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*Day*  
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FROM MORNING  
*to Night*

SWEET CORN  
*is*  
AMAZING  
FOREST FOR THE TREES

J.J. BROWN  
*Mountain*  
OF A MAN

2011  
*Scholarship*  
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“Napoleon believed that each generation should pay its own way. He had no grudge against posterity, and did not wish to live at its expense. Hence he ‘floated’ no loans, issued no bonds, and piled up no national debt.”



—Thomas E. Watson, *Napoleon*, 1902

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# SCHOLARS' & ALUMNI DAY



Frisbees flew at the annual Scholars' and Alumni Day held on May 14, 2011, at Hickory Hill. Scholars' Day is a time to honor the Watson-Brown's new Scholars, current Scholars, and Alumni on the grounds where the Foundation began. "It's so important that our scholarship recipients realize the provenance of their gift. Coming to Hickory Hill and learning the Foundation's history shows students the importance of the legacy they have to uphold," says Sarah Katherine Drury, Director of Scholarships.

The Watson-Brown family of Scholars continues to grow. This year, the Foundation awarded 212 new scholarships to students from sixteen counties in Georgia and South Carolina. The 2011—2012 Scholars join a large family of more than 800 students studying at 150 colleges and universities across the country. "We want our students to succeed in college, and we hope that providing an extra financial boost will ease a family's financial burden," says Drury. To maintain the scholarship each semester, students must maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA and take at least twelve credit hours per semester. Watson-Brown Scholars take this challenge seriously for nearly 90% maintain the scholarship from year to year.

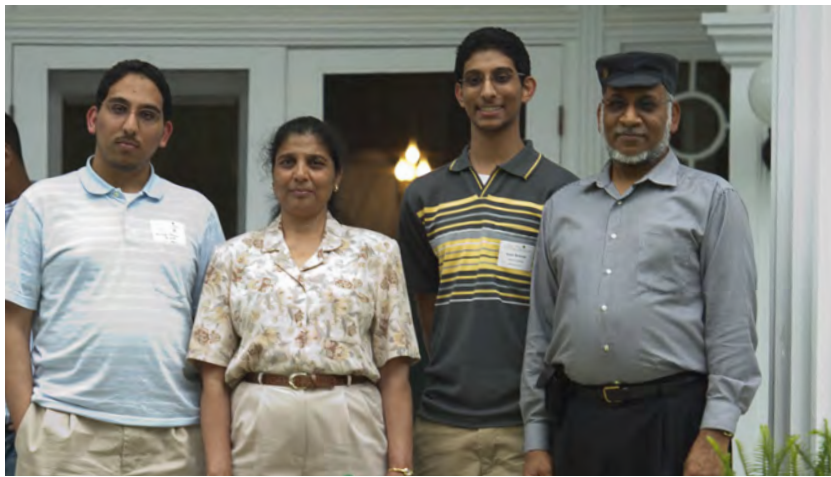
The Foundation will award 200 new scholarships for the 2012—2013 academic year. Current high school seniors and college undergraduates from sixteen counties in Georgia and South Carolina are eligible to apply. The online application is now available at [www.watson-brown.org/scholarship](http://www.watson-brown.org/scholarship) and is due by February 15, 2012. For more information, please contact Sarah Katherine Drury at [skdrury@watson-brown.org](mailto:skdrury@watson-brown.org) or visit [www.watson-brown.org](http://www.watson-brown.org).













# CAMPUS NOTES



## Watson-Brown Scholars in Action



**Matthew Zimmerman, Senior,** University of South Carolina: “Two classmates and I received a Magellan Research Grant this year for the development of the Personalized Automated Scheduling System (PASS). The ultimate goal of the PASS project was to develop a Web-based system to streamline the process of student enrollment and registration at the University of South Carolina. In the development of this system, our team has gained an understanding of the rigorous software-engineering process, experience in the development of Web-based applications, and perspective on the security and privacy needs of such applications. The final application allows students to receive an advised schedule of classes based on their school’s curriculum and then cycle through the different options that they have for graphical schedules by using each possible sections of each class. The student can then be automatically registered for their selected classes, if they are available at their given registration time. This

system greatly simplifies and streamlines the current advisement and registration process, and we hope to receive approval from the university for further testing and implementation. The application that we developed won first place in computing and engineering at the University of South Carolina Discovery Day in April. In addition to my schoolwork, I maintained a part-time position at Aflac Group Insurance in Columbia as an Application Support Intern, gaining experience in the IT field. I plan on spending this summer in Bristol, Connecticut, working as an intern in the technology department for ESPN. My position at ESPN will further my experience in hardware support and maintenance for servers and networks. I look forward to this experience before embarking on my Senior year in the fall.”



**Kristen Bryant, Senior,** Wake Forest University: “I spent the spring semester in Dakar, Senegal, studying abroad with the Center for International Educational Exchange’s (CIEE) language and culture

program. Dakar is a city of 2 million people and is located on the westernmost point in Africa. When I began looking at study-abroad programs, I knew I wanted to go to a nontraditional location. On paper, Senegal could not be more different than the United States. Not only is it an underdeveloped African country, but also it is the size of South Carolina, is home to only 12 million people, 94 % of its population is Muslim, the national language is French, and it gained its independence a mere fifty years ago. Knowing that living in Senegal for four months was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, I took a chance and benefited from my choice more than I could have imagined.

“When I arrived in January, I knew no one. My program was made up of forty other American students from universities all across the country. During orientation, we got to know each other very well by experiencing the shock and excitement of being in a new country together. By the end of our first week, we had all been assigned host families. I spent the rest of the semester living with this family about twenty minutes away from my campus. My family consisted of my 19- and 21-year-old host sisters, my host mom, and our live-in maid. I ate most of my meals with my family and spent countless hours at home attempting to improve my Wolof: Although Senegal’s national language is French, the majority of people speak Wolof, the language of the country’s largest ethnic group. I spoke mostly Wolof at home, and took a Wolof language class as part of my coursework. It is close to impossible to







JONATHAN BRAZEAL (CENTER)

navigate the city without knowing a little bit of the language.

"I took a normal courseload abroad: anthropology, history, Wolof and French language classes, and a seminar on Senegalese culture and society. Four of my five classes were taught in French. I wrote my final research papers in French, which may be one of my greatest accomplishments to date. Although I spent most of my weekends exploring the city of Dakar, I did get the chance to travel some. I spent a week in the rural city of Kolda and spent weekends in the coastal cities of Saint Louis, Saly, Toubab-Dialaw, Mbour, and the Siin-Saloum Delta.

"One of the most rewarding opportunities I had was volunteering with a student-run organization called CIPFEM. This organization aims to empower young girls. We spent Friday and Saturday afternoons helping elementary and middle school girls with their French language skills. We also acted as mentors, hoping to inspire them to be the confident and intelligent leaders of tomorrow.

"I believe that my experience abroad truly changed who I am as a person. I created relationships with people who could not be more different than me on the surface. As time passed, I realized that our similarities were greater than our differences. In Dakar, I gained perspective in a way that I never could have if I had stayed in my comfort zone. I feel like I no longer sweat the small things. I also realized my passion to learn about other people, cultures, and languages. I hope that many other international voyages are ahead of me."



**Jerrica Bell, Senior, Northwestern University:** "My junior year at Northwestern University was by far my most challenging and demanding. Diving deeper into my journalism degree while managing my extracurricular responsibilities required not only diligence but also commitment that I had yet to exert in my undergraduate career. The difficulties of this balancing act were miniscule in light of the achievements and rewards which followed. One of which was the opportunity to produce a top-quality Gospel concert this past March, featuring Grammy Award-winning artist Kirk Franklin.

"As president of Northwestern Community Ensemble, NU's premier Gospel choir, I was well aware producing our 40th anniversary concert would occupy much of my time, as well as my energy. As NCE's executive board leaders, we had agreed to bring the most popular and prestigious Gospel artist to sing alongside us. To us, there was no one parallel to Kirk Franklin. Getting him to campus, however, would be an

ordeal. His honorarium alone would be far more than we could afford. Artists of this magnitude went for at least \$50,000. Our budget was limited to \$16,000. After weeks of correspondence with management, they had agreed to come for exactly our budget costs.

"The night of the concert as hundreds filled our auditorium, I took one last look at the audience before we took the stage. The energy in the room was undeniable. People were excited for what they expected to be a great show. And in that moment as I saw friends, family, and Northwestern students and alumni—people of all different races and backgrounds—I was filled with joy and satisfaction beyond what I had ever experienced before. Kirk put on a great show. We sang the best we've done in forty years. The crowd roared with excitement and praise to God."

**Jonathan Brazeal, Junior, Clemson University:** "My college career at Clemson University has been absolutely amazing so far! It has exceeded all my expectations in every aspect. I was hired to work the summer orientation program again for this summer as a team leader. I help to welcome and guide all of the new and incoming students along with their parents in order to help ease their transition into college. I am also a lifeguard at the campus recreation facility, a member of Greek life, and a member of many academic clubs and organizations such as the National Society for Collegiate Scholars and the Golden Key Society. I was also recently hired to work for the Clemson Athletics Marketing Department, starting this fall. I am so lucky to be a part of the Clemson family and have really tried to stay involved and busy while I am there. This summer, I will be working in Clemson upon my return from Scotland, and I can't believe I am already halfway through with my college career. So far, I feel that I have really embraced this opportunity and look forward to all that the future holds for me in my final two years as a Clemson Tiger!"





**Michael Watke**, Senior, Presbyterian College: “During this past school year, I participated in a study-abroad program through PC at University College Cork (UCC) in Cork, Ireland. This was a great opportunity for me to take computer science and electrical engineering classes that are not offered at PC. The artificial intelligence course was especially interesting. Being able to take courses with students from Ireland, the EU, and many other places provided an intercultural learning environment that was especially stimulating. I continued studying Chinese, as well. In December, I sat for—and passed—level 2 of the HSK (a Chinese proficiency exam). This summer, I am working as an undergraduate research assistant in the computer science department of the University of Texas at El Paso in an NSF REU program on applied intelligent systems.”



**Jordan Lewis**, Senior, University of Georgia: “This past year, I declared one of my majors, film studies, in the fall semester. Prior to that, I applied to UGA’s Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communications and received the mass media arts major. My projected graduation for both majors is Spring 2012. I also am the current vice president for our Student Programming Board at UGA, and the incoming president for Black Affairs Council this fall. I was also a radio personality for WUOG at UGA this past Spring and the chief photographer

for InfUSion Magazine, an on-campus publication.

“This May, I attended the 64th International Cannes Film Festival France. I got to walk the red carpet a few times, meet celebrities, and attend screenings and premieres and also both the opening and closing ceremonies. My blog is <http://jordanabroad.wordpress.com/> for more information about it!”



**Kathryn Kranjc**, Sophomore, University of South Carolina: “I entered my first year at USC with the resolve that this year would be a time to explore and develop my interests. However, I couldn’t have imagined the places this exploration would take me: a student newsroom, a garden for the homeless on the outskirts of downtown Columbia, and, ultimately, a state of realization that the world was so much bigger than what I knew. I’ve been encouraged to consider alternative approaches to today’s issues through some of the unique classes offered through the South Carolina Honors College. My favorite class so far has been a spring service-learning course on local food as a catalyst for community transformation. Not only did we research and discuss the economic, social, environmental, and public health disparities related to food production practices, but also we actually got to witness and take part in community change by volunteering with City Roots, a local urban farm, as well as other various production and distribution centers. Working with these groups has shown me how food security affects every aspect of our lives and that localization and community empowerment can make a huge difference in the lives of others. For my individual project, I got to help a local organization for the homeless establish its own community garden, which will not only provide fresh fruits and vegetables for those in need, but also a sense of community and valuable skills for living independently.

“Outside my classes, one of the most challenging yet rewarding experiences of

my first year at college has been writing for USC’s student newspaper, *The Daily Gamecock*. After volunteering for the news section first semester, I accepted a position as a regular staff writer along with the associated responsibilities of covering campus events, developing features and profiles, and brainstorming ideas for each week’s news budget. Through my involvement with student media, I’ve been able to learn so much about what goes on around campus, from the budget issues facing South Carolina public universities to student concerns regarding the nutritional value of current meal plan options to the impressive contributions of student and faculty researchers. My experience as a reporter has further taught me the importance of the media in our daily lives, as well as the value of inquiry, persistence, and fair reporting. This year, *The Daily Gamecock* was awarded first place in the general excellence category for the third year in a row at the South Carolina Press Association’s awards ceremony at Winthrop University. I’m proud to have been part of such a quality, professionally run publication and look forward to returning next semester as an assistant news editor.

“My experiences this year might not have been what I anticipated as a first-year nursing major, but I wouldn’t trade a single one of them. College is an amazing opportunity to get involved in your community and expand your worldview, no matter what your course of study, and I look forward to seeing what the next three years have in store.”



**Raymond Lawson**, Senior, University of South Carolina: “One of the opportunities that I had this summer was a mission trip to Nicaragua through USC’s Baptist Colligate Ministry and Extreme Missionary Adventures (XMA). On this trip, we traveled into the mountains along the Nicaragua and Honduras boarder to visit some of the more remote villages. While



we were there, we had the opportunity to put on several children's programs at the local schools and a local church. While putting on these programs, we were able to distribute hygiene packs to the children and teach them how to use the different items. In addition, each night we set up a video-projection system and showed one or two films in Spanish for the local people to watch. To our surprise we had well over 100 people come to watch the film the first night and continued to have a large number of people come the following nights. Nearly all of the people that came to the film had to walk; some of them for more than an hour to reach our location. Only one or two people that came had vehicles or horses that they could use in the mountains. The rest of the XMA team and I were amazed at the lengths that these people went to just to come and interact us.

"On this trip, I gained a new appreciation for the culture and people of Nicaragua. It was an inspiring and eye-opening trip, to say the least. Personally, I am greatly anticipating an opportunity to return to Nicaragua again next summer and look forward to continuing to work with XMA!"



ANTHONEY BROWN

**Anthony Brown, Junior, Georgia Southern University:** "After a rough Freshman year, my Sophomore year was even more challenging, but I loved every minute of it. This year, I was given the opportunity to serve as a leader for the Christian Campus Fellowship Ministry. Time management once again became a big time challenge; however, I was much better at managing my time than last year. I again had the opportunity to serve on a spring break mission trip with my ministry, and this time we partnered with the Habitat for Humanity of Greater Miami. Seeing the extreme poverty in the Greater Miami Area was shocking and life changing. I am truly honored to have had the privilege to serve a purpose far greater than myself. This summer I will be taking classes in order to graduate on time and will be pursuing internships for next summer."



SARAH ARNOLD

**Sarah Arnold, Junior, Wofford College:**

"My sophomore year at Wofford was even more amazing than my first. After changing my mind more times than I thought possible (the benefits of a liberal arts education, I suppose), I have finally decided upon my course of study: Chinese and finance with an economics minor. Although I've come away from my Sophomore year having faced many new challenges, I believe that I have grown both as a student and an individual.

"I am happy to say that despite now knowing the difficulty of 18-hour semesters, I was able to come out of my Sophomore year with more determination, better study habits, and surprisingly a better understanding of the need for a balance between work and fun. The courses which I took this past year have helped me to discover my love for accounting and finance, subjects which I previously considered quite boring. I have recently been chosen as a new member of Wofford's James Fund, a student-run investment fund on campus, and am looking forward to the investment experience my work with the Fund will provide me. In addition, I will take finance and cost-accounting classes during summer school.

"My experiences over the past year have not only provided me with the opportunity to grow as a student, but also as an individual. During fall semester I, along with about twenty other sophomores, was a Residential Peer Mentors for the freshman class. With this post came the responsibility of helping with summer move-in, assisting with orientation, and most importantly conducting a class for a group of incoming Freshman once a week during the first semester. I greatly enjoyed my time as an RPM and learned so much from the Freshmen that I applied to be a member of orientation staff for this coming school year; I am looking forward to helping a new group of freshmen adjust to life at Wofford.

"Thanks to the generous help of the Watson-Brown Foundation, I was lucky enough to study abroad in Freiburg,

Germany, last summer. This trip, which focused on the politics and economics of EU accession states, included a field-study trip to Croatia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Kosovo, and Turkey. I can honestly say that nothing has affected my view of the world more than my time spent in these countries. Not only did my time abroad help me to become more independent and open-minded, it made me more thankful for the opportunities I am blessed with and more concerned with international affairs. In addition to my summer study abroad, I was lucky enough to participate in Wofford's interim trip to Peru this past January and, once again, was able to experience and learn from a culture so different from my own. It is incredible for me to think of all I have experienced this past year, both in and out of the classroom, and I cannot wait to see what my Junior year will have in store."



BRITTANY DELOACH

**Brittany DeLoach, Sophomore, Augusta State University:** "Spring 2011 was an amazing semester for me. I made a 'B' in pre-calculus, which is a huge accomplishment for me considering the fact that math is definitely not my forte. I also changed my focus from pre-vet to pre-occupational therapy with a minor in Spanish. I was also informed that I only have ten classes left until I can apply to MCG to pursue my goal of becoming a doctor. I will use my degree to work with children with mental disabilities such as autism, Aspergers syndrome, and multiple sclerosis, to name a few. I feel that it is very important to help children with these types of disabilities to improve their quality of life physically, socially, and mentally.

"This summer I will be attending school, taking courses in physics and statistics. I will be spending what free time I will have doing mission work in Augusta with Mercy Ministries. Thank you Watson-Brown for making it possible for me to pursue my dreams and aspirations, I would not be able to achieve my goals without your financial aid and support."



# MIKE THOMPSON



## Alumni Spotlight

BY SHANNON FRIEDMANN HATCH

There are roads that you can take in Rabun County that lead you to million dollar vacation homes overlooking pristine lakes whose surfaces seem to catch and reflect the sun's light as it was gold coins thrown from the sky. Crisp mountain air flows through the sweeping balconies and open French doors and eventually winds down more humble lanes, like where Mike Thompson grew up in a single-parent home with his two siblings. "I never saw the flashy side of Clayton," he recalls of his hometown.

What he saw instead was a road out. It's not to say that he didn't bask in the natural beauty of the Blue Ridge Mountains—his childhood was spent camping under oaks and pines, riding bikes with his heart and legs pumping uphill on rocky roads, and splashing in the Chattooga River—but, unlike 85 percent of his graduating class, he decided to pursue higher education. "I was the first person in my entire family to go to college," Mike says.

Mike drove south, through Atlanta, and to Interstate 75 toward Macon, where he enrolled at Mercer. He picked the school for a few reasons, but the two most important were that they offered an accredited mechanical engineering degree and it didn't take him too far from home—plus, the fact that they gave him a partial scholarship helped immensely. To cover the remainder of the tuition, he worked part-time and during the summers, took out student loans, and applied for financial aid and additional scholarships. In the early 1990s, the Watson-Brown Foundation awarded around fifteen scholarships a

year (compared to the 200 of today) and Mike was selected as one of the deserving recipients. "I was a self-supporting student," he says. "That scholarship changed the course of my life."

With his degree, he could have taken any number of internships or jobs. Instead, he opened the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* to the Want Ads, looking specifically for a global company with brand recognition engaged in high technology. He applied for an opening in research and development at the Buford, Georgia, plant of Makita, a Japanese power tool company. Hired, he worked on a team of four, designing drills, sanders, saws, and

the like. "I liked that I could go to Home Depot on a Saturday and see my tools on the shelf," he remembers. Notably, his team was awarded the company's first patent on a product designed outside of Japan.

By 2000, Mike was ready for a new challenge, so he again turned to the *AJC* and applied for a job in Asheville, North Carolina, as an application engineer at BorgWarner, an international parts supplier to the automotive industry. "I had no experience working on turbochargers, but they must have seen my potential," he says. While he started in a hands-on position, customizing the product and making it work, after two years he was promoted to an account manager, overseeing the company's relationship with Caterpillar. When he was asked to move to Caterpillar's headquarters in Peoria, Illinois, to act as an on-site liaison between the two companies—the first such position in BorgWarner's history—he packed his bags and headed to the heartland.

"I had spent twenty-five years of my life in the South, so moving to the Midwest was a big shock, especially the winters" Mike says. "I call this chapter of my life 'Cornfields and Caterpillar.'" That said the





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position afforded him independence and self-discipline. After two years, he returned to Asheville when he was promoted to business manager.

Always looking to improve, Mike studied for and received his MBA and moved to Atlanta to pursue a job Siemens in late 2006. After five years with the company, he is currently the Sr. Director and General Manager of Large Drive Verticals and Traction and again works with Caterpillar on their strategy for their electric motors and converters in mining applications, in addition to providing electric motors and converters for the U.S. rail, marine, hybrid drive, mining, cement, and paper industries.

One of the things that impresses Mike after his five years with Siemens is their formal mentoring program. "Every six weeks I meet with my mentor and my mentees, and we discuss everything from goals to current issues," he says. "I'm big on personal relationships. Part of my success comes from my ability to work with other people. People have to trust

*"The Watson-Brown scholarship changed the course of my life."*



you, and you do a good job because you don't want to let them down."

With all of his success, Mike has not forgotten where he comes from, and he believes that had he not taken the road to college, he would not be where he is today. For this reason, he is interested in volunteering for Watson-Brown's advisory committee and even started his own foundation, Two Roads, last year. The organization will help high-potential, less-fortunate Georgia students navigate a path to higher education. Students will begin to be mentored at age 15—Mike says, "the age when you stand at the fork in the road and make the critical decision about whether or not to study for the SAT, apply for scholarships, and go to college"—and follow them through the first years of their first job, helping them understand their career options and how to network. "I have pretty humble roots," Mike says, "and I know that I would be at a different place in life if I had not taken the road less traveled."



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# FLOWER OF THE FAMILY



BY SAMUEL N. THOMAS, JR.

A remarkable painting of T.R.R. Cobb's favorite daughter hangs in the parlor of the building that bears her name. The Lucy Cobb Institute, Athens's first female high school, was built in 1858 and named posthumously. Today the building is the home of the University of Georgia's Carl Vinson Institute of Government.

Eldest daughter of Marion and Thomas Reade Rootes Cobb, Lucy died of scarlet fever when she was 13. The painting, circa 1858, is a mourning portrait rich with symbolism. The artist is unknown, but it could well have been an itinerant painter and acquaintance of Cobb's named John O'Brien Inman. A native of New York, Inman traveled through Athens in the summer of 1854. He sought commissions in the Athens Southern Banner and used Cobb as a contact.

Born October 8, 1844, exactly nine months after her parents married, Lucy was instantly and understandably the jewel of Tom Cobb's life. "[A] sweeter and prettier little girl never breathed," he gushed to his mother just after Lucy's birth. Time did little to constrain his hyperbole. "I am sometimes afraid," he wrote his brother, Howell. "I love her too much. She is the smartest and sweetest child in Ga [sic]."

Lucy suddenly died October 14, 1857, having just celebrated her 13th birthday. Tom and Marion had previously lost two infant sons, but those deaths did not affect Tom as did Lucy's. "Nobody can conceive ... of the extent of our bereavement for not even the best of our friends knew fully the character of Lucy," he wrote his sister a month after Lucy's death. "I was not myself fully consious [sic] of it, until since her death, my thoughts have been busy in reviewing her life. Such intelligence combined with such simplicity, such hale & hearty life with such perfect purity & gentleness; such devotion to her friends, with such universal love. Her whole



character was anomalous, but it was an anomaly full of beauty & loveliness, unmarred by a single stain."

Time did little to mitigate his grief. On Lucy's birthday, almost a year after her death, Tom wrote his mother, "It is the first for thirteen years that I have not felt her kiss & seen her smile & although I am surrounded with so many mercies of the least of which I feel unworthy, yet I cannot help having a desolate feeling when I seek for her & cannot find her." A year later still, Mary Ann Cobb, Tom's sister-in-law, wrote her husband Howell that "[Tom] suffers in mind still about Lucy, and it's his business alone that saves him from despair."

Lucy's memory moved Tom to Victorian excess. In contemplative moments he wrote her wildly sentimental letters that broached a divide between prose and poetry. And soon after her death he commissioned her mourning portrait.

Mourning portraits have an extensive history, particularly during the first half of the nineteenth century, and large numbers were produced in a relatively short period of time. Eventually, photography replaced the practice

of a commissioned painting, although original paintings did continue into the latter half of the century, especially among the affluent. Posthumous portraits, conspicuously those of children, contained common symbolic clues found in their dress and possessions.

The mourning portrait of Lucy frames her in the foreground of the T.R.R. Cobb House. She appears standing, painted in the period mourning colors of red and white. A small black bow, indicating death, appears on her shoulder.

A black dog gazes up at Lucy. Perhaps this was the family pet, though coincidentally a Celtic superstition still held in the Victorian era held that black dogs were protectors of the souls of the recently departed. These large dogs had big eyes and large feet that left no prints and were sometimes depicted in portraits as companions of a departed child. Lucy's dog also has a white mark on its chest. The white mark was said to be the "Kiss of God," and to the Scots and Irish signified a sign of good luck.

Few observers of the portrait connect with the book in Lucy's hands, titled *The Flower of the Family*. It was not placed there by chance. Authored by Elizabeth Prentiss, *The Flower of the Family* was published in 1856. Its author was a devout Presbyterian and one-time girls' schoolteacher whose writing career focused on religious novels. Prentiss lost two of her own children to disease. In many of her two-dozen novels, Prentiss used the trials of mortal life to describe avenues for spiritual strength. Such was the case with *The Flower of the Family*, whose profoundly religious protagonist, Lucy, found spiritual strength and understanding through hardship and the deaths of her siblings.

Two years ago, the Cobb House had a digital copy made of the mourning portrait. It hangs over the mantel in the parlor. Below it rests a copy of Prentiss's book to remind visitors of the nature of mourning portraits and the thoughtfulness of those who commissioned them.





# SOUTHERN SERVICE IN BLACK AND WHITE



## Sticks & Stones

BY MICHELLE L. ZUPAN





Following the Civil War and Reconstruction, black and white Southerners had to find new ways to reconstitute a society and social order that had been largely destroyed by the winds of war and military rule. In-migrations by black and white populations to urban areas became the norm, as did the shift to paid labor. Domestic service took on new complexions throughout the South.

Generally, domestic workers in America tended to be poor, undereducated, and, with a few job-specific exceptions, female. Region helped define the ethnic groups that filled those positions. In the Northeast, servants were overwhelmingly Irish or German. Native American and Hispanic workers labored in the Southwest. The Northwest employed Chinese and Scandinavian laborers. In the South, domestic servants continued to be African-American.

Oral history interviews with Georgia Watson “Cuzzy” Craven, granddaughter of Tom Watson, predictably revealed that Hickory Hill employed a bevy of house servants. Watson’s wife, Georgia, managed the household and the books and often employed entire black families. Life around Hickory Hill was a formal affair, and servants wore uniforms of white caps and aprons. Young black servants, however, were the only people permitted to go without shoes in the mansion.

This fall, Hickory Hill will host the traveling exhibition *From Morning to Night: Domestic Service in the Gilded Age South*, produced by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Maymont Foundation of Richmond, Virginia. The exhibition will run from mid-September through mid-November. It will also feature artifacts and images from Hickory Hill’s collection.





# SWEET CORN DAZE

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## Forest for the Trees

### *Sweet Corn Daze*

BY DEXTER RHODES

**I**n the wire grass country of Georgia where I grew up, all kids knew the saying, “Four seeds you have to sow: One for the pheasant, one for the crow, and one to rot, and one to grow.” We didn’t know what a pheasant looked like, but we knew that all sorts of critters liked corn and if we wanted to eat, we’d have to plant four times our expected crop yield.

I can’t get past my childhood. Here in Thomson, when it came time to plant a garden so that our summer campers at Hickory Hill could discover the origins of vegetables (can you imagine?!), I planted four times more than we needed. I opened up the sandy loam and prepped it like I used to when I was a kid. I planted sweet corn, cucumbers, heirloom squash and okra, peppers, Cherokee tomatoes, and edible flowers like sunflowers. It’s amazing what a little planning and delicate hands can produce.

I have been administering soil amendments to this particular piece of ground for some time. Every year, I haul two to three trailer loads of oak leaves into our garden and let them sit on top of the soil all winter. This keeps the weeds down and helps warm the beds for an early spring planting. Then I cut them into the soil prior to sowing seeds.

I planted Zea Mays corn on the top of a sloping garden. It can be tough to have sweet corn for early harvest in the second and third weeks in July. Normally, I would plant corn around May 10 to make sure the

soil temperature has reached 50 degrees because corn seeds will not germinate in cold soils. If you plan on an early harvest, check the maturity rates of various corn cultivars. Sweet corns mature anywhere from sixty to 100 days.

Three things help to grow sweet corn: adequate water, soil nutrients, and a budget that allows for lots of nitrogen, which is might pricey right now.

Corn is a monoecious plant, which means that it has both male and female flowers. The male flowers form tassels that grow at the top of the plant. The female flower is located at the junction of leaves and stems. This is where the collection of hairs (silks) is encapsulated in the husks of what will become ears of corn. The silks are just tubes that receive pollen via wind from the male tassels. Each silk leads to a kernel.

I planted this corn patch by hand. I spaced my rows three feet on center and dropped seeds twelve to fifteen inches apart. Then I side-dressed this corn twice with 10-10-10 granular fertilizer. When the corn plants were 5 to 9 inches tall, I threw handfuls of fertilizer beside each one. After a couple of weeks, the corn began to turn yellow and I fertilized again. There is nothing like watching corn grow after it’s hit with ample rain and nitrogen.

The way to harvest corn is to pull it slight downward motion and twist it. Try not to break the stalk.

Extreme heat is not good for corn—it usually does not germinate adequately



when temperatures range into the 90 and 100 degree marks. However, I consider this year’s crop was a success since our summer campers were able to see a garden and all that grows there. They helped me pick the corn and we were able to freeze corn on the cob, make creamed corn, and a few corn casseroles.

Back to the adage about critters: I tried to keep the deer away; didn’t work. Our pesky squirrels are now quite fat. Lord, what I could have accomplished with a pellet gun. We attracted field mice, which brought the foxes, a pair of which raised their young in a small den that bordered the garden. Did I mention the raccoons? Gracious. But I never did see a pheasant, whatever they look like.

Don’t forget to blanch your sweet corn before freezing it. And remember, if you can’t find me in the forest, I’ll be in a corn patch running off hungry critters.



# THE FLIP SIDE

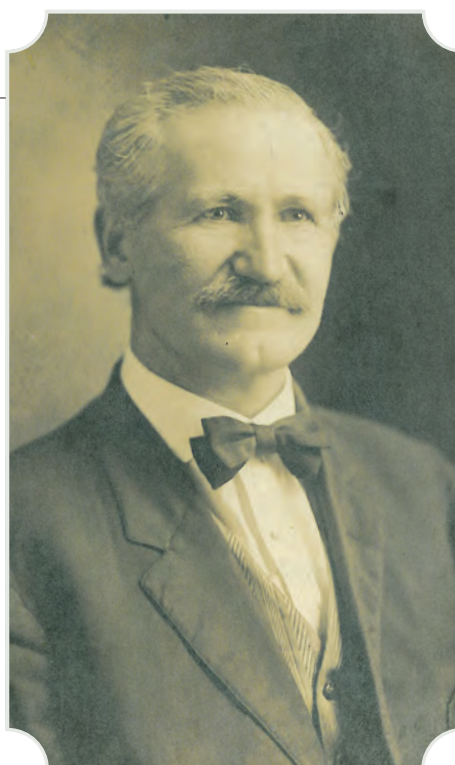


BY TAD BROWN

**W**alter J. Brown started and ended his career with a pen in his hand. He began his serious journalism career in 1928; he published his memoirs in 1992. Whatever his talents as a wordsmith, Brown seemed to struggle when painting images of the father he adored. There are limits to the abilities and uses of ink.

To hear his youngest son describe him, John Judson Brown was a mountain. “He was a powerfully built man of 275 pounds,” Walter Brown recalled, “standing over six feet tall, and he could do more hard labor than any hired hand.” J.J. Brown, best known as Georgia’s Agriculture Commissioner from 1917–1927, was a man’s man: born in a log cabin the Piedmont of northeast Georgia the year the War ended, named for a Baptist preacher, educated in the country schools and raised in the pain of Reconstruction. He seemed forged with a toughness that equaled the times into which he was born. In 1885, Brown married Captora Ginn. They lived in a cabin outside Little Holly Springs and farmed the land. The union gave them five children: a girl and four boys, three of whom survived infancy.

Walter Brown idolized his father for “his manly characteristics, his exuberance for life, [and] his devotion to principle, family and friendship ...” Through the eyes of his son, J.J. Brown epitomized rugged Jeffersonian stock: a free-thinking,



self-sufficient dirt farmer who was smart, strong, and able. He loved nature and understood agriculture. J.J. Brown farmed to provide and he hunted and fished for pleasure. He could pick nearly a bale of cotton a day. He was a natural stump speaker who, like his political mentor Tom Watson, had a mastery of timing and rural idiom. When he rode the train he carried a dictionary in his pocket to study vocabulary. He was handsome and quick with a smile. But when pressed, J.J. Brown could whip his weight in wildcats.

Around 1895 Brown moved his family from the farm to the nearby hamlet of Bowman, a northeast Georgia town that sprouted along the line of the Southern Railway, where he supplemented his farm income by clerking in a country store. By the turn of the century he had established J.J. Brown and Company, a concern that owned and operated a general store, a cotton mill and a flour mill. He built a home next to his primary business and ran his farms from town, while his stern wife “Cap” ran an ordered household and saw to it that his children were educated at the nearby Gibson-Mercer Academy.

Perhaps Brown was destined for politics because of his natural leadership abilities, but it was grit that earned him his first public office. Even in the author’s lifetime, the story still made the rounds over cocktails: J.J.’s cotton gin abutted the local blacksmith’s shop, which was operated by a man of tremendous strength. Brown approached the blacksmith one day to protest his careless maintenance of fire. The conversation soon turned confrontational and then degraded into a fistfight. He laid the blacksmith out cold, earning him the admiration of the men in town and reinforcing the notion that J.J. Brown would tolerate many transgressions, sass not among them.

Brown was elected mayor of Bowman in 1907. His job responsibilities included presiding over a sort of open-air magistrate court every Saturday behind the town



square. One gets the sense Brown's notion of justice followed the rules of discipline in his house, where he frequently held his youngest son over his head to avoid the mother's peach switch. J.J. Brown was a protector: big-hearted, fair if not lenient, apparently colorblind, and not necessarily bound by the four corners of city ordinance. He understood inherently the divide between mischief and evil, indolence and insubordination, faithlessness and treachery. He called the cards as he saw them, solemnly lectured the guilty and handed down menial sentences.

In 1914 Brown was elected president of the Georgia Farmer's Union. He had been a Populist from its earliest days and a friend and strong admirer of Tom Watson. They shared political loyalties, an understanding of race and culture, and a sense of honor and justice. In temperament, physical vitality and erudition they could not have been more different. Nevertheless, Watson championed J.J. Brown's mild political ambitions, named him vice president of the Jeffersonian Publishing Company, and called on him for aid and political support.

Even beyond the waning days of Populism, Southern politics remained ruthless and violent. In 1916, J.J. Brown answered Watson's call to arms by rounding up two

revolver-packing bodyguards to accompany him to Augusta for his famous obscenity trial, a case whose tentacles Watson was convinced originated in Washington. Watson won the case without violent incident, and Brown returned safely to Bowman. That fall J.J. Brown was elected Georgia Commissioner of Agriculture. With Watson's periodic help, he held the office for five consecutive terms.

In those days, the Department of Agriculture was among the largest employers in Georgia, and handling patronage was among J.J. Brown's more delicate tasks. He quipped that for every ten applicants for a given job, he made one friend and nine enemies. Nevertheless, Brown was successful, popular, and powerful, and his name carried substantial weight throughout Georgia long after he left public office. There was no mistaking that Brown was a man of the land, and in an era when the vast majority of Georgians lived on family farms that understanding carried real water.

But politics are brutal, and in 1926 Eugene Talmage, anything but a farmer, politically outfoxed J.J. Brown for the commissioner's seat. Brown never again held elected office, though he made a half-hearted attempt for his old commissioner's seat in 1930 and one run at Congress in 1940. With Talmage

in office, Brown left Atlanta in 1927 for the only other life he knew. He settled in south Georgia, ultimately to a farm outside of Alma, and resumed his love of dirt farming. He bonded with the community.

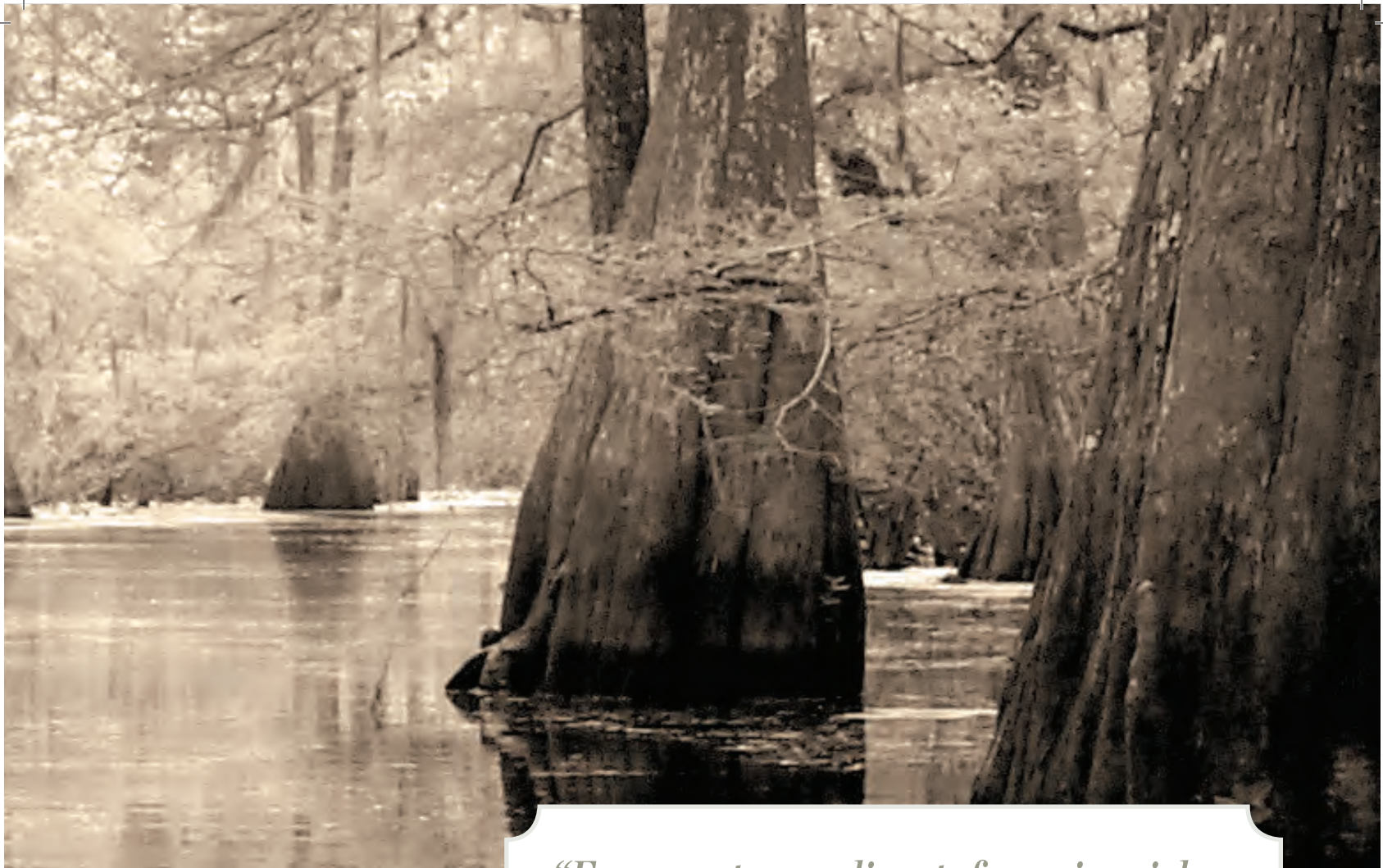
The Great Depression soon reached Georgia and while painful, life was not so harsh on farms. There was always the land. Brown farmed and Cap sold butter and eggs. They found work for those less fortunate. They had seen tough times before.

So it was that in the winter of 1934 Brown hired a young itinerant laborer who was broke and brown on his luck. He gave him a job on the farm and the use of a house on the place. History knows only that the boy was named Ellis.

He had worked for J.J. Brown for two months when something snapped. On the morning of December 12, an argument with his boss turned violent and he stabbed J.J. Brown in the chest, nearly killing him. The story made the Associated Press wire and ran throughout the state under such headlines as "J.J. Brown Knifed At Alma Farm."

Newspaper copy is typically terse and cold, and the two dimensional, single column reports noted simply that the stabbing





followed a heated argument between Brown and the worker. Brown was rushed to a hospital in Waycross, where at length doctors predicted his full recovery. Brown's attacker fled. The sheriffs of Appling and Bacon counties were pursuing leads.

But the richness of stories is often best demonstrated orally, and Brown family legend was anything but monotone. The boy had sassed J.J. and his insubordination and harsh tongue were summarily rewarded with a ferocious backhand that sent him tumbling ass-over teakettles. In a flash, the boy produced a jackknife and lunged from the ground, stabbing J.J. once in the center of the chest. He turned and ran like the wind across the fields and into the woods.

Bleeding profusely, Brown ran from the farm across the road to the house yelling for his wife to retrieve his "damn rifle." Somehow Cap kept him separated from his Winchester, patched him up, and kept him reasonably calm until the ambulance could take him to the hospital in Waycross. There the doctors proclaimed J.J. lucky: though the blade had struck the center of his chest, it missed his vitals. In the excitement of the moment the young farm worker escaped into the oblivion of South Georgia.

*"For every ten applicants for a given job,  
he made one friend and nine enemies.  
Nevertheless, Brown was successful,  
popular, and powerful, and his name  
carried substantial weight throughout*



Of course, newspaper reports were equally unable to convey the sense of insipient outrage felt by many Georgians when they read of the attack. One of their own--at that an unarmed 69 year-old-man--was nearly killed on his own farm by a punk to whom he'd extended every consideration in the depths of the Depression. And no copy could adequately translate the powerful notions of community and order and justice in the rural South of the 1930s.

So there is no black ink to lend credence to the postscript, hazy image that was also passed down on family legend, spoken like whispers of breeze in the Spanish moss, that painted the picture of a body of a young drifter swallowed by the murky waters of the Altamaha River in the winter of 1934.



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The Lyceum Building at the University of Mississippi was completed in 1848 and remains the oldest building on campus. Originally the only academic building of the university, the revival style Lyceum still shows marks of time, from its service as a Confederate hospital to the violence of the Civil Rights era.

Congratulations to Shannon Theobald who won a \$25 gift card to Barnes & Noble for her correct answer!