

Reference code: GB165-0308

Title: William Yale Collection

Name of creator: Yale, William (1887-1975)

Dates of creation of material: 1917-1919; 1960s

Level of description: Fonds

Extent: 2 boxes

Biographical history: YALE, William (1887-1975)

Born 1887. Educated Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University. Employed by Standard Oil Company of New York in the Middle East, 1910-17; appointed as Special Agent of the Department of State dealing with the Middle East, 1917; attended Paris Peace Conference, 1919, on the staff of the American Commission to Negotiate the Peace; Professor of Modern European History, University of New Hampshire, 1928-53; Special Consultant to the State Department on Middle Eastern Affairs during World War Two; Professor of History at the University of New Hampshire and then Boston University. Died 1975.

Scope and content: Microfilm and photocopies of Yale's reports 1-31 (lacking no.4 and 30) from Cairo, Jerusalem, London etc., 1917-18, and Paris Peace Conference, 1919; papers on his appointment to Cairo, 1917; letter of thanks from Lord Allenby, 28 January 1919; correspondence relating to Palestine, 1920-51; interview with Elizabeth Monroe, 1960s; portions of unpublished MS memoir 'It takes so long' on Palestine, 1914 and events in Damascus, 27 Sept.-5 October 1918, written in 1938; correspondence with Elizabeth Monroe.

System of arrangement: As received

Access conditions: Open

Language of material: English

Physical condition: Some of the photocopies are faded

Conditions governing reproduction: No restrictions on copying or quotation other than statutory regulations and preservation concerns

Custodial history: In the possession of William Yale

Immediate source of acquisition: At various times from William Yale between 1963 and 1971

Location of originals: National Archives and Records Administration, Washington D.C.

Related Units of Description:

In other Archives

- University of New Hampshire Library: Milne Special Collections and Archives: William Yale Collection: 5 boxes.
- William Yale Papers MS 658, Yale University Library
- Yale Papers in Boston University Library
- Yale Papers in Harvard University Library.

Finding aids: In Guide; Handlist

Publication note: Yale, William; *The Near East, a modern history* (Ann Arbour, University of Michigan Press [1958]).

Archivist's note: Fonds level description created by C. Brown 13 Mar 2000 and revised by D. Usher 18 Sept 2006

FILE LEVEL DESCRIPTION OF THE WILLIAM YALE COLLECTION

Box 1

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| 1 | Personal papers re appointment to Cairo 1917 and status of that appointment | 1917 |
| 2 | Reports written from Cairo Nos 1-14 (not including no.4) | 1917-1918 |
| 3 | Letter from Lord Allenby to Captain Yale | 28 Jan 1918 |
| 4 | Paris Peace Conference | 1919 |
| 5 | Interviews in London | Sept-Oct 1919 |
| 6 | Correspondence relating to Palestine | 1920-1951 |
| 7 | Letter from J.M.N. Jeffries to [William Yale] | 18 Dec 1936 |
| 8 | Letter from William Yale to Elizabeth Monroe | 29 Oct 1966 |
| 9 | Correspondence with Elizabeth Monroe and part of "It Takes so Long" – describing personal experience of events in the Middle East (particularly Damascus and Beirut), 28 Sept 1918 to 15 Oct 1918. Written in 1938 from memory. | 1938-1970 |
| 10 | Microfilm catalogues (and some duplicates of summaries of reports in box 2) | |

Box 2

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| Reports 15-31 (not including report no.30) | Feb-Jun 1918 |
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