



Dr. George T. & Mollie McCullough - 1912

George Thomas McCullough *(1858-1938)*

A pioneer doctor credited with early research and cure of Rocky Mountain spotted fever.

- **1858-Birth.** George was born on November 22, 1858 in East Springfield, Jefferson County, Ohio to Alexander and Beth Ann McCullough. He was one of seven children. George's father was of strong Scotch-Iris stock. George's grandfather, John McCullough emigrated from northern Ireland to homestead in Ohio after the Revolution.
- **1872-Missouri.** Alexander and Beth Ann moved their young family to Howard County, Missouri to farm and raise livestock.
- **Early schooling.** George attended public schools in Ohio, Missouri, and graduated from Central College at Fayette, Missouri.
- **Government Survey.** George abandoned his pre-medical studies to assist with the government survey in New Mexico.
- **1866-Marriage.** George married Mollie Massey in Missouri in 1886. They had two children, Massey (1888) and Maud (1890).
- **Medical Degrees.** George returned his focus to medicine and graduated from the State University of Missouri in 1887. He earned his M.D. in 1889. He practiced for several months then entered Bellevue Hospital Medical College in New York City where he completed his post graduate course in 1890. Later he returned to New York to complete a post-graduate degree.
- **Mexico.** George first practiced medicine as a doctor in Mexico.
- **1890-Missoula, Montana.** George opened his highly successful clinic. He was revered for always keeping abreast of the latest medical literature and advancements in science. George is credited with the early research and cure of Rocky Mountain spotted fever. He also held the position of county physician for many years
- **Rancher.** George ventured into sheep ranching.
- **Organizations.** George held membership in the State Medical Society, of which he was president in 1899, the Rocky Mountain Inter-State Medical Association and the American Medical Association. George was also a member of the United States pension examiners.
- **Political.** George was a Republican.
- **1938-Death.** George died of lobar pneumonia on May 18, 1938 in Missoula, Montana.

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