

OUR CHRISTMAS EVENTS

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its meaning to mankind. From what we have learned we feel certain that many of our students received new ideas and views on the joy and sacredness of the day—never to be forgotten as long as life shall endure.

Christmas Day brought its avalanche of cards, "Merry Christmases," etc., and joy and "Good Will Toward Men," from every direction. At noon there was a fine turkey dinner served in the students' dining hall—and it was fine, too! As has been the custom for many years, employes were present to assist in the serving and the orchestra provided music. Mr. Boyes, chef, and his assistants lived up to their splendid reputation in preparing the meal and Mrs. Larsen and Mrs. Rodgers and their helpers in the dining hall had everything arranged per schedule and the place most attractively decorated.

The dinner at the Teachers' Club was memorable in every way. There was an over-abundance of turkey and all that should go with it. In various homes there were private family dinners that were joyous affairs.

On Friday evening the annual spelling match held between the literary societies of the school took place. The Reliance Society took first place and Winona second; in the oral spelling Josephine Hughes and Wesley Larsen tied for first place. It was a good match and an interesting affair. Mrs. Steward pronounced the words for the spellers; the judges of written work were Miss Morgan, Mrs. Walker and Miss Richardson; of the oral spelling, Mrs. Lobdell, Misses Morgan, Black and Cruise. It is worthy of notice that in the written work Josephine Hughes, a Winona, made 100. Just before the oral contest started Mr. Ryan gave instructions to the spelling contestants and he also made some announcements to the audience.

On Saturday evening there was a "movie" for the entertainment of all.

On Sunday evening the regular chapel service was held with Superintendent Lipps in charge. There was the usual orchestral selection and a number by the girls' sextet, after which Mr. Lipps made a brief talk during which he mentioned our new gym, now in progress of construction, and our need of it. He took occasion to congratulate the student body on their patience in waiting for the completion of our fine gymnasium.

On Monday afternoon a large number of our people repaired to the auditorium where wrestling bouts and boxing matches and a few other athletic events were held, the contestants being representatives of Reliance and Excelsior societies. The various events were good and close, the Excelsiors coming out a few

points ahead—winning the contest.

On Monday evening there was a benefit staged for the Boy and Girl Scout organizations. A good house attended. The program opened with a four-part "Indian Suite" by the orchestra which was followed by solo Indian Dances, numbers by the Boy Scouts, the Girl Scouts, the Campfire Girls, etc. The second half of the program was a "movie" of Boy Scouts at Taylor's Grove last summer and it was put on by Dr. Hill and O. P. West of Salem who helped our organizations out on this occasion and to whom we all feel grateful and render due thanks. The evening was a success in every way and Mr. Bent, Mr. DeCorah, Mr. Allen, Mrs. Middleton, Miss Lundquist and Miss Black, who gave their time and talents to the production are entitled to feel rejoiced over their success.

On Tuesday evening there was a concert by the Girls' Sextet and vocal soloists from the organization, Melba Arnoux, Marie LaFrance and Alice Slater. Individually and collectively they all did marvelously well. At the close of the vocal program the orchestra played an overture and then Miss Eakin threw a great number of Oregon scenes on the screen and at the same time gave a descriptive talk as she passed along. This proved not only of interest, but of value as well. Miss Judd was in charge and made all program announcements.

To entertain many not otherwise employed a second series of indoor sporting events was staged in the auditorium on Wednesday afternoon. The various contests were good and enthusiasm soared to great heights as the contestants vied in skill and brawn.

In the evening all again repaired to the auditorium to witness a movie entitled "Angel of Broadway." It proved a good entertainment and made an ideal New Year's Eve observance, considered from any angle. This ended 1930.

This brings us to the "year of our Lord," 1931. May it continue to the end with the spirit in which it dawned upon Chemawa—a quiet peace was in the air. One of the outstanding events of the day was a reception held by Miss Bissell and her assistants in Winona Hall. There was an open house there in the afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock and few of our people missed being in attendance. In every respect it was a most pleasing function.

In the evening there was an attractive program in the auditorium, sponsored by the various high school classes, the literary societies, and the newly-organized Rotators. The program as a whole was most creditable and gave pleasure to the large crowd in attendance. And so ended our holiday festivities. We are now facing the task of making good in 1931, and—we shall do so.