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## The True Meaning of Christmas

Christmas is not a name only, it is not "just another day." It is the day we celebrate the birth of Christ. It is a spirit no war can kill. It is a joy of soul and spirit; a season of kindness when we should cast aside greed, hatred, and pride. Think of the boys who are away; many in foxholes in foreign lands. Keep your chin up! This is Christ's Day; let us make the most of it.—RICHARD LARSEN.



## Best Wishes to All!

On behalf of the Chemawa employees I wish to take this opportunity to extend to all of the present and former students of this school best wishes for a happy Christmas and a successful New Year.

What the New Year will bring none of us can foresee. By taking full advantage of our educational opportunities we will be better prepared to take our place in the post-war era regardless of what that period may bring.

M. W. EVANS,  
Superintendent.



## Clubs Organized

The students of Chemawa helped make a list of clubs they would like to join. There were 12 clubs decided upon, and students joined the club of their choice. Sponsored by members of the faculty for the benefit of the students, these are the clubs now underway: Dramatics, Mrs. Weigel and Miss Wehunt; glee club, Miss Rector; Boy Scouts, Mr. Abell; Girl Scouts, Miss Chambers; photography, Miss Morse; Spanish, Miss Page; first aid, Dr. McClusky; airplane modeling, Mr. Shepard; bachelor cooking, Miss Scott and Mrs. Cronk; woodcraft, Mr. Mason; archery, Mr. Wilder; weaving, Mrs. James.

## Employees' Party

A "come as you are" party was enjoyed by the employees in the gym on the evening of November 17. There were active games and various card games. Refreshments were sandwiches, salads and coffee.

## Christmas Enjoyed

Christmas has been a joyful event on the Chemawa campus. On the evening of the 24th the students of Chemawa and all the community gathered in the gymnasium around the Christmas tree for an evening of fun and frolic. Forgotten for a while was the recent flu epidemic.

The group sang Christmas Carols and the small children played games. Christmas bags and gifts were distributed to the students and community.

An Operetta had been planned by Miss Rector and Mrs. Clingengpeel, but due to the many cases of illness on the campus it was postponed.

## Girls Wanted!

Yes, we mean you! You are invited to join the Girls Reserve branch of the Young Women's Christian Association.

The girls of high school age are eligible. The requirements are that you learn the Y. W. songs and pledges, and be at every meeting if possible.

This is a very interesting club to join. It has many uses. It helps you get along with people. If you are in a strange city the Y. W. will always help you. Come on girls be a member of the best club you could join, the Y. W. C. A.

The officers for 1943-1944 are:

President, Virginia Taylor; vice-president, Geneva Alex; treasurer, Lilly Frye; secretary, Annabelle Summers; song leader, Helen Hayes.

Miss Beugler is the Y. W. C. A. leader, and we are very glad to have her with us.

## Hospital Helpers

The recent epidemic of mumps filled the hospital to capacity. Some of the regular hospital employees were sick and help was needed. Several high school girls came to the rescue and have helped to relieve this situation. These girls were: Daisy Pete, Betty Chocktoot, Cleo Picard, Leona Bell, June St. Peters, Lilly Frye, Catherine Jackson, Anita Grunlose, Theresa Hilliare, Dorothy Billings, Pauline Wilkinson, and Laura Courville.