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# Mrs. Wm. Koopman Died Monday

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Blair will miss the indomitable spirit of a woman who was born during pioneer times in this city and not only watched the town grow up but played a significant part in its advance.

Mae Koopman never lost the eager enthusiasm which characterized her participation in many civic affairs during the 87 years

and Mrs. Ralph Rafiner were evening guests.

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Mr. and Mrs. Thad Curley were Friday evening supper guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lowe at Herman.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry Neison were Father's Day dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sonderup and family.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Steaveson of Omaha and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Harmon and family of Fontanelle were last Sunday guests at the Pierce Allen home for a hamburger fry.

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The Wranch Maney club met Thursday afternoon, June 13, at the home of Mrs. Wesley Short. There were nine present. They enjoyed a social afternoon.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lammers and family of Kearney spent Father's Day week-end at the home of Mrs. Lammer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Allen. They were all Sunday dinner guests at Mr. Lammer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Lammers at Hooper.

has 9 grandchildren and 13 grandchildren. She is pre-in death by her husband father and mother.

The couple spent 63 happy years married life together. In their

of her life in Blair. She taught public speaking at Dana College, directed dramatics at the city High School. For 25 years she acted as president of the Women's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church where she led the women of the church in raising funds for the new building the church now enjoys. Concerned at the need of a new school building she carried a petition about town securing enough signatures to put the matter on the ballot where it won a majority vote. In childhood she watched her father William McCormick who operated a store in the frontier town as he sought civic advantage in bringing the railroad through this point on the river. Though she was never idle she raised a family of 4 children who have followed their mother's example of service to their communities.

Mae was born July 15, 1880, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William McCormick. She attended Blair High School and later was married to William James Koopman October 24, 1900. The couple managed the Mt. Hope fruit farm where South 16th Street now ends and continued at this job till 1928. During their yearly operation they employed some 200 persons in their business. For some 25 years after this Mr. Koopman was employed by the World Herald and by the barge industry on the Missouri River.

Since 1959 the couple have lived at the Crowell Memorial Home and Good Shepherd Home in Blair. She is survived by 3 daughters, Mrs. James Thompson (Mae), Mrs. Louis Murdoch (Frances) and Mrs. L. F. States (Mildred) and a son William J. Koopman of Pittsburg.

varied activities they worked in such harmony of purpose they were able to achieve together many civic goals and dreams that otherwise would never have been realized.

# CLYDE METZLER DIED ON MEMORIAL DAY

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Clyde W. Metzler, well known Washington county man and a veteran of World War I, died on Memorial Day at his home. A farmer most of his life, he had suffered service disabilities which had limited his ability to work much of the time. He maintained, however, an active interest in affairs of Veterans groups and of a patriotic nature. His death, on Memorial Day, was a climax to a life which had given much to his country.

He was born in Burt County, north of Herman on August 23, 1894 and was 73 years of age at the time of his death. He was married to Miss Clara Iverson and the couple spent their entire married life living in the Herman and Blair vicinities.

He is survived by his wife, Clara, and by a daughter Ethel, who is Mrs. Harold Sonderup, of Blair. A brother, Fred Metzler, lives at Herman. There are three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the American Legion Hall in Herman on Saturday, June 1st with the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion having a part in the services. The Rev. Richard Atherton, of the First Methodist Church of Blair, conducted the services and burial was made in the Herman cemetery under the direction of the Campbell Mortuary.

Pallbearers were J. B. Jensen, Floyd Ackerman, Peter Hagge, William Christensen, Eugene Husk and William Peck.

# HARVEY KROGH, JR. 57, DIES IN OHIO

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Funeral services will be held at 2 P.M. this Thursday afternoon for Harvey Krogh, Jr. at the Church of God in Oregon, Illinois.

He passed away at the age of 57, early Monday morning, June 17th, at the hospital in Dayton, Ohio, where he had been a patient since May 6th.

Survivors include his wife, Mary, a daughter Rachel, (missionary in Saltillo, Mexico) and a son, David. Sisters, Mrs. Roy Paulson (Dorothy) of Blair, Mrs. Arthur Westerfield (Clara) of Omaha, brothers, Oakley Krogh of Omaha, and Kenneth Krogh of Dallas, Texas.

He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Krogh of Blair. He was born in Pawnee City, Nebr., Nov. 30, 1910 and came to Blair with his parents the following year, (1911). He graduated from Blair High School in 1928, and from Oregon Bible College in 1932.

# Mrs. W. J. Koopman, 87, Died At Blair Monday Night

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Mrs. W. J. (Mae) Koopman, lifetime resident of Blair, died Monday evening at Good Shepherd Home.

She was 87 years old and death was attributed to the infirmities of old age.

Funeral services for Mrs. Koopman are being held Friday afternoon, June 21st at the First Methodist Church of which she was a lifetime member. Burial will be made in the Blair Cemetery under the direction of the Campbell Mortuary.

