



Shortly before he passed in 1958, “Doc” Bahnsen, Georgia’s first state veterinarian and grandfather of nineteen, asked my mother to record four sayings in which he found great meaning:

The moving finger writes, and having writ moves on. Nor all you piety nor wit shall lure it back to cancel half a line, nor all your tears wash out a word of it.

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Charity begins at home.

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Love one another.

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What is home without a mother?

The last saying is the title of a song by Septimus Winner, a nineteenth century American songwriter. See page 62.

My Maternal Grandfather
Dr. Peter F. Bahnsen

