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LEONIE DOSS COCKE (1915-2008) FAMILY PAPERS

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 - 2-7 Diary (1930) and Autograph Books (1928-1931) – Leonie Doss
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LEONIE DOSS COCKE (1915-2008) FAMILY PAPERS (Cont'd.)

LEONIE DOSS COCKE (1915-2008)

Leonie Doss was born 9 June 1915 in Pittsylvania County, Virginia, the daughter of Robert Lester Doss and Maude Leslie Hardy. In 1936, she married Brice Tinsley Cocke, son of Winbern Cocke and Helen Martha Owen. She was co-author, with Virginia Webb Cocke, of *Cockes and Cousins*. Leonie Doss Cocke died 31 August 2008 in Lynchburg, Virginia, and was buried in Fort Hill Memorial Park.

THOMAS W. COCKE (1819-1888)

Thomas Cocke (no middle name but used initial W with Thomas) was born 10 April 1819 and died 8 February 1888. He was buried in the Wagner Graveyard, Pittsylvania County, near Gretna, Virginia, known earlier as Whittles Depot. He owned over a thousand acres of land at the time of his death. He did not believe in slavery and never owned one. When he needed help on the farm, he would hire from neighbors. During the Civil War he was a prison guard of Federal prisoners near Danville, Virginia. Thomas W. Cocke was a very progressive farmer and planter. Among his papers are receipts for improved machinery for both farm and home. He was a tobacco planter and had an improved orchard. He had accounts with merchants in Lynchburg and Danville. Hundreds of receipts are marked "paid in full", this being one of his strictest policies.

[Adapted from *The Cocke Family* (1967) by Leonie Doss Cocke, privately published, p. 6]

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