

P.197 Papers of Sir Hermann Black and Lady Joyce Black, 1904-1999

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Biographical History of Sir Hermann David Black:

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Fellow of Senate: 1949-1990

Deputy Chancellor: 1969-1970

Chancellor: 1970-1990

Sir Hermann David Black was educated at Fort Street Boys High School. He attended the University of Sydney and graduated as Bachelor of Economics in 1927 with First Class Honours and the University Medal. In the same year he was awarded the Jones Medal as the best graduate and gained a Master of Economics degree in 1937, again with First Class Honours.

In 1933, Black was appointed to the Faculty of Economics as Assistant Lecturer, and became Lecturer in 1935-44 and Senior Lecturer until 1969. From 1936-38, Hermann Black was in the United States as a Rockefeller Research Fellow in the Social Sciences, working mainly at Harvard University.

Black became an Economic Adviser to the New South Wales Treasury, while continuing his work as a Lecturer at the University of Sydney. Throughout the Second World War, he remained an Economic Adviser reporting on such matters as uniform taxation and loan raising for post-war graduates. In 1951 Hermann Black again visited the United States under the support of the State Department, to study the formation of American foreign and economic policy. He met many leaders of American Government, business and education.

In 1969, he was elected Deputy Chancellor of the University and in 1970, he was elected Chancellor, serving in the position until his death in 1990.

In 1974 Hermann Black was made a Knight Bachelor and in 1986 received the award of Companion of the Order of Australia (AC) for 'service to learning, to education and public affairs'. His many honorary positions included Patron of the University of Sydney Union, Member of the Board of Royal Prince Alfred Hospital (1970-85); Chairman, Board of the Australian Tax Research Foundation, Trustee of the Sir Zelman Cowen Australian Universities Trust (from 1982); Founder and Patron (from 1977) of the University of Sydney Chancellor's Committee and Chairman of the Australian Archaeological Institute in Athens.

From <http://www.usyd.edu.au/senate/history/Black.shtml>

For additional biographical details of Sir Hermann Black, please see the following:
<http://www.usyd.edu.au/senate/committees/BlackH.shtml>

B. H. Fletcher, 'Black, Sir Hermann David (1904 - 1990)', *Australian Dictionary of Biography*, Volume 17, [Melbourne University Press](#), ????, pp 104-106.

Date of Birth: 15 November 1904, Dulwich Hill Sydney

Died: 28 February 1990

Married:

1. 29 December 1928 Katrina Mary Heyde
2. 1963 Joyce Ritchie

Family:

Younger son of Melbourne-born parents John Niven Black, an accountant of Scottish origin, and his wife Adele Otilie, née Püttmann, granddaughter of Hermann Püttmann.

Education:

1918-1922 Fort Street Boys High School

1923 Entered University of Sydney

1927 Graduated BEc, First Class Honours, University Medal, and the Jones Medal (for the best graduate becoming a teacher)

1937 Mec (Hons I)

Career:

1927 Parkes Intermediate High School and then postings to Nowra and Randwick Boys' Intermediate High schools followed.

1932 Acting Lecturer, Faculty of Economics, University of Sydney

1933 Assistant Lecturer, Faculty of Economics, University of Sydney

1935 Lecturer, Faculty of Economics, University of Sydney

1936 to 1938 Rockefeller Research Fellow in the Social Sciences, USA (mainly at Harvard University)

1939 to 1945 Economic Adviser to the NSW Treasury

1944 to 1969 Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Economics, University of Sydney

1949 to 1990 Fellow of Senate of the University of Sydney

1956 Acting Professor of Economics, University of Sydney and Acting Dean of the Faculty of Economics

1965 to 1989 Part-time Lecturer, Faculty of Arts, University of Sydney

15 November 1969 Retired from academic staff of the University of Sydney

16 November 1969 Appointed Temporary Senior Lecturer in Economics, University of Sydney

1 December 1969 Deputy Chancellor, University of Sydney

1 January 1970 Senior Fellow in Economics

4 May 1970 to 28 February 1990 Chancellor of the University of Sydney

1938 to 1989 "Notes on the News", ABC radio

1951 Guest of the United States Government under the auspices of the State Department to study the formation of American Foreign and Economic Policy

1951 to 1958 Editor, Australian Outlook, journal of the Australian Institute of International Affairs [after this on the Editorial Board of this journal]

1959 Delegate to 6th Unofficial Commonwealth Relations Conference of the Institute of International Affairs in New Zealand

1971 Hon.DLitt (University of Newcastle)

1974 Knighted

1982 Rotary Vocational Service Award

1986 AC (Companion of the Order of Australia)
1988 Hon. Doctor of the University (University of New England)
20 December 1989 Hon. Doctor of the University (Usyd)
President, Australian Institution of International Affairs
Chairman, University Extension Board,
Joint Committee for Tutorial Classes
President, Economics Society of Australia & New Zealand (NSW branch)
President, Oriental Society of Australia

Honorary Positions:

1960 - Member, Committee of the Australian Productivity Council
1970 to 1985 Member, Board of Royal Prince Alfred Hospital
198-? Chair of Board, Tax Research Foundation
From 1982 Trustee, Sir Zelman Cowan Australian Universities Trust
From 1977 Founder and Patron, University of Sydney Chancellors Committee
Chairman, Australian Archaeological Institute at Athens
Patron, University of Sydney Union
Honorary Member, Rotary Club of South Sydney

Sir Hermann Black's private funeral service was held on 5 March 1990, and a Memorial Ceremony was held in the Great Hall, University of Sydney on 23 March 1990.

It is estimated that he graduated over 60,000 students during his time as Chancellor, at that time approximately half of all the graduates of the University.

Biographical History of Edith Joyce Black:

Edith Joyce Black was born on 24 October 1918 at South Ashfield to Herbert Alexander Ritchie and Sophia Lockhart Ritchie (nee Hair). Joyce was educated at Hornsby Girls' high School 1931-1935. She won an exhibition to the University of Sydney where she graduated BA in 1939. While at University she studied the piano and organ at the NSW Conservatorium of Music concurrently with her university studies. As a student she gave performances on the university Carillon and organ in particular, gaining public recognition when she gave her first organ recital in the Great hall of the University of Sydney. During graduation ceremonies Joyce Ritchie deputised for the organist and was appointed Assistant Honorary carillonist. In 1938 she won the Busby Musical scholarship.

After graduating she studied full time at the Conservatorium. She studied piano with Frank Hutchens, organ with Faunce Allman and cello with Osric Fyfe. She obtained the Licentiate of the Royal school of Music (LRSM) and was advised that she had won the award of a scholarship to the Royal College of Organists (for two to four years) for the best performance on any instrument at the 1940 Licentiate examination. Because of the war she was unable to travel to London and by 1948 her family circumstances and finances precluded her from accepting the scholarship. From 1939 to 1945, Joyce was a regular performer on ABC radio on the university organ.

In 1941 Joyce joined the staff of the Department of economics as secretary, where she met Sir Hermann. In 1946 she was appointed to the staff of the Presbyterian ladies College, Pymble as teacher of the piano and established the school orchestra, which

performed successfully on the North Shore and at the Conservatorium of Music. In 1950 she became secretary of the NSW branch of the Australian Institute of International Affairs and was responsible for organising the NSW programmes of such lectures as Lord Russell, Professor Julian Huxby and others.

Joyce and Sir Hermann were married in 1963. As Sir Hermann's wife, Joyce gave immense support to him in his duties as Chancellor. She assisted him overseas on behalf of the Science Foundation for Physics meeting students from the UK, Japan and the United States. She also attended every graduation ceremony for the 20 years of her husband's chancellorship and applauded every graduate. In 1977, along with Kath O'Neil, Joyce initiated the establishment of the Chancellor's Committee which raised funds for University projects for which funding from normal sources is not available. In 1986 she began the annual Bookfest then held in the Stephen Roberts Theatre.

She was a foundation member of the Committee of the Arts Association, life member of the national Trust, member of the Australian Federation of University Women, member and patroness of the Women's group, Publicity officer and patroness of the University settlement. Joyce also served for nearly twenty years as a member of the Meals on Wheels team in Newtown and Waterloo. Joyce was made an Honorary Fellow of the University in 1986 and an Honorary Fellow of Sancta Sophia in 1990. In 1999 a Convocation Dinner was given in her honour.

Joyce Black died on February 19 2009.

See the following links for more information:

<http://www.usyd.edu.au/alumni/about/vales/j-black.shtml>

http://www.usyd.edu.au/senate/documents/Other/Memorial_Black.pdf

http://www.usyd.edu.au/senate/documents/Speeches/Eulogy_Black.pdf

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20	Addresses and articles by others	1933-1984
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25	Joyce Black's personal papers	1929-1999

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Series 1: Correspondence

Date Range: 1966-1990

Accession No: 1435, 1875

Quantity: 0.9

Series Description:

This series relates mostly to Hermann Black's period as Chancellor of the University of Sydney (1970-1990). It covers the range of his duties and interests as Chancellor and contains a mix of personal letters and official correspondence received and sent in his role as Chancellor. The correspondence, consisting mostly but not exclusively of letters received by Black, has been organised into chronological folders. Other folders have been created for correspondence relating to University policy and governance. Correspondents include politicians, Governors and Governors-General, academic staff from the University, parents of graduates, organisations which had invited Black to open buildings, friends and acquaintances in Australia and overseas.

Box 1

Item number	Item title	Start date	End date
1	Correspondence	1970	1971
2	Correspondence	1972	1974
3	Correspondence	1975	1976
4	Correspondence	1977	1978
5	Correspondence	1979	1980
6	Correspondence	1981	1982
7	Correspondence	1983	1984
8	Correspondence	1985	1989

Box 2

9	Correspondence received by Sir Hermann Black	1970	1983
10	Correspondence relating to university amalgamations and the composition of the University of Sydney Senate	1986	1989
11	Correspondence relating to university industrial matters and academic salaries	1970	1984
12	Letters of thanks and appreciation	1966	1979

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Box 3

13	Letters of thanks and appreciation	1980	1984
14	Letters of thanks and appreciation	1985	1986
15	Letters of thanks and appreciation	1987	1990
16	General correspondence	1932	1949
17	General correspondence	1950	1959
18	General correspondence	1960	1970
19	General correspondence	1971	1976

Box 4

20	General correspondence	1977	1979
21	General correspondence	1980	1983
22	General correspondence	1984	1985
23	General Correspondence	1986	1987
24	General Correspondence	1988	1990
25	Letters from overseas students including Royal Institution Australian Science Scholars	1972	1975

Box 5

26	Sundry papers on university government and administration & appointment of senior administrative positions	1978	1982
27	Academic Self-Government	1975	1977
28	Sundry USA papers & others; Academic freedom & discipline	1966	1979
29	Appointment of Vice-Chancellor	1981	
30	Death of Sir Charles McDonald	1970	
31	Letters of congratulation on election as Chancellor and successive re-elections [a]	1970	1988
32	Letters of congratulation on election as Chancellor and successive re-elections [b]	1970	1988
33	Letters to Sir Hermann on various subjects	1927	1980

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Series 2: Student notes, University of Sydney

Date range: 1924-1927

Accession No: 1435

Quantity: 0.15

Series Description:

This series consists of quarto notebooks containing notes taken by Hermann Black as an Economics undergraduate student at the University of Sydney. Two of the notebooks are for philosophy subjects, while the other two are for economics subjects. These are the earliest examples of his notetaking practice. Black was to be a prolific notetaker during his career as a student, lecturer and public intellectual. This series also contains a typescript essay in public administration submitted by Black as an Economics IV student. Item 1 has been partly damaged by fire and the front cover is missing.

Box 6

Item number	Item title	Start date	End date
1	Lecture notebook Economics I	1924	1924
2	Lecture notebook Economics II Distinction	1924	1924
3	Lecture notebook Ancient Philosophy	1925	1925
4	Lecture notebook Philosophy II	1925	1925
5	Essay – “The types of authorities for administering state and municipal enterprises and the powers they possess”	1927	1927

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Series 3: Master of Economics thesis

Date range: 1936

Accession No: 1435

Quantity: 0.05

Series Description:

This series consists of a typescript copy of Hermann Black's Master of Economics thesis. The thesis itself was in two parts - 1. Notes on Some Selected Aspects of Economic Science and 2. China as a Possible Market for Australian Production. In addition to the typescript, there are two printed copies of a monograph of the second part of the thesis, the part dealing with China.

Box 6

Item number	Item title	Start date	End date
1	Master of Economics Thesis (second copy) A thesis in two parts: 1. Notes on Some Selected Aspects of Economic Science 2. China as a Possible Market for Australian Production	1936	1936
2	China as a Possible Market for Australian Production; Printed copy of Part 2 of M Ec thesis. 310 pp. Includes map of China	n.d.	
3	China as a Possible Market for Australian Production; Copy of item 2	n.d.	

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Series 4: Student notes, USA

Series date range: 1936-1950

Accession No: 1435

Quantity: 0.6

Series description:

This series consists largely of loose-leaf notebooks containing lecture notes taken by Black while a Rockefeller Fellow at Harvard 1936-37 and Chicago 1937-38. His lecturers included Joseph Schumpeter, OH Taylor and FH Knight. Other notebooks and folders contain Black's observations on some of the academics he met and material relating to his social activities in the USA, such as theatre-going. There is also printed material such as reading lists and some correspondence, in particular concerning the Rockefeller fellowship held by Black.

Box 7

Item number	Item title	Start date	End date
1	Notes and data collected for book on What are economists talking about?	1936	1936
2	Notes from lectures by OH Taylor	1936	1937
3	Notes from lectures by Joseph Schumpeter	1936	1937
4	Notes from lectures by Joseph Schumpeter	1937	1937
5	Notes re plays, meetings and observations re USA	1936	1937

Box 8

6	Monopolistic capitalism; notes from lectures by Chamberlin; notes from printed sources	n.d.	n.d.
7	Notes from lectures by Haberler, Williams and Taylor	1937	1937
8	Notes from lectures by Talcott Parsons, FH Knight	1937	1937
9	General notes; notes from lectures by Schumpeter, Haberler	1937	1937
10	Lecture notes, mainly from lectures by Knight	1937	1937

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Box 9

Item number	Item title	Start date	End date
11	Student notes – loose folios from other notebooks	1937	1937
12	Notes on economics – handwritten and typed	c1937	c1937
13	Rockefeller Fellowships	1936	1938
14	Edward Huntington	1937	1937
15	Sundries Harvard	c1935	1937
16	Folder labelled “Preliminary Work for MEc Thesis? or Lecture Notes?”	n.d.	
17	F H Knight – reprints	c1934	1936
18	Article re Schumpeter and Keynes by Peter McCord Wright	1950	1950
19	Harvard reading list in American History	June 1937	June 1937

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Series 5: Lectures

Date range: 1933-1989

Accession No: 1435

Quantity: 0.6

Series description:

This series consists of handwritten and some typescript notes for lectures delivered by Hermann Black. Some of these lectures were given to Economics students prior to his period in the USA 1936-1938. Most of the later notes are for lectures he gave to adult education students at the University. The series also contains notes by WS Griffin, a student of Black's in 1936 (first year) and 1939 (fourth year).

Box 10

Item number	Item title	Start date	End date
1	Economics I notes volume I pages 1-199 (notes to Economics I students at the University of Sydney)	1933	1933
2	Economics I vol 2 pages 200-436	1933	1933
3	Economics I vol 3 pages 437-626	1933	1933
4	Lecture notes	1938	1988

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5	Lecture notes	1936	1962
6	Student notes – Economics I 1 st year degree course – WS Griffin	1936	1936
7	Student notes – Economics IV 4th year degree course – WS Griffin	1939	1939
8	Lecture notes	1979	1989

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9	Lecture notes	1941	1985
10	Lectures	1965	1987
11	Lectures and notes c1970-1984 with notes on European Economic Community c1964-1965	1964	1984

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Series 6: ABC broadcasts and related correspondence

Date range: 1932-1983

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Quantity: 0.4

Series Description:

This series consists of transcripts of broadcasts made by Black for the Australian Broadcasting Commission. It includes printed transcripts of broadcasts made in 1945 concerning the atomic bomb and others relating the post-war world, dealing with subjects such as the standard of living and the future of universities. It also contains letters sent to Black by members of the public in response to his broadcasts and one folder of correspondence dated 1932 concerning the broadcasting of university extension lectures, with which Black was also involved.

Box 13

Item number	Item title	Start date	End date
1	Printed transcripts of broadcasts by Black	1945	1952
2	Broadcasts	n.d.	
3	Broadcasts	1939	1939
4	Broadcasts	1940	1940
5	Broadcasts	1941	1941
6	Broadcasts	1942	1942
7	Broadcasts	1944	1944
8	Broadcasts	1945	1954
9	Broadcasts	1955	1964
10	Broadcasts	1973	1973
11	Broadcasts	1980	1980

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12	Broadcasts	1981	1981
13	Broadcasts	1982	1983
14	Interview with HD Black for broadcast on ABC Radio (interviewer: Catherine Johnson)	n.d.	
15	Letters of thanks and appreciation re ABC broadcasts	1940	1956
16	Letters of thanks and appreciation, many re his ABC broadcasts	1960	1983
17	Correspondence re broadcasting University Extension Board lectures	1932	1932
18	Broadcasts and related correspondence	1939	1940
19	Printed material re broadcasting	1928	1950

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Series 7: World War II economic adviser

Date range: 1939-1945 (1938-1949)

Accession No: 1435

Quantity: 0.35

Series Description:

Hermann Black served as an economic adviser to both the New South Wales and Commonwealth Governments during World War II. This series consists chiefly of published reports and submissions, with some reports and correspondence concerning economic and industrial policy in World War II. Topics covered include banking, refugee policy, employment and decentralisation. This series also contains copies of cables from the Agent General for NSW in London to the Premier concerning the outbreak of World War II.

Box 14

Item number	Item title	Start date	End date
1	Correspondence and memoranda	1939	1944
2	Development of the Port of the Clarence. Report of the Development and Information Bureau	May 1941	1941
3	Report on Decentralisation by the Decentralisation Advisory Ctee	n.d.	n.d.

Box 15

4	Report of the Committee on Uniform Taxation. Memo to Premier McKell	17 April 1942	17 April 1942
5	Real Costs of War – a paper	n.d.	n.d.
6	A Memorandum of Impressions of the Administrative Organisation for Decentralisation in Queensland – submitted to the Minister for Labour & Industry by Black	n.d.	n.d.
7	Exchange of correspondence between the NSW Premier & Prime Minister Menzies regarding the introduction of a shorter working week	June 1939	July 1939
8	Memorandum to Premier Mair re the nation's economy	4 Sept 1939	4 Sept 1939
9	Labour Service for Young Persons in Poland	c.1938	c.1938
10	Report by Employment Council on the Question of the Desirability of Establishing in Industry a Principle of Equal Pay for Equal Work for Both Sexes	1939	1939
11	Report of Vocational Guidance Survey of Unemployed Young Men	1938	1938
12	Papers relating to Proposed Forestry Unemployed Relief Works and Camp Training for Unemployed Young Men	22 June 1939	22 June 1939

13	The Land Utilization Program. Resettlement Administration, Division of Information	n.d.	n.d.
14	Civilian Construction Corps – paper from US Monthly Labor Review; associated papers re labour camps in US, Canada & South Africa	Apr 1938	Apr 1938
15	Complementarity, Chapt III “Value & Capital” – a comment by J R Hicks	n.d.	n.d.
16	Memorandum to Premier McKell re the Organisation of an Economic Service to the Govt of NSW – by Black	n.d.	n.d.
17	Publication of A Military Survey of the British Empire, prepared by Army HQ General Staff (Intelligence), Aust Military Forces	June 1949	June 1949
18	Australia. Loan Council – Agenda for the Forty-third meeting in Canberra	20 June 1939	20 June 1939
19	Draft minutes of Research & Coordination Advisory Ctee	21 Dec 1943	21 Dec 1943
20	Current Economic Review	9 May 1940	9 May 1940
21	Decisions of Cabinet (NSW)	5 Sept 1939	13 Sept 1939
22	Papers of Loan Council	1939	1940
23	Comments by Premier of NSW on letters from Chairman of Commonwealth Bank Board. Item 7a of Loan Council Agenda	Mar 1939	Mar 1939
24	NSW Railway Financial Position	1938	1939
25	Loan Council papers	June 1939	June 1939
26	Speech for Prime Minister, Premiers’ Conference	31 Mar 1939	31 Mar 1939
27	Commonwealth Bank Board’s Memorandum on Commonwealth Bank & Finance for Defence. Further related correspondence	Mar 1939	Mar 1939
28	NSW Case for Application for Increase in Deficit Finance	1938	1939
29	External News Digest. News on policy in US, UK and? Germany	July 1939	July 1939
30	Refugee Immigrants	20 Feb 1939	20 Feb 1939
31	Constitutional Reform	1938	1939
32	Standing Ctee on Employment & Unemployment. Minutes	Jun 1939	July 1939
33	Illabo Shire Post War Proposals	n.d.	n.d.
34	British Orphans Adoption Scheme	15 Oct 1939	15 Oct 1939
35	Events in Belgium	10-12 May	25 Nov 1940
36	Youth Welfare Bulletin	3 Sept 1941	3 Sept 1941
37	Employment Research Ctee Bulletin no 8	22 Sept	22 Sept

		1941	1941
38	Financial Statement (Budget Speech for Financial Year 1941-42) Delivered by Premier McKell	16 Sept 1941	16 Sept 1941
39	Public & Private Investment in Australia – paper by Dr Roland Wilson Cwealth Statistician & Econ Adviser to the Treasurer, Canberra	Jan 1939	Jan 1939
40	Development & Information Bureau. Minutes of meeting	6 Aug 1940	6 Aug 1940
41	Untitled paper regarding employment	n.d.	n.d.
42	A Suggested National Minimum of Money Income	6 Dec 1940	6 Dec 1940
43	Raising the School Age	Nov 1940	Nov 1940
44	Paper re Juvenile Wages	n.d.	n.d.
45	Dumping Duty	n.d.	n.d.
46	Development of Industry, Railway Freights	10 Sept 1941	10 Sept 1941
47	Cables from Agent General re acceleration of hostilities towards WWII	Aug 1939	Aug 1939
48	The Tasks of War	n.d. (1939?)	n.d. (1939?)
49	Defence Expenditure	c1940	c1940
50	Memo to the Premier re “refugee migrants”	14 July 1939	14 July 1939
51	NSW The Drift in Revenues 1938-39 and Outlook 1939-40. A paper	n.d.	n.d.
52	The Refugee Position in NSW	28 Jul 1939	19 Dec 1939
53	Broadcast by the Premier on Taxation	n.d.	n.d.
54	Paper – Planning Ahead	n.d.	n.d.
55	Memo to Mr Mair. Some remarks on recent control of imports into Australia	17 Jan 1940	17 Jan 1940
56	Notes for the Premier’s Use at opening of Holbrook Show	23 Sept 1939	23 Sept 1939
57	Some Economic & Financial Implications of Defence Planning	18 Oct 1938	18 Oct 1938
58	Wartime Finance	3 Oct 1939	3 Oct 1939
59	Refugee Immigrants	24 Feb 1939	29 May 1939

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60	Commonwealth Bureau of Census and Statistics. Finance Bulletin no 29, Summary of Financial Statistics 1927-28 to 1937-38	1938	1938
61	New South Wales. Industrial Commission. Report. Management, Control and Operation of Chain Stores in New South Wales	1939	1939
62	Reports and correspondence relating to employment, unemployment, sugar industry and other economic matters (NSW Employment Council)	1938	1942
63	Carbon copy of draft report of NSW Decentralisation Ctee	c1944	c1944
64	War-related documents	1938	1941

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Series 8: Subject files
Date range: 1957-1991

Accession No: 1435
Quantity: 0.30

Series description:

This series consists of files maintained by Sir Hermann Black on a range of subjects of particular interest to him, notably the Common Market in Europe and taxation reform in Australia.

Box 16

Item number	Item title	Start date	End date
1	Material relating to trade, the EEC, EFTA and external affairs	1957	1965
2	Notes on the Common Market	1959	1965
3	1966 Study Common Market. Study Leave.	1965	1966

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4	Taxation Institute	1977	1978
5	Taxation (publications)	1980	1990
6	Papers relating to the Australian Tax Research Foundation	1982	1986
7	Research Institute for the Asia-Pacific. The Sir Hermann Black lectures	1987	1991
8	Aboriginal Education. The Bernard van Leer Foundation Education Project	c.1969	
9	Administrative Staff College Mt Eliza Melbourne	n.d.	
10	Road Transport	1960	1962

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Series 9: Addresses 1932-1989

Date range: 1932-1989

Accession No: 1435

Quantity: 0.7

Series description:

This series consists of written versions of addresses given by Sir Hermann Black at graduations and other University occasions and non-University events. Black was a noted orator and carefully prepared for his speaking engagements. Most of the addresses are handwritten, but some are typed and some of these have corrections and annotations. The series also includes handwritten speech notes for graduations and after dinner speeches, notes for public lectures and a copy of the edition of Black's addresses eventually published by the Chancellor's Committee in 1996.

Box 18

Item number	Item title	Start date	End date
1	Graduation ceremonies [1]	1971	1989
2	Graduation ceremonies [2]	1971	1989
3	University. Openings. Speeches. Schools, Depts etc.	1970	1988
4	Addresses to Foundations	c1976	1986
5	Postgraduate Committee in Medicine	1970	1984
6	Standing Committee of Convocation	1976	1982
7	Chancellor's Committee	1977	
8	Welcome to new students	1971	1989
9	Early papers, addresses meant for publication	c1940	c1970
10	Pre-Chancellorship	c1964	1968

Box 19

11	Graduation ceremonies other universities and universities	1971	1985
12	Funeral occasions	1971	1989
13	Already published	1932	1977
14	Commonwealth Universities Conference and AVCC	1971	1973
15	Various non-University after dinner speeches (one pre-76 at Fort Street with some personal recollections)	1975	1987
16	Non-University chronological	1970	1980
17	Non-University chronological	1980	1989

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18	Non-university no date	n.d.	
19	Miscellanea	1971	1989
20	Incomplete	n.d.	
21	To be traced	n.d.	
22	Draft corrected text for book of Hermann Black's speeches	n.d.	
23	Sir Hermann Black's Graduation Addresses (published selection)	1996	
24	The Communicative-Learner Reflections on Lecturing in a University, the University of New England	1984	
25	Silver Jubilee Oration, the University of New England	1979	

Box 21

26	Graduations (speaking notes)	1972	1981
27	University occasions (speaking notes)	nd	
28	Various non-University after dinner speeches	nd	
29	Public lectures	1975	1977
30	Course notes by Black for Bankers Overseas Trade Course and similar courses	1960	1980

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Series 10: Conferences
Date Range: 1951-1978

Accession No: 1435

Quantity: 0.4

Series Description:

These records relate to significant conferences attended by Hermann Black, some overseas and some local. They consist of printed conference agendas and proceedings, including papers by Black, as well as Black's handwritten notes for some conferences.

Box 22

Item number	Item title	Start date	End date
1	Papers relating to the British Commonwealth Relations Conference, Palmerston North, New Zealand	1959	
2	Notes and information bulletins	1959	1960
3	Sixth International Commonwealth Relations Conference (conference papers and notes)	1959	1960

Box 23

4	Background memoranda for participants in the American Assembly, with handwritten notes	1951	
5	The American Assembly Workbook (printed publication and loose notes)	1951	
6	New Zealand Association of Economists	1961	
7	ANZAAS Conference	1962	
8	Pacific Area Travel Association	1963	1964
9	Retail Traders' Association of NSW	1960	
10	University Economists (part of first page is missing)	1956	
11	Twelfth Australian Canning Association	1969	
12	Building Science Forum of Australia NSW Division	1974	
13	12 th Commonwealth Universities Congress	1978	

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Series 11: Travel diaries & Passports

Date range: 1951-1983

Accession No: 1435, 1875

Quantity: 0.4

Series Description:

The notebooks in this series contain Black's observations of his experiences when travelling. The series also has Black and Lady Black's many passports over the years.

Box 24

Item title	Start date	End date
Notebook – visit to USA (April-August 1951 as guest of US government) volume 1 – pensées	1951	1951
Notebook – visit to USA (April-August 1951 as guest of US government) volume 2 – intime	1951	1951
Travel diary – overseas visit to London for Science Foundation for Physics	1971	1971
Travel diary – overseas visit to Washington, London & Tokyo for Science Foundation for Physics	1972	1972
Travel diary – overseas visit on behalf of the Science Foundation for Physics, and a meeting in Edinburgh of the Association of Universities of the Commonwealth	1973	1973
Overseas trip	1975	1975
Science Foundation tour	1974	1974
Overseas tour (two notebooks tied together)	1978	1978

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Travel diary – Sydney-Europe-States Within book 3 there is another travel diary Rimini-Heraklion	1965	1965
Passports	1936	1983

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Series 12: Desk diaries

Date range: 1970-1990

Accession No: 1435, 1875

Quantity: 0.6

Series Description:

Sir Hermann Black used Penfold's foolscap diaries to record his appointments as Chancellor. He also used the cash account pages for recording some of his expenditure. Their comprehensiveness makes them a potentially useful source for checking the date of events at the University, as well as confirming his busy and "connected" life.

Box 25 1970-1977

Box 26 1978-1985

Box 41 1986-1990

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Series 13: Honours and awards

Date range: 1971-1990

Accession No: 1435

Quantity: 0.7

Series Description:

This series contains correspondence concerning the official honours received by Hermann Black – his knighthood in 1974 and his Companion of the Order of Australia (AC) in 1986. It also contains documentation relating to his honorary doctorates from the University of Newcastle and the University of New England, together with letters relating to his honorary doctorate from the University in December 1989. There are also presentation certificates and similar items acknowledging Black's contributions to other non-University organisations.

Box 27

Item number	Item title	Start date	End date
1	Letters of congratulation on the conferring of AC, Companion of Australia in the General Division of the Order of Australia on 4 June 1986	1986	1986
2	Letters relating to Sir Hermann Black's knighthood	1974	1974
3	Letters relating to Sir Hermann Black's knighthood	1974	1974
4	Letters relating to Sir Hermann Black's knighthood	1974	1975
5	Investiture as a Companion of the Order of Australia (includes related printer information on awards and insignia)	1984	1986

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6	Paul Harris Fellow	n.d.	
7	Hon D.Litt University of Newcastle	1971	
8	Life Underwriters' Association of Australia	1984	
9	Australian College of Education	1988	
10	Honorary Doctorate, University of Sydney	1989	
11	Letters re honorary doctorate of the University of Sydney bestowed upon Chancellor Sir Hermann Black 20 December 1989	1989	1990

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Box 40

Item title	Start date	End date
Various educational and honorary certificates	1927	1988
Photographs of Sir Hermann with various graduating classes	1970	1984

Box 43

Various awards and certificates for Joyce Ritchie including her High School Leaving certificate, music awards and, her BA degree	1932	1988
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Series 14: Death
Date range: 1990

Accession No: 1435
Quantity: 0.15

Series Description:

This series consists of one folder relating to the death, funeral and memorial service for Sir Hermann Black in February-March 1990 and four folders of letters of condolence written to Lady Black.

Box 28

Item number	Item title	Start date	End date
1	Death (including tributes, obituaries, funeral and memorial service)	1990	
2	Condolences 1	1990	
3	Condolences 2	1990	

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4	Condolences 3	1990	
5	Condolences 4	1990	

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Series 15: Poems

Date range: 1921-1989

Accession No: 1435

Quantity: 0.01

Series Description:

This single folder contains handwritten and typed poems by Hermann Black, from his teenage years up until a few months before his death. There is also a play “The Witch of En-dor”, written while he was a student at Fort St Boys High School. Some of the poems concern cats, while others relate to the physical environment or events and occasions in which Black participated.

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Series16: Press cuttings

Date Range: 1930-1993

Accession No: 1435

Quantity: 0.25

Series Description:

This series consists of press cuttings collected by Hermann Black. Some of the cuttings are in chronological files, while others relate closely to particular topics. The topics include his role as Chancellor, economic debates, education, immigration, the rise of Nazism, the Common Market and the Tax Summit, 1985.

Box 29

Item number	Item title	Start date	End date
1	Press cuttings	c.1930	1949
2	Press cuttings	1950	1959
3	Press cuttings	1960	1969
4	Press cuttings	1970	1979
5	Press cuttings	1980	1993
6	Press cuttings	n.d.	n.d

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7	Press clippings, mostly relating to the Loan Council	1939	1940
8	Press clippings mostly re Common Market	1962	1962
9	Tax Summit 1985. Newsclippings	July 1985	July 1985
10	Press cuttings of articles by or about H D Black	1953	1981
11	<i>Financial Times</i> special report re the Common Market 7 Nov 1960	1960	

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Series 17: Family

Date range: 1859-1988

Accession No: 1435

Quantity: 0.4

Series description:

This series consists mainly of printed and manuscript material relating to Hermann Black's early life, school education and the history of the Püttmann family.

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Item number	Item title	Start date	End date
1	Püttmann family	c. 1975	c.1981
2	McCarron Bird centenary	1972	
3	Hermann David Black Personal file no 1	c.1937	c.1988
4	Hermann David Black Personal file no 2	c.1906	c.1988

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5	Hermann Püttmann (Hermann Black's great-grandfather) <i>Deutsche Monatschrift</i> vol 1 1859 (in German)	1859	
6	Hermann Wilhelm Püttmann <i>In der Fremde</i> (poems in English and German)	1906	
7	Fort Street Boys' High School	1918	c.1975
8	Autograph book	1922	
9	Fort Street publications	1957	1985
10	<i>The German Connection: Sesquicentenary Essays on German-Victorian Crosscurrents 1835-1985</i>	1985	

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Series 18: Personal correspondence

Date range: 1937-1971

Accession No: 1435

Quantity: 0.2

Series Description:

This series consists mainly of letters from Hermann to Joyce, but there are some from Joyce to Hermann and a few from or to Adele Clarke, Hermann's mother. The earliest correspondence is between Hermann and his mother when he is in the USA and then Europe in 1937-1938. Some of letters are to Joyce when she was teaching at Annesley School for Girls, Bowral. Others were written while Hermann was overseas, for example in 1951 and 1971.

Box 33

Item number	Item title	Start date	End date
1	Letters to Joyce while visiting US under the Exchange of Persons Programme	1951	
2	Letters to Joyce while she is ill with flu	1952	
3	Letters to Joyce while at the ANZAAS Conference; Correspondence while he is in Tokyo and London	1971	
4	Letters to Joyce while attending the British Commonwealth Relations Conference in Palmerston North, NZ	1959	
5	Letters to Joyce	1944	1956
6	Letters Joyce to Hermann	1945	1951
7	Letters Hermann to his mother Adele Clarke	1937	1951
8	Letters Adele Clarke to Hermann	1938	1953
9	Letters from Anna Mommsen in Hamburg to Adele and Hermann	1938	
10	Greeting cards	n.d.	
11	Address books	n.d.	

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Series19: Published articles

Date range: 1932-1988

Accession No: 1435

Quantity: 0.15

Series description:

This series consists of copies of published articles by Black. These articles were written on a wide range of economic, foreign policy and educational topics, for a range of publications including trade journals.

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Series 20: Addresses and articles by others

Date range: 1933-1984

Accession No: 1435

Quantity: 0.03

Series description:

This series includes addresses by Professor JM Ward, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Sydney 1981-1990 and copies of articles on various economic topics.

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Series 21: Printed programs and mementoes, University of Sydney

Date range: 1951-1988

Accession No: 1435

Quantity: 0.2

Series description:

This series consists of printed programs, invitations, reports and the like relating to events at the University of Sydney, commencing with the program celebrating the centenary of the University Senate.

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Series 22: Printed programs and mementoes, other organisations

Date range: 1949-1987

Accession No: 1435

Quantity: 0.2

Series description:

This series consists of invitations, programs, souvenirs and other memorabilia relating to events such as school speech days, Rotary Club events, celebrations at other universities. It also includes memorabilia given to Hermann Black, such as includes stole from the Dalai Lama.

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Series 23: Photographs
Date Range: 1890-1990

Accession No: 1435, 1875
Quantity: 0.8

Series description:

Most of the individual prints were identified by Sir Hermann or by Lady Black. The majority were taken during his time as Chancellor of the University and reflect his role, for example in conferring degrees and honorary doctorates and presiding at other University events such as the opening of buildings. Significant Australians photographed with Black include Governors-General Sir Zelman Cowen and Sir Ninian Stephen, Governor of New South Wales Sir Roden Cutler, Prime Ministers Sir Robert Menzies and Gough Whitlam and Premiers of New South Wales, Neville Wran and Nick Greiner. Box 37 contains mostly black and white prints, the earliest being studio portraits of Black's maternal grandparents, his mother and later, Hermann aged 9. There are school photographs and some of his time in the USA 1936-1938. There is also one envelope of photographs of Joyce Black. Box 38 contains mostly colour prints and mounted photographs, including some of the Blacks' visit to Iran and a number of international students with Sir Hermann.

Box 40 contains images while Sir Hermann & Lady Black were visiting England, Berlin & Europe; Sir Hermann's visit to the USA and Europe on a Rockefeller Scholarship, 1936-1937; Lady Black's 70th and 80th birthday; and, her graduating BA in 1939

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Series 24: Audiovisual

Date range: 1965-1987

Accession No: 1435, 1875

Quantity: 0.2

Series description:

The series includes reel-to-reel and cassette tapes and VHS videos. Some of the tapes are eulogies delivered by Black, others are speeches or copies of radio recordings. The videos are of ceremonial events including a graduation for Aboriginal students.

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Series 25: Joyce Black's personal papers

Date range: 1929-1999

Accession No: 1875

Quantity: 0.2

Series description:

This series contains biographical information on Joyce Black, high school and music reports, letters to her, photographs, deed poll change of name, Sir Hermann's divorce papers and wedding photographs of him and Joyce, organ recital programmes and newspapers clippings.

Box 44