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The Northern Lights At Work



The Northern Lights performing at one of Chemawa's weekend dances. Left to right: Nick Phillip, Linda Clark, Percy Frisby, Josh Paul and Victor Amik. Percy, Nick and Josh are Seniors. Victor is a Junior and Linda is a Freshman.

Northern Lights Swing Out

On November 14, Chemawa's own rock band, "The Northern Lights", played in their first EJD dance of the year. They competed with two other Salem-area groups in a "battle of the bands". Many Chemawa students attended and cheered for them.

"The Northern Lights" is made up of five talented Chemawa students. Percy Frisby, a Senior from Ketchikan, Alaska, handles the drums and also sings. Joshua Paul, a Kipnuk, Alaska, Senior, takes care of the lead guitar. Nick Phillips, a Senior from Kwigillingok, Alaska, plays rhythm guitar and also sings. Victor Amik, a Junior, is also from Kipnuk. He provides the rhythm on the bass guitar. A Freshman from Arlington, Oregon, Linda Clark, serves as female singer.

When Percy, who is the group leader, first came to Chemawa, he played in a group called "The Five Marks". The following year Percy returned, but the other members all graduated and he was left without a band. The following year Percy was requested to round up another band to take the place of "The Five Marks". He first

asked Josh to join him. Last year another guitarist graduated, so Josh asked Nick, who was from the same home town, to join them. Victor had joined earlier and Linda was added this year.

At their first performance, "The Northern Lights" knew only fifteen songs. At their last dance this month they had a repertoire of 265 songs to choose from. Percy's own favorite song is "I'm Your Puppet", but he doesn't play it very often because it is a hard song to dance to.

Chemawa students ran the school for one day while the faculty attended an in-service training session. Each teacher nominated a student to take over classes and provided them with lesson plans. Other students handled supervisory and guidance positions.

Percy Frisby took the place of Superintendent Gunderson. George Wilson was director of instruction for the day. Jim Aleck was director of guidance; Patrick Deeds was the

Chemawa In ABC Program

The A.B.C. (A Better Chance) program got its start in 1963 when Dartmouth College and a group of independent schools in New England set up the program to help promising but educationally disadvantaged students to develop their abilities and college potential in private prep schools.

Chemawa has participated in this program for several years. Elmer Jackson, Pavila Pavila, Enock Too-yuk and Willie Kasayulie, who spent their ninth grade at Chemawa, will be eligible for a fully financed college education at Dartmouth or a similar school.

Russell Akers, Ralph Anderson and Charlie Kairaiuak, also former Chemawa students, are now juniors in the same program, which is located in the New England area. Michael George is a sophomore in the program.

A summer program on the Dartmouth campus in New Hampshire is an important first step in the A.B.C. program. This summer has been described as the "weeding-out" phase of the program. Each student receives intensive training in English, math and reading while living in a dormitory under the guidance of Dartmouth undergraduates who serve as tutors. Those who make it qualify for the regular program.

Two more sophomore students at Chemawa, Susie Marchand and Patty Phair, will be entering the program this summer. If they are able to complete the program, a full college education is theirs.

Student Takeover Day Termed A Success

administrative manager; Rose Fitka was head of social services; and George Madros was in charge of plant management.

Teachers and administration were pleased with the results. "I personally think it was a success," Mr. Tucker commented. Mr. Azure, Supervisory Teacher in the social studies department, agreed. "I think it gave the students an appreciation of what it takes to run a school," he said.