

Jefferson Co

# BIOGRAPHICAL MEMORANDA

IN REFERENCE TO

Great care should be exercised in filling the blanks which follow. Data should be full and accurate. The facts given will form the basis for sketches, and if wanting in detail or if carelessly prepared, the sketches will be correspondingly deficient. The facts called for have reference to the subject of the sketch. Collect all data and examine blank carefully before attempting to fill. Attach sheets of this size for additional data.

- 1. Full name (do not use initials): Joseph Elliot Burnby
- 2. Present P. O. (give last address, with date of death if dead): President Grant as he has sailed + died on Oct. 4, 1911
- 3. Exact date and place of birth: on April 20 1895 at Chattanooga in the county of Texas State of Tenn

4. Full name of the subject's father: Henry Edward Burnby born at London in the county of \_\_\_\_\_ State of England

He lived at Moved from London to U.S. at age of 2 1/2 yrs settled in Florida in 1872 where he lived until 1894. No war services

Give also any particulars concerning him, as official position, war services, etc., books written by, etc.

He was the son of Joseph Burnby and his wife Mary Louisa Elcker

Full name Full name

who lived at England until 1872

5. Maiden name in full of the subject's mother: Ella West She was the daughter of Elliot Pennington West and his wife Maria Teresa Kissam

Full name Full name

who lived at Jersey City, N.J. Charleston S.C. + Orlando Florida

6. Remarks on Ancestry. Give here any and all facts possible in reference to your parents, grandparents, great-grandparents, etc., not included in the foregoing, as where they lived, offices held, Revolutionary or other war service; what country the family came from to America, where first settled, county and State; always giving full names (if possible) and never referring to an ancestor simply as such without giving the name. It is desirable to include every fact possible, and to that end the full and exact record from old Bibles should be appended on separate sheets of this size, thus preserving the facts from loss:

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7. Early education—where obtained, incidents, names of teachers: Attended  
grammar + High School in Bessemer  
Alabama. Graduated from Bessemer High School  
1913.

8. College education—where attended, and year of graduation, with college honors and degrees:  
Attended Alabama Polytechnic Institute at  
Auburn, Ala for 3 yrs following High School gradu-  
ation graduated 1914

9. Professional education, if any—where obtained, date of graduation, with degrees:  
Studied Electrical Engineering at Alabama  
Polytechnic Institute, Auburn Ala. graduated  
June 1916.

10. Profession or occupation—date entered upon, where practiced, and incidents of: Started  
electrical work with Woodward Iron Co Bessemer Alabama  
in Summer of 1916. In spring of 1917 he went to Pittsburg  
Penn. worked for Westinghouse Electric Co. until  
date of enlistment with Army in August 1917

11. Every civil office held—city, county, State or national, with exact dates as far as possible. If  
ever a member of the Legislature, give date of session:

12. Miscellaneous: Reform movements, influence on affairs, etc:

13. Political party—official position, committee work in, etc.: \_\_\_\_\_;  
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14. Church connection—with official position, if any: *Member of*  
*First Presbyterian Church of Bessemer, Alabama*

15. If a member of the Masons, Odd Fellows, or other secret order, give names, with official position, if any:

16. Titles of books written or edited. Give exact copy of title page, with the number of pages the book contains: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

17. Maiden name in full of the subject's wife, with date and place of marriage: *Not married*

She was the daughter of \_\_\_\_\_ and his  
Full name

wife \_\_\_\_\_ who lived at \_\_\_\_\_  
Full name

Give also other and full particulars of wife's ancestry, as far as possible:  
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18. Military record: (1) exact rank, (2) name of commands and commanders, (3) date and places of service, (4) heroic or trying incidents personal to your service, all as full as possible, and

if necessary on separate sheets of paper: (1) Electrical Engineer in <sup>Battery A</sup> 74<sup>th</sup> Artillery

Coast Artillery. (2) ? (3) August 1917 to Jan. 1918

Fortress Monroe, Va.; Jan. 1918 - to Sept. 1918 - Fort Totten, N.Y.

Fort Schuyler, N.Y. Camp Upton, N.Y.

Sailed on President Grant. Died on board

Oct. 4, 1918

(4) Attended training school in Fort Monroe

Va during his stay there.

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19. Full list of children (if any) of the subject of the sketch, with full names of husbands or wives of each, in case of marriage, with present place of residence and P. O., numbering them in regular order, viz:

(1) \_\_\_\_\_

The foregoing data was prepared by

Frederic Dumble Name

Date Nov 27, 1921

Winter Garden, Florida Address