

# Rufus C. Jones Collection (SMC 45)

## Biographical Note

Rufus C. Jones was born in Chattahoochee County, Georgia on October 1, 1860 and died on March 1, 1939 . He is buried in Linwood Cemetery in Columbus, Georgia. According to the **Memoirs of Georgia**, vol. II, published by the Southern Historical Association in 1895, Rufus C. Jones came to Columbus, Georgia when he was 20 and worked initially in a planing mill at the Columbus Iron Works. He began a planning mill of his own in 1882 but returned to the Columbus Iron Works before establishing his own lumber yard and milling company, Jones Bros. Lumber, with his brothers in 1888. He married Miss Ida Hunt the same year. They had two children, Henry Kirk (born around 1890 and Rufus (born around 1896). The lumber yard was at 900-960 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue. His residence in 1900 was 1603 Wynnton Road, Columbus, Georgia.

## Scope and Content

This collection consists of a photocopy of Rufus Jones' benefit certification of the Improved Order Heptasoplis (a burial society) and a number of reproductions of photographs of a house, both interior and exterior, as well as a lumber yard. These are presumably the house and business of Rufus C. Jones, but are not identified. The photographs have been separated from the collection and placed in Folder 200 of the Historic Photographs. 1890s 2 folders (.I.I.f.)

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## Provenance

Unknown, but entered the Archives in 1981.

## Folder List

Folder 1 - Improved Order Heptasoplis, benefit certificate, 1898

Folder 2 - 12 reproductions of unidentified photographs placed in Folder 200 of the Historic Photographs collection, 1890s?