

### Meeting my Grandfather.

Both these pictures were taken when my family spent the summer vacation of 1980 with my grandfather, Pierre Soyer. The first is the profile of my mother and her father. The second is of me listening to the outrageous tales that Pierre insisted on telling us.



My Grandfather wrote two small books, both post-war. The "African" one is: Principales coutumes du Cameroun, fasc. 1, La Coutume Duala, Major customs of Cameroon, fasc. 1, The Custom Duala, by P. Soyer de Bosmelet (with a preface by Prince Dika Akwa nya Bonambela); published in Douala, no date, 69 pages, and, according to "Worldcat", the only library holding a copy is the Bibliotheque nationale de France. The other one: Guide de la Ve [Cinquieme] Republique, Guide to Ve [Fifth] Republic (with a preface by André Malraux) published in Paris, 1965, 183 pages, and held apparently in about three libraries in France.