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**Title:** Harry Wade Collection

**Name of creator:** Wade, Harry Llewellyn (1908-1983) Royal Air Force Physical Training Officer

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**Level of description:** Fonds

**Extent:** 1 file, 1 box

**Biographical history:** Wade, Harry Llewellyn (1908-1983) Royal Air Force Physical Training Officer

Born 1903 in Norwich, Norfolk. Joined the Royal Air Force aged 18 for a period of 6 years. Became Leading Aircraftsman in 1927 and obtained a six-year extension of service, for a total of 12 years of service (1921-1933). Promoted corporal and posted to Iraq in 1928, he served for two years in Shaibah. Obtained another extension of service for 12 years, until 1945. Moved to India in 1930, where he served first in Karachi and later in Lahore. Returned to England in March 1934 and was promoted to the rank of Sergeant; worked as a pilot trainer for short term commission officers during World War II. In April 1947 he was posted to Egypt and served there for two years. Returned to England in 1949, he worked at the Medical Rehabilitation Unit at Chessington and was posted to Cranwell, where he was responsible for training aircrews. He was finally posted to the Flying Training School at Swinderby, where he remained until 1958, when he retired after 37 years of service.

**Scope and content:** Biographical account and photo album relating to Harry Wade's Royal Air Force service in Iraq and India between 1928 and 1934. The photo album includes photos of landscapes, aircrafts, and military life, taken, ordered and labelled by Harry Wade. It also includes photographs with an anthropological interest such as 'Iraqi types' and 'Kurdish and Indian types'.

**System of arrangement:**

1. Royal Air Force Career
2. Photo Album

**Access conditions:** Open

**Language of material:** English

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**Custodial history:** In the possession of Harry Wade and then his children (Sally Scott and Richard Wade)

**Immediate source of acquisition:** Received as a gift from Richard Wade and Sally Scott (née Wade) on 14 May 2014

**Related Units of Description:**

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For other material related to the Royal Air Force (R.A.F.) see also:

- GB165-0320 William Elphinson Collection: Includes a series of lectures given to the Royal Air force (R.A.F.) Intelligence School 1947–1948 relating to British policy and the Middle East.
- GB165-0024 Arthur Bennett Collection: Papers as Royal Air Force (R.A.F.) member of Combined UK/US/Iranian team seconded to central staff of the Imperial Iranian Armed Forces, 1970-1972.

**Finding aids:** In Guide; Handlist

**Archivist's note:** Fonds, file and item level description created by Egizia Maria Felice in October 2014 and revised by Debbie Usher 27 Nov 2014. Labels and arrangement are original. Biographical history based on information in the account of Harry Wade's career.

**FILE AND ITEM LEVEL DESCRIPTION OF THE HARRY WADE  
COLLECTION**

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| 1   | <u>Royal Air Force Career</u>   | 2010, 2014                | 6 sheets  |
|     | <p>Account of Harry Wade's career in the Royal Air Force written by Richard Wade in 2010 and revised in 2014, based on information from his father's service records and research into The Times archives. The account includes details about Harry Wade's early career in England, his deployment to Iraq in October 1928 and India in 1930, his return to England in March 1934, his service during World War II, and two short periods of service at the Royal Air Force in Egypt in 1948. In 1949 Harry Wade returned to England where he worked as a military flying instructor in Swinderby until his retirement in 1958 after 37 years of military service. The account includes endnotes and pictures (pages 4-6)</p> |                           |           |
| 2   | <u>Photograph Album</u>   | 1928-1934                 | 228 items |
|     | <p>Brown leather photo album with photographs taken by Harry Wade during his Royal Air Force service in Iraq and India. It contains photographs of aerial views and landscapes, buildings, images of Indian, Arab, and Kurdish locals, views of the Royal Air Force camp at Lahore, photos of plane crashes and everyday life in the military, a Christmas menu from 1931, and a drawing of a map of Europe and the Middle-East. The arrangement of material and the captions are original.</p>   |                           |           |
| 2/1 | Seen on the Voyage  | Berlitz Isle – off Lisbon |           |
| 2/2 | Seen on the Voyage  | Gibraltar                 |           |

2/3	Seen on the Voyage	Port Said
2/4	Seen on the Voyage	Hell's Gate, Red Sea
2/5	Seen on the Voyage	Hell's Gate, Red Sea
2/6	Seen on the Voyage	Aden
2/7	Zubeir Iraq	H.T. "Neuralgia"
2/8	Zubeir Iraq	Zubeir, Iraq
2/9	Zubeir Iraq	Camel Serai, Zubeir
2/10	Zubeir Iraq	Bazaar, Zubeir
2/11	Zubeir Iraq	"Chai Khana", Zubeir
2/12	Zubeir Iraq	Bazaar, Zubeir
2/13	Zubeir and Shaibah	Tomb, Zubeir
2/14	Zubeir and Shaibah	R.A.F. Armoured Cars, Iraq
2/15	Zubeir and Shaibah	Tomb, Zubeir
2/16	Zubeir and Shaibah	Desert Policeman
2/17	Zubeir and Shaibah	Old Turkish fort. Near Shaibah
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2/20	Scenes on the Tigris, Iraq	
2/21	Scenes on the Tigris, Iraq	
2/22	Scenes on the Tigris, Iraq	
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2/24	Flight Forced Landings on a Salt Marsh	
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2/27	Flight Forced Landings on a Salt Marsh	
2/28	Shaibah	Vickers "Victoria" Aircraft
2/29	Shaibah	"Strawberry"+Tubby IAL Shaibah
2/30	Shaibah	"Vic's" Re-Fuelling
2/31	Shaibah	England-India Mail on Arrival at Shaibah

2/32	Shaibah	Aerial View of R.A.F. Camp, Shaibah, Iraq
2/33	Shaibah	Swimming Bath, Shaibah
2/34	Shaibah	Arab Bearer
2/35	Shaibah	“Peter” & Bull-Terrier pups
2/36	Shaibah	One of twelve wild pig[s], shot near Shaibah
2/37	Iraq	Fairey III F over Aden
2/38	Iraq	Transport – Ancient & Modern
2/39	Iraq	Ancient Ur, Iraq
2/40	Iraq	Ctestiphon [Ctesiphon] Arch, Nr. Baghdad
2/41	Iraq	“Wapiti” over Baghdad
2/42	Amara, Iraq	On the way to Amara
2/43	Amara, Iraq	War Cemetry [cemetery], Amara
2/44	Amara, Iraq	Having Made “Whoopee” [showing a group of soldiers with beer bottles]
2/45	Amara, Iraq	British War Cemetery, Amara
2/46	Amara, Iraq	Our Camping Ground
2/47	Amara, Iraq	In Amara main street. Note the central figure [Caption on reverse of photo]
2/48	Amara, Iraq	Our Pleasure Cruisers
2/49	Amara, Iraq	84 Sqdn [squadron] corporals at Amara British War Cemetery [Caption on reverse of photo]
2/50	Trip to Mirgamer	Jonah’s Tomb from site of Nineveh Mosul
2/51	Trip to Mirgamer	Mounds of Corn after Threshing. Mosul
2/52	Trip to Mirgamer	Gateway of Great Wall. Mosul
2/53	Trip to Mirgamer	Mule Convoy En Route to Mirgamer
2/54	Trip to Mirgamer	Mule Convoy En Route to Mirgamer
2/55	Trip to Mirgamer	Mule Convoy En Route to Mirgamer
2/56	Mirgamer. Kurdistan	Hiking Under Difficulties at Mirgamer
2/57	Mirgamer. Kurdistan	A Rest By The Wayside
2/58	Mirgamer. Kurdistan	R.A.F. Camp in Mirgamer Valley – Mirgamer Mount, 10,000 Feet
2/59	Mirgamer. Kurdistan	In Camp at Mirgamer
2/60	Mirgamer. Kurdistan	In Camp at Mirgamer

2/61	Mirgamer	Kurds with Mountain Cat Shot at Mirgamer
2/62	Mirgamer	Kurdish Types
2/63	Mirgamer	Kurd Children
2/64	Mirgamer	Kurd Woman Spinning
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2/66	Mirgamer	On Top o' The World – Kilishin Pass, 11,000 ft.
2/67	Mirgamer	Amongst the Snow in August
2/68	Mirgamer	Snow at 11,000 ft – Kilishin Pass
2/69	Mirgamer	Mountain Stream – Mirgamer
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2/71	Mirgamer	Kurdish Mountain Cemetry [cemetery]
2/72	Return From Mirgamer	Return from Mirgamer
2/73	Return From Mirgamer	End of the journey – Shaibah Station
2/74	Return From Mirgamer	North Iraq Hill Scenery
2/75	Return From Mirgamer	Locust Settled at Shaibah
2/76	Return From Mirgamer	Busaiyah Fort, Iraq Scene of Ekhwan [Ikhwan] Raid & Massacre
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2/78	Return From Mirgamer	Sheiks Faisal El Dowish & Ibn Hithalain after Surrendering to R.A.F. Jan. 1930
2/79	Return From Mirgamer	Sheikh Faisal El Dowish
2/80	Return From Mirgamer	Sheikh Amara
2/81	Karachi India	Cargo Boat at Abadan, Persian Gulf
2/82	Karachi India	Oyster Rocks off Karachi
2/83	Karachi India	Troopship at Karachi Docks
2/84	Karachi India	Bunder Boats Karachi
2/85	Karachi India	Karachi Harbour
2/86	Karachi India	Manora Lighthouse
2/87	Karachi India	Air Milestone, Karachi
2/88	Karachi India	Hindus
2/89	Karachi India	Manora
2/90	Karachi India	Hindu Temple, Manore

2/91	R.A.F. Lahore	Hawker "Hart" Crash at Lahore – 1 Killed
2/92	R.A.F. Lahore	Hawker "Hart" Crash at Lahore – 1 Killed
2/93	R.A.F. Lahore	Hart Crash
2/94	R.A.F. Lahore	Clive Troop Carrier Burnt Out at Lahore
2/95	Lahore	Horse Show – Lahore
2/96	Lahore	Horse Show – Lahore
2/97	Lahore	Prize Display at Horse Show
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2/101	Lahore	Shalimar Gardens from Central Pavilion
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2/116	Lahore Fort	Shishmahal Looking toward Queens Bath
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2/118	Lahore Fort	Badshahi Mosque From Main Gate of Fort
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2/120	Golden Temple, Amritsar	Shewing Entrance, Pier, Temple and Tank of

		Immortality
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2/129	Lower Topa and Murree	Rawalpindi – Kashmir Road
2/130	Lower Topa and Murree	Pine Tree Point, Kashmir Road
2/131	Lower Topa and Murree	Muree from Lower Topa
2/132	Lower Topa and Murree	R.A.F. Hill Depot Lower Topa
2/133	Lower Topa	In Camp
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2/136	Lower Topa	In Camp
2/137	Lower Topa	Muree from the Tat Path
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2/202	Delhi Fort and New Delhi	Imperial Secretariat
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2/205	Iraqian Types	Real Street Arabs

2/206	Iraqian Types	Arab with Falcon
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2/211	Kurdish and Indian Types	Kurd Guide
2/212	Kurdish and Indian Types	Busty [...] [caption partly illegible]
2/213	Kurdish and Indian Types	? Sikh labourer [caption mostly illegible]
2/214	Kurdish and Indian Types	Hindu Child
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2/216		Members of Corporals Mess, 84 Squadron, R.A.F. Shaibah
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