

# Corpse Observes Birthday In Style <sup>1972</sup>

Jim Gernhart, the living corpse of Burlington, celebrated his 95th birthday Nov. 20, thanks (according to him) to the 50,000

vitamins he's consumed the past 23 years. "I'll make a 120 years if I don't die first," he stated as he sat in the living room of the

Kenneth Keeler home where the celebration was observed. Jim paid Theresia Keeler \$25 for her efforts in preparing the dinner.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Boden and family, Mrs. Francis Parson. Also attending were the mayor of Burlington and his son. The mayor took photographs and also served the angel food cake and cherry pies.

"The Kenneth Keeler kids bought me a box of Hersheys milk chocolate candy and cherry chocolate candy. Mrs. Pearle Ebeler sent me a big box of homemade cookies," stated the corpse.

Calling on Jim thruout the day were Ernie Blackburn, Ed Staford, Art Boland, Kenneth Keeler, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kale and family of Hiawatha, Kan., Mr. and Mrs. Earl Warner and family of Fairview, Kan., and and Mrs. Arthur Vickery and family of Hiawatha. The out of town visitors were all "old friends from my old home town who came to see the corpse," Jim said.

"Thanks to all of the Burlington people for their gifts and calls on the 95 year old corpse," Gernhart concluded.

## Two-Fisted Pie Eater



Jim Gernhart celebrated his 95th birthday in November and he is shown here proudly holding two pies which were baked for the special occasion. (What does a two-fisted pie eater do when he's holding a pie in each hand and suddenly discovers that his zipper's partially open?)