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**DAVIS, JAMES ORREN
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INTRODUCTION

This collection comprises clippings, copies of correspondence and photographs concerning James O. Davis, the first chief of the Tennessee Highway Patrol.

The materials in this collection measure approximately 50 items. There are no restrictions on the materials. Single photocopies of unpublished writings in the James Orren Davis Papers may be made for purposes of individual or scholarly research.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The James Orren Davis Papers, approximately 50 items, are composed of photographs, clippings and copies of correspondence. Most of the material concerns the Tennessee Highway Patrol during its infancy, ca. 1930-1932. Davis was the first chief of the Patrol which was created in 1929.

CONTAINER LIST

Box 1

1. Correspondence, complimentary, 1930-1932
2. Browning, Gordon. Telegram, sympathy, 1950
3. Editorial, *Milan Exchange*, 1930, "The Highway Patrol"
4. Clippings
5. Copies, Vanderbilt Commodore, 1911-1912 Freshman Class
6. Copies, Vanderbilt University alumni information
7. Negatives
8. Photographs
 1. James Orren Davis, ca. 1948
 2. James Orren Davis and sisters, ca. 1897
 3. Ruth Thweatt Davis, Mrs. Jamie Cummings, Sarah Charlton Davis
 4. J.O. Davis, hay baling, Hillsboro, Williamson Co., ca. 1912-1915
 5. Seniors and Faculty, Battle Ground Academy, 1922-1923
 6. Bedford Co. Courthouse, Big Brothers' Paper Sale, ca. 1929
 7. Highway Patrol, ca. 1930s
 8. Governor Horton, Charles McCabe, J.O. Davis, ca. 1930s
 9. Highway Patrol, ca. 1930s
 10. J.O. Davis, Davidson Co. Democratic Committee
 11. Tennessee Highway Patrol before the Capitol and War Memorial Building (oversize, Map Drawer No. 3)

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This is a name index of the correspondence written between 1930 and 1932 in which the Tennessee Highway Patrol is complimented on its courtesy and efficiency.

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Byrns, Joseph W., Jr.
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Dixon, W.T.
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Higgins, C.F.
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Keith, Walter
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