

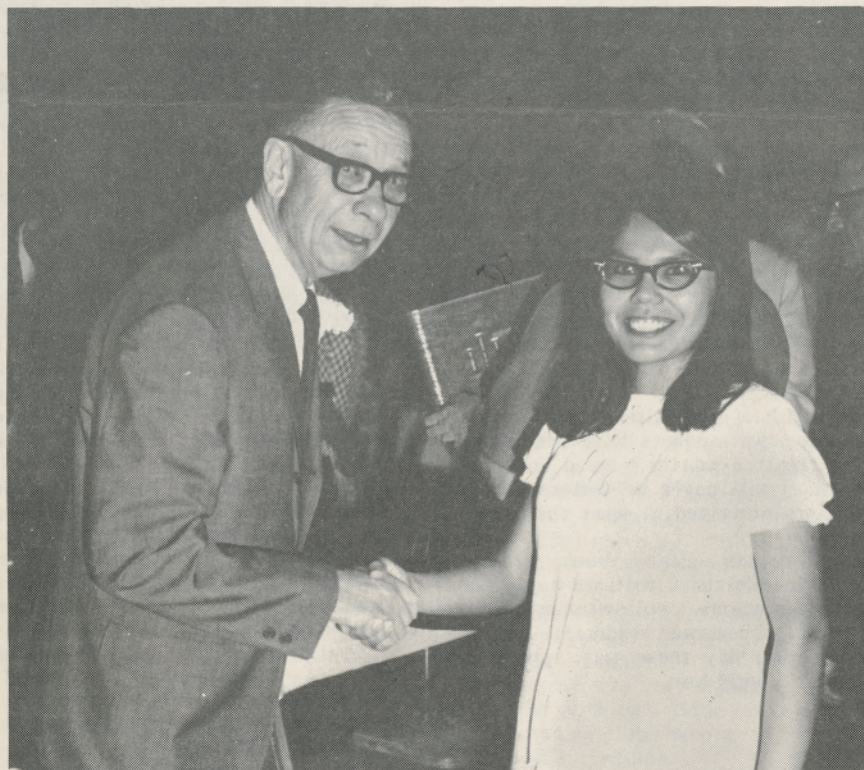
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MR. WALTERS RETIRES AFTER 30 YEARS WITH B.I.A.



Irene Billie wished Mr. Walters "Good Luck" at the Retirement Dinner held in his honor in Cramton Hall on the Chemawa campus.

A FEW WORDS IN PARTING

Mrs. Walters and I extend our sincerest and best wishes to the many wonderful students, the staff who have worked so diligently, and the host of parents and friends whom we have met or become personally acquainted with during our seven years at Chemawa.

Chemawa carries a proud image. Every boy and every girl who have attended our school have every reason to be proud to be a part of what Chemawa stands for.

During my tenure as Superintendent, I feel especially fortunate to have collected together a staff who have given so much, who have worked so hard to offer living and learning experiences to our young people wanting to pursue an education.

We have every reason to be proud of our program at Chemawa, but we must not falter in building still a better program for

tomorrow's student.

We have learned that students must be involved in the creation and the implementation of programs built for them. Students must be given the chance to accept responsibility and to administer many aspects and facets of that program. Our Chemawa boys and girls have proven that they can.

I shall always remember the wonderful, the exciting and the enjoyable days, weeks, and months here. Youth at its highest has always been my dish. Chemawa has always offered this to me. I only hope you enjoyed it too. "All work and no play is not good for Johnny."

Let's keep the wonderful tomorrows coming our way.

I Salute You All!

Mr. and Mrs. Hallie O. Walters

FULL LIFE SEEN

Mr. Hallie O. Walters retired from the Bureau of Indian Affairs on October 31, 1969, after thirty years of devoted service to the education of Indian youth.

Mr. Walters received his B. S. and M. A. degrees from Missouri State Teachers College at Kirksville, Missouri. He entered B. I. A. service in 1939 as a teacher in the South Dakota Indian schools.

After a two-year tour with the U. S. Army in the South Pacific, Mr. Walters returned to service with the Bureau of Indian Affairs as Principal at Fort Totten, North Dakota. He spent several years as Reservation Principal at San Carlos, Arizona, and then moved on to become Principal of Stewart Indian School at Stewart, Nevada. After nine fruitful years at Stewart, Mr. Walters transferred to White River, Arizona.

In August 1962, Mr. Walters came to Chemawa as Superintendent. While serving at Chemawa, Mr. Walters instituted many new ideas and innovations. He was always more than a figurehead; he was a living part of the school, keenly interested in the individual student and actively alert to the educational needs of Indian students. His door was always open to students and staff and he welcomed the chance to visit with them.

Mr. Walters had an abiding faith in students and their ability to accept responsibility. With this philosophy as a guideline, the Student Council became a strong, active, decision-making body. A student-run bank, with a night-depository, was set up. Senior students were given an opportunity to live in off-campus apartments for several weeks while attending school.

Under Mr. Walter's superintendency, the curriculum offerings were expanded to more fully meet the needs of the student body. A reading lab was instituted; the Business Education department was enlarged; the music department was expanded; and a limited flight training program was inaugurated. A Career Development program was developed to give students practical work experience both on campus and in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Walters are now making their home in Carson City, Nevada. All of us here at Chemawa wish them good health and great happiness in the future.