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**Inventory of the
Miriam M. Brown Papers, 1922 - 2002**

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Descriptive Summary

Title:	Miriam M. Brown Papers,
Dates:	1922 - 2002
Creator:	Brown, Miriam M., 1901-2002.
Abstract:	<p>Miriam M. Brown (1901-2002) worked as an educator for fifty-two years at multiple schools in Charleston and Mount Pleasant, South Carolina. She received numerous recognitions for her work to the community, including a proclamation from the town of Mount Pleasant declaring October 12th of each year as Miriam Brown Memorial Day. Miriam married Arthur Felder Brown in 1928 and had two children, Arthur Felder Brown, Jr. and Jeanne Albertha Brown Morris.</p> <p>The collection includes personal and professional material from Miriam Brown's life as well as personal material from her children, Arthur Brown, Jr. and Jeanne B. Morris. Miriam Brown personal items include a diploma from South Carolina State College, a scrapbook with feature articles, and proclamations honoring Miriam Brown's work in Mount Pleasant and Charleston. Professional material includes correspondence to and from Brown while principal of Laing School, retirement forms, and teaching certificates. The Arthur F. Brown, Jr. material includes a diploma from Avery Institute and a school certificate from Laing School. The Jeanne B. Morris materials include a diploma from Avery Institute and an excerpt from <i>In and Out of the Shadows: The Life and Contributions of Miriam Shivery Moore Brown</i> written by Jeanne B. Morris.</p>
Extent:	0.75 linear feet(2 archival boxes, 1 museum item)
Repository:	Avery Research Center at the College of Charleston
Call Number:	AMN 1098
Language of Material:	Material in English

Biographical Note

Miriam Shivery Moore Brown was born in Charleston, South Carolina to Henry and Josephine Moore in 1901. She was a 1922 Avery Normal Institute graduate and received a Bachelor of Science in Education from South Carolina State College in 1956.

Miriam M. Brown worked as an educator for fifty-two years at multiple schools in Charleston and Mount Pleasant including Laing Industrial School, Laing Elementary School, Simonton School, Gregory School, and Whiteside Elementary School. She taught at various grade levels and served as Principal of Gregory School and Laing School and as Assistant Principal of Whiteside Elementary until her retirement in 1970.

She married Arthur Felder Brown in 1928 and had two children, Arthur Felder Brown, Jr. and Jeanne Albertha Brown Morris, both of whom graduated from Avery Institute.

Miriam received numerous recognitions for her work to the community including a proclamation from the town of Mount Pleasant declaring October 12th of each year as Miriam Brown Memorial Day.

Miriam lived to be one hundred years old, passing away in 2002.

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Collection Arrangement

1. Miriam M. Brown, 1922-2002
2. Arthur Felder Brown, Jr., 1941-1947
3. Jeanne Brown Morris, 1949-1997

Restrictions

Access Restrictions

No restrictions.

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Subject Headings

African American school principals -- South Carolina -- Mount Pleasant.

African American teachers -- South Carolina -- Mount Pleasant.

African Americans -- South Carolina -- Mount Pleasant.

African Americans -- Education -- South Carolina -- History -- 20th century.

African Americans -- Education -- South Carolina -- Mount Pleasant.

Avery Normal Institute -- Alumni and alumnae.

Brown, Arthur Felder, Jr.

Brown, Miriam M., 1901-2002.

Laing Elementary School (Mount Pleasant, S.C.).

Laing High School (Mount Pleasant, S.C.).

Laing Normal and Industrial School (Mount Pleasant, S.C.).

Morris, Jeanne.

Public schools -- South Carolina -- History -- 20th century.

School principals -- South Carolina -- Mount Pleasant.

Administrative Information

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Detailed Description of the Collection

1. Miriam M. Brown, 1922-2002

1.1 Personal

Education

- Box 1 Folder 1 Charleston County Summer School: Certificate, 1926
- Box 1 Folder 2 South Carolina State College: Commencement Program, 1956
- Box 1 Folder 2 South Carolina State College: Diploma, 1956
- Box 2 Marriage Certificate, 1928
- Box 1 Folder 3 Scrapbook, 1966-2002

Includes newspaper articles, City of Charleston and Mount Pleasant proclamations, and photographs.

Other Material, 1956-1982

- Box 1 Folder 4 Old Slave Mart Museum: Pamphlet, 1956
- Box 1 Folder 5 Avery Institute for Afro-American History and Culture: Brochure 1982

1.2 Professional

- Box 1 Folder 6 South Carolina Department of Education: General Elementary State Certificate, 1922
- Box 1 Folder 7 Record of Teacher's Certificates, 1922
- Box 1 Folder 8 Laing High School: Anniversary Booklets, 1926 and 1966
- Box 3 Museum Item 1098- Laing High School: Seal Stamp, undated
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- Box 1 Folder 9 Correspondence, 1933-1968
- Box 1 Folder 10 Retirement and Beneficiary Form, 1945
- Box 1 Folder 11 Laing Elementary School: South Carolina Education Association Commendation, 1969

2. Arthur Felder Brown, Jr., 1941-1947

- Box 1 Folder 12 The Laing School: Certificate of Promotion, 1941
- Box 1 Folder 13 Avery Institute: Report Card, 1943
- Box 2 Avery Institute: Diploma, 1947

3. Jeanne Brown Morris, 1949-1997

- Box 2 Avery High School: Diploma, 1949

Box 1 Folder 14 *In and Out of the Shadows* by Jeanne Brown Morris, 1997