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Biographical history: Mance, Brig.-Gen. Sir H. Osborne (1875-1966)

Born 2 October 1875, eldest son of Sir Henry Mance CIE. Educated at Bedford School. Served in South African War as Deputy Asst Director of Railways and Armoured Trains (Kimberley line); DSO 1902; employed on construction of the Baro-Kano Railway, 1908-1911; served in the European War 1914-1918; Director of Railways, Light Railways and Roads, War Office, 1916-1920; CMG 1917; CB 1918; Transportation Adviser to British Delegation, Paris, 1919-1920; Pres. Communications Section of Supreme Economic Council, 1919-1920. In 1924 retired from Army with rank of Colonel and hon. rank of Brig.-Gen. During 1924-1962 served as Technical Adviser to Ottoman Bank. British Director on German Railway Co., 1925-1930; KBE 1929; Financial Report Austrian Railways, 1933; Reported Co-ordination of Transport East Africa, 1936; Director of Canals, Ministry of War Transport, 1941-1944; British Member Transport and Communications Commission of UN, 1946-54; Brit. Delegate, Central Rhine Commission, 1946-57. Married Elsie Stenhouse: 2 sons, 1 daughter. Died on 30 August 1966.

Scope and content: Sir Osborne Mance's working files from the Ottoman Bank covering railways, trade agreements, oil wells and other operations in the Middle East.

System of arrangement:

- 1 Turkey
- 2 Countries: Egypt, Sudan, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan
- 3 Minerals mainly Oil
- 4 Clearing, compensation and economics
- 5 Railways

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1 TURKEY

Box A

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11	Turkey	Contracts – II	Metropolitian Vickers Catalagza Tenders for Turkish Contracts (Regulations) Mr Aggiman	1934-1941 1935-1950 1925-1937 1937
12	Turkey	Public Works - I	Various Reclamation and Irrigation (Hirfanli: Sariya: Seyhan: Almus)	1925-1954 1950-1960
13	Turkey	Ports & Harbours	Catalagzi, Haidar – Pacha, Izmir (Smyrna), Trebizond (Trabzon), Samsoun, Zonguldak, Giresun	1913-1956
14	Turkey	Various Undertakings I	Various (Nitrogen Factory, Ferrochrome, Kayseri water, Tahsin Ibrahim Gurel, Aggiman	1933-1960
15	Turkey	Various Undertaking II	Istanbul Train Ferry	1932-1946

Box B

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			b) Bassert – Sub-Contractors	1938-1961
			Proposed works at Eregli	
			Iron Ore (Crabbe)	
			Mining Law	
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			Various Banks	1925-1944
			Notes on Turkish Payments	1924-1938
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20	Turkey	General III	Richard Crittall & Co. Ltd	1946-1960
21	Turkey	General IV	Miscellaneous Notes	1945-1962
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			Consulting Engineers Employment of 1947	
22	Turkey	Trade with Turkey	Wartime Papers, Lectures, etc by Gen Mance on Future Trade with Turkey	1939-1955
23	Turkey	Finance	Finance (Historical)	
			Miscellaneous	1909-1954
			Stabilisation	1931-1955
			Arghana Lottery Loan	1933
			British Council - Halkevi	1939-1953
			Newspaper Cuttings and Articles	1924-1945
			Turkish Debts – Post War	1949-1955
24	Turkey	Historical	Memoranda in connection with War	1939-1945
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25	Turkey	Notes	Barrages in Turkey	1950-1959
			Bosphorus Bridge	1953-1960
			Proposed Overhead Cable across	1950

Bosphorus	
Istanbul Underground Railway	1951-1953
Railway to Russia	1954
Railway to avoid Aleppo	1958
Railway to Persia	1959
Railway Electrification	1953-1954
Trade across Currency Restrictions	1943
Private Compensation	1946
Gold Discovery near Eregli	1957
Hydro-electric	Installation
Muradiye	
Outstanding loans from Bank for	1955-1956
Reconstructions and Development	
Aerodromes	1953
Fertilisers	1955
Paint Factory – Jenson & Nicholson	1956
Group	
Harbour Projects	1955
Law on Rents	1955
NATO Pipelines	1954
Re Map showing Power Plants in Turkey	
Balance of Trade with Germany and U.K.	1933-1936
Natural Gas	1954
Note for Sir Albert Stern (Turkish Budget)	1954
Mr Thrupp – Road Transport	1956
Mission to Turkey	
Marconi	1957
Ferro-chrome	1960
Turkish Adherence to Berne Railway Convention	1940

Length of Turkish Railways 1914, 1946

2 COUNTRIES: Egypt, Sudan, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan**Box D**

28	Egypt and Sudan	Various	1926-1961
		Newspaper cuttings	1925-1960
		Aswan Dam (old)	1929-1956
		Suez Canal (Historical)	1921-1946
33	Iran	Various – including Teheran Electricity, 7 year plan, British Firms in Persia, Baghdad/Teheran Road	1925-1959
34	Iraq	Various – General (including Wimpeys:Hondelink Report)	1926-1953
		Newspaper Cuttings and Articles	1928-1961
35	Iraq	Memorandum on Anglo- Iraq Relations	1931
		Agriculture, Land, Irrigation	1927-1952
		Cement	1933-1938
		Politics, Personalities, Treaties	1926-1938
36	Public Works	Various, including Dams; Bridges except Baghdad; Wadi Tharthar; Buses; Development Board; Rutba Aerodrome; Marconi Wireless	1936-1962
		Bridges at Baghdad	1926-1945
		Dhibban Contracts	1934-1936
		Habbaniyah	1931-1962
		Kut Barrage	1933-1934
37	Israel	Including Potash, Phosphates	1926-1962
		Communications (excluding Ports)	1953-1959
		Ports (Haifa; JaffA; Tel-Aviv; Eilath)	1914-1957

Box E

38	Jordan	General	1934-1962
		Akaba	1951-1962
		Irrigation Schemes	1949-1962

		Phosphates	1928-1960
39	Near East Countries	Miscellaneous (including Saudi Arabia: Kuwait)	1925-1958
		Bulgaria	1926-1931
		Lebanon (including: Aerodrome Beirut; Electricity Scheme; Beirut Harbour)	1930-1957
		Mandated Territories	1921-1927
		Near East Treaties with Syria, Lebanon, Sudan, Hedjaz, Yemen, Wahabi, Iraq, Transjordan	1926-1928
		Syria	1920-1961

3 MINERALS MAINLY OIL

42	Sahara	Miscellaneous	1943-1962
		Minerals	1958-1960
		Oil	1957-1962
44	Oil	Miscellaneous including Bergius Process; Socony; Bahrain; Atlas Supply Co; J.J. Hall	1930-1951
		American Independent Oil Co.	1947-1949
		ARAMCO (Arabian-American Oil Co)	1947-1959
		Jordan	1947-1960
		Kuwait	1935-1948
		Middle East Pipeline (Proposed)	1947-1948
		Palestine	1946
		Saudi-Arabia	1934-1950
		Syria	1947-1949
		Turkey	1925-1954
45	Oil	Iran and Iraq:	
		Northern Iran	1937-1958
		Anglo-Iranian Oil Company	1927-1958
		Iraq-Baghdad Refinery; Kellog & Co; Maunsell; Posford and Pavry; Quayara	1951-1962

Basrah Petroleum Co	1938-1958
Mosul Oilfields	1928-1936
I.P.C. (Iraq Petroleum Co)	1926-1955

Box F

46	Mines	Including Ferrochrome; Steel; Sinter	1937-1960
		Dead Sea Minerals	1929-1937
47	Air Survey	Hunting Survey Limited	1947-1961
		Air Survey Companies (other than Hunting) including Fairey Air Surveys	1949-1959
48	Various Firms and Concerns		1930-1953
49	Ottoman Bank Propaganda	Foreign Office Action	1946
50	Personalities	Including Turkey (G. Crabbe)	1932-1959
		Turkey (Max Reinhardt)	1940-1943
		Turkey (Dr Behjet Uz)	1942
51	Gen. Mance's Visits to U.S.A.	Notes	1947-1950
52	International Chamber of Commerce	Foundation of Turkish National Committee	1931-1932

4 CLEARING, COMPENSATION AND ECONOMICS

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54	Clearing & Compensation	General Mance's Paper 'Trade across Currency Restrictions' Proposal for multinational compensation. Comments by Lord Keynes, C.W. Guillebaud etc.	1942-1945
55	Clearing & Compensation	Institute of Export (including address to) Feb 1940	20 1940

56	Clearing & Compensation	Clearing Agreements – U.K. and Turkey Correspondence and Notes	1932-1946
57	Clearing & Compensation	Turkish Clearing and Trade Agreements with Germany, France, Holland, Greece, Japan, U.S.A	1939-1943
58	Clearing & Compensation	Takas Procedure – Turkish Trade Policy	1938-1940
59	Clearing & Compensation	Clearing German Agreements with countries other than Turkey	1935-1941

5 RAILWAYS

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1	Baghdad	Including Mersian-Tarsus Railway; Notes and information Mersian-Tarsus-Adana Railway	1911-1935
2	Iraq	Newspaper cuttings and articles	1925-1960
3	Israel (Palestine)	Railways – Miscellaneous and map	1925-1926
	Israel (Palestine)	Railways – Newspaper Cuttings and articles	1945-1955
4	Iranian	Iraq to Teheran Railway	1919-1920
5	Iranian	Bandar-Shapur-Teheran- Caspian Railway Newspaper cuttings Various information and notes	1934-1935 1935-1948 1919-1934
7	Turkish	Miscellaneous Swedish Contract (Nydqvist & Holm) German Contract (Julius Berger)	1926-1929 1927-1935 1927-1935
8	Asia Minor	Note on Railways in Asia Minor Chemins de Fer Orientaux Smyrna-Cassaba Railway Smyrna-Aydin Railway Dorman Long Group – Turkish Contracts Sivas-Erzerum Railway Miscellaneous	1925-1927 1925-1936 1925-1934 1919-1943 1933-1934 1932-1954 1923-1960