



## NEWS OF THE WASHINGTON ROCK CLIMBERS

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### Annual Meeting

Business and pleasure were thoroly intermingled at the Washington Rock Climbers Annual Meeting, held at the Hendricks home in Silver Spring, Maryland, on Friday, December 9. The pleasure part comprised three movies in color, one sent us by Rick Leonard, the other two shown by Orrin H. Bonney. The Leonard pictures were of our own climbers at such famed local hangouts as Herzog Island, Echo Cliffs, and Carderock and showed many of our most favorite climbs, altho at times from unexpected angles, and at least once completely reversed. Mr. Bonney's first film depicted a trip into the Wind River Range of Wyoming for the purpose of making first ascents of the Titcomb Needles, of which several were climbed. The group of five men and two horses had picturesque and thrilling adventures amid the most typically Alpine scenery to be found on this continent. His second film, "A Rock Climber's Nightmare" was a collection of horrendous stunts calculated to make the hair rise--prodigious feats of daring, rappelling up the rope at top speed, glissading backwards, and other photographic marvels.

Sandwiched between the movies the business of the Club was carried on. The rank disregard of the Club in the past of its own constitution and by-laws was discussed, and it was agreed that the general informality prevailing regarding Club affairs would continue and that the rules would continue to be disregarded without bothering to do anything officially to remedy them. The subject of dues was briefly taken up, and it was decided that Club activities in the field of movies and other equipment warranted continuance of the annual fee of 50 cents from each member. It was declared unnecessary that the President of the Club be also a member of the Potomac Appalachian Trail Club, and Herb Conn was elected President. He appointed Jo Bradt Secretary and Dolores Alley to continue as Treasurer (in spite of the questions voiced on all sides as to just how come the