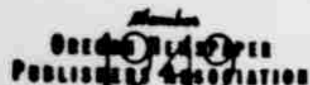


# EDITORIAL



## "Referee Carries The Ball"

Many types of house organs reach the editor's desk in the course of a week, all of them having some merit, even if just plain propaganda. One small house organ having a definite objective is called "Vanguard" and is published by the Transportation Association of America. While it is published in defense of the transportation industry, what it had to say in the December issue is of great importance to every American. It was headed "Referee Carries the Ball!" and this is the way the subject was handled:

"Imagine such a headline out of the Rose Bowl on New Year's day. Two great teams are battling it out, a tremendous crowd is cheering. 'May the best team win.'"

And suddenly the referee grabs the ball and runs for the goal line—becomes the star ball carrier of the day.

**YOUR UNCLE DOES IT!** We set up a great system of government to keep the game clean—to lay down the rules and enforce them between competitors, between groups, between areas. But Uncle Sam is fast becoming a "Playing Referee."

Examples:  
He has more money invested in transportation than all the transportation companies. He buys into the utility business, the automobile business, the egg business—and lots of others—with his money and his deals.

**THREATS TO FREEDOM.** Freedom breaks down when terms eat away at its foundations a little here, a little there—which is happening day after day.

Freedom breaks down when we go crying to government to solve every problem affecting our business or welfare—which too many of us do.

Freedom breaks down when we let the total tax load take 30 per cent of national income—which it does.

**THE FREEDOM DINNER.** We discussed such matters at a great Freedom Dinner in Chicago the other day—1,400 business men, farmers, bankers, doctors, workers. It was the first of many freedom dinners we propose to have around the country. Because we propose to put the referee back on the sidelines—and keep transportation and all enterprise out of government grasp.

## Our Economical Administration

President Truman's address on the state of the nation makes the resume of administration spend-

ing from Washington's time to the present, as compiled by the Reader's Digest, apropos at this time. It simply shows the amounts of money spent by each of the Presidents from the beginning of the nation up to September 30, 1949.

In the early days, Federal spending amounted to peanuts compared with modern standards. Washington and Adams each spent a little more than \$34,000,000. Lincoln had a war on his hands, yet his budgets totaled only \$3,252,000,000. Thereafter, expenses went down again. McKinley for instance, spent just over \$2,000,000,000.

The first really big budget came with the first world war and the Wilson administration—nearly \$17,000,000,000. Again expenses dropped, with Coolidge and Hoover together spending around \$34,000,000,000.

Then came the depression, President Roosevelt and the New Deal. During his first eight years in office Mr. Roosevelt's administration cost some \$67,500,000,000. The grand total for all the Presidents through 1949 was \$179,620,000,000. And that total, it must be remembered, covers more than 150 years of our history.

Reader's Digest leaves out the extraordinary expenditures of the World War II years—1941-45. It then lists President Truman's spending from the 1946 fiscal year to the end of September, 1949. It adds up to over \$191,000,000,000—nearly \$12,000,000,000 more than all his 32 predecessors spent except for the 1941-1945 period.

Here is a revealing picture of the way the nation has gone. It is true that conditions have changed over the years. But it is also true that the government has expanded in every direction to a point far greater than most of us realize. Mr. Truman is now a symbol of that expansion, but he is not the major cause. Pressure groups of every kind have grown infinitely more adept and powerful, and officeholders of both parties have fallen into line. The results are our huge budgets, with recurring Federal deficits in spite of those budgets.

A noteworthy development is the concern over our fiscal affairs which is being expressed by people who are not conservatives. Speaking of taxes and deficits, Dorothy Thompson says, "This appalling discrepancy between what is spent and what is raised occurs when the national income is near the highest in history! It is an absolutely reckless example of the spirit of 'after us the deluge.'" A great deal more pressure to cut the cost of government may be expected in the future than in the past.

## Funeral Services Held Thursday For Kenny Kristensen

By Mrs. Flossie Coats

The funeral of Kenneth (Buddy) Kristensen was held at the Boardman Community church Thursday afternoon with the Rev. Chas. Hawley and the Rev. Chas. Eble of Umatilla officiating. Pallbearers were young high school boys, Stanley Shattuck, Michael Casidy, Donald Gillespie, Kenneth Earwood, Delmar Hug and Franklin Bail. Bill Thompson sang "My Buddy", a quartet of high school girls, Grace Miller, Mary Ann Rands, Marion Pearson and Shirley Peck sang two numbers with Mrs. Fred Smith at the piano.

Kenneth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Neis Kristensen was born June 20, 1932 and has spent his entire life at home on the project, passing away January 1 in St. Anthony hospital in Pendleton. Buddy was stricken at the age of four with paralysis. Through all the years of being an invalid he was happy and smiling. Besides his parents he leaves one sister, Mrs. Morris Trarbaugh. Relatives here for the funeral from out of town were Mrs. Anna Smith, Cheyenne, Wyo., Mrs. J. W. Thomas, Lemoore, Cal., both sisters of Mrs. Kristensen, also Mrs. Max Vannoy and Virginia Selber, Seattle, nieces of Mr. Kristensen. Delbert Tyler of Portland was also here for the funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dotson of Roseburg were guests last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Ely. The ladies are sisters.

Boardman Yellow Jackets basketball team motored to Pendleton Friday evening and played the St. Joseph five. Our A team lost by a score 38-40, and the B string won 16-6. Saturday the Jackets motored to The Dalles where they played The Dalles high school and our A squad won 39-32, and B team losing 25-51. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Anderreg motored to Portland Wednesday returning home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Skoubo, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Skoubo and son Dicky were dinner guests Monday evening at the Elvin Ely home.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jobe of Heppner spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Nickerson.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Ransler of La Grande spent last week with his mother Mrs. Nora Ransler.

Bill Barratt of Heppner was an overnight guest Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Skoubo.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harwood motored to Pendleton Saturday. Morrow County Pomona met in regular session at the Boardman grange hall Saturday with Mas-

ter Clyde Tannehill presiding. Speakers on the Lecturer's hour were Mrs. Donald Heilker, Pomona H.E.C. chairman and Mrs. Mabel Flint, county extension agent. State Deputy and Mrs. Vern Lantz of Madras were present for this meeting. Mrs. Flint announced the evenings of Jan. 19 and 20 as dates for 4H leaders conferences.

Mrs. Eldon Lilly (Maxine Ely) spent the week-end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Ely.

## Lexington Garden Club Calendars Program For 1950

By MRS. DELPHA JONES  
The Lexington Garden club met at the home of Mrs. Lonnie Henderson Tuesday afternoon with 11 members present. The afternoon was spent making a calendar of events for the coming year, after which the building of hotbeds and cold frames was discussed. A new member, Mrs. Vernon Munkers, was taken in. Refreshments of cake and coffee were served by the hostess. The next meeting will be Feb. 14 at the O. W. Cutsforth ranch. The program will be garden picture slides, also care of azaleas will be given by Mrs. Frank Munkers, care of berries by Mrs. Mervin Leonard and planning of garden tours by Mrs. Henderson and Mrs. Jones.

Jimmie Grant, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Grant is much improved and able to be out and around again after an ear infection. He is visiting at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Breeding.

Mrs. Herman Green entertained the Amecilia club at her home Tuesday night. A business meeting was held first, presided over by the new officers, Mrs. Eldon Padberg, president and Mrs. Maurice Groves, secretary. The annual party was discussed after the evening was spent playing pinochle, with prizes going to Mrs. Roger Anderson and Mrs. Eldon Padberg.

Charles Buchanan was released from the Veteran's hospital in Portland and has gone back to his school in Baker.

Miss Ruth Kellogg, sister of Mrs. Joe Feathers, is visiting her sister for a few days. Miss Kellogg returned from New Year's holidays spent in Clackamas. James Kellogg, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Feathers, was baptized Christmas morning at the Clackamas Congregational church by the Rev. Kellogg, grandfather of the youngster.

Installation of officers of the Rebekah lodge was held Thurs-

day night with Mrs. Eldon Padberg, noble grand and Mrs. Kenneth Palmer, vice-grand; past grand, Mrs. Leonard Munkers, secretary, Mrs. Annie Keene and treasurer, Mrs. Lonnie Henderson. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rugg of Hermiton and the Don Heilkers of Ione were dinner guests at the O. W. Cutsforth ranch Tuesday.

Mervin Leonard was sworn in Tuesday night of last week as mayor of Lexington to fill the unexpired term of George N. Peck, deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Messenger entertained the young adult Sunday school class at their home Monday night with a potluck dinner and business meeting. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Mark Rands, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Marquardt, Mr. and Mrs. Don Campbell and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hughes.

Lexington PTA will meet next Tuesday evening at 8 p. m. with C. A. Ruggles of Heppner as guest speaker. Musical numbers will also be on the program. The school auditorium looks much improved after the hanging of the new velvet curtains. These are wine colored with a gold L in the middle of the valance.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Halsey of Walla Walla were guests at the Mervin Leonard home over the week-end.

Gerry Acklen is a guest at the Harry Dinges home. Lexington basket ball team has had several games the past week with the first one being The Dalles A team. The boys lost this game 59-23. The next one was with Dayville which they won 29-26. This was the first game on the floor in the new Dayville gym. Saturday they played Prairie City on the local floor losing 63-24. St. Joseph's

## HEPPNER CHURCH OF CHRIST

Glenn Warner, Minister  
9:45 a. m. Bible school, C. W. Barlow, superintendent.

11:00 a. m. Morning worship and communion service. Sermon theme, "Attitudes Towards Others." Nursery is conducted for the convenience of parents.

7:30 p. m. Evening service. Sermon theme, "Dreams, Dungeons, Diadems."

Tuesday, 4 p. m. Junior Christian Endeavor.

Wednesday, Women's missionary meeting.

Thursday, 7:30 choir practice.

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was played in Pendleton with the boys winning. The grade school won from Heppner Tuesday with a score of 12-11.  
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## PART IN SENIOR PLAY

Robert Jepsen, son of Mr. and

Mrs. Walter Jepsen, Ione, will take part in a senior student's original three act play, a war drama, to be given as a comprehensive at Pacific University the first week in February.

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## 30 YEARS AGO

Heppner Gazette Times January 15, 1920  
The John Day Project received the unanimous endorsement of the Irrigation Congress which met in Portland last week. The project was represented by F. R. Brown, F. A. McMenamin of Heppner, and Col. Emmett Callahan of Boardman. Another meeting has been arranged for February.  
J. H. Cox, the carpenter, has sold his home on Baltimore street to Jack McCullough. W. G. Moore, the sawmill man on Willow creek has bought the lot of Eugene Campbell in the burnt district and expects to erect a home next spring.  
Miss Willetta Barratt entertained the Camp Fire Girls at their ceremonial meeting Saturday evening.  
Recent births: To Mr. and Mrs. Olie Ferguson of Heppner, Dec. 15, a daughter.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ring of Lexington, Dec. 18, a son.  
To Mr. and Mrs. John T. Parker of Lexington, Jan. 3, a daughter.  
To Mr. and Mrs. James M. Stubbfield of Lexington, Jan. 12, a daughter.  
To Mr. and Mrs. William H. Keeler of Lexington, Jan. 13, a daughter.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hunt of Heppner, Jan. 13, a daughter.  
Joseph M. Hayes, local stockman, was elected vice president of the Farmers & Stockgrowers National bank of Heppner at the annual meeting of stockholders.  
Twenty-six inches of snow on Wilson creek, near Heppner, on the Umatilla forest, was reported today by Supervisor W. W. Cryder. No other station has reported recently but it is believed this last storm left new snow over the entire forest.  
The late war brought home to towns, big and little, the value of a good band. Now is the time to get your youngsters interested in a band for Heppner.  
Abert Rim in southeastern Oregon's Lake county is described by geologists as one of the largest exposed faults in the world. Where the earth slipped vertically ages ago, the fault rises 2000 feet above the eastern edge of Abert lake with an 800 foot lava cap which ends in a sheer precipice.

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