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CHEMAWA VISITS STATE FAIR

The Oregon State Fair held annually at Salem Oregon, is an occasion looked forward to with eagerness and joy by all Chemawa students and faculty, and, in fact, everyone. The Fair day opening fell on Monday of this week and Monday was therefore declared a holiday for all Chemawa students so that they and their chaperones could attend. And they did attend. By eleven o'clock on Monday morning practically the whole campus was deserted. Many of the students went by train. Others by bus or private cars and the more unfortunate ones had to leg it.

The Chemawa band played in the opening day parade in Salem and proved themselves a credit to the school.

The Fair grounds contained large exhibit buildings filled with fine exhibits sent in from all parts of Oregon. The exhibits were both interesting and educational and were visited by many of the students. The carnival and rodeo offered a part of the days amusement. Another interesting and educational occurrence was a television demonstration.

At noon the students partook of a picnic lunch offered by the school and returned to the campus in time for a late supper.

All Chemawa students were admitted free into the grounds and we are thankful to the Oregon State Fair officials for extending to us this courtesy.

INDIAN SERVICE NEWS

Paul L. Fickinger, of Santa Fe, N. Mex., has been appointed to the position of assistant superintendent and principal at Haskell Institute, Lawrence, Kans.

Capt. Frank Dunkley, commanding officer of Company D. 137th Infantry, Kansas National Guards, has been awarded the purple heart decoration by the United States War Department. The decoration was established by General George Washington in 1782. Capt. Dunkley was wounded in action in the Meuse-Argonne offensive September 29, 1918, while serving as a member of Company H, 137th Infantry, a Lawrence unit. He has commanded Company D, stationed at Haskell Institute, for several years.—*Indian Leader*.

Dr. Paul Gordon, Director of Education, Indian Bureau in Alaska, N. Lester Troast, architect and district superintendent and Miss Sather connected with the office, passed through Petersburg enroute to Wrangell last night when the Admiral Rogers was in

port. It is the plan of the department to open the Wrangell Institute the first of October in a very limited way, Dr. Gordon advised. Further cuts in appropriations made it necessary to cut down teaching and employee force and to limit the pupils in the school this year. However the plans for the year are being carried out even if limited and hopes that next year will bring forth appropriations from Congress for the school.—*The Alaskan*, (Petersberg.)

The *Sherman Bulletin*, Riverside, Cal., reports an enrollment, at the beginning of the 1932-33 school term, of 891 students at Sherman Institute. They represent 83 tribes and include Klamaths, Iroquois, Missions, Hopis, Utes, Piauxes, Navajos and many other tribesmen of the southwest. The *Bulletin* remarks several changes in the methods of government. No more uniforms, military formations, drilling or bugle calls. Instead of the captain with his company of Indian cadets one now finds a councilor with a junior councilor as its leader.

Quite a little space is given to Phoenix Indian School's Merit system in the Sept 17 issue of the *Phoenix Redskin*. Each student begins with 100 merits. By his behavior, good or bad, he adds to or subtracts from the original hundred. The addition of merits by perfect attendance at school, formations, bed checks, etc., brings with it honors, privileges and recognition to the student. The loss of merits means the loss of privileges in proportion to the number of merits lost. For instance when a student's merits have diminished to 80 he is no longer eligible to hold office or captain a team, when 70 is reached that calls for a session on the carpet, before the advisory board. This system is essentially an honor system and should be a good character builder.

The building formerly called Batchelors' Quarters, and other names, has been evacuated by the batchelors and is being speedily transformed into a swanky apartment for the family of Mr. Milton Smith, property clerk.

The girls' octet, directed by Miss Judd, appeared in concert at the White Temple in Portland on Monday in connection with a conference of Presbyterian missionaries. Miss Eakin, missionary at Chemawa, was accompanist. Mr. and Mrs. Mason helped furnish transportation for the girls.