

MILLER, WILLIAM RODGER
October 15, 1896-November 4, 1918

William Rodger Miller, son of F.H. and Minnie Miller, was born at Woodward, Iowa, Oct. 15, 1896, and he spent his boyhood days there, attending the grade and high schools.

At the age of 18, he joined the Iowa National guard as first corporal, Co. A, 2nd Iowa Infantry. When the National guard was inducted into the United States service, he went with his regiment to the Mexican border, and was there during riotous times with Mexico. When the Mexican trouble was settled, he returned with his company to Mason City, and was mustered out of the United States service and received an honorable discharge from his regiment. In the meantime, his mother and brother, Francis, moved to Ft. Laramie, Wyo., and he also came to Wyoming.

November 1, 1917, he went to Glenrock, Wyo. and engaged in the oil business at that place. Becoming 21 years old, he registered June 5, 1918, and was called to United States service. On October 21, 1918, he was sent to Camp McArthur, Calif., contracted influenza and died Nov. 4, 1918. The remains were shipped to Wheatland and interred in the Wheatland cemetery, Oct. 11, 1918.

His immediate relatives in Wyoming are his mother, Mrs. Minnie Miller Vickery, his step-father, Merrill Vickery, his brother F.C. Miller and wife, his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Jeffers, Ned Jeffers, his uncle, and cousin, little Francis Jeffers, and a host of friends. He had no enemies.

To know Billie Miller was to love him. He always had a good word, was jolly, and the life of any company he was with, generous to a fault and had no bad habits. Words fail to speak his praise as it should be.