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The pupils look forward to the Industrial talks on Monday night. Whose turn is it next week?

Try and write items that are of some interest. We have a great many readers and we want to make our paper interesting.

In our News Columns under the head of pupils' items, we find an article by one of our girls in reference to the wearing of vests in reply to what was said in the American concerning the wearing of thin waists by some of the girls. That girl or boy is very foolish who will not dress in accordance with the season, and whether it is the girl with the thin waist or the boy who will not listen to the admonition to wear his vest, they can be classed, the one as being vain and too fastidious in her taste for her health, and the other as too slovenly and careless to care for himself. We hope that all Chemawa pupils will take that care of themselves that they should and follow the adage "Self preservation is the first law of Nature."

We notice one peculiarity about President Roosevelt's message, which has just been submitted to Congress for its information and consideration in that it

has no reference to the American Indian. This is a compliment to the Native Americans, as it demonstrates that there is nothing special to call to the attention of Congress concerning them which needs regulation or the passage of laws regulating their conduct and affairs. For this is the first time that Congress has opened since the establishment of the government within the past century that some reference has not been made to the Indian in a Presidential Message.

In the December number of *Munsey* we see an article on Foot-Ball Heroes of yesterday, by Ralph D. Paine, giving the great players of College teams who have "made good" in later life—a long list of successful Americans may be drawn from the names of those who once battled for College fame on the Gridiron. In the article we find the following: "The Carlisle Indian School had turned out a remarkably able lot of foot-ball players, among whom the name of Metoxen still shines supreme. It is know to the credit of this Red athlete and his race that he has refused large offers of money to play with white mens' teams since graduation. He is living the life of an honest Wisconsin farmer and plays foot-ball only with his fellow Indians for the love of the sport".

The above gives our idea of college and school foot-ball and sports. Just as soon as the young man, be he red or white, becomes professional or semi-professional in his ideas concerning the sport, just that soon is the idea of school athletics perverted.