

TUSCANIA

Tuscania casualty
White, Ethan Oren

1896 IL – 5 February 1918 Tuscania



Ethan Oren White – “Daily Oklahoman” (Oklahoma City OK) Sunday 17 Feb 1918 p 17

Of the pictures reproduced above all but five are listed by the war department as being among the survivors. Hurst, George W. Tomlins of El Reno and Ethan Oren White, an Arnett boy, were definitely reported Wednesday as having been buried in Scotland. Louis Caranto of Coalbrite and Joe

“It's hard to think of my boy being buried on foreign soil,” Mrs. Lucy White, mother of Ethan Oren White, told the Oklahoman, “but I guess that's the part we mothers must play in this awful war,”

"Daily Oklahoman" (Oklahoma City OK) 17 Feb 1918 p 17 – photo above and 2 excerpts

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Ethan Oren White

Military • United States, World War I American Expeditionary Forces Deaths, 1917-1919

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OKLAHOMA. INDUCTED INTO NATIONAL ARMY OR ASSIGNED THERETO UPON ENLISTMENT.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SERIAL NO.</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION AT TIME OF DEATH</u>	<u>DATE OF DEATH</u>
White, Ethan Oren		Pvt	40 Co 165 Dep Brig Camp Travis Det #2	Feb 5/18

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SCHOOL CENSUS OF DISTRICT NO. 76, Ellis COUNTY, Oklahoma

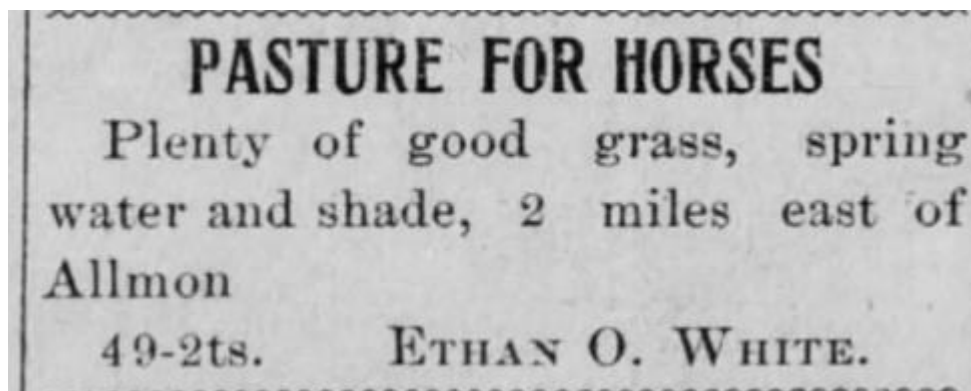
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1919

Name of Parent (or guardian) Lucy J White Address Arnett

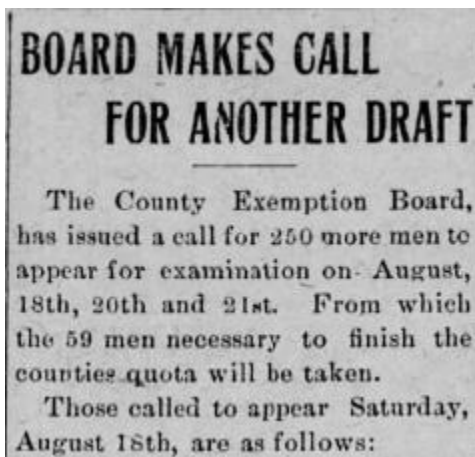
NAME OF PUPIL	DATE OF BIRTH		AGE
	Month and Day.	Year	
<u>Peart White</u>	<u>June 7</u>	<u>1888</u>	<u>18</u>
<u>Ethan White</u>	<u>Mar 20</u>	<u>1895</u>	<u>16</u>
<u>Bessie White</u>	<u>April 5</u>	<u>1899</u>	<u>13</u>
<u>Grace White</u>	<u>Oct 31</u>	<u>1902</u>	<u>10</u>
<u>Bulah White</u>	<u>Oct 16</u>	<u>1905</u>	<u>7</u>

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Life:



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To appear Tuesday, August 21st.
Earl Edwards, Joe T. Self, Alexan-

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L E Charlton, Rolf O Brown,
Hubert J Quigley, Clement James
Matthews, L Ray Walcher, Frank
J Collar, Will Owen Johnson,
A L Bradshaw, Ethan O White,
of Arnett

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“Ellis County Capital” (Arnett OK) Friday 17 Aug 1917 p 1

Boys Who Left Tuesday

Elmer C. Lutz	Arnett, Oklahoma
James E. Knox	“ “
Ethan Oren White	“ “
Forrest C. Cole	Woodward, “
Charles L. Tuthill	Shattuck, “

All of the above were men who failed to appear for physical examination, except Chas M. Tuthill, who went by special request.

“Northwest Oklahoman & Ellis County News” (Shattuck OK) Thursday 20 Dec 1917 p 8

ELLIS COUNTY BOYS ON ILL FATED TUSCANIA

With the sinking of the American transport Tuscania off the coast of Ireland, Thursday, February 7th, by a German submarine, America has suffered her first great disaster in the war. The latest death list gives 113 American soldiers lost, with one Ellis county boy among those reported missing.

Ethan O. White, of Arnett, has thus far been reported as lost. Mr. White lived west of Arnett, and has only been in the service a short time. He is the only son of a widowed mother, and has spent the greater part of his life on the farm where his mother still resides.

Two other Ellis county boys Arthur F. Austin, of Catesby, and Floyd Watkins, of Chaney, were aboard, the ill fated transport. Both have been reported safe. Carl Moler, is also reported among the list of injured, but it is not known whether he is the Carl Moler of Arnett, but it is the general opinion that it is another Carl Moler.

The transport Tuscania, sailed some days ago with 2,179 American troops aboard, and was convoyed by British war ships. She was laying off the the coast of Ireland waiting an opportunity to land the soldiers somewhere in England, when she was torpedoed by the U-boat after night. Although this is the first troop ship to be sunk out of the many we have sent over, it brings the war closer to Ellis county, than anything else possibly could. Like a night prowler of the jungles this submarine slunk upon its prey and sent her to the bottom of the Atlantic, without giving those brave young men an opportunity for life.

News came Wednesday that Ethan O. White, was drowned when the Tuscania was sunk. His body was washed ashore and buried on the coast of Scotland. The mother and other relatives have the sympathy of the entire county, in this their hour of supreme sacrifice and suffering. Our people will unite in making every effort to punish the murderous enemy for this cowardly act.

"Ellis County Capital" (Arnett OK) Friday 15 Feb 1918 p 1

STATE COUNCIL WANTS LIST OF MEN

As its final war task the Oklahoma State Council of Defense is attempting to compile an accurate and complete list of those men who gave their lives in service during the war. This list will be furnished to the Oklahoma State Historical Society so that as the time comes when Oklahoma and its different counties erect monuments in the memory of those men a correct list may be available for their use.

The State Council has compiled from public casualty lists names of the men reported killed and died of disease from each county. We are giving herewith the list of names which we have from Ellis County: Raymond C. Hayworth, Fargo; Ora G. Heinsohn, Grand; Wilber R. Drake, Fargo; Edwin L. Drake, Gage; Frank Glenn Wass, Bishoy; Eddie J. Bilson, Shattuck; James Wilson Mercer, Grand; Ethan Oren White, Arnett; Carl Moler, Arnett. We ask that any person knowing of additional names from this County send them to us and send also the name of the next of kin. We are including all those who lost their lives in the service whether they were killed in action died of wounds or disease in Europe or America. When these names are finally made a part of the war record of the state, we trust not a single one will be omitted.

Please send information concerning additional names to the Oklahoma State Council of Defense, Chester H. Westerfall, Assistant Secretary, State House, Oklahoma City.

"Ellis County Capital" (Arnett OK) Friday 20 Jun 1919 p 1

SOLDIER BOYS OF '17

This and following issues will contain the names of county men who registered June 5, 1917, under the Selective Conscription Law. The list is taken from a full page-plus of the Shattuck Monitor, which the Fred F. Meyers, of Follett, Texas, were kind enough to loan NWO. Serial Number, name and Post-office Address are:

100 — Cecil Richardson, Chaney
 101 — Howard W. Bales, Chaney
 102 — James A. Whipple, Chaney
 103 — Roy E. Whipple, Chaney
 104 — Claude C. Weaver, Chaney
 105 — Thomas M. Bales, Chaney
 106 — Amos C. Burk, Chaney
 107 — Leonard L. Burk, Chaney
 108 — John Vagt, Chaney
 109 — Sterlie O. McKee, Catesby
 110 — Alexander Ehrlich, Catesby
 111 — Anthony Homoky, Chaney
 112 — George G. Wurst, Chaney
 113 — Alex Meier, Shattuck
 114 — James E. Robinson, Gage
 115 — George H. Rider, Gage
 116 — Isaac N. Curtis, Gage
 117 — George H. Elmore, Gage
 118 — Claude Bowman, Gage
 119 — Adolph C. Gessell, Gage
 120 — Gottfried D. Meier, Gage
 121 — Elza E. Harmon, Gage
 122 — J. Calvin Moss, Gage
 123 — Charles Thompson, Gage
 124 — Earl Flock, Gage
 125 — Charlie Mangum, Shattuck
 126 — Bertsie D. Mann, Arnett
 127 — Earl J. Hahn, Gage
 128 — Omitted from List
 129 — George C. Galsford, Gage
 130 — Elbert L. Bacon, Gage

131 — Clarence I. Danner, Gage
 132 — John A. Crider, Gage
 133 — William Algier, Harmon
 134 — Orla Meeks, Arnett
 135 — James J. Hanlon, Arnett
 136 — Vincent O. Hanlon, Arnett
 137 — Roy M. West, Arnett
 138 — Bloom C. Gregory, Arnett
 139 — James D. Morris, Arnett
 140 — Carl A. Moler, Arnett
 141 — William E. Smith, Arnett
 142 — Xenphor A. Miller, Arnett
 143 — Charles H. Plaunty, Arnett
 144 — Robert C. Crissup, Arnett
 145 — Joseph W. Riley, Bishop
 146 — Laurel S. Hardage, Bishop
 147 — Frank G. Wass, Bishop
 148 — Elvie Dearing, Bishop
 149 — Floyd A. Stout, Bishop
 150 — Corbett Armstrong, Bishop
 151 — Harry Matthews, Bishop
 152 — Archie T. Barton, Bishop
 153 — Buel Barton, Bishop
 154 — Edwain S. Rakes, Bishop
 155 — Henry W. Crouse, Supply
 156 — Elliott E. Scott, Supply
 157 — Guy F. Griffith, Supply
 158 — William Harrison, Supply
 159 — Benj. H. Davison, Supply
 160 — Alson J. Chase, Supply
 161 — Charles Woodall, Supply
 162 — Lemeul Griffin, Supply
 163 — George L. Watkins, Supply
 164 — Claud Thomas, Supply
 165 — Palmer McFarland, Supply
 166 — Joseph Schuh, Supply
 167 — Frank Schuh, Supply
 168 — George H. Dunlap, Dunlap
 169 — Ray A. Brant, Dunlap
 170 — Cecil A. Sherwood, Supply
 171 — James H. Heacock, Supply
 172 — William Heacock, Supply
 173 — Paul M. Remillard, Supply

174	— James F. Watkins, Supply
175	— Lee M. Fowler, Supply
176	— Alfred Remillard, Supply
177	— Irvan J. Coombs, Bishop
178	— Oscar Thomas, Grand
179	— Chas. E. Brown, Higgins
180	— John W. Wilson, Higgins
181	— Hersheal D. Walck, Grand
182	— Perry Kritzer, Grand
183	— Samuel L. Chaney, Grand
184	— Earl G. Chaney, Grand
185	— Joseph R. Bell, Grand
186	— Fred H. Moler, Arnett
187	— Tobias Trieber, Grand
188	— Homer R. Stucker, Bishop
189	— Roscoe S. Stucker, Bishop
190	— Albert J. Booth, Bishop
191	— Earl A. Stucker, Bishop
192	— Delbert Harmon, Bishop
193	— Charles R. Stucker, Bishop
194	— Gracie L. McCall, Grand
195	— Ethan O. White, Arnett
196	— George C. Culp, Grand
197	— Chas. Gassaway, Higgins
198	— Jacob D. Reisig, Grand
199	— Otis E. Barnett, Grand
200	— Leonidas Sanford, Grand

“Northwest Oklahoman and Ellis County News” (Shattuck OK) Friday 11 Aug 1944 p 1

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ELLIS COUNTY, OKLAHOMA	
Lucy J. White, Plaintiff	
vs.	No. 5949
The State of Oklahoma, ex rel The Oklahoma Tax Commission, The Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devises, Trustees, and Assigns, Immediate and Remote, of Ethan O. White, Deceased; The Southern Trust Company, a corporation, if existing; or, if dissolved, the unknown successors trustees, and assigns of said dissolved corporation; Mrs. Edith M. Lyons and — Lyons, her husband, whose given name is unknown, if living; or, if they or either of them be deceased, then the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees and assigns, of said deceased person or persons, Defendants.	

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that you have been sued in the above named Court by the plaintiff, Lucy J. White, alleging that she is the owner of the title in fee simple in and to the following described real property situated in Ellis County, State of Oklahoma, to-wit: Lot 3 in Section 5, Township 18 North, Range 25 W. I. M.; containing 40.05 acres; that said land is sometimes described as the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$) of said Section 5, Township 18 North, Range 25 W. I. M., and that the defendants named and each of them claim some right, title, or interest in and to said property adverse to the plaintiff; that a period of more than three years have elapsed since the death of Ethan O. White, intestate, and that there has been no decree by the County Court of Ellis County, Oklahoma, which had jurisdiction to administer upon his said estate, wherein it was judicially determined who by name are, or were, all the particular persons entitled to participate in the distribution of the said real estate owned by the said Ethan O. White at the time of his death; that under the laws of succession of the State of Oklahoma, the plaintiff, as the sole and only heir of the said deceased, is entitled to have judicially determined in this action the various heirs at law of said deceased, and the proportion, or part, which each is entitled to take in said real property under the laws of succession of the State of Oklahoma, and quieting the title of said plaintiff in and to said real property. Plaintiff asks judgment forever barring and enjoining said defendants and each of

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"Ellis County Capital" (Arnett OK) Friday 24 Oct 1947 p 8

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO Charles E. Plummer and Mrs. Charles E. Plummer, his wife; Louisa Holland (formerly Louisa Hopper, the same person as Louise Hopper) and Holland, her husband (whose given name is unknown); Sarah Elizabeth Dean and Harry Dean, her husband; Bessie Prudentia Jenkins, a widow; Beulah Muriel Edenborough and Spence Edenborough, her husband; Mabel Corley, a single woman; Calvin Roulston and Mrs. Calvin Roulston, his wife; Ora Bradley, a single woman; Patsy Roulston, a single woman; James Kent Roulston, a single man; Ethan Roulston and Eunice Roulston, his wife, if living, or if they or any of them be deceased, the Unknown Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees and Assigns of said deceased person or persons; the Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees and Assigns, immediate and remote, of Ethan O. White, Deceased, and of Lizzie Hopper, Deceased; the Unknown Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees and Assigns, immediate and remote, of George White, Deceased, Ethan O. White, Deceased, Lucy J. White, Deceased, Della Grace Roulston and Lizzie Hopper, Deceased; August Kellerman, Guardian of the estate of Louise Hopper, a minor, if living; or, if deceased, the Unknown Succes-

sors, Trustees and Assigns of August Kellerman, Guardian of the estate of Louise Hopper, a minor; Defendants.

TAKE NOTICE that you have been sued sued in the District Court of Ellis County, in Case No. 6578 of the said Court by the plaintiffs, R. E. Wilson and Opal Wilson, husband and wife, joint tenants, who in their petition filed herein on the 29th day of April, 1955, allege that they are the owners of the title in fee simple to and in full possession of the following described real property situated in Ellis County, State of Oklahoma, to-wit:

Lot Six (6) in Block Seven (7), in Hopper Addition to the Town of Arnett, Oklahoma;

Lots One (1), Two (2), Three (3), and Four (4), and the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter ($SW\frac{1}{4}NW\frac{1}{4}$) and the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter ($SE\frac{1}{4}NE\frac{1}{4}$) and the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter ($NE\frac{1}{4}-SE\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Three (3), Township 18 North, Range 25 W. I. M., (less one-half the oil, gas and other minerals),

The Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter ($SW\frac{1}{4}SW\frac{1}{4}$) of Section 34, Township 19 North, Range 25 W. I. M., (less one-half the oil, gas and other minerals),

and that the defendants and each of them claim some right, title or interest in and to the said real property adverse to the plaintiffs which constitutes a cloud on the title of plaintiffs. Plaintiffs further allege that there has been no judicial determination on the heirship of Ethan O. White, Deceased, and of Lizzie Hopper, Deceased. That a period of more than three years has elapsed since the deaths of said deceased persons without there having been a decree of the County Court of Ellis County, Oklahoma, determining who by name are or were the particular persons entitled to share in the estates of said deceased persons under the laws of succession of this state. Plaintiffs allege that they are entitled to have their title quieted as against said defendants and each of them and determining the heirship of said deceased persons and adjudging that plaintiffs have a good and valid title in and to the said real property by prescription and that none of the defendants have any right, title or interest in and to the said real property whatsoever. That the object, nature and prayer of plaintiffs' petition is to obtain a judgment and decree of this Court quieting their title in and to the said real property and judicially determining the heirship of the said deceased persons.

You are further notified that

You are further notified that you must answer the petition of plaintiffs filed herein on or before the 18th day of June, 1955, or the said petition will be taken as true and judgment as prayed for therein rendered.

Dated this 3rd day of May, 1955.

SEAL

(Signed) J. Willis Mitchell
Court Clerk

Marshall Word,
Arnett, Oklahoma
Attorney for Plaintiffs

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"Ellis County Capital" (Arnett OK) Thursday 12 May 1955 p 8

Tales From The Past--The Sinking Of The Tuscania

by Steven B. Guy

The lifeboat full of men came closer to the rocky cliffs, driven ever closer by the relentless fury of the sea. Oars were useless. The terrified occupants of the frail craft, American soldiers all, could only huddle together. Many of them had never even seen the sea before, coming from landlocked states like Oklahoma. The passage had been an adventure of sorts for these young men, starting as they boarded the former luxury liner SS Tuscania.

That adventure was about to end in tragedy, as the lifeboat, like so many others launched in haste from the sinking ship, was driven ashore on the pitiless rocks of the Isle of Islay in the Irish Sea. The boat disintegrated into so much wreckage, and its occupants cast into the heavy

was now charged with helping transport American soldiers to the fight in Europe. Troopships did not sail alone--they were part of escorted convoys. The escorting warships were needed to fend off the ever present menace of attacks by German submarines.

In late January, 1918, the Tuscania left Hoboken, New Jersey with 384 crew members and 2,013 American soldiers. It joined a convoy that made its way, without incident, across the Atlantic.

As the convoy neared the north entrance of the Irish Sea, (between Ireland and Scotland), those aboard the Tuscania doubtless felt the worst part of the journey was behind them.

That wasn't the case.

A German submarine, the

sengers survived being rescued by two escorting British destroyers, but far too many were driven ashore, their occupants either drowning or being dashed against the rocks.

The bodies of 200 American soldiers and 10 sailors would wash up on the shore for weeks to come. Many were mutilated beyond recognition, and had to be identified by fingerprints.

The dead were buried at various locations on the Isle of Islay. In 1920 the American Red Cross erected a monument to the Tuscania dead on the island. It still stands today. Also in that year, most of the American soldiers were exhumed and relocated. Some were reburied in the American War Cemetery in Brookwood, England. Others came home.

surf, to drown, or be smashed against the rocks.

It was the early morning of February 5th, 1918. And for the first time since the United States entered the Great War, the country was enduring the greatest loss of casualties on a single day up to that date. So, too, was the State of Oklahoma.

The Tuscania had been a liner in the Anchor Line, a subsidiary of the much more famous Cunard Line. Named after a region of Italy, it had been laid down in 1914, and launched in September of that year. In the days before the War broke out, it carried passengers between New York City and Glasgow, Scotland.

When the United States entered the War in 1917, the Tuscania, like other ships of its type, became a troopship. Its paint scheme being changed from its peacetime look to a dull sea camouflage, the Tuscania

UB-77, had spotted the convoy and was even now stalking it, waiting for darkness and the chance to strike.

Around 6:40 p.m. the commander of the UB-77 saw his opportunity. Targeting the large ship ahead of him, Wilhelm Meyer ordered two torpedoes fired at the Tuscania. Both hit home on the starboard (right) side of the ship, forward.

Mortally wounded, the Tuscania began to go down by the bow. While the convoy escorts went after the submarine, the passengers and crew assembled on the decks of the listing ship, and with reasonable order, got into the lifeboats.

Most of the lifeboats were launched, and were able to get well away from the sinking Tuscania. But the wind and seas were driving the boats inexorably towards the cliffs and rocky shores of the Isle of Islay to the east.

Some boats and their pas-

15 came home to Oklahoma.

Joseph Marlin, Checotah, Private, 344th Field Artillery. Battery C. Buried at Greenhill Cemetery, Muskogee. Age 25.

John B. Bishop, Foster.

Joe Cochran, Lawton.*

Raymond Hurst, Pocasset.

Leo P. Lebron, Guthrie.

Luther Ozment, Broken Bow.*

George C. Perry Lone Wolf.

Ondis Powell.*

James Alvin Price, Boise City.

William Van Smithpeter, Fort Cobb.*

Jesse M. Rhodes, Hulbert.

Tulla B. Thompson, Dill City.*

George W. Tomlins, El Reno.

Ethan Oren White, Arnett.

William W. Wright, Bismarck.*

*** denotes burial at Arlington National Cemetery.**

"Morris (OK) News" Thursday 2 Jul 2015 p 3

Father:

Notice to Creditors to Probate Claims,

State of Oklahoma }
County of Ellis. { ss.:

Notice is hereby given, letters of administration on the estate of George White, deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the county court of the county of Ellis and state of Oklahoma, on the 11th day of January, 1909.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit the same to the undersigned at the office of the county judge in the town of Arnett, in the county of Ellis and state of Oklahoma, for allowance, within four months after the date of this publication, with necessary vouchers, or they will be forever precluded from any benefit of said estate, or said claim may be filed in said county court.

Dated this 8th day of July, 1909.

LUCY J. WHITE,
Administratrix Estate of George White, Deceased.

S. A. MILLER, Atty. for Administratrix. 1-4t

Estate of father George White – “Ellis County Capital” (Arnett OK) Friday 16 Jul 1909 p 6

OBITUARY

Geo. White was born May 29, 1857 at Campbell Hill, Jackson Co., Ill., and died at his home at Allmon, Ellis county, Okla., at 9 a. m. October 5, 1908, aged 49 years, 4 months and 6 days, after an illness of 18 months.

The deceased was a member of the Freewill Baptist Church, having joined that church at Looney Springs, Ill., in 1888. In 1889 he was elected clerk and served in that office several years.

Geo. White was married to Miss Lucy Jane Morgan at their home in Campbell Hill, Ill., February 17, 1881.

To this union nine children were born. His wife and eight children survive him, Effie May, having died in early childhood.

Besides his family he leaves his mother, Mrs. Mary Loy, of Campbell, Ill., two brothers, Frank, of Murphysboro, Ill., and Al, of Campbell Hill, Ill., and a sister, Mrs. Minnie Barrow, of Campbell, Hill, Ill., beside a host of relatives and friends to mourn his loss.

He was one of the charter members of the Allmon Freewill Baptist Church which was organized at this place, May 3, 1903. He was elected to the office until the time of his death.

Mr. White was highly respected by all who knew him and in his death this community loses a good man.

The Capital joins with the many of friends in expressing its sympathy to the bereaved family.

Mother:

OBITUARY

Lucy Jane White, 1864-1950

Funeral rites were held at Tierce Chapel Methodist Church on Wednesday 2:00 p. m. with Rev. E. L. Smalts of Arnett Baptist Church in charge.

Lucy Jane White, daughter of W. S. and Sarah Morgan was born December 14, 1864 in Jackson County, Illinois and departed this life March 26, 1950 at the home of W. H. Pratt, near Arnett, Oklahoma at the age of 85 years, 4 months and 12 days.

She was united in marriage to George White Feb. 17, 1881 at Campbell Hill, Ill. To this union was born nine children, they are: Mrs. Bessie Jenkins, Sentinel, Mo.; Mrs. Sarah Dean, Miller Mo.; Mrs. Iva Wayland, Mrs. Pearl Pratt, Mrs. Irene Freeman, all of Arnett, Oklahoma; Mrs. Grace Roulston, Dallas, Texas; Mrs. Beulah Edenborough, Coalinga, Calif.; an infant daughter preceded her in death, and one son Ethan Oren who lost his life during World War I.

Mrs. White was converted in early life and united with the Free Will Baptist Church at Campbell Hill, Ill. To this union to Oklahoma, she united with the Tierce Chapel Methodist Church.

The family moved to Oklahoma in 1901 and established a home in the Allmon community. She departed this life October 5, 1908.

In passing she leaves 7 daughters; 36 grandchildren; 31 great grandchildren; 1 sister, Mrs. Effie Williams, Swanwick, Ill.; one brother, Jess Morgan, Arnett, Okla.; and a host of friends to mourn her death.

Flower girls and pall bearers were grandchildren of the deceased. Interment at Tierce Chapel Cemetery.

Obituary of Lucy Jane Morgan White – "Ellis County Capital" (Arnett OK) Friday 31 Mar 1950

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Siblings:

MARRIAGE LICENSE.						
Territory of Oklahoma,			SS.			
Day			County,			
License is hereby granted to any person authorized to solemnize marriage according to the laws of said Territory, to join in marriage						
Mr. J. H. Jenkins and Miss Bessie White						
of the County aforesaid, whose ages, residence, etc., are as follows:						
NAMES OF PARTIES.	AGE.	COLOR.	PLACE OF BIRTH.	RESIDENCE.	FATHER'S NAME.	MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME.
J. H. Jenkins	25	White	Missouri	Day, Can.	S. E. Jenkins	Zephaniah
Bessie L. White	22	"	Illinois	"	George White	Lucy Morgan
And the person joining them in marriage is required to make due return of the annexed Certificate to the Probate Judge of said County within ninety days, of the names of the parties, time and place of marriage, and by whom solemnized.						
In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court, at my						
office in <u>Day</u> in said County, this <u>22</u>						
day of <u>March</u> , A. D. 189 <u>6</u>						
G. C. Williams Probate Judge.						
Seal						
CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE.						
To the Probate Judge of <u>Day</u> County, Territory of Oklahoma:						
This Certifies That on the <u>25</u> day of <u>March</u> , A. D. 189 <u>6</u> , <u>Bessie White</u>						
<u>J. H. Jenkins</u> in said County, according to law and by authority, I duly Joined in Marriage						
Mr. <u>J. H. Jenkins</u> and Miss <u>Bessie White</u>						
and there were present as witnesses <u>Geo. C. Dodge</u> <u>Sarah White</u>						
Given under my hand, the <u>25</u> day of <u>March</u> , A. D. 189 <u>6</u>						
Rev. H. P. Dean						

Sister Bessie Prudentia White Jenkins (1883-1979) -

<https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/61379/images/TH-1-159393-679804-76?pid=963829529>



Bessie Prudentia White Jenkins with husband James Arthur Jenkins, holding son Ernest (6 months) & son Bennie (6 years) – 7 Sep 1916 - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/24489102/person/26434704410/media/90f037d6-2265-4dcd-90be-946d27cdf292>



sister Sarah Elizabeth White Dean (1885-1966) - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/24489102/person/26434542393/media/2dc3d8e8-0f3c-4799-a4f5-d35dc9621db5>

The PRATT Family

Lucille, Flossie, Ellen, Edith, Betty



Hubert, Walter Horace, Pearl Iona
(White), George,
and Lewis Walter (not in photo)

Sister Pearl Iona White Pratt (1893-1974) – Find A Grave 83960204



Pearl Iona White Pratt - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/2664834/person/-1808770889/media/212a2e5d-0276-4f90-9a92-3f0bcfbf024f>



Pearl White - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/24489102/person/26434707137/media/e4e6ba25-9d29-4862-af40-c3873b99baa8>



Sister Irene Betty White Freeman (1894-1985) - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/24489102/person/26434707177/media/4531a0c2-6fa0-437d-9edd-723e692c806c>

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Original of Mrs. G. C. Freeman like to Mrs. Betty White
Application for Marriage License *G.C. Freeman & Betty White*

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, }
COUNTY OF ELIX, }
I, Albert A. Freeman, of Eliz County, State of Oklahoma, of legal age and legally competent to make and take oath, do solemnly swear that I am acquainted with Mrs. Albert A. Freeman and Irene B. White, who are parties for whom a MARITAL LICENSE is hereby applied for. That the said parties, and each of them, are of sound mind and contracting age and unmarried and not disqualified or incapable under the law of entering into the marriage relation. That said parties are not of the relationship prohibited by law and may lawfully contract and be joined in marriage.

I furthermore do solemnly swear that the following schedule, containing the names of the aforesaid parties, their ages, color, place of birth and residence is correct in every particular, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, to-wit:

NAME OF PARTY	AGE	COLO	PLAC OF BIRTH	RESIDENCE
<u>Albert A. Freeman</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>White</u>	<u>Arkansas</u>	<u>Arnett, Oklahoma</u>
<u>Irene B. White</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>White</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>Arnett, Oklahoma</u>

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of September, 1919 at Arnett, Oklahoma
Albert A. Freeman Applicant
By: [Signature] Court Clerk
John Dean Deput

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, }
COUNTY OF ELIX, }
I, Albert A. Freeman, do solemnly swear that I am 27 years of age, and I hereby give my consent to marriage to Irene B. White, the wife of Albert A. Freeman, on the 27th day of September, 1919.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of September, 1919.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, }
COUNTY OF ELIX, }
To any person authorized to perform the Marriage Ceremony, Gentles:
You are hereby authorized to join in marriage Mr. Albert A. Freeman of Arnett County of Eliz State of Oklahoma and Mrs. Irene B. White of Arnett County of Eliz State of Oklahoma.
This license is valid for the term of thirty days from the date of its issuance, to-wit: September 27th, 1919.
In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of my office, at Arnett, Oklahoma, this 27th day of September, 1919.
By: [Signature] Court Clerk
John Dean Deputy

CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, }
COUNTY OF ELIX, }
I, H. D. Tomlin, Pastor, of M. E. Church (Name of church or congregation) of Arnett County, State of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that I joined in marriage the persons named in the above license and authorized by the Court to be married on the 27th day of Sept, 1919 at Arnett, Okla. in the County of Eliz, State of Oklahoma, in the presence of Logan Rayland (Name and name of wife who signs as witness) and Ira Rayland of Arnett, Okla. (Name and name of party who signs as witness).
Logan Rayland Witness
Ira Rayland Witness
By: [Signature] Elder of M. E. Church
John Dean Official or Clerical Designation
Filed for record the 28th day of October, 1919.
John Dean Court Clerk

Irene Betty White & Albert Asbury Freeman - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/964242825:61379?tid=24489102&pid=26434707177&queryId=6e57f703348e843e212503abeb66754b&phsrc=hFB67776&phstart=successSource>

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STATE OF TEXAS
TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
STATE FILE NO. 23804

1. PLACE OF DEATH
a. COUNTY **Dallas**
b. CITY (If outside corporate limits, write RURAL and give precinct no.) **Dallas**
c. LENGTH OF STAY (in this place) **7 Years**
d. FULL NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION **Parland Hospital**
e. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location) **2116 S Harwood**

2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived, if location: residence before admission)
a. STATE **Texas**
b. COUNTY **Dallas**
c. CITY (If outside corporate limits, write RURAL and give precinct no.) **Dallas Texas**
d. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location) **2116 S Harwood**

3. NAME OF DECEASED
a. (Last) **Della**
b. (Middle) **Grace**
c. (First) **Roulston**
4. DATE OF DEATH **June 23 1951**

5. SEX **Female**
6. COLOR OR RACE **White**
7. MARRIED, NEVER MARRIED, WIDOWED, DIVORCED (Specify) **Widowed**
8. DATE OF BIRTH **Oct 31, 1901**
9. AGE **49** YEARS **37** MONTHS **23** DAYS
10. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired) **Bakery Employee**
11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) **Campbell Hill Illinois**
12. FATHER'S NAME **George White**
13. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME **Lucy J Morgan**
14. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown) **No**
15. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. **111-11-1111**
16. INFORMANT'S SIGNATURE **Mable Corley**
17. CAUSE OF DEATH
Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c)
*This does not mean the mode of dying, such as heart failure, asthma, etc. It means the disease, injury, or complication which caused death.
I. DISEASE OR CONDITION DIRECTLY LEADING TO DEATH* (a) **Cerebral (vascular) thrombosis**
ANTECEDENT CAUSES
Natal conditions, if any, giving rise to the above cause (a) stating the underlying cause last.
DUE TO (b) _____
DUE TO (c) _____
II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS
Conditions contributing to the death but not related to the disease or condition causing death.
18a. DATE OF OPERATION _____
18b. MAJOR FINDINGS OF OPERATION _____
19. AUTOPSY? YES ☐ NO ☒
20a. ACCIDENT SUICIDE HOMICIDE (Specify) _____
20b. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office building, etc.) _____
20c. (CITY, TOWN, OR PRECINCT NO.) (COUNTY) (STATE) _____
20d. TIME OF INJURY (Month) (Day) (Year) (Hour) _____
20e. INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT WORK ☐ NOT WHILE AT WORK ☐
20f. HOW DID INJURY OCCUR? _____
21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from **6/21**, 1951, to **6/23**, 1951, that I last saw the deceased alive on **6/23**, 1951, and that death occurred at **10:15** a.m., from the causes and on the date stated above.
22a. SIGNATURE (Signature or title) **Margaret Moore, M.D.**
22b. ADDRESS **Parland Hospital, Dallas**
22c. DATE SIGNED **6/23/51**
23a. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) **Removal**
23b. DATE **June 26 1951**
23c. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY **Deholt**
23d. LOCATION (City, town, or county) (State) **Arnett Oklahoma**
24. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE **Dudley H. Hughes**
25a. REGISTRAR'S FILE NO. **2294**
25b. DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REGISTRAR **June 25, 1951**
25c. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE **S. Bryant**

NOTE THE INFORMATION CALLED FOR ON THE REVERSE SIDE

TX death record of sister Della Grace / Grace Della White Roulston (1901-1951) -
https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2272/images/40394_b062385-02908?pld=22964888

Spencer N. Edenborough *Miss Beulah M. White*

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of *Spencer N. Edenborough* and *Miss Beulah M. White* who are parties to the marriage ceremony performed by me and who are now and lawfully married and who are now and lawfully married and who are now and lawfully married.

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Marriage of **sister Beulah Muriel White (1904 OK – 1985)** to **Spencer N. Edenborough** -
<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/964259065:61379?tid=&pid=&queryId=5c88a4ae7d7b975f623a7cc68da9c9e9&phsrc=hFB67782&phstart=successSource>

Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

F: = Find A Grave (www.findagrave.org)

NOK = next-of-kin

Name: Ethan Oren White

Name variations: Ethau on Tuscania passenger list

Military:

On Tuscania: Camp Travis Det. 2, 165th Depot Brigade, 40th Co. - private

Serial number: US Army enlisted men were not assigned serial numbers until after the sinking of the Tuscania showed their value, so Ethan died without a number.

Entered service from: Arnett, Ellis OK

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: ETHAU White

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": mother Mrs. Lucy J. White, Arnett OK

First buried on the isle of Islay, Scotland: in Port Charlotte, Islay, Scotland - grave 12, as Ethen Oren White

Body returned from war: from Port Charlotte, Islay, on "Antigone" arriving Hoboken NJ 7 Aug 1920

Body listed on return ship as: Ethan Oren White

Rank & unit on return ship: pvt, Casual Co. #2

World War I draft registration (1917): b. 20 Nov 1896 Council Hill IL; res: Arnett, Ellis OK.

Single. Farming for my mother near Arnett OK. Claimed exemption from draft: "Only son of a widowed mother." Medium height, slender build.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlistment & discharge dates not listed.

Birth date: not listed

Died: 6 Feb 1918

Address: Ellis County, OK

Rank/unit: private, 2nd Casual Company

Birth & death:

Born: 20 Nov 1896 Council Hill, Jo Daviess Co. IL (or 20 Nov 1895?)

Died: 5 Feb 1918 Tuscania

Find A Grave record: 53624136 – presence on Tuscania indicated in text

Burial location: Arnett, Ellis OK

Cemetery: Allmon

Tombstone:

Father: George White, 29 May 1859 Campbell Hill, Jackson IL – 5 Oct 1908 Ellis Co. OK. Son of John W. White (1829-1873) & Mary Elizabeth Bradley (1838-1924). Buried in Allmon Cemetery, Arnett, Ellis OK.

Find A Grave: 94197536

Mother: Lucy Jane Morgan White, 14 Dec 1864 Jackson Co. IL – 26 Mar 1950 Ellis Co. OK.

Daughter of Willie Seaberry Morgan (1834-1910) & Sarah Francis Wayland (1842-1915).

Buried in Allmon Cemetery, Arnett, Ellis OK.

Find A Grave: 94197554

Parents' marriage: 17 Feb 1881 Jackson Co. IL

Spouse:

Spouse Find A Grave:

Marriage:

Children:

Siblings: In the 1900 census, his mother reports giving birth to 7 children, 6 of whom are living. Named are Bessie, Sarah, Iva, Pearl, Ethan & Irene Effie had died.. In the 1910 census, his mother reports giving birth to 9 children, 8 of whom are named. Beulah was added.

- Bessie Prudentia White Jenkins, 19 Dec 1883 IL – 31 Aug 1979 Polk Co. MO. Married in Ellis Co. OK on 25 Mar 1906 to James Arthur Jenkins (1879-1953, F: 870087). Buried in Antioch Cemetery, Pittsburg, Hickory MO. F: 8705084
- Sarah Elizabeth White Dean, 3 Dec 1885 IL – 3 Mar 1966. Married 15 Nov 1908 in Ellis Co. OK to George Harry Dean (1878-1965, F: 67007301). Buried in Allmon Cemetery, Arnett, Ellis OK. F: 67007311
- Effie May White, 24 Jul 1887 – 17 May 1889. Probably born & died in Illinois. Buried in Looney Springs Cemetery, Campbell Hill, Jackson IL. F; 48128844
- Iva Rose White Wayland, 23 Jul 1889 Campbell Hill, Jackson IL – 17 Nov 1981 Arnett, Ellis OK. Married 15 Nov 1908 in OK to John Alexander Logan Wayland (1885-1964, F: 49565896). Buried in Allmon Cemetery, Arnett, Ellis OK. F; 94196630
- Pearl Iona White Pratt, 7 Jun 1893 Peoria, Peoria IL – 10 Mar 1974 Waynoka, Woods OK. Middle name also found as Lona. Married in 1912 to Walter Harrison ("Wiley") Pratt, 1888-1974, F: 83960162). Buried in Debolt Cemetery, Arnett, Ellis OK. F; 83960204
- Irene Betty White Freeman, 1894 [or 5 Apr 1896] Campbell Hill, Jackson IL – 25 Jul 1985 Enid, Garfield OK. Married 28 Sep 1919 in Ellis Co. OK to Albert Asbury Freeman (1892-1972, F: 128179448). Buried in Debolt Cemetery, Arnett, Ellis OK. F: 128179990
- Grace Della White Roulston, 31 Oct 1901 Campbell Hill, Jackson IL – 23 Jun 1951 Dallas, Dallas TX. Married at age 17 on 16 Nov 1918 in Ellis Co. OK to Harold Egbert Roulston (1901-1944, F: 127655300). Buried in Debolt Cemetery, Arnett, Ellis OK. F: 127655245
- Beulah Muriel White Edenborough, 1904 OK – 4 Nov 1985 Fresno Co. CA. Married 7 Sep 1924 in Ellis Co. OK to Spencer N. Edenborough (1902-1999, F: 72434327). Buried in Clovis Cemetery, Clovis, Fresno CA. F: 72434289

Notes:

Ethan was the only son; he had 8 sisters.

Pre-war:

Wartime:

Post-war:

Obituary:

Censuses:

1900 Bradley, Jackson IL – conducted 13 Jun 1900

George White, 41 IL, May 1859, father b. LA, mother b. IL, married 19 years, farmer

Lucy J., 35 IL, Dec 1864, parents b. KY, gave birth to 7 children, 6 are living

Bessie P., 16 IL, Dec 1883, at school
Sarrah E., 14 IL, Dec 1885, at school
Iva R., 10 IL, Jul 1889, at school
Pearl I., 6 IL, Jun 1893
Ethan O., 4 IL, Nov 1895
Irene, 2 IL, Apr 18998

1910 Little Robe, Ellis OK

Lucy J. White, 45 IL, widow, parents b. KY, farmer, gave birth to 9 children, 8 are living
Pearl J., 16 IL, housekeeper
Ethan O., 14 IL, farm laborer
Irene B., 12 IL
Della G., 9 IL
Beulah M., 5 IL
[for all children: both parents b. IL