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John W. Davis Papers

Collection 168-1 to 168-61
The papers of John Warren Davis (1888-1980), educator, administrator, scientist, author, civil rights activist and international representative, document his personal life, his career at Morehouse College, as well as at West Virginia State College, his role as U.S. Director Technical Cooperation Administration to Liberia, and his affiliation with the NAACP’s Legal Defense & Educational Fund. These papers date from circa 1905 through the 1970’s, and were acquired by Moorland-Spingarn in 1983 from Ethel Davis, wife of John W. Davis. There are approximately 28 linear feet or 18 cubic feet of materials.

Correspondence, photographs, speeches and writings by John W. Davis are featured in these papers. Writings include topics such as Africa, Negro education and religion. The papers also contain research Davis conducted for a "Talent Study" (a roster of Negro talent) concerning education and professions of Negroes, undertaken by Davis through the Phelps-Stokes Fund and the National Technical Association. Mr. Davis’s role in Liberia is also documented with a small group of files. Materials from organizations with which Mr. Davis was associated are included, such as West Virginia State College,
Biographical Sketch

John Warren Davis

1888 February 11 Born in Milledgeville, Georgia to Robert Marion and Katie Mann Davis.

1903 Entered Morehouse College to begin high school.

1911 Received A.B. from Morehouse College.

1911-13 Studied at the University of Chicago.

1911-17 Teacher and Registrar at Morehouse College.

1916 Married Bessie Rucker.
1917-19  Executive Secretary of the 12th Street Branch YMCA, Washington, D.C.

1919-53  President of West Virginia State College.

1920    Received A.M. from Morehouse College.

1926    Granted Harmon Award in Education.

1928    President, National Association Teachers in Colored Schools.

1929, 1948-51  Member of the National Advisory Committee on Education of Negroes.

1931    Appointed to President Hoover’s Organization on Unemployment Relief.

1931    Received Honorary D.Litt. from State College, Orangeburg, South Carolina.

1932    Married Ethel McGhee.

1939    Received Honorary LL.D. from Wilberforce University, Wilberforce, Ohio.

1940    Received Honorary LL.D. from Howard University, Washington, D.C.
Biographical Sketch continued

1950-56 Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation.

1952 Received Honorary LL.D. from Virginia State College, Petersburg, VA.

1952 Received Honorary LL.D. from Morgan State College, Baltimore, MD.

1952-54 U.S. Director Technical Cooperation Administration, Monrovia, Liberia, Africa. Appointed by President Truman.

1955 Decorated by The Republic of Liberia - "Order of the Star of Africa."

1955 Special Director, Department Teacher Information and Security of NAACP, Legal Defense & Educational Fund, Inc.

1959 Received Honorary LL.D. from the University of Liberia.

1960 Appointed to the National Commission, UNESCO.

1964 Special Director, Herbert Lehman Educational Fund.

1965 Received Honorary LL.D. from Central State College, Wilberforce, Ohio.
1965    Received Honorary LL.D. from Morehouse College, Atlanta, Georgia.

1972-80    Consultant to NAACP’s Legal Defense & Education Fund.

1980 July 12    Died at his home in Englewood, New Jersey.

Sources: "Biographical Information" found in Family and Personal Papers, John W. Davis Papers Box 168-1.

Series Description

Series A    Family and Personal Papers
Box 168-1    Biographical materials, Davis family items, artifacts and awards, education, financial papers, teaching materials, files from Davis’s time in Liberia.

Series B    Correspondence
Box 168-3    Letters with family, individuals and organizations. Also included is birthday correspondence to Davis in 1937 and 1977, and letters to him while he was at West Virginia State College. Correspondence is arranged in alphabetical order by correspondent.

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Series C    Other Correspondents
This series is arranged in alphabetical order by correspondent.

**Series D  Speeches**

Box 168-16  Texts of speeches on a number of topics (mainly on education) and programs. This series is arranged in chronological order. Undated speeches are arranged alphabetically by title.

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**Series E  Writings**

Box 168-26  Writings by Davis are arranged alphabetically and topics consist of: Africa, religion and Negro education. Research from the Talent Study which Davis conducted is also included, but further information may also be found in "Correspondence."

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**Series F  Speeches and Writings by Others**

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Box 168-33  Included in this series are secondary source materials for various organizations with which Davis had some affiliation, including UNESCO, NAACP, West Virginia State College, Prince Hall Masons and African-American Institute.

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Series H  Subject Files
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Series J  Oversize
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168-56 Photograph. Hubert Humphrey (autographed) with Lyndon B. Johnson

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168-59 Award. Prince Hall Scottish Rite Masonic Bodies of Maryland - 1975
