

## ELSEWHERE

Mr. Beck has the first three companies of boys completely uniformed now according to the new pattern.—Native American.

The lower house of the Oklahoma legislature last week passed a measure prohibiting the smoking of cigarettes in the state and providing for the infliction of a penalty of not less than \$5 or more than \$25 for each separate offense.—Native American.

We are always glad to see the Weekly Chemawa American from the Chemawa Indian Training School (Oregon).—High School Bell, San Jose, Calif.

A conference of persons interested in opening the Standing Rock reservation in North Dakota, to settlement and entry was held at the Indian office late yesterday, as a result of which it is probable that Representative Marshall of North Dakota will shortly introduce a bill on that subject. Probably the bill will be modeled on other measures of a similar character which have become laws, leaving the president to designate the manner in which to dispose of the land.—Weekly Review.

The Grand Junction Reveille on one page longs for weather that would give them ice for skating and snow for sleighing and on another page, presents a nice picture of boys "cutting ice for the school's summer use," which is apparently 18 or 20 inches thick. Either the weather changed between the printing of the different pages, or it requires thicker ice for skating in Colorado than in South Dakota.—Weekly Review.

Many do not like the Commercial Department, but if they do not, it is mostly their own fault—for they do not work with a will, but simply because they think they must.—Parker Papyrus.

The annual valentine party at Sherman was given on Friday evening. Every student received one or more valentines, and a delightful evening was spent. The occupants of the Teepee and Wigwam received their valentines through the school post-office.—Sherman Bulletin.

Miss A. C. Egan, the new superintendent of the Yuma Indian school, holds a session of court regularly every morning and deals rigorous justice to the Yumas who have fallen by the wayside. She gives them jail sentences of from three days to a week and keeps them hard at work building fences and cleaning the camp while doing their time. Miss Egan has succeeded in breaking up a malicious practice sometimes resorted to by a few members of the tribe. Two Indians testified to buying whiskey from a Mexican in order to get a trip to San Diego to appear as witnesses in court. The Mexican accused was found to be innocent and the Indians responsible for his arrest were given a scare which will make them tremble to reappear in Miss Egan's court.—Ex.

Preparations are being made for track work. At a meeting of the athletic association held February 18, Arthur Wilson was elected track manager. Altho it is still early in the season, there is prospects of a good track team for the season of '08.—The Crescent.

James Big Heart, former chief of the Osage Indians, who it is claimed, was the richest Indian in the United States, is dead of paralysis at his home near Big Heart, in the Osage Reservation. Big Heart was born in Henry County, Missouri, sixty-seven years ago. With forty other Osages he volunteered in a company of Kansas cavalry and participated in several battles of the Civil War.—The New Era.