Recent Additions:
LR Smith recently discovered a World War I collection of glass slides in excellent condition with a matching script and a working slide projector all circa 1918. Also donated this year was an alumni bulletin from 1918 which detailing Webb students enlisted in the army during World War I. Additionally, a French English dictionary was donated belonging to one of the students who had enlisted.

Plans for the Slide Show and World War I collection exhibit
William R. Webb Jr. “Son Will” was an educator and orator who worked with The Committee on Public Information also known as CPI or the Creel Committee to make speeches supporting the war efforts. Son Will was considered part of the 4-minute man program. The Son Will collection includes approximately 600 glass slides specifically from the CPI collection along with the original projector. We are in the process of cleaning, and digitizing the glass slides. The slideshow was tailored to fit a detailed speech given by Son Will. We have at least one of his complete scripts that accompany the slideshows. We have another partial script. He refers to specific Tennessee issues and specifically honors “Bell Buckle boys” killed in World War I. Both William R. Webb Sr. “Sawney” [the school founder] and Son Will seemed to have a relationship with Woodrow Wilson. Some of the slides exist elsewhere but we are unable to find a fully digitized slide show. We hope to arrange an exhibition with large reproduction prints of the scans along with ephemera. We also hope to provide both in-house and online access to World War I researchers as well as our own students. Additionally, Mr. Smith will present the World War I slide show in connection with World War I events at the Tennessee State Park “Sgt. Alvin C. York State Historic Park”
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Working on a Pictorial Book for the 150th anniversary.

Sample Outline of topics to include

- The Webb Family of North Carolina
- William R. “Sawney” Webb Founder 1870-1926
- John Webb joins his brother in Culleoka Co-Founder and Co-Principal 1874-1916
- Culleoka: Starting a College Preparatory School in Reconstruction Era Tennessee
- Early Alumni and Vanderbilt
- Moving to Bell Buckle
- Boarding Houses of Bell Buckle
- Two Webb students helped to form the Princeton Honor Code
- Princeton’s President, Woodrow Wilson visits Bell Buckle November 27, 1905
- Inspiration for Other Schools
- Sawney Goes to Washington
- 19th Century Webb Ladies
- Early Webb Faculty
- Board of Trustees and Alumni Association 1920
- Son Will
- Thompson Webb and Webb California
- 1920’s First Building Campaign
- The Rhodes Scholars
- G.W. Follin, Sr. Principal 1953-1959
- Bob Webb and Webb Knoxville
- 1950’s and 60’s Building Campaign
- Webb Authors
- Prominent Alumni
- Beloved Faculty
- Webb moves to a dormitory system and all male school for two decades
- Women Return to Webb
- 20th Century Leadership
- 21st Century Leadership
- 21st Century Buildings