Inventory of the H.P. Davis Papers on Haiti

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Creator: Davis, H. P. (Harold Palmer), b. 1878.
Title: H.P. Davis Papers on Haiti
Date (inclusive): 1921-1957
Extent: 0.2 linear feet
Abstract: Harold Palmer Davis (1878-1962), who served as Secretary of the American Chamber of Commerce for Haiti, was the author of Black Democracy: the Story of Haiti and Gold Rush Days in Nevada City. The majority of this small collection contains Davis' writings about Haiti including a memorandum with his thoughts on the American occupation of Haiti and his suggestions for future policy, as well as manuscripts on Port Au Prince, and the Citadel and the Sans-Souci Palace. Several of the works also include photographs.
Physical location: Researchers should contact Special Collections to request collections, as many are stored offsite.
Repository: University of California, Davis. General Library. Dept. of Special Collections.
Davis, California 95616-5292
Collection number: MC006
Language of Material: Collection materials in English.
Biography
Harold Palmer Davis was born in Maine on May 21, 1878. He served as Secretary of the American Chamber of Commerce for Haiti and authored Black Democracy: the Story of Haiti and Gold Rush days in Nevada City.
Davis passed away on December 10, 1962.
Scope and Content
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Arrangement of the Collection
Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.
Davis, H. P. (Harold Palmer), b. 1878--Archives
Haiti--Pictorial works
Haiti--History
Haiti--Politics and government
Access
Collection is open for research.
Acquisition Information
Donated by Donald Davis in 1963.
Processing Information
Sara Gunasekara processed this collection and created and encoded this finding aid.
Preferred Citation
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Series 1. Works by Davis 1921-1934

Physical Description: 4 folders
Scope and Content Note
Contains three manuscript works and one published article by Davis.

Box MC006:1

Le Cap, San Souci, Citadel undated
Scope and Content Note
Contains photographs.

Box MC006:2

Haiti Memos 1921-1934
Scope and Content Note
Contains a memorandum by Davis with his thoughts on the American occupation of Haiti and his suggestions for future policy as well as correspondence about the memo from Carl Kelsey, Harold Knutson, and King Swope, among others. A statement to Davis, presumably from Louis Borno, former President of Haiti, is also included.

Box MC006:3

Our Spheres of Influence in the Caribean, published in the Literary Digest 1933 December 16

Box MC006:4

Port Au Prince undated
Scope and Content Note
Contains photographs.

Series 2. Correspondence 1957

Physical Description: 3 letters
Scope and Content Note
Contains three outgoing letters by Davis.
The manuscript, Haiti Memos, located in Series 1, contains incoming correspondence.

Box MC006:5

Draper, George 1957 June 19

Box MC006:6

Draper, George 1957 October 11

Box MC006:7

, Becky undated
Scope and Content Note
Copy of a steamer letter written by Davis to a friend who sailed on the maiden voyage of the S.S. "Haiti."

Series 3. About H.P. Davis and His Works 1933-1955

Physical Description: 5 folders

Box MC006:8

Black Democracy dust jacket 1936

Box MC006:9

Black Democracy reviews 1936

Box MC006:10

Books and Articles by H.P. Davis 1955

Box MC006:11-12

Clippings 1933

Series 4. Printed Material 1922-1930

Physical Description: 3 items
Scope and Content Note
Arranged alphabetically by title.

Box MC006:13

Inquiry into Occupation and Administration of Haiti and the Dominican Republic 1922

Box MC006:13

Report of the President’s Commission for the Study and Review of Conditions in the Republic of Haiti 1930 March 26

Box MC006:13

A Travellers’ Guide to the Republic of Haiti circa 1924-1925

Inventory of the H.P. Davis Papers on Haiti
Series 5. **Photographs undated**

Physical Description: 4 prints and 1 negative

Scope and Content Note

Photographs may also be found in the manuscripts in Series 1: Works by Davis.

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