

Reference code: GB165-0318

Title: Edward Wiltshire Collection

Name of creator: Wiltshire, Edward Parr (b. 1910)

Dates of creation of material: 1930-1992

Level of description: Fonds

Extent: 1 file of papers, 6 boxes of photographic material

Biographical history: Wiltshire, Edward Parr (b. 1910)

Born 18 February 1910, son of Major Percy Wiltshire and Kathleen Wiltshire. Educated Cheltenham College; Jesus College, Cambridge. Entered Foreign Service, 1932. Served in Beirut, Mosul, Baghdad, Tehran, Basra, New York (one of HM Vice-Consuls, 1944); promoted Consul, 1945; transferred Cairo, 1946 (Acting Consul-General 1947, 1948); transferred Shiraz; Consul, Port Said, 1952; 1st Sec. And Consul: Baghdad, 1952, Rio de Janeiro, 1957; promoted Counsellor, 1959; Political Agent Bahrain, 1959-1963; Consul-General, Geneva, 1963-1967; Director, Diplomatic Service Language Centre, London, 1967-1968; worked for Council for Nature (Editor, Habitat), 1968-1969; Consul, Le Havre, 1969-1975. Hon. Associate, British Museum (Natural History), 1980. Married, 1942, Gladys Mabel Stevens; 1 daughter (Mrs. Kaye Wiltshire-Gaudy).

Scope and content: "Reminiscences of an Amateur Lepidopterist 1920-1990" reprinted from *The Entomologist's Record and Journal of Variation*, vols. 103 & 104, (1991 & 1992); photocopied TS talk on the history of Lebanon and personal reminiscences of his work there, given by Wiltshire in 1984. Photograph collection consisting of eight albums and two boxes of 35mm slides with images mainly of Iran but also including some images of Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Lebanon and Syria 1930-1966.

System of arrangement: Chronological

Access conditions: Open

Language of material: English

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 Edward Wiltshire in July and December 1995 and 1996 and 1999.

Finding aids: In Guide; Handlist

Archivist's note: Fonds level description created by Clare Brown 17 May 2000 and revised by Debbie Usher 10 Nov 2023