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**Dates:** 1901-2011  
**Creator:** Brooks family  
**Collection Size:** 16.7 cubic feet, 10 oversize items

**Introduction**  
Correspondence, some accounts, genealogical information, and miscellaneous material of a Columbia, Missouri, family active in various movements and organizations during the mid-20th century. Includes materials concerning Iris Brooks.

**Note:** In addition to CA4466, this inventory includes the following accessions: CA4626, CA4657, CA4723, CA4932, CA4970, CA5031, CA5192, CA5313, CA5591, CA5729, and CA5737.

**Box List**

**ACCESSION CA4466**

**Box 1**
- Winnie's '21-'35 diary  
- Papers re: Winnie and Boyd  
- Letters/notes from W & B to IJT  
- History of IJT by Winnie, written 3/2/41 (including early travels of family)  
- Legal papers re: W & B  
- Boyd's funeral book  
- Genealogy: descendants of Johann Adam Trump, written in 1964  
- Remembrances of RFB by S, E, and W  
- Samoan names list  
- Newspaper clippings, brochures and other general information, including Wendy's account of life in Monteverde  
- Letters from Mary Brooks '56-'81  
- Letters from June Blowers Michelfelder  
- Boyd's carpenter union dues book

**Box 2**
- Boyd's record of carpenter work 1933 onward  
- Boyd's record of finances, 1901-1905  
- "Info on IJB:" deeds, college class records and report cards, job applications, teaching certificate, scholarship applications for JSEW  
- 1947 will of IJB, rental agreement for 409 Edgewood, canoe trip log of '34, financial record ‘33 & ‘34  
- Papers and letters re: Iris J. Brooks and Edwin T. Randle  
- Papers re: war, draft, nukes, Catholic Worker
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Newspaper of 7/27/53 (end of Korean War)
Volunteers vs. Hunger papers
PTA papers and IJB's notes

Box 3
New Zealand trip info
I's letters to June Blowers (Michelfelder) '30-'34
Our family budget books '40-'50
Letters from friends in '80's
Letters from ETR to IJB in '70's (3 folders)
Museum gifts records

Box 4
"Susan" envelope: report re: Alaska trip
Letters from Michael and from Susie to Iris
Brochures and info on Scotland
Outline of IJT's life, '21-'38
'51-'53 family and individual activities
Loans to S&M
S's early school stuff
IJB's letters to family '69, '70, and '73-'76
Printed material and IJB's notes on everything from Shakespeare to food additives
Early trip reports from '30's

Box 5
RFB Memorial Service tape 5/67 (reel to reel)
IJT's school awards including magna cum laude in science from William Smith College
Non-personal letter from Jimmy Carter
Printed material from Samoa '75, '78 & '79
Travel notes and flyers including 2 note pads from Geneva around 1920's
Account by IJT for school of fictional 1796 trip to OH

Box 6
'56-'57 Columbia sanitation committee annual report
League of Women Voters file: small notebook re: same, LWV notebook '54-'56, other LWV papers
Iris's notes on foods, eye problems, etc.
'73 FGC Gathering notes by IJ8 and other Quaker material including the letter transferring her membership to LR Meeting
2 red books: '40-'41 General Biology and General Science at Geneva High (last year of teaching) and '39-'40 Gen. Science grade books with weekly test scores
Black book: lesson plans and kids' grades from Pine Plains 5 Points School '33-'34 (all 8 grades, 40 kids)
9/17/33 newspaper article on "Business of Education"; notes from students’ parents to Iris; one note from a kid to another kid; list of how the day was divided up; one student's paper
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Columbia Learning Center '73 notes and letter from John Holt to Iris
Letters to Iris from '58's and 60's (e.g. from Virginia Brooks at J&R's wedding, not from JSEW); Vera Townsends's '54 Europe trip report; printed matter; article on J. Schuder's scientific work; news clippings (e.g. R. Carlett 3/18/79, Ken Mcquitty, and Edmund Brown's 100th birthday); John Neihardt's 80th birthday party program '61; obituary for Uncle Howd Lowe's son Benton (no date) and for Dr. McMullen 4/29/80; postcard from Nat Hentoff to Joan
Betty Perkins's letters '79

Box 7
Letters from MU friends '73 Co '80
British Isles bag: 6/21/37-8/27/37 IJT diary, letters from IJT to family, lists, printed material
Bag: PR, CR, Central America ('69-'70 trip), Colombia, and Mexico trips info such as maps, printed materials, receipts, lists and notes, letters to Iris, MU community letter of 12/70

Box 8
Small black notebook of '65 & '66 Camp Fire Girls leaders weekends; Glenkirk '64 & '65 Brooks to Randall (ETR) letters '72-'73 [See box 3 for ETR's]
Appointment calendars '55-'69 & '71
Notebook: on GS camps '26-'38 and troop 8 from Geneva activities; songs and girls' names (joined 3/21/26)
CFG, GS and 4-H camps (staff at 4-H camp '38): Takimina newsletters; clippings and I's notes on CFG; and a talk by Iris for CFG Daddy-Daughter banquet; log of 8/24-26/32 canoe trip on the Hudson River
Notebook: of I's travels with ETR '73; notes and letters; printed material; notes re: time at ETR's and troubles there '74
Camp Joy Journals '71 & '72: nature notes mostly and list of who was there in '71; game/quest for a group at Camp Joy
Christmas letters of Brooks family: 55, 56, 59-75 (no letters sent 76-78), 79-81;
Christmas card list from '37-'47 [see CA4932 and CA4970 accessions for later Christmas letters]
2nd copies of Christmas letters (some multiple copies)

Box 9
"Bob" bag: Brooks stationery; RFB death certificate; gift of body certificate; birth certificate; hospital and MD bills; insurance papers for several years; Aunt Edie's (Edith Leavens) will; letters from SPEBSQSA after RFB died; sympathy letters; lists related to Memorial Service and program; info on Institute of Logopedics; info re: RFB estate; house plans for 409 Edgewood; Harmonizer clippings; Dupont's 1/50 Agricultural Newsletter (RFB mentioned on p. 15)
Reprints of research papers of which RFB was co-author: "Effects of Freezing on Meat," 1958; "Sources of Bacteria in Processing and Their Significance in Frozen Vegetables," 1952; "Effect of Rate of Freezing on Pork: Quality"1954;

"Bob & MU": curriculum vitae; letters to and from Dean English; Official notice of Appointment 9/1/49-8/4/67 including for summer school sessions and listing salary; 1963 letters to and from Kucera re: department problems especially Peterson; letters recommending students for positions; Kenosha and SPEBSQSR info; time sheet for Old Songs library volunteer work; 10/63 letter to Barrie Best re: job at SPEBSQSR including RFB's plan to resign at the end of the '64 term and marriage troubles; resignation papers for MU not filled out; 1/64 application for employment at SPEBSQSR

"Shingles": Sigma Xi membership '58; SPEBSQSR membership (no date); Judge for National Science Fair '61; Elder in Presbyterian Church '58; Alpha Zeta at Cornell University '35; another membership at Cornell

'66 Trust Agreement between RFB & IJB with RFB as trustee (not completed); Turner and Edgewood deeds; list of sympathy note senders; a second copy of the Memorial Service; personal Barbershop letters; printed info on SPEBSQSR conventions and contests, and photos; United Fund drive lists and letters; Paul Kirkpatrick speech

RFB teaching ratings by his first class of MU students '49; notebook: repairs, etc. to do on 409 Edgewood; clippings; long hand NBC Symphony program lists '38-'40; notes on SPEBSQSR and University work; postcard from Susie '57 to "Dear Dappy" from trip to Rantoul, IL; '55 MU Commencement program; '53 loan from V. Brooks for $2400; RFB retirement fiscal plan; '61 washer warrante for washer R. bought for V. Brooks

"Scrapbook Materials" bag: hand written and printed matter collected by IJB on a Wide variety of topics, including FGC, Seneca-Iroquois National Museum, South Africa, '68 Greyhound bus routes, Billy Joe Tatum, report from MU Speech Clinic on IJB, Iris's sketches, old children's poem which IJT had read to her many times, market research, garden maps, '57 unsuccessful attempt to preserve natural landscape South of MU stadium, '25 Autographs book With little poems/slogans written by signers, Geneva's schools 1839-1939 booklet, Geneva High School News '29, insect collecting info for CR trip, Jan-Mar '56 work charts for JSEW, '66 letter re: acceptance of Jehovah's Witnesses, hours worked at MU Genetics Department, menus, '60 US census work, list of music listened to by I & R '38-39, BWCA map, concert programs, '66 Medicare info (a volunteer job Iris did to spread the word about Medicare), '77 letter of thanks from San Jose City Librarian Fletcher for Iris's help with the Empire Branch Library opening, '56-'58 Columbia dog census, '26-'27 books read list, warranties, scribbles from Alice Malepeai, instructions for users of the trailer at Brooks Woods,'73 photo of Wilmington College yurt from Wendy and Va'a, Presbyterian Church Senior in high school paper on camps, other notes.

OVERSIZE ITEMS
Item #1 Sketches
Item #2 Iris Trump, Scholarship certificate, 1929
Item #3 Iris Trump, New York Preliminary Certificate, 1925
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Item #4  Iris Trump, Geneva High School diploma, 1929
Item #5  Robert Brooks, High School diploma, 1933
Item #6  Iris Trump, University of New York diploma, 1929
Item #7  Iris Trump, diploma
Item #8  Iris Trump, Cornell University Diploma, 1968
Item #9  Robert Brooks, Cornell University Diploma, 1966
Item #10 Robert Brooks, Cornell University Diploma, 1965

ACCESSION CA4626
Box 1
Ellen's letters '66-'84 [excluding '75, see CA5031], and one card from '85
Letters to Iris including a '63 letter from Helen Day re: Ginny at I's request; RFB to IJB 4/38-3/42 and 12/61-7/64; IJB to RFB '42; and from Kathryn Waring to IJB '43-'53 and notice of KW's death '70 [excluding 7 later donated in CA5591]
Iris's looseleaf diary from first trip to Samoa, Hawaii, and New Zealand 8/6/75-6/18/76

ACCESSION CA4657
Box 1
Letters of congratulations on Susan Joyce Brooks's birth on 6/29/45 and a bank book with $1 in savings
Letters to and from Susan in '60's
Letters from Susan '64-'68, mostly to Iris
Letters from Susan '70-'73, some to others than Iris
Letters from Susan '74-'76
Printed material re: Strout Realty where Susan worked and caving

ACCESSIONS CA4723, CA4932, CA4970 [ALL IN SAME BOX]
Box 1
Letters from Ellen and Susan to family members '75-'87, letters from Iris to family members, at least one letter from Wendy to Ellen and Dave 8/87, photos of Ellen '48-'87, letter from June Michelfelder '89
Photos of Mary Brooks, letters to and from her, a note from Iris regarding Mary's importance in our family
Family Christmas letters: '59, '61-'69, '71-'75 (no letter written '76-'78), '79-'88 [see also Box 8 of CA4466 and CA4932 addition]

ACCESSION CA4932 (addition) [1/2 gray]
Box 1
Letters from Susan to IJB '74-89, to others in family
Letters from Iris to Susan '78-88
Miscellaneous family correspondence
Photos of Ellen up to '70 (all black and white)
Photos of Susan up to '85 (color ones from '71 and '85)
Family Christmas letter of '88
Letters from Susan to Ellen
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ACCESSION CA5031
Box 1
Newspaper clippings from "Samoan News" and program from '90 Samoa Geography Bee
1937 looseleaf diary from IJT's trip to England
List of '65-'68 college expenses for SEW
Ellen's letters to IJB from '75
Letters between Susan and Iris '67 when Susan in Wales
Notes for IJB when housesitting for Susan & Michael
Letters from Mary and photos

ACCESSION CA5192
Box 1
Letters to and from Iris '80's & '90's between friends and family, including a few from
Joan and Wendy ('80 from Samoa)
Letters from Ellen to Susan and others '80's
Transcription of Esther's (?) diary '26 sent to Iris by Janice Pries in which IJT is
mentioned

Box 2
IJB's relatives, mostly old photos and one set of Brooks family Christmas photos
RFB's relatives, mostly old photos
Letters from Ellen, Wendy, Joan, Susan, Marianne Lockard, and Costa Rican friends,
'70's-'90's

ACCESSION CA5313
Box 1
House construction in Monteverde, Costa Rica, 1976-1977
Builder's Drawings
Construction Expenses
Correspondence
Personal Expenses
Travel Expenses

ACCESSION CA5591
Box 1
Letters from Iris '79-'95 to family
Letters from Susan '80-'95 to family
Letters from Ellen '61-'95 to family and friends
Letters from various family and friends (including Kathryn Waring's 7 letters which were
not included in CA4626 and a photo)
Lists of goods from '40 which were packed in attics, etc.; IJT's birth certificate;
Presbyterian certificates; I & R marriage certificate; voter registration certificate
for Iris in AR; the one-page edition of the 1995 Christmas letter; '64 record club
letter from RFB; '83 transfer of 2 Geneva, NY grave sites to the Presbyterian
Church there; lists of where Iris was on various dates from '37 on; '87 assets list
made by Iris
Canoe trip reports from Ellen (84, 85, 88, 92, and 93) and Dave (88, 91, and 92)
Photos of Susan ’45-’94
Photos of Ellen ’48-’94
Photos of Wendy ’50-’94
Photos of Joan ’45-’94
Photos of Julie ’63-’94
Photos of Margaret Blackaby, various dates
Photos of RFB ’16-’65 and ’62 Summer Institute group photo
Photos of Phyllis and RFB
Iris’s loose-leaf diaries, 1973-1995 (some pages missing)

ACCESSION CA5729
Box 1
Arkansas Peace Center Award, 1986
Arkansas Financial and Business Records
Museums, Correspondence
Friends General Conference, Meeting House Loan Fund
Photographs
Vacation and Trip Files
Family Letters, 1995-1996
Family Letters and Legal Papers
Monte Verde Land Records
Arkansas Land, Survey Maps and Miscellaneous
Medical Files
Notes
Condolence Letters
Get Well Cards and Letters
Medical Files
Mortuary Records
Passports
Audio Cassettes, Memorial Services for Iris Brooks (2)

ACCESSION CA5737
Box 1
Family correspondence, miscellaneous
Brooks-Goddard wedding, clipping
Photographs
Robert and Iris Brooks, correspondence
Iris Brooks, Diaries

Box 2
Family correspondence

Box 3
Correspondence
Iris Brooks 80th birthday album
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Miscellaneous papers

**Box 4**
Correspondence
- Brooks (2 folders)
- Hackett, 1994-2004
  - Appel, 1995-2003
  - Dentiger, 1994-2003 (2)
  - Hackett family, 1994-2003 (2)
  - Hackett, Dave, 2002-2004
  - Hondel, 2002-2003
  - Maetzold, 1994-2004
  - Miscellaneous friends, 2003
  - Waters, 1997-2004
- Malapeia (2)

Legal Papers
- Iris Brooks Revocable Trust
- Tax Receipts
- Wills & Estate Documents

Medical records

Miscellaneous Papers
- Brooks, Susan

Correspondence—Iris Brooks
Child development book—Susan Joyce Brooks

**Box 5**
Correspondence
- Norma Jean Sims, 1987-2008
- Ellen Brooks and Dave Hackett, 1980s-2011