

Theodore Wymar Miller

(1902 – 24 Feb 1921)

Miller. Suddenly, Thursday, February 24, 1921, at 7:30 p.m., at Emergency Hospital, Theodore Wymar, beloved son of Theodore J. and Addie C. Miller, in the 19th year of his age. Funeral from his late residence, 1428 35th st. n.w., Monday, February 28, at 2 p.m. Friends and relatives invited. Interment private.

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Brother Kills Brother In Pillow-Fight Play

Richard L. Miller Shoots T.W. Miller At His Home In This City

Theodore Wayman Miller, eighteen years old, and Richard Lowell Miller, twelve years old, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore J. Miller, 1423 35th street, went to a room on the second floor of their home last night and began a friendly pillow fight. A .45-caliber pistol was brought into the contest, the trigger pulled by the younger brother and the bullet crashed through the older brother's right wrist and entered his abdomen. He died at Emergency Hospital an hour later.

There was not the slightest suspicion of ill-feeling during the progress of the friendly contest, members of the family hearing an occasional outburst of laughter and appreciating the good time the brothers were having. Presently the report of a pistol shot was heard and members of the family rushed to the room in which Theodore and Richard had been romping.

Physicians were hurriedly summoned and the wounded young man was rushed to Emergency Hospital. Coroner Nevitt viewed the body at the hospital and decided to conduct an inquest at the morgue at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The coroner was told that the pistol had passed from the hands of one brother to the other and that neither thought it was loaded. He paroled Richard in custody of his parents to have him at the inquest.