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Samuel Miller Dies; Was Miller Electric Executive

Samuel Miller of Chicago, a former executive for the Miller Electric Co. of Woonsocket and the Royal Electric Co. of Pawtucket, died Sunday at the Wesleyan Hospital in Chicago. He was 70 years old.

During his career, Mr. Miller was called upon by the federal government for several assignments because of his expertise in labor conditions in Latin America.

A native of Louisville, Ky., he was a son of the late Joseph and Mary Miller. An orphan at an early age, he worked his way through Stanford University, and then worked for about 12 years as a personnel manager for Standard Oil Co. in the oil fields of Latin America, primarily in Colombia.

Later, during Franklin Delano Roosevelt's first term, he was named to the federal wage and hour administration because of his experience in Latin American labor conditions. He dealt with the problem of fair wage requirements then being formulated

He was on this assignment when World War II broke out, when he was sent by the Office of Emergency Procurement to Ecuador, to find new sources of balsa wood. The mission was successful, and the wood found was used in building the Mosquito, the British bomber.

Mr. Miller worked after the war in Washington for the War Surplus Administration, and in 1955 came to Rhode Island, working about five years as a Miller executive, and then another five with Royal. He lived on the East Side of Providence.

Since 1965, he had lived in Chicago, working as a consultant in a variety of fields, primarily in labor relations with Spanish-speaking employes.

He is survived by his wife, the former Evelyn Taymor; two brothers, Alex Miller of Sarasota, Fla., and William Miller of Winthrop, Mass.; three nephews and two nieces.

The funeral and burial will be held today in Chicago.

Miller, Samuel