# **Edward White**

(-23 Apr 1968)

White, Edward. On Tuesday, April 23, 1968, at his residence, 54 Observatory Circle nw., Edward White, uncle of Mrs. Andrew White Lee of St. Louis, Mo., and Laura Canfield Lee of Tallahassee, Fla. Friends may call at Joseph Gawlers Sons, Wisconsin ave. at Harrison st. nw. (parking on premises), where Masonic service will be held on Thursday, April 25, at 8 p.m. Graveside service will be held at Congressional Cemetery on Friday, April 26, at 2 p.m.



**White, Edward.** An emergent communication of Columbia Lodge No. 3, F.A.A.M., is called for 7:45 p.m., Thursday, April 25, 1968, at Joseph Gawler's Sons, Wisconsin ave., at Harrison st. nw., for the purpose of conducting Masonic Memorial Services for our late Brother, Edward White.

Gird M. Tolley, W.M.

William H. Minnick, Secy.

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### **Edward White, Organizer Of Unit in Tax Bureau**

Edward White, organizer of the statistical division of the income tax unit of the Bureau of Internal Revenue and its director for more than 30 years, died Tuesday after a long illness at his home, 54 Observatory Cir. Nw. He was 92.

**EDWARD WHITE** Mr. White pioneered the statistical analysis of Federal income, estate and gift tax returns following the passage of the income tax law in 1913. The determination of national income statistics today is based on economic analyses which he originated.

Mr. White was born in New York and came to Washington at an early age. He attended Columbian University here, now Southeastern University School of Accountancy.

After working for a short time in the clerical department of the Washington Loan & Trust Co., he was employed from 1902 to 1910 as chief accountant for a mining company in Mexico.

On his return to Washington in 1911, Mr. White was appointed chief of cotton investigation for the old Tariff Board. He remained with the Board until 1914 when he became an agent for the Bureau of Internal Revenue. He organized the Bureau's statistical division in 1915 and directed it until his retirement in 1946.

Mr. White was one of the oldest members of the Cosmos Club, his membership dating from 1920. He was also a Mason and a member of the Association of Oldest Inhabitants.

Survivors include a niece, Laura C. Lee, of Tallahassee, Fla., and two great-nieces.

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## **Edward White, 92, Dies; Organized IRS Statistics**

Edward White, 92, who organized and directed the Internal Revenue Service's Statistics division, died yesterday at his home, 54 Observatory Circle NW.

Mr. White, born in New York City, moved here at an early age. He attended the old Columbian University, later called Southeastern University.

After serving as a clerk for Washington Loan and T rust Co. he was chief accountant from 1902 to 1910 for Batopilas Silver Mining Co. in Mexico.

#### **Division Head 30 Years**

He was placed in charge of a cotton investigation for the Tariff Board in 1911 and became an agent for the tax agency, then the Bureau of Internal Revenue, in 1914.

The next year Mr. White was named to the Treasury Improvement Committee. It was at this time that he organized the statistics division, which analyzed federal income, estate, and gift tax returns. He served as head of the division for about 30 years, until he retired in 1946.

Mr. White also served with the Federal and Central Statistics Boards and other forerunners of the present Division of Statistical Standards.

#### *In Oldest Inhabitants*

He was a member of Cosmos Club, Columbia Masonic Lodge No. 3, and the Association of Oldest Inhabitants of the District.

His wife, the former Carrie Lee, died in 1941.

He leaves a niece, Laura C. Lee of Tallahassee, Fla.

Services will be at 8 p.m. tomorrow at Joseph Gawler's Sons Funeral Home, Wisconsin Avenue and Harrison Street NW, with burial in Congressional Cemetery.