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## Summary information

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<b>Title:</b>	TB Davie Collection
<b>ID:</b>	BC6-8
<b>Date:</b>	1930-1955 (date of creation)
<b>Language:</b>	English
<b>Physical description:</b>	6 archive boxes

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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

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### Note

Dr TB Davie (1895-1955) was Principal and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cape Town between 1948 and 1955. He was a staunch opponent of the extension of apartheid in university education and was prominent in resisting the curtailing of academic freedom.

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## Scope and content

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The collection comprises miscellaneous material, such as personal documents related to Davie's medical career, correspondence, photographs, newspaper clippings, photographs, notes, speeches and addresses given as Vice-Chancellor, publications, as well as letters of condolence and obituaries.

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File 12:

Newspaper clippings (mostly on Dr. Davie's death)

Three "In memoriam" pamphlets

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B.A. (Hons.) certificate (1914)

"Ter nagedagtenis, T.B. Davie", 3 leaf memorial, holograph by J.Y. Burger

Letter from T.D. Davie Snr. re. Dr. Dave's going to the war, 1918

Oration re Dr. Davie, public orator, Trinity College, Oxford, 10/42/1955. Printed Latin version, typescript

English translation, and covering letter to Mrs Davie

Four miscellaneous letters (one signed by Archbishop Owen McCann, to Prof. James)

File 13:

Mounted photograph of Dr. Davie, Lafayette. Taken in 1928

File 14:

Folder labelled "miscellaneous addresses by Vice-Chancellor". Texts of 46 speeches

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Box 1

Diaries 1952-1957

## Notes

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### Title notes

### Immediate source of acquisition

Donated by Mrs VC Davie and Dr JP Duminy

### Restrictions on access

Contact University of Cape Town Libraries: Special Collections for information about accessing this collection.

### Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
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## Access points

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- University of Cape Town--History (subject)
  - University of Cape Town--Office bearers (subject)
  - Academic freedom (subject)
  - Race relations (subject)
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## Collection holdings

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### Series: BC6-8\_A - Newspaper clippings

Title: Newspaper clippings

ID: BC6-8\_A

Scope and content:

Racial differences: Colour

Racial differences English-Afrikaans

Academic freedom

Ford foundation study project (From San Francisco Chronicle 26 Sept 1964)

Dr Malan's retirement

Publication status:

Published

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**Series: BC6-8\_B - South African Institute of Race Relations (SAIRR) publications**

Title: South African Institute of Race Relations (SAIRR) publications

ID: BC6-8\_B

Publication status:

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**File: BC6-8\_B\_B1 - Hartshorne K.B. native education in the Union of South Africa**

Title: Hartshorne K.B. native education in the Union of South Africa

ID: BC6-8\_B\_B1

Publication status:

Published

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**File: BC6-8\_B\_B2 - 25th annual report of SAIRR**

Title: 25th annual report of SAIRR

ID: BC6-8\_B\_B2

Publication status:

Published

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**File: BC6-8\_B\_B3 - SAIRR papers**

Title: SAIRR papers

ID: BC6-8\_B\_B3

Publication status:

Published

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**File: BC6-8\_B\_B4 - List of vice presidents for 1955**

Title: List of vice presidents for 1955

ID: BC6-8\_B\_B4

Publication status:

Published

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**File: BC6-8\_B\_B5 - Papers for council meeting January 1955**

Title: Papers for council meeting January 1955

ID: BC6-8\_B\_B5

Publication status:

Published

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**Series: BC6-8\_C - Other documents**

Title: Other documents

ID: BC6-8\_C

Publication status:

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**File: BC6-8\_C\_C1 - Elliott G.A. white racial relationships in South Africa**

Title: Elliott G.A. white racial relationships in South Africa

ID: BC6-8\_C\_C1

Publication status:

Published

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**File: BC6-8\_C\_C2 - Ts titled "University of Cape Town Development Fund"**

Title: Ts titled "University of Cape Town Development Fund"

ID: BC6-8\_C\_C2

Publication status:



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**File: BC6-8\_C\_C3 - Roneoed ms "Man's right to knowledge and the free use thereof"**

Title: Roneoed ms "Man's right to knowledge and the free use thereof"

ID: BC6-8\_C\_C3

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**File: BC6-8\_C\_C4 - SA Presidential address by Dr T. Davie**

Title: SA Presidential address by Dr T. Davie

ID: BC6-8\_C\_C4

Publication status:

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**File: BC6-8\_C\_C5 - Dr Davie's ms notes for Hoernle lecture**

Title: Dr Davie's ms notes for Hoernle lecture

ID: BC6-8\_C\_C5

Publication status:

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**File: BC6-8\_C\_C6 - 1955 Hoernle memorial lecture by Dr T. Davie titled "The interaction of educational policies and race relations in South Africa"**

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ID: BC6-8\_C\_C6

Publication status:

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**File: BC6-8\_C\_C7 - Invitation to the 1954 Hoernle lecture**

Title: Invitation to the 1954 Hoernle lecture

ID: BC6-8\_C\_C7

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**File: BC6-8\_C\_C8 - Letter from Mr Quentin Whyte (SAIRR) to Dr T. Davie dated 8 September 1954**

Title: Letter from Mr Quentin Whyte (SAIRR) to Dr T. Davie dated 8 September 1954

ID: BC6-8\_C\_C8

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**File: BC6-8\_C\_C9 - Tobias, P. The African in the universities (NUSAS pamphlet, 1951)**

Title: Tobias, P. The African in the universities (NUSAS pamphlet, 1951)

ID: BC6-8\_C\_C9

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**File: BC6-8\_C\_C10 - Civil Rights League newsletters (8 items 1954-1955)**

Title: Civil Rights League newsletters (8 items 1954-1955)

ID: BC6-8\_C\_C10

Publication status:

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**Series: BC6-8\_D - Photographs**

Title: Photographs

ID: BC6-8\_D

Publication status:

Published

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**Item: BC6-8\_D\_D1 - Portrait of Dr Davie**

Title: Portrait of Dr Davie

ID: BC6-8\_D\_D1

Publication status:

Published

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**Item: BC6-8\_D\_D2 - Black and white sketch of Dr Davie**

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**File: BC6-8\_D\_D7 - Four photographs taken at Davies installation as principal (1948)**

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**File: BC6-8\_D\_D15 - T.B. Davie at time of appointment to UCT (1947)**

Title: T.B. Davie at time of appointment to UCT (1947)

ID: BC6-8\_D\_D15

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**Series: BC6-8\_E - Publications**

Title: Publications

ID: BC6-8\_E

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**Item: BC6-8\_E\_E1 - Thesis "Leucocyte and antibody variations following intravenous injections in rabbits" University of Liverpool**

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University of Liverpool

ID: BC6-8\_E\_E1

Date: 1930 (date of creation)

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**File: BC6-8\_E\_E2 - Reprints of articles**

Title: Reprints of articles

ID: BC6-8\_E\_E2

Publication status:

Published

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**Series: BC6-8\_F - Material connected with 1955 London visit**

Title: Material connected with 1955 London visit

ID: BC6-8\_F

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**File: BC6-8\_F\_F1 - Folder of material on installation of Queen mother as chancellor of University of London**

Title: Folder of material on installation of Queen mother as chancellor of University of London

ID: BC6-8\_F\_F1

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**Item: BC6-8\_F\_F2 - The Sphere**

Title: The Sphere

ID: BC6-8\_F\_F2

Date: 3 Dec 1955 (date of creation)

Publication status:

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**Series: BC6-8\_G - Medals**

Title: Medals

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**Series: BC6-8\_H - Personal**

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Scope and content:

- Typescript copy of Report of Committee re vacancy in Vice Chancellorship (Liverpool University). Dr Davie was a member of this committee.
- "In memorian" Dr Davie, programme of ceremony at Jameson memorial
- December 22, 1955 5 copies with 1 clipping attached
- "In memorian" Dr Davie University of Liverpool text of address by vice chancellor in Liverpool cathedral, December 28, 1955 (3 copies)
- Cambridge University, honorary degrees, July 26 1948
- Dr Davie was given the Degree of Doctor of Law. 3 copies
- U.S. Medal of freedom
- Memorandum issued by the Prime ministers office, Pretoria, describing the coronation medal of Queen Elizabeth II
- Two numbers of Liverpool post
- P.4 of September 14 1947, p.3 of Sept. 15 1947 refer to Dr Davies appointment as principal and vice chancellor of the University of Cape Town
- Two newspaper clippings referring to Dr Davies appointment as principal and vice chancellor of the University of Cape Town and two clippings on the young smuts by Sir Keith Hancock.

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## **File: BC6-8\_H\_H2 - In folder**

Title: In folder

ID: BC6-8\_H\_H2

Scope and content:

- Certificate of fellowship of the Royal Society for the encouragement of Arts, Manufactures and Commerce
- Typed list, Boys High School, Paarl. Pass list, Matric. Name of T.P. Davie in First class section. 1911
- Menu, Graduation dinner. Master of Orthopaedic Surgery, University of Liverpool
- Dr and Mrs Davies invitation to the official opening of the Van Zyl Law library, May 30, 1949
- 50th Anniversary Dinner, S.R.C. 19th April 1956
- Prof. Davie's war time (1939-45) Identity card and photograph. In envelope
- Letter, Duchy of Lancaster to Mrs Vera C. Davie, dated 9th December 1947, accepting her resignation from the commission of the peace for the City of Liverpool
- Table reservation of Dr. Davie, Small, green with signatures of Sir Edmund Hillary and George Lowe on the back

- Letter to Dr. Davie from the British Medical Association, 31st December, 1947 re subscriptions to various medical periodicals
- Holograph letter from General Smuts to Dr. Davie, dated 11/2/48, thanking him for his congratulations on his (Smuts) appointment as Chancellor of U.C.T.
- Typescript letter, signed from Smuts to Dr Davie, 7th October 1947, congratulating him on his appointment as principal and Vice-chancellor of UCT
- Letter with signature t Col. Sydney T. Davie, from Lord Baden Powell, dated at Johannesburg, May 22nd 1902.

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