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JENSEN, HERMAN LAURITS  
1876-1968

Individual Questionnaire for

Biographical Record of Ministers

of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church (in America) and its parent synods: The United Danish Ev. Luth. Church, The Danish Ev. Luth. Church Association in America and The Danish Ev. Luth. Church in North America.

(Compiled for the Synodical Historical Archives)

Personal Data: (Please give all information you can)

Full name: Herman Laurits Jensen
Born when: March 14<sup>th</sup> 1876 at Naarveeruloise, Sallaw Denmark
Baptized when and where: May 7<sup>th</sup> 1876 at Naarveeruloise,
Confirmed when and where: April 13<sup>th</sup> 1890 by whom: Pastor C. Leth
If immigrant, date of arrival in America: July 1900 located where: Plymouth Co. Iowa
Date of ordination: June 6<sup>th</sup> 1909 where: Elk Horn, Iowa by whom: Rev. G. B. Christensen
If not in above synods, when and where accepted as member pastor of our synod: does not apply
Retired from active ministry when: June, 1946 why: Failing Hearing as Age
Located where: Audubon Iowa occupation: Retired Pastor later 1958
at Salomo's home in Elk Horn, Iowa
If dead, what date: Nov 18, 1968 where: cause: Old Age
Buried where date

Marriage: (1) to whom Marie Helene Juhl date and place: June 16<sup>th</sup> 1909 at Marcus Ia
Wife's birthdate and place: November 28<sup>th</sup> 1883 at Clinton, Iowa
Her parents: Mr. & Mrs. Peter Juhl location: Buried at Marcus, Ia
If wife is dead, give date: Jan 10, 1967 at Hospital, Harlan, Ia
(2) Second wife (if any; give same information about her)

Children (give names and other information of interest, as occupation, spouse, and present address): .....

Victor Julius Jensen, Audubon, Ia.

Anna Elvera Jensen, Mrs. Lafayette F. Allen, Harlan Ia

Clara Cecelia Jensen, Mrs. Clifford Loft, Oquaha, Neb.

Rupert Bernard Jensen, 229 Prospect Ave. West Des Moines Ia.

Gilbert Eugene Jensen, 3930-57<sup>th</sup> St Des Moines Ia

*Gilbert was killed in an auto accident on the way home from his mother's funeral Jan 15 1967*  
Victor's wife: Lorna Emmeline Karsen born January 8<sup>th</sup> 1907 Exira, Ia

Rupert's wife: Enid Mary Kreames born August 5<sup>th</sup> 1922 " "

*both from the Exira vicinity (Gilbert's wife, Anne Carrie Clark born July 11<sup>th</sup> 1931, Ames, Ia.)*

Other information on family of historical interest, i.e., members in the ministry, missionary work, teaching and medical professions, etc.:

Victor and Lorna have no children

Anna & Cliff have one son, Hugh Le Roy

Rupert & Enid have three children two boys and a girl

Clara & Cliff have two boys.

Educational Training: Give name of institution, location, and when attended.

High Schools: .....

Colleges (Give also degrees attained): Attended Davenport College

Theological Schools: Trinity Seminary

Honorary Degrees received (give name of institution and date): .....

Other specific training: .....

Additional comment on above: .....

Ministerial Service. Please give in chronological order the names of congregations or charges served, and period of each.

Served Bethany Danish Lutheran Congregation, <sup>near Kinnballtown Iowa</sup> from June 16<sup>th</sup> 1909 to August 28<sup>th</sup> 1932.

Was installed in Hamlin and Elinor Congregation September 4<sup>th</sup> 1932. by Rev. M. G. Christensen

Served this field to June 1946 when I retired from active service.

REV. P. C. JENSEN  
STATISTICIAN & HISTORIAN  
UNITED BY LUTHERAN CHURCH  
OF AMERICA

NOTE: Our previous biographical records were lost in the fire that destroyed the office building at the Lutheran Home, Lincoln, Nebraska, in 1955. Your information is most valuable and we are most grateful for it. If you can refer us to any person, book or paper that can inform us further, we shall be very much obliged to you. If you can refer us to any person, book or paper that can inform us further, we shall be very much obliged to you. Please fill in what you can, perhaps with the assistance of others acquainted with subject. We assure all cooperation in gathering this historically important data will be highly appreciated.

Offices held in Synod and Districts, and when:

Served Synod as Auditor about 20 years - (1911 to 1930)  
and Iowa District as Secretary 10 years (1926 to 1936)  
Secretary of Pension Board 1930 to 1933

Other activities and official services-at-large (teaching, chaplain, etc.)

Literary products

Parents: Father (give name, birthplace, occupation, residence, etc.) *Jens Jensen*  
*of Herman Laurits Jensen*  
 Born November 26<sup>th</sup> 1835 *(Perlethum, Sallund Denmark)*  
 Labor - *Narregerulose, Sallund Denmark*  
 Mother (give her maiden name, birthplace, home before marriage, etc.) *Anne Emmiksen*  
 Born August 12<sup>th</sup> 1835 *same as above*

Date *October 1<sup>st</sup> 1954* Signed *Herman Laurits Jensen*  
*RA 2 #7 Audubon, Iowa*

NOTE: Our previous biographical records were lost in the tragic fire that destroyed the office building of the Lutheran Publishing House, Blair, Nebr., Febr. 15, 1953, where the synodical historian also had his office. This accounts for the detailed questionnaire now. In the case of deceased members of our clergy we are largely dependent upon living members of their family for correct data. Be assured all cooperation in gathering this historically important data will be highly appreciated. Please fill in what you can, perhaps with the assistance of others acquainted with subject. Furthermore, if you have clippings or other material about the person concerned, especially a photo or picture of him, and we may either have it or borrow it, please send it along. All our collection of cuts was also ruined in the fire. If you can refer us to any person, book or paper that can inform us further, we shall be very much obliged to you.

Return this report as soon as possible to

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Febr. 23, 1967 Copy of article sent to DD Pioneer, Elvira  
and, Kinder og Folke Møde

Gammel dansk Præst i Elk Horn, Iowa, mister baade Hustru og Søn.  
Nogle Dødsfald i Audubon og Elk Horn, Iowa

Vor Medfølelse gaar til Pastor Herman L. Jensen, Elk Horn, Iowa,  
der midt i Januar havde den tunge Sorg at miste ved Dødsfald baade  
sin Hustru og den yngste af deres fem Børn, Gilbert. Self er han i  
Invalide Afdelingen paa Salems Alderdomshjem, og fyldte 90 Aar ~~xxxx~~  
~~xxx~~ d. 14. Marts, sidste Aar. Siden ~~xxx~~ 1956 har han og Hustru haft deres  
Ophold paa Salems Hjemmet, hvor Mrs. Jensen nogle Aar var paa Invalide  
Afdelingen, men det sidste Aar var saa rask at hun kunde dele Værelse  
med ham i den nye Hovedbygning, indtil hun blev saa syg at hun maatte  
te tages paa Hospitalet og døde kort efter d. 10. Januar. Marie Helene  
Juhl, født 28. Nov. 1883 i Clinton, Ia. som Datter af ~~xxxx~~ og Mrs. Peter  
Juhl, ~~der~~ senere flyttede <sup>de</sup> til Marcus, Iowa. Hun frekventerede Dana Colle  
lege 1905-06 og blev gift med Pastor Jensen d. 16. Juni, 10 Dage efter  
hans Ordination. Deres første Præstekald var ved Bethania Kirke, Nord  
for Kimballton, Ia. og virkede der til 1932, da de antog Kald fra Exira-  
Hamlin, ogsaa i Audubon County, Iowa, og var der til de "retired" 1. ~~Jan.~~  
1946. ~~xxxxxxx~~ Derefter bosat <sup>de</sup> i Audubon indtil de ~~xx~~ 1956 flyttede over paa  
Salems Hjemmet i Elk Horn. Deres Ægteskab blev velsignet med to Døtre  
Anna og Clara, og tre Sønner, Victor, Rupert og Gilbert, <sup>med Familier</sup> ~~der alle~~  
var hjemme til Moderens Begravelse i Elk Horn, lidet anende at en af  
dem saa snart efter skulde følge hende i Døden, idet <sup>Gilbert</sup> ~~han~~ blev <sup>kvæstet</sup> ~~skadet~~ i  
et Biluheld paa Vejen hjem d. 15. ~~Jan.~~ <sup>kort efter</sup> ~~Januar~~ og døde ~~paa et~~  
Hospital i Omaha, kun 33 Aar gammel, og jordet paa Elk Horn Kirkegaard  
to Dage efter. Hans Hustru og tre Børn blev saaret.

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P.C. Jensen

*Elk Horn Review*  
**Herman L. Jensen, Retired  
 Pastor, Died at Salem Home**

Pastor Henry L. Jensen was born March 14, 1876 in Denmark, the son of Anna Emmiksen and Jens Jensen. After completing his military service he came to this country.

He attended Dana College and Seminary at Blair, Nebr. and was ordained in Elk Horn Lutheran Church June 6, 1909.

June 16 of the same year he was united in marriage to Marie Helene Juel of Marcus.

Pastor and Mrs. Jensen served Bethany Lutheran Church, near Kimballton, for the first 23 years of their married life, and here their family of two daughters and three sons were raised.

From 1932 to 1948 the family made their home in Exira where Pastor Jensen served the Exira Lutheran Church retiring in 1946. From 1946 to 1952 the Jensens lived in their home in Audubon.

In 1952 they moved to Salem Lutheran Homes where Mrs. Jensen passed away Jan. 10, 1967. A son, Gilbert, died Jan. 15, 1967, and another son, Victor, died July 12, 1968.

Pastor Jensen passed away at Salem Home Monday, Nov. 18. He is survived by two daughters, Ann Allen Harlan and Clara (Mrs. Clifford) Toft of Omaha, a son, Rupert of Kansas City, Mo. 11 grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, Nov. 21 at Elk Horn with the Rev. Lester H. Larson officiating. Assisting in the service were the Revs. Henry N. Hansen and Axel M. Andersen.

Interment was in Elk Horn Lutheran cemetery. The casket bearers were George L. Christensen, Carl Christoffersen, Charles Petersen, Ingvard Bro, Bork Kjergaard and Chester Larsen.

*Several triplicate photos were present -  
 We sang 2 hymns -  
 "Behold a Host" - was one of them.  
 Anderson remarked the service -  
 I read 3 scriptures - Lomon-Ashurst*

**IN MEMORY OF**

**MARIE JENSEN**

Born Nov. 28, 1883 at Clinton, Iowa  
 Entered into rest Jan. 10, 1967, at  
 Myrtue Memorial Hospital, Harlan, Ia.  
 Age 83 years

**FUNERAL SERVICES**

Friday, Jan. 13, 1967, 2 p.m. Elk Horn  
 Lutheran Church, Elk Horn, Iowa

**FINAL RESTING PLACE**

Elk Horn Lutheran Cemetery  
 Elk Horn, Iowa

Officiating Pastor: Eugene Wekander

Assisting Pastors:

Henry N. Hansen Scripture Reading

Axel M. Andersen Message

Organist: Mrs. Norman Leistad

**HYMNS AT THE CHURCH**

"Behold A Host" (599) Congregation

"Abide with Me" (576) Congregation

**BEARERS**

Ingvard Bro	Chester Larsen
Bork Kjergaard	Herbert Larsen
Milo Hansen	Carl Christoffersen

**IN MEMORY OF**

**GILBERT JENSEN**

Born March 27, 1928  
 in Audubon County, Iowa  
 Entered into rest Jan. 15, 1967, at the  
 Nebraska Methodist Hospital,  
 Omaha, Nebraska

Age 38 years

**FUNERAL SERVICES**

Tuesday, Jan. 17, 1967, 2 p.m. Elk Horn  
 Lutheran Church, Elk Horn, Iowa

**FINAL RESTING PLACE**

Elk Horn Lutheran Cemetery  
 Elk Horn, Iowa

Officiating Pastor: Eugene Wekander

Organist: Mrs. Norman Leistad

**HYMNS AT THE CHURCH**

"Behold A Host" (599) Congregation

"Built on a Rock" (151) Congregation

**BEARERS**

Jack Smith	Orval Meyer
Bill Jacobsen	Allen Birmingham
Milo Hansen	Franklin Bredahl

*Gilbert,  
 H. L. Jensen  
 Son*

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	In Remembrance	Kaltoft Funeral Home, Kimballton, Iowa			02/17/1967
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	In Remembrance	Kaltoft Funeral Home, Kimballton, Iowa			01/13/1967
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	Elk Horn Review	Elk Horn, Iowa			11/01/1968
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CONTENTS:	death of wife and son of {Jensen, Herman L. (Laurits)}				

### Gammel dansk praest i Elk Horn, Iowa, mistede både hustru og søn

Vor medfølelse går til pastor Herman L. Jensen, Elk Horn, Iowa, der midt i januar havde den tunge sorg at miste ved dødsfald både sin hustru og den yngste af deres fem børn, Gilbert. Selv er han i invalide-afdelingen på Salems på Alderdomshjem, og fyldte 90 år d. 14. marts, sidste år. Siden 1956 har han og hustru haft deres ophold på Salems-hjemmet, hvor mrs. Jensen nogle år var på invalide-afdelingen, men det sidste år var så rask at hun kunne dele værelse med ham i den nye hovedbygning, indtil hun blev så syg, at hun måtte tages på hospitalet og døde kort efter den 10. januar. Marie Helene Juhl, født 28. nov. 1883 i Clinton, Ia. som datter af mr. og mrs. Peter Juhl, senere flyttede de til Marcus, Ia. Hun frekventerede Dana College 1905-06 og blev gift med pastor Jensen d. 16. juni, 10 dage efter hans ordination. Deres første præstekald var ved Bethania-kirke, nord for Kimballton, Ia. og virkede der til 1932, da de antog kald fra Exira-Hamlin, også i Audubon County, Ia., og var der til de "retired" 1. jan. 1946; var deres bosat i Audubon indtil de flyttede over på Salems-hjemmet. Deres ægteskab blev velsignet med to døtre, Anna og Clara, og tre sønner, Victor, Rupert og Gilbert, der alle med familie var hjemme til moderens begravelse i Elk Horn, lidet anende at en af dem så snart efter skulle følge hende i døden, idet Gilbert blev kvæstet i et biluheld på vejen hjem d. 15. januar og døde kun 33 år gammel, og jordet på Elk Horn kirkegård to dage efter. Hans hustru og tre børn blev såret, men slap med livet.

P. C. Jensen  
D.D.P. 16. januar 1967