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Well, any way, May Day was ideal for queens.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hall of Siletz were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Larsen.

Mr. Irving Shepard, now head advisor at the Wahpeton (N. D.) Indian School, is planning on being at Chemawa to attend our commencement exercises early in June.

The last issue of The American Indian, published at Tulsa, Oklahoma, reprints two articles that were written for our paper by Victor Smith. Victor gets due credit for his work.

Mr. Larsen went over to Siletz Agency on Monday to be on hand to represent the government in the matter of sale of the agency grounds and buildings. He is expected home today.

The grade school Girl Reserves devoted a large part of last Wednesday evening to the making of May Day baskets and filling them with wild flowers, later placing them on the doorknobs of friends.

Little Jack Mote contributed a vocal solo during our chapel exercises last Sunday. He sang "Trees" by Rasch. It was a trying ordeal for the little lad, but he acquitted himself creditably.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schrum of Westport, Oregon, spent a few days of last week at Chemawa, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Larsen. Mrs. Schrum is a sister of Mr. Larsen and at one time was a student at Chemawa.

Our shoemakers report having repaired 694 pairs of shoes during the month of April. This seems to us a big lot of shoes. It is a record in this line for the present school year. Last October came near it, with 650 pairs repaired.

The Protestants enjoyed their last evening of Bible study for the year last Thursday, when pictures of the life of Christ were thrown on the screen. It has been a good year for this class and the attendance for the year has been especially good.

The chef at the large dining hall of the students suggests that as the kitchen is the place where food is prepared and where there is a nice equipment that all should observe strictly the rules of cleanliness and sanitation by keeping hands, clothing and equipment immaculate.

Last Sunday broke the spell for "Seven Rainy Sundays" that started with rain on Easter Sunday, as the old saw has it. The day was ideal and thousands of motorists were abroad in the land viewing the beauties of the great Willamette Valley at a season when Nature is at her best.

Mr. Chas. E. Larsen, our head clerk, made a trip into the mountainous country southwest of Corvallis last week to appraise some property. He got into a section where the roads were almost impassible, and where in places there was only one-way-traffic. It was a hard trip but all was well in the end.

The Y. M. C. A. meeting of a recent date was attended by 48 of our high school boys. A number of the boys spoke of what the "Y" has meant to them during school year and Charles DePoe and John Frenier made statements regarding the value of Y. M. C. A. affiliation to the young man after finishing high school.

Troop 7, Boy Scouts are putting on a paper drive to raise money for some needed supplies in carrying on their work. If you have any old newspapers or magazines that you have no use for, notify any scout in troop 7, or leave word with Mr. Henderson, at the store, and a boy will be sent to your quarters for the papers. We thank you for any contributions.

Just recently Mrs. Steward gave a dinner to 40 of the youngest children of the school and in many ways the affair was both memorable and unique—it was in a class all its own. Aside from the little fellows there were invited "grown-ups" as follows: Mrs. Brewer, Miss Semanski, Mrs. Mote, Mrs. Walker, Miss Cruise and Miss Judd. We have heard that this was the most appreciative dinner group of the present school year.

Last Saturday evening there was a benefit, or pay, social held in the big gym and the attendance was truly surprising and proved that the Chemawa students are a long way from "broke" yet, even if it is near the end of the school. One of the largest crowds of the year gathered in the gym for a social time of two or three hours duration. The evening closed with the serving of delicious refreshments. In every way it proved a delightful evening.

This is National Music Week and there will be musical activity throughout the nation in behalf of better music. This reminds us that at Chemawa such effort is not confined to one week of the year, but is a yearly affair, the work never ceasing, but going on year in and out. We are always "doing our bit," and will assist on outside programs this year as usual. It is likely that Mr. Kunkel and his band boys will participate in a program to be staged in the Salem armory tomorrow night, and Friday evening our orchestra will give a program at the State Tubercular Hospital.