

Our Twenty-second Birthday.

Tuesday February 25th, was the twenty-second anniversary of the Salem Indian School, Chemawa, Oregon.

Twenty-two years ago Maj. M. C. Williams secured an appropriation from Congress for the erection of a small building 30 x 80 feet, in which were housed 25 young Indians, all eagerly seeking an education. This building was situated at Forest Grove, Oregon.

Somewhat five years after, the school was transferred to its present site and, as was noted by Mr. Brown (one of the 25 who was in quest of an education, and who is our present disciplinarian) it was noted for and prized just like a young straggler until it became the large and magnificent tree that is today, the largest school on the Pacific Coast.

The day was observed by a ball festival in the afternoon and by appropriate exercises in the evening. The band played its usual excellent selections, and Mr. Potter, after making some preliminary remarks and folding the paper when the school received its birthday present, which will appear in another column, introduced Mr. Brown, our old "stand by." A brief history of the growth of the school was given, which was tremendously interesting and interesting to its now many *larges* making room for 200 and more pupils. Mr. Campbell remarked that the first Chemawa Plan could be put in one corner of the Assembly Hall. Miss Brown, our best remarks short on account of the fact that something was "a howling."

After the exercises were over, Mr. Potter was induced by Mr. Campbell to go over to the kitchen to "take a look at the cooking utensils." He was invited to return the kind invitation extended, but persistency on the part of Mr. Campbell, finally got him consent to go.

Imagine his surprise when he entered the millinery to see there a crowd of employees and pupils all waiting for the guest of honor. At first Mr. Potter thought some boys were trying to steal a march on him,

and have a party without his knowledge, but it soon dawned upon him that it was a well planned affair and that he was the victim of a surprise party.

The evening was very pleasantly spent. Refreshments were served, and shortly after the participants retired for the night. All reported a very happy time, and Mr. Potter thanked all for his pleasant surprise. It was an evidence that all were with him in his efforts to build up Chemawa and give it to the best.

Thus ended the twenty-second anniversary of Chemawa. The school is an "old young man," and during the short time of six years, when Mr. Potter first assumed charge, the school has doubled its capacity and is now on its second round. May it succeed in the future as it has in the past.

Senator Mitchell today offered an amendment to the Indian bill, further increasing the number of pupils to be accommodated at the Chemawa School from 200 to 600 and increase the appropriation for this school from \$61,000 to \$100,000. He also proposed that the appropriation for sewers and drainage shall be immediately available. Another amendment appropriates \$200,000 for the erection of a new brick dormitory at Salem to accommodate 250 boys.—Oregonian.

Program of Band Concert, Tuesday February 25, 1902.

1. March.—"The Victor's Return."
Stronach.
 2. Characteristic Polka.—"Fan Tan."
Anthony.
 3. Spanish Waltzes.—"Mercedes."
Gutin.
 4. March.—"Hail to the Spirit of Liberty."
Scott.
 5. Arabian Intermezzo.—Zawack.
Loring.
 6. By Request.—"A Past Waltz."
Anthony.
1. Oom Oolity.—Bartime.
Smith.
 2. March.—"Hospital."
Anthony.