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Chemawa Gains In Land Trade

The Oregon State Highway Commission will be receiving 72 acres of land owned by Chemawa. This land is needed to rebuild Interstate-5, which is being expanded to six lanes, and the construction of Interstate-305, which will be built from I-5 at Chemawa into downtown Salem.

The 72 acres that will be given up are located across the highway from the school. The Highway Department will also receive part of the field by McBride Hall.

In exchange for the 72 acres, Chemawa will be receiving 24 acres of property situated behind the academic buildings. The property Chemawa is receiving is worth about \$50,000 more than the property given up.

The 24 acres will be used for the new school, which is now in the planning state. Superintendent Al Ouchi told the American that through the efforts of students, staff and tribal representatives, Chemawa's friends in Congress have secured a sum of \$750,000 for the design phase of the new school.

A letter has also been sent to the Superintendent stating that a request for funds for construction will be presented to Congress early in 1973.

"The apparent success of our efforts to get a new school for Chemawa is most gratifying," said Mr. Ouchi. "I call on all students and all friends of Chemawa to work together to really plan for the very best school possible."

He added, "We must settle for nothing but the very best for ourselves and from ourselves."

Smith Chosen as New Principal

This year we have a new principal, Mr. J.W. "Choctaw" Smith. He is a native of Oklahoma, and a Choctaw Indian.

Mr. Smith graduated from the University of Oklahoma. He has his administrative certificate from the University of Oregon. For the last four years he has been principal at St. Paul High School. He was also Vice-Principal and coach at Drain and Willamina High



C.A.E.C. project director Mr. Steve LaBuff gives a few pointers to counselor Mrs. Vicki Belgard, and some student volunteers Ron Morris, Nancy Barnes, Frank Martin, Iris BigSpring and Moses Edwards. (Photo by Al Francis)

C.A.E.C. Gets Quarters

The Chemawa Alcoholism Education Center (C.A.E.C.) will operate again this school year at its new headquarters in the white cottage next to the clinic.

The purpose of the office is to alleviate drinking on campus by an education and prevention program. The main objective of this program is to keep students from dropping out of school because of drinking problems.

The C.A.E.C. will be showing films at the facility and in each of the dorms when they get permission from the dormitory heads.

The C.A.E.C. staff is headed by Project Director Stephen Labuff, Sec-

retary Grace Chandler, Counselor Vicki Belgard, Counselor Stewart Lynn Castro, Counselor Aide Martha Ward, and 12 student volunteers.

On week-end nights, the student volunteers patrol the campus. If a matron finds an intoxicated student, the C.A.E.C. people take him to the center to sober up or to his room so he won't hurt himself or others. The center is a substitute for jail or J.D.H. and a referral to other sources for problems.

The center will be open from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. each day. All staff are on call 24 hours a day.

Something New!

Something new has been added to the Chemawa American this year. We call it American Life. It's a picture magazine designed to give a closer look at some of the things going on at school.

This week we're looking at football and politics. Thanks to Capital Journal photographer Gerry Lewin, we have several fine shots of Senator McGovern's visit to the campus.

Most of the shots, though, will be done by our own staff photographers. We hope you enjoy American Life and give us your ideas on how to improve it.