

OUR WOODBURN GAME.

The basketball game last week between Chemawa and Woodburn, at Woodburn, resulted in our defeat by a 17 to 7 score. The game was fast and exciting at times, considering the size of the gymnasium and unfavorable circumstances which greatly handicapped our team. There was but little team work displayed on either side, which was due to the lack of room. Woodburn's big fellows were inclined to use the "hit-em-low" system at times, but Wilson and Wiggins soon put a stop to the roughness.

Two twenty-minute halves were played; the first half ended by the score 6 to 5 to Woodburn's credit. During the intermission the lights went out for some mysterious reason, and did not appear until Woodburn had taken a "rub down," nap and had thoroughly rested while Chemawa stood around in the corners and froze stiff. At the sound of the whistle Woodburn was right in the game and threw several baskets before Chemawa had time to limber and warm up. Darnell, Wilson and Wiggins played the game for Chemawa. Fisher was the star player for Woodburn. Sortor and Clark made some fine throws, scoring the field points. Wiggins threw for fouls, hitting 3 out of 6. J. M. Teabo refereed the game and Dennis Harnden was the time-keeper.

MODOCS RETURN TO OREGON.

A late dispatch says: After a weary wait of more than a third of a century, Captain Jack's band of Modoc Indians are about to be permitted to return to their old homes in the land of the setting sun. Following their disastrous warfare on the white settlers in Oregon in 1874, these Indians were exiled to Indian Ter-

ritory, where they were placed upon the Quapaw Reservation. At that time there were 271 of them, but before a year had elapsed the number was reduced to 157. By 1877 there were not more than 112, and at the present time there are only 49. In a report recently made to the Senate by Senator Curtis, of Kansas, himself an Indian, he says:

"This rapid decrease seems to be the result of mental anxiety caused by their enforced separation from family and friends."

Senator Curtis' report recommends the Senate passage of a bill, which has already received the approval of the House, and which authorizes the return of these aborigines to their former homes in the Klamath Reservation in Oregon, where an allotment of land is now going on, and in which they would be enabled to participate if there.

Senate Curtis says in his report that the Modocs, notwithstanding their record of '07 are extraordinarily good workers. He also says there are no drunkards among them, and that they are "careful and economical." It is quite probable that the bill will pass the Senate.

PROPOSALS FOR WOOD.

United States Indian School.

Chemawa, Oregon, February 5, 1909.

PROPOSALS FOR WOOD. Sealed proposals, plainly marked on the outside of the envelope "Proposals for Wood," and addressed to the undersigned at Chemawa, Oregon, will be received at the Indian School until 3 o'clock P. M., Saturday, February, 27, 1909, for furnishing and delivering as required during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1909, 1000 cords of wood, as per specifications, obtainable at school. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids or any part of a bid, if deemed for the best interest of the Service. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check or draft on some United States depository or solvent National bank, made payable to the order of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs for at least 5 per cent of the bid, which check or draft shall be forfeited to the United States in case a bidder receiving an award shall fail to execute promptly a satisfactory contract in accordance with his bid, otherwise to be returned to the bidder. Bids accompanied by cash in lieu of certified check will not be considered. For further information apply to

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