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And these to Ragsdale files

Also a copy to Fairfield history: QUARRIES

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I don't really know yet, but I don't see how it couldn't be. I'll ask great uncle Vernon about it soon.

Here's an earlier announcement of the quarry deal. From April 09, 1895, column 1:

"-----A New Quarry.-----"

Messrs. Ragsdale & Ragsdale own a tract of land at Blairs on which there is a deposit of very fine blue granite in inexhaustable quantities. They are grading a road-bed for the purpose putting in a spur track from the Spartanburg & Asheville road and has commenced to open up the quarry. This stone is of a fine grain and susceptible of the highest polish, especially suitable for building and monumental work. We hope this new enterprise will prove a success.*"

Also, from Nov. 30, 1895 News & Herald article:

"-Mr. E. B. Ragsdale has gone to Blairs to look after the quarry which is being opened there by Messrs. Razsdale & Ragsdale. They are at work but are not fairly underway yet."

These 2 Ragsdale's are my great-great grandfather's 2 brothers Glenn Walker & Edward Bernard. They were well established attorneys in Winnsboro in business as "Ragsdale & Ragsdale". Glenn Walker married Inez McMeekin of Jenkinsville. My g-g grandfather (John Knox Rags.) married Minnie Calhoun McMeekin of Jenkinsville. Inez & Minnie being sisters. I don't think Edward Bernard Ragsdale ever married.

Virginia Stevenson, Coby Stevenson (??) are offspring of Glenn Walker Rags. It's in a book that Liz Forman sent me a few years ago.

Pelham, I've got a few pages (maybe 7) from this book, "G.G. McLaurin & Some of His Kin", that spell out these relationships & other links to the McMeekin, Stanton, Gibson, Owens, Estes, etc. families of Jenkinsville. I'll send the pages to you if you'd like.

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