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– Thomas E. Watson, *Napoleon*, 1901

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SCHOLARS' & ALUMNI DAY



The Watson-Brown Foundation hosted its annual Scholars' Day program on May 11, 2013, to honor new and current scholarship recipients. The day marked an important milestone with more than 500 attendees, the largest group in Scholars' Day history. This fall, 249 new scholars will be scattered across the United States attending schools such as Washington University in St. Louis and as far away as Evergreen State College in Olympia, Washington.

The Foundation received a record number of applications this year with more than 1,500 applications from the eighteen counties in South Carolina and Georgia. It was an extremely competitive year with the applicant pool averaging 1200 on the SAT (math and verbal). Recipients, on average, were in the top eight percent of their high school class. These new scholars will join the more than 600 current scholars studying at more than 140 colleges and universities across the country.

Rain and storms threatened the 2013 Scholars' Day festivities, but the weather turned out to be picture-perfect and attendees enjoyed a mixture of cloud cover and light breezes on the front lawn of Hickory Hill mansion. Purchased by Tom Watson in 1900, Hickory Hill is the perfect place to host such a celebration of the past and present. During the program, the picturesque backdrop of Hickory Hill's white columns complimented Watson-Brown Foundation President Tad Brown's remarks on the history of the Foundation. He spoke of the Foundation's mission of recognizing merit and need, and how the goal of ensuring that hundreds of deserving local students are provided the opportunity to excel at the college of their choice continues to be the vision that guides the Foundation each year.

Sarah Katherine Drury, Director of Scholarships, and Craig Foster, Assistant Director of Scholarships, addressed the crowd, emphasizing tips for a successful first semester in college and concluded with a charge to continue the connection with the Foundation through the expanding alumni program. Following the ceremony, students, families, and staff were invited to enjoy refreshments and a group photograph. Congratulations to the new recipients of the Class of 2013!

The Foundation will award 200 new scholarships for the 2013–2014 academic year. Current high school seniors and college undergraduates from sixteen counties in Georgia and South Carolina are eligible to apply. The online application is now available at www.watson-brown.org/scholarship and is due by February 15, 2014. For more information please contact the Foundation at 706-595-8886 or visit www.watson-brown.org.







CAMPUS NOTES



Watson-Brown Scholars in Action



Jennifer Dandron, Senior, Valdosta State University: “This school year has been one of my most accomplished years yet! I have won several awards and presented research at three conferences. The best experience I had stemmed from a research paper I wrote for my Honors Research Methods course. As a double major in mass media and political science, I am interested in the way the media handles school shootings. It was this interest that prompted my research that led to a twenty-page paper, titled “The Relationship between the Media and School Shootings in the past Fifteen Years, with Regards to the Columbine, Virginia Tech, and Newtown Massacres.” It was a very intense research process. My paper was accepted for presentation at Georgia Collegiate Honors Council Conference at Georgia Southern and the Southern Regional Honors Council Conference in Louisville, Kentucky. While these were very prestigious conferences, I was most honored to have my paper selected for the Valdosta State University’s Undergraduate Research Symposium. Only two papers were selected from each discipline, and mine was selected out of fifteen students to present under the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies. It was quite an accomplishment. Along with that, the president of the Valdosta State, Dr. Bill McKinney, and his





REBECCA RUDISILL

wife, Dr. Dacia Charlesworth, invited me to be on their radio show to talk about my research. That was an awesome experience, because I got to meet and talk with some very important people! In addition to these honors, I've kept my 4.0, was appointed editor of *The Honora*, won the William Bartram Award for Intellectual Exploration, and had my research accepted at the national Honors conference in New Orleans in November 2013."

Rebecca Rudisill, Sophomore, Clemson University: "Looking back at all the learning, exploring, sharing, baking, hiking, and growing I did during my first year at Clemson University, it is hard to know what to put on the 'highlight reel.' I could talk about how much I learned in the classroom, how many hills I climbed searching for next adventure in the Blue Ridge, or how close I have grown to an incredibly special group of friends. But the most impactful part of my first year of college did not happen on Clemson's campus or even in the state of South Carolina but hundreds of miles away on a tiny, beautiful Caribbean island.

"I spent my spring break teaching fourth grade on the island of Eleuthera in the Bahamas. Eleuthera is one of the most beautiful, welcoming, and poverty-stricken places I have ever visited. And teaching

nine-year-olds was unlike anything I had ever done before. The school building was a string of small classrooms and a playground situated maybe three feet from the Caribbean Sea. I taught from beat-up American textbooks that may have been older than the children. It was all wildly different from anything I have ever

experienced stateside, and I enjoyed every minute of it. The children loved me almost before we met, and they didn't care that I had zero teaching experience. We learned together and just enjoyed making new friends. And I must say their big hearts and sweet smiles stay with me all the time."

Elizabeth Ramsey, Junior, Wofford College: "Sophomore year has been one of the most interesting years of my life. I enjoyed every minute of it but was definitely relieved upon completion of exam week. Classes got more difficult and responsibility increased, two challenges that I was excited to tackle. Over Interim, I interned for a congressman in Washington, DC. This was one of the most eye-opening experiences in my life. Seeing a brief glimpse of true Washington life was something I have always wanted to experience. The entire city is bustling with activity; between the constant congressional banter and the myriad government organizations that operate within its limits, there is always something to learn. This year saw the inauguration of President Barack Obama for his second term in office. I honestly never thought I would get to experience an inauguration but am so grateful to have had the opportunity. From the time-honored traditions of the singing of the national anthem and readings of the poet laureate to the intense mixture of people crowded 800,000 strong into the National Mall, the pride I felt in our great country superseded any party-line emotions displayed by the crowd. We are immensely blessed to see such a wonderful and peaceful display of



ELIZABETH RAMSEY

patriotism and tradition in the inauguration of a president.

“Upon my return from Interim, the semester started off with a bang. I continued work on a research project that began in the fall of 2012, in which another student and I explored antimicrobial resistance in local populations of bacteria. We worked with two professors to design and complete experiments where we selected bacteria that were resistant to an antimicrobial and tested whether they could grow in resistance. Our results were presented at a summit in April where we also presented lesson plans developed to incorporate our research into local high school classrooms. It was a truly unique experience, and I learned invaluable knowledge about science itself and collaboration with others.

“Also in the spring, I was elected Secretary of Campus Union, Wofford’s student-body governing organization. It was a job I never thought I’d hold, but I am so glad I took the opportunity when it arose. To serve the student body in such a way has changed my perspective of Wofford completely and has made me value the institution infinitely more. What we have at Wofford is so special and connecting with students and the administration is so valuable. I am so grateful the student body entrusted me to take on this role. I did, however, resign my position at the end of the semester in order to spend a semester abroad. I will be spending the upcoming Fall 2013 term in Chile exploring the health-care situation of the country.”

Marie Schaner, Senior, College of Charleston: “This year I changed my major to Public Health and for the first time have enjoyed my classes. I am very involved with the Catholic Student Association and have worked to create more social outreach opportunities for the group. To accomplish this, I planned service Saturdays once a month for our group at local organizations including, packing boxes at the Lowcountry Foodbank, sorting clothes at the Lowcountry Orphan Relief, working on houses with Habitat for Humanity, and collecting canned goods for a local soup kitchen. We have had great participation in all of our service Saturday events (at least ten students each time!) and have gotten many new people involved, even those outside of our group. I also continue to work as a campus recruitment associate for the Catholic Volunteer Network, which is an umbrella organization of more than 200 full-time service programs in all fifty states and abroad. It has been a learning experience helping students get involved



in service on-campus and discern post-graduate service.

“This year I had the privilege to lead twelve first-year students on an Alternative Spring Break trip to Cartago, Costa Rica. Before going on the trip, we had biweekly meetings and participated in service in our local community. In Costa Rica, we spent our mornings volunteering at an elementary school and the afternoons exploring Costa Rican culture. Our cultural activities included walking around to the various rose, strawberry, and vegetable farms, and going hiking in a nearby national park. Learning about Costa Rican culture helped us to understand and appreciate the community we were working with. It was a great experience volunteering in the elementary school, which was in the mountainous farming community of llano Grande. At the school, we taught the English classes and helped with maintenance projects. The children were some of the most appreciative kids I have ever met and would make us cards and give us food from their lunches even when they didn’t have a lot to eat. The collectivist atmosphere of the school also impressed me. When the children were doing work or playing games, they cheered each other on and helped each other to succeed. Our role at the school was not to give donations or charity, but to give of our time, empower the students, and be empowered. We taught the kids to say, ‘I am beautiful, you are beautiful, we are

beautiful’ in English, which they screamed enthusiastically and then we learned it in Spanish, ‘Soy bonito, usted es bonito, somos bonitos.’ The school day at the school went from 8 a.m. until 5:40 p.m. to include an afternoon and morning session because the school couldn’t accommodate all the kids at once. The principal was running all over the school and had many roles: teacher, counselor, fundraiser, and administrator. The issue of teachers not having enough time to accomplish everything they would like to is similar in the United States. One thing this trip taught me is that you can’t just throw money at a school and expect results; Costa Rica has a 97 percent literacy rate and yet the school we went to had no textbooks, playground equipment, or fancy technology. Unlike in the U.S. where many kids take school for granted, at this school the kids’ passion and excitement for learning was almost palpable. It was a learning experience leading a group of Freshmen, but overall I am impressed with how much the students matured. By the end of the trip, the students became more active citizens in the community, understood the important distinction between serving and saving, and were more eager to serve the local Charleston community when they returned.

“I also had the opportunity to volunteer in a special education classroom. When I first went into the classroom, I was really upset by my poor Spanish skills; however, I was

surprised by how patient and forgiving these children were. The kids and I learned from each other, developing a sort of partnership where they taught me Spanish and I taught them English. This experience reaffirmed my vocation to work with children with special needs.

“Also, this year I became a volunteer mentor for the REACH (Realizing Educational and Career Hopes) at my college. This is a four-year fully inclusive program for students with mild intellectual disabilities. This amazing program affords these students the opportunity to participate fully in college life. Students take two college classes with typical students, live in a dorm to learn independent living skills, and get involved in campus life to increase their social skills. I mentor a young adult with autism, Eric, by helping him get involved in campus activities such as sporting events, hanging out, working out, going out to eat, and just generally being a friend/support. It has been inspiring to watch Eric develop his social skills and make friends. It has also made me happy to see my friends interacting with Eric and learning to be more accepting of people with special needs.

“I’m not sure what the future will bring, but I’m thinking of spending a few years volunteering after graduation either in the U.S. through an AmeriCorps program or possibly serving somewhere abroad. My Costa Rica and Honduras mission trips have inspired me to learn more Spanish, so perhaps I’ll go somewhere in Latin America. I also know that I want to work with children with special needs and am thinking of applying to graduate school for occupational therapy at some point.

“This summer I am excited to be working as a camp counselor for adults with disabilities at Camp Fitch in Erie, Pennsylvania.”

Emily Hood, Senior, University of Georgia: “This year, I was involved in numerous activities in order to learn more about the advertising profession. In the fall, I joined *InfUSion* magazine’s advertising team. We met with prospective buyers, as well as brainstormed ideas on how to promote our multicultural magazine around the UGA campus. I also became a member of ADPR Connection’s Social Media Committee. As a committee member, I created content for the ADPR Connection’s Tumblr page and attended weekly meetings to discuss the promotion of the event. I also worked as Guest Relations for the Athletic Association during home sporting events. There, I answered questions from fans and



EMILY HOOD

handed out promotional items. During the spring, I began an internship with Wagglez, a local start-up company. They have created an app that provides digital coupons for local businesses. I helped them with their Twitter page and suggested ways to promote the app around the UGA campus.

“I will be spending two months this summer in France and living with two different French families and practicing my French with them. I will be in Baule, Orléans, and Brittany and hope to see as much of the country as I can. I have always wanted to go to Europe and improve my language skills and now am finally able to.”

Reid Miller, Senior, Clemson University: “This past year at Clemson University was a great one. I took a variety of difficult classes that required hours of studying. Managing these classes along with extracurricular activities was no easy task. Time management was the key. I think I did well with the time I was given, as I kept a GPR above a 3.0 for both semesters, as well as going above the call of duty for my position as Barbeque Chair in the Clemson University Block and Bridle Club. I was



REID MILLER

responsible for all of the meals at meetings as well as football tailgates in the fall. I was also responsible for the food supplies for our biggest fundraiser of the year, ‘Bulls and Barbeque.’ During the spring, I was responsible for food at meetings, and I was also responsible for feeding all of the participants of Clemson University’s Little North American Livestock Exhibition as well as their family members.

“I worked as a student part-time at the Clemson University Beef Cattle Farm.



The experience I gained from working at the Clemson Beef Farm was a very valuable supplement to my education in the classroom. Everything I learned in class I was able to put into practice out at the farm. This was also a big contributor to my time management, especially during calving season. Some days I would go back and forth from campus to work two times or more. I think my education in the classroom combined with my work experience on the farm is providing me with the most well-rounded education possible.

“I also competed on the Clemson University Livestock Judging Team. We competed in the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo in Houston, Texas, and in the All East Livestock Judging Competition at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, Tennessee. I consider doing well in these events to be my greatest accomplishments of the year, as both of these competitions required long hours of practice and preparation.

“This summer I am doing an internship under Dr. Brian Bolt at Clemson University. We will be working on a special group of Hereford cattle that will be used as an educational herd. I am also working at the Clemson Beef Cattle when I am not working on the internship. I plan on learning a lot

from Dr. Bolt and expect for this to be a great summer.”

Maggie Burch, Senior, University of Richmond: “My Junior year was full of significant events for me! During the fall, I studied abroad at the University of Cape Town in Cape Town, South Africa. It was an amazing four months of making lifelong friends, experiencing the culture, exploring the area, and furthering my education in the classroom. This spring, back at University of Richmond, I became copy editor of our student newspaper, *The Collegian*. I was also nominated to be Communications Chair for my sorority, Delta Delta Delta. This summer, I am working as a digital media intern for *Atlanta Magazine*.”

Lindsey Wilk, Junior, Anderson University: “This past year at Anderson University was the best one yet! So many opportunities were thrown my way. First, I had the opportunity to serve my school as an Alpha Leader, welcoming incoming Freshman to our great community. I am also excited to say that I got my first experience in an elementary classroom, I passed my teaching audition, and I am now officially a part of Anderson University’s Education Program. The highlight of my year though



LINDSEY WILK

was traveling to Belize City, Belize, on a mission trip over spring break. I had the opportunity to work in two schools and love on the children of Belize. Those precious children stole my heart, as I received enormous hugs and smiles! Our team of four took more than 100 pairs of shoes to one of the schools, worked on a garden at one of the schools to help with their feeding program, and shared the love of Christ all in one week! It was a life-changing experience that I will never forget. It is hard to put the entire week into words. God grew me so much during the week. He works in ways that sometimes I still do not understand, but He always does more than what I could ever hope or

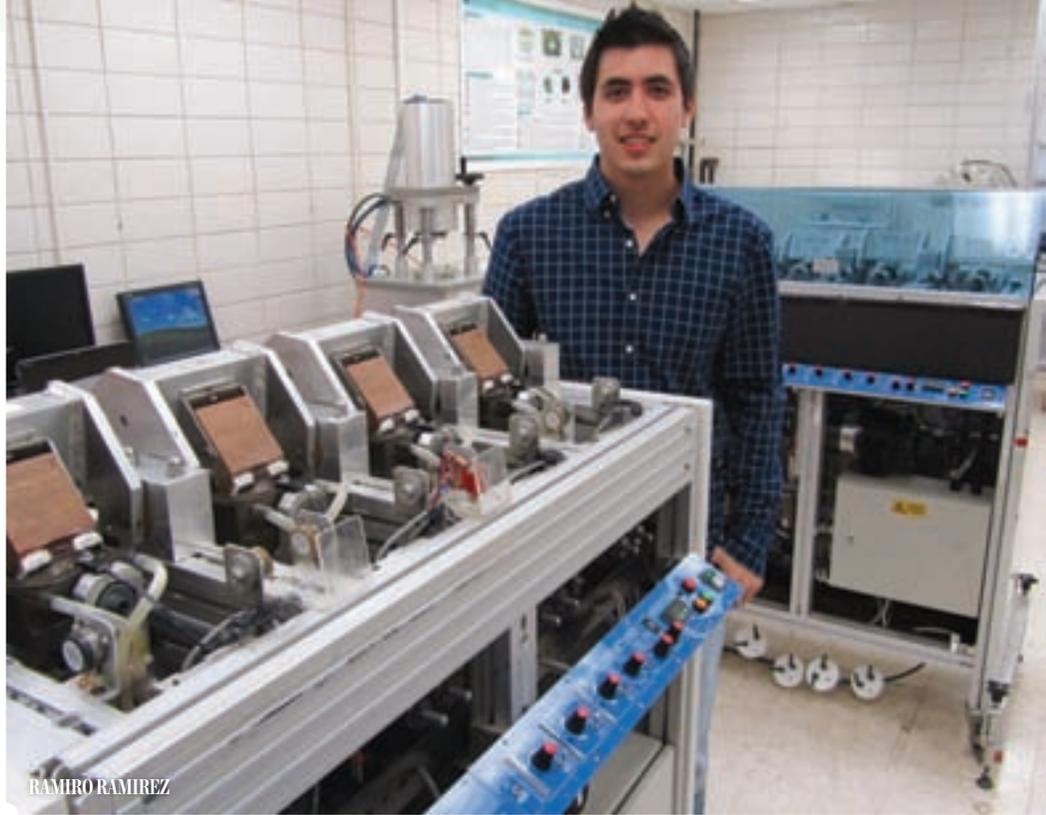


MAGGIE BURCH

imagine. It was so amazing to experience another culture. I absolutely loved how easygoing the people are and how thankful they are for the smallest things that the everyday American takes for granted. God willing, I will be going back to see those dear Belizian faces again! I long to hear the words 'Miss Lindsey' yelled across the school yard again in their beautiful accents with their equally beautiful smiles!"

Ramiro Ramirez, Junior, Clemson University: "Sophomore year was another big step in my college career, and the actions I have taken this past year will undoubtedly alter my life. Taking the rigorous classes in the bioengineering curriculum pushes me to my limits, and after finishing each semester, I cannot help but smile at the pace the span of my knowledge grows."

"The most impacting experience of the year was becoming involved in orthopedic research lab studying the tibial insert wear rates of total knee replacements from DJO Surgical. In fact, I am continuing this research at Clemson University for the summer. I am extremely fortunate to work with total knee replacements since my dream job includes designing prostheses for the human body. Experimenting with total knee replacements utilizing the Stanmore Knee Simulator has been both intriguing and frustrating since it requires an immense amount of precision, and not to mention the experimental method is rather complicated and extensive. However, I know that research offers experience that I cannot achieve by doing school work. For instance, I learned how to use a variety of equipment such as a profilometer to analyze the surface roughness of the femoral components and tibial inserts. Lab-related skills that I develop will help me long-term, and this



knowledge can be applied in class as well. I plan to continue participating in research for as many semesters as possible in order to become more educated in the field of bioengineering."

Alexis Wren, Senior, Georgia Regents University: "This year was a very exciting one for me! I was accepted into an IMAT (Integrated Masters of Arts in Teaching) program that my school offers for students who are interested in teaching STEM subjects (science, technology, engineering and mathematics). As part of the IMAT program, I am earning my bachelor's and master's degrees simultaneously. Although it makes school a bit more challenging, especially with the added responsibility of completing 300

hours of classroom observations, so far I have enjoyed the program!

"Last summer I went on a short study-abroad trip to Cusco, Peru. I was in Peru for two weeks and during that time volunteered in local hospitals, hiked, explored, and toured the city! I also went to Machu Picchu! The trip was an amazing experience."

"This summer, I am going to Tucson, Arizona, for a 'study-away' trip. On this trip, we will be learning about the ecology of the Sonoran Desert. Some friends and I decided we wanted to drive out to Arizona and see some of the U.S. instead of fly with the rest of the group. We are planning on leaving one week earlier to do this and will stay an extra day to backpack the Grand Canyon."

"Another exciting aspect of this school year was that I started an organization on campus. It is called the Outdoor Adventure Club and we are committed to encouraging exploration of the CSRA (Central Savannah River Area). I spent most of the semester planning, drafting a constitution, and getting the club approved. It will officially launch next semester; I have a lot of planning to do this summer!"

"Last semester, some friends and I entered a video into a contest offered by the American Physiological Society. The contest asked for a video that breaks down a complicated bodily process into terms that anyone could understand. We picked diabetes/hypoglycemia. The video won First Place Judges' pick AND Viewers' Choice award! We won \$1,000, and our school paid for us to go to Boston for the Experimental Biology Conference to accept our award. The experience was amazing! The video is called 'Hillbilly Hypoglycemia' and can be viewed on YouTube!"



ALEXIS WREN

NABIL SCHEAR



Alumni Spotlight

BY SHANNON FRIEDMANN HATCH

If Nabil Schear doesn't do his job, the bad guys win. What would the bad guys winning look like? Nabil sketches this picture, "Attackers are into our critical infrastructure: electric, water, gas, and financial. Attackers disrupt important equipment (like a water pump or transformer) and damage it so that it will require replacement. With critical infrastructure down for extended period, anarchy and unrest could result." Nobody wants that to happen.

Luckily, Nabil is a good guy who is very good at what he does. For the past two years, he has worked at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Lincoln Lab in computer security research and development, armoring existing systems against hackers and designing new networks that are even more bulletproof. He is part of America's first line of defense against cyber warfare (no surprise, then, that his division is primarily funded by the Department of Defense and is located on an air force base).

He didn't always see himself as a virtual James Bond, thwarting evildoers from enemy countries on a daily basis. But at an early age, he was interested in software.



While other students clumsily plotted trig problems on their graphing calculators, Nabil says, "I figured out how to write games on mine."

After graduating from Westside High School in Augusta, Georgia, in 2000, he enrolled at the Georgia Institute of Technology. In the fall of 2001, he began a co-op at Los Alamos National Lab in New Mexico. "[The lab] has a long history of being at the forefront of computing. Most of this work was focused on high performance computing (aka

supercomputing) for nuclear weapons simulation. So there are a lot of smart computer folks," Nabil explains. "This lead, naturally, to groups focused on security." Two-and-a-half weeks after he started at Los Alamos, on a cloudless September day, bad guys attacked. The world changed in an instant, and this new world was the one he began securing.

At Los Alamos, Nabil developed software tools that scanned files for hidden data within documents (like Word or PowerPoint), such as white text



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and this new world was the one he began securing.”*



on white background, to ensure that no unauthorized data would inadvertently leak. After graduating from Georgia Tech, the lab hired him full-time. Eventually, he went on to pursue graduate work at the University of California, San Diego, and receive a PhD from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, all the while working remotely for Los Alamos.

Although home of the Manhattan Project, the lab in the mountains of New Mexico is much removed from the Northeast corridor in which Nabil now

resides. Out west, “sandal-with-socks-wearing physicists were the norm,” he says. In contrast, it’s always been more of his style, much like Ian Fleming’s hero, to wear dress shoes and drive a fast car on his way to save the world (otherwise known as his morning commute through the outskirts of Boston). There, he spends the day thinking like a bad guy—guesstimating resources, zeroing-in on possible objectives, calculating risk tolerance.

Paradoxically, this ability to imagine the worst makes him a really good guy. That

and the fact that his wife, Melissa, 5-year-old daughter, Alina, and 2-year-old son, Zia, are also in the world he works day in and day out to protect. And, in many ways, this good guy is winning. “They take up the vast majority of my time, and I love it,” he says.

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T.R.R. COBB'S FINGERPRINTS



BY SAMUEL N. THOMAS, JR.

E Merton Coulter, the preeminent Georgia historian, wrote in 1947 that T.R.R. Cobb was “one of the ablest men in the state’s history.” When looking back over the body of work of Thomas Reade Rootes Cobb, it is hard to argue with Coulter. A successful lawyer, educator, and military man, one would be hard-pressed to find another individual of Cobb’s ilk in the antebellum South. He seemingly excelled at everything he put his mind to.

Entering Franklin College (forerunner of the University of Georgia) in July 1837 at the age of fourteen, Cobb was immediately recognized for his intellect and drive, graduating with First Honors in his class in 1841. “Cobb mastered the course of study with exceptional facility,” wrote William McCash, his biographer, “receiving a solid grounding in Latin and French and a knowledge of the classics,” as well as, philosophy, mathematics, astronomy, natural history, and belles lettres. “His fine academic record and exemplary personal conduct were complimented by his enthusiastic role as a member of the Phi Kappa Society, one of two debating fraternities on the campus.” Cobb was inducted into the Phi Kappa Society nearly a full year before his admission to Franklin College (August 1836, “Minutes of the Phi Kappa Society”) and by his senior year was president of the society. He delivered the valedictory address at commencement.

Taking his first job the following year with the *Southern Banner*, an Athens newspaper, Cobb attended “the Superior courts of the Western Circuit ... act[ing] as our agent in procu[ring] subscriptions, advertising patronage, and in the settlement of debts due the *Banner* Office.” Impetuous by nature, Cobb was “guided by the whims of the instant”

according to McCash “an enthusiast for every cause he espoused, and an indefatigable worker capable of the most prodigious labor.” Alexander Stephens noted that Cobb was “impulsive, volatile, and exceedingly active.” Nearly everyone who came into contact with him agreed that Cobb was a man of action. Rev. W.R. Bell, a coworker with T.R.R. in the Georgia Secession Convention, related that Cobb could “dispatch more business in a given time than any man he ever met.”

Cobb began his involvement in local affairs soon after his graduation, being elected Deputy Postmaster in 1845, Town Warden in 1848, and Town Attorney the following year. He also started his religious involvement, joining the Presbyterian Church in 1848 and speaking at a large Washingtonian (temperance) rally that year. Cobb remained a significant figure in all aspects of the Athens Presbyterian Church from that point until his death.

By the 1850s, the Presbyterians had outgrown their building and were looking to build a new structure. A group of town leaders met in 1855, somewhat secretly, and collected \$4,400 to go toward the building of a new Presbyterian church downtown. Cobb learned of the plan and held his own counter-meeting that evening in his home. The meeting resulted in the raising of \$5,000 (\$1,000 of his own) to back a building site uptown. He offered the monies to the Church Session with one stipulation. The Session approved the uptown plan and Athens Presbyterian Church was built on Hancock Street—where it sits today—within easy walking distance of T.R.R.’s house. Cobb became an Elder in the church the following year.

T.R.R. supported many nondenominational affairs, pushing for Sunday schools, and, in

1856, helping to organize the first YMCA chapter in the town, all the while continuing to maintain a prominent role in Athens’ revivals. In 1858, he took on the responsibility as an unofficial representative of Hopewell Presbytery at the General Assembly meeting in New Orleans. Always a man willing to put his money where his mouth was, in 1860, he purchased the old Baptist Church for use by the “colored members of the Presbyterian Church” and brought in a black minister for the congregation. So involved in the religious affairs of the town was Cobb that William Delony, an Athens lawyer and personal friend, wrote his wife, Rosa, that “the Presbyterians ought to make an exception to their rule and give Cobb a license to preach and he will wake up all this upcountry.”

In 1854 while reading the Athens newspapers, he came across a letter addressed to the citizens of the town from “a MOTHER.” Cobb was moved by the author’s argument in which they wrote, “We are conscious that our daughters merely skim the surface of all their studies without deriving solid information from any ... Shame upon classic Athens! Shame upon the seat of science and literature! Shame upon the wealth and erudition of our citizens!” [*Southern Banner*; August 1854] The author went on to implore the readers that someone in town should champion this problem. T.R.R. decided he was the man to get the job done. He formed a joint stock company the following year to start a female high school. T.R.R. wrote the incorporating act for the new school and purchased the land for the school for \$800 from the university on a personal note. Becoming a member of the first Board of Trustees of the school, he renamed the Lucy Cobb Institute in late 1857 after the death of his beloved 13-year-old daughter,



Lucy, during a scarlet fever epidemic. It wasn't until later that Tom found out the letter that inspired the school was written by Laura Rutherford—his sister.

In order to raise money for the school, T.R.R. went door to door about town soliciting funds from the prominent men, keeping track of each pledge in a little book. When he found that the individual was not at home, instead of being deterred, he simply put their name down and how much money they were going to contribute to the effort. Then he made the list publically known. Whether true or not, it certainly fits within Cobb's demeanor, and could explain how he was able to raise the \$25,000 within just six months.

The school enjoyed a quick success opening in January 1859 with more than 100 girls. "Thomas R.R. Cobb," wrote the late UGA Historian, Phinizy Spalding, "could not have organized and built Lucy Cobb Institute without the enthusiastic support of many others but it was his untiring energy that accomplished wonders in its early days and to him must go a great deal of the credit for the existence of the school."

Not to leave male students out of his plans, in 1858, Cobb launched a campaign for common schools, making Georgia one of the first Southern states to begin offering state-supported education. Cobb's plan, however, was never adopted statewide and quickly fell

out of use, not to be revived until the 1890s. At the same time, he was elected to the Franklin College Board of Trustees where he pushed for a university system and cofounded (with Joseph Henry Lumpkin and William Hope Hull) the Lumpkin Law School, which became the UGA School of Law.

Cobb was easily one of the town's primary civil leaders by the mid-1850s. He helped to found Athens's second insurance company, writing the incorporation and promoting the Equitable Life Insurance Company of Athens. He incorporated and sat on the first Board of the Athens Gas Light Company and was President of the first Board of Trustees of Oconee Hill Cemetery. Cobb's sister-in-law took note of his near obsessive need to be involved when she wrote, "His wife says that no enterprize [sic] is started, no quarrel or disturbance created, but Tom must have a finger [in it] ... It is true he has *a finger* in everything going on in town." [Mary Ann Cobb to Howell, 27 June 1859]. Linton Stephens, not necessarily a lover of all things Cobb, wrote his brother in 1863 concerning the recent publication of Cobb's codification that the work "is pretty full of ... Tom Cobb's characteristics, [especially his] propensity to regulate everything in the world (and in the next too) by rules of his own fabrication. It is a great ... *forbearance* that the book does not prescribe rules to govern the chamber maids

in the manner of carrying out the piss-pots." [Linton to Alexander, 4 January 1863]

"Thomas Cobb's achievements," wrote McCash, "over a brief lifespan of thirty-nine years (and a professional career of twenty) were both creditable and historically significant. In the field of education, he founded the Lucy Cobb Institute, which lasted into the twentieth century; worked for a better state university, open to all classes of people; and helped lay the foundation for a public school system."

A family story is told that T.R.R.'s great nephew once asked his teenage son if he had ever read the Bible. The son responded, "Well, Papa, I've read parts of it—but not the entire Bible." At that point the father picked up the family Bible and handing it to his son said, "Take this Bible, young man, and read it from cover to cover this month. Then come and tell me what you think of it." The boy did as he was told. Weeks later, the son relayed to his father that he had finished the assignment. "And what do you have to say about it?" the father asked. "Well," replied the son, "I think it is a wonderful book—very well written throughout. But, Papa, did you realize that there is not a single mention of a Cobb in it?!" [Relayed by Milton Leathers.]

Guess there was one project T.R.R. Cobb wasn't directly involved in.



“Docks”: Tom Watson’s boat dock at Las Olas, Fla.



CAPTURING THE SOUTH



Sticks & Stones

BY MICHELLE L. ZUPAN

Many naturalists and artists began documenting the flora, fauna, and folk of the South as far back as the early eighteenth century. Most were not Southern, nor were they formally trained, but they were in awe of a region that appeared to defy explanation. Landscapes were verdant, animals abundant (and frequently deadly), and residents inexorably tied to the land. This place needed to be put on canvas ... or film.

Julian Dimock was one of such artists. Born in New Jersey in 1873, Dimock was the fifth child of Helen and Anthony Dimock. A.W. Dimock was a man of some note in the world of outdoorsmen. He was a successful financier, author of books of fiction for boys, and a writer of nonfiction articles about outdoor life and nature subjects. In an effort to escape his father’s considerable shadow, Julian became a stock trader on the New York Stock Exchange. When poor health forced him to retire, Julian began working for his father as a photographer.



“McGregor et al”: A fishing trip at Las Olas, Fla.

The two traveled together widely, photographing and crafting articles on such exotic locales as Arizona, Canada, and the Florida Everglades. The trip to the Everglades inspired Julian to become an ardent conservationist for both the natural and human communities, much in the vein of contemporaries John Muir and Enos Mills. Julian’s images of the Seminole Indians in Florida are considered some of the finest documentary photos ever taken of that people. He was a sympathetic recorder. Dimock wrote in 1908, “Approach these wild creatures as you would other friends with neither murder in your heart nor a gun in your hand, and you will meet a grateful response that will warm the cockles of your heart.”

Traveling through South Carolina

in 1904 and 1905, Julian became fascinated by the Gullah people and other African-Americans living in the New South. Julian focused his camera lens primarily on the black working poor. Curiously, Booker T. Washington would juxtapose Dimock’s photos of South Carolina mammies, fishermen, and sawyers against his own images of his “successful” students at Tuskegee Normal School, calling the South Carolinians “shiftless and improvident” and “addicted to snuff.” One wonders how Dimock reacted to Washington’s use of his images and destruction of his captions.

Julian Dimock quit photography in 1917, following his father’s death. He moved to Topsham, Vermont, and started a fruit orchard.

An exhibition of Dimock’s South Carolina images opens at Hickory Hill in September and runs through December. Camera Man’s Journey: Julian Dimock’s South is presented in conjunction with the Watson family’s images of the Florida coast taken during Dimock’s time with the Seminole Indians.

In 1905, Tom Watson purchased a former hunting and fishing lodge on twenty-eight acres of waterfront property in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Watson used Las Olas as a winter retreat for a decade. Many of those family photographs can be found at www.Hickory-Hill.org and www2.lib.unc.edu/dc/watson/.

SUNFLOWERS



Forest for the Trees

BY DEXTER RHODES

Girls don't like me for my looks; they adore me for my flowers. They call me from all over, asking all mushy-like: "Dexter, can I come pick some of your sunflowers?" "Aw, shucks," I reply. "Come get you some."

The next thing I know, ladies of all makes and models are running through my garden, laughing and filling up five-gallon buckets with big yellow flowers. I don't typically see them again until the following year when I plant another sunflower field. I think they must get pretty busy after the fall.

Most folks around here plant sunflowers for dove fields, not for girls. There are few foods a mourning dove likes as much as sunflower seeds. The only trick to hunting doves in a sunflower field is trying to get camouflaged. Where I hunt in Jenkins County, they call me the Great Sunflower. That's because I usually show up in one of those yellow, big, floppy beach hats old ladies wear with my face painted black. It beats Realtree Xtra every time. I always get my limit of doves. Strangely, not once have I found a date in that getup.

But I'm getting off track. Like I was saying, sunflowers are swell. Here at the Foundation we don't plant them for the doves, rather we grow them for the pollinators. There's just something about making bees happy that makes the world seem at peace.

This year, I planted a Russian sunflower variety named "Peredovik." Like most things

Russian, these flowers grow big. Many of mine hit eight feet tall and grew flowers more than twelve inches in diameter. That's a wompus!

Big sunflowers are fun to teach with, too. During one of our summer camps—Eco Adventures—the sunflowers helped teach kids about bugs. Approximately 150 insects use sunflowers as a food source. When the kids and I were in the sunflower field on observation days, I noticed ladybugs, stink bugs, grasshoppers, weevils, milkweed bugs, cicadas, and, of course, bumblebees.

It seems there's no end to the bird species the flowers attract. Doves and blackbirds visit by the hundreds. Indigo buntings, black-capped chickadees, cowbirds, nuthatches, sparrows, tufted titmice, house finches and the striking yellow and black goldfinch can be seen virtually anytime in the field.

Sunflowers are actually in the same family as prickly thistles, dandelions, and daisies. About fifty species of wild sunflower came from North America. Indians cultivated sunflowers to make a type of flour from the seeds. Today, commercial farmers raise sunflowers for oil. Nearly two million acres of sunflowers are planted in the United States every year. Popular cultivars include Apache Brown Striped, Aztec Gold, Black Oil, Evening Sun, Full Sun, Gold and Silver, Lemon Queen, Mammoth Russian, Monster, Moonwalker, Orange Sun, Velvet Tapestry, Sunrise, Sunset, Teddy Bear, Velvet Queen, and Zebulon, just to name a few.

That really wasn't a really few, but you get the idea that lots of folks have cultivated lots of different flowers.

I've been thinking about planting sunflowers in patterns next year for the kids—maybe making a sunflower maze for them to get lost in. I'd need to brush up on my geometry first.

I wonder if girls like mazes? If so, they should know where to find me, even if it takes a little hunting.



THE FLIP SIDE



Diplomata

BY TAD BROWN

Walter J. Brown was shy about nothing, and late in life he made no bones claiming his heroes: his father, Thomas E. Watson and James F. Byrnes. To a man they were bold, smart, and honest. They shared enormous appetites for work. Each was raised in trying economic circumstances, if not outright poverty. They were proud Southerners. Despite their ultimate and respective successes in politics, not one had a college degree to claim on his resume.

Walter Brown's father, J.J. Brown, was a dirt farmer from Hart County, Georgia. Born in 1865, Brown was determined to emerge from the utter poverty of the post-Civil War South. Brown farmed cotton, clerked in a general store and at various times ran several small businesses. In his heart he was always a farmer. Walter Brown estimated his father had what amounted to a third grade education, but also noted that he read a pocket dictionary daily to expand his vocabulary.

Even in the waning days of the People's Party, J.J. Brown was a diehard Populist. His party loyalty earned him the friendship of Tom Watson. Brown served as the vice president of Watson's Jeffersonian Publishing Company, and in turn Watson championed Brown's political career. In 1914, J.J. Brown was elected president of the Georgia Farmers' Union. In 1917, Brown was elected Georgia's Agriculture Commissioner, a

post he retained for five consecutive terms.

The personal and professional association between Brown and Watson meant that Walter Brown was an occasional visitor to Hickory Hill, Watson's home in Thomson. In 1916, Walter J. Brown first saw Tom Watson. The legend was real. "My father was a handsome man, and when he dressed for a political gathering he made a fine impression," recalled Brown, "but Watson

with his erect posture, long grey hair and his tail coat presented a picture that has lived with me through life."

Watson's legendary reputation was well earned. The leader of the Southern Populists, Watson had served one term in Congress before being counted out of office by the Bourbon Democrats in Georgia's "Bloody Tenth" congressional district in 1892 and again in 1894. In 1896 he ran for vice president on the People's Party ticket with William Jennings Bryan. Watson unsuccessfully ran on the ticket for president in 1904 and 1908. Arguably more powerful out of office than in, Watson was a well-known reformer with a national audience, and in his home state no governor was elected from 1906 until his death without his expressed support.

Tom Watson surely was the last intellectual from Georgia elected to statewide office. Bookish since his boyhood, Watson was a voracious reader of history, literature, and poetry. In 1872 at the age of fifteen Watson enrolled at Mercer University. Intellectually successful though he was, Watson retired after two years for lack of tuition funds.

In 1875 Watson's mother arranged for him to read law in the offices of an Augusta judge. Watson passed the bar that year, was granted his law license on credit, and hung out his shingle.

Watson's career as a country lawyer, which formally lasted for some twenty years, was brilliant. The oratorical skills

"Watson with his erect posture, long grey hair, and his tail coat presented a picture that has lived with me through life."





that marked his two years at Mercer paired with his intellectual prowess soon marked Watson among the most able attorneys of his day. Mostly his practice focused on criminal defense. By 1890 Watson enjoyed a statewide reputation of courtroom invincibility.

Naturally augmenting his legal and political successes were literary pursuits. At various times over the course of his career Tom Watson published three weekly newspapers, a monthly magazine, one novel, three biographies, one expansive, two-volume history and a host of monographs and lesser works. When he was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1920, Watson's erudition was a complement to that of Henry Cabot Lodge and sparked a friendly contest to determine who could read the most books in the senate library.

James F. Byrnes had been a congressman from South Carolina for a decade when Tom Watson returned to Washington in 1920. Born in Charleston in 1882 to a recently widowed mother, Byrnes left school after the seventh grade to support the family. He trained as a court reporter and took a job in a local law firm. Byrnes read law, passed the bar in 1904 and began practicing in Aiken. In 1908 he was elected solicitor, and after prosecuting several high profile murder cases, decided to run for Congress. He was elected in 1910 and remained in Congress until 1924.

What Byrnes learned in his first few congressional terms served him well

the rest of his public life. He spent a great deal of time on the floor of the House and found that uninterrupted attendance led to leadership positions. Soon he had attracted President Woodrow Wilson's support and became one of Wilson's confidants.

Byrnes was defeated for his run for the U.S. senate in 1924, but was elected in 1930. Walter Brown met Byrnes in 1931. They soon became fast friends and colleagues. At the time Brown ran his own Washington news bureau and corresponded for several papers in Georgia and South Carolina. Jimmy Byrnes was Brown's trusted news source in the Senate. In return, Brown acted as "Byrnes's Boswell" by promoting his political career.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt was elected in 1932 and quickly tapped the able Byrnes as his confidant in the Senate. Byrnes's tact and leadership moved much of the New Deal legislation through the Senate. By 1941, Byrnes was widely referred to as "Assistant President." After the Japanese attacked Pear Harbor, FDR named him head of the Office of Economic Stabilization. In 1943, Brown took a leave of absence from his growing radio broadcast business and joined Byrnes's staff.

Brown served unofficially as Byrnes's press secretary during his tenure as Director of Economic Stabilization and as Director of War Mobilization.

When Truman named him to serve as Secretary of State, Byrnes brought Brown to the State Department to serve in similar capacity.

Byrnes and Brown remained close friends after they left Washington. Byrnes occupied his time with a thriving law practice and by writing two memoirs: *Speaking Frankly* (1947) and *All In One Lifetime* (1958). Having no children, Byrnes established a private foundation and funded it with the book royalties. The mission of the Byrnes Foundation, then and now, was to provide college scholarship to orphans from South Carolina.

In 1970, Walter J. Brown connected dots. Inspired by the philanthropy of his former boss and feeling indebted to the legacies of Tom Watson and J.J. Brown, he formed his own foundation. Brown made annual contributions to the Watson-Brown Foundation for more than a decade before it awarded its first merit and need-based college scholarship. He left to it the majority of his estate.

Aided by this generosity, thousands of students have since attended college and embarked on careers of their own, college degrees in hand.

Surely among the Latin and fine print of those framed diplomas hide honorary degrees for four proud Southerners whose circumstances denied them similar achievement.

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