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Mr. and Mrs. Kirk spent the week-end in Portland.

And this is February—the month of Washington and Lincoln.

Just recently 200 new beds and 80 chiffoniers were received at the school and are now in use.

The farmers are evidently "rarin' to go," as they are having the tractor and other implements overhauled in preparation for spring work.

Dr. and Mrs. R. W. Hans Seitz of Salem, and Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Knapp and sons, Elwin and Duane, of Molalla, were campus visitors last Sunday afternoon.

Brewer Hall has just had a complete over-hauling and retouching of the lavatories at the hands of the painters, who are at present engaged at the task of painting bedsteads for use in Hawley Hall.

The Comrade Club officers and members who had charge of the Sunday school program at the Protestant church last Sunday morning, did so in a pleasing manner and undoubtedly profited themselves a great deal.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. DePoe, now of Neah Bay, Washington, have been visiting relatives and friends here at Chemawa during the past week. Both are former employes of our school and we are informed that they are getting along nicely at Neah Bay.

Well, it is sad to relate, but if he could see anything, Mr. Groundhog must have seen his shadow in these parts last Monday. Woe unto us, for superstition and tradition sent him back into his hole for shelter during the next six weeks during which the weather is supposed to be bad—mighty bad! We shall see.

Miss Laura Burrell of Van Meter, Iowa, arrived at Chemawa last week to fill the vacancy in the domestic science department caused by the recent resignation of Mrs. Steward. We trust that Miss Burrell will find that Chemawa is the place of her "dreams come true" and feel contented in her new field, here among us.

Dr. J. N. Alley, wife and daughter, spent a good portion of the past week at our school. The Doctor examined about 100 of our students for tonsil trouble and operated upon twenty-two of them during his visit here. They returned on Saturday to their home in Tacoma, where the Doctor is in charge of the Indian hospital now located on the site of what was formerly the Cushman school.

Peter DePoe and Robert Soneke are now enrolled at the school.

The Y. M. and Y. W. organizations are divided into four groups for social reasons and every week one of the groups are allowed a party. Last Sunday afternoon Group No. 2 enjoyed a party at their headquarters in the "Y" rooms. Games were played and a delicious luncheon was served.

The Reliance Literary Society held a meeting on January 30th and elected new cabinet officers. The president is James Kelly; vice-president, Charles Motschman; secretary, Harold Masten; treasurer, Frank Johnson; sergeant-at-arms, Alfonso Hoptowit, and yell leader, George Goujon.

Work on our new gymnasium is progressing as rapidly as could be expected; in fact, better than we could hope for, as winter-time building here in the Willamette Valley does not permit much expectation as regards rapid progress. When completed the new gym will be just wonderful—well worth waiting for. As the brick work is nearly done, it will not be so very long now.

A new course of musical appreciation was to have been started last night. This will be somewhat different from former courses, as the viola will be exploited. The viola is usually considered the "Cinderella" of the violin family and has always been kept in the background. However, it has beauties of tone that are all its own and it will be interesting to note whether or not there is any reaction in its favor on the part of our students.

Last Saturday evening the Campfire Girls staged a benefit show in the auditorium. It was what was popularly called "Vod-Vil," and rumor gave the efforts of the various participants credit for providing an entertainment that really entertained. Miss Black was one of the leaders in the undertaking and we understand that Mr. Lobdell also co-operated, and perhaps there were others who contributed their bit in making the affair a success. There is credit and praise enough for all.

Mr. L. L. VosBurgh and his bandboys made their concert debut in a program staged in the auditorium last Sunday evening. To say that the fine work of the band gave pleasure to all is putting it mildly, for it not only pleased, it surprised everybody. In a trying program the organization played like veterans—paid attention to the "stick" and were "right there." During the concert Mr. VosBurgh made some telling comments on good music and also on the work of America's great late composer, Victor Herbert. A great deal of the music rendered by the band was arranged by Mr. VosBurgh—it was fine. We all trust that the band will be in evidence more often in the future.