

THE LIFE STORY OF —

Bernhard Hansen, 85

Jacksonville — Bernhard Hansen, son of Magalene Eriksen and Rasmus Hansen was born Oct. 1, 1894 in Aeroskobing, Denmark. He died Feb. 8, 1980 at the Myrtle Memorial hospital in Harlan at age 85 years, four months and seven days. Bernhard was raised and educated in Denmark. In 1914 he came to the United States and settled in the Kimballton area. He joined the Army in 1918 and served during WWI. When he was 28 he moved to Jacksonville and started repairing and selling windmills and pumps.

In 1928 he married Petra Rasmussen. This union was blessed with two children. Mr Hansen has spent most of his life in the hardware business in Jacksonville, he has been past Commander of the V.F.W. Post No. 941, past secretary of the Jackson twp. School Board. Bernhard was baptized and confirmed in Denmark and has been a member of the Bethlehem Lutheran church for many years.

Mr Hansen was preceded in death by his parents, one brother - Marius and one sister - Magda Perrson. Survivors include his wife - Petra of Harlan, one daughter - Mrs Norma Albertus of Ralston, Neb.; one son - Lavern of Harlan; two brothers - Kristian and Raymond and two sisters - Mrs Kristine Pedersen and Mrs Hilda Dreio of Denmark; eight grandchildren; one great grandchild; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Monday, Feb. 11, 1980 at the Bethlehem Lutheran church with Pastor Howard Wolfgram, officiating. Burial was in the Jacksonville cemetery with Leon Hansen, Lynn Andersen, Norman Hansen, George Larsen, Everette Greve, Lester Petersen, Ernest D. Petersen and Lester R. Christiansen serving as casket-bearers.

Services were conducted by the Burmeister Funeral Home.
