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The Home Economics Department placed many beautiful things on sale last Friday evening.

Walter Howard has been called to his home in Montana on account of the illness of his father.

Christmas Carols—Christmas Decorations—Christmas Trees. Everything speaks openly or silently that Christmas is here!

The busy workers at Cramton Hall are elated over the addition of Mrs. Hugh A. D. Carroll to their force. She assists Mrs. Posey in the dining hall.

Dorris Coture left for her home in Montana last Friday evening. Ruby Pearson left for her home in Southern Oregon on the same day. Both were urgently needed at home and their many friends regret their departure.

Vina Smith, Frances Culbertson, Susie Grounds, Ida Johnson and Nancy Loudon served dinner on a recent Friday evening at the Wigwam to Supt. and Mrs. Lipps, Miss White, Miss Wright, Mrs. Clark and Dr. Collard.

Recently Vina Smith, Anna Peratrovich, Harriet Hill and Eva Bean, members of the Sunday School Teacher Training Class, were awarded certificates for the completion of the first year Standard Course of Teacher Training.

Vera Korter, Pauline Pratt and Mrs. Hunter went to Portland Tuesday to see Santa Claus in behalf of the Chemawa girls, while George Meachem, William Johnson, Gideon B. Grub and Mr. Bent performed like duties for the boys.

Supt. Lipps being absent on official business, Mr. Carroll, principal teacher, was in charge during our chapel exercises last Sunday evening. Mr. Carroll made announcements and explanations regarding our coming holiday season. The choir sang a number with orchestral accompaniment, a group of boys sang a pleasing number, and the orchestra contributed two numbers, and there was the usual song numbers by the audience.

One of the features on the Christmas holiday program is the spelling contest. Always a full house turns out for this indoor sport and gets a great big kick out of it. As a rule there is no "sitting on the fence" at this engagement and every one is pulling for one side or the other. It may sound funny, but there is real excitement and strain there and those who have weak hearts usually stay home to await the arrival of the sad or glad news. The Nonpareil girls have won five of the last six matches. Somehow Miss White and her spellers have a faculty of walking off with the bacon. Whether they will win the next cup or not we will have to wait a long time to tell, but that does not detract any from the match and much preparation is being made for the coming one.

In a Freshman declamation contest, Harold Masten was voted best by his classmates. All members said "Opportunity" by Sill.

The printers gratefully acknowledge assistance from Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Posey, Mrs. Fratis and a group of Sophomore girls (Sophia Bremner, Ruth King and Anna Ponchene) in helping to prepare the food for their annual "Big Eats."

Owing to our Christmas schedule, there will be no American issued next week, but the week following we will give you a full report on the holiday festivities at Chemawa. Preparations for a joyful time are now in full sway at the school.

A complete schedule for the Christmas holidays appears on the last page of this issue. Captains and coaches of the various class, society and state teams will find it wise to consult this program and lay out their spare moments accordingly.

Miss Wright recently gave a most interesting talk before the girls of the Y. W. C. A. based on her experiences in China. Chinese dolls showing the typical dress of boys and girls of different ages, Chinese fans, embroidery, and pictures were shown to the girls. Miss Wright's descriptions of the hospital work, and also of the "Ragged Sunday School," were especially interesting.

We are pleased to state that we are in receipt of a note to our students and employes to this effect: "A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year to all of you is the wish of—R. D. Holt." Mr. Holt was at one time a student at Chemawa. At present he is a prosperous tailor in Ellensburg, Wash. We are all proud of him. Thanks to you, Mr. Holt. May you enjoy all the blessings of the season—so say we all.

The Reliance Society gave the following program on Friday evening at their regular meeting: Instrumental music, Raymond Haldane, Wm. Markishtum and Reno Booth; Recitation, Earl Crofoot; Vocal Quintet, Raymond Haldane, Moses George, Tom Anayah, Reno Booth and George Johnson; Ukelele Solo, Harold Peratrovich; Folk Song, Gifford Monroe. After a helpful talk from our critic, Mr. Fisher, the society adjourned.

The Excelsior Literary Society held their regular meeting in Room 7 last Friday evening. The following program was given: Recitation, Joe Webster; story, Clyde Cooley; dialogue, Ernest Sanderson and John Cadotte; banjo solos, Charles DePoe. Solomon Fleury was elected society athletic director for the holidays; and John Edelman, chairman of the committee for the society's annual social to be held in January, reported excellent plans for that occasion. After several measures were voted upon, and remarks made by the critic, the society adjourned.