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or Chemawa Next Year

Chemawa's enrollment for the school year 1973-74 will be between 500-700 students, most of them from the Northwest.

Several new classes have been added to next year's schedule. According to Mr. Ed Bartlett, Vice-principal, they are all very interesting and will make for a better year.

Here are some of the new classes

for next year—amateur radio, introduction to criminology, calligraphy, (improvement of handwriting), personal finance, world history (for sophomores), social studies (for seniors), Spanish II and an awareness program for freshmen.

Part of the awareness program will deal with what is going on here at Chemawa. It will also deal with

other things, for instance, the Indian student's relationship with the white society, and the hunt and preparation for a future career. It is hoped that this program will help the freshmen start their high school years on the right track, said Bartlett.

There have been no plans made yet to drop any of the classes presently being offered.

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Super Hunt On

Chemawa's new acting superintendent, replacing Mr. Ouchi, is Dr. Y. T. Witherspoon.

He was appointed to the job by Mr. Dale Baldwin, the Area Director from the Portland Office.

Dr. Witherspoon says that his job is both easy and hard. The hard parts are the problems concerning students, such as putting them on probation or sending them home. He has also been discussing with the faculty what type of school program will be used next year.

Dr. Witherspoon thinks a superintendent should be an educator, have a college degree and some administrative experience. He also thinks a superintendent should understand education at an accredited high school.

A superintendent's job is the highest-paying in a school, but Dr. Witherspoon, as an acting superintendent, does not get that pay. He gets the same amount that his former job as Special Projects Director paid.

Dr. Witherspoon has no idea who the next regular superintendent will be. Whoever he is, he will be chosen by Mr. Baldwin and will be Chemawa's 31st superintendent in the 93-year history of the school.

The first superintendent, Lt. (later Captain) M. C. Wilkerson, served from 1880 to 1883 when Chemawa was located in Forest Grove. Ironically, he was killed in an Indian uprising in Minnesota in 1883, shortly after he left Chemawa.

The second superintendent, who brought Chemawa to its present location, was H. J. Minthorn, an uncle of former President Herbert Hoover. No superintendent has lasted longer than nine years on the job—so far.



The first flowers of spring are a sign of approaching graduation. Photographer Al Francis took this shot as a part of his final exam in photography.

Explorers Clean Up

Three Chemawa Explorer Scouts should receive commendations from Scout Headquarters for their work in the Save Our American Environment project on April 14, according to Mr. Louis Fulgaro, adviser of the Chemawa Explorer Post.

Edgar Madros, Eugene Gurtler and Ben Henry participated with and helped guide 35 cub scouts and nine parents around the Chemawa campus, where they picked up litter for two hours.

The cub scouts were third and fourth-graders from Morningside Grade School in Salem. The scouts managed to collect two big bags of trash, plus a few pop bottles to turn in for the deposit refund.

"They all did a good job, and we should thank them a great deal for helping keep our campus clean," Fulgaro said.

Congress Watched

Curtis du Puis, Chemawa's advisory Board Executive Secretary, and Lynn Miller of the Chemawa American staff made a trip to Washington, D.C. to look into matters pertaining to our new school.

They attended the congressional appropriation hearings for the BIA, in which Congresswoman Julia Butler Hansen was chairman. Other congressmen on the committee were Sidney R. Yates from Illinois, K. Gunn McKay from Utah, Clarence D. Long from Maryland, Frank E. Evans from Colorado, Joseph M. McDade from Pennsylvania, Wendall Wyatt from Oregon and Victor V. Veysey from California.

Chemawa had asked for 5 million dollars to start construction for the new school, but due to a cut back of federal money we were turned down. But we did receive 100,000 dollars to design a new hospital. We also received authority to advertise for a new superintendent.

It was stated that perhaps Chemawa will receive the money for a new school in the 1975 budget.

Seniors Plan Skip

The senior class at Chemawa Indian School are planning on a two-day camp out and skip day. This will include a banquet.

Senior Baccalaureate will be May 18, with commencement exercises on May 23.

Mr. Jay Silverheels has accepted the invitation to be the honorary guest speaker at the commencement ceremony. Mr. Silverheels is a full-blooded Mohawk Indian from the Six Nations Indian Reserve in Ontario, Canada. He is well-known for his role as Tonto on the old Lone Ranger television series.