

CHEMAWA AMERICAN

Published Bi-Weekly at the U. S. Indian School, Chemawa, Oregon. (Address all communications to Allan Shepard, Manager

Subscription

50 Cts per Annum

LOCAL

The ever-observant eye of ye reporter has noticed that our bakery shop has been dressed up with a newly painted sign above the door and the door itself shining with a fresh coat of paint.

The Catholic boys' association and the Little Flower society held a Valentine party in the Catholic club room on Tuesday evening. The members enjoyed an evening of light dancing, games and refreshments.

The boys' and girls' music clubs participated in a joint program last Saturday evening. The music was of a varied nature and displayed a great deal of musical talent among our students. Mrs. Turney and Mr. Shepard are the sponsors.

The double garage at the Showalter home is nearly finished and an authentic report has it that one or two more days will see it completely ready for the painters to work on. The senior boys in the carpenter shop have done all the work from the very beginning.

The senior commercial class in the company of their most esteemed instructor and Fred Rickard journeyed to Salem to honor the United States National bank and the Statesman Publishing company with a call to master the secrets of successful banking and publishing, respectively.

R. H. Bitney in a report to the Commissioner on IECW activities at Neah Bay, Wash., made among others this interesting remark: "The truck drivers are young Indians who received their training in the Salem Indian school, at Chemawa, Oregon. They take great pride in keeping up their trucks, washing and greasing them, and are very careful as regards their operation." It is always a great pleasure to see such comments about our students.

The Winona hall girls were pleasantly surprised on Monday evening by the Serenaders and the campus orchestra with all the necessary appliances for a dance. Everyone at once repaired to the large court in the center of Winona hall where the boys sang several popular songs. Next the orchestra settled themselves and filled the air with foot-tickling tunes while everyone danced dull care away. After a length of time that seemed too short the boys all thanked Mrs. Wilcox heartily for the privilege of entertaining the girls and left for their own building.

On February 21 the Y. M. C. A. has scheduled a Silver Tea to raise funds for the re-decoration of the "Y" room. Everyone is asked to attend. Tea will be served from four until five o'clock. Bring your silver and leave it with the servers. By "silver" we mean any piece of money that has any silver in it. Also a very special program is being planned for the entertainment of the guests. It's a silver tea and it's on February 21, in the "Y" room.

In the November issue of *Indians At Work*, Commissioner Collier's journal on Indian Conservation Work, an article is featured which tells of the family work in the Two Medicine IECW camp on the Black-foot reservation in Montana. The writer is Mylie Lawyer who is an educational worker in the family camps of Montana. The article is preceded by a fine introductory paragraph in which Mylie is lauded for her excellent work here, at Willamette and after school.

The new brick building that is being built on the site of the old well-house and ice plant is nearing completion. This building was put up entirely by the engineers and the only skilled laborer was a bricklayer from Salem. When finished it will be able to house three large trucks or busses and the small school bus besides leaving space for supplies. On the other side from the main doors the fire-fighting apparatus will be located with doors for each hose cart. Next to this building is the dry-cleaning plant which is also nearly completed. These fine buildings will certainly be of great value to everyone concerned and without doubt will see years of fruitful service.

FIND FORGETFULNESS AT LOG CABIN

A hilarious evening was spent in the log cabin by the student councilmen and the advisory committee and honored guests, Mr. P. H. Ringle and Mr. G. P. LaVatta.

Beside a blazing fire the afore-mentioned parties popped corn, made coffee, hamburgers and pancakes, burned their fingers and ate to their heart's content.

The enjoyment of the evening was added to by the soloing of James Rosario and Billie Orr and a reading by Dean.

After the party was over, down through the lane, in the hazy gloaming came two weary candlebearers, clumsily avoiding puddles and mumbling in the language of their forefather's something which their interpreter translated as: "That sure was a swell party!" For the sake of their future happiness we withhold their names.

It is our sincere wish that all the weary and care-worn will visit the cabin and find blessed peace and forgetfulness as we did.