

Editorial Section

Just a Small Sad Dream

Note: Calvin Shillal wrote this originally as an essay for Mr. Dashney's creative writing class.

It does not come very often—only in my quiet and peaceful moments.

I think of the day when I have to leave Chemawa Indian School. I go back over all the times I have spent here in the past—some good, some bad—but tomorrow always brought new and different happenings, and once in a while a new friend to share my thoughts with.

I think that is what I hate losing most of all—my friends.

It seems like a person never rea-

lizes how much a friend means to him until he has to face the moment of saying goodbye to him or her. It's possible that now and then your paths may cross.

But then who knows? You may never meet again.

Sometimes this thought clouds my mind for days on end. It is at this time that I think of tomorrow and all the new paths I will travel.

Then—just like that—the cloud is gone with the free and never-ending wind.

But the power of this future thought only lasts so long, until I feel that same small but sad thought returning to my mind once again.

Trains Don't Like These Things

Somebody here "rocked" a south-freight at 12:55 am February 3, according to R. F. Emmons, an investigator for the Southern Pacific Railroad Police.

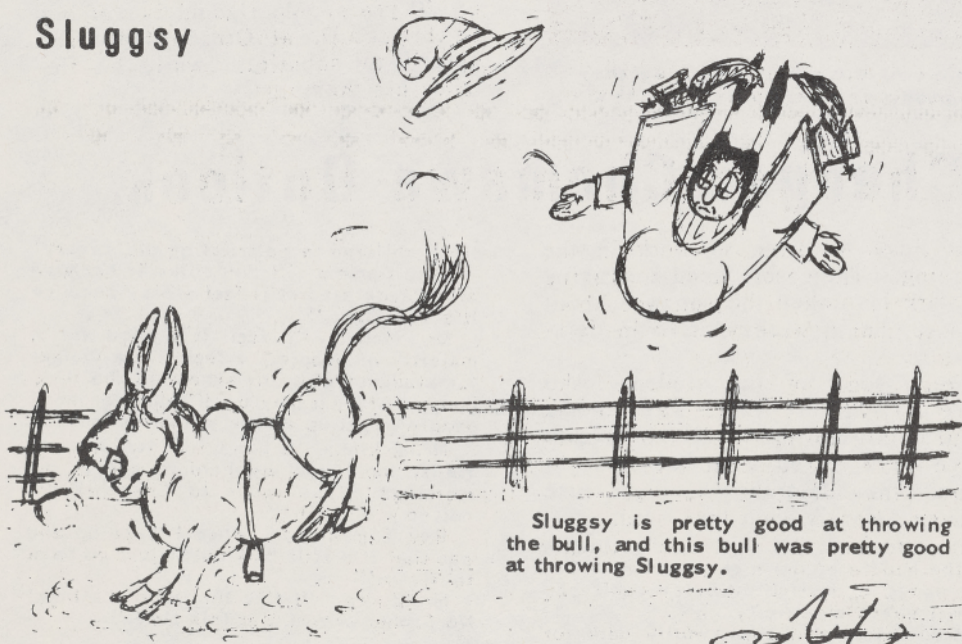
Emmons said that a rock "about the size of a man's fist" broke both panes in a double window on the caboose, but did not penetrate. Had it gone completely through, Emmons added, someone could have been seriously injured or even killed.

Rocking the trains is nothing new around here, and Chemawa students are not the only offenders. Emmons said that Southern Pacific has re-

ceived an average of one or two complaints of rockings per year at or near Chemawa for the past ten years or so. Other incidents have occurred in Portland, Salem and Eugene.

If the incidents continue, Emmons said, the railroad will begin patrolling the tracks during the times trains are scheduled to pass through. Anyone caught just throwing rocks at a train can be charged with criminal mischief and recklessly endangering the life of another. And if the rock hits and hurts someone, the charges can get a lot more serious.

Sluggsy



Sluggsy is pretty good at throwing the bull, and this bull was pretty good at throwing Sluggsy.



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by Ed Lonefight
Chemawa
Superintendent

I wish to commend the staff and students who helped in the various activities to commemorate our 94th year. I would especially like to commend our Principal, Mr. Choctaw Smith, for serving as coordinator, Mr. Mannenbach for coordinating the accommodations for the students from Pashal Sherman and Yakima, Mrs.

Grape and NICE Club for coordinating the Indian Pow Wow, Mr. Ponti for coordinating the Rodeo, Mr. Douglas for coordinating the birthday cake activities, and also Mr. Roger Adams, Student Council President, for coordinating the Rock Dance. I know there were many more staff and students who helped. I commend all staff and students for the manner in which they all pitched in when needed.

We are always looking for ways to make Chemawa responsive to the needs of our students. Recently, we have started an all senior boys dormitory in Mitchell Hall, providing the senior boys with the opportunity of being responsible for some of the decision making and implementation of procedures on student code of

I have visited several Indian communities in the Northwest. I hope to visit Yakima area, Northern Idaho area, Colville area, and the Western Washington area before the school year is over.

The Architects have completed the first phase of their design of our new facilities. They will be working on the second phase which includes structural engineering.

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