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Bratton Family

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The background of the page is a faded, sepia-toned photograph of a large, multi-story brick building with a prominent clock tower. In the foreground, there is a large, circular fountain with a tall, thin water column. Several vintage cars are parked in front of the building. The overall scene is a campus courtyard.

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Scope and Content Note: **Robert “Bob” Harris (1926-1998), of Lancaster, South Carolina, spent decades researching the genealogical history of the Harris family, dating back to Essex, England in the 1500s, and various branches thereof. The collection includes extensive notes, family trees, correspondence, and photocopies of original documents, such as wills and deeds, from the 1700s and 1800s. Mr. Harris, along with distant relatives and various correspondents from around the country, searched government records, archives, church records, newspapers and a variety of other sources to compile a significant collection of data pertaining to the history of various lines of Harris descendants. There are many family names mentioned in the collection, some only briefly and others more extensively. The following family names are of the primary names included (for a full listing see Appendix I): Bailes; Barham; Bratton; Brickhouse; Colthorp; Cureton; Elliott; Fullwood; Gordon; Hagins; Hall; Harris/Herries/Heriz; Heath; Hawkins; Hood; Kirk; Mehaffey; Miller; Moore; Mulkey; Ormond; Parker; Pennington; Pettus; Polk; Potts; Womack, Wren/Wrenn; Yarborough;**

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DESCRIPTION OF SERIES

<u>Box(es)</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>
1	1	FAMILY CHARTS Consists of "Ancestor Charts, "Family Group Records" and various family trees showing lineages and basic birth, death, and marriage statistics spanning 1584-1990s.	1977, 1984-1985, 1991, 1995, nd
1	2	BAILES Consists of a narrative document entitled, "Bailes Family History" which spans 1824-1963.	nd
1	3	BARHAM and BRATTON Consists of a photocopy of part of a document titled "The Pedigree of the family of Barham" and a partial list of Brattons in York County, SC, which spans 1598-1937.	1963, nd
1	--	BRICKHOUSE Consists of document titled "The Brickhouse Family History."	1987
1	4	COLTHORP and CURETON Consists of handwritten notes showing family history of Curetons (1697-1864) and the Colthorps (1790-1854).	nd
1	5	ELLIOT and FULLWOOD Consists of documents showing familial lines of descent from William Elliot (1745-1890), and Robert Fullwood, 1680-1987.	1987, nd
1	6	GORDON Consists of documents pertaining to various Gordons, particularly Captain John Gordon, and a compilation of the descendants of Joshua Gordon.	1923, 1932, 1954, 1978, 1987, 1990, 1991, 1998, nd
2	7	HAGINS and HALL Consists of information on Calvin Hall, Henry Lee Hall, and Wilson H. Hall; A document titled, "Descendants of John McMurray Hagins and Adeline Agnes Kirk."	1820-1959, nd

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DESCRIPTION OF SERIES (cont.)

<u>Box(es)</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>
2-3	8-13	<p>HARRIS/ HERRIES/ HERIZ</p> <p>Consists of extensive notes, family trees, census records, books, and other documents relating to various branches of the Harris family, traced back to the 1500s in Essex, England and even back to William De Heriz in 1160. Most source relate to family history in the 1700s and 1800s. Published sources include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Mary Harris Stratton. <i>Ancestors and Descendants of Robert Harris, Sr. 1702-1788</i>. Charlotte, NC: Brooks Litho, 1967. (2-10)</li><li>2. John A. Brayton. <i>The Five Thomas HARRISES of Isle of Wight County, Virginia</i>. Winston-Salem, NC: John A. Brayton, 1995. (2-10)</li><li>3. J. Montgomery Seaver. <i>Harris Family History</i>. Philadelphia, PA: American Historical-Genealogical Society, nd. (2-12)</li></ol>	1838, 1960s-1990s
3	14	<p>HEATH and HAWKINS</p> <p>Consists of correspondence and notes pertaining to the Heath family (1668-1914), primarily in Lancaster County, South Carolina, and a photocopy of the issue of John and Mary Hawkins (1760-1790).</p>	1960, 1992, nd
3	15	<p>HOOD and KIRK</p> <p>Consists of documents pertaining to the Hood family (1595-1945) of Lancaster County, SC, and the Kirk family(1842-1912) of Bolivar County, Mississippi.</p>	1992, nd
3	15	<p>MEHAFFEY</p> <p>Consists of photocopies of two land grants to Oliver Mehaffey, Jr. in Craven County, South Carolina near the Wateree River. One is dated November 24, 1747 and the other October 20, 1749.</p>	1982, nd
3	16	<p>MILLER, MOORE, and MULKEY</p> <p>Consists of a document of unknown authorship containing tombstone inscriptions from Six Mile Presbyterian Church, Lancaster, SC, and information obtained from public records regarding the Miller family (1787-1925). Also included is a short history of the Moore family (1760-1899) of Mecklenburg County, NC, and a biographical document about the life and career of Rev. Philip Mulkey(1732-1801).</p>	1899, nd
4	17	<p>ORMAND</p> <p>Consists of the genealogy of Robert Ormand (1784-1816).</p>	nd

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DESCRIPTION OF SERIES (cont.)

<u>Box(es)</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>
4	18	<b>PARKER</b> Consists of information concerning the Parker family (1677-1832), including a transcript of a will of Drury Parker and photocopy of a page from the "Howell Parker" Bible. A typewritten paragraph attached to the Drury Parker will contains an interesting anecdote from "handed down family history" concerning Howell Parker's interaction with Col. Fanning "recruiting his band of Tories."	1981-1990
4	19	<b>PENNINGTON</b> Consists of notes relating to the Pennington family (1753-1992); transcriptions of tombstones from the "Locke Burial Ground."	1947, 1995, nd
4	20	<b>PETTUS</b> Consists of a family tree showing descendants of Col. Thomas Pettus (1753-1903) and tombstone inscriptions from "Old Pettus Cemetery."	1963, nd
4	20	<b>POLK</b> Consists of family group records and excerpts from the Polk family bible. The material spans from 1772-1940	1903, 1995
4	21	<b>POTTS</b> Consists of various notes and records concerning the Potts family (1719-1960s), including DAR application based on the Revolutionary War service of William Potts (1751-1800), "Captain of Militia."	1901, 1932, 1946, 1957, 1962, 1984, 1988, 1994, nd
4	22	<b>WOMACK</b> Consists of a photocopy of a portion of a Virginia state library publication including genealogical information on the Womack family (1578-1865).	1913
4	23	<b>WREN/WRENN</b> Consists of miscellaneous information concerning the Wren/Wrenn family (1700s-1980s), as well as a lineage chart for Kelly Wren and a document written by Betty Wren entitled, "The Wren Family in America."	1975, 1980, 1987, 1991-1993, nd
4	24	<b>YARBOROUGH</b> Consists of a record of the family(1824-1985) and the obituary of Alma Harris Yarborough (1985).	1985, nd

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4	--	THE FAMILY CONNECTION Consists of a document titled "The Family Connection." The document examines the interrelationships amongst the Potts, Foster, Stanley, and Suddeth family lines.	1995
5	25	CORRESPONDENCE Consists of letters to Robert Harris from various correspondents relating to Harris and other family research.	1969, 1978-1989
5	26	CORRESPONDENCE Consists of letters to Robert Harris from various correspondents relating to Harris and other family research.	1990-1998
5	27	CORRESPONDENCE Consists of undated correspondence, many pieces from Louise Pettus, relating to genealogical research.	nd
6	--	NOTES Consists of Robert Harris's personal notes, contained in spiral notebooks and on legal pads, reflecting his historical and genealogical research.	nd
6	28	NOTES Consists of loose notes, primarily written by Robert Harris although some are from other researchers, concerning family history.	nd
7	29-30	HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS Consists of photocopies and transcripts of historical documents dating to the 1700s and 1800s, including land grants, deeds, wills, leases, and other legal documents, originally recorded in various county offices in North Carolina and South Carolina (primarily Lancaster and York counties) as well as photocopies of microfilmed items from the Draper Manuscript Collection of the State Historical Society of Wisconsin relating to President Andrew Jackson and the location of his birth.	nd
8	31	TAX, CENSUS, and ESTATE RECORDS Contains public record information including tax and census data and abstracts of estate records, including a number of abstracts from Southampton County, Virginia.	nd



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DESCRIPTION OF SERIES (cont.)

<u>Box(es)</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>
8	32	DAR APPLICATIONS Consists of DAR applications submitted in the 1930s-1940s by various Harris descendants.	nd
8	33	MAPS, PLATS, and DIAGRAMS Contains miscellaneous maps, plats, and diagrams showing property holdings of Harris family ancestors and other land owners or lessors in the 1800s.	nd
8-11	34-42	NEWSLETTERS and OTHER PUBLICATIONS Consists of genealogical newsletters (1981, 1991, 1995), portions of genealogical newsletters and photocopies of other published sources containing genealogical and general historical information, primarily for North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia.	1970s-1990s
11	43	CATAWBA INDIAN DOCUMENTS Contains notes, correspondence and other documents pertaining to the Catawba Indians, particularly relating to leases of native Catawba lands.	nd
12	44	NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS Consists of newspaper articles on a variety of historical subjects.	1979-1990s, nd
12	45	BROCHURES and PAMPHLETS Consists of a number of brochures for various places of personal and historical interest to Robert Harris including the Uncle Remus Museum, Lansford Canal State Park, and Lancaster and Kershaw Counties of SC. Also contained are pamphlets concerning the activities of various historical groups.	nd
12	46	PHOTOGRAPHS Consists of a photograph of an unknown man fishing at a river.	nd
12	47	MISCELLANY Contains miscellaneous papers including the following: tombstone inscriptions from Polk, Spratt, Davidson (apparently) and Rice cemeteries and from the Pleasant Hill Methodist Church cemetery; the History of Flint Hill Baptist Church, a chronology of Andrew Jackson, a Lancaster County Bicentennial Program, and a diagram showing Revolutionary War battle sites along the Catawba-Wateree River.	nd

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<u>Box(es)</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>
12	48	FRAGILE Originals of several fragile documents that have been photocopied and placed in separate folders. Researchers should use the photocopies, unless reference to the originals is necessary for clarity.	nd

## APPENDIX I

### LIST OF FAMILY NAMES

*Note: Parentheticals refer to the box and folder in which the name is mentioned, usually several times. Even if only one folder is listed, many names appear in multiple folders.*

Bagwell (2-7)	Foster (4)
Bailes (1-2)	Fox (2-10)
Baker (2-7)	Fullwood (1-5)
Barham (1-3), (4-18)	Gaddy (1-1)
Barnett (1-1)	Gaston (1-1)
Barton (1-1)	Gay (1-1)
Beasley (1-1)	Goodrich (1-1)
Boynton (1-1)	Gordon (1-6)
Brackett (2-7)	Graham (1-1)
Brawley (1-1)	Hackworth (1-1), (3-19)
Brumby (1-1)	Hagins (2-7)
Buchanan (1-1)	Hall (2-7)
Bunn (1-1)	Hammond (2-7)
Caskey (1-1)	Harris (multiple)
Cauthen (2-7)	Heath (1-1) (3-14)
Clawson (1-2), (5-25)	Heaton (1-1)
Chappell (1-1)	Holton (6-28)
Clymore/ Clymer (2-9)	Hood (1-1)
Coleman (1-1)	Howey (1-6)
Collier (1-1)	Irwin (1-3)
Collins (1-1)	Ivy (1-1)
Coltharp/ Colthorp (1-4)	Jackson (1-1)
Cousar (6-28), (8-31)	Jones (1-1)
Cozort (1-1)	Kimbrill/ Kimbrell (6-28)
Crenshaw (2-7)	Kirk (2-7)
Criminger (2-7)	Knox (1-1)
Cruse (1-1)	Lanier (1-1)
Cureton (1-1, 1-4)	Ledbetter (1-1)
Dale (1-1)	Linder (1-1)
Deese (1-6)	Locke (4-19)
Dossey/ Dorsey (4-22)	Marshall (2-7)
Dowdy (1-1)	Massey (1-1)
Edwards (1-1)	Maxwell (1-1)
Elliott (1-5)	McCaw (1-3)
Erwin (1-3)	McCulloch (1-1)
Fleming (2-7)	McGinn (1-2)
Foote (1-1)	McLaurin (1-2)
Forester (1-1)	McManus (1-6)

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Mehaffey (1-1), (3-15)  
Melton (2-7)  
Miller (1-2), (3-16)  
Monroe (1-1)  
Moore (1-1)  
Morrow (1-1), (5-15)  
Moseley (1-1)  
Murray (1-1)  
Opal (2-7)  
Parker (4-18), (4-19)  
Parks (1-1)  
Pennington (1-1), (2-8), (4-19)  
Perry (1-1), (6-28)  
Pettus (1-1), (4-20)  
Phillips (1-1)  
Plyler (2-7), (4-20)  
Polk (1-1), (4-20)  
Potts (1-1), (4), (4-21), (6-28)  
Price (1-6)  
Ralston (1-1)  
Randle (1-1)  
Riggins (1-1)  
Robinson (1-1)  
Rodgers (1-1)  
Rooker (1-1), (1-4)  
Saunders (1-1), (3-19)  
Scott (1-1)  
Shankle (1-1)  
Shaver (2-7)  
Shealy (1-1)  
Simpson (1-3)  
Smith (1-1), (6-28)  
Sowell (8-31)  
Spiers/ Spears (1-1), (1-4), (5-25)  
Spratt (1-1), (6-28)  
Stanley (4)  
Steele (1-3)  
Strange (1-6)  
Strong (1-1)  
Suddeth (4)  
Swofford (1-1)  
Tarpley (2-7)  
Turner (1-1)  
Vislocky (2-7)  
Watson (1-1)  
Weathers (1-1)  
Weeks (1-1)  
Weir (1-1)  
White (7-29), (7-30)  
Wilson (4-21)  
Withers (1-1)  
Wolfe (1-2)  
Wren (1-1), (3-14), (4-21), (4-23), (6-28)  
Yarborough (4-24)