

Middle East Centre Archive

St Antony's College, Oxford

Guide to collections relating to Afghanistan

Introduction

Please note that the following Guide is not comprehensive. It has been compiled from the main Guide to the Middle East Centre Archive and only collections in that catalogue that explicitly mention Afghanistan have been included. Not included in this Guide are several collections that cover the Middle East as a whole and thus may contain material relevant to Afghanistan. For example the Arab Bulletin; British Diplomatic Perspectives on the Middle East; Cairo Conference; Chatham House; Crow; A.G.M. Dickson; H.R.P Dickson and the Mance papers. For these papers please consult the main Guide to the Middle East Centre Archive.

Where a more detailed description of a collection exists, this is indicated in this Guide by the word 'Handlist'.

Please note TS means typescript. MS means manuscript i.e. handwritten.

FRASER-TYTLER, Sir William Kerr (1886-1963). GB165-0326
MS and TS letters to his mother from Kabul, 1923-1941; additional correspondence with various individuals such as Lord Willingdon and Lord Brabourne; photographs including shots of airplanes, parades, group portraits; articles and lectures by Kerr Fraser-Tytler and others; bound TS Kabul Legation diary 1922-1924; TS article 'The Destruction of the Second British Legation in Kabul' 1926; Note on the political situation in Afghanistan 1941; Note on the expulsion of Axis nationals from Afghanistan 1941, Newspaper article 'La Tristesse posthume de Joseph Hackin' 2001 and a TS "Appendix - An Appreciation of King Nadir Shah's character". 4 boxes. Handlist. Photographic Collection.

GOULD, Lorraine Macdonald. (1898-1935). GB165-0407
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. 18 sheets. Handlist.

HAY, Sir William Rupert. (1893-1962). GB165-0138
Diaries and accounts of tours 1911-56, with correspondence and articles relating to his service in Mesopotamia, Waziristan and Baluchistan, Afghanistan, and the Persian Gulf, including the transfer of the Residence from Bushire to Bahrain. 14 boxes. Handlist.

KNAPP, Wilfrid Francis. (1924-2011).

GB165-0554

Draft manuscript of an unpublished book 'International Politics in the Middle East' by Wilfrid Knapp consisting of 7 chapters covering events from the 1950s to 1991 including Iran (Mossadegh), Egypt (Suez Crisis), the oil revolution, religious fundamentalism, the 1973 October War, Camp David, Afghanistan, the war in Lebanon and Israeli and Syrian relations and the Israeli-Palestinian peace process up until 1991 but with a focus on the 1980s. 1 file. Handlist.

PRICE, Morgan Philips. (1885-1973).

GB165-0232

Notes "Zeitun: a remarkable Armenian stronghold", 2 January 1914; memo on a Persian visit in October 1953; unpublished MS entitled "The National Revolution in Turkey, Persia and the Middle East"; diaries of travels in Iran, Iraq and Turkey, 1947; memos, notes and interviews relating to Afghanistan, Turkey, Iraq, Syria and Lebanon, 1946-53, including interviews with the Shah; correspondence 1941-59; press-cuttings relating to the Middle East 1889-1972. 8 boxes. Handlist. Photographic collection.