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Well, we had pretty good weather, anyway.

No more issues of The American until next fall.

Principal Carroll was a mighty busy man during commencement.

Johnson Black and his brother of LaPush, Washington, visited Chemawa on Monday.

Mr. H. W. Camp, government auditor, paid Chemawa an official visit just last week. Mr. Camp has many warm friends here.

The members of the orchestra thank Dr. R. W. Hans Seitz of Salem for his assistance as cellist in the production of "Pepita," the operetta.

Mr. Coquelle Thompson, Sr., of Siletz, came out to see his son, Coquelle, graduate. This was most pleasing to us, as both father and son are favorites here.

There were three sets of brothers in our graduating class—Louis and Floyd Dupuis, Reginald and Charles DePoe, Gus and Elmer Logan. Rather unusual, don't you fancy?

Supt. McGregor's first commencement set a new mark—established a higher standard—in many ways. We'll wager that he already plans to raise the mark a little higher a year from now.

Ernest Hill, a former member of our force, and a graduate of the school, was a visitor for a brief time last week. He is now working at the printing trade in Spokane, Wash., and getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Larsen of Siletz attended our various commencement functions and we were all delighted that they were here. Mr. Larsen is in charge at the Siletz Agency as the representative of Supt. McGregor.

A week or so ago Mr. Roger Mason arrived at Chemawa from Fort Windgate, N. Mex., where he had worked at construction work for the government during the winter, leaving his family here. At present he is employed here, working on our new dining hall.

The newly organized Alumni Association of Chemawa starts out with the following officers: Robert N. Service of Toledo, Oregon, president; Mrs. Rose Downie of Chemawa, secretary; Mrs. Katie Mason of Chemawa, treasurer; Charles E. Larsen of Siletz, Oregon, historian.

Frank Corbett, now in government service as a disciplinarian at a school in Arizona, revisited his alma mater last week. All is well with him he reports. It is his intention to take a short summer course at the Oregon Agricultural College in physical education before returning to duty in Arizona.

Robert Downie, for many years on our printing staff, and a young man of capacity, motored down from Tacoma, Washington, in company with his mother and sister to attend our closing exercises and to visit his relatives and friends. We were always strong for "Bobbie," and our sentiment abateth not.

Supt. and Mrs. O. H. Lipps came down from Lapwai, Idaho, to be in attendance at our commencement, and we were most happy to have them with us.

During the past few days the exodus from Chemawa has been such as to encourage the transportation companies to continue in business. Next fall these various companies will be "fatted up" for a hard winter—when our students come back practically en masse. Chemawa is a fine place to secure an education and they know it.

Among the welcome old-timers to spend a few days of last week at Chemawa were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Service of Toledo, Oregon. They are both graduates of our school and are now parents of an interesting little family. Mr. Service is prominent in newspaper circles in Toledo. At one time he was a valued member of the American force.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sicade of Tacoma, Wash., spent a day or two with us during our closing events. Mr. Sicade was the principal speaker at the alumni reunion. He was a member of the first class of students assembled on the establishment of the school at Forest Grove, Ore., in 1880. He is now a prosperous and prominent business man and property owner in Tacoma. Urgent business obliged him to cut short his visit with us.

Mr. E. L. Chalcraft, for more than forty years a prominent Indian Service employee, and for many years superintendent at Chemawa, but now retired and residing in Seattle, was a guest at the school during the greater part of our commencement days. He was greatly pleased at the splendid progress of the institution which he noted in every department of our school. He was truly a welcome visitor and we wish that he could be with us more frequently.

Supt. McGregor was in charge of our chapel exercises last Sunday evening and during his talk he touched upon the past, the present and what the future promises at Chemawa for the worth-while boy and girl. He gave some mighty good advice. Frank Corbett, an old-time student, was on the platform and on introduction by Supt. McGregor he gave a very interesting talk and a plea to our students to appreciate the opportunities afforded them at Chemawa.

Many of our people are entitled to "special mention" in connection with our commencement, in fact, there was scarcely an employe who did not respond to extra demands, and so far as we know, cheerfully, too. The Annual Fashion Show made a lot of extra work for the domestic art heads, and the girls' costumes for the operetta, "Pepita," added a lot of labor, and it was all most creditably executed. Mr. James and his tailor boys had their share of work, too, and for a certainty it was well done. The dramatization of the Indian Suite fell upon Mr. Bent and the reception by the public proved that his efforts were not in vain. The long grinding task of putting on the operetta fell to the lot of Mrs. Turney, who looked after the musical side of the production, and Miss White, who was responsible for the dramatic side. Miss Foster, too, had much extra work in assisting with the dancing choruses and in presenting her own solo dance which was so artistically done.