

**McLean County Museum of History**

**Edward Miller Farm Collection**

**Collection Information**

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	1 box
COLLECTION DATES:	1912-1968
RESTRICTIONS:	None
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ALTERNATIVE FORMATS:	None
OTHER FINDING AIDS:	None
LOCATION:	Archives
NOTES:	Donated by Margret Mendoza (she rec'd these items with an Auction purchase)

**Brief History**

(Gustave) Edward Miller was born at Danvers in 1886. He wed Lauraline Neal (1900-1977) in 1918 and the couple raised son Robert F. Miller.

**Scope**

The collection includes family personal correspondence, Christmas cards, receipts, canceled bank checks, tractor installment purchase documents, World War II era Agricultural Adjustment Administration documents, creamery statements, etc.

**Box and Folder Inventory**

**Folder 1: Canceled Checks and Bank Papers**

- Farmers State Bank of Danvers, 7 canceled checks, 1912-17
- First National Bank of Danvers, 38 canceled checks, 1931-47
- Service charge debit tickets, 4, 1945-46
- First National Bank of Danvers, 6 promissory notes, 1934-45
- Four miscellaneous items

**Folder 2: Tractor Purchase**

Illinois installment purchase, 4-1-1938  
 Property statement, 4-1-1938  
 Order for second hand goods, 4-1-1938

**Folder 3: Trade Schools**

Washington Civil Service School in Washington, DC to Miller with application form, 3 pp.  
 Postcard soliciting students for Michigan State Auto School for mechanics school, Feb 1918.

**Folder 4: Correspondence, 1913-46**

12-15-12 "Uncle Dock"/Miller, Farming near Meriden, Iowa  
 5-10-14 Miller, Will/Miller, Farming near Covell, Ill. and family news  
 6-5-14 Miller, Will/Miller, Farming near Covell and news from Oklahoma  
 8-9-14 Miller, Will/Miller, Farming near Covell  
 1-21-17 Miller, Will/Miller, rent difficulty in Council Hill, Oklahoma, sell horse  
 2-8-17 Miller, Will/Miller, ship horse to Oklahoma  
 2-12-16 Malsch, Pearl/Miller, news from Bryan, Ohio  
 6-12-17 Pearl & Gust/Miller, farming near Alexis, Ill and farm labor  
 7-31-18 Miller/Miller, farming near Atkinson, Ill. and dating  
 10-29-17 Pearl & Gust/Miller, farming near Alexis  
 10-19- ? Emma ?/Miller, family news  
 7-15-29 Perry, E. M./Miller, social  
 6-9-36 Yoder, Walter/Miller, Henry Miller Estate  
 1-8-41 Mason, Mrs. E. G./Miller, family news and life in Chicago  
 2-18-41 Bessie/Miller, Laura, sickness, get well card, social  
 4-7-41 Miller, E.W./Miller, in artillery training camp  
 8-22-41 Miller, Marvin/Miller, in infantry training in Louisiana  
 8-28-41 Kendall, Mary/Neal, Mrs. Willie, in the poor house  
 9-7-41 Harvey, Mrs. E/Miller, Mrs. Ed., in St. Joseph Hospital  
 10-6-41 Kitchener, Mrs. Bell/Miller, Mrs. Ed, family news, news from Oklahoma, anti-war sentiments  
 12-9-41 Miller, Marvin/Miller, social, won't be home for Christmas  
 12-17-41 Carter, Clara/Miller, illness  
 12-20-41 Dentis, Ela/Miller, social  
 ----- fragment with heed handbill

**Folder 5: Christmas Cards**

22 cards

**Folder 6: Receipts, A – M 1917-1968**

A. L. Adair Sales Barn, 2, 1939-46  
 Arnett & Miller, Farm Implements, 7, 1945-46  
 Bloomington Stock Yards, 2 1940  
 Congerville Grain & Coal Co., 2, 1946

Danvers Telephone Co., 5, 1917-46  
Danvers Farmers Elevator Co., 22, 1926-46  
H. L. Lembke, Farm Implements, 27, 1946  
McLean Co. Service Co., 12, 1941-46  
McCormick-Deering Store, 2, 1941

**Folder 7: Receipts, A – M 1917-1968**

Miller Hatcher, 14, 1942  
Montgomery Ward & Co., 3, 1945 ?  
Sloan, Deneen & Sloan, 10, 1934-45  
Post Office, 2, 1940-44  
C. A. Pierson & Co., livestock, 19, 1934-46  
Sears, Roebuck & Co., 4, 1941-46  
Standard Oil Co., 3, 1939-42  
Misc., 43, 1939-46  
2 pgs. Tables of unknown figures

**Folder 8: US Department of Agriculture, 1936-46**

6-16-36 Notice of soil depleting bases from Mclean County Agricultural  
Conservation Assn  
12-31-41 Agricultural Adjustment Administration (A.A.A.), 1942 Allotment notice  
1-4-46 A.A.A., Production Practice Report  
3-6-45 A.A.A., Conservation Practice Report  
3-21-46 Notice of Approved Practices  
1-7-46 Dairy Production Program, Application for payment  
7-1-46 Dairy Production Program, Application for payment  
1946-47 (38) Farmers Creamery Co. statements for cream received  
Sep 1946 Prairie Farms Creamery dividend payment statement  
Undated Attachment for coupons for war-time sugar ration coupons

**Folder 9: Farewell Guest List, 1920**

3 pp.

**Folder 10: Miscellaneous**

5-8-37 Affidavit on cow sale  
12-1-37 Conditional sale note on 3 cows  
4-4-42 Patron's Mutual Fire & Lightning Ins. Co., Stanford, Ill., policy

**Folder 11: Photos**

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