

**PRELIMINARY INVENTORY  
ACCESSION CA4466  
BROOKS FAMILY, PAPERS**

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**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.

**Note:** In addition to CA4466, this inventory includes the following accessions: CA4626, CA4657, CA4723, CA4932, CA4970, CA5031, CA5192, and CA5591. Please see also the preliminary inventories for [CA5313](#), [CA5729](#), and [CA5737](#).

**Box List**

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**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  
Newspaper of 7/27/53 (end of Korean War)  
Volunteers vs. Hunger papers  
PTA papers and IJB's notes

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**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  
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

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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; "Comparative Methods of Cleaning Meat Cutting Tables," 1954; "Dehydrated Pork Studies," 1955  
"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

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- 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 warrantee 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, warrantees, 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**

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| Item #1 | Sketches  |
| Item #2 | Iris Trump Scholarship certificate, 1929          |
| Item #3 | Iris Trump New York Preliminary Certificate, 1925 |
| 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   |

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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 "Samoa 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 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

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Iris's looseleaf diaries, 1973-1995 (some pages missing)