

Radio WA7-LBO Now in Operation Here

The new amateur radio at Chemawa Indian School is finally operating. The ham radio station went on air on February 13. Its license number, which was received from the Federal Communications Commission, is WA7-LBO.

Four students have passed the Novice Code test and are waiting for their own licenses to operate the ham radio. When they receive their licenses, they can use Morse Code and contact other ham radio stations. These four students are Ralph Beans, Wilfred Topkok, Moses Peter, and Joe Dekittie.

Two of them are now going for a higher license with which they can not only use the Morse Code, but also talk to other ham radio stations. The license is the General License. These two students are Ralph Beans and Wilfred Topkok.

The ham radio is located in the shops area. Mr. Donald Varnum, the instructor, says that he has a fourth period class for which the ham radio is operated, and he can also teach anyone who's interested in learning how to operate the ham radio any time after classes.

This ham radio can reach all

areas in Alaska, including the Pribilof Islands. Mr. Varnum said he would like to use the radio for emergency calls rather than calls that are not important, so to avoid a hard time if he needed to make an important call. He also said that the person he connects with in Alaska on the Alaska Civil Defense would probably get frustrated if he had to make a whole lot of unimportant calls.

Mr. Varnum says that this is not the kind of a job you get paid for. It is rather a kind of hobby or interest which you volunteer for.

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Chemawa Captures Two Tournaments

Ten Chemawa students went as a team to participate in the Warm Springs All-Indian Boys Basketball Tournament March 10-12. They placed first over seven other teams.

Many of the other teams had college players, and some teams were made up of players from different high schools.

The boys who took part in the tournament were Shannon Cargo, Daniel Davis, Lloyd Davis, Floyd Jim, Freddie Krukoff, Rodney Leavitt, Joshua Melton, Delbert Okback, Raymond Paul and Fred Sweowat. They were coached by Rev. Gerald McCray.

Joshua Melton, Freddie Krukoff and Lloyd Davis received all-star trophies. The Most Valuable Player trophy also went to Lloyd.

The girls varsity basketball team took first place in the Third Annual All-Indian Tourney here March 10-11.

The varsity beat the Warm Springs Bravettes 28-23 in the first game, then defeated the Portland American Indian Center 50-18 and the Warm Springs Springers 28-23.

All-star trophies went to Susie Marchand, Arlene Senator and Lorena Thompson. The Most Outstanding Player Award went to a 1971 graduate Pam Stanger, who played for Omak team.



Roger Adams and Clara Kowunna wear the traditional crowns of Brave and Princess at the Birthday Powwow. At left is Student Body President Georgianne Charles.

Birthday Brave and Princess Picked

During Chemawa's 93rd birthday celebration, the Brave and Princess were honored at the Powwow.

All candidates were announced at the dance. Mike Hall and Marilee Holt represented the freshmen. For the sophomore class it was James Abrahamson and Laura Itta. The junior representatives were Roger Adams and Sharon Watt.

The Brave and Princess were both senior class representatives. The Brave was Pat James from Bellingham, Washington. The Princess was

Clara Kowunna from Point Hope, Alaska. Both were elected by a student body vote.

During the Powwow the Brave and Princess were crowned. Roger Adams from Kivalina, Alaska was the alternate for Pat James.

The Native and Indian Cultural Explorers Club, who hosted the Powwow, said that they would like to thank all the students, staff and tribes who made donations for prizes for the dancing contests.