



Clare A Briggs was born in Reedsburg, Wisconsin, on August 5, 1875. Briggs lived in Reedsburg until his early teen years.

Briggs became one of the nation's best-known cartoonists in the 1920s, which were often used in local scenes in his popular series, "When a Feller Needs a Friend," "The Old Swimming Hole," and "Skin-nay." These cartoons appeared in newspapers throughout the United States. Briggs died on January 3, 1930, in New York City from pneumonia at the age of 54.

In the late 1970s, there was a huge push to educate the people of Reedsburg on Briggs, and his connection in Reedsburg. Mr. Gordon Emery, worked hard to the State of Wisconsin in creating a historical marker out at the Reedsburg Area Historical Society grounds and to have a Sauk County Historical marker in Webb Park. The exhibit is located at Reedsburg City Hall. It is on loan from the Reedsburg Area Historical Society.



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