

J. Herndon Thomson Papers

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College drawing exercise. J. Herndon Thomson. Ca. 19teens. Ink on illustration board.

SCOPE and CONTENTS

Drawings, photographs, etc.
Ca. 1920s – 1960s
4 folders; one box

Papers of J. Herndon Thomson (1891-1969), including a small number of miscellaneous notes, photographs, and drawings. Thomson taught in the Tulane Department of Architecture, and served as its department head in the 1920s.

In 1930 Thomson participated in Frans Blom's expedition to the Yucatan, and a small number of photographic negatives and other items from that trip are included in these records.

PROVENANCE

Papers were given by Sally Thomson Parker, daughter of J. Herndon Thomson, to Tulane in 1989.

ACCESS

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INVENTORY

Photographs, etc.

Box 1 of 1.

- Folder 1. Photograph of J. Herndon Thomson. 1 print.
- Folder 2. Photograph of J. Herndon Thomson with Donald Derickson at Old Plymouth, Maine. One snapshot. Also, partial snapshot of J. Herndon Thomson with baggy hat.
- Folder 3. Photographs of professors J. Herndon Thomson, Donald Derickson, Ricker, and TenHoor. 14 snapshots.
- Folder 4. Photographs of J. Herndon Thomson's art work, 2 student work studies; 1 watercolor of Chapel at Christ School, Arden, NC; 2 Christmas card studies; 1 block print of Spanish galleon; 1 pastel of girl at Herndon Terrace, Union, SC. 7 prints.
- Folder 5. Photographs of Herndon Terrace, ca. 1940. 3 prints.
- Folder 6. Photographic negatives of J. Herndon Thomson's Yucatan expedition. 17 negatives.
- Folder 7. Newspaper clippings. 2 pcs.
- Folder 8. Drypoint etching of J. Herndon Thomson, Jr. 1 pc.
- Folder 9. Study for Christmas card showing J. Herndon Thomson, Jr. kneeling. 1 pc.
- Folder 10. Study for Christmas card showing son and daughter singing. 1 pc.
- Folder 11. Christmas cards. 3 pcs.
- Folder 12. Plastic drypoint plate of Maya ruins. 1 pc.
- Folder 13. Newspaper clipping of photograph of Marion Ross at University of Oregon; photograph of nautilus shell on ornate base; photographic negative of postcard; photographic print of J. Herndon Thomson Louisiana anglers map. 4 pcs.
- Folder 14. Certificate of recognition for J. Herndon Thomson's contribution 1956. 1 pc.
- Folder 15. American Institute of Architects, Institute Certificate, Union, SC.

1917. 1 pc.

- Folder 16. Decorative folio.
- Folder 17. Block print, Maya border with Indian face, on gray fabric. 1 pc.
- Folder 18. Block print, on olive green fabric. 1 pc.
- Folder 19. Program (photocopy) of dedication of Thomson Room, Tulane School of Architecture.
- Folder 20. One newspaper clipping of Dorothy Harris Thomson's 100th birthday; one newspaper clipping of dedication of J. Herndon Thomson Lecture Hall. 2 pcs.

Drawings in Flat Files.

Folder 1.

Unidentified plans for a lodge/club building. Undated, unsigned. Pencil, ink, and ink wash on heavy paper. 2 small sheets.

Unidentified plan and section for a building with a lion statue at front entrance. Undated, unsigned. Pencil, ink, and watercolor on heavy paper. 2 sheets.

Unidentified elevation for a college of architecture. Undated, unsigned. Pencil, ink, and watercolor on heavy paper. 1 sheet.

Elevation for hall of fame, location unidentified. Undated. Signed, J. Herndon Thomson. Ink and ink wash on heavy paper. 1 sheet.

Plan of tea house, location unidentified. Undated, unsigned. Ink and ink wash on heavy paper. 1 sheet.

Plot plan for unidentified residential estate. Plot plan at left, floor plans of residence at right. Undated, unsigned. Ink and watercolor on heavy paper. 1 sheet.

Folder 2.

Moving picture plant, plot plan. Location unidentified. Undated, unsigned. Ink and watercolor on heavy paper. 1 sheet.

Folder 3.

Study sketches of still life, plaster casts, and portraits. Most dated 1913 or 1914. Most signed, J.H. Thomson. Pencil and charcoal on paper. 27 sheets.

Folder 4.

Student exercises, including shades and shadows, comparison of orders, and perspective. Most dated 1913 or 1914. Most signed, J.H. Thomson. 20 sheets.