialists in all fields of knowledge are not employed by the government and the necessary funds to defray this extensive research comes from private organizations and people tremendously interested in the welfare of the Indians. The survey party was gathered from all corners at the request of Secretary Work, with the hearty co-operation of Commissioner Burke of the Indian office, and private interests were especially selected for this work.

According to Lewis Meriam, technical director of the survey staff, which is working under the Institute for Government Research, the present tour will not be complete until June and the final report will probably be ready by the last of October or the first of November, the report covering the finding of the survey of the entire country. Owing to the fact that the survey is covering every detail and takes so long the members of the staff will find it impossible to visit Alaska, requests being made to complete the tour within a year.

"Petty matters do not come under the scope of this board," Mr. Meriam stated last night, "the entire aim being the betterment of the Indian and his people. In the report, which will cover all the schools and reservations visited, will be suggestions for construction betterment." It is understood that the report will

carry much weight in regard to the Indian Bureau's policies and that a better understanding will be had between the two races.

Five of the members of the staff who are visiting Chemawa went through the industrial departments of the school yesterday and expect to complete their work here by Wednesday morning, when they will leave for Southern Oregon.

Five of the staff, Henry Roe Cloud, E. E. Dale, Herbert R. Edwards, Ray Brown and William J. Spillman were sent to Fort Lapwai to survey conditions there, while Lewis Meriam, head of the expedition; F. A. McKenzie, Miss Emma Duke, Mary Louise Marks and Dr. W. Carson Ryan came on to Chemawa.

The survey, which started from Washington, D. C., on November 12, 1926, visited several schools in Arizona and the middle west, returning to Washington near Christmas. On January 6 the board started on its final tour. Schools and reservations visited to date are: Pottawotimi, Kan.; Kiowa, Oklahoma; San Carlos, Phoenix, Sacaton, Pueblo, Papago, Arizona; Albuquerque, Santa Fe, N. M.; Ft. Hall, Umatilla, Tulalip, Colville, Ft. Lapwai and Haskell. They expect to visit Sherman Institute in California the latter part of this month.

Ray A. Brown is a professor of law in the law school of the University of Wisconsin and is a specialist in legal matters.

Henry Roe Cloud, a Winnebago Indian, is president of the American Indian Institute, an accredited high school for Indian boys who are to enter college. The institute is located at Wichita, Kansas.

E. E. Dale, head of the department of history at the University of Oklahoma, was for many years a cowboy, but now devotes his time to history and is a recognized authority on the history of the west. In the University of Oklahoma there are over 200 students of Indian blood.

Miss Emma Duke was for many years a field agent for the U. S. Children's bureau and field investigator for social and health problems for private bureaus.

Dr. Herbert R. Edwards, medical field secretary of the National Tuberculosis association, is a physician of much note and his investigations in public health

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