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Title: Lorraine Gould Collection

Name of creator: Gould, Lorraine Macdonald (1898-1935)

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Level of description: Fonds

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Biographical history: GOULD, Lorraine Macdonald (1898-1935)

Born 1898 the eldest of the five children of Cecil and Mary (née Cameron) Kebell, farmers at Te Hoe, Alfredton Wellington, New Zealand. Educated in New Zealand and in London (possibly at Queen’s Gate). In August 1921, whilst on holiday in England and sailing in a friend’s yacht at Cowes, Lorraine met Basil John Gould (later Sir Basil Gould) who was on leave from India. They were married on 14th September 1921. Basil Gould had joined the Indian Civil Service in 1907 and was soon after transferred to the Indian Political Service. In 1926 Basil Gould was posted to the British Legation in Kabul. As the old legation in the city had been destroyed by fire a new legation was built about three miles outside of the city. Once this was completed Lorraine Gould joined her husband in Kabul and stayed until fighting spread to Kabul in December 1928 during an uprising against King Amanullah Khan. Lorraine Gould and her two sons were evacuated to Peshawar. Lorraine Gould followed her husband to postings in Kurrum, Malakand and Waziristan and finally in 1933 to Baluchistan. Lorraine Gould died in Baluchistan in January 1935.

Scope and content: Photocopy of TS letters written by Lorraine Gould to her mother commenting on the causes and progress of an uprising against King Amanullah Khan. The letters also describe fighting in Kabul in December 1928 and an evacuation by plane to Peshawar.

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Language of material: English

Physical Condition: Some text cut off on photocopy

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Finding aids: In Guide; Handlist

Publication note: Sir Basil Gould wrote an autobiography which includes an account of the rising against King Amanullah Khan


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