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Opposite the White House in Washington ,D.C., is Lafayette Square -- a park cornered by monuments. On its south side are a row of buildings, old and new, along Northwest Madison Place. Included in this row is the large U.S.O. Building, and up from it, at No. 23, four buildings from the corner of NW H.St., is an old mansion, very much run down and in considerable disrepair. Its beautiful iron grill balcony and ornate architecture mark it as early <sup>Nineteenth</sup> ~~Eighteenth~~ Century. On its brick foundation is a dirty, unkept bronze marker before which is a little courtyard hemmed around by a rusting, dilapidated wrought iron fence. This three-story mansion, once a lady of resolute dignity that played hostess for a nation and the world in the days of giants, is still known today as "Little White House", but mostly, only to the bronze marker , the plaque, once polished and gleaming . To most of those who pass it daily, it is but an old, run down house with some branches of federal offices occupying occasionally a few of its vast , empty rooms, <sup>hauntingly</sup> ~~empty~~ filled with ghosts. of

But the bronze plaque, like a silent sentinel ~~in~~ the past protesting the present, protectingly perserveres <sup>(the</sup> amid/Twentieth Century/<sup>street</sup> footsteps and carbon monoxide-- that once here <sup>were 344</sup> ~~were~~ eyes centered:



BUILT BY  
BENJAMIN OGLOE TALOE, 1830

Occupants  
BENJAMIN OGLOE TAYLOE  
GARRET A. HOBART  
JAMES D. CAMERON  
MARCUS A. HANNA  
Social Centre During  
Tayloe Period

" LITTLE WHITE HOUSE "  
PRESIDENT MC KINLEY

FREQUENTLY VISITE MR. HANNA