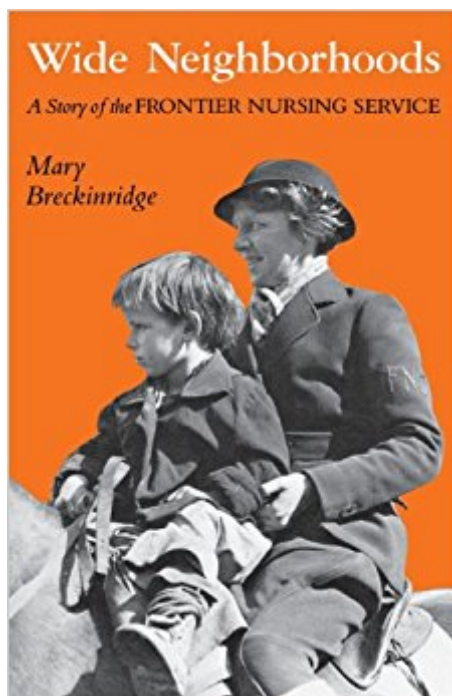


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This is the story of my family heritage, being served by the Frontier Nurses, in the mountains of eastern Kentucky. My mother told stories of their riding boots and horses. I have underlined the names of my family for my children to read. How blessed from God, for Mary and her vision.

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