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Title: Norman Corkill Collection

Name of creator: Corkill, Norman (1898-1966) Physician

Dates of creation of material: 1929-1964

Level of description: Fonds

Extent: 5 boxes

Biographical history: Corkill, Dr. Norman Lace (1898-1966)

Born 11 June 1898, son of William and Bessie Corkill. Educated Liverpool Institute & Liverpool University. Served King's (Liverpool) Regiment, 1915-19. MB, Ch.B (Liverpool) 1925; MD (Liverpool) 1936. Iraq Health Service 1927-30; Prof. Of Zoology, Royal College of Medicine of Iraq; Civil Staff Surgeon, Baghdad; Sudan Medical Service, 1930-46; Sudan Defence Force & RAMC, Miralai and Lt.-Col., 1940-44; MOH, Khartoum, 1944; Asst. Director (Public Health) SMS, 1945-46; Senior Lecturer, Tropical Hygiene, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, 1946-48; Quarantine Expert, Saudi Arabia, 1948-50; Short Term Consultant in Nutrition, WHO, 1951; Health Adviser, Aden Protectorate Health Service, 1951-52; WHO Nutritionist, Tehran, 1962-63. Married 1930 Phyllis Lavis - 2 sons. Died 26 September 1966.

Scope and content: Papers relating to the life and work of Dr Norman Corkill as a Doctor and Health and Hygiene advisor in various parts of the Middle East, including his reports on the health and hygiene situations of Saudi Arabia in 1948, Palestine in 1951, Eastern Aden in 1953, Iran in 1963 and Abu Dhabi in 1964; his diary and an incomplete draft of his autobiography, correspondence on various subjects and a book on the economic status of Palestine in 1942-1943. Also includes slides of Corkill's photographs taken while travelling through the lower Arabian Peninsula, including the Aulaqi Sultanates, the Kathiri, Wahidi, Lahej, Yafaai, Fadhli, Mahra and Socohra Sultanates, and the Emirates of of Baihan and Dhala, most of which now form part of Yemen, Qatar or the United Arab Emirate, along with Aden, and the town of Mukalla

System of arrangement: As received

Access conditions: Open

Language of material: English with a significant number of documents either in Arabic or presented bilingually in English and Arabic

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Custodial history: In Dr. Corkill's possession until his death.

Immediate source of acquisition: Bequest received 20 March 1967

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Finding aids: In Guide; Handlist

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**SERIES AND ITEM LEVEL DESCRIPTION OF THE NORMAN CORKILL
COLLECTION.**

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| 1 | <u>Health in Saudi Arabia; Bedouin Tribes of Transjordan</u> | 3 Nov 1935 | 2 folders |
| | Papers relating to health in Saudi Arabia and Jordan consisting of a paper on the health conditions of the Transjordan Bedouins in 1935, a report on the health of Saudi Arabia and the pilgrimage in 1948 and the results of the recommendations of that report; correspondence with the Saudi Minister of Finance, the Saudi Public Health Department and Quarantine department, the Port of London Health Authority and the king of Saudi Arabia; contracts for the employment of health personnel, a report on the quarantine at Jiddah, and reports on visits by Corkill to Kamaran and Egyptian public health installations | -22 Aug 1950 | (267 sheets) |
| 2 | <u>Health in Iran</u> | Mid 1963 – | 1 file |
| | Reports on health and traditions in Iran, nutrition in the Tehran area, nutrition in Southern Iran, Northern and Eastern Iran, and Iran in general | 15 Feb 1964 | (242 sheets) |
| 3 | <u>Palestine Nutritional Survey</u> | 1944 | 1 book |
| | A Nutritional Economic Survey of Wartime Palestine, 1942-1943 by W. J. Vickers, MRCS, LRCP, DPH, DTM and H, Barrister-at-Law, Senior Medical Officer, Department of Health, Palestine. | | (116 pages) |
| 4 | <u>Health in Abu Dhabi</u> | 28 Mar - | 1 file |
| | Interim report on the health of the Abu Dhabi state, and the final report. | Apr 1964 | (35 sheets) |
| 5 | <u>Nutrition in Palestine</u> | 1951 | 1 folder, 13 sheets |
| | Contains a report on the Nutritional State of the Palestinian Refugees in the Spring of 1951 | | |

6	<u>Autobiography</u> Binder containing Corkill's incomplete autobiography and his diary from 1953 to 1964	20 Dec 1953 – 1964	1 book (127 pages)
7	<u>Notes on tribes in Eastern Aden Protectorate</u> Notes on the ways of life and economic conditions, and the history and divisions of the tribes of Eastern Aden	1 Oct 1952	1 folder, 49 sheets
8	<u>Times Letter</u> Letter from Corkill to the Editor of the Times on the subject of the cheetah population of Iraq	21 Aug 1928	3 sheets
9	<u>Slides</u> 35mm colour slides of Aden, the Protectorate and the Hadhramaut including images of Corkill's travels through the desert, visits to rural towns, street scenes, antiquities, graveyards, rural scenes, military parades, local architecture and scenes, and the coast.	1950s	427 slides
9/1	Upper and Lower Aulaqi Sultanate		30 slides
9/2	Lower Aulaqi Sultanate		15 slides
9/3	The Amirate of Baihan		25 slides
9/4	The Kathiri Sultanate		30 slides
9/5	The Wahidi Sultanate		30 slides
9/6	The Sultanate of Lahej and the Amirate of Dhala		30 slides
9/7	The Upper and Lower Yafaai sultanates and the Fadhli Sultanates		27 slides
9/8	Aden colony		28 slides
9/9	Mukalla		30 slides
9/10	The Quaiti Sultanate – south		30 slides
9/11	The Quaiti Sultanate – south		16 slides
9/12	The Quaiti Sultanate – north		30 slides
9/13	The Quaiti Sultanate – north		30 slides
9/14	The Quaiti Sultanate – north		30 slides
9/15	The Sultanates of Mahra and Socohra		30 slides
9/16	The Sultanates of Mahra and Socohra		16 slides