Marion L. Miller, daughter of Hiram William (1860 Canada - 1937) and Jessie M. (Rogers) (1866-1967) Miller, was born 23 February 1897, Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan. Marion's parents were educators.

Marion's father was a graduate of Michigan State Normal School (now Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, Washtenaw County, Michigan) and was on the faculty of the school, 1887-1899. Mr. Miller for 30 years was also a school principal at various schools within the Detroit school system. Mrs. Miller was a teacher for decades in Detroit.

Marion graduated from Detroit's Central High School and probably furthered her education at Michigan State Normal School, Ypsilanti.

Detroit Free Press (Detroit, Michigan) Thursday 19 June 1913



Miss Marion Miller and Miss Ida Bailey, two students at the Central high school of Detroit, won the first and second prize medals, respectively, offered by the French government to the secondary schools of this country for the two best French compositions written by American students.

The medals were awarded at the instance of Mr. Charles D. Palms and Mrs. H. Kirk White, president and vice president of Le comite de Detroit de Palliance Francaise, through which society the French government distributes the awards.

Four medals in all will be presented American students this year, two of which are to go to the students of universities and colleges and two to the high schools, these latter two being the once awarded Miss

Miller and Miss Bailey.

The university medals were won by John E. Powell and Frank J. Dupras, both of whom are attending the University of Michigan. Dean Arthur J. Canfield of the French department of the university remarked the excellence of Mr. Powell's composition, which took first prize, saying that it surpassed the efforts of the English-speaking pupils in English composition.

The high school medals will be awarded the prizewinners during the commencement exercises at the Central high school Thursday. The French department at the high school is under the direction of Miss Lorely Ada Ashlemann, under whom Miss Miller and Miss Bailey have received instruction for the last two years. Each of the girls is 16 years old.

Miss Miller lives at 928 Cass avenue and Miss Bailey resides at 100 Smith avenue, Detroit.

The accompanying cut of the medal is a reproduction of the prize presented Miss Miller.

Editor's Note: Marion Miller actually lived at 100 Smith Avenue while Ada Bailey lived at 928 Cass Avenue.

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Thursday 23 August 1923

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Lansing State Journal (Lansing, Michigan) Saturday 31 March 1923

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The 1930 US Federal Census, Wayne County, Michigan enumerated Marion living within her parents' home. Her occupation was listed as teacher. She taught in at least two different Detroit high schools during the 1930's era and was involved with verse speaking choirs. From 1942-

Detroit Free Press, December 8, 1935

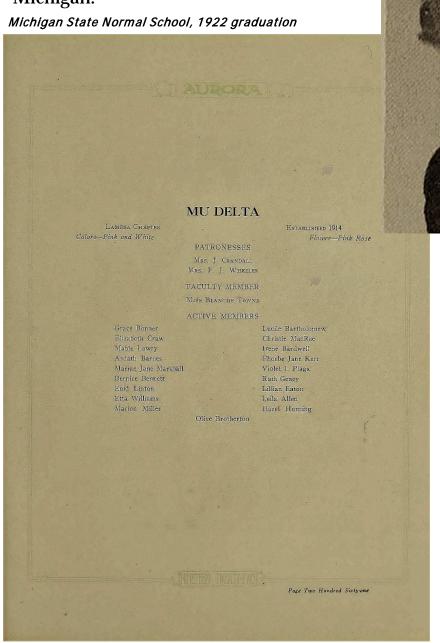
University Alumnae Sponsor Holiday Tea

The Women's City Club Auditorium will be the scene of the Christmas Tea to be given by the Detroit Branch of the American Association of University Women, on Saturday, Dec. 14, at 2:30. Mrs. Burnham Finney is chairman. Entertainment will be furnished by the Sherrard Verse Speaking Choir, directed by Miss Marion L. Miller, and by the A. A. U. W. Chorus, directed by Harry Seitz, who also will speak on "Carols of Many Countries." Mrs. Douglas Anderson is hostess.

1960 she taught English at Redford High School, part of the Detroit school system. Redford High School (1921-2007) was once called the educational "jewel of the district," offering advanced college preparatory classes for students.

1960 Redford High School

Marion, who never married, died at age 71 in June 1968, place of interment unknown. Her parents were interred Oakview Cemetery, Royal Oak, Oakland County, Michigan.



1960 Redford High School yearbook







N D C L A S S E S



Howard Love, Fine Arts Department Head.

Miss Florella MacKay, Foreign Language Department
Head.

Peter Marks, Foreign Language Department.

Lloyd McLaughlin, Natural Science Department.

Miss Margaret Menard, Foreign Language Department.

Miss Marion Miller, English Department.

Miss Cyretta Morford, English Department.
Mrs. Mary Louise Murray, English Department.
Miss Helen O'Leary, Social Science Department.
Mrs. Irene Parker, Fine Arts Department.
Chat Picken, Fine Arts Department.
Elmer Polzin, Foreign Language Department.

Always busy working in clay and having a lot of fun are members of the pottery class, which is new just this semester. Over fifty pieces, including piggie banks, all sorts of dishes, figures, animals, and even a tea set made by Marjory Clark, 11A, have been sent to Cooley kiln to be fired. Redford hopes to have its own kiln soon and then students can make their own glazes. In the picture, Michael Freeman, Julia McEwan, J. C. Whitefoot, and Marie McDonald are molding clay.



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Charles Ponton, Commercial Department.

Mrs. Gula Powers, Exact Science Department.

Mrs. Irene Record, Commercial Department.

Gordon Rivers, Vocational Department.

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Earl Rogers, Social Science Department.
Cortlandt Sayres, English Department.
Frank Scott, Social Science Department.
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Mrs. Lenna Shirley, English Department.
Earl Smith, Social Science Department.

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George Stewart, Social Science Department.
Richard Stocker, Commercial Department.
Miss Margaret Street, English Department.
Richard Stuckey, Health Department.