

Reference code: GB165-0546

Title: Frederick Felgate Collection

Name of creator: Felgate, Frederick Albert (1915-1976) British Mandate Palestine Policeman

Dates of creation of material: 1936-c1969

Level of description: Fonds

Extent: 2 boxes

Biographical history: Felgate, Frederick Albert (1915-1976) British Mandate Palestine Policeman.

Born 29 Nov 1915 to Albert and Lena Felgate. Educated Alderton School in Suffolk. Enlisted in the Palestine Police Force 1 May 1941 and was promoted to Sergeant 1 Sept 1946 and served at Nablus (Tulkarm) and Samaria. Left Palestine 22 May 1948. Married on 2 Feb 1946 Lilian Doris Airey (died 1958). One daughter, Angela, born 7 May 1948. Enforcement Officer at the Ministry of Food, 1948-1954. Died 6 Dec 1976.

Scope and content: Papers, photographs and artefacts relating to the life of Frederick Felgate and his service in the Palestine Police Force from 1941-1948 including his enlistment, training and discharge, his police notebook, a map of Palestine from 1944 and a 'General Situation Samaria District' file containing detailed daily reports of incidents such as sabotage, skirmishes, looting, hijacking, robberies and attacks on convoys in Samaria 22 Jan 1948 – 30 Apr 1948. Also includes some papers and photographs relating to Felgate's life and career outside of Palestine including his later work for the R.S.P.C.A (Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals).

System of arrangement:

1. Service in Palestine Police Force
2. Life outside Palestine

Access conditions: Open

Language of material: English, with small amounts of Hebrew and Arabic

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

Immediate source of acquisition: Received as a gift from Mrs J.H. Gage in June 2011

Related Units of Description:

In MEC Archive

- GB165-0365 Palestine Police Service Record Cards: Frederick Felgate Service Record Card no 2965

For other Palestine Police papers and photographs please see the Guide to collections relating to the Palestine Police

Finding aids: In Guide; Handlist

Archivist's note: Fonds and file and item level description created by Matt Griffin 16 Dec 2011. Biographical history provided by Mrs J.H. Gage and supplemented with information from Frederick Felgate's service record card.

**SERIES, FILE AND ITEM LEVEL DESCRIPTION OF THE FREDERICK
FELGATE COLLECTION**

<u>1</u>	<u>Service in Palestine Police Force</u>	14 Dec 1936	171 items
	Papers, photographs and artefacts relating to Felgate's service in the Palestine Police Force, including his enlistment, discharge and social life.	– 28 Apr 1951	
	System of arrangement:		
	1/1 Enlistment and training		
	1/2 Working Life		
	1/3 Leave and Social Life		
	1/4 Discharge		
	1/5 Photographs		
	1/6 Artefacts		
	1/7 Passport		
<u>1/1</u>	<u>Enlistment and training</u>	14 Dec 1936-	9 items
	Papers relating to Felgate's enlistment and re-enlistment in the Palestine Police Force and his training, including his contract and printed training booklets.	14 Apr 1947	
<u>1/1/1</u>	<u>Enlistment</u>	10 Apr 1941-	3 items
	Papers relating to Felgate's enlistment in the Palestine Police Force, including his contract.	6 Nov 1941	
1/1/1/1	'Palestine Police.' Felgate's contract.	10 Apr 1941	2 sheets
1/1/1/2	'Transfer to Class W. (T) T.A. Reserve' form.	30 Apr 1941	1 sheet
1/1/1/3	'British Red Cross Society and Order of St John of Jerusalem.' First Aid certificate.	6 Nov 1941	1 sheet
<u>1/1/2</u>	<u>Training and regulation booklets</u>	14 Dec 1936-	4 booklets
	Printed booklets providing information for members of the Palestine Police Force, during both their training and their service.	2 Mar 1947	
1/1/2/1	'Criminal Code Ordinance No 74 of 1936.' Printed bound	14 Dec 1936	84 sheets

	book.		
1/1/2/2	'Notes for the Information of Candidates for Appointment as Police Constables in the British Section of the Palestine Police.' Printed booklet.	c1941	4 sheets
1/1/2/3	'Palestine Pamphlet: Terrorist Methods with Mines and Booby Traps.' Printed booklet.	Dec 1946	28 sheets
1/1/2/4	'Government of Palestine: The Defence (Emergency) Regulations, 1945.' Printed booklet.	2 Mar 1947	46 sheets
<u>1/1/3</u>	<u>Re-enlistment</u> Correspondence relating to Felgate's re-enlistment in the Palestine Police Force.	10-14 Apr 1947	2 sheets
1/1/3/1	Message Form concerning Felgate's re-enlistment.	10 Apr 1947	1 sheet
1/1/3/2	Letter from A.M. Parry to Inspector General, cover letter for message of Felgate's re-enlistment.	14 Apr 1947	1 sheet
<u>1/2</u>	<u>Working life</u> Papers relating to Felgate's working life in the Palestine Police Force, including a map of Palestine and Felgate's police notebook.	9 Oct 1941- 30 Apr 1948	113 items
1/2/1	Map of Palestine.	Aug 1944	1 sheet
<u>1/2/2</u>	<u>Reports</u> Reports of incidents occurring in Samaria District during Felgate's time in the Palestine Police Force, including his police notebook.	30 Oct 1941 – 30 Apr 1948	108 items
1/2/2/1	Felgate's police notebook.	30 Oct 1941 – 27 Nov 1946	41 sheets
1/2/2/2	File 'General Situation Samaria District' containing daily reports of incidents such as sabotage, skirmishes, looting, hijacking of cars and trucks, robberies and attacks on convoys.	22 Jan 1948 – 30 Apr 1948	105 items

<u>1/2/3</u>	<u>Service Records</u>	9 Oct 1941 – 14 Jan 1948	3 items
	Papers providing details of Felgate's service in the Palestine Police Force.		
1/2/3/1	'Palestine Police: Service Register.'	9 Oct 1941 – 14 Jan 1948	16 sheets
1/2/3/2	'Department of Health: Vaccination Certificate.' English, Hebrew and Arabic.	30 Sep 1945	1 sheet
1/2/3/3	Letter from W.J. Chestnutt to Inspector General, cover letter for letter from Felgate, requesting that his wife be brought to Palestine.	1 Aug 1947	1 sheet
<u>1/2/4</u>	<u>Letter from Inspector General J.M. Rymer-Jones</u>	25 Aug 1944	1 sheet
	Letter concerning an inspection by the High Commissioner.		
<u>1/3</u>	<u>Leave and social life</u>	25 Dec 1941 – 18 Apr 1946	10 items
	Papers relating to Felgate's leave from the Palestine Police Force and Christmases spent there.		
<u>1/3/1</u>	<u>Leave</u>	6 Nov 1945 – 18 Apr 1946	5 items
	Papers relating to Felgate's leave from the Palestine Police Force, both medical leave and holiday leave.		
1/3/1/1	'Leave and Last Pay Certificate.'	6 Nov 1945	2 sheets
1/3/1/2	Letter granting extension of medical leave.	15 Feb 1946	1 sheet
1/3/1/3	'Crown Agents Last Pay Certificates.'	9 Apr 1946	1 sheet
1/3/1/4	Letter from Inspector General Haldwell containing details of Felgate's medical and holiday leave between 18 Nov 1945 and 5 Apr 1946.	16 Apr 1946	1 sheet
1/3/1/5	Letter from Superintendent of Police, Nablus District, containing details of Felgate's medical and holiday leave between 18 Nov 1945 and 5 Apr 1946.	18 Apr 1946	1 sheet
<u>1/3/2</u>	<u>Christmas</u>	[1940s]	5 items
	Christmas dinner menus and Christmas cards from		

	Felgate's time in the Palestine Police Force.		
1/3/2/1	Christmas Dinner menu, British Police, Tulkarm Division, with signatures.	[25 Dec] 1941	1 sheet
1/3/2/2	Christmas Dinner menu, Tulkarem [Tulkarm] Police, with signatures.	[25 Dec] 1942	1 sheet
1/3/2/3	Christmas card sent from Felgate to his mother Mrs Lena Abbott.	[1940s]	1 sheet
1/3/2/4	Christmas card sent from Felgate to his sister Mrs Edith Coe and her husband Mr L Coe.	[1940s]	2 sheets (attached)
1/3/2/5	Photocopy of Christmas card sent from Felgate to his sister Mrs Edith Coe.	27 Nov 1943	1 sheet
<u>1/4</u>	<u>Discharge</u>	27 Sep 1945	14 items
	Papers relating to Felgate's discharge from the Palestine Police Force, including report on his discharge and his certificate of discharge.	– 12 Feb 1949	
1/4/1	'General Service Medal' form.	27 Sep 1945	1 sheet
1/4/2	'United Kingdom Income Tax,' printed sheet providing information about United Kingdom income tax.	Not dated	1 sheet
1/4/3	'Retiring Benefits on Termination of the Mandate,' printed sheet instructing that queries concerning retiring benefits should be directed to the British Section Clearance Office, Palestine Police.	Not dated	1 sheet
1/4/4	Letter from Felgate to Inspector General, requesting grant for transport of Household Effects.	9 Mar 1948	1 sheet
1/4/5	Letter from L.E. Albutt to Inspector General, cover letter for letter from Felgate.	10 Mar 1948	1 sheet
1/4/6	'Confidential Report on the Discharge of a Member of the Palestine Police Force.'	24 Apr 1948	1 sheet
1/4/7	Letter from the Crown Agents for the Colonies to Felgate, discussing pay.	14 May 1948	1 sheet
1/4/8	'Provisional Leave and Last Pay Certificate.'	29 June 1948	1 sheet
1/4/9	'Palestine Police – Leave Salaries, Disturbance Grants	30 June 1948	1 sheet

Etc.,’ sheet providing information about applying for advances on salaries and grants.

1/4/10	‘Leave Salary’ notification.	19 July 1948	1 sheet
1/4/11	‘Final Leave and Last Pay Certificate.’	20 Oct 1948	1 sheet
1/4/12	Letter from Felgate to the Crown Agents for the Colonies, discussing separation allowance.	1 Dec 1948	1 sheet
1/4/13	Letter from H.T. Lehilds to Felgate, discussing separation allowance.	10 Jan 1949	1 sheet
1/4/14	Palestine Police Force Certificate of Discharge.	12 Feb 1949	2 sheets

1/5 **Photographs** [1940s] 20 photos

Negatives and photographs from Felgate’s time serving in the Palestine Police Force, including photographs of Felgate.

Access: Please note that the photographs are stored separately

1/5/1	Negative of man in uniform, possibly Felgate.	Not dated	1 negative
1/5/2	Negative panoramic view of unknown settlement.	Not dated	1 negative
1/5/3	Negative of crowd, parked cars and tents.	Not dated	1 negative
1/5/4	Negative of crowd, parked cars, parked truck and tents.	Not dated	1 negative
1/5/5	Negative of man in uniform, possibly Felgate.	Not dated	1 negative
1/5/6	Negative panoramic view of unknown settlement.	Not dated	1 negative
1/5/7	Negative of crowd, parked cars, parked truck and tents.	Not dated	1 negative
1/5/8	Negative of unknown building and trees.	Not dated	1 negative
1/5/9	Negative of crowd, parked cars and tents.	Not dated	1 negative
1/5/10	Negative of unknown buildings and hills.	Not dated	1 negative
1/5/11	Negative of crowd, parked cars and tents.	Not dated	1 negative
1/5/12	‘Fred,’ photograph of Felgate in Palestine Police Force uniform ‘prior to joining’.	1941	1 photo
1/5/13	‘Samaria,’ photograph of unidentified ship at Samaria.	[1940s]	1 photo
1/5/14	‘Frederick Albert Felgate in Palestine Police Force Uniform.’	[1940s]	1 photo
1/5/15	Photograph of Felgate smoking.	[1940s]	1 photo
1/5/16	Photograph of Felgate with dog.	[1940s]	1 photo

1/5/17	Photograph of Felgate with dog.	[1940s]	1 photo
1/5/18	'Toto.' Photograph of dog.	Aug 1941	1 photo
1/5/19	'Prior to inspection by Inspector General of Police, Major Saunders.'	Sep 1941	1 photo
1/5/20	'N' Squad being inspected by Major Saunders – Police Depot, Mount Scopus, Jerusalem.'	Sep 1941	1 photo
1/5/21	'S.S. Strathnaver – Re-Fueling [sic] at Port Said.'	May 1948	1 photo
<u>1/6</u>	<u>Artefacts</u>	[1941-1948]	14 items
	Objects belonging to Felgate, including items of his Palestine Police Force uniform and souvenirs.		
<u>1/6/1</u>	<u>Uniform artefacts</u>	[1941-1948]	11 items
	Items of Felgate's Palestine Police Force uniform, including his sergeant's stripes and assorted badges.		
1/6/1/1	Mahogany truncheon engraved '38 1202'.	Not dated	1 item
1/6/1/2	Metal whistle on string, engraved 'The Metropolitan'.	Not dated	1 item
1/6/1/3	Sergeant's stripes.	Not dated	1 item
1/6/1/4	Two metal 'Palestine Police' badges.	Not dated	2 items
1/6/1/5	Mother of pearl 'Palestine Police' badge.	Not dated	1 item
1/6/1/6	Two small metal 'Palestine Police' badges.	Not dated	2 items
1/6/1/7	Two silver 'Palestine Police' tie pins.	Not dated	2 items
1/6/1/8	Pair of handcuffs.	Not dated	1 item
<u>1/6/2</u>	<u>Souvenir artefacts</u>	[1941-1948]	3 items
	Decorative items, presumed to be souvenirs from Felgate's time in the Palestine Police Force.		
1/6/2/1	Fabric tapestry showing a Middle Eastern scene of women collecting water, a man on camel and a mosque in the background.	c1940s	1 item (98cm x 50cm)
1/6/2/2	Curved Arab dagger with two red stones on sheaf.	Not dated	1 item (11")
1/6/2/3	Curved Arab dagger with 'Souvenir de Syrie' on sheaf.	Not dated	1 item (9")

<u>1/7</u>	<u>Felgate's British passport</u>	28 Apr 1941 -28 Apr 1951	18 sheets
<u>2</u>	<u>Life Outside Palestine</u> Papers and photographs relating to Felgate's life outside of his service in the Palestine Police Force, including details of his later career and family photographs. System of arrangement: 2/1 Palestine Police Old Comrades' Association 2/2 Letter from G.B. Findlay 2/3 Career 2/4 Family 2/5 R.S.P.C.A. 2/6 Africa 2/7 Playing cards	c1941- c1969	25 items
<u>2/1</u>	<u>Palestine Police Old Comrades' Association</u> Membership booklet.	1 Dec 1947- 1 July 1959	6 sheets
<u>2/2</u>	<u>Letter from G.B. Findlay</u> Letter to Felgate, giving details of Findlay's posting.	30 June 1948	1 sheet
<u>2/3</u>	<u>Career</u> Papers relating to Felgate's career after his discharge from the Palestine Police Force, including his work as an Enforcement Inspector in the Ministry of Food.	13 Aug 1948- 30 Mar 1954	6 sheets
2/3/1	Letter from W.S. Liehall to Felgate, giving details of a position with the Malayan Police Force.	Aug 1948	1 sheet
2/3/2	Application form for position with the Malayan Police Force.	Aug 1948	1 sheet
2/3/3	Envelope addressed to The Under Secretary of State, Colonial Office.	Not dated	1 sheet

2/3/4	Envelope addressed to Felgate.	13 Aug 1948	1 sheet
2/3/5	Letter from L.A. Bent (Establishment Officer) confirming that Felgate served as an Enforcement Inspector in the Ministry of Food.	16 Mar 1954	1 sheet
2/3/6	Letter from Major General J.B. Dalison (regional Food Officer) to Felgate thanking him for his work in the Ministry of Food.	30 Mar 1954	1 sheet
<u>2/4</u>	<u>Family</u> Newspaper cutting and photographs relating to Felgate's family, including his wedding photograph. Access: Please note that the photographs are stored separately	2 Feb 1946 - c1969	5 items
2/4/1	'Woodbridge Wedding', newspaper cutting of article about Felgate's wedding to Miss Lilian Doris Airey.	7 [Feb] 1946	1 sheet
2/4/2	Framed photograph of Mr and Mrs Felgate on their wedding day.	2 Feb 1946	1 item
2/4/3	Photograph of Felgate, Mrs Doris Felgate and their daughter Angela; photograph of Angela with flowers.	c1950	2 photos (attached)
2/4/4	Photograph of Felgate, his daughter Angela and his mother Mrs Lena Abbott, Seckford Almshouses, Woodbridge.	July 1951	1 photo
2/4/5	'Proud Dad!' photograph of Felgate and his daughter Angela in Oxford on her graduation day.	c1969	1 photo
<u>2/5</u>	<u>R.S.P.C.A.</u> 'Huddersfield's New R.S.P.C.A. Inspector', newspaper cutting of an article about Felgate's work for the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Includes photograph of Felgate with Mrs W. Cumming Bell, Inspector R. W. Funnell, Miss Susan Eastwood and Mrs R. Doherty.	[after 1954]	1 sheet

<u>2/6</u>	<u>Africa</u>	[1940s]	10 photos
	Photographs and postcards from Africa, mostly Durban, South Africa. Precise dates and reason for Felgate's visit unknown.		
	Access: Please note that the photographs are stored separately		
2/6/1	'Durban, 1941.' Postcard of buildings by the sea.	1941	1 photo
2/6/2	'Drummond, Road to Petermaritzburgh [sic], South Africa.' Postcard of large crucifix.	[1940s]	1 photo
2/6/3	'Smith Street, Durban.' Postcard of street scene.	[1940s]	1 photo
2/6/4	'Esplanade and Docks, Durban.' Postcard of seaside.	[1940s]	1 photo
2/6/5	'Smith Street, Durban, South Africa' Postcard of street scene.	[1940s]	1 photo
2/6/6	'British War Cemetery.'	[1940s]	1 photo
2/6/7	'Freetown Harbour, North West Africa.'	[1940s]	1 photo
2/6/8	Photograph of Felgate.	[1940s]	1 photo
2/6/9	'On the Road to Drummond, South Africa.' Photograph of building.	[1940s]	1 photo
2/6/10	'Some of the Boys, Taken Durban.'	1941	1 photo
<u>2/7</u>	<u>Playing cards</u>	Not dated	1 item
	'Happy Families Game, Flowers of Israel', pack of cards, Language: English and Hebrew.		