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**B. Arlene De Jong** June 9, 1989

B. Arlene De Jong, 67, of Kellogg died of self-inflicted carbon monoxide poisoning at her home Tuesday, June 13, according to Jasper County authorities.

Mrs. De Jong recently resigned from her post at the Jasper County Library, complaining that she was receiving threats and harassing telephone calls. When her body was discovered, county and state officials launched an investigation. An autopsy revealed, however, that she had died of carbon monoxide poisoning, and Jasper County Attorney Jim Wilson said Thursday that the case has now been closed.

Funeral services were conducted Friday at Wallace-Pence Funeral Home in Newton, with the Revs. Robert Hinshaw and Bill Adams officiating. Burial was in Mount Zion Cemetery.

The daughter of Clifford and Wanetta Lancaster Dennis, she was born June 3, 1922, in Killduff. She was a graduate of Newton High School.

She was married to Harold Frederick De Jong Jan. 12, 1945, in Newton. Mrs. De Jong had worked as a server in Kellogg school kitchens and had been a librarian at the Kellogg Library. She was a member of the Kellogg United Methodist Church and the Kellogg Historical Society.

Surviving are a daughter, Laneta Jo Wade of St. Charles; two grandsons; and her stepmother, Lucille Dennis of Newton. She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband.

Memorials may be made to the Kellogg School, Kellogg Historical Museum, or Kellogg United Methodist Church.

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