

**ALASKA REINDEER**

We are in receipt of a "government memorandum for the press" in which Secretary Wilbur of the Department of the Interior gives complete information regarding the reindeer situation in Alaska. A few weeks ago we ran quite an extensive article on this subject and it will probably be of interest to those who desire to have further information to learn that after a great deal of research and the gathering of data Secretary Wilbur has sent an exhaustive report of the findings of various committees and his own recommendations to George A. Parks, Governor of Alaska. The Secretary's letter to Governor Parks, under date of March 30, follows, and seems to be the last word in the matter:

"I am enclosing a copy of the Report of the Reindeer Committee, dated March 23, 1931. The Report is made by experienced gentlemen without prejudice. It carries precise recommendations which I wish you would make effective at an early date.

"There are a few details which you will have to work out, but otherwise it is all in order and meets with my unqualified approval.

"The Committee examined, in detail, many witnesses and they also had before them the complete report of the situation as made by Mr. Sawyer and the confidential reports of the examiners of the General Land Office.

"I am enclosing also a copy of a supplemental report by Mr. Sawyer on March 30, after careful consideration of the Report of the Committee. I am in full accord with the recommendations of Mr. Sawyer and wish you would put them into effect as early as possible."

**LOCAL**

Marie LaFrance, Alice Slater, Margaret Hoptowit, and Theo Bird were the guests of Miss Roddy for a waffle breakfast on Sunday.

Rev. W. Earl Cochran was the speaker on Sunday morning at the Protestant chapel, giving a most interesting talk on "The Blue Prints of Life." Mr. Cochran is the pastor of the Calvary Baptist church in Salem.

Marie La France, Alice Slater, Theo Bird and Margaret Hoptowit, four of our girls who are to be employed at Hotel Davenport in Spokane, Wash., as "outing" students during the coming summer are busy at the task of getting their wardrobes in order. They are due at the Davenport on May 15th.

Mrs. C. D. Rainey and three sons arrived in Salem last Sunday and are located there for the present, owing to lack of housekeeping quarters at Chemawa. Mr. Rainey is a member of our academic force of teachers and his family came here from near Lynchburg, Va., where Mrs. Rainey's father is located on a farm.

Supt. Lipps left last Thursday on a business trip into Idaho and also to Spokane, Wash. In the latter place he was to assist in making arrangements for four of our young ladies who are to hold positions as "outing students" during the summer at the famous Hotel Davenport. At the time of going to press Mr. Lipps was expected to arrive home at any hour.

Mrs. Katie L. Brewer, who was an employe at Chemawa during almost the entire life of the school and who retired last fall, came down from her home in Tacoma, Wash., for a week-end visit with her daughters, Mrs. Turney and Mrs. Mason, and old school friends. She received a royal welcome. She was accompanied on her trip by her granddaughters, Beda Chamberlain and "Jackie" Denny.

Last Sunday afternoon the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. had their third joint meeting of this school year. About one hundred members of the two organizations attended this meeting. A number of the members participated in the program, which included a piano prelude, "Berceuse" by Godard, played by Verna Starr; "This is My Father's World," sung by a double quartet, and "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," by the Boys' Quartet. The speaker for the afternoon was Mr. William E. Wright, director of religious education in the Salem Presbyterian church.

Many of the students of our school have of late been much interested in corresponding with the students of other schools. We have not been alone in this interest as is proved by the following paragraph from The Optimist of Thomas, W. Virginia, kindly handed us by Mrs. Lobdell: "Pupils of the seventh and eighth grades are having a lot of fun sending letters to and receiving letters from pupils in other schools. The latest received are from Chemawa, Oregon. Many pictures and photographs are enclosed and pupils are planning to send pictures of the mines, the falls and other points of interest. Miss Burley and Miss Kotnik are teaching the children to be whole-country minded, to take an interest in things beyond their own county lines. Oregon is a long way off, but school ideals are the same in Chemawa as here—to make the best possible person of each boy and girl."

In the absence of Supt. Lipps last Sunday evening Asst. Supt. Ryan took charge of our chapel exercises and made the address of the evening. He mentioned various periods in our industrial development—the stone age, the iron age, etc.—now placing us in the electrical age. He also voiced the opinion that we are in the "jazz" age as the result of too much prosperity. He stated, and truly, too, that the development of mankind depends upon the industry of the races. If a people have too much wealth they become "jazzy" first and are lucky if they do not, to some extent at least, become criminals—any way they retrograde. Mr. Ryan's statements reminded us of an old saw to the effect that "The devil finds work for idle hands to do." It was a fine, sensible talk and we trust that our students took heed and will profit from it. In addition to the address Mr. Melovidoff played as a violin solo the "Meditation" from "Thais" by Massenet, the choir sang its usual fine number and the orchestra also contributed.