# **Guide to the John Kirby Davis Papers**

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#### **Collection Overview**

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CALL NUMBER: MS 1616

CREATOR: Davis, John Kirby, 1901-

TITLE: John Kirby Davis papers

**DATES:** 1929-1933

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 0.25 linear feet (1 box)

LANGUAGE: English

**SUMMARY:** The papers consist of correspondence, letters of introduction, newspapers

clippings, and memorabilia of John Kirby Davis. The majority of the

correspondence is to family members and concerns personal matters and the

1929 Depression.

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f. folder

#### **Administrative Information**

#### **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

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#### **Preferred Citation**

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### Biographical / Historical

John Kirby Davis was born February 4, 1901, in Denver, Colorado. Before entering Yale, Davis attended St. Andrews. As a Yale student, he was a member of the Freshman Football Squad, and of the Varsity Football Squad in 1921 and 1922; a member of the Track Team in 1922; and was on the Freshman Wrestling Team. He won his "Y" in track.

From 1923 to 1928 Davis was associated with the American Optical Company, Southbridge, Massachusetts. In 1929 he joined Colonial Western Airways, Inc., as District Manager for Rochester, New York. In 1938 Davis was a Research Executive with Barrington Associations in New York City.

During the war Davis served as a Lieutenant in the Navy and was stationed for a time at the U.S. Naval Air Station, Lake City, Florida. In August, 1946, he was released to inactive duty.

Taken from: The Class of Nineteen Twenty-Three Yearbook and The Quarter Century Chronicle.

For additional biographical information, see reunion volumes for the class of 1923.

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b. 1, f. 3	Davis, Carl Raymond (father)  A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:beinecke.library@yale.edu">beinecke.library@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	1931-1933
b. 1, f. 4	Foreman, Eunice (Armstrong)  A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:beinecke.library@yale.edu">beinecke.library@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	1932, undated
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b. 1, f. 7	[Stower?], Peg (Mrs. M. B.) (aunt) English A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:beinecke.library@yale.edu">beinecke.library@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	1932, undated
b. 1, f. 8	Tolson, Lil  A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:beinecke.library@yale.edu">beinecke.library@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	1932-1933, undated
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b. 1, f. 12	Wells, Channing	1933, undated
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b. 1, f. 13	Wells, Ethel B. (Mrs. Albert)	1932-1933,
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b. 1, f. 14	Wells, George B. (cousin)	1932-1933,
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b. 1, f. 15	Unidentified	1931-1933, undated
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b. 1, f. 16	Newspaper clippings	1932, undated
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b. 1, f. 17	Student pilot permit and daily log	1929
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Depressions -- 1929 -- United States

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United States -- Social conditions -- 1918-1932

#### **Names**

Davis, John Kirby, 1901-

#### **Corporate Body**

Yale College (1887- ). Class of 1923