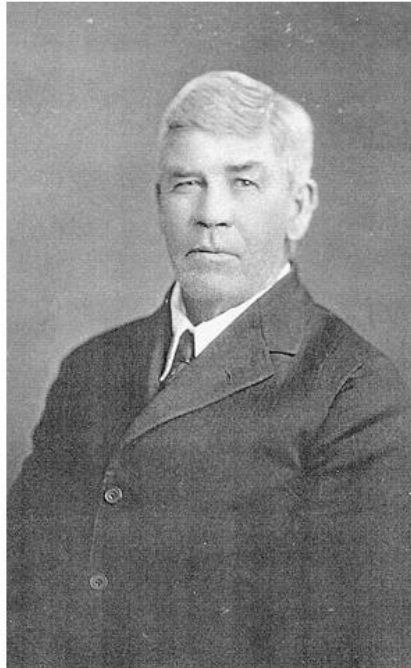


ELWOOD WHITE and FRANK MARION WHITE



**Elwood White
c. 1925**

**b. August 25, 1851,
Albia, Monroe County,
Iowa**

**m. February 6, 1879,
Monroe County, Iowa**

**d. December 19, 1929
Blythedale, Harrison County,
Missouri**



**Amelia Mock White
c. 1925**

**b. July 22, 1858,
Monroe County, Iowa**

**d. November 23, 1929
Blythedale, Harrison County,
Missouri**

**Parents of:
Frank Marion White
Nella Alice White
Leroy Earl White
Lester White
Lena Marie White**

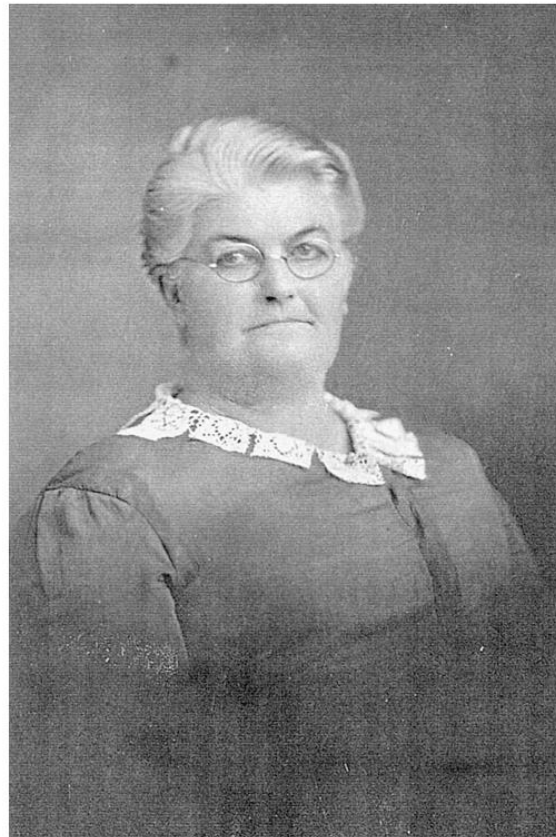
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Elwood White
1851-1929

Back: Leroy Earl, Nella Alice, Adra Clare
Front: Frank Marion, Amelia, Lena Marie and Elwood
c. 1905

Amelia Mock White
1868-1929



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**Elwood and Amelia Mock White home
Frank, Leroy, Lena, Adra, Amelia, Elwood and Nella White
Lamoni, Decatur County, Iowa**



**Elwood and Amelia Mock White home
Frank, Ollie Pryor White, Adra, Leonard, Amelia, Nellie Moore White, Leroy, Elwood and Lena
Note: Three adults standing to right are unknown
Blythedale, Harrison County, Missouri**

ELWOOD WHITE and FRANK MARION WHITE



**Elwood and Amelia Mock White Home
Blythedale, Harrison County, Missouri
c. 1924**

**Seated: Frank Harrison holding Aileen Clara White, Elwood White,
Bonnie Bogue White, Lela Wave White, and Lane Harrison.**

**Standing: Adra Clare White Poush Harrison, Bessie Bogue White, Leroy White,
Horace Vernon Pryor, William Preston Smith, Martha Francisco Smith,
Amelia Mock White, Erma Harrison,
Lena Laneve Poush,
Truman Ben White holding Ann Lee Smith.**

**Information
from the files of**

Lena Marie White Smith

ELWOOD WHITE and FRANK MARION WHITE



**Elwood and Amelia Mock Home
Blythedale, Harrison County, Missouri
c. 1927**

**Front: Geneva Smalley ?, Bonnie Bogue White, Lane Harrison,
Aileen Clara White, Anne Lee Smith, and Lena Laneve Poush.**

**2nd Row: Truman Ben White (kneeling), Horace Vernon Pryor, Elwood White,
Amelia Mock White, unknown, and Erma Harrison.**

**3rd Row: Three unknown, Mrs. Smalley (mother of Bessie Bogue White),
(baby) Mary Lee White, Lela Wave White, and Lena Marie White Smith.**

4th Row: Frank Harrison, four unknown, Leroy White, and rest unknown.

**Information
from the files of**

Lena Marie White Smith

ELWOOD WHITE and FRANK MARION WHITE

Elwood White was born on August 25, 1851 in Albia, Monroe County, Iowa and died on December 19, 1929 in Blythedale, Harrison County, Missouri. He married Amelia* A. Mock on February 6, 1878 in the home of James William and Cena A. Kitchen Mock, Amelia's parents, in Monroe County, Iowa.¹ The Mock family home was northeast of the White home in Monroe County, Iowa.

*Amelia A. Mock's name appears in the 1856 Iowa Census lists as Perissima. The 1860 Iowa Census, Monroe County, Troy Township, page 247 lists her name as Permelia Mock in the household of (James) William Mock. The 1870 Iowa Census, Monroe County, Monroe Township, page 374 lists Pamela Mock in the household of James Mock, Sr. Her name appears in the Monroe County Marriage Register as Amelia A. Mock. The 1880 Iowa Census, Ringgold County, Riley Township, page 30 lists her name as Pamilla (Mock) White. Her name is listed as Amelia on her grave stone in the Cedar Hill Cemetery, Blythedale, Harrison County, Missouri. She signed her name as Amelia or Melia.

The Monroe County Marriages, Book V, Dec. 1877-Mar. 1882, page 35 lists the following:

Elwood White	age 26	
Amelia A. Mock	age 20	married February 6, 1879

The 1880 Iowa Census, Ringgold County, Riley Township, dwelling 216, household 218, page 30 lists the following:

	age	birthplace	occupation	parents birthplace
Elwood White	28	IA	not listed	not listed
Pamilla White	21	IA	not listed	IN

After their marriage Elwood White went west from Monroe County, Iowa to a farm located between Mr. Ayr and Tuskeego, Iowa in Ringgold County, Iowa. The house had two rooms with an attic that was converted into sleeping rooms. Amelia Mock White came about three weeks later. Lamoni, Iowa was founded a few years later about five miles east of this farm. Nella, Frank, Leroy, Lester and Adra White were born on this farm.²

About 1893 or 1894 when the family needed more land, they moved to a farm one mile north of Lamoni, Decatur County, Iowa. The older children were in high school and the farm was too small. On March 1, 1901 the family moved to the George William Neville farm two and one-half miles north of Blythedale, Harrison County, Missouri. They also had a dairy.^{3 4}

The children of Elwood and Amelia Mock White included:

Frank Marion	b. August 18, 1882	d. January 13, 1969
Nella Alice	b. December 28, 1880	d. June 1, 1906
Leroy Earl	b. July 7, 1885	d. September 13, 1964
Lester	b. August 16, 1887	d. April 15, 1888
Adra Clare	b. August 14, 1891	d. October 4, 1962

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Lena Marie

b. July 31, 1895

d. September 29, 1977

The 1910 Missouri Census, Harrison County, Blythedale Village, dwelling 85, family 86, page 3824 lists the following:

		Age	Yrs. Married	Occupation
White, Elwood	Head	58	31	Farmer
White, Amelia A.	Wife	57	31	
White, Roy	Son	24		Handyman
White, Lena	Daughter	14		
White, Truman ⁵	Grandson	4		

Elwood and Amelia Mock White retired to a home in Blythedale, Harrison County, Missouri. They died one month apart in 1929.

Amelia Mock White died in Blythedale, Harrison County, Missouri on November 25, 1929 with services at the Christian Church, Blythedale, Missouri conducted by the Rev. William Stanley.

Elwood White reportedly developed pneumonia⁶ after putting fresh dirt on Amelia's grave in early December 1929. He died about two weeks later. The death certificate lists lobar pneumonia with chronic interstitial nephritis as a contributing factor. He was attended by W.A. Broyles, M.D. at the time of his death. The obituary in the Bethany Republican-Clipper, December 25, 1929 reported "(Elwood was) *so faithful and attentive to her, he did not have long to travel life's long road without her companionship, but to dear children and grandchildren so soon called upon to give up mother and father, we all offer sympathy. But the pleasant memories each one will cherish as they lovingly think back to the home and the lives who tenderly guarded and cared for them*".

The obituary of Elwood reported "*He lived a consistent Christian life, was a highly respected citizen, a kind father and beloved by his neighbors and friends.*

*Open the gate of heaven
and let the soul pass in;
He's free from pain and anguish
And away from the world of sin*".

Elwood White died December 19, 1929 at his home in Blythedale, Harrison Co., Missouri with services held Sunday, December 22, 1929 at 2:00 p.m. in the Christian Church, Blythedale, Missouri. The services were attended by three sisters and one brother, Cena and Isaac White of Des Moines, Iowa and Sarah Keziah (Smith) and Mary Elizabeth (Hinton) of Albia, Iowa. A "good crowd was in attendance" for the funeral services.⁷

Elwood White and Amelia A. Mock White are buried in the Cedar Hill Cemetery, Blythedale, Harrison County, Missouri.

ELWOOD WHITE and FRANK MARION WHITE



**Frank White Family
Frank, Dorrel, Truman, Ollie
c. 1908**



**Frank White Ollie Pryor White
Wedding September 24, 1904**



**Frank White
c. 1904**



**Ollie Pryor White
c. 1904**

ELWOOD WHITE and FRANK MARION WHITE

Clayton 014175 and 017178.

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The United States of America,

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

WHEREAS, a Certificate of the Register of the Land Office at Clayton, New Mexico, has been deposited in the General Land Office, whereby it appears that, pursuant to the Act of Congress of May 20, 1862, "To Secure Homesteads to Actual Settlers on the Public Domain," and the acts supplemental thereto, the claim of Frank M. White has been established and duly consummated, in conformity to law, for the south half of the southwest quarter, the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter, and the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section seventeen and the east half of the northwest quarter and the west half of the northeast quarter of Section twenty in Township twenty-nine north of Range twenty-eight east of the New Mexico Meridian, New Mexico, containing three hundred twenty acres,

according to the Official Plat of the Survey of the said Land, returned to the GENERAL LAND OFFICE by the Surveyor-General:

NOW KNOW YE, That there is, therefore, granted by the UNITED STATES unto the said claimant the tract of Land above described; TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said tract of Land, with the appurtenances thereof, unto the said claimant and to the heirs and assigns of the said claimant forever; subject to any vested and accrued water rights for mining, agricultural, manufacturing, or other purposes, and rights to ditches and reservoirs used in connection with such water rights, as may be recognized and acknowledged by the local customs, laws, and decisions of courts; and there is reserved from the lands hereby granted, a right of way thereon for ditches or canals constructed by the authority of the United States.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, Woodrow Wilson

President of the United States of America, have caused these letters, to be made Patent, and the seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.

GIVEN under my hand, at the City of Washington, the TWENTY-SEVENTH

day of MARCH In the year of our Lord one thousand

nine hundred and SIXTEEN and of the Independence of the

United States the one hundred and FORTIETH.

By the President: Woodrow Wilson

By M. P. Le Roy, Secretary.

L. C. Lamar

9/28/60 Bureau of Land Management Date NMSO

I hereby certify that this reproduction is a copy of the official record on file in this office. Consists of 100 pages.

Authorized Signature

ELWOOD WHITE and FRANK MARION WHITE



**Frank White Home
Homesteaded
Clayton 014175 and 017178
Capulin, Union County, New Mexico
c. 1916**



**A Capulin Ranch
Capulin, Union County, New Mexico
c. 1916**



**Road to Capulin Valcano
Capulin, Union County, New Mexico
c. 1916**

ELWOOD WHITE and FRANK MARION WHITE



**New Mexico
c. 1911**

**L to R: Truman Ben White, Elwood White, Adra Clare White Poush,
Lena Laneve Poush, Frank Marion White,
Amelia Mock White, and Lena Marie White**

**Frank Marion White and his sister, Adra Clare White Poush,
homesteaded in
Union County, New Mexico
in 1911.**

**Frank Marion White homesteaded in
Clayton No. 014175 and 017178.**

**Adra Clare White Poush homesteaded in
Clayton No. 014694.**

ELWOOD WHITE and FRANK MARION WHITE

Frank Marion White was born on August 18, 1882 in Ringgold County, Iowa. Elwood and Amelia Mock White lived in Ringgold and Decatur Counties in Iowa before moving to Harrison County, Missouri. Frank married Ollie Pryor on September 24, 1904. Frank and Ollie Pryor White were the parents of Truman Ben White. Truman was born July 12, 1905 in a farm house a few miles north of Blythedale, Missouri. In 1908, the family moved to Kansas in a covered wagon because of Ollie's poor health. Ollie did not improve and the family, including Ollie's father Horace Pryor, returned to Blythedale, Missouri by train on October 11, 1908. Ollie was so weak that she had to be carried off the train. She died of tuberculosis (consumption noted in the newspaper) ⁸ on November 29, 1908.⁹

Dorrel B. White, brother of Truman White, was born on July 17, 1907 and died on April 8, 1908. Dorrel was said to have died of a tumor of the jaw. A photograph of Dorrel White shows an enlarged left jaw. (It is probable that this "tumor" was tuberculosis of the jaw as bone involvement was more common in children, and tuberculosis caused the death of his mother, Ollie Pryor White--Author.)

Truman then lived on a farm near Blythedale, Missouri with his paternal grandparents Elwood and Amelia Mock White from 1908 until 1911. The 1910 Iowa Census, Harrison County, Blythedale Village lists Truman White living with Elwood and Amelia A. White.

The 1910 Missouri Census, Harrison County, Colfax Township, dwelling 201, family 203 lists Frank White as living alone.¹⁰

In 1911, Frank White moved with Truman to Capulin, Union County, New Mexico where Frank White had staked a claim (Clayton 014175 and 017178)¹¹ of 320 acres. The claim was recorded in Clayton, Union County, New Mexico March 27, 1916. Union County is in the far northeast corner of New Mexico. Truman reported that his aunt, Adra Clare White Poush, sister of Frank White, also staked a claim in New Mexico at the same time. In 1914 Frank White married Nora Alice Allman who was from Cainsville, Harrison County, Missouri, but she had also moved to New Mexico and staked a claim near the Frank's. Frank and Nora Alice Allman White and family moved back to Blythedale in 1915, but returned to New Mexico in 1917 on a train immigrant car with their household goods and mules.

The 1920 New Mexico Census, Union County, Dedman Township, dwelling 82, household 85, page 6651 lists the following:

		Age	Occupation	Br.Pl.	Fr.Br.Pl.	Mo.	Br.Pl.
White, Frank M.	Head	37	farmer	IA	IA	IA	
White, Nora Alice	Wife	35		MO	MO	MO	
White, Truman	Son	14		MO	IA	MO	

Truman White lived with Frank and Alice Allman White for a total of six years. He returned by train to Blythedale, Missouri in 1920 and lived with his grandparents, Horace Vernon and Sarah Odell Pryor. The time in New Mexico was very difficult for him and will be discussed in the biography of Truman Ben White.

ELWOOD WHITE and FRANK MARION WHITE

Frank White attended the Missouri Auction School in about 1900. His grade card for part of this school is in photograph section. He did not do much, if any, auctioneering according to family information.¹²

Truman and Ruth Marie Moore White and family, Bedonna Jean, Joy Ann, Betty Ruth and Jimmy Dale, would visit Frank Marion and Nora Alice Allman White in Oklahoma.¹³ Frank White did not pay much attention to his grandchildren. Frank White was discontented most his life. Frank White was a “mover”, a term used for settlers that moved from place to place. He did not devote much effort being a father to his son, Truman Ben White.

During his life, Frank White lived in New Mexico; Bakersfield, California; Ridgeway, Missouri; Eagleville, Missouri; Bristow, Oklahoma, and Blythedale, Missouri. After leaving New Mexico he moved to Bakersfield, California for two years where he operated a service station. He then returned to Missouri and farmed near Blythedale until 1945. Frank and Alice White then moved to Oklahoma where he owned and operated a motel in Bristow. Betty Ruth White Baker remembers this to be a small motel with individual cabins that were common in that era. The motel business failed when the new highway toll road by-passed his motel. Later, after Nora Alice White died in 1962,¹⁴ Frank began planning to return and live his final years in Blythedale, Harrison County, Missouri. His home would be near his son, Truman White, and Ruth Moore White, his daughter-in-law. In 1965, during the trip from Oklahoma to Missouri, his trailer overturned and most of his household goods were destroyed. Truman and Ruth Moore White provided for many of the needs of Frank Marion White in his later years.¹⁵

On January 10, 1969, Frank Marion White died in Blythedale, Harrison County, Missouri. He was found dead by Truman Ben White,¹⁶ sitting in a chair, in his small house near the Truman White family home. The death certificate lists acute cardiac failure as the cause of death. Frank Marion White was buried with Masonic rites on January 13, 1969 in the Cedar Hill Cemetery, Blythedale, Missouri in the same plot as Ollie Pryor White, Dorrel White and Nora Alice Allman White.¹⁷

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Mary Lou Waters White, family records
Lena Marie White Smith, family and personal records

ELWOOD WHITE and FRANK MARION WHITE

Phillip Leonard Baker, M.D.

Topeka, Kansas

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¹ *The Mock Family*, Barbara Ward, 1983

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⁴ Betty Ruth White Baker, personal family records

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⁹ Betty Ruth White Baker, personal family records

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