

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of **Representative** Nielsen, Harry Senator _____

Represented Monona County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 3 May 1895 Habrants, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Jane Miller Perry 22 Feb 1922 Onawa, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Past member of the Rural Electric Cooperative and the A.S.C.S.;
member of the Farmers Elevatorboard, Farm Bureau electric board member

B. Civic responsibilities Ivonia Club; Workmen of the World

C. Profession Farmer; dirt contractor; Hotel business

4. Church membership Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

5. Sessions served 53rd, 54th General Assemblies 1949, 1951

6. Public Offices

A. Local Former member of Blencoe Iowa; first president of Blencoe School Board;
member of World War II Draft Board; Township Trustee

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 8 Aug 1981 Onawa, Iowa; buried Graceland Cemetery, Blencoe, Iowa

8. Children Joyce (Mrs. Thomas Carritt); Kathryn (Mrs. James
Howschultz); Earl Perry; two other sons predeceased him in death

9. Names of parents Carl and Martina (Christiansen) Nielsen

Nielsen, Harry

10. Education He was educated in the local schools of Pottawattamie
and Monroe Counties. He graduated from Little Sioux Area
High School in Harrison County, Iowa.

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information _____

- He moved with his parents from Avoca, Iowa to Blencoe, Iowa
at age 10 where he had been born and raised on a farm.
- His wife, Frances, died 8 May 1971
- He owned and operated several farms in partnership with his sons.
- He was a dirt contractor 1940-1941
- He was ready to enter World War I in 1918 just as the Armistice was signed.
He then joined his brother-in-law on the Hotel Excelsior in Osceola, Iowa 1918-1922
- In 1922 he returned to farming

Obituaries

BEARCE BALLOU

Bearce Ballou was born 1918, at Onawa, Iowa. Lucille Hoffman Bearce and J. Bearce.

He died August 7, 1981 at Care Center after a brief illness suffered a coronary on

He attended Onawa Public Schools as a companion to an invalid father, a Chapman in Omaha, Neb. After the death of her parents she moved to Onawa and continued to care for the family.

He was employed by the Corps of Engineers in the Onawa office, it was later transferred to Archie Ballou. There were three children: Archie, born February 15, 1947 at Hiawatha, Iowa, and two daughters, one at Pickstown, S. D. for whom the corps built Fort Snelling. In 1954 he transferred to work in Omaha and they live at 432 Northwest Dr., Omaha, since that time.

His former husband are members of the Omaha District Employees Union; West Dodge Heights American Association of Retirees, of this Ruth was president. She was also a chairman and co-calling of Chapter 144-National of Retired Federal Em-

He was one of those rare people able to meet the needs of those about her, and all of what she could do for them with no thought of personal gain. As a caring person she will live on in the hearts of those who knew her. He died in peace.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 11, at 1:30 p.m. at the Pearson Funeral Chapel. Rev. Don Smith officiated. Mrs. Al Bartels who was the organist, "How Great Thou Art" and "Just A Closer Walk With Thee".

Casket bearers were Michael

HARRY NIELSEN

Harry Nielsen, 86, Blencoe, Iowa, passed away August 8, 1981, at Burgess Memorial Hospital, Onawa, Iowa.

He was born May 2, 1895, in Avoca, Iowa, and moved with his family to Blencoe when he was 10 years old. On July 22, 1922, he was united in marriage with Irene Miller Perry at Onawa, Iowa. She preceded him in death on May 8, 1971. He was a retired farmer and a former mayor of Blencoe. He served for two terms in the Iowa State Legislature. He was past president of the Blencoe school board and was a member of the World War II draft board. He was a past member of the Rural Electric Corp., the A.S.C.S., the Kiwanis Club, and Woodmen of the World. He was affiliated with the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints at Mondamin, Iowa.

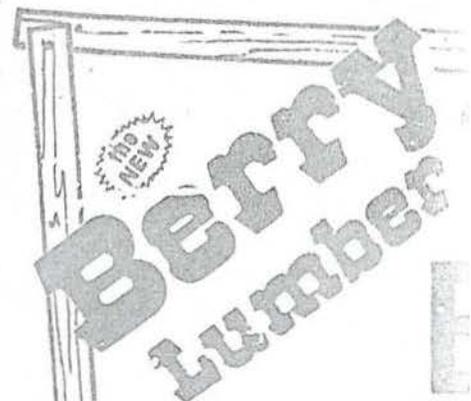
Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Thomas (Janyce) Carritt of Little Sioux, Iowa and Mrs. James (Kathryn) Howschultz of Blencoe; one son, Earl Perry of Blencoe, one sister, Evelyn Hansen of Omaha, Neb., one brother, Wilbur Nielsen of Council Bluffs, Iowa, ten grandchildren, twenty-one great grandchildren and one great great grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Irene, two sons, two brothers, and three sisters.

Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, August 11, 1981, at the Pearson Funeral Chapel, Onawa, Iowa, with Elder Thomas Carritt officiating. The organist Mrs. Bob Burcham, played, "How Great Thou Art" and "Just A Closer Walk With Thee".

Casket bearers were Roy Coffman, Delbert Grosvenor, Hugh Gray, Ed Hitchman, Ed Dehn, Jr., and Larry Franke.

Interment was in the Graceland Cemetery, Blencoe, Iowa, with arrangements by Pearson Funeral Home, Onawa, Iowa.



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Aubrey is a director of the Ottumwa Community Chest, is affiliated with the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and is a member of the Democratic party. He worships in the faith of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

At Ottumwa, Iowa, on July 27, 1935, W. Dean Aubrey married Evelyn J. Smith, daughter of Harry and Pearl Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey are the parents of the following children: 1. Patricia Ann, born July 2, 1936. 2. Gary Dean, born January 11, 1939. 3. Sandra K., born August 25, 1941. 4. Jean Marie, born May 26, 1945. 5. Muriel Dwajne, born April 26, 1948.

KATHERYN CLANCY METZ—If not born to the "Fourth Estate," it has been in this field of endeavor that Mrs. Katheryn Clancy Metz has been identified prominently over the most of her life. After a brief career as an educator, she became first editor and then publisher of the "Lamoni Chronicle," an influential newspaper of southern Iowa which will soon celebrate the second decade of her service at the helm, guiding its course throughout a rather stormy period in American annals. She has not found her duties incompatible with marriage and the rearing of a family, nor with giving leadership to organizations and movements. As a writer she has also contributed articles to national magazines, the most quoted being "Petticoats and Politics" in the "Country Gentleman."

As Katheryn Clancy, Mrs. Metz was born in Lucas, Iowa, June 20, 1904, the daughter of John T. and Iona (Bagley) Clancy. Their daughter was prepared for higher education in the high school of Attica, and matriculated at Graceland College, where she was graduated with the degree of Associate of Arts, class of 1925. In 1926 and 1927, she was a teacher in the public schools of Marysville.

In 1930, Mrs. Metz became the editor of the "Lamoni Chronicle," and on March 6, 1950, its publisher, when she purchased the paper from W. H. Blair. To this exacting profession, Mrs. Metz has given exceptional and efficient devotion. With her purchase of the "Lamoni Chronicle," she has become probably the only woman publisher of an Iowa weekly. She not only is a chronicler of the news, but an interpreter thereof, wielding an influence that contributes to the best interests of the community, and Decatur County, and as well to the intelligent understanding of what is going on in the world. Mrs. Metz is also the author of a widely-read column, "Between You and Me." One of her better known achievements is her service, for six months in 1949, as "exchange editor" in Mexico. She was sent on this assignment by the Iowa Press Association, and the Cadena de Periodicos Garcia Valesca, a Mexican syndicate publishing nineteen daily newspapers and five magazines, sent a man representative to Iowa to work on several newspapers while Mrs. Metz was engaged in Mexico. This exchange was made in an attempt to solidify the Western Hemisphere by explaining to the readers the customs of the people by representatives of their respective countries. It is significant that a group of weekly editors from the Middlewest, so often called isolationist, was the first to make a concrete effort to do something about better relations. Mrs. Metz realizes full well the advantages of keeping in touch with colleagues in her profession, especially those of her own sex, and is a popular figure in the Iowa Press Women's Club, a director of the Fifth District, and member of the National Federation of Press Women. Her influence in politics as a Republican and public-spirited citizen, is indicated by her current membership in the Iowa

General Assembly, House of Representatives. She has introduced and backed progressive legislation and has won high rating by her associates. A prominent club-woman, Mrs. Metz is affiliated with the local groups, the Federation of Women's Clubs of Iowa, and the Business and Professional Women's Club. She belongs to Lodge No. 282, Order of the Eastern Star, and to the Reorganized Church of the Latter-day Saints.

On December 15, 1926, Katheryn Clancy married John L. Metz, and they are the parents of two children: 1. Gayle, who married Walter Johnson. 2. Jeanne, who married Alfred Decker.

HARRY NIELSEN—The career of Harry Nielsen has been connected with agriculture for the most of his mature years. After a brief period engaged in a different type of enterprise, he found he liked the business with which he was familiar from boyhood, and in the Blencoe area he has followed general farming for more than the past quarter of a century. During this time he has become a prominent figure in agricultural organizations and public offices, currently being a member of the State Legislature.

Born at Walnut, Iowa, on May 3, 1895, Harry Nielsen is the son of Carl and Martina (Christiansen) Nielsen. Reared on a farm, he attended rural and Little Sioux schools, Harrison County. He was associated with his father's agricultural interests until a year or two after he became of age, and rented a farm of two hundred acres, raising mainly wheat and corn. He sold his holding in 1918 to join the Army but the Armistice was signed before he was inducted and he joined his brother-in-law in the hotel business at Onawa, county seat of Monona County. In 1922, however, he returned to agriculture in the Blencoe section, where he cultivates some two hundred acres of his own land, and rents five hundred and sixty more, growing, on a large scale, wheat, corn, alfalfa and other hays, with smaller amounts of other crops. His step-son is a partner in the business.

Harry Nielsen is thoroughly up-to-date in his agricultural pursuits, a member of the Farm Bureau and also in close contact with fellow operators, and is a board member of the Blencoe Farmers Elevator. Public-spirited, he has served as township trustee for six years, is a member and current president of the Blencoe School Board, and in 1948 was elected to serve as a Representative, for 1949-50, in the Iowa State Legislature. He is a Democrat in politics, a subject of which he has long been a student, and is influential in party councils and campaigns. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Modern Woodmen of the World. He is of the Congregational faith.

On July 22, 1922, Harry Nielsen married Irene Miller, daughter of David and Burzilla (Conger) Miller, her father a railroad man. Mr. and Mrs. Nielsen are the parents of two children: 1. Jack, born in April, 1923, who is a dirt contractor; he married Marcella Shanklin, and they have two children: Jacqueline, and Wilbur Scott. 2. Kathryn, who was born July 14, 1931, and married James Howschultz. Mr. Nielsen has three step-children: 1. Kenneth Perry, a farmer; he married Lucy McHugh, and they have two daughters and one son: Joan, Judy and Patrick. 2. Earl D. Perry, associated in business with his step-father; he married Dona Crabb, and they are the parents of two children: James and Lyle. 3. Janyce, who married T. R. Caritt, a farmer, and they have two daughters: Patricia and Sally.