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Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

F: = Find A Grave (www.findagrave.org)

NOK = next-of-kin

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Miller, Herbert Ward
1889 MN – 1948 MN

Wartime:

Miller, Herbert W		250,829	White	1½
(Surname)	(Christian name)	(Army serial number)	(Race: White or colored)	
Residence: Great Falls		MONTANA		
(Street and house number)		(Town or city)	(County)	(State)
* Enlisted in	N A Ft Geo Wright Wash		Dec 13/17	—
† Born in	Northfield Minn		27 11/12 yrs	—
Organizations:	Co F 6 Bn 20 Engrs to disch.			—
Grades:	Pvt	—		—
Engagements:		—		—
Wounds or other injuries received in action: None.				
‡ Served overseas:	June 20/18 to Dec 31/18			—
§ Hon. disch.	Jan 18/19	on demobilization		—
Was reported	30	per cent disabled on date of discharge, in view of occupation.		—
Remarks:	—			

Form No. 724-1½, A. G. O. *Insert "R. A.", "N. G.", "E. R. C.", "N. A.", as case may be, followed by place and date of enlistment. † Give place of birth and date of birth, or age at enlistment. ‡ Give dates of departure from and arrival in the United States. § Give date.

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date traveled overseas is incorrect -

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MILLER HERBERT WARD		11-15-78	XC 122 480
Pvt Co F 20 Engrs		K 447 611	
Lakeville Minn		A 1 889 718	
Sa 250 829	Died 10-18-48	T 391 526	
Born 12/17/89		R 87 338	
Enl 12/13/17	Dt 1/18/19	Cl 1 834 466	
I			
U. S. VETERANS BUREAU			

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Event Type	Military Service
Event Place	Spokane, Spokane, Washington, United States
Event Place (Original)	Spokane, Spokane, Washington
Name	Herbert Ward Miller
Enlistment Date	13 Dec 1917
Birth Date	17 Dec 1889
Birthplace	Northfield, Rice, Minnesota
Military Rank	Private
Military Service Branch	Army
Military Unit	F 18th 20th
Father's Name	C T Miller
Father's Sex	Male
Father's Birthplace	U S A
Mother's Name	Kate Miller
Mother's Sex	Female
Mother's Birthplace	U S A

Herbert Ward Miller

Military • Minnesota, World War I Records, 1918-1941

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QY48-XTPZ?q.givenName=herbert%20ward&q.surname=miller>

Death:

MILLER — Herbert W., 58, formerly a mail carrier of Lakeville, Minn. He passed away Tuesday morning at the Emerson Nursing Home. Survived by wife Elsie; 3 daughters, Mrs. C. O. Mellang, Mrs. M. E. Weimer and Mrs. L. J. Topp; 5 grandchildren. Services Sat. 2 p.m. at Zimmer Funeral Chapel, Lakeville, Minn. Interment Lakeville.

Obituary of Herbert Ward Miller – “Minneapolis (MN) Star Tribune” Thursday 21 Oct 1948 p 25

Wife:

Miller

Elsie L., age 74, of Lakeville, July 25th. Survived by daughters, Mrs. Lorraine Mellang, Bloomington, Mrs. Ruth Weimer, Wash., Mrs. Leslie (Betty) Topp, Nisswa; 17 grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren; brother, Carl H. (Herb) Lanner, St. Paul; sister, Mrs. Carl (Olga) Richter, Mpls. Funeral service 1 pm Thur. White Funeral Home, Lakeville (469-2723). Visitation 3-9 pm Wed; Interment Lakeville.

Obituary of Elsie Lanner Miller – “Minneapolis (MN) Star” Wednesday 26 Jul 1978 p 33

Children:

This return to be filed with Clerk of District Court within 15 days after solemnization of marriage. (Sec. 10439).

IOWA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

No. **10439**

Return of Marriage to Clerk of District Court

WORTH COUNTY

98 1967

1. Full name of GROOM..... Clayton O. Mellang
2. Place of Residence..... Minneapolis, Minnesota
3. Occupation..... Meat Packer
4. Age next birthday 23 years. Color White Race Cau.
5. Place of birth..... Albert Lea, Minnesota
6. Father's name..... Odean J. Mellang
7. Mother's maiden name..... Amanda Trugstad
8. Number of Groom's marriage..... First
9. Full name of BRIDE..... Lorraine E. Miller
Maiden name if a widow.....
10. Place of residence..... Lakeville, Minnesota
11. Age next birthday 20 years. Color White Race Cau.
12. Place of birth..... Lakeville, Minnesota
13. Father's name..... Herbert W. Miller
14. Mother's maiden name..... Elsie Lanner
15. Number of Bride's marriage..... First
16. Witnesses to marriage..... Evelyn Olson and Mrs. Morris Bakketun

N. B. At No. 8 and 15 state whether 1st, 2d, 3d, etc., marriage of each. At 16 give names of subscribing witnesses to the marriage certificate. If no subscribing witness, give names of two persons who witnessed the ceremony.

Northwood, Iowa, November 29 19 40

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, That the information above given is correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Clayton O. Mellang Groom
Lorraine E. Miller Bride

I hereby certify that the above is a correct return of a marriage solemnized by me.

At Northwood, Iowa

Morris Bakketun

this 29th day of November 19 40

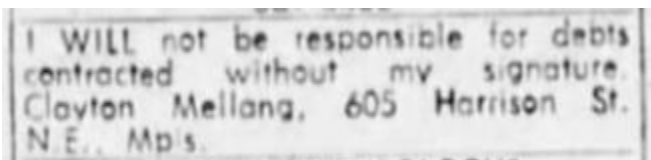
Title Justice of the Peace

Marriage of daughter **Lorraine E. Miller (1921-2010)** to Clayton O. Mellang on 29 Nov 1940 in Northwood, Worth IA -

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Name:	Lorraine E. Mellang
Maiden Name:	Miller
Gender:	Female
Death Age:	88
Birth Date:	4 Aug 1921
Birth Place:	Lakeville, MN
Death Date:	30 Jul 2010
Death Place:	Citrus Heights, CA
Obituary Date:	17 Oct 2010
Spouse:	Clayton O. Mellang
Child:	Jerry Mellang Jacqui Lindfors James Mellang John Mellang

Obituary summary for daughter Lorraine E. Miller Mellang -
<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/23280637:7545>



“Minneapolis (MN) Star” Monday 6 May 1968 p 37

Lorraine E. (Miller) Mellang

Mellang, Lorraine E. (Miller) Born August 4, 1921 in Lakeville, MN. Passed away July 30, 2010 in Citrus Heights, CA.

Preceded in death by husband, Clayton O. Mellang. Survived by children, Jerry (Cathy) Mellang, Jacqui Lindfors, James Mellang, and John Mellang; granddaughter, Aimee Mellang of Wahkon, MN; great-grandchildren, Dylan, Kayla, and Brendon Johnson of Wahkon, MN. Memorial was held at Lakeville Grove Cemetery October 1, 2010 with aunt Rita Mellang, Jerry and Cathy Mellang, Jacqui Lindfors, granddaughter Aimee, and great- grandchildren, Kayla and Brendon.

Published in Star Tribune on Oct. 17, 2010.

<https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/startribune/obituary.aspx?n=lorraine-e-mellang-miller&pid=146058805>



Marriage of daughter Ruth Vivian Miller to Melvin Ernest Weimer - "Ventura (CA) County Star"
Monday 5 Mar 1945 p 3

Detail **Source**

Name:	Bette J. Topp
Gender:	Female
Death Age:	78
Birth Date:	10 Apr 1926
Birth Place:	Lakeville, Minn.
Residence Place:	Nisswa
Death Date:	24 Nov 2004
Death Place:	Pequot Lakes
Obituary Date:	2 Dec 2004
Obituary Place:	Nisswa, Crow Wing, Minnesota, USA

Daughter **Bette Jeanne Miller Topp** (1926-2004)

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/5813996:7545>

Bette J. Topp

NISSWA -- Bette J. Topp, 78, resident of Nisswa, formerly of Farmington and Lakeville, died Wednesday, Nov. 24, 2004, at the Heritage House of Pequot Lakes. She was born April 10, 1926, in Lakeville, Minn., to Herbert and Elsie Miller. Bette has lived the last 35 years in the Nisswa area.

Survived by husband, Les; seven children, Leslie and Dale Pettis, Dr. Dennis and Lisa Topp, Teri and Brian Tweed, Thomas Topp, Joe and Linda Topp, Lori Topp Graham and Kate Miller; 17 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a sister, Lorraine Mellang.

Preceded in death by her son, Kristian Miller Topp, and sister, Ruth Weimer.

Bette was loved by all and was an inspiration to many with her loving, caring concern for her family and friends. Her beautiful smile and wonderful sense of humor will be adoringly remembered. Services will be held 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, 2004, at the Nelson-Doran Funeral Home in Brainerd. Visitation times are from 1-3 p.m. prior to services. Memorials will be given to Pequot Lakes Youth Activities. Arrangements are with Nelson-Doran Funeral Home in Brainerd.



Obituary of daughter Bette Jeanne Miller Topp -
<https://www.brainerddispatch.com/obituaries/bette-j-topp-1>

Father:

Minnesota Pioneer Dies at Residence of Daughter Here

Charles T. Miller, 76 and a pioneer in Minnesota, died Friday in Great Falls at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Oscar S. Hansen, 700 Third avenue south. His home was in St. Paul but he had been here visiting for some time. Mr. Miller was the son of a missionary who went to Minnesota in its early days. His body will be taken from Great Falls to St. Paul today where the funeral services will be held. Mrs. Hansen and another daughter, Miss Ruby Miller of Choteau, will also go to St. Paul. Other surviving children include Mrs. H. A. Offrell, George A. Miller, H. W. Miller, John R. Miller and Lloyd Miller, all of St. Paul. There is also a brother surviving who lives in the state of Washington.

Death of father Charles T. Miller at the Great Falls, Cascade Co. MT home of Herbert's sister Martha Maud Miller Hansen – names all surviving 7 children – "Great Falls (MT) Tribune" Saturday 6 Dec 1930 p 3

MILLER—Charles T. Miller, aged 76, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. O. S. Hansen, 700 Third avenue south, Friday morning. The body will be forwarded from the W. H. George chapel Saturday to St. Paul, Minn., for services and interment.

"Great Falls (MT) Tribune" Saturday 6 Dec 1930 p 13

Original Record for State Registrar

STATE OF MONTANA
Bureau of Vital Statistics
Standard Certificate of Death

Do not write in this space **G.F. 4100**

1. PLACE OF DEATH
County Cascade Registered No. 431
Township _____ or Village _____
City Great Falls No. _____ St. _____ Ward _____
(If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its name instead of street and number)
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ days. How long in U.S. if of foreign birth? _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ days

2. FULL NAME Charles T. Miller
(a) Residence: No. 700-3d. Ave. S. St. _____ Ward St. Paul
(Usual place of abode) (If nonresident give city or town and State)

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS				MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
3. SEX <u>Male</u>	4. COLOR OR RACE <u>White</u>	5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED (write the word) <u>Widowed</u>		21. DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) <u>Dec. 5/30</u> , 19 <u>30</u>	
6a. If married, widowed, or divorced HUSBAND of _____ (or) WIFE of <u>Katherine Miller</u>				22. I HEREBY CERTIFY. That I attended deceased from <u>Dec 2nd</u> 19 <u>30</u> to <u>Dec 5</u> 19 <u>30</u> I last saw him alive on <u>Dec 4th</u> 19 <u>30</u> death is said to have occurred on the date stated above, at <u>St. Paul</u> .	
6. DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, and year) <u>Jan. 13, 1954</u>				The principal cause of death and related causes of importance in order of importance were as follows: <u>Lobar Pneumonia</u> <u>Dec 2nd</u> 19 <u>30</u>	
7. AGE Years <u>76</u> Months <u>10</u> Days <u>22</u>		If LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.		Contributory causes of importance not related to principal cause: <u>Angina Pectoris</u> <u>2 yrs</u>	
8. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as spinner, sawyer, bookkeeper, etc. <u>Retired</u>				Name of operation <u>none</u> , Date of _____ Name of operation <u>none</u> , Date of _____	
9. Industry or business in which work was done, as silk mill, saw mill, bank, etc.				What test confirmed diagnosis? <u>Clinical</u> Was there an autopsy? <u>no</u>	
10. Date deceased last worked at this occupation (month and year)				23. If death was due to external cause (violence) fill in also the following: Accident, suicide, or homicide? _____ Date of injury _____, 19 <u>30</u> Where did injury occur? _____ (Specify city or town, county, and State) Specify whether injury occurred in industry, in home, or in public place.	
11. Total time (years) spent in this occupation				Manner of injury _____ Nature of injury _____	
12. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country) <u>Vermont</u>				24. Was disease or injury in any way related to occupation of deceased? If so, specify <u>alex m macaulay</u> M. D. (Address) <u>Great Falls</u>	
13. NAME <u>George W. Miller</u>					
14. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country) <u>Mass.</u>					
15. MAIDEN NAME <u>Almeda Weayer</u>					
16. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country) <u>Unknown</u>					
17. INFORMANT <u>Mrs. O.S. Hansen</u> (Address) <u>4700-3d. Ave. S. Gt. Falls, Mont.</u>					
18. DATE OF DEATH <u>DATE OF REMOVAL</u> Place <u>St. Paul, Minn.</u> Date <u>Dec. 6</u> 19 <u>30</u>					
19. UNDERTAKER <u>W.H. George Co.</u> (Address) <u>Great Falls, Montana.</u>					
20. FILED <u>12/5</u> 19 <u>30</u> <u>L. S. Watkins</u> Registrar					

in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important. See instructions on back of certificate.

MT death record of father Charles Thomas Miller -

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Stepmother:

County Form 368

When Ceremony is performed fill this blank and within 5 days return to COUNTY AUDITOR, SPOKANE, WASH.

CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE

PLACE OF MARRIAGE
County of Spokane
Town of _____
or _____
City of Spokane

LICENSE NO. A **Nº 40005**

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

GROOM	BRIDE
Full Name <u>Charles T. Miller</u>	Full Name <u>Harriett Jewett</u>
Residence <u>Spokane</u>	Residence <u>Spokane, Wash.</u>
Age at last Birthday <u>70</u> years	Age at last Birthday <u>68</u> years
Color or Race <u>White</u>	Color or Race <u>White</u>
Single Widowed or Divorced	Single Widowed or Divorced
Number of Marriage <u>2</u>	Number of Marriage <u>2</u>
Birthplace <u>N.Y. State</u> (State or Country)	Birthplace <u>N.Y. State</u> (State or Country)
Occupation <u>Salesman</u>	Occupation <u>Housekeeper</u>
Name of Father <u>Geo. W. Miller</u>	Name of Father <u>Henry W. Converse</u>
Birthplace of Father <u>N.Y. State</u> (State or Country)	Birthplace of Father <u>N.Y. State</u> (State or Country)
Maiden Name of Mother <u>Almeda Weaver</u>	Maiden Name of Mother <u>Rebecca Angel</u>
Birthplace of Mother <u>N.Y. State</u> (State or Country)	Birthplace of Mother <u>N.Y. State</u> (State or Country)
Maiden name of Bride, if she was previously married <u>Harriett Converse</u>	

CERTIFICATE OF PERSON PERFORMING MARRIAGE

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That Charles T. Miller and Harriett Jewett were joined in Marriage by me

in accordance with the laws of the State of Washington, at Spokane, Wash.
this 15 day of Oct, 1927

Signature of _____
Witnesses to Marriage { Oscar S. Hansen
G. D. Whitcher

Signature of _____
Person Performing the Ceremony { J. D. Hinkle

RESIDENCE _____
Filed _____
OFFICIAL STATION Justice of the Peace
RESIDENCE Spokane, Wash.

(County Auditor)
ELMER H. BARTLETT
COUNTY AUDITOR

OCT 18 1927

2nd marriage of father Charles Thomas Miller to Harriett Converse Jewett (also her 2nd marriage) on
15 Oct 1927 in Spokane, Spokane WA -

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"Spokane (WA) Chronicle" Monday 17 Oct 1927 p 7

Harriett Miller

in the Washington, U.S., Select Death Certificates, 1907-1960

Name:	Harriett Miller [Harriett Converse]
Gender:	Female
Marital Status:	Married
Age:	75
Estimated Birth Year:	abt 1857
Death Date:	11 Jun 1932
Death Place:	Spokane, Spokane, Washington
Father:	Henry Converse
Mother:	Rebecca Angle
Spouse:	Charles T.
FHL Film Number:	2022972
Reference ID:	651

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/836249:60229>

2862 SEXTON BUTLER JEWETT (Benjamin¹⁸⁹⁶, Ichabod⁶⁶⁶, Eleazer²²⁶, Eleazer⁷², Jeremiah¹⁵, Joseph⁴, Edward¹), was born in Greenwich, Mass., Oct. 4, 1816. He married Jan. 6, 1850, Ellen M. Carver, who was born in Granby, Hampshire Co., Mass., Jan. 8, 1824, and died in Olcith, Kan., Feb. 4, 1887. Mr. Jewett died in Kansas City, Kan., Aug. 23, 1878.

Children:

- 5076 Charles B., born ——. Resides in Boulder, Colorado.
- 5077 John C., born in Antioch, Ill., in 1853; married Hattie Converse.*
- 5078 Nellie, born ——; married Mr. Hitchcock and resides in San Diego, Cal.

North America, Family Histories, 1500-2000 for Hattie Converse

J > Jewett > History and genealogy of the Jewetts of America; a record of Edward Jewett, of Bradford, West Ridin

https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/61157/images/46155_b290470-00537?usePUB=true&usePUBJs=true&pld=3868769

FUNERAL IS TODAY

Funeral services for Mrs. Harriet Miller, 74, who died Friday at her home, E923 Walton, were held this afternoon in Hazen & Jaeger's chapel with the Rev. P. E. Ratsch officiating. Interment was in Riverside Park.

"Spokane (WA) Chronicle" Tuesday 14 Jun 1932 p 16

Siblings:

GEORGE MILLER

George Miller, travelling salesman, and well known to buttermakers and dairymen throughout this part of the state, died suddenly Tuesday night in an Alexandria hotel. The funeral services are being held in Wadena, Mr. Miller's home. Services are at 2 oclock' Friday afternoon.

Obituary of brother George Arthur Miller (1876-1940) – "St. Cloud (MN) Times" Thursday 8 Feb 1940
p 4

OFFRELL—Sarah, age 80 of St. Paul, July 25th. Survived by 2 daughters, Mrs. R. W. (Jean) Kansas of Scottsdale, Ariz., Mrs. Edward (Lois) Coffey of Mpls.; 2 sons, Charles of White Bear and David of Oxnard, Calif.; 11 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; 1 sister, Mrs. Maude Hansen of Tacoma, Wash. Funeral services Tuesday 11 a.m. from White Funeral Home, Lakeville. Interment Lakeville. Visitation 1 hour preceding service.

Sister Sarah A. Miller Offrell, d. 25 Jul 1968 – "Minneapolis (MN) Star Tribune" Tuesday 30 Jul 1968 p 27

Ruby A. Miller Dies, Headed Girls' Vocational School

Ruby A. Miller, 68, superintendent of the State Vocational School for Girls, Helena Valley, died this morning at St. Peter's Hospital where she has been a patient for the past week.

Miss Miller came here 11 years ago to serve at the vocational school of which she was appointed superintendent in December, 1951. Prior to that she taught in the Choteau public schools and was district superintendent there for many years. She homesteaded in the Augusta area and taught in it public schools before moving to Choteau.

Minnesota Native

Miss Miller was born Oct. 29, 1891, in Millersburg, Minn., the daughter of Charles and Kathryn

Finlayson Miller. The town of Millersburg, Minn., was named for her family, early-day residents, who moved there from Vermont.

Her early education was obtained in Minnesota schools. She later attended the School of Fine Arts at Minneapolis and between 1926-26, Montana State University, and 10 years later, the University of Washington. She was listed in the 1960 edition of Who's Who of American Women.

Miss Miller was a member of the National and Montana Education Association, American Correction Association, Women's Superintendent Association of the United States, National Wardens' Association and Order of East-

ern Star. She was active in Camp Fire work and served at one time as deputy assessor for Cascade County.

Relatives Here

Mrs. Oscar Hansen, a sister, and Mrs. Richard Camp, a niece, both of Tacoma, Wash., arrived here Friday to be with Miss Miller.

Other survivors include another sister, Mrs. Sarah Offrell of St. Paul, Minn., a brother, Jack Miller, Tacoma, and numerous nieces and nephews. Her mother died many years ago, and her father, who resided in Spokane and Seattle, died in the early 1930's in Great Falls.

Retz Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Obituary of **sister Ruby Alberta Miller**, d. 19 Apr 1960 - "Helena (MT) Independent Record" Tuesday 19 Apr 1960 p 1



Ruby Alberta Miller (at right) – from her Find A Grave 90368489



Joint tombstone in Mountain View Memorial Park, Lakewood, Pierce WA of Ruby Alberta Miller & her sister Martha M. Miller Hansen & her husband Oscar S. Hansen – Find A Grave 90368489

1932 V.S. 3-8-30-12M STATE OF MONTANA Birth No. 136 ORIGINAL FOR STATE REGISTRAR CERTIFICATE OF DEATH STATE BOARD OF HEALTH Bureau of Vital Statistics State File No. 60 250124

1. PLACE OF DEATH
a. COUNTY Lewis & Clark
b. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION Helena
c. LENGTH OF STAY IN 10 10 years
d. NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION St. Peters Hospital
e. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☒ NO ☐

2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived. If institution: Residence before admission)
a. STATE Mont.
b. COUNTY Lewis & Clark
c. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION Helena
d. STREET ADDRESS Route A
e. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☐ NO ☒ f. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES ☐ NO ☒

3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print) First Middle Last
RUBY A. MILLER
4. DATE OF DEATH Month Day Year
April 19, 1960
5. SEX Female 6. COLOR OR RACE white 7. MARRIED ☐ NEVER MARRIED ☒ 8. DATE OF BIRTH 10-29-1891
9. AGE (In years last birthday) 68
10a. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired) Supt. 10b. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY State Voc. School 11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) Millersburg, Minn. 12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? USA
13. FATHER'S NAME Charles T. Miller 14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME Kathryn Finlayson
15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U. S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown) (If yes, give war or dates of service) no 16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 516-42-8408 17. INFORMANT Address Mrs. O. S. Hansen, Tacoma, Wash.

18. CAUSE OF DEATH (Enter only one cause per line - (a), (b), and (c).)
PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY:
IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) Acute myelogenous Leukemia
Conditions, if any, which gave rise to above cause (a), stating the underlying cause last. DUE TO (b) DUE TO (c)
PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I (a)
19. WAS AUTOPSY PERFORMED? YES ☒ NO ☐
20a. ACCIDENT ☐ SUICIDE ☐ HOMICIDE ☐
20b. TIME OF INJURY a. m. p. m.
20c. INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT WORK ☐ NOT WHILE AT WORK ☐
20d. PLACE OF INJURY (e. g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office bldg., etc.)
20e. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION COUNTY STATE
21. I attended the deceased from 6 weeks to 4-19-60 and last saw her alive on 4-19-60
Death occurred at 5:15 A. M. on the date stated above; and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated.
22a. SIGNATURE Amos R. Keltz (Deputy or vic) 22b. ADDRESS M. D. Helena, Mont. 22c. DATE SIGNED 4-19-60
23a. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) Rem-cremation 4-21-60 23b. DATE 23c. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY Hillcrest Lawn Memorial 23d. LOCATION (City, town, or county) (State) Great Falls, Mont.
24. FUNERAL DIRECTOR ADDRESS Emb. Lic. No. 25. DATE RECD. BY LOCAL REG. 26. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE Keltz Richards
Retz Funeral Home, Helena, Mont. 660 4-19-60

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MT death record of sister Ruby Alberta Miller -

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JAN 5 1948 **RETURN OF MARRIAGE** 12412

1. Place of marriage: (a) County Washington; (b) City or town Cornelius

2. Date of marriage December 22 1947 3. Title of person officiating Pastor

GROOM

4. Full name John Reginald Miller

5. Residence: State Oregon County Washington City or town Forest Grove - 10-56 C St.

6. Color or race White

7. Age last birthday 1894 (53) 8. Birth date Feb. 25

9. Previous marital status Divorced June 23 1945 (Single, widowed, or divorced)

10. Number of this marriage 2nd (1st, 2d, 3d, etc.)

11. Birthplace Rice Co. - Minn. (State or country)

12. Usual occupation Civil Engng.

13. Industry or business

14. Birthplace White Hall - New York (State or country)

15. Usual occupation Name Chas. T. Miller

16. Birthplace Belvidere, Illinois (State or country)

17. Usual occupation Name Katharine Miller

BRIDE

18. Maiden name Beulah Florence Tupper

19. Residence: State Oregon County Wash. City or town Forest Grove - Box 85

20. Color or race White

21. Age last birthday 1894 (53) 22. Birth date Dec. 12

23. Previous marital status Widowed (Single, widowed, or divorced)

24. Number of this marriage 2nd (1st, 2d, 3d, etc.)

25. Birthplace Marion Co. Ill. (State or country)

26. Usual occupation Housewife

27. Industry or business

28. Birthplace Tennessee, U.S.A. (State or country)

29. Usual occupation Name John F. Dodson

30. Birthplace Illinois U.S.A. (State or country)

31. Usual occupation Name Martha Jane Dodson

Ceremony performed by O. A. Moeller Registered No. 8932

Signed H. A. Tupper (County Clerk)

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OR marriage of brother John Reginald Miller (divorced 23 Jun 1945) to Beulah Florence Dodson Tupper (widow) on 22 Dec 1947 in Cornelius, Washington Co. OR -

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REGISTRATION CARD—(Men born on or after April 28, 1877 and on or before February 16, 1897)

SERIAL NUMBER U 1792	1. NAME (Print) John Reginald Miller (First) (Middle) (Last)		ORDER NUMBER
2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print) R1 B97 Forest Grove - Washington Ore. (Number and street) (Town, township, village, or city) (County) (State)			
[THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE GIVEN ON THE LINE ABOVE WILL DETERMINE LOCAL BOARD JURISDICTION; LINE 2 OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WILL BE IDENTICAL]			
3. MAILING ADDRESS 531 So Riverside Medford Ore (Mailing address if other than place indicated on line 2. If same insert word same)			
4. TELEPHONE	5. AGE IN YEARS 48	6. PLACE OF BIRTH Millersburg Minn (Town or county) (State)	
DATE OF BIRTH Feb 25 1894 (Mo.) (Day) (Yr.)			
7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS H W Miller Lakeville Minn			
8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS U. S. Army Eng 161			
9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS Camp White (Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)			
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.			
D. S. S. Form 1 (Revised 4-1-42)		(over)	
16-21630-2		John R Miller (Registrant's signature)	

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT			
RACE	HEIGHT (Approx.)	WEIGHT (Approx.)	COMPLEXION
White	5-9	155	Sallow
Negro		Blonde	Light
Oriental		Red	Ruddy
Indian		Brown	Dark
Filipino		Black	Freckled
		Gray	Light brown
		Bald	Dark brown
			Black

Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification.

Brooked little finger
right hand

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

Registrar for Local Board
Date of registration
Signature of Registrar
J. J. Jackson
Washington County
002

Miller Building
Forest Grove, Oregon

(The stamp of the Local Board having jurisdiction of the registrant shall be placed in the above space)

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JOHN R. MILLER
 John Reginald Miller, 68, of 7104 Flora Drive SW, died yesterday in a local hospital.
 Born in Millersburg, Minn., he came here in 1958 from Portland, Ore. He was a civil engineer and a member of the Episcopal Church.
 Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Ernest (Georga) Carter of Iowa; a son, Robert of Portland; two sisters, Mrs. Sarah Offxell of St. Paul, Minn., and Mrs. Oscar S. Hansen of Tacoma; four grandsons; and four great-grandchildren.
 Services will be announced by Mountain View Funeral Home.

Obituary for brother John Reginald Miller – “Tacoma (WA) News Tribune” Monday 15 Oct 1962 p 28

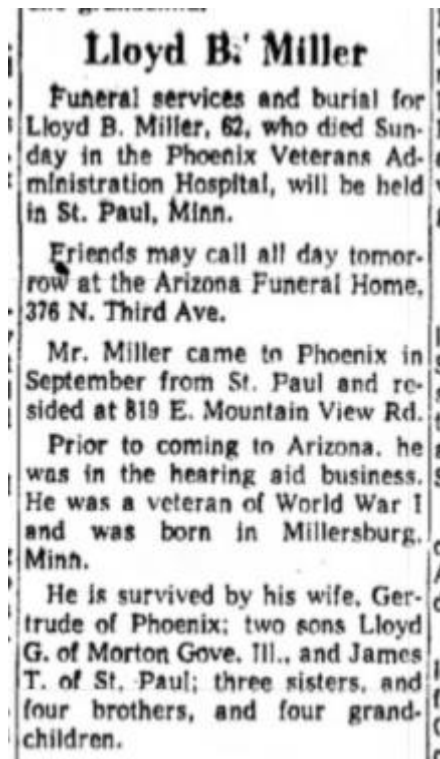
MILLER—Services for John R. Miller will be held at 4 p.m. Wednesday at the Mountain View Garden Chapel. Father George H. Ziegler officiating. Cremation following.

Obituary of brother John Reginald Miller – “Tacoma (WA) News Tribune” Tuesday 16 Oct 1962 p 38

ARIZONA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS				STATE FILE NO. 6143	
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH				REGISTRAR'S NO. 2485	
BIRTH NO.		1. PLACE OF DEATH		2. USUAL RESIDENCE	
A. COUNTY Maricopa		B. LENGTH OF STAY THIS TOWN 7 mos. IN ARIZONA 7 mos.		A. STATE Minnesota B. COUNTY Unknown	
C. CITY OR TOWN Phoenix		D. FULL NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION Veterans Administration Hospital		C. CITY OR TOWN St. Paul D. STREET (IF RURAL, GIVE LOCATION) 902 Hunt Place	
E. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM YES ☐ NO ☐		3. NAME OF DECEASED A. (FIRST) LLOYD B. (MIDDLE) C. (LAST) MILLER		4. SEX M 5. COLOR OR RACE White 6A. MARRIED, NEVER MARRIED, WIDOWED, DIVORCED (SPECIFY) Married	
6B. NAME OF SPOUSE Gertrude G. Miller		7. DATE OF BIRTH MONTH 2 DAY 8 YEAR 97		8. AGE (IN YEARS) LAST BIRTHDAY 62	
9B. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY		10. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR FOREIGN COUNTRY) Minn.		11. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? USA	
14A. FATHER'S NAME Charles I. Miller		14B. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR COUNTRY) Vermont		15A. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME Katherine Finnelson	
16. INFORMANT'S SIGNATURE VA Hospital Records, Phoenix, Arizona		17. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH) AUGUST (DAY) 2, (YEAR) 1959		13. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 477-01-8848	
18. CAUSE OF DEATH		MEDICAL CERTIFICATION		INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH	
I. DISEASE OR CONDITION DIRECTLY LEADING TO DEATH: Bilateral broncho-pneumonia, organism unknown		Pulmonary emphysema and pulmonary fibrosis		4 years	
II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS: 1. Cardiovascular disease with hypertension of lesser circulation 2. Chronic cystitis and pyelonephritis.		Chronic bronchitis and bronchiectasis		Indef.	
19A. DATE OF OPERATION None		19B. MAJOR FINDINGS OF OPERATION None		20. AUTOPSY? YES ☒ NO ☐	
21. I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I ATTENDED THE DECEASED FROM 7-24, 1959 TO 8-2, 1959		22A. SIGNATURE B.M. LIPSCHULTZ, M.D., Chief, Medical Service VA Hospital, Phoenix, Arizona		22B. ADDRESS 8-3-59	
23A. ACCIDENT SUICIDE HOMICIDE NATURAL CAUSE		23B. PLACE OF INJURY (E.G., IN OR ABOUT HOME, FARM, FACTORY, STREET, OFFICE BLDG., ETC.)		23C. (CITY OR TOWN) (COUNTY) (STATE)	
23D. TIME (MONTH) (DAY) (YEAR) (HOUR)		23E. INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT WORK ☐ NOT WHILE AT WORK ☐		23F. HOW DID INJURY OCCUR?	
24A. CORONER'S SIGNATURE		24B. ADDRESS		24C. DATE SIGNED	
25A. BURIAL ☐ CREMATION ☒ REMOVAL ☐		25B. DATE Aug 5, 1959		25C. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY Ft. Snelling Cemetery Minneapolis, Minn.	
26A. DATE REC. BY LOCAL REG. 8/5/59		26B. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE		27A. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE	
28A. EMBALMER'S SIGNATURE		28B. EMBALMER'S CERT. NO. 150			

AZ death record of brother Lloyd Breck Miller (1897-1959) -

https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/8704/images/0237_02370144-00143?usePUB=true&usePUBJs=true&pld=254262



Obituary of Lloyd Breck Miller – “Arizona Republic” (Phoenix AZ) Tuesday 4 Aug 1959 p 21

Millersburg, Rice County, Minnesota:

Millersburg, Minnesota

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Millersburg is an [unincorporated community](#) in [Forest Township](#), [Rice County](#), [Minnesota](#), United States.

The community is located along Rice County Road 1 (Millersburg Boulevard) near its junction with Chester Avenue. Nearby places include [Lonsdale](#), [Faribault](#), [Northfield](#), and [Dundas](#).

[ZIP codes](#) 55046 (Lonsdale), 55021 (Faribault), 55057 (Northfield), and 55019 (Dundas) all meet near Millersburg.

Millersburg was laid out in 1857 by George W. Miller, and named for him.^[2]

Millersburg, Rice Co. MN was named for the Miller family, who settled there from Vermont - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Millersburg,_Minnesota



But this visit I picked up some info not necessarily related to the 1881 school, but to the 1876 robbery of the First National Bank in nearby Northfield. Here, four members of the James-Younger Gang stopped for whiskey at the then **Millersburg** Store (today Boonies Bar & Grill across from the schoolhouse), stayed at the Cushman Hotel just down the road and the next day met up with fellow outlaws in Dundas.

<https://mnprairieroots.com/tag/millersburg/>

Millersburg & the Northfield Bank Robbery

September 6-7, 1876

Inscription. ➡ Late in the day on September 6, 1876, four heavily armed men rode into Millersburg from the west and spent the night in the Cushman Hotel east of the school. They were led by a ruthless outlaw named Thomas Coleman "Cole" Younger. The four armed men left the Cushman Hotel the next morning and headed east on the Dundas road to link up with four other members of the infamous James-Younger Gang, hardened criminals and former Confederate bushwhackers during the Civil War. Their goal was to rob the First National Bank in Northfield.

Thirteen Swedish families lived in the Millersburg area in 1876, including Peter Gustafson who was recently joined by his brother Nicolaus and nephew Ernst from Sweden. West of Millersburg that morning, Peter Youngquist and four Swedish neighbors harnessed his mules and headed for Northfield to sell farm produce. Riding with the Youngquist party was 30 year-old Nicolaus Gustafson. It was Thursday, September 7, 1876.

The Swedes arrived in Northfield around 1:00 pm and set up their vegetable wagon along the Cannon River near 5th Street. About 2:00 pm, they heard gunshots. Nicolaus Gustafson ran to the intersection of

Division and 5th a block away, where he was shot in the head by Cole Younger as the bank was being robbed. Gustafson died four days later. A Swede named John Olson was an eyewitness to the Gustafson shooting and testified against Cole Younger.

Click on the ad for more information.
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The bank robbery failed because of the bravery of several local citizens and uncharacteristic behavior of some gang members. Jesse James did not drink alcohol and never permitted his gang members to drink on the job, but witnesses stated that three of the Northfield bank robbers had been drinking whiskey shortly before the robbery. For this and other reasons, authorities questioned whether Jesse James was in Northfield on September 7, 1876.

During the attempted robbery, Nicolaus Gustafson and acting bank cashier Joseph Heywood were murdered; two gang members were killed by Northfield residents; six escaped. The surviving gang members left Northfield by the Dundas road and headed west for Millersburg. Three were badly wounded.

Erected by Christdala Church Preservation Association.

Topics and series. This historical marker is listed in these topic lists: [Notable Events](#) • [Settlements & Settlers](#). In addition, it is included in the [Jesse James](#) series list. A significant historical date for this entry is September 6, 1876.

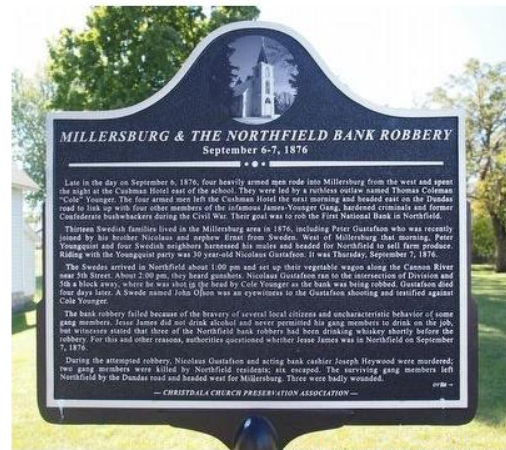
Location. 44° 25.641' N, 93° 19.67' W. Marker is in Millersburg, Minnesota, in Rice County. Marker is on Millersburg Blvd (County Route 1), on the right when traveling east. Adjacent to Millersburg School Museum. [Touch for map](#). Marker is in this post office area: Northfield MN 55057, United States of America. [Touch for directions](#).

Other nearby markers. At least 7 other markers are within 10 miles of this marker, measured as the crow flies. [Christdala Swedish Lutheran Church 1877](#) (approx. 1½ miles away); [Nicolaus Gustafson](#) (approx. 1½ miles away); [A Flour Milling Revolution](#) (approx. 2½ miles away); [Sesquicentennial Legacy Plaza](#) (approx. 8.4 miles away); [Civil War Monument](#) (approx. 8½ miles away); [The Big Woods](#) (approx. 8.6 miles away); [The Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour](#) (approx. 9½ miles away).

Also see . . . [Northfield, Minnesota Bank Robbery - Angelfire.com](#). (Submitted on April 5, 2016, by Bill Pfingsten of Bel Air, Maryland.)

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By McGhievers, September 30, 2015

1. Millersburg & the Northfield Bank Robbery Marker

Carleton

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Northfield-Rice County Digital History Collection

**Title**

Millersburg Village and Store

Description

Black and white photograph of the Millersburg store. In the photograph George Miller, the owner of the store, is driving a horse drawn carriage with Mr. and Mrs. C.O. Person in the back seat. George's son, George A. Miller, stands on the store porch with a dog. The accompanying article provides a brief history on the store and the village of Millersburg.

Minnesota Reflections Topic	Business and Industry
Item Type	Still Image
Item Physical Format	Black-and-white photographs
Locally Assigned Subject Headings	Animals Individuals Stores
Minnesota City or Township	Millersburg
Minnesota County	Rice
Contributing Institution	Northfield-Rice County Digital History Collection Christdala Church Preservation and Cemetery Association
Contact Information	Christdala Church Preservation and Cemetery Association, 3400 W. 120 Ct, Faribault, MN 55021, http://www.chrstdala.com
Rights Management	Use of this object is governed by U.S. and international copyright law. Contact the Christdala Church Preservation and Cemetery Association for permission to use this object.
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Language	eng
CDM Modified Note	2014_CCPCA_millersburgvillagestore

Herbert's paternal great-grandfather George W. Miller driving the buggy at right (word "George" written underneath) in front of the store he owned, while Herbert's grandfather Charles A. Miller stood on the porch with a dog. - <https://contentdm.carleton.edu/digital/collection/CCPCA/id/870/>

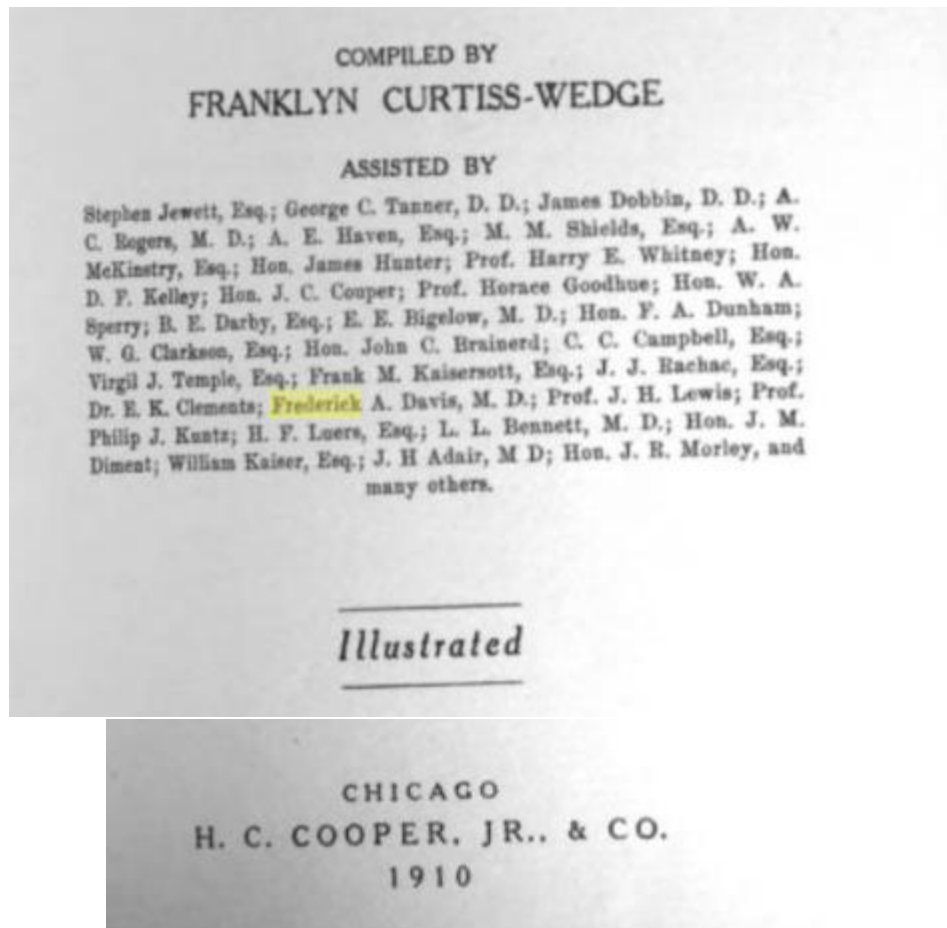
MILLERSBURG.

The first settlement on the village site commenced in 1855, when James Fitzimmons came and pre-empted 160 acres and opened it as a farm. In the spring following he sold to George W. Miller, who also took some other land. Mr. Miller soon afterward platted the village and recorded it as Millersburg. He also put up a mill and a hotel. Next a store was started by Albert Fillmore just out of the village limits. He made up his mind to start an establishment, and went to the cranberry marsh on sections 6 and 7 and gathered a load of berries. These he marketed, and with the proceeds thereof started the first store in Millersburg. He ran this store one year and a half, when the

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calamity of bankruptcy overtook him, and he went to Minneapolis, but has since died. The next store was started by Thomas Adams, in the fall of 1858, who opened a building opposite the hotel and put in a stock of groceries and general merchandise. He succeeded in withstanding the pressure for about one year, when the fate of the former merchant overtook him and he removed to Dundas. In 1857 the first blacksmith shop was started by Mr. Sellon in the same building that was afterwards converted into Adams' store. It was operated as a "bellows and anvil" establishment for about one year, when Mr. Sellon retired.

Millersburg now consists of two stores, a German Lutheran Church and a school, as well as several dwellings.



“History of Rice and Steele Counties, Minnesota, Volume I” pages 616-617 -

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The robbers left Northfield by the Dundas road, leading to the village of that name, three miles to the south. They rode abreast, taking the whole road, and compelling everyone they met to take the ditch. Meeting a farmer, they helped themselves to one of his span of gray horses, and “borrowed” a saddle from another farmer for the use of Bob Younger, whose wounded arm was causing him much suffering. About 4:30 p. m. the band reached **Millersburg**, where some of them spent the previous night. Here they were recognized, but they were still in advance of the news of their crime, and far ahead of their pursuers.

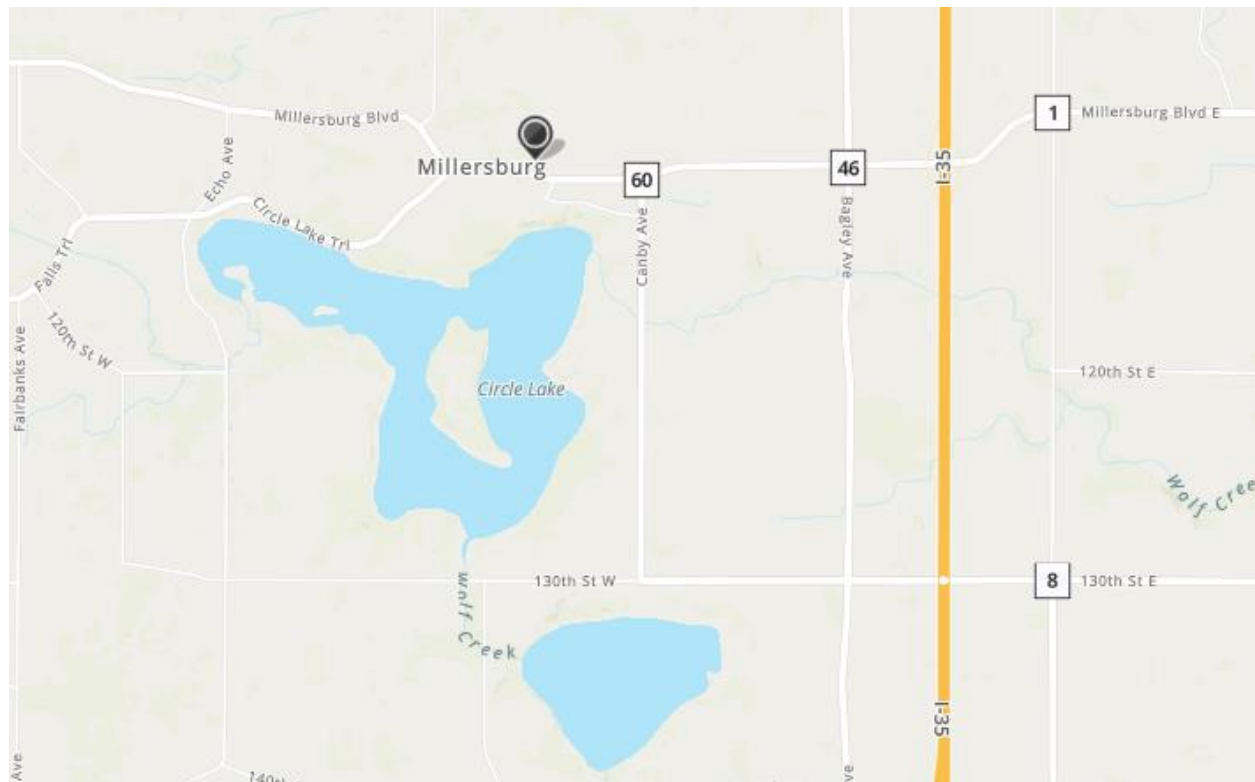
Also page 438 - As the James-Younger gang flees Northfield MN after their botched 1876 robbery attempt of the First National Bank, they head to Millersburg, where Cole Younger & others had spent the previous night – and allegedly bought whiskey at the store (presumably the one owned by Herbert’s grandfather) -

Millersburg Postoffice. This postoffice was established in 1859, and was located in the village bearing the same name. **George W. Miller** was the first appointed to handle the mail. He held the office for a number of years, and his son, **George A. Miller**, was the next postmaster. He was followed by C. F. Cushman. The office was discontinued about 1901 and the patrons received their mail by rural free delivery from Dundas.

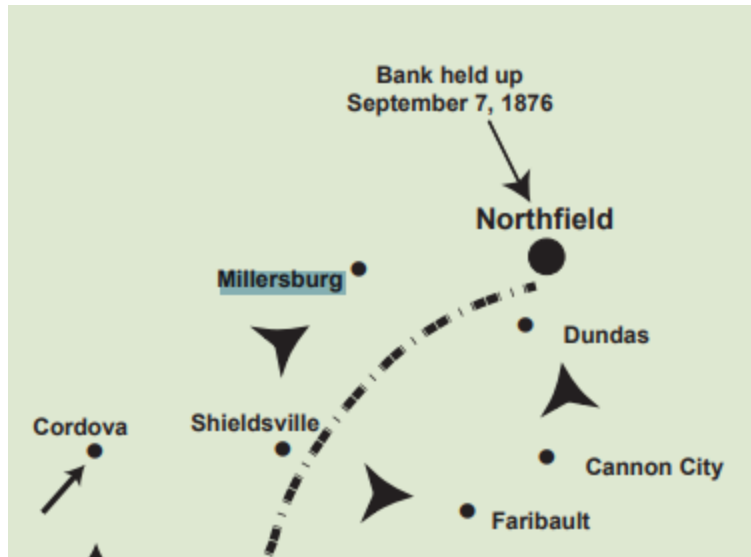
Also p 535

MILLERSBURG, a village in Forest township, was platted in 1857 by George W. Miller. Its post office was discontinued in 1901, and the village site is now mostly farming land.

Rice County, Genealogy & History - <http://genealogytrails.com/minn/rice/history.html>



Millersburg MN is in Rice County, west of Interstate-35 and north of Faribault MN - <https://www.mapquest.com/us/minnesota/millersburg-mn-283430626>



THE OUTLAW TRAIL

From the Northfield Historical Society Museum, go south on Division Street to the stop sign at Fifth Street. Turn right and continue west on Fifth Street to the intersection of Highways 3 and 19. Continue west on Highway 19 to Forest Avenue. Turn right.

1. ODDFELLOWS GROVE

Now a city park, at Lincoln Street and Forest Avenue.

This is believed to be part of the woods where the eight outlaws rendezvoused that fateful Thursday morning, September 7, 1876, just hours before the raid. Traveling northeast from Mankato, the gang separated near the small town of Cordova. Cole Younger, Bob Younger, Charlie Pitts and Bill Stiles approached Northfield from Millersburg, 11 miles west. The others, Frank and Jesse James, Clell Miller and Jim Younger, had come from Cannon City, 10 miles south. They split into three groups to avoid suspicion. Although heavily armed, with revolvers concealed under their linen dusters, they carried no rifles.

Cole & Bob Younger, Charlie Pitts & Bill Stiles approach Northfield MN on 7 Sep 1876 from Millersburg, where they had spent the night –

8. HISTORIC DUNDAS VILLAGE BRIDGE

You may want to stop here to view the Cannon River and the remains of the Castle Mill in the historic old milling town.

Without Stiles to guide their retreat, the outlaws retraced their steps to Dundas. They rode abreast, like a squad of calvary. They stopped to clean their wounds in the Cannon River. A farmer happened by with a good span of horses. The outlaws commandeered one for Bob Younger, who had been riding behind his brother, Cole, and posing as officers of the law, "borrowed" a saddle from another farm and headed west toward Millersburg.

A posse was slow to form in Northfield, but word of the raid and the outlaws' escape was telegraphed to Faribault.

The James-Younger gang flees via Dundas to Millersburg –

9. INTERSECTION OF COUNTY ROADS 1 AND 46

Near this point, the outlaws passed a local farmer, Charles F. Beylien, who was driving a wagon team west with flour from the Dundas Mill. He noticed Bob Younger's wounds and asked if they had taken a prisoner. They said they had and were taking him to jail. From his wagon, Beylien shouted that they were taking him the wrong way. One of the riders replied, "Oh, no! We're taking the right way."

They continued west, paused at a nearby slough for water and then resumed their escape, passing Beylien again at a full gallop headed west.

Continue west on County Road 1 to Millersburg. (If your time is limited, retrace the tour to Northfield.)

10. MILLERSBURG

By 4:30 that afternoon, the outlaws reached the Millersburg Inn, or Cushman Hotel, on the Old Dodd Road. They covered 11 miles in almost two hours. Cole and Bob Younger, Pitts and Stiles had stayed there the previous night. The proprietor recognized Younger and Pitts and noted the disheveled and weary condition of both men and horses. But word of the raid had not yet reached Millersburg and the gang rode on. No one had yet picked up their trail.

The balance of the tour is a scenic drive which takes 45 minutes to an hour. If you turn left on County Road 61, you are following the Old Dodd Road.

13. THE BIG WOODS

The outlaws rode west along the Dodd Road into this sprawling area of swamps, lakes and forests called the Big Woods. Four miles west of Shieldsville, near dark, there was a second confrontation with the posse. Shots echoed through the woods. An outlaw's horse was wounded in the exchange. Before long, the outlaws abandoned their horses and struck off on foot for Mankato.

Now the battered outlaws — chased by a posse that sometimes numbered 500 to 1,000 — were tested by nature and the elements as well. The rain came down. The mosquitoes were fierce. Exhausted and hungry, wounded and suffering from exposure, what was left of the notorious gang continued to elude the authorities as they made their way west.

Frank and Jesse James broke from the group and escaped on stolen horses to South Dakota. There, they picked up the Missouri River and followed it to the safety and comfort of their home state.

The Youngers and Charlie Pitts continued wandering on foot west of Mankato to Madelia. Two weeks after the raid, they were discovered in a Hanska slough by a local posse. After a fierce gun battle at close range, Bob Younger called out his surrender. Pitts was dead. Cole and Jim Younger were too wounded to respond.

The Youngers were taken back to Faribault for trial. They pled guilty to attempted robbery, assault and murder to avoid the death penalty. They were sentenced to life imprisonment at Stillwater Prison.

Reaching Millersburg, Cole & Bob Younger & Charlie Pitts (real name: Samuel Wells) are recognized but the Cushman Hotel proprietor does not know about the Northfield raid. Two weeks later, in a gun battle with a posse, Charlie Pitts is killed, Bob Younger calls out his surrender, Cole Younger is too wounded to speak. Bill Stiles was supposedly killed during the raid in Northfield MN but in 1931 a man surfaced saying the man killed was Bill Chadwell & he was the real Bill Stiles, who had waited outside Northfield MN as a guard.

<https://visitnorthfield.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/Outlaw-Trail-Brochure.pdf>

Name: Herbert Ward Miller

Name variations:

Military:

On Tuscania: 20th Eng. 18th/Co. F - private

Serial number: 250,829

Entered service from: Great Falls, Cascade MT

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Herbert W. Miller

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": brother Jack R. Miller, Box 1253, Great Falls MT

Returned from war on:

Sailed on return ship as: Herbert W. Miller

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: mother Mrs. Kate Miller, Lakeville MN

World War I draft registration (1917): as Herbert Ward Miller – b. 17 Dec 1889 Millersburg, Rice MN; res: Reibelng [sic/Riebelng, Lewis & Clark Co.] MT. Single. Farmer, not employed at present, employed at "no place." Card was not signed; handwritten note says: "sign here." Registered early,

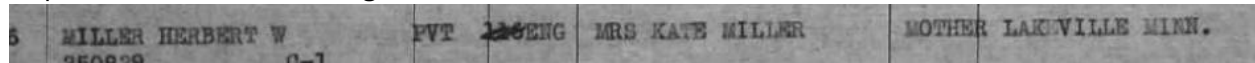
on 31 May 1917 in Lewis & Clark Co. MT, ahead of the 5 Jun 1917 national registration day. Tall, slight build.

National Tuscania Survivors Association (1939): Lakeville MN, as H.W. Miller

World War II draft registration (1942): as Herbert Ward Miller – b. 17 Dec 1889 Faribault, Rice MN; res: Lakeville, Dakota MN. NOK Mrs. H.W. Miller. Mail delivery Lakeville, Dakota MN. Card signed H.W. Miller. Height: 5'10 ½" – weight: 145 lbs.

Return vessel entry:

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Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted: 13 Dec 1917

Discharged: 18 Jan 1919

Address: Lakeville MN

Rank/unit: private, Co. F, 20th Engineers

Birth & death:

Born: 17 Dec 1889 Faribault, Rice MN

Died: 19 Oct 1948 Hennepin Co. MN (at Emerson Nursing Home)

Find A Grave record: 20680491 – presence on Tuscania indicated in flower

Burial location: Lakeville, Dakota MN

Cemetery: Lakeville Grove

Tombstone:

Father: Charles Thomas Miller, 13 Jan 1854 Fort Ann, Washington Co. NY – 5 Dec 1930 Great Falls, Cascade MT. Son of George A. Miller (1847 NY – 1930 MN, F: 101056182) & Almeda E. Weaver (1824-1857, F: 75706676). George A. Miller was the son of George W. Miller (1817-1874, F: 223815279) & Almeda E. (1824-1857, F: 75706676). George W. Miller platted the town of Millersburg, Rice MN & named it after himself. George W. Miller's Find A Grave record includes a testimonial from Elder Joshua V. Himes about the church work of George W. Miller, who served as elder in Millersburg MN from 1864 to his death in 1874. Died at the home of his daughter, Martha Maud Miller Hansen, in Great Falls MT.

When son John Reginald Miller marries in 1947, he lists his father's birthplace as White Hall NY.

Charles is buried in Lakeville Grove Cemetery, Lakeville, Dakota MN.

Find A Grave: 20680493

Mother: Katherine M. ("Kate") Finlayson Miller, Apr 1853 Riley, McHugh IL – 30 Jul 1922 Dakota Co. MN. Daughter of James Finlayson (1786 Scotland – 1860 either IL or MN) & Sarah Wells (1817 Canada – 1906 MN), who married in Quebec, Canada. Buried in Lakeville Grove Cemetery, Lakeville, Dakota MN.

When son John Reginald Miller marries in 1947, he lists his mother's birthplace as Belvidere IL.

Find A Grave: 20680492

Parents' marriage: 18 Jul 1872 Rice Co. MN – Charles T. Miller & Kate M. Finlayson

Stepmother:

Harriett/Harriet (Hattie) Converse Jewett Miller, b. ca. 1857 NY – 11 Jun 1932 Spokane, Spokane WA. Daughter of Henry W. Converse & Rebecca Angle. Was married to John C. Jewett (b. Antioch IL), the son of Sexton Butler Jewett (1816 MA-1878 KS) & Ellen Carver (1824 MA – 1887 KS), in MT. Buried in Riverside Memorial Park, Spokane, Spokane WA but not on Find A Grave as of 9 Jan 2022. Stepmother's Find A Grave:

Stepmother & father's marriage: 15 Oct 1927 Spokane, Spokane WA. Second marriage for both. Her obituaries do not mention Charles's name, only Mrs. Harriet Miller.

Spouse: Elsie Lavina Lanner Miller, 24 Sep 1903 Minneapolis, Hennepin MN (at 2905 Garfield Ave.) – 1978. Daughter of Carl/Charles Alfred Lanner (1875 Sweden-1953 MN, F: 90125669) & Mathilda Christine Oman (1879 MN-1971 MN, F: 90125670). Her parents are buried in Corinthian Cemetery, Farmington, Dakota MN, where her daughter Bette Miller Topp is also buried. Elsie was baptized 4 Nov 1903 in Zion Lutheran Church, Minneapolis MN.

Elsie is buried in Lakeville Grove Cemetery, Lakeville, Dakota MN.

Spouse Find A Grave: 20680490

Marriage: ca. 1920

Children:

- Lorraine Elsie Miller Mellang, 4 Aug 1921 Lakeville, Dakota MN – 30 Jul 2010 Citrus Heights, Sacramento CA. SSN 473-30-2716. Wife of Clayton Odell Mellang (1917 MN-25 Apr 1986 Hennepin Co. MN, whom she married 29 Nov 1940 in Northwood, Worth IA. – Lorraine & Clayton have separate addresses in Minneapolis MN when their sons marry in 1968 & 1970 in MN. Her memorial service was held at Lakeville Grove Cemetery, Lakeville, Dakota MN but she is not listed on Find A Grave as of 9 Jan 2022.
- Ruth Vivian Miller Weimer, 25 Nov 1922 Dakota Co. MN – 21 Jan 1983 Thurston Co. WA. SSN 476-18-3435. Wife of Melvin Ernest Weimer (1914-1978, F: 207337684), whom she married in 1945 in CA. Buried in Mills & Mills Memorial Park, Tumwater, Thurston WA. F: 207337827
- Bette Jeanne Miller Topp, 10 Apr 1926 Lakeville, Dakota MN – 24 Nov 2004 Pequot Lakes, Crow Wing MN (in Heritage House of Pequot Lakes). SSN 470-24-3057. On her MN birth records, her 1st name is spelled Betty; also used in 1930 & 1940 censuses. Wife of Leslie James Topp (1924-2008, F: 73790440). Lived in the Nisswa MN area for the 35 years prior to her death. Buried in Corinthian Cemetery, Farmington, Dakota MN. F: 73790475

Siblings: Herbert was born after Sarah/Sadie. His mother said in the 1900 census that she had given birth to 8 children, 7 of whom were living. In 1910, Katherine reported she had given birth to 9 children, 7 of whom were living.

- George Arthur Miller, 23 Mar 1876 Faribault, Rice MN – 6 Feb 1940 Alexandria, Douglas MN (in a hotel). SSN 474-10-2761. Husband of Maud Emily Amidon (1878-1966, F: 20680494). On his 12 Sep 1918 WWI draft registration, he lived in Maple Lake, Wright MN with wife Maud & was a farmer. - Listed as a butter maker in the 1905 MN state census, he was a traveling salesman well-known to those in the butter and dairy industries at the time of his death. Buried in Lakeville Grove Cemetery, Lakeville, Dakota MN. F: 20680495
- Florence Miller, 5 Jul 1878 Houston Co. MN. MN birth record lists parents as Charles & Kate Miller. Age 2 in the 1880 census. She might be the 8th child her mother lists in the 1900 census, the one deceased.

- Martha Maud Miller Hansen, 1 Oct 1884 Forest Township, Rice MN – 30 May 1973 Sherburne Co. MN. Wife of Oscar Sverdrup Hansen (1884-1981, F: 90368495). Resident as Mrs. O.S. Hansen of Tacoma WA in Apr 1962 & Jul 1968. Shares tombstone with her husband & sister Ruby Miller in Mountain View Memorial Park, Lakewood, Pierce WA. F: 90368501
- Sadie Almeda (Sarah) Miller Offrell, Oct 1887 MN (1900 census) or 7 Dec 1887 Millersburg, Rice MN (obituary) – 25 Jul 1968 MN. In the 1920 census for St. Paul, Ramsey MN, she lived on St. Clair Ave. with husband Carl Hjalmar Alexander Offrell (age 37, b. NY). Hjalmar was born 1883, died 1942, F: 20680497. Sadie is buried in Lakeville Grove Cemetery, Lakeville, Dakota MN. F: 20680496
- Ruby Alberta Miller, 29 Oct 1891 Millersburg, Rice MN (Oct 1893 MN in 1900 census) – 19 Apr 1960 Helena, Lewis & Clark MT. Attended the School of Fine Arts (Minneapolis MN), Montana State University & University of Washington. Taught at Choteau MT public schools & served as district superintendent. For the 11 years prior to her death, worked at the State Vocational School for Girls, Helena Valley, in Helena MT, being appointed its director in Dec 1951. Listed in the 1960 edition of “Who’s Who Among American Women.” Died of leukemia. Cremated at Hillcrest Lawn Memorial Cemetery, Great Falls MT. Buried, sharing the tombstone with her sister Martha Miller Hansen & her husband Oscar, in Mountain View Memorial Park, Lakewood, Pierce WA. F: 90368489
- John Reginald (“Jack”) Miller, 25 Feb 1894 Millersburg, Rice MN (tombstone) or Feb 1895 MN (1900 census) – 14 Oct 1962 Tacoma, Pierce WA. Resident of Great Falls MT when he was Herbert’s “Tuscania” next-of-kin. – Was married to Margaret M. Otte (1893 MN-1993 MN, SSN 516-05-0965). She was the daughter of Henry E. Otte (1883-1974, F: 74227502) & Anna Bertha Wwagenblast (1857-1936, F: 75528273). Their son Robert was born 1914, their daughter Georgia in 1917. – He was divorced from his 1st wife on 23 Jun 1945, he reported on his marriage license with Beulah Florence Dodson (1886-1954), whom he married 22 Dec 1947 in Cornelius, Washington Co. OR. Beulah was widowed. Resident of Tacoma WA in Apr 1960. – His obituary reports his residence was 7104 Flora Drive SW, Tacoma WA & he was a civil engineer. He moved to Tacoma WA from Portland OR in 1958. John is buried in Mountain View Memorial Park, Lakewood, Pierce WA. F: 90368545
- Lloyd Breck Miller, 8 Feb 1897 Millersburg, Rice MN – 2 Aug 1959 Phoenix, Maricopa AZ (in the Veterans Administration Hospital). SSN 477-01-8848. Name also found as James Lloyd Breck Miller, or Lloyd James Miller. Husband of Gertrude G. Miller (1893-1981, F: 73366974). Served in WWI as an Army sergeant. In the hearing aid business. In the 1940 census lived on Hunt Place in St. Paul, Ramsey MN, age 44, with wife Gertrude, age 47, b. MN. Moved to Phoenix AZ from St. Paul MN. Buried in Fort Snelling National Cemetery, Minneapolis, Hennepin MN. F: 3477008

Notes:

Family tree at: https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/119588202/person/122015880957/facts?_phsrc=hFB35804&_phstart=successSource

Pre-war:

Wartime:

“Butte (MT) Miner” Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 1 – among the Montanans saved aboard Tuscania, all but one were members of the 20th Engineers. Among the saved: Herbert W. Miller, Great Falls MT.

Post-war:

Obituary:

Social Security number:

Censuses:

1900 Bridgewater, Rice MN

Charles H. Miller, 53 VT, Jun 1847, parents' birth information left blank, married 28 years, grocer
Kate, 47 IL, Apr 1853, father b. Scotland, mother b. Canada, gave birth to 8 children, 7 are living

Maud, 15 MN, Oct 1884, at school

Sadie, 12 MN, Oct 1887, at school

Herbie W., 10 MN, Dec 1889, at school

Ruby A., 6 MN, Oct 1893

John, 5 MN, Feb 1895

Loyd, 3 MN, Feb 1897

1905 MN state census – Lakeville, Dakota MN

Charles P. Miller, 51 NY, parents b. NY, janitor

Catherine, 52 IL, father b. Scotland, mother b. VT, housewife

George A., 28 MN, buttermaker

Maud, 20 MN, teacher

Sadie A., 17 MN, student

Herbert W., 15 MN, student

Ruby A., 13 MN, student

John R., 11 MN, student

Lloyd B., 8 MN

1910 Lakeville, Dakota MN – parents & siblings but not Herbert - Main

Charles T. Miller, 56 NY, parents b. NY, in 1st marriage, married 38 years, janitor, school

Katherine, 57 IL, father b. Scotland, mother b. Canada, in 1st marriage, gave birth to 9 children, 7 are living

Maud M., 25 MN, teaching, school

Sada A., 22 MN, operator, telephone

Ruby A., 18 MN

John R., 16 MN, operator, telephone

Loyd J., 13 MN

1920 Lakeville, Dakota MN – Main St.

Charles Miller, 30 MN, parents b. NY, proprietor, candy store

Katherine, 65 IL, father b. Scotland, mother b. VT

Herbert, 30 MN, single, manager, candy store

Lloyd, 22 MN, single

1930 Lakeville, Dakota MN

Herbert W. Miller, 40 MN, father b. NY, mother b. US, age 30 at 1st marriage, mail service, rural route, WWI veteran

Elsie, 26 MN, father b. Sweden, mother b. MN, age 16 at 1st marriage

Lorraine, 8 MN

Ruth, 7 MN

Betty, 4 MN

1940 Lakeville, Dakota MN – Main St. – same place in 1935 (but then notes added)

Herbert W.D. Miller, 50 MN, mail carrier, post office, in 1935 living in Rice Co. MN (or was this answering birthplace?)

Elsie, 35 MN [in Hennepin Co MN]

Lorraine, 18 MN [in Dakota Co. MN]

Ruth, 17 MN [in Dakota Co. MN]

Betty, 17 MN [in Dakota Co. MN]