

# Earl L. Jenkins, Former Banker, Died Here Friday

*E-5-23-68*

Mr. Earl Lyman Jenkins passed away at the Community Memorial Hospital in Blair last Friday, May 17th. His life was spent in the field of banking.

Since coming to Blair in 1933 he spent almost 20 years with the Washington County Bank before



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his retirement in 1951. Before that service he was a banker in Kennard, Nebraska, and started his career of finance in a bank in Tilden, Nebraska in 1915. He lived during the hard years when in the 30s there was financial panic and depression. He faced uneven times during World War I and II.

His life began in a more quiet century, for he was born June 25, 1888 at Battle Creek, Nebraska, and from this farm home and early training he went to York College. On October 6, 1915 he was married to Irene Nelson at Tilden, and the couple enjoyed more than 50 years together.

## ANDRA SUE HANSEN DIES IN OMAHA

*4-6-6-68*  
Sandra Sue Hansen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hansen of the Herman area died Sunday at the Clarkson Hospital in Omaha. She was 22 years old.

Miss Hansen was a dictaphone operator for an Omaha insurance company.

She was born near Herman July 10th, 1945 and spent her entire life as a resident of this county.

She is survived by her parents and by two sisters and a brother. The sisters are Linda, of Herman and Sharon who is Mrs. Lester Johnson, of Blair.

Funeral services were held at the First Lutheran Church in

Blair Wednesday afternoon with the Rev. George Pallesen conducting the service. Burial was made in the Blair Cemetery under the direction of the Campbell Mortuary.

## ARLINGTON NEWS

Mike Buchardt, of Arlington High School, is one of 290 high school students from Nebraska who attended the Tenth annual Summer Fine Arts Festival at Chadron State College May 26th through June 2nd.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Cohrs of Bennington, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Knudsen and Mrs. Ingrid Knudsen enjoyed dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Loren Cohrs, Amy, Gwen and Joy on Memorial Day.

## FORMER BLAIR MAN DIES IN CALIFORNIA

*P7-26/10/68*  
Rear Adm. John V. Petersen, U.S.N. ret. died recently at Coronado, California at the age of 69. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Petersen, one time real estate man in Blair, and graduated from Blair High School.

He served in the U.S.N.A.F. and aided in flying Gen. Douglas MacArthur to Australia when the Japanese captured the Philippines in World War II. He had been awarded two Legion of Merit citations and the Navy Air Medal.

Survivors besides his wife are one daughter, and a brother Paul of La Mesa, California.

Services were held at the Christ Episcopal Church, with cremation and inurnment at Coronado.

## MRS. THOMAS KNIEP DIED HERE MAY 16th

Mrs. Thomas Kniep, a resident of the Good Shepherd Home in Blair, died Thursday, May 16. She was 89 years old. Mrs. Kniep, whose maiden name was Margaretha Mathilde Schroeder, was born May 10, 1879 at Borgstedt, Germany. *E-5-23-68*

Mrs. Kniep was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith in Germany. She was the sole survivor of a large family, all who had remained in Germany. While living in Germany she was a seamstress and also did nursing in a hospital. In March, 1913, she came to America and worked as a homemaker for Thomas Kniep and children.

In 1921 Margaretha and Tom Kniep were united in marriage in Omaha. They farmed until 1939 and then retired, living in Bennington until January, 1965 when they moved to the Good Shepherd Lutheran Home in Blair.

Mrs. Kniep was a gracious and loving wife and mother and a long-time faithful member of St. John's Lutheran Church and the Lutheran Church Women.

Her family and friends were very dear to her. The survivors are: 2 sons, Henry of Kennard, Walter of Bridgewater, Iowa; two daughters, Ann (Mrs. Elton Edmondson) of Sidney, Montana, Mabel (Mrs. Theodore Witt) of Elkhorn, Nebr.; 10 grandchildren, 24 great grandchildren, other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, May 18, at St. John's Lutheran Church, Bennington, Pastor Norman Schroeder, officiating.

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Mr. Jenkins devoted many years to public service as Treasurer of the City of Blair, as Treasurer of the Board of Education for the City schools, and as Treasurer for the First Methodist Church of this community. He was a past president of the Nebraska State Bankers Association and a member of the United Brethren Church of Battle Creek, Nebr.

Besides his wife, Irene, he is survived by Mrs. John Bruse (Ruth) of Blair, Nebraska; Professor Earl F. Jenkins of the University of

versity School of Medicine in Evanston, Illinois. There are 11 grandchildren.

Preceding him in death are his father and mother, and one brother, Raymond.

Services were held May 20th at the Methodist Church at 2 P.M. The Rev. Richard Atherton officiated and burial was in the Blair Cemetery. The Campbell Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Wayne Lambert, Lyle Guyer, David Mum-