

BIOGRAPHY

ARENDS, LESLIE C., Republican, of Melvin, Ill., born at Melvin, Ill.; attended grade and high schools at Melvin, Ill., and Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio; married and has one daughter,  served in the United States Navy during World War I, charter member of Melvin Post, No. 642, American Legion, serving as post commander, county commander, and seventeenth district commander; member of Ford County Farm Bureau; Methodist; 33d degree Mason; member of board of directors, Illinois Wesleyan University; actively engaged in banking and farming since 1920; elected to the Seventy-fourth Congress on November 6, 1934; reelected to the Seventy-fifth, Seventy-sixth, Seventy-seventh, Seventy-eighth, Seventy-ninth, Eightieth, Eighty-first, Eighty-second, Eighty-third, Eighty-fourth, and Eighty-fifth Congresses.

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