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Mary Virginia Brown (Mrs. E.L.) Connally (1980 – 1927), Organization Papers, 1892 – 1906.

7 folders, 1 volume, 1 small archives box

Donor: Mary Virginia Brown (Mrs. Elijah Lewis) Connally

The collection is made up of papers from organizations of which Mary Connally was treasurer, the Industrial Educational Loan Association, Fulton Co., founded to help poor white wome attend the Georgia Normal and Industrial College in Milledgeville, and the Grady Hospital Aid Association, another voluntary organization started by wealthy Atlanta women at the request of doctors and hospital personnel. Ms. Connally was the daughter of Elizabeth Grisham and Governor Joseph E. Brown. She lived for many years at 53 Ashby Street in the then fashionable West End area of Atlanta. For more information and records, see the Brown/Connally/Anderson and Brown/Connally/Spalding Family Papers and the Grady Hospital Auxiliary Records.

## FOLDER DESCRIPTION

- Industrial Educational Loan Association, Fulton County, Account Book, 1892 1906. The accounts were kept by Ms. Connally, treasurer. The organization was also known as the Fulton County Educational Loan Association. Most of the entries are for the 1890's with pasted news clippings about the loan recipients' marriages or deaths making up the later data.
- Industrial Educational Loan Association Membership and Publicity Papers, 1892 1897 and n.d. Constitution and by-laws of the original organization, membership lists and addresses, accounts paid for 1890's.
- Industrial Educational Loan Association Rosa B. Holmes Correspondence, 1896 1904. Correspondence among one of the recipients of a loan, Mary L. McLendon, secretary, and Ms. Connally. While Ms. Holmes was paying off her debt, she asked that the money go to Emily Rigden. Also includes cancelled checks.
- Industrial Educational Loan Association Business Records, 1894 1898. Bank book from the Lowry Banking Company, financial statements for the women who had loans, and cancelled checks.
- Grady Hospital Aid Association Minutes and Publicity, 1898 1899 and n.d. Includes a handwritten history, original minutes, and a printed account from a newspaper which calls them the Grady Hospital Auxiliary. There are two letters of resignation, one from Emma C. (Mrs. Robert J.) Lowry, president. Nellie Peters Black was vice president at the time. Ms. Connally served as chair of the flower committee as well as treasurer. For more official records, see the Grady Hospital Auxiliary Records.

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- Grady Hospital Aid Association Business Papers, 1898 1900. Correspondence and financial records apparently relating to the organization's buying property. Many papers are connected with houses on Butler and Jenkins Streets which are rented and managed by G.W. Adair, Agent. Checks are sent to Ms. Connally. Banking is done through the Lowry Banking Co.; and Rosser and Carter, attorneys, hold a mortgage on which the organization appears to pay. Other names are Dr. W.J. Blacock and J. H. Porter Jr., Attorney.
- Mary v. Brown Connally Papers, 1898 1899 and n.d. Scraps of envelopes and a news clipping. One letter from the Atlanta Concert Association with which Ms. Connally has accepted the directorship.