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THE TOM SWARTZ COLLECTION

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Tom Swartz (1904 – 1975)

Tom Swartz was a South African politician and a leader of the Coloured people.

Thomas Robert Schwartz was born in 1904 and grew up in Umtata in the Transkei. He was educated at St John's College and apprenticed in the printing trade as a compositor and linotype operator. He worked at the *Territorial News* in Umtata for 25 years.

He was active in Coloured People's National Union (CPNU) and was elected Vice President at the Conference in 1947. In 1953 he was one of the Coloured leaders who met with Dr DF Malan (Prime Minister), Dr TE Dönges and Mr Havenga on the question of the Coloured people's franchise.

Mr Swartz was nominated as a member of the Union Council for Coloured Affairs and appointed its first chairman in 1959.

The Federal Coloured People's Party (FCPP) was formed in 1964. Mr Swartz was elected as the first president. He remained the party leader until July 1975. After he had suffered a serious stroke in 1974, he could no longer play an active role in politics.

In 1968 the Coloured Persons' Representative Council (CRC) was established. Provision was made for 40 elected and 20 nominated members. The Council dealt with local government, education, community development, Coloured rural settlements, and the financing thereof. The FCPP lost the first elections in 1969. Mr Swartz was defeated in the Kasselsvlei constituency. The FCPP gained a majority in the House because the government filled the nominated seats with FCPP members and Mr Swartz was appointed Chairman of the Executive Management.

The Tom Swartz Collection (6.7 linear metres)

The collection consists of the private papers of Mr Swartz, including diaries, notes, political speeches, press statements as well as documents concerning the Federal Coloured People's Party (FCPP) and South African politics between 1960 and 1974.

The collection was donated to the Unisa Archives in November 1975 by Mr Peter Swartz, son of Mr Tom Swartz.

The inventory denotes the contents by box. Some groups of boxes have a heading, eg **CORRESPONDENCE** (Boxes 6-16) and boxes following such a group has been noted in bold to indicate that they do not form part of the previous group, eg **Box 17 University of the Western Cape**

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Box 1 Curriculum vitae

Diaries
Notes and drafts
Invoices, accounts, etc.

Box 2 Church matters:

Correspondence 1962-1972
Newsletters of the Church of the Province of SA

Box 3 Moral Re-Armament (MRA):

Correspondence 1971-1974
Circulars 1971-1974
Newsletters
International assembly, Pretoria Aug. 1974

Box 4 Action South and Southern Africa (ASASA)

Correspondence 1972-1973
Minutes 1972-1973
ASASA Trust, varia.

Democratic Party:
Broad principles 1973

Box 5 Telegrams of

Condolences
Congratulations
Greetings
Thanks

CORRESPONDENCE (Boxes 6-16)

Box 6	General Correspondence I	1962-1972
Box 7	General Correspondence II	1973-1975
Box 8	Administration of Coloured Affairs	27.7.1971 - 15.12.1971
Box 9	Administration of Coloured Affairs	9.11.1971 - 5.10.1972
Box 10	Administration of Coloured Affairs	19.9.1972 - 6.11.1974
Box 11	Coloured Persons Representative Council (CPRC) Chairman of the Executive	2.6.1969 - 27.4.1972
Box 12	Coloured Persons Representative Council (CPRC) MCPRC	3.11.1969 - 7.11.1973
Box 13	Correspondence and memoranda Minister for Coloured Affairs	1970-1973
Box 14	Correspondence and memoranda Various matters; SA junior Coloured cadets, Eoan Group, etc.	
Box 15	Education I (re school appointments)	1970-1974
Box 16	Education II (School committees, and other matters)	1963-1974

Box 17 University of the Western Cape	
Correspondence	
Advisory council	1970-1973
Memoranda, petitions from students	
Box 18 The Bailey institute for international studies.	1972
Papers read	1970
SPROCAS, Social Commission	1970-1974
SAIRR	
Box 19 Management, Committees and Ratepayers' Association	
also Voters roll Elsie's River	1972
Box 20 Housing, planning and development	
Box 21 Group areas	
Correspondence, memoranda re various areas	
FEDERAL COLOURED PEOPLE'S PARTY (Boxes 22-25)	
Box 22 Constitution and policy statements	
Correspondence	n.d. - 1974
Reports	1965-1972
Box 23 Federal Council meetings	1971
Caucus meetings	1970-1973
Cape and Transvaal Provincial Executive meetings	
1971-1972	
Provincial congresses	1968-1971
National congress	1967-1974
Box 24 Swartberg by-election	1974
Unity Talks	1972-1973
Bond affair	1972
Box 25 Unity Federal party newsletter	1970-1972
Tom Swartz's contributions in MS form	
Box 26 Labour party, and other political parties	
Box 27 Coloured Persons Representative Council	
Executive meetings	1969-1972
Box 28 Ministerial meetings	1972-1974
Meetings with Prime Minister	
Meetings with Minister of Coloured Affairs	
Box 29 Parliament of South Africa	
Souvenir of H MacMillan's visit	1960
Parliament of RSA - opening ceremonies	1970-1973
Volksraad	
Box 30 Commissioner of Coloured Affairs	
P L Gaum - speeches and interviews with T Swartz	1969-1972
Official visits to Coloured communities	1973
Box 31 Overseas visits	1971, 1974
Box 32 Invitations	Nov. 1969 - Jan. 1975

Box 33 Council for Coloured Affairs	1965-1969
22nd sitting 1965 - 38th sitting 1969	
Memoranda	
Spec minutes	1962-1967
Report	

COLOURED PERSONS REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (Boxes 34-42)

Box 34 General	
Standing orders	
Election	1969
Memoranda	
Recommendations	
Box 35 1st Session	Nov. 1969
2nd Session	Nov. 1976
Box 36 3rd Session	Aug / Sept. 1971
Box 37 4th Session I	Aug / Sept. 1972
Box 38 4th Session II	Aug / Sept. 1972
Box 39 5th Session I	Aug / Sept. 1973
Budget Debate	
Box 40 5th Session II	Aug / Sept. 1973
Box 41 6th Session	July 1974
Box 42 7th Session	Nov. 1974

SPEECHES (Boxes 43-46)

Box 43 Speeches I: Tom Swartz and others	Nov 1969 - Nov
1971	
Box 44 Speeches II: Tom Swartz (TS and holograph)	
Radiotalks	
Correspondence re speeches	
Box 45 Speeches III: Tom Swartz	
Provincial congress	21.6.1973
National conference	22.6.1973
(Cassette tapes with transcript)	
Box 46 Provincial congress	21 .6.1976 (sic)
(cont. cassette tapes)	

Box 47 Media
 Press statements
 Correspondence with newspapers

Box 48 Various organisations
 Circulars, agendas, reports, constitutions, etc. 1972 – 1974

Box 49 Newsletters, pamphlets, magazines, government gazettes

Box 50 W J Bergins. M.Ed - dissertation on housing - education (signed)

NEWSPAPER CUTTINGS (Boxes 51-67)

Box 51 Newspaper cuttings, collected by Tom Swartz and photocopied (for CPRC)

Box 52 Visit of President Banda 1971
Visit of Congressman Diggs 1971
Sonny Leon
University of Western Cape

Boxes 53 – 67

(includes cuttings about coloured politics, housing, education, health, group areas act)

Box 53	1960 – 1965	1960 – 1965
Box 54	1966 – 1969	1966 – 1969
Box 55	End of 1969 – 1970	End of 1969 – 1970
Box 56	Jan. 1971 - June 1971	Jan. 1971 - June 1971
Box 57	July 1971	July, 1971
Box 58	Aug - Dec 1971	Aug - Dec 1971
Box 59	Jan - Sept 1972	Jan - Sept 1972
Box 60	October 1972 - March 1973	October 1972 - March 1973
Box 61	April - June 1973	April - June 1973
Box 62	July - December 1973	July - December 1973
Box 63	January - April 1974	January - April 1974
Box 64	May, June 1974	May, June 1974
Box 65	July 1974	July 1974
Box 66	August, September 1974	August, September 1974
Box 67	October 1974 - Jan 1975	October 1974 - Jan 1975

Photographs

The photographs consist of negatives, mounted photographs, and framed photographs

1	African People's Organisation (APO) General Conference City Hall, Easter	1923
	All individuals on photograph identified (framed)	
2	Coloured Persons' Representatives (framed)	1966
3	Coloured Persons' Representative Council, with State President Fouche	ca1970
4	Mr Swartz with State President Fouche (mounted)	ca1970
5	Mr Swartz greeting State President Fouche (mounted)	ca1970
6	Mr Swartz with State President Fouche (framed)	ca1970
7	Mr Swartz acting as spokesperson for the Coloured Representative Council (m)	ca1970
8	6 negatives; fotos about an event and Mr Swartz addressing the crowd	nd