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LOCAL

Mr. John B. Stacy, former student and employed at Warmsprings, Oregon, sent in a two year subscription to the *American*.

Thomas Plouffe and William Majhor, former students who are employed at White Swan, Washington, visited the school and friends the past week-end.

Two new enrolled students the past week are Leo Teehee, a former Chemawa student and Stanley Tim-entwa of Omak, Washington.

Miss Charlotte Jordon, Chemawa graduate now attending Linfield College at McMinnville, was operated on for appendicitis at McMinnville on Friday, March 8. She is reported as doing very well.

Benjamin Jones and Finley Wilson were recent Chemawa guests. Benny has spent some months in the sanitorium at Phoenix, Arizona and has completely recovered from his illness.

Mr. Irving Shepard spent the past week-end at Chemawa visiting old friends. It was rumored that Mr. James defeated him excruciatingly in "cribbage" and Jullian Larnard defeated him badly in his favorite game, checkers. Yes, there is always something to be admired about a gentleman who can take it.

Word has just been received here of the excellent work now being done by Nellie Boe, Chemawa graduate of 1934, who is working at the Ft. Belknap reservation. She has recently been made assistant to the Road Construction Supervisor under the E. C. W. with a raise in pay. Nellie was an outstanding student in our commercial course.

On Saturday night, March 2nd, Mr. Walter G. Scott brought his "Merry Marionettes" to Chemawa for our entertainment. Two one-act plays and several vaudeville acts held the interest of the audience during the evening. The novelty of this program was fully appreciated by students and employees who attended. After the show all who were interested were allowed back-stage to view the stage, dolls and equipment. This was one of the most unusual Saturday night entertainments ever held at the school.

CHAPEL

In Chapel Sunday night, March 10th, Superintendent Ryan complimented the student body on their

fine display of sportsmanship at the basketball game on the preceding Friday evening. He stated it was as good a game as he had ever seen. Two numbers by the orchestra, (a) "Morning Glories" by Reynard and (b) "The Secret of the Sea" by Zamecnick and an anthem by the choir, "Ways of Pleasantness" by Hoffman were well rendered. In conclusion all sang "Dear Old Oregon."

CAN YOU BEAT IT?

Monkeys in the zoo often go crazy watching the action of their audience. A few weeks in the rest house is required to bring them back to normal life.—*Life*

Snow never falls on 70 percent of the earth's surface.—*Colliers*

Calvin Coolidge was a devotee of the harmonica. He kept one as a constant companion and played it frequently during his stay at the White House.—*Winthrop Sergeant*

The golf ball was originally half bird and half horse. It was horse hide stuffed with feathers.—*Liberty*

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sums of money rapidly. Many railroads had gone to the wall. Great financial syndicates had attempted to remedy the situation. Even the congress of the United States had failed to remedy the matter. Then Hariman stepped into the breach. All this time his penetrating mind had been studying the intricate problem, and all at once, when the outlook was most discouraging an astounding proposition reached the government—an offer to pay fifty-eight million dollars in cash for the wretched road, and an additional twenty-seven millions to the holders of the first mortgage bonds. This was in February, 1898, and the man who made the authorities of the United States wonder, and the great financial syndicates of New York open their eyes, swung into the world's vision as a coming railroad giant. The result was that within three or four years from the ending of the Government receivership, the once despised "streak of rust" reaching from Omaha to Ogden was paying good dividends.

Pure grit is the master key which unlocks all difficulties. What has it not accomplished?

The great life questions are: "Do you keep at it?" "Can you stick by your proposition?" "Can you persevere after failure?" "Have you grit enough to hold on, stick and hang, in spite of the most discouraging obstacles."

We have all observed Indian boys and girls who have turned away from continuing their school—students who had pluck enough to begin things with enthusiasm but did not have grit enough to carry them to a finish.

The point at which you are tempted to quit, the point where your grit leaves you, will measure your achieving power.

Many of the grandest men and women in the world today started as poor boys and girls, with not one-half the opportunities of Chemawa students—no capital but pure grit and invincible purpose. Reprinted from a 1923 *American*.