

Miller Family Involvement

in the

Whiskey Rebellion of 1794



A scene from the skit "Serving The Writ"

William: Refused to register his still or pay the tax. Shots were fired at the U.S. Marshall and Inspector of the Revenue on his property. He was involved in the violence at John Neville's and the march on Pittsburgh. He fled with his family to Kentucky before the arrival of U.S. troops in late October.

Oliver: The teenage son of the oldest Miller brother, Alexander. He was mortally wounded in gunfire exchanged at the first confrontation at Neville's Bower Hill plantation on July 16, 1794.

James: Lived on the site of the present day Miller Homestead. The still was left behind with him when William went to Kentucky. Afterwards, James was required to sign an oath of allegiance to the United States to retain his rights of citizenship.

Thomas: One of the 20 men marched back to Philadelphia in early December, 1794, to stand trial for involvement in the Rebellion. He was jailed and released due to insufficient evidence.