

— MOUTHPIECE of the NEHALEM VALLEY —

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Accomplishments of Vernonia High

The high school is presenting tonight the first plays of the season, and it seems especially fitting that at this time plays of the character presented should be given, since the holiday vacations begin today and extend over until the new year.

Our young thespians are presenting an unusual entertainment in that they are using three classics of one act each instead of the usual three act comedy of indifferent standing. The first one is a tragedy of the north coast of Ireland's fisher folk as written by Synge. It delineates the life, home, costumes and quaint language of these peculiar people of stern character, superstitious natures and mental limitations. The second, *The Making of Dreams*, is a phantasy on that phase of life where the attempt to selfishly sip the sweets of mere existence, proves a failure that can only change to success when into our lives is brought the dream of love. Milne's comedy, *Wurzel-Flummery*, is a humorous fling at English arrogance coupled with the Englishman's love of wealth and his measures of excuses for justifying his acts. The instrument, Dennis, centralizes the thought at the fall of the curtain when the hoax is complete by saying: "My Uncle He Knew! He Knew!"

New stage scenery has been constructed, the high school orchestra has completed its repertoire and all is in readiness for a pre holiday event with our high school. Let's go.

LODGE DOINGS

The Vernonia Grange recently elected the following officers for the coming year:

- Master—A. L. Parker.
- Overseer—S. V. Malmsten.
- Lecturer—Otis Laramore.
- Steward—Eddie Condit.
- Assistant Steward—Roy Tucker.
- Chaplain—Mrs. Spencer.
- Treasurer—A. M. Parker.
- Secretary—Mrs. S. V. Malmsten.
- Gate Keeper—Louis Siegert.
- Ceres—Gladys Malmsten.
- Pomona—Beneta Parker.
- Flora—Ellen Enstrom.
- Lady Assistant Steward—Mrs. A. L. Parker.
- Trustee for three years—Mr. Siegert.

Thanks for the many words of congratulations on the Eagle's Christmas number of last week. Many of our citizens made special visits to our office to tell us it was a grand paper for a city of Vernonia's size. Many hundreds were mailed out, all over Oregon, and to nearly every state in the Union.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

On Monday night Harding Lodge Knights of Hythias met to put on some Degree work and to elect officers. The Loyal Avon Lodge, St. Helens, was represented by two car loads of visitors, and they put on work in their usual perfect manner. The lodge hall was comfortable filled with devote Pythians. After the meeting a lunch was served at the "Brown Beanery".

Public Installation Coming

The I. O. O. F. Lodge met Tuesday night with a goodly number present. The Odd Fellows all good fellows, are planning for their Public Installation on Dec. 9th. Vernonia Odd Fellows will soon require a larger hall to properly put on their work.

Portland, Oregon
Dec. 17, 1923.

Dear Mr. Robinson:

It was with real surprise and pleasure that we looked over the Special Edition of the Vernonia Eagle.

Please accept my sincere congratulations for the splendid way in which you have described Vernonia and the surrounding country to the people at large.

The writer has had some experience along this line and can fully appreciate the amount of real work and planning that an edition of this kind calls for in covering the territory as thorough as you have.

I would appreciate it very much if you could send us some extra copies of this issue, if you have them, for which I enclose my check.

Thanking you and wishing you the best of success, I am,

Very truly yours,
Carl H. Johnston
Johnston-Hartlieb Co.

New Doctor in Vernonia

Dr. I. A. Dunlap of Walla Walla has moved to Vernonia to engage in the practice of medicine and surgery. Dr. Dunlap was Medical Superintendent of the Walla Walla Sanitarium 10 years and comes well recommended. He has secured offices over Hoffmann's Hardware Store.

Vernonia has an exclusive territory of 30 miles in every direction. That is one of the many good points for the city.

ALL WELCOME TO THE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

A Christmas Entertainment and tree will be given at the Grade School Assembly Sunday eve, Dec. 23, at 7.30 by the Christian Sunday School. A generous treat is being prepared for all children. Joy to the World—Audience. Come Rejoicing, the Seniors and Intermediate. Welcome, by Ruby Howell. Just a Little Baby, Primary. Recitation, Edna Omens. Solo, Mrs. Arnold. Christmas Signal, Harold Heeman. Our Two Countries, Ruth Peterson and Elda Hale. Recitation, Mignon DePue. Solo, Mildred Oxley. A Small Speech, James Brown. Duet, Mr. and Mrs. North. The Shepherds Dr. H. 9 Intermediate girls. Exercise "Where Christ Child Lay", 5 Primary Children. Recitation, Robert Cline. Come Rejoicing, Chorus. Recitation, Anna Rea Webster. Pantomime 3 Senior Girls. Mixed Quartet, Adults. Reason Why, Junior Girls. The Christmas Quarter-master, 11 Boy Scouts. Benediction.

Let us not forget the lonely and unfortunate at the happy Christmas time, a box to receive groceries, canned fruit, vegetables or any donations will be placed at the door for the Boys and Girls Aid Society, as appeals for any useful donations have come to us from that institution. Anyone wishing to give may place the articles in the box as you enter the rear door of the Assembly Hall. Come enjoy Christmas with the children.

CITY COUNCIL MEETS NEW MEMBER CHOSEN

A large delegation of citizens attended the special Council meeting Monday night. The regular routine of work was gone over, a petition was presented from the Grange in line with the state law regulating the dance attendance where it concerns girls under 18 attending without a guardian or parent. Call for special election was prepared to vote on Charter amendment. To fill a vacancy in the Council, Paul Robinson, Editor of the Eagle, was appointed Councilman. The City Council of Vernonia has a big job in a big growing city. Much is to be done with little money to do it. The most important of accomplishments is "Harmony" and the rest will follow. The new Councilmen are seemingly unanimous in this opinion.

Catholic Services For Christmas Day

Services on Christmas Day at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Vernonia, will be as follows: Christmas Mass at 6:30 a. m. Sermon on "The Humility of the Son of God—the Pomp of Ignorant Man." Sacrament of Peace at 5:30 in the morning before the Mass. The church will be decorated suitably. The public is always welcome.

Jas. P. Clancy, Pastor

Party taking truck wheel from first house south of Bank of Vernonia, please return same and oblige.

RECEIVES CHARTER

The K. K. K. order in Vernonia received their Charter last Friday night. 150 members heard the reading of the new charter for Vernonia Klan No. 30. New officers were installed by Kleagle Hogstratt, after which a banquet was served in the Grange Hall.

CONDITIONS OF THE NEHALEM TELEPHONE CO.

The present condition of our line will be in no better shape until there is some change made. Under our present system the directors are too easy. They are afraid they will get a neighbor sore by asking for his dues or rent. There are some as far behind with rent as two years, but still expect service. They all mean well, no doubt, but are careless about paying up.

If all were compelled to keep paid up at least three months in advance, there wouldn't be any call for such service as we have been having the last two months. There would be money to pay a good linesman to go over the line occasionally, pay our interest, etc. As it is now our secretary has paid out money out of his own pocket to keep the company out of trouble. The directors shouldn't allow this to be imposed on a secretary because he is good natured and won't complain. I think it would be much better for all to pay up and take a new start. For my part I think we would get better service to sell the line to some individual. Our rent might be a little higher, but we, no doubt, would get better service and I am sure there wouldn't be any of us so far behind with dues as our secretary's books show now.

I would like to see all stockholders present at our next annual meeting and thresh out the above problem. Yours for better service,
F. B. WARFIELD.

Job printing of any description done at the Eagle office.

Evangelical Church

Notes of Interest

Rev. Cisna wishes to thank the people of Vernonia who have been so kind to him and assisted in the meetings. He has been an inspiration to us. He may come again. On account of the Christmas program and the entertainment in the high school we closed the meetings Sunday night. The church has taken on new life and movements within the church and community.

The Christmas sermon will be delivered on Sunday morning by the pastor. On Sunday evening there will be the annual Christmas entertainment in the church. A good program is being prepared. The Sunday school meets at the usual hour. All the friends are welcome to the services.

The classes in religious training will meet at the usual hour and the accustomed places. Next Sunday night an announcement will be made when the orchestra and band will rehearse. All players of instruments and those wishing to learn are asked to meet the band master Sunday night or any time during the week.

Catholic Services

Mass and Sermon on the third Sunday of each month, at 11:30 a. m. Week day communion Mass to be announced. Jos. P. Clancy, Pastor.

ATTENTION, ADVERTISERS

Want you to come in and look over our new cuts for January advertising. We have just received the "Cut and Copy Service" for the new month and it beats the previous ones. January clearance sales are in order, invoicing sales, etc. These splendid cuts will help you and the written ads will give many valuable helps and suggestions.

LAST MINUTE SUGGESTIONS

For the last minute shoppers, we offer a few Gift Suggestions—that we may help you in solving a few of your gift problems—Come in, let us help you

To everyone in this community A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year	FOR HIM	FOR HER	Thermos Bottles for
	Purses, Bill Books, Razors, Flash Lights, Shaving Sets, Brushes, Cigars Books, Fountain Pens	Photo Album, Perfume, Stationery, French Ivory Toilet Ware. Perfume in Gift Packages 50c up	\$1.69 Lunch Kits with bottle \$3.39

Christmas Cards
Crepe Paper
Gift Dressings

DOLLS! TOYS!

We still have a large stock to pick from—See them

Tree Decorations
Tinsel—Garlands
Glass Goods and
Red Bells

Merry Christmas

Vernonia Drug Co.

"The Store With The Christmas Spirit!"

Merry Christmas

THE CHRISTMAS STORE

Start the New Year With a Savings Account

You have already planned to be a neat little sum ahead by this time next year haven't you? But have you your savings account yet? That is the tool you must do the work with.

Come into the Bank of Vernonia and make a small deposit—the dollar you have in your pocket will do—and the account is opened and ready to go to work. Do it while you are thinking of it—then it will serve to remind you during the year that there's saving to be done.

BANK of VERNONIA
Vernonia, Oregon

