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A Tale of Two Cousins

Benjamin Franklin Robertson, Jr., and Lt. William Carlisle Porter

This is the tale of two cousins. First, Ben Robertson, my third cousin, two times removed, was an outstanding and nationally known American journalist and foreign correspondent during World War II. He was born in 1903 at Calhoun (now Clemson) in Pickens County, South Carolina. He was a globe-trotter and worked for newspapers in Charleston, New York, London, Hawaii, Australia and wrote articles for local newspapers in Greenville and Anderson when he was at home. He had magazine articles published in *The Saturday Evening Post, Travel, Asia, among other popular magazines.* He also authored three books, *Traveler's Rest, I saw England, and Red Hills and Cotton: An Upcountry Memory.*

Sadly, Ben was killed on 22 February 1943, when a Pan Am airliner, the Yankee Clipper crashed during a storm into the Tagus River in Portugal. The pilot was attempting an emergency landing at the Lisbon airport.

Ben's book, *Red Hills and Cotton* is considered a Southern Classic and was republished in 1991 by the University of South Carolina Press. I came across this book when I was browsing in a little bookstore in Georgetown, South Carolina. Ben and I share many relatives, he grew up in the same southern environment as my mother and his description of the south is the south of her childhood.

He dedicated Red Hills and Cotton to three people.

- I. To my cousin, Lieutenant William Porter, the second Sergeant York: he has the courage and the bravery, and furthermore he practiced for years, firing at targets.
- II: To my cousin, Professor B. O. Williams of the University of Georgia: he had the knowledge and the vision and the power to inspire.
- III To my father: he is the salt of the southern earth.

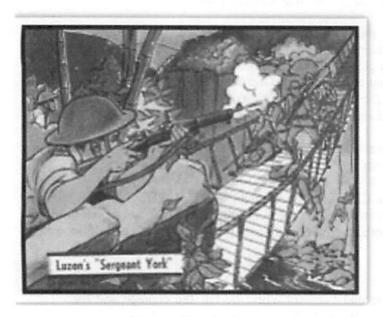
At the end of the book, Ben describes a cousin coming by and asking if they had read about Lt. William Porter, who the newspapers were calling the second Sergeant York — he had shot fifty Japanese on the Lingayen Peninsula in northern Luzon. He was described to Ben as, "That's Cousin Unity's brother's boy – he's one of our Texas kinfolks."

This was my introduction to Lieutenant William Porter. My grandmother was Dora M. Porter so I figured we must be related. As it turns out, he is my fourth cousin, once removed—double. He is related to my grandmother through Philip Porter and his wife Mary Smith and related to my grandfather, William Lawrence Blackerby through William and Elizabeth Clayton. But it took a lot of research to find Lt. William Porter and to figure out my relationship to him. I found a cousin in South Carolina who was also trying to track down Lt. Porter and figuring out our relationship to him. We were researching and sharing results when I got a phone call from him one afternoon. He says, "You are not going to believe this but I have found a lady who went to high school with William Porter's children and she lives in Melbourne Beach." (I live in Melbourne Beach). He gave me her contact information and gave her my contact information. We have become good friends.

This friend lived in Deming, New Mexico during her high school days and went to school with Lt. Porter's children. She told me that if I wanted to know more about him, I should read, *Aggies of the Pacific War, New Mexico A & M and the War with Japan.* Many pages in this book are devoted to the harrowing experiences of "Wild Bill" Porter.

William Carlisle Porter was born 20 October 1918 in Phoenix, Maricopa County, Arizona. He was in the 1941 graduating class at New Mexico College of A & M. He was among many of the NMA&M alumni or "Aggies" to serve in the Pacific theater during World War II.

War Gum Card



23. Luzon's "Sergeant York"

During December 1941, defense of Luzon a Filipino battalion was "almost lost: by being flanked by the enemy and separated from its division. The enemy filtered in between the regimental command post and their positions, cutting off their train as well as their withdrawal route to the division. For this reason, they had to take to the hills and make for the road to Baguio. An orderly withdrawal was made possible by a Lieutenant William Porter of New Mexico, a "second Sergeant York," who, rifle to shoulder, couched at the end of the bridge and coolly picked off one by one a Japanese unit manning a machine gun nest. The enemy steadily pumped lead at him and the battle-weary Filipinos but he pulled the trigger until the last of the Japs was gone and their fire was silent. The battalion then circled

enemy positions and got back to its post. This is one of a series of educational cards which come wrapped in packages of War Gum. Save to your collection. Copyright 1941, GUM, Inc., Phila., Pa. Printed in U. S. A. [Back of card]

Bill and his unit were among the 15,000 American troops who surrendered to Japanese General Kameichira Nagano on 9 April 1942. The prisoners who were not immediately horrifically abused and killed were forced into the infamous death marches. Bill survived the death march to a POW camp but was near death, wracked with dysentery and malaria. He would roll his slatted bed into the warmth of the morning sun. His comrades would pick him up and bring him inside. Somehow, he proved to be a tough 'cowboy' and survived this ordeal.

In early December 1944, Bill was among the 1,619 American POWs who were herded together and trucked to Manila. They were being shipped to Japan. He wrote his will and a letter to his parents, which he was able to hide until he was freed after the war.

On 13 December, these prisoners were loaded onto the *Oryoku Maru* in Manila Bay. On the 14th the *Oryoku Maru* came under air attack by American planes. There were several deaths from wounds and shock and more than a dozen POW casualties but the ship was not severely damaged. A day later the *Oryoku* was struck again by American war planes. This time 250 POWs were killed and the ship was severely damaged. The surviving POWs had to swim to shore, many of them drown or were shot in the water by Japanese guards.

Bill was among those who made it to shore. They were rounded up and marched to an old, wire-enclosed tennis court. They were held there for four days on the hot concrete in the blistering sun without food and little water. Several dozen died on the tennis court. The survivors of this ordeal were herded onto trucks and taken to a railhead where they were given the 'boxcar treatment' on their way to La Union on the Lingayen Gulf. "Their hell was only starting."

Porter and 1,050 Americans were put aboard the *Enoura Maru*. Conditions were horrible and it was bitter cold. Many died of exposure or went insane. They arrived at Takao, Formosa, on 31 December.

While in Formosa on 9 January 1945, the *Enoura Maru* was bombed by American planes. Three hundred POWs were blown to bits. The surviving POWs used slings to lift the dead to barges, then rode the barges to shore, dug graves and buried the bodies of their comrades.

On 13 January, the surviving POWs were loaded on the *Brazil Maru* for the final voyage to Japan. It was bitter cold and the POWs had virtually no clothes. The pitiful POWs died thirty-to-forty a day. The survivors finally arrived in Moji, Japan on 30 January.

Somehow, the indomitable Bill Porter had survived. The Japanese doctors were aghast when the surviving prisoners made it ashore. They were deloused and given dysentery inspections before they were given food, water, and clean clothes for the first time in more than a month.

Of the 1,619 POWs who boarded the *Oryoku Maru* in Manila Bay, only 430 survived the horrible ordeal. Sadly, 160 of these survivors soon died of disease and exposure. The remaining 270 were sent to another Japanese prison camp. In a few weeks, Bill was shipped off to grey, cold Mukden, Manchuria.

On 6 August 1945, the United States dropped its first atomic bomb from a B-29 bomber plane called the *Enola Gay* over the city of Hiroshima, Japan. On 9 August, the Japan 'sued for peace.'

The word of peace was slow filtering down to the POW camps but the men were overjoyed when they got the news. American supply planes and bombers began flying over the camps which were well-marked in white letters, POW. The dropped canned meats, peaches, catsup, bread, cigarettes, magazines, and whiskey! Some of the POWs were injured and killed trying to catch the 55-gallon drums falling from the sky with supplies.

The POW camp at Mukden where Bill Porter was imprisoned was slow to get the news of peace. On 19 August 1945, Bill wrote a letter to his folks saying it was useless to try to describe all that had happened to him in four years. He goes on to say that six men parachuted into his camp to supervise their transition.

Bill was severely underweight, had tropical parasites and other troubles. On the way from Manchuria to Manila, his transport ship was engulfed by a typhoon and then it hit a mine! The ship had to be towed to Okinawa for repairs.

Bill's wife and parents was on the dock in San Francisco when his ship arrived in early November. His family was shocked to see his condition, as he was little more than "skin and bones." He was taken to Letterman Hospital in San Francisco for rest, observation, testing, and treatment. After two weeks of rest and relaxation, he had enough strength for the trip to home in El Paso.

God only knows how and why Captain William A. Porter survived the horrific and brutal treatment he received as a POW. His ordeal has been sanitized and condensed in my telling of his story. A summary of his life was published in his obituary.

El Paso Times (El Paso, Texas, 21 July 1997, Saturday, page 13: From Newspapers by Ancestry:



Transcription:

Deming – William C. Porter, former El Paso resident famed for his World War II heroics in the Philippines, died Thursday in a one-car accident near here. He was the only occupant, state police said. Mr. Porter, who left the U. S. Army with the rank of major, gained national fame as the "Sergeant York of World War II."

While fighting the Japanese in the Philippines, he picked off members of an enemy machine gun nest that was blocking the retreat of an American unit across a bridge. For this action he was awarded the Silver Star. Later, after the advancing Japanese overran the Bataan Peninsula, Mr. Porter and several other men hid in the jungle for nine days trying to find their way to Corregidor.

They were captured and escaped summary execution only because one of their number was a general.

Then came the infamous Bataan Death march followed by years in Japanese prisons in Manchuria under almost unimaginably cruel conditions before he and other American servicemen were freed by advancing Russians.

Mr. Porter never like to dwell on his wartime heroism. "They were manufacturing heroes in those days and I was there," he said. He was discharged from the Army over his strenuous objections, with a full disability. He mailed back the checks the government sent him.

But Porter's reputation as a fighter was based on more than his record in World War II. Before and after his years as a soldier, his pugnacious style earned him the nickname "Wild Bill." He first got that tag as a student at New Mexico State University where he was known for collegiate hijinks.

Years after the war, in 1960, Mr. Porter tried to sell his conservative views on federal spending to El Paso voters, running as a Republican for state legislature. He was defeated.

Mr. Porter was owner of New Mexico Feeding Co. in Deming New Mexico and had a ranch in Las Vegas, N. M. area. He also had owned an El Paso laundry business.

Survivors are his wife Bette of Deming: five sons. William C. Porter III, Ernest H. Porter, Stephen M. Porter, and Frederick Porter, all of Deming, and John C. Porter of Fort Carson. Colo.: three daughters, Sarah Jane Jones of Boca Raton, Fla., Mary Margaret Teague of Deming and Frances Louise Green of Moab, Utah; a sister, Mrs. David E. Price, of El Paso; four brothers, Asa Porter, Steve Porter, John Porter and Fred Porter; and 13 grandchildren.

Rosary will be recited at 8 p.m. Sunday at Wheeler Mortuary in Deming. Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Holy Family Church in Deming.

Both cousins are recognized for their exploits during World War II.

The Liberty Ship SS Ben Robertson was launched in Savannah, Georgia, in January 1944 and supported the invasion of Normandy later that year. Robertson was posthumously inducted into the South Carolina Academy of Authors in 1992.

As they say, "Genealogy is like a box of chocolates, you never know what you will get." This research has led me to two cousins and a new friend. As it turns out my new friend and I are not related but we have mutual cousins.

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Lucy Ayers Gunthorpe Melbourne Beach, Florida Note from Editor: Thank you, Lucy Ayers Gunthorpe for another wonderful article.

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The Cobbs of Upstate South Carolina

By Carolyne Cobb James Rudd

Generation 1

Rev. John Cobb, a Revolutionary War soldier, was the first Cobb in the area. He was given 140 acres of land for his service. His line goes back to early emigrants in Jamestown. He fought in Virginia and then moved with his family to Lincoln County, NC and enlisted again. He then moved to Spartanburg, SC where he married Francis Smith in 1786. They moved to Pendleton, SC where they remained and started the Cobb lineage with 12 children. He was the first pastor of the Coneross Baptist Church and then pastored several more churches in the upstate. His last known church was Oolenoy Baptist Church around 1839. He died in 1841.

Children:

- *1. Robert Cobb (1789-1850) m. Eleanor Greer
- 2. John S. Cobb (1790-1836 m. Vilanty Gibson
- 3. Martha Cobb (1793-1887) m. Joel Coffee moved to Rabun County, GA
- 4. Rev. Rowland Cobb (1796-1867) m. Mary Ann Edwards moved to Texas
- 5. Lewis Cobb (1798-1841)
- 6. James S. Cobb (1799-1876) m. Mary Sullivan moved to Franklin, GA
- 7. Charlotte Cobb (1800-1856) m. Jeremiah Wallis
- 8. Henry Ballard Cobb (1801-1890) m. Abigail Dixon moved Cherokee, GA
- 9. Mary Patsy Cobb (1802 ?) m. Stephen Whitmire moved to Rabun County. GA
- 10. Rev. Andrew Ambrose Cobb (1804-1844) m. Lavenia Edwards moved to Rome, GA
- 11. Verlinda Cobb (1810-1887) m. James Horton
- 12. Lucinda Cobb (1818-1856) m. David Murphree moved to Texas

Generation 2 - Robert Cobb (1789-1850) m. Eleanor Greer

Robert Cobb and Eleanor "Nelly" Greer's line remained present-day Anderson County. They married before 1810 in Spartanburg District. She was born in Ireland as stated in the 1850 census and was the daughter of David Greer of Honea Path.

- Children: 1. Mary "Polly" (1811-1899) m. Thomas Watkins. She was called Granny Watkins.
 - 2. Tom Cobb (1812)
 - 3. John C. Cobb (1813-1835) m. Isabell Copeland
 - 4. James Cobb (1818) moved away
 - *5. Ephraim Cobb (1818-1899) m. Louisa Turner
 - 6. David Cobb (1821-1887) m. Harriet Gossett
 - 7. Martha "Martey" (1828-1893) m. Rev. Elijah Pitts

At some point, **Robert Cobb** moved next door or **Eleanor** moved out and **Nancy Adams** took her place. Their children were listed as Adams until Robert Cobb's death. Their last name was then changed to Cobb in the next census.

- 8. Francis Caroline Cobb (1834)
- 9. Rev. Robert Cobb (1835-1921) m. Susan Long and then Nancy Long.
- 10. Anna Maria Cobb (1836) m. John Adams
- 11. Martha Elizabeth Cobb (1840) m. Travis Brown
- 12. Rev. Roland Cobb (1842) m. Nancy Hughs
- 13. Rev. Andrew Cobb (1846) m. Elizabeth Todd

Generation 3 – Ephraim Cobb (1818-1899) m. Louisa Turner

The next generation is the fifth child of Robert Cobb and Eleanor Greer. He acquired acres of land on Highway 76 towards Long Creek and was a prominent figure in the community. He lived on Cobb Bridge Road and had a mill. Most of the "Cobbs" still living in the Oconee area can trace back to this Ephraim Cobb. He was born May 25, 1819 and

married Louisa "Lizzie" Turner in 1844. His home burned and they moved down to Walhalla where he died on May 10, 1899. Louise died on October 27, 1906. They and many of their family members are buried at Holly Springs Church.

Children:	1.	Robert A. Cobb (1843-died young)
	*2.	Ephraim "Bud" Cobb (1844-1933) m. Nancy Moore
	3.	Mary Cobb (1846 -)
	4.	Louise "Honey" Cobb (1847-1923) m. Wm. Burnside
	5.	Martha Cobb (1852-1932) m. Henry Duke
	6.	Sarah Elizabeth Cobb (1854-1943) m. John Cox
	7.	Margaret Cobb (1855-1933) m. William Mueller
	8.	Andrew Cobb (1856-1927) m. Lizzie Farmer
	9.	Roland Cobb (1861-1951) Ida Goodman

10. Julia Cobb (1865-1953) m. (1) Thomas Farmer, (2) Pickney Robins, (3) Robert Waites

Generation 4 – Ephraim "Bud" Cobb (1844-1933) m. Nancy Moore

Ephraim "Bud" Cobb was born on December 12, 1844 and died on December 19, 1933. He was married to Nancy Moore (1842-1918), daughter of William Riley Moore. His second wife was Amanda Broom. **Children:**

1. *Robert "Bobby" Cobb (1865-1945) married (1) Cynthia Jane Durham and (2) Effie Watkins.

2. E. Keels Cobb (1867-1953) married (1) Victoria Lodgen and (2) Mintie Hannon.

(Children: Connie, John, James S., Jeff F., Thomas, Winnie, Ennis R., H. Wallace, Annie May, Mintie, Ernest, Marie)

3. Elbert Charles Cobb (1869-1955) m. Mary Caroline Chambers (Children: Rowland, Nannie, Viola, Elbert Jr., Mary, Ellen, George Henry, Furman Leroy, Lillie Bell, W. Erby)

4. Dovie Cobb (1872-1957) m. James Suttles.

(Children: David Sloan, William Matheson, Ida Louise, Fred, Mary Zelia, James "Luther", Nancy Maggie, Clem Rufus, Arthur Holland, Sally Etta, Lizzie Ethel, Leola Pearl, Jess Keels, Charlie Edward, Hoyt Dewitt)



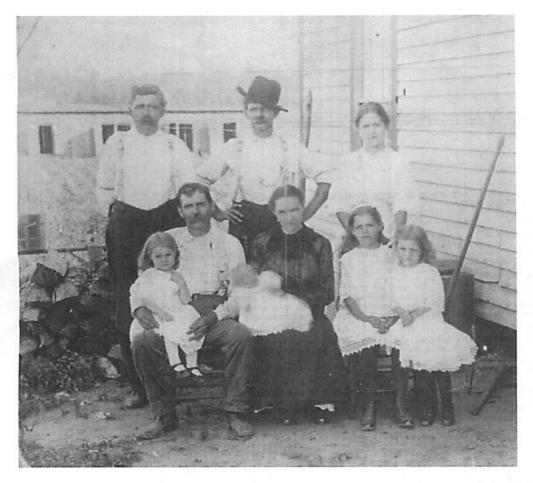
Ephriam Cobb and his second wife Amanda Broom

Generation 5 – Robert "Bobby" Cobb (1865-1945) married (1) Cynthia Jane Durham and (2) Effie Watkins.

Ephraim Cobb's oldest, Robert Cobb is another "interesting" Robert. He was born in 1861 and died in 1945. His first wife (my great-grandmother) was Cynthia Jane "Janie" Durham, born 1870 and died on November 22, 1907. Their children were:

- 1. James Henry Cobb (1888-1959) married Winnie Queen Sanders.
- 2. Charles Ephraim Cobb (1890-1970) married Nellie Watkins.
- 3. Thomas Earl Cobb (1891-1966) married (1) Lillie Horton and (2) Laura Smalley.
- 4. Lona Elizabeth Cobb (1899-1998) married D.W. McDonald.
- 5. Lewis Robert Cobb (1902-1977) married (1) Maude Hamby and (2) Annie Posey.
- 6. Dovan Cobb (1904-1996) married T.S. Martin.

Robert Cobb is buried with Janie Durham Cobb at Holly Springs Baptist Church in Oconee County.



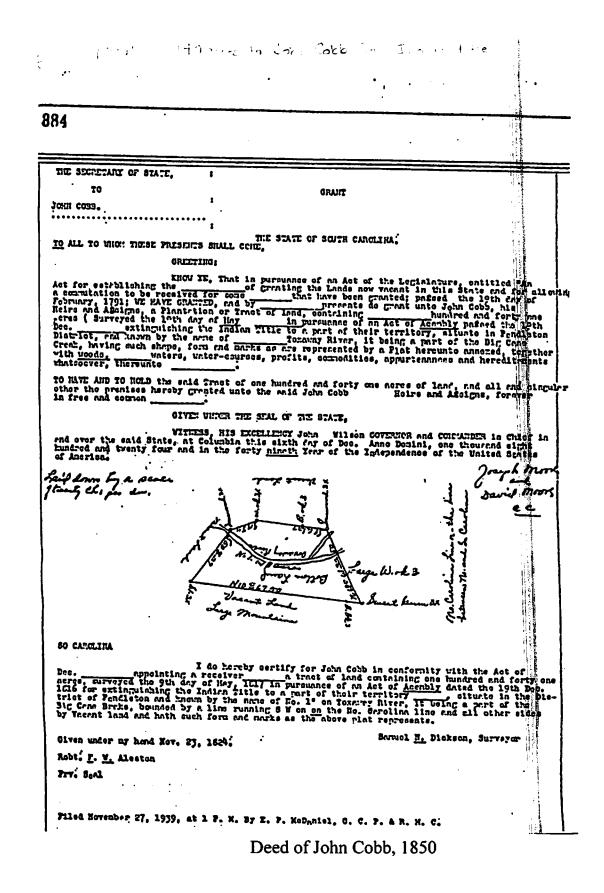
Robert "Bobby" Cobb's second wife was Effie Watkins, sister of his son's wife Nellie Watkins. He married her on February 23, 1908. Their children were:

- 1. Lillie Mae Cobb (1909-1989) married Robert Roper.
- 2. Naomi Ruth Cobb (1911-1982) married Homer Nicholson.
- 3. Willie Furman Cobb (1914-1942).
- 4. Christine Cobb (1917-1937) married John Cooper.
- 5. Andy Cobb (1920-1942) married Mary Bradley.
- 6. Margarette Cobb (1924-1946) married Harold Simmons.
- 7. Elsie Cobb (1928) married Earl Roddy.
- 8. Doris Cobb (1931) married T. C. Burns.
- 9. Harold Raymond Cobb (1934 -) married Laura Bellew.

Robert Cobb had 15 children. His first born was James Henry Cobb, my grandfather, who married Winnie Queen Sanders from the Oakway Community in Oconee County. James Cobb lived in Walhalla, SC on the Chicopee Mill Hill. He was a mill box. My father, Heyward Cobb, was raised in that house with his sister Victoria Cobb and brother Sidney Cobb.

Note: "I'm sure there are mistakes in writing this summary and will appreciate any corrections and input. I can be contacted at <u>cjames1331@hotmail.com</u>.

Note from Editor: Carolyn, thank you so much for your terrific article and pictures.



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Estate Sale in 1850

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Artifacts in the Attic

By LaMarr Brooks

IT IS CALLED A BOOT SCRAPER



Today many people remove their shoes when entering a home.

There was a time when boot and shoe cleaning became important before entering a dwelling. Roads were not paved and were covered in mud, horse excrement, and garbage.

Used when boots and shoes had slick leather soles instead of tread, the BOOT SCRAPER became an important artifact that would greet you at every front door. So important that they became a part of the builders and architects' plans.

They started to appear in cities in Europe and America during the 17th century, becoming popular in colonial America in the 18h century. The first shoe scrapers

were hammered by Blacksmiths into a blade attached to two anchors. Cast Iron production made it possible to form them into many shapes and ornaments. Today they are collector items.

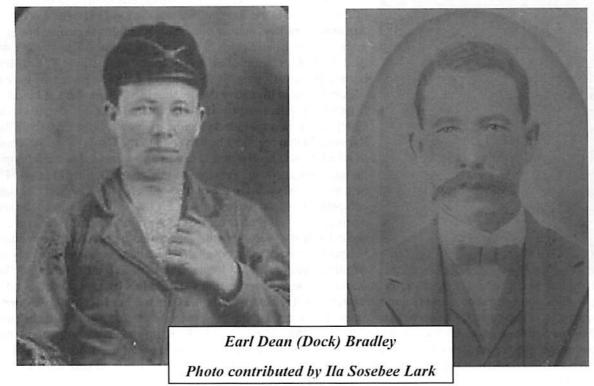




THE MAULDIN COMMUNITY Part VI

from the Pickens Sentinel, Pickens, SC by Eme O'Dell Bannister Continued from April 2022 issue Edited by LaMarr Brooks

Continued.....Other citizens of the community during these years were **E. D. Bradley** who was quite wealthy. He lived near the foot of Mauldin Mountain.....



EARL DEAN (DOCK) BRADLEY was the son of JOEL EARLE BRADLEY (1802 -1881) and ELIZABETH DEAN SMITH. Earl Dean Bradley's mother was not the 1st wife of his father, incorrectly documented by many. His father's first wife was ELLENDER (ELLEN) SCOLDS b. 25 Nov 1805 and died 16 April 1859 from yellow fever. Earl Dean Bradley was born 05 Apr 1864 in Pickens County, SC, 5 years after the death of his father's first wife.

JOEL EARLE BRADLEY appears in the 1850 Census, Eastern Division of Pickens County, SC with his first wife and children. In the 1860 Census, Pickensville Post Office of Pickens County, he his living alone, with no wife or children.

A NOTICE appeared in the Keowee Courier, July 20,1867:

IS HEREBY GIVEN, that I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by *my wife Elizabeth*, after this date, as she has left my bed and board without leave or provocation. **JOEL BRADLEY** June 22, 1867.

JOEL EARLE BRADLEY appears in the 1870 Census, Salubrity Township, Pickensville PO with a male child age 7, no name given. This child is **EARL DEAN (DOCK) BRADLEY**. His Real Estate Value = \$1500. Personal Estate = \$220 In the 1880 Census, now Liberty Township, **EARL DEAN BRADLEY** is listed as head of the house at age 16 with his father, **JOEL BRADLEY** age 78, an invalid. His father died 28 May 1881.

He married **MARY ELIZABETH (ELLA) ADCOCK** 1883, daughter of **JOHN RILEY ADCOX** (1830-1880) and **ELIZABETH JANE RICHARDS** (1835-1924). She was born 20 Jun 1862 in Liberty, Pickens County, SC, and died 11 Mar 1927 in Anderson County, SC. He died 01 Apr 1922 in Pendleton, Anderson County, SC. Both are buried at Zion Methodist Church Cemetery, Anderson County, Anderson County, SC.



"DOCK" BRADLEY had a dozen or more half brothers and sisters. His half-brother, **DAVID FRANKLIN BRADLEY**, youngest son of Joel and Ellender Scolds Bradley b. 05 Sept 1842 became a prominent citizen in Old Pendleton District as written in the Cyclopedia of eminent and representative men of the Carolinas of the nineteenth century. Madison, Wis.: Brant & Fuller, 1892:

MAJ. DAVID FRANKLIN BRADLEY, a prominent and honored citizen of Easley, SC was the son of Maj. Joel Bradley, a native of Pickens County, by occupation a farmer. His father gained his military title by service in the state militia. He died in 1881. He was the son of Ambrose Bradley, mother of the subject of this sketch before marriage was Ellen Scolds, a native of Buncombe County, NC, who died in 1858. She was of Scotch descent. Maj. David F. Bradley was born in Pickens County, SC, September 5, 1842. He passed his early life on a farm in his native county, but in 1859, he went to Florida, from which state, in April, 1861, he entered the Confederate service, in Company A. Second Florida regiment, known as the Pensacola Rifle Rangers. In that regiment he served until the Battle of the Wilderness, in which he lost his left arm. He was also wounded in the left hip in the same engagement. Previous to this, in the Battle of Fraser's Farm, he had been wounded in the right shoulder, and as a result had been compelled to spend two months in the hospital. He entered the army as a private, but was promoted, first to the rank of orderly sergeant, second to that of second lieutenant. After the Battle of the Wilderness, he spent one month in a hospital, where he was assigned to duty in the enrolling department of Florida. But while in route for that state he was

intercepted by Gen. Sherman and obliged to return home. In 1865, he resumed his studies in a country school, and from that time until 1868, attended school and taught alternately. In the latter year he was elected School Commissioner of Pickens County, in which capacity he served six consecutive years, having been twice re-elected. In 1871 he helped to found the Pickens Sentinel, of which he was sole editor until 1885, during all of which time he held a proprietary interest in the establishment. For a part of that time, he was the sole owner. During his incumbency of the office of school commissioner, and his connection with the Pickens Sentinel, he resided at Pickens. It was while he was School Commissioner that the free school system was established in Pickens County, and upon retiring from the commissionership, in 1874, he was elected to the lower branch of the state legislature, where he served two terms. In 1878 Mr. Bradley was elected to the state senate, serving in that body the connotational term of four years. He was appointed by President Cleveland, internal revenue collector the South Carolina in 1885, and held the position from that vear until 1889, he returned to Pickens County and located at Easley, where he still resides. In 1879 he was elected by the state legislature, a member of the board of penitentiary directors of South Carolina, serving in that capacity until 1885, when he resigned to accept the office of internal revenue collector. During the last three years, he was chairman of the board. He is a democrat in political faith and an elder in the Presbyterian church. Ever since the war, he has been identified with the farming industry and is the owner of a stock and dairy farm near Easley. He is president of the Easley Oil Mill, Fertilizer & Ginnery Company, in which he is one of the largest stock holders. He is a stockholder also, and at one time was a director in the Carolina, Cumberland Gap & Chicago Railroad, only a portion of which road, however, is in operation. He is one of the trustees of the Easley High School and Chairman of the board. In February, 1891, he helped to establish *The Easley Democrat*, of which he has since been editor and joint owner, taken an active interest and as a popular speaker in the political forum, he has taken a high rank and made a most creditable record. He has served as chairman of the democratic committee of Pickens County a number of years and been delegate to a number of the state conventions of his party. Maj. Bradley was married in November, 1865 to Mary B. Breazeale of Pickens County. Died 29 Jun 1909. Buried at West View Cemetery, Easley, Pickens County, SC.

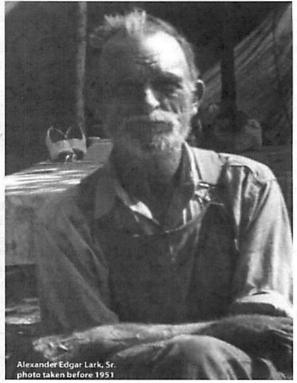
Children of EARL DEAN (DOCK) BRADLEY and MARY ELIZABETH (ELLA) ADCOCK are:

1. MARGARET ELIZABETH³ BRADLEY b. 10 Mar 1884 in Pickens County, SC, and d. 07 Nov 1968 in Belton, Anderson County, SC buried at New Silver Brook Cemetery., Anderson County, SC. She married ALEXANDER EDGAR (ALEX) LARK, SR. 1900, son of HENRY AUGUSTUS LARK (1818-1879) and CLARINDA TURNER (1835-1919). He was born 26 Jan 1878 in SC, and died 24 Nov 1951 in Anderson County, SC buried at Antioch United Methodist Church Cemetery, Easley, Pickens County, SC.



Margaret Bradley Lark. Edited and restored by Ila Sosebee Lark. Photos courtesy of Henry E. Lark, Jr.





Alexander Edgar Lark, Sr. photo taken before 1951

The Alexander Edgar Lark, Sr. family. Standing: Henry Earl Lark, Sr. L-R: Lila Lark Bryant, Charles Lark, Sr., Margaret Lark, Alexander Edgar Lark, Baby: Alexander Edgar, Jr. Photo dated 1915 <u>Children of ALEXANDER LARK and MARGARET</u> <u>BRADLEY:</u>

 HENRY EARL LARK, b. 03 Aug 1901, Pickens County, d. 29 Jan 1970, Anderson County, m. EVA GENEVA TONEY; b. 08 Jun 1906, Commerce, Jackson County, GA; d. 01 Apr 1996, Gainesville, Hall Co., GA
 LILA LARK, b. 04 Jun 1904, Pickens County., SC d. 30 Dec 1984, Belton, Anderson County., SC m. RALPH FRANKLIN BRYANT; b. 21 Dec 1921, Anderson County, SC; d. 03 Sep 1953, Anderson County, SC
 CHARLIE L. LARK, b. 04 Oct 1909, Pickens County., SC d. Mar 1979, Anderson, Anderson County, m. RUTH MCLESKEY b. 1907 in AL, and died 1974 Anderson County, SC

4. ALEXANDER EDGAR (ALEX) LARK, JR., b. 29 Jul 1914, Anderson Co., SC; d. 11 Apr 2001, Hodges, Greenwood County., m. NETTIE LOU BAGWELL; b. 12 Feb 1913; d. 20 Mar 1998, Hodges, Greenwood County., SC

 FANNIE ELIZABETH LARK, b. 1923, Anderson County, SC died 04 Dec 2011 in Belton, Anderson County, SC. m. (1) MARSHALL ALONZO GURLEY. B. 20 Nov 1925 Belton, Anderson County, SC, d. 21 Oct 2004 Anderson County., SC. M (2) JAMIE FRANCIS PICKENS 25 Nov 1939b. 30 Mar 1922 Anderson County, SC, d. 05 Jul 1954 in Anderson County, SC

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MRS. M. J. LARK

Mrs. Margarette Jane Elizabeth Bradley Lark, 85, widow of Alexander Lark, Sr., of Rt 2, Belton, died at 1:05 am Thursday at her home following three months illness.

Mrs. Lark, a native of Pickens County, was born March 10, 1883, a daughter of the late Earl Dean Bradley and Elizabeth Adcock Bradley. She had been making her home at Rt. 2 Belton for the past six years, moving here from Anderson. She was a member of Orrville Baptist Church.

Survivors: three sons, Henry Lark of the home, Charlie Lake of Rt. 5, Anderson, and Alex E. Lark, jr. of Rt. 1 Hodges: two daughters, Mrs. Lila Bryant of Rt. 2, Belton, and Mrs. Marshall Gurley of Belton; one brother, John M. Bradley of Palatka, Fla.: and one sister, Mrs. Pearl Grogan of Belton; 24 grandchildren and 39 great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be 4 pm Friday at Orrville Baptist Church, Dr. C. V. Martian and the Rev. D. B. Jarrett officiating.

burial in New Silver Brook Cemetery.

Pallbearers: Calvin, Larry, Harry and Kenneth Lark, David Price and Winfred Mitchell.

Honorary escort: the Rev. Calvin Bell, Clyde Price, Dr. Malcombe A. McAlister, Lister Collins, Bud Williamson, David Bryan, Rufus Davenport and the Men's Bible Class and deacons of Orrville Baptist Church. The body is at the residence, 114 Griffin Rd., Belton, with McDougald Funeral Home in charge.

- 2. MAMIE ESTELLA BRADLEY, b. Jul 1886 in Anderson County, SC, and died 16 Jan 1929 in Anderson County., SC Her death was the result of 2nd and 3rd degree burns of the face, neck, arm, thorax, abdomen from oil stove (accidental) no explanation, contributing condition: Bronchial Pneumonia, age 47. Burial at Zion Methodist Church Cemetery, Anderson, Anderson County., SC. No tombstone. She married JOHN WISTER ADCOX, son of WILLIAM ADCOX (1845-1926) and MARY SUMMEY (1857-?). He was born 09 Jul 1879 in SC. d. unknown.
- 3. HATTIE MAE BRADLEY, b. 03 Jan 1889, Anderson Co., SC; d. 20 Feb 1930, Anderson County, SC buried at Silver Brook Cemetery, Anderson, SC. She married MACK MCDUFFIE NICHOLS, son of EVAN V. NICHOLS (1849-1904) and MARTHA MARY KELLY (1859-1929). He was born 18 Sep 1889, and died 29 Jan 1967 in Anderson Co., SC buried at Flat Rock Baptist Church Cemetery, Anderson County, SC beside his 2nd wife CLARA LEONA BROCK (1905-1992).
- 4. BENJAMIN NEWTON BRADLEY, b. 15 Aug 1891 in Anderson Co., SC, d. 18 Mar 1950 in Greenville Co., SC He married MINNIE CLYDE DUNCAN, daughter of ROBERT P. (ROB) DUNCAN (1858-1918) and MARY ELIZABETH (LIZZIE) MATHIS (1858-1922). She was born 22 May 1900, and died 22 Feb 1963 in Greenville County, SC. Both are buried at Graceland West Cemetery & Mausoleum, Greenville, SC



Ader Bradley Nichols

5. ADA LEE (ADER) BRADLEY b. 15 Apr 1894 in Pickens, Pickens County.,

SC, d. 14 Jun 1951 in Anderson, Anderson County., SC She married **FURMAN OTT NICHOLS**, son of **EVAN V. NICHOLS** (1849-1904) and **MARTHA MARY KELLY** (1859-1929). The older brother of her sister's husband, Mack McDuffie Nichols. He was born 02 May 1881 in SC, and died 15 Sep 1937 in Anderson, Anderson County, SC, cause of death: Encephalitis. Both are buried @ Silver Brook Cemetery.

6. WILLIAM ANDREW BRADLEY, b. 12 Dec 1896 in Anderson Co., SC, d. 11 Nov 1958 in Anderson, Anderson County., SC. He married GLADYS MARY

BURGESS, daughter of SAMUEL J. BURGESS (1862-1931) and LENA SLEIGHTON (1879-1943). She was born 16 Feb 1910 in Anderson Co., SC, and died 19 Dec 1985 in Anderson, Anderson County., SC. Both are buried at Silver Brook Cemetery, Anderson, SC. (Francis Singleton provided Photo)



 JOHN MINOR BRADLEY, b. 22 Dec 1899 in Anderson County, SC, d. 27 Mar 1978 in Palatka, Putnam County., FL. He married HATTIE ESTELLA (STELLA) BUCHANAN 12 Aug 1919 in South Carolina, daughter of DELONAS WASHINGTON BUCHANAN (1852-1910) and ELLA BLAINE (1858-1902). She was born 09 Dec 1899 in Sylva, Jackson County., NC, and died 21 Apr 1994 in Palatka, Putnam County., FL. Both are buried at Palatka Memorial Gardens, Palatka, Putnam County, FL.

Tomb Stone Inscription:

The clock of life is wound but once, and no man has the power to tell just when the hands will stop at or early hour.

I shall pass through this world but once, any goodness therefore that I can do or any kindness that I can show to any human being, let me do it now, let me not defer it for I shall not pass this way again.



From FIND A GRAVE: He was a member of First Baptist Church, a member of the D.A.V. Chapter 56 where he was chaplain, post 3349 V.F.W., Bert Hodge Post 45, American Legion. He served 28 years in the armed forces. He was a veteran of world WWI, WWII, and the Korean Conflict. Survivors Include: Widow: Stella Buchanan Bradley. Four Daughters; Mrs. Virginia Le'Drew, Mrs. Ethel Moses, Mrs. D.W. Buchanan, Mrs. Sam Wilburn. One Son, Mr. Glover C. Bradley. One sister; Mrs. Pearl Smith.



Stella Buchanan Bradley

Twenty grandchildren. Twenty-one great grandchildren.

 EFFIE PEARLE BRADLEY b. 13 Feb 1905 in Pelzer, Anderson County, SC, d. 16 Oct 2001 in Pelzer, Anderson County., SC. Burial undetermined. She married (1) DEE



EDWARD JONES, son of V BROWN and MARY SUE JONES (1891-1911). He was born 20 Oct 1889 in Anderson County., SC, and died 06 May 1962 in Piedmont, Anderson County, SC buried at Mt. Airy Baptist Ch. She married (2) SMITH.



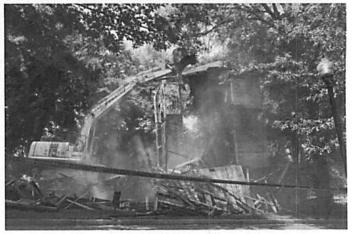
It is possible that Dock and Ella Bradley had a few more children. Additions are welcomed.



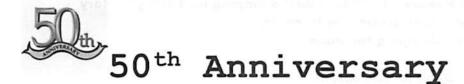
BRADLEY-BOGGS HOUSE 1916

The home of Major David Franklin Bradley and his wife, Mary Barbara Breazeale. It was originally

located at Pickens Court House in the 1850's along the Keowee River near the Oconee Nuclear Plant and moved twice, to both sides of West Main Street, Pickens, SC in 1868. The last address was 118 West Main Street, Pickens, SC. The home remained in the Bradley family until 1913, when it was purchased by Aaron Boggs. The Boggs owned the home for 84 years making many additions. The Pickens Jaycees purchased the house in 1997 when they used it for the next 10 years as a haunted house to raise money. It was left unused for the next 10 years until Pickens County condemned it and it was sold at auction in 2009. After several owners, Charles Monks became the owner in



2018. It was believed to be one of two structures that still remained from the Old Pickens Court House town. On July 18, 2019, it was torn down in order to build a brewery.





South Carolina Genealogical Society 49th Annual Summer Workshop

July 8-9, 2022

SC Department of Archives and History 8301 Parklane Road Columbia, SC 29223

Friday, July 8, 2022

8:30 – until	Registration – Refreshments, Donuts and Coffee [Patrons Room]
9:00-9:30	Auditorium – Welcome and Announcements
	Mike Becknell, President; Shelby Hart Lollis, First Vice President; Dr. Eric Emerson, Director SCDAH
	50 th Anniversary Celebration
9:30-10:30	Lisa Louise Cooke – Reconstruct Your Ancestor's World with Google
10:45-11:00	Announcements and Door Prizes
11:00-12:00	LaBrenda Garrett-Nelson – Genealogy Standards for Transcribing Records
	Cheryl Hudson Passey –Genealogy 102-Climbing Up Your Tree
	Steve Tuttle – Introductory Tour of the Research Room for New Patrons
12:00-1:15	Lunch - Pizza and Cake
1:15 -1:30	Announcements and Door Prizes
1:30 – 2:30	Lisa Louise Cooke – Google Books: the tool you should use every day!
2.45 - 3:45	Charity Rouse and Barbara Jurs – Using the Genealogy Research System
	(GRS) at DAR.org
	Diane Richards – Discovering the Hidden Women in Your Family History
	John Smith – Using the Agriculture Census in Family History Research
	Brent Holcomb – The Colonial Records of South Carolina.

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4: 00 -5:00	Katherine Bolt Borges – Humor in History	
	Cheri Hudson Passey – I Got On eBay! Shopping for Family History	
	Charity Rouse - DNA Basics for Genealogy	
	Mags Gaulden – Jumping the Pond	

5:00 – 8:00 SC Archives - Open for Research!

Saturday, July 9, 2022

- 8:30 until Registration Refreshments, Donuts and Coffee [Patrons Room]
- 9:00-9:30 Welcome and Announcements Mike Becknell, President: Shelby Lollis, First Vice President: Steve Tuttle, Supervisor, SCDAH Anniversary Celebration and Cake Charles Baxley- Report on 250th Anniversary of The Revolutionary War South Carolina -Project
- 9:30 10:30 Lisa Louise Cooke Your Guide to the 1950 Census
- 10:45- 11:00 Announcements and Door Prizes
- 11:00 12:00 Lisa Louise Cooke Genealogist's Google Search Methodology
- 12:00 1:30 Lunch: BBQ and all the trimmings
- 1:30 -2:15 Silent Auction Winners Announcement- Door Prizes
- 2:15 3:15 Katherine Bolt Borges DNA Monkey Wrenches Brent Holcomb – South Carolina Land Records: More than Just Grants and Plats Charles Baxley – SC Loyalists at the Battle of Kings Mountain John Smith –*North Carolina Slaves & Free Persons of Color*: South Carolina References in the Printed Material
 - Steve Tuttle Behind the Scenes Tour of the Records Collection
- 3:30 4:30 LaBrenda Garrett-Nelson Genealogy Standards for Planning Diane Richards – 50 Overlooked Genealogical Resources in 50 Minutes! aka Research in Your Jammies! Cheri Hudson Passey – Title: Collateral Research-Looking for the Whole Bunch Barbara Jurs – Researching Revolutionary War Patriots: Types of Service and Documentation

Thank you for coming! See you in 2023!

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Live Via Zoom

9:00-9:30

Auditorium: Welcome and Announcements – *Mike Becknell, President* Shelby Lollis, First Vice President *Steve Tuttle, Supervisor, SCDAH* Anniversary Announcement and Cake *Charles Baxley -SC Revolutionary War 250th Anniversary*

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9:30 – 10:30 Auditorium: Lisa Louise Cooke Title: Your Guide to the 1950 Census

11:00 – 12:00 Lisa Louise Cooke Title: The Genealogist's Google Search Methodology

12:45-1:45 Mark Olsen – FTM Title: Introduction and overview of Family Tree Maker

2:15 - 3:15 J Mark Lowe FUGA

Title: Guion Miller and Your Ancestors Who Claimed to be Cherokee: Those Who Were and Those Who Weren't

3:30 – 4:30 LaBrenda Garrett- Nelson JD, LLM, CG[®], FASG Title: Genealogy Standards for Planning Research See you next year in 2023!

All Virtual sessions will be available to paid attendees for unlimited viewing on SCGS Website until August 20, 2022 *All sessions are Eastern Daylight Time* Link to convert your time to EDT: https://www.thetimezoneconverter. com/

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May 25-28, 2022	NGS – Sacramento, California
July 8-9, 2022	SC Genealogical Society Workshop, State Archives
May 31-June 3, 2023	NGS – Richmond, Virginia