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LOCAL

Next thing we know we will see the dawning of Groundhog Day.

Goldie Day spent the last week-end at Marylhurst Academy, near Portland, the guest of friends.

Rose Pablo returned last week from her home at Dixon, Montana, and is again enrolled at the school.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirk and Mr. Briggs motored to Brownsville, Oregon, last Sunday and spent the day with relatives.

We are informed that 500 boxes of choice apples have been ordered for our students and that delivery will be made shortly.

Business was good, as usual, at the shoe shop during December. Mr. Decorah and his details repaired 535 pairs of shoes during the month.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Turner arrived home recently from a trip to Los Angeles, California, where Mr. Turner passed a good part of his annual vacation.

Evelyn Iyall of Nisqually, Washington, is now regularly employed in our administrative office, having taken the position recently vacated by Sylvia Peterson.

The Y. W. held their meeting Sunday afternoon at the usual hour. A song service was held and then everyone was checked on Girl Reserve Ring requirements.

Mr. Al DeRyke, a decorative artist of Silverton, Oregon, is again at work on the interior of our Catholic Chapel. Beyond question Mr. DeRyke is an unusually fine artist.

The tenth grade girls' cooking class gave a dinner to their boy friends last Wednesday evening. It proved an enjoyable event for the boys in every particular. Miss Nye was in charge.

Miss Irene Middleton, who passed the Christmas holidays with her mother here at the school, returned last week to Berkeley, California, where she will resume her studies at the state university.

Word has been received from Sylvia Peterson to the effect that she has entered upon her duties as deputy county treasurer at Cutbank, Montana, and that she likes her new position very much. We are all interested in Sylvia and are anxious for her to make good in every particular.

Mrs. Cecile Porter, who is now employed at the North Pacific Dental College, visited Chemawa friends last Sunday, being the special guest of Miss Peters. Mrs. Porter will be remembered by old-time students as Cecile Smith.

Mrs. Ada Mayne, of Portland, Oregon, has been secured to fill the vacancy in the domestic science department caused by the recent resignation of Miss French. Mrs. Mayne comes to us highly recommended and we trust that she will like Chemawa.

Supt. Lipps made a trip to Corvallis early last week for consultation with those in charge of extension work at the Oregon State College. He is much gratified with the spirit of the college authorities in the matter of assistance in extension work in our Indian settlements.

Wonderful to relate, it seems that the Willamette Valley is changing its reputation as to climate. We used to be twitted about webs between our toes on account of so much rainfall, but no longer should we meekly accept the insinuation for since the first of last September there is registered a deficiency of precipitation in excess of eight inches.

Many friends of Miss Merle French, who recently resigned her position and returned to her home in Tennessee, have received announcements of her marriage on December 21 to Dr. Jasper M. Wiggins of Las Cruces, New Mexico. The wedding occurred at the home of the parents of Miss French in Paris, Tenn. A host of Chemawa friends wish the young couple much happiness, prosperity and long life.

In the absence of Supt. Lipps from the school Asst. Supt. Ryan was in charge of our chapel exercises last Sunday evening. Mr. Ryan took pains to set forth in detail the effect that bad habits will have on our careers, in many instances wrecking us. He pointed out the fact that the habits of the students of any institution are a factor in giving it a good or bad name, and he made it most clear that any student will find himself handicapped in later years when he seeks employment and is forced to admit that he comes from a certain school and the reputation of that school is not good. Selfish reasons, if none other, should prompt our students to guard the good name of "Our Chemawa." There are enough "real" students here to hold the few who may be "sitting on the fence" in this matter and to whip them into line, so Mr. Ryan seems to think, and we are back of him. What any school needs first, last and all the time, is clear-headed and well-meaning student leaders, with courage enough to blaze the path. We trust our students will give heed to these hints. The orchestra and choir contributed the usual numbers during the evening.