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Our Christmas

CHEMAWA OBSERVES THE YULETIDE SEASON IN VARIOUS WAYS—GENERAL GOOD WILL TO MEN IN EVIDENCE EVERYWHERE

Again Christmas is but a memory. At our school there was much happiness and general rejoicing and we hope, and believe, that everyone from Supt. Ryan down to the youngest student had a memorable Christmas season. The Christmas holidays marks a season of the year when good will and kindly sentiments grip all of us and the world is the better for it. The pity is that the season of good will toward all of our fellows could not be lengthened—spread out over a greater part of the year.

For sometime previous to Christmas the very air seemed to presage the coming events, but the first to appear as a scheduled feature was the traditional Christmas pageant. This was put on by the school choir under Mrs. Turney who was ably assisted by Miss White, who for years has helped in the production of this pageant. It was in every way beautiful and carried a genuine touch of the sacred events of years long past. This was given on the Sunday evening before Christmas, December 20th.

The next event on our calendar was "inter-class basket ball," the results of which will probably be noted by our athletic writer. This was scheduled for the evening of December 21st.

On the evening of December 22nd a grade operetta was staged in the auditorium under the direction of Miss Judd and she was given valuable assistance by a number of her associate teachers. "The Love Stamp" was the title of the operetta. It was most successfully produced and was in every way pleasing; creditable to the younger students who took part and Miss Judd and those who assisted her.

On December 24th, Christmas Eve, the various choir members under Mrs. Turney made a tour of the campus singing Christmas carols. Shortly afterward programs were given in the various dormitories where trees presented a beautiful appearance and were laden with presents. Many of the programs were excellent and most appropriate to the occasion.

On Christmas Day there were joyous greetings on all hands. The great feature for the students was the dinner at noon. It was truly a feast, Chef Boyce and

his force having acquitted themselves with credit, while, owing to the efforts of Mrs. Larsen and her assistant, Mrs. Rodgers, and their details, the diningroom presented a beautiful appearance. The service was fine—everything being ready on the dot. As in past years, the orchestra furnished music for the occasion. It should at this time be mentioned that both the Catholic and Protestant organizations gave great stress to the observation of the Christmas season. Both organizations are to be commended for the many events they featured in connection with the Yuletide season.

On Saturday evening, Dec. 26th, we had as a feature the inter-class spelling contest. This not only proved of interest but was profitable as well for those who participated.

Our regular Sunday chapel exercises marked the evening of Dec. 27th. Supt. Ryan was in charge and during the evening he announced that he would offer a prize for boys corresponding to the "Trowbridge prize" for girls. This announcement was received with vigorous acclaim.

On Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 28th and 29th, there was a sort of lull in affairs, a breathing period for all, and what occurred will be noted in the athletic column.

On the evening of Wednesday, Dec. 30th, there was scheduled a recital by the Girls' and Boys' Music Clubs under Mrs. Turney and Mr. VosBurgh, respectively. Both organizations did the best they could under the circumstances, as some members were home for the holidays, and sickness had thinned the ranks.

On New Year's Eve there was a social in the gymnasium where everyone had a most enjoyable time. January 1st was a full holiday at the school, ending with inter-class basketball contests in the evening. On Saturday evening there was a "movie" in the auditorium. On Sunday we were again on regular schedule, closing the day with chapel exercises in the evening, Supt. Ryan being in charge. Mr. Ryan made some worth-while suggestions on "New Year" resolutions, which our students will be wise in remembering. A quartet of boys sang a couple of numbers and the orchestra played an operatic selection. It was, all in all, a memorable and happy holidays' season. Let us now, each and all, make 1932 a banner year, for ourselves and our school.

Dr. Collard is again at Chemawa in a professional capacity and is welcomed by a host of friends.