

Junius C. Brown Collection

Repository:	Rockingham Co. Historical Collections Gerald B. James Library Rockingham Community College P. O. Box 38 Wentworth, NC 27375
Title:	Junius C. Brown Collection
Accession No.:	98-075
Extent:	6 boxes
Provenance:	Donated by Charles Rodenbough in 1998
Inclusive Dates:	1886-1960s
Subject Headings:	Brown, Junius C., 1886-1968 Dolly Madison Book Club Freemasons – Madison (N. C.) Idol, Kittie Pratt Idol, Victor H. Madison (N. C.) Pratt, Eliza
Items Separated:	1 large photograph, Victor H. Idol 1 large photograph, Kittie Pratt Idol 3 large unidentified photographs (Junius Brown?) 1 certificate – Resolution of Appreciation from the Trustees of Wake Forest University to Junius Calvin Brown
Related Collections:	
Preferred Citation:	<i>Junius C. Brown Collection. 98-075. Rockingham Co. Historical Collections, Gerald B. James Library, Rockingham Community College.</i>
Descriptive Note:	This collection contains personal items and both personal and professional documents/papers of Mr. J.C. Brown (1886-1968). Mr. Brown was an attorney in Madison for 50 years, and was also a North Carolina Senator representing the twenty first Senatorial District in

the North Carolina State Senate from 1923-24. He was very involved in the Madison and greater Rockingham communities. He received his law degree from Wake Forest College in 1913, and later studied at the University of Grenoble, in Grenoble, France. Mr. Brown was a veteran of World War I. He married Eliza Pratt in 1921; she was his only immediate survivor upon his death.

Contents:

BOX 1:

The New Chain Reference Bible, Third Improved Edition, c. 1934.
Printed on front cover: Junius Calvin Brown From Madison Baptist Sunday School

Encyclopaedia of Freemasonry And Its Kindred Sciences, c.1914

1 lambskin or white leather apron

1 straight razor in hard case

1 brown leather wallet containing three cards:

1 Oasis Temple membership card dated 1933

1 Ivanhoe Commandery, No. 8 dated 1925

1 Rockingham Chapter, No 89, Royal Arch Masons

1 North Carolina Lodge Manual for the Degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason..., dated 1892, in leather cover. Handwritten notes on inside front cover.

1 Hat with tassel in a black, cloth drawstring bag. Bag also contains a handwritten card.

1 pin – Oasis

1 red leather belt, imprinted with "J C Brown" at one end

BOX 2:

Numerous file folders containing both professional and personal papers of Mr. Brown. Folders are labeled as:

Autographs – Lawyers/Elected Officials/Others

J.C. Brown – Kudzu

J.C. Brown

J.C. Brown Biographies

Data

Brown, J.C. 1934 Personal

J.C. Brown, Brown Family/Wake County

J.C. Brown Death/Obit

J.C. Brown, Brown Scholarship
J.C. Brown, Endorsements for Judge
J.C. Brown, Speeches
Caswell County
Deeds, Misc.
Democratic Party
Eden – Leaksville/Spray/Draper
Greensboro, Guilford County
Williams, Gus re: Bank of Reidsville Loan

There are also several smaller folders in this box labeled:

Brown, Junius C.
NC-Dan River No. 1329
Stokes W.U. No. 217

Carter, Y.
NC-Dan River No. 407
Rockingham No. 123

Brown, Junius C.
NC-Dan River No. 1330
Stokes W.U. No. 218

Brown, Junius C.
NC-Dan River No. 940
Rockingham W. N. No. 244

Brown, J.C.
NC-Dan River No. 223
Rockingham Work Unit No. 76

Brown, J.C.
NC-Dan River No. 1326
Stokes W.U. No. 216

One unlabeled – contains Farm Conservation Plan

BOX 3:

1 framed print titled “My Man” copyright 1918 by Cosmopolitan Magazine

1 accordion style folder, cloth, containing newspaper articles, correspondence

“The Dolly Madison Book Club” booklets, 1929/30 through 1979/80, 1960s decade complete, other decades incomplete

1 copy of the Constitution of the Dolly Madison Book Club, Madison, North Carolina, as Revised 1935

Reports/Notes on Dolly Madison Book Club, some typed, some handwritten

1 Dolly Madison Book Club report 1948-1949 handwritten by Junius C. Brown

Supreme Court of North Carolina Booklets/Briefs/Memorandum:

Eleventh District
Twenty First District
Nineteenth District
Twelfth District

Several small books/booklets:

Friend Or Enemy? To the Men of the Army and Navy
Helpful Hints
The Dauphine Leave Area (2 copies)
Guide of Chamonix
Chateau Thierry
Third Red Cross Roll Call November 2-11, 1919
The Mentor, China

Several speeches, one radio address

Booklet "North Carolina: A Story of Triumphant Democracy"

Various booklets/briefs "In the Court of Claims of the United States" and "In the Supreme Court of the United States"

Original newspaper articles

Stack of name plate cards

1 green poster tube containing:

Original certificate issued by the State of North Carolina to Junius C. Brown to "practice as an Attorney and Counselor at Law" dated August 25, 1913

Original composite print/photograph of North Carolina Senate 1923 (large tear on right edge, very tightly rolled) Mr. Brown is second row from the bottom, far right.

One original certificate of the Imperial Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America, dated January 15, 1926

One original certificate from the American Bar Association,
January 1, 1956

One original certificate The National Society of the Sons of the
American Revolution, November 17, 1955

Original diploma, large, from Wake Forest College, Bachelor
of Laws, May 23, 1913

Original diploma, large, from Wake Forest College, Bachelor
of Arts, May 23, 1913

Cloth drawstring bag, medic cross symbol on front containing:

1 army hat (has some moth holes in it)

1 bundle shoe/boot laces

1 set of 2 tags, round, with name and number on plus 2 round
sewn, cloth decals

1 sewing needle and beige thread

1 can "Shoe Dubbing"

1 belt

1 green shoe/boot lace

2 Army stripe patches

1 small red personal notebook, containing addresses and
other personal notes. Also contains one Mark and one Franc

1 sewing kit titled "Army and Navy Heroes of Our Late War"

1 booklet "A Square Deal" by M.J. Exner, M.D.

1 official coupon book stating "For Use In France Only"

1 box of razor blades (4 blades in the box)

1 metal clip

1 star pin, multicolored

1 U.S. pin

1 small tube Colgate's Ribbon Dental Cream

Correspondence including many postcards of France (several sent to Eliza from Junius), wedding announcement for Junius and Eliza, other miscellaneous correspondence

BOX 4:

1 copy "North Carolina Biographical Dictionary" c.1993

Numerous file folders containing both professional and personal papers of Mr. Brown. Folders are labeled as:

Madison V.H. Idol Jr. – WWII
Madison Armory Dedication
Baptist Church/Masonic Order
Speeches and Notes
Madison, Banks Of
Madison Baptist Church
Madison Clubs
Moore, C.G.
Data Concerning Lands Formerly Owned by J.M. Galloway
Madison J. M. Galloway/Moore
Madison Humphreys
Madison Idol
Madison Knight
Letterheads Madison
Madison McCollum
Madison McGehee
Madison Martin George and Amanda
Madison Masons
Madison Mosely
Madison Martin
Madison Public Utility
Madison Post Office
Abstract Data Pickett Estate Land
Cora J. Pickett, Administrations of Nat M. Pickett

BOX 5:

8 U.S. Department of Agriculture, Within Quota Marketing Card Booklets

Christmas cards sent out by Mr. and Mrs. Junius Brown

1 copy *The New Universities Dictionary Illustrated* George J. Hagar,

Editor-in-Chief, c. 1917 FRAGILE

1 Ledger Book, FRAGILE, dated January 1903 to September 30, 1960

1 Justice's Court Criminal Docket Book, appears to be from the 1920s and 1930s

1 copy Congressional Record Appendix 1936, tied with blue ribbon

1 copy Physician's Pocket Account Book by J.J. Taylor, M.D. for Chas McMichael, Madison, NC

1 copy *Biography of a Country Church* by Garland A. Hendricks, c. 1950

1 small accordion folder labeled Old Deeds and Deeds of Trust

1 Bible, *The Holy Bible, Containing the Old and New Testaments*
Inscribed to Lillian Brown EXTREMELY FRAGILE

1 *Light from the East. Travels and Researches in Bible Lands in Pursuit of More Light In Masonry* by Rev. Henry R. Coleman, c.1893

MAPS:

Property Line Map, Low Rent Housing Project, Madison Housing Authority, dated July 21, 1966

Property Described in the Petition Filed in the Special Proceedings Entitled: W. Tatum Lauten, et ux VS North Carolina State Highway Commission, Mayo Twp., Rockingham County – surveyed 8/8/61

Property Described in Civil Action Entitled W. Tatum Lauten, et ux VS North Carolina State Highway Commission, Mayo Twp. , Rockingham County – surveyed 9/28/64

Plat of a Farm Situate. Reidsville TX., Rockingham County N.C. Property of J.F. Watlington Estate – dated February 18, 1944

Notation on map - L.W. Strickland, Prop. Recorded in Book 557, Page 316, Rock. Co. Showing State Highway Survey of Proposed Change of Cunningham Mill Road SR 2424

First Baptist Church information – bulletin, photocopies of newspaper articles, handwritten notes

Scrapbook titled "The Ideal Scrapbook" hardcover, black, contains newspaper clippings and many blank pages.

Photo album, tan, 8x10 color photographs, mainly of a 50th Anniversary celebration. Also contains some loose snapshots, color, from 1982, and one “framed” photo of two women at an 80th birthday celebration.

Bank of Madison Receipt Book, blue

3 copies - The President’s Jackson Day Address, Remarks of Hon. Joseph T. Robinson of Arkansas in the Senate of the United States, January 9, 1936 (in small brown envelopes, 2 sealed, 1 open)

1 copy *Ideals and Principles of Thomas Jefferson*, Address by Hon. James A. Farley and Introductory Address by Hon. Carter Glass, of Virginia, April 26, 1939 (in large brown envelope, unopened)

1 copy *Young Democrats of America*, Address of Chairman James A. Farley, June 1938 (in large brown envelope, unopened)

1 envelope, opened, from United States Senate, had contained The Democratic Process, Commencement Address at Colby College, June 20, 1938 by Hon. Josiah W. Bailey

1 copy Congressional Record, Seventy-Third Congress, First Session

2 copies Congressional Record, Appendix, dated January 31, 1938 and June 18, 1934

“Abstract of Title to the Property of...” – several loose sheets

Letterhead from Brown, Scurry, McMichael, Griffin & Rankin – several loose sheets

3 blank envelopes from Brown, Scurry, McMichael & Griffin

1 copy American Bar Association Journal, July 1965

1 copy The SAR Magazine, April 1969

1 certificate presented to J. C. Brown “in recognition of unselfish and loyal service to the Building and Loan Associations of the State...” June 4, 1941

Various official addresses and reports

BOX 6:

Numerous file folders containing both professional and personal

papers of Mr. Brown. Folders are labeled as:

Madison, Recorders Court Case
Madison Rotary
Madison P.H.Scales
Madison Schools
Madison Teague
Madison Titles (3 folders)
Madison Town Records
Town of Madison File
Veterans
Letterheads, Reidsville
Madison, World War II
Letterheads Rockingham County
Letterheads Stokes
Letterheads Misc
Letterheads Leaskville/Draper/Spray
McCollum, Jas. F. Re: Abstract
Brief – M. & J. Finance VS M. S. Hodges – Sherriff
Madison Dyson
Madison
Miscellaneous
National
North Carolina, General
Resolutions
North Carolina Hoey
Vaughn
North Carolina, Misc
J.C. Brown Photographs
Reidsville, Rockingham County
Rockingham County (4)
Rockingham County, Hatley Case
Stokes County
Analysis of Titles Rockingham County

Inventoried by Lisa Rose 5/2013

Artifact Cabinet:

1 Masonic Knights Templar ceremonial sword with scabbard and leather case. Made by C. E. Ward Co. most likely in the 1950's or 1960's. Pommel depicts knight's head. Ivory colored grip with cross and crown emblem and initials "JCB" on the front and stylized cross on the back. Knuckle guard with cross and crown and words IN HOC SIGNO VINCES. Blade with engraved Crusaders scenes and name J. C. Brown. Ornate nickel plated sheath. Leather case with "J. C. Brown, Madison, NC"