

# THE TIMBER LINE

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## High School Will Send Delegates to O. A. C. Conference February 17-18

(By Clarence Wardle)  
The student body will soon choose several delegates to represent Vernonia high school at the O. A. C. conference February 17 and 18. This annual educational affair is held to give high school students a practical idea of college courses.

The faculty has one representative who goes with the students, who are enrolled and sent to fraternities and sorority houses in which they are guests until the conference ends.

The student hears some well known speakers and is instructed in the problem of choosing a vocation. All who attend are expected to take notes and report the whole conference to the other students.

## Senior Class Holds Mid-winter Party

(By Clarence Wardle)  
The senior class held their mid-winter party at the residence of Mr. Strong Saturday night. The shortage of girls in the class caused some of the under-class girls to be invited. The music was through the courtesy of Mac's Pharmacy in the new combination music by phonograph and radio.

Mr. and Mrs. K. A. McNeill were host and hostess. Everyone enjoyed the dance, and thought it was winter, the ice cream was excellent. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Strong, Mr. and Mrs. K. A. McNeill, Edna Strong, Helen Hieber, Myrna Poynter, Charlotte Green,

Frances Lappe, Betty Culver, Phoebe Greenman, Gilbert Bergerson, Ralph Peck, Norman Green, Ward Gooding, Donald Hodges, Morris Bennett, and Clarence Wardle.

### St. Helens Wins Again

The St. Helens quintet won from Scappoose at St. Helens Friday night 37 to 30. St. Helens lead at half time 26 to 16. The Scappoose girls defeated the St. Helens girls 16 to 9.

| Team       | W | L | Per  |
|------------|---|---|------|
| St. Helens | 3 | 0 | 1000 |
| Vernonia   | 2 | 1 | 667  |
| Rainier    | 1 | 1 | 500  |
| Clatskanie | 0 | 2 | 000  |
| Scappoose  | 0 | 2 | 000  |

### Senior Honor Students Chosen

The honor students for the last semester in the senior class are as follows: Anna Aamodt, Ruth Carmichael, Leatha Tousley, and Ralph Peck.

### Metal For Best Essay

There will be a medal given this year for the best essay on "The Life of Lincoln." This year there will be only one medal given and that will be to one of the members of the senior class.

### Junior News

(By Frances Lappe)  
LaVelle Gosa and Thelma Spencer, junior girls, spoke at the theatre Monday night, January 24 on "The Value of Motion Pictures" and "The Value of a High School Education." The juniors have ordered some play books in preparation for the yearly "Junior Vaudeville."

## Vernonia Gleans Much Needed Victory From Rainier 26 to 24

(By Clarence Wardle)  
The local team beat Rainier in the high school gymnasium here Friday 26 to 24 in a fast contest. With one of Vernonia's fast players out of the game, the team was considered fortunate in keeping a winning margin of points chalked up during the game.

Vernonia made the first points and at the end of the first half lead 13 to 10. Rainier rallied in the second half and brought the score up to 19 to 24 at the end of the third quarter. A hard checking game was played by both sides then, and Vernonia only made one basket in the last quarter, which gave them just two more points than their opponents at the end of the game.

The next game will be played with Hill Military academy in Portland Friday in the coliseum.

### To Select Class Play

A committee of three, Clarence Wardle, Louise Simmons and Aletha Tousley, has been appointed to select a play for the senior class. As soon as the play is selected and the books arrive, they will start working on it at once.

### Diplomas Chosen

The seniors met Thursday afternoon to choose their diplomas. They chose a small booklet style. It will be in their class colors—coral and silver. Their motto, "Build for Character and Not Fame," will be placed on the front page of the diploma.

### Enjoy Theatre Party

The high school Campfire girls had a theatre party Wednesday evening and enjoyed it immensely. Immediately after the show the group adjourned to a confectionery and there partook of light refreshments.

### Senior Class Roll

(By Della Cline)  
The senior class roll is composed of the following pupils: Charles Gilbert Bergerson, Allan C. Ray, Norman H. Green, Dale McDaniel, Mary Louise Simmons, James M. Currie, Donald M. Hodges, Leatha E. Tousley, Myrna M. Poynter, Nora E. Siedelman, Ida Mae Hawkins, Edward A. Roles, Phyllis E. Nelson, Ruth L. Carmichael, Clarence J. Wardle, Anna Aamodt, Shelby C. Cook, Ward L. Gooding, Ralph W. Peck, Edna Malvina Strong, Edna May Carrick, Veldon A. Parker, Helen Hieber, Dorothy Wallace.

### Students Give Talks

The following students gave five minute talks during the fifteen minute periods Monday and Tuesday afternoon.

Marjorie Kelly, "Early Governors of Oregon"; Violet Phelps, "Woodrow Wilson as president"; Merle Mills, "What is an American?"; Charlotte Green, "Lindberg"; Dorothy Holtham, "American Inventions"; Zelma New, "Ideals of Girls"; Leonard Hall, "Forest Conservation."

This period will be given for speeches for the remaining days of this week.

These speeches not only prove interesting, but very helpful to the students who participate in them.

### Civics Booklets Judged

The Civics booklets which were written by the civics pupils have been judged and first, second, and third prizes have been awarded.

Ralph Peck received first prize; Ethel Tousley, second prize; and Phyllis Nelson, third prize.

Mr. Wilkerson reported that the books, as a whole, were well written and very interesting.

### French Grammar Finished

The second year French class finished the regular french grammar last semester. The work in it has been mostly the study of irregular French verbs, and much time has been spent on the drill or these verbs.

This semester the students will spend their time in reading French books and in learning and acting out French plays. The books being read are some of the best short stories to be obtained, and they prove very instructive and interesting.

The French plays give the students practice in pronunciation, as well as "pep" to the regular study.

### Object to Attempt to Force Private Stage Line Out of Business

A matter that the public alone can decide, is to be faced in Oregon, in the very near future.

The railroad companies are entering the field of motor bus transportation and it has reached a point for the general public to make a definite decision whether exclusive patronage should not be extended to the pioneer, privately-owned stage lines, that they may continue in business—or whether support of the new corporation controlled lines shall assist them in putting their local competitors out of business.

The railroads are not entering this field through philanthropic promptings—to improve service and reduce rates. It is, obviously, a matter of securing absolute control of transportation facilities by the process of elimination until they may dictate quality of service, schedules that are most economical to maintain and rates that insure an ample profit.

The Motor coach problem is one that should be food for thought right now on the part of the traveling public.—Subscriber.

### Wants Athletic Organization

To the Editor: I would like to create interest among the young men of Vernonia in an athletic organization. As the situation is now, the young men not in school or through with school have no place of recreation other than the streets or the pool halls, both places being of no physical or mental benefit.

We need a hall or room where we can go in the evenings for social and physical development. What I have in mind is an athletic organization where we can box, wrestle, play sports and otherwise get physical development.

Not only would it help us but it would help the community; raise the moral standard of its youths and make them better citizens.

If we could get a start we could

make such an organization self supporting by giving smokers and contests. Maybe some day the Y. M. C. A. or some other organization will come to this city, but we do not want it now. We want an organization that is Vernonian, so that we will have the say and we will reap the benefits.

Neither would it be advisable for some lodge to sponsor it. We want it strictly neutral with no obligations to anything or creed other than the rules of right conduct. What we need is the people of Vernonia to give us a start and I am sure we can make it a success.

Respectfully yours,  
John Wardle.

## Dairymen Will Gather To Hear Funds Report

When Oregon dairymen meet for their 35th annual association meeting at Fairview February 1 and 2, they are to put on a program that is in reality a report on results obtained or in prospect from use of special investigational funds.

These were appropriated by the legislature since 1919 for use by the Oregon Experiment station on dairy problems.

The meeting this year is combined with the Multnomah county breeders school under the auspices of the state college extension service. By holding the two together a program of interest to all dairymen is possible and a large attendance of milk producers around Portland is assured, says J. Lusher, Gresham, president.

Remarkable progress has been made possible by the special funds, reports P. M. Brandt, secretary of the association. Through knowledge thus obtained the college her has been freed from abortion, and other herds have had the method applied with such apparent success that the livestock sanitary board is considering a plan of putting it into effect throughout the state.

Problems of sterility, nutrition, use of minerals, and pasture utilization and values are being studied now with progressive results. These have a prominent place of the convention program which follows in

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