

**Individual Narrative of Charles<sup>8</sup> D. Millis [380]  
Son of Elizabeth<sup>7</sup> Sackett Leverich [193] and John Nicholson Millis, Jr.  
Husband of Harriet A. Stroud**

Charles D. Millis (904) was born in 1843 at Oswego, Oswego, New York.<sup>1,2</sup> Charles D. Millis was recorded in the U.S. Census of Oswego, Oswego County, New York in 1850 (age 6) and 1860 (age 16), living with his parents and various siblings.<sup>3,4</sup>

Charles D. Millis was listed in the 1862 Oswego New York City Directory as a clerk boarding at 89 West 8th Street.<sup>5</sup>

Charles D. Millis married Harriet Stroud (or possibly Strand) circa 1868, probably in Oswego, Oswego County, New York. The estimated marriage date was calculated based upon the birth year (1870) of their first-born child. The Illinois Deaths and Stillbirths Index (an Ancestry.com transcription) names Harriet's father Edward "Strand". However, in examining the census taker's handwriting in the 1855 and 1865 New York State Census of Oswego it appears that Harriet's father was Edward "Stroud". In addition, the 1888 and 1891 Oswego City Directories list Charles D. Millis, grocer (Millis and Stroud).<sup>6,7,8,9,10</sup>

Harriet Stroud was born 21 May 1848 in New York City. Harriet was the daughter of Edward Stroud and Hannah Broodbank. Both parents were born in England.<sup>11</sup>

Charles D. Millis, age 27 clerk in grocery, his wife Hattie, age 24, and their one-month old child Florence were recorded in the 1870 U.S. Census of Oswego, Oswego County, New York.<sup>12</sup>

Charles D. Millis, age 31, was recorded in the 1875 New York State Census of Oswego, Oswego County, New York. Charles' household included his wife Hattie, age 30, and their daughter Flora B., age 5.<sup>13</sup>

Charles D. Millis was listed in the 1877 Oswego New York City Directory as a grocer living at 50 West 4th Street.<sup>14</sup>

C. D. Millis, age 38 grocer, was recorded in the 1880 U.S. Census of Oswego, Oswego County, New York living at 50 4th Street. C. D.'s household included his wife Hattie, age 34, and their children: Flora B., age 10, and Gracie, age 1. Also living in the household were C. D.'s sister-in-law Elizabeth (Stroud?) Berriman, age 53, and her husband and two sons.<sup>15</sup>

Charles D. Millis was listed in the 1888 and 1891 Oswego New York City Directories as follows: Millis and Stroud and mailing clerk at post office, living at 44 West 4th Street.<sup>16,17</sup>

On 1 July 1891 Charles D. Millis was listed in the U.S. Register of Civil, Military, and Naval Service, 1862-1959 (Ancestry.com database). Presumably this recognizes Charles work at the post office.<sup>18</sup>

By 1892 Charles D. Millis had relocated to Chicago, Cook County, Illinois. The 1892 Chicago City Directory lists Charles D. Millis, grocer, home 449 Cleveland Avenue. Also listed is Hattie A. Millis, secretary, Consumers Grocery Co 511 Cleveland Avenue, home 449 Cleveland Avenue.<sup>19</sup>

Charles D. Millis, age 57 grocery store, was recorded in the 1900 U.S. Census of Chicago Ward 21, Cook County, Illinois. Charles' household included his wife Harriott, age 47, and his daughter Grace, age 20. They were living at 635 Fullerton Avenue. This census reports that Charles and Harriott were married for 25 years. Actually, they had been married for 30 plus years, their first child having been born in 1870.<sup>20</sup>

Charles D. Milles, age 66 wage earner telephone company, was recorded in the 1910 U.S. Census of Chicago Ward 25, Cook County, Illinois. Charles' household included his wife Harriet A., age 63, and his daughter Grace M., age 25 wage earner telephone company. They were living at Maquoka Street. This census states that Charles and Harriet had been married for 42 years, hence they were married c 1868.<sup>21</sup>

Charles Millis, age 79 clerk telephone company, was recorded in the 1920 U.S. Census of Chicago Ward 25, Cook County, Illinois. Charles' household included his wife Harriet, age 68, and his daughter Grace, age 36 clerk in telephone company. They were living at 4530 Magnolia.<sup>22</sup>

Charles D. Millis, age 85, was recorded in the 1930 U.S. Census of Chicago, Cook County, Illinois. Charles' household included his wife Harriet (recorded as Grace D. by the census taker), age 83, and his daughters Grace Millis, age 45 file clerk telephone company, and Florence Williams, age 55.<sup>23</sup>

Charles D. Milles, age 87 retired commercial agent, died 4 June 1931 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois. Charles was buried at the Green Ridge Cemetery in Cook County.<sup>24</sup>

Harriet Millis, age 84 retired housewife, died 26 October 1932 at Glencoe, Cook County, Illinois. Harriet was buried at York, DuPage County, Illinois.<sup>25</sup>

Charles D. Millis and Harriet A. Stroud had two children, both of whom survived until adulthood.

- i. Florence B. Millis was born 31 May 1871 in Oswego, Oswego County, New York. Florence married Arthur L. Williams 1 September 1897 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois. Florence died 10 July 1946 in Highland Park City, Lake County, Illinois. Florence was buried at the Chapel Hill Gardens in Villa Park, DuPage County, Illinois. Florence was recorded in the 1930 U.S. Census of Chicago.<sup>26,27,28</sup>
- ii. Grace M. Millis was born 29 October 1884 in Oswego, Oswego County, New York. Grace was not married. Grace died 21 August 1931 in Waukegan City, Lake County, Illinois. Grace was buried in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois. Grace was recorded in the 1910, 1920, and 1930 U.S. Census of Cook County, Illinois.<sup>29,30,31,32</sup>

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