

LOCAL

Miss Strout visited friends in Independence this week-end.

The plumbers recently made some tin door-plates for use at the hospital.

Josephine Nelson, now of Portland, is spending a few days with Chemawa friends.

This is the anniversary of the birth of George Washington, the "Father of his Country."

Superintendent Byron Sharp of the Coeur d'Alene Agency was a school visitor last week.

Miss Wright gave very interesting talks to the school assemblies last week on her Red Cross experiences in Siberia.

William Johnson, Peter Rassmussen, John Edelman, Cecil Stagner and Raymond Jones were Mr. Klein's Sunday dinner guests.

Misses Foster, Baldwyn and Spencer, Messrs. Klein, Decora and Friske and Mr. and Mrs. Reed went to Newport last Sunday.

Percy Rouch, a sophomore, left last week for his home in Van Hook, N. Dak. He answered an S. O. S. from home, we understand.

The machine shop boys are getting out what is termed a "folder" for Supt. Lipps, who intends to use it in connection with some exhibit.

Mr. John Bauer, instructor in blacksmithing at Chemawa, reports that his details are busy installing some new forges in the blacksmith shop.

Who will win the class cross-country, five mile, run today? About 25 runners will compete and as enthusiasm is running riot we may expect something sensational.

The Junior Class are quite proud of their letter from the Superintendent at Supai, Arizona, telling them of the joy their Christmas packages brought the day school boys and girls.

Poems, songs and yells are developing many varieties of harmony, rhyme, and "rah rahs" in the classes. On Chemawa's birthday celebration next Friday the final output will be "poured out."

The Junior D. S. girls entertained about half of their Junior classmates at dinner on Thursday evening. Capt. and Mrs. Stacy, Mr. Kunkel and Mrs. Davis were also guests. A delicious meal was served.

A letter just received from Joseph Lambert, who recently transferred from Chemawa to Rapid City, S. D., informs us that at the time of writing there was nice weather in his section of the country—no snow. This undoubtedly was very unusual for this time of the year. Here at Chemewa pansies have bloomed in the open all winter. An unusual winter all around.

One day last week, while on duty in the carpenter shop, Jesse Wetzel had the misfortune to get in a mix-up with an electrically driven saw. He lost two fingers as the result of his accident. He is reported to be recovering rapidly.

It may interest some of our old-time students to learn that W. A. Lovelace, at one time assistant engineer at Chemawa, is now a prosperous business man at Reedsport, Oregon. Not long ago Mr. Lovelace paid a brief visit to some of his friends here at the school.

Last Friday evening our orchestra, the boys' and girls' octettes (vocal) and Lucy Craig (reader) put on a program at the Salem Y. M. C. A. There was a large audience composed of some of Salem's most prominent people and the efforts of our musical organizations were well received. Next Friday the orchestra and boys' octette will present a program at Bethany church, near Silverton.

George Washington's life was the theme for an address by Supt. Lipps during our chapel exercises last Sunday evening. The talk was one of great interest and value to all, as it set forth many important facts in the life of Washington that were not known to many of us. The speaker facetiously mentioned February as a month replete with days of historic significance, "Ground Hog" Day, St. Valentines Day, Lincoln's Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Etc. It was a fine address. In addition to the address John Dexter played a beautiful violin solo, the choir sang a pleasing number, and there was an interesting orchestral selection.

ENCOURAGING COMMENT

Recently Chemawa broadcasted over KFIF, Benson Tech of Portland. That we made good is evidenced by the following letter received by Supt. O. H. Lipps from Mr. Alfred Skei, announcer for the station. Mr. Skei wrote as follows:

It is with much pleasure that we of Radio KFIF of Benson Polytechnic School express our sincere appreciation to you and your school for the excellent program furnished Tuesday evening of last week. That the enjoyment was multiplied many times is shown by the numerous telephone calls from enthusiastic listeners. They seemed to realize that, in spite of the absence of modern civilization, the Indian of years ago lived a life as full, as satisfactory, as thrilling, and as complete as our own. The program brought closer a realization of the beauty of that Indian life that appeals so much to us as admirers of the West and of the joy of freedom. Given, as it was, by a representative group from your school, the knowledge gained in that evening's entertainment became doubly impressive since the Indian of today told us about the Indian of a former age.

Your Mr. Bent is especially to be commended for his interesting talk on "The Indian Boy." The orchestra and leader with their very charming characteristic music assisted so ably in the entertainment of a type we feel we are seldom privileged to enjoy.

Therefore, we consider ourselves greatly indebted to you and your school for the splendid program you so kindly presented for us.

Yours very truly,

ALFRED SKEI.