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Preface

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Introduction

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Creator: Broadbent, Philip Brown

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Philip Brown Broadbent

(1902 - 1981)

1925-1928	Assistant District Commissioner, Berber Province
1929-1933	Assistant District Commissioner/Assistant Resident (from 1932), Geneina, Darfur
1933-1937	Assistant Civil Secretary/Deputy Assistant Civil Secretary
1937-1943	District Commissioner, Dilling and Um Ruaba (from 1943), Kordofan
1943-1946	District Commissioner, Kosti, Blue Nile Province
1946-1950	Deputy Governor, Kassala Province
1950-1952	Governor, Kassala Province
1952	Retired

Accession details

Presented by Mr Broadbent, 1958-1959

Arrangement

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2. Personal Papers
3. Films
4. Printed Material

Form of citation

Material in the Sudan Archive is given a reference number, which is unique across the collections of papers. Usually it is not necessary to give the name of the person or organisation within which collection the item is found, although it may be convenient to do so.

The short form of citation should be GB-0033-SAD. *reference number*

Most printed references take the form: SAD. *reference number*.

To order items in the searchroom, use the collection reference code(s), derived by removing the repository code (GB-0033-), followed by the reference number. Citing the section of the finding aid is useful.

1. Public Relations Office Circulars

- SAD411/1-SAD4134 1952 Jul 1-1954 Feb
Sudanese Press Agency and Public Relations Office weekly newsletters: "S.P.A. Weekly Newsletter"; "PROJECT (PRO's Journal of extracts, comments and talking-points)"; "Sudan Broadcasting Service: Monitoring Service. Monitored extract" and "Sudan News and Features", with some enclosed newspaper cuttings. See below for dates covered by each file.
- SAD.411/1/1-210 1952 Jul 1-Sep 3
SAD.411/2/1-237 1952 Sep 6-Oct 30
SAD.411/3/1-161 1952 Oct 22-Dec 2
SAD.411/4/1-164 1952 Dec 1-31
SAD.412/1/1-209 1952 Dec 27-1953 Jan 29
SAD.412/2/1-234 1952 Dec 29-1953 Mar 1
SAD.412/3/1-252 1953 Feb 18-Mar 28
SAD.413/3/1-279 1953 Mar 26-May 11
SAD.413/1/1-316 1953 Apr 18-Jul 30
SAD.413/4/1-124 1953 Aug 13-1954 Feb 20
- SAD.408/5-SAD.408/7 1953 Oct 30-1955 Dec 29
Issues of "Background to Sudan News", a briefing circular produced by the Public Relations Consultant to the Sudan Government in London, covering the transition to self-government, the new Sudanese government, the Parliament of the Sudan, Sudanisation, Who's Who in the Sudan army, government and police, self-determination and political events. See below for dates covered by each file.
- SAD.408/5/1-58 1953 Oct 30-1954 May 10
SAD.408/6/1-69 1954 Jul 30-1955 Apr 1
SAD.408/7/3-72 1955 Apr 23-Dec 29
- SAD.424/1/1-104 1952-1953
Official government department annual reports for 1951/52:
- SAD.424/1/1-9 1952 Aug 2
Annual report of the Mechanical Transport Department, with précis
- SAD.424/1/10-13 1952 Sep 27
Précis of annual report of the Customs Department
- SAD.424/1/14-27 [1952]
Annual report of the Department of Economics and Trade
- SAD.424/1/28-36 [1952]
Annual report of the Ministry of Agriculture Research Division, Entomological Section, by R.J.V. Joyce, Government Entomologist
- SAD.424/1/37-70 [1952]
Annual report of the Department of Stores and Ordnance
- SAD.424/1/71-83 [1952]
Annual report of the Local Government Branch, Civil Secretary's Office, by T.H.B. Mynors, Acting Director

- SAD.424/1/84-104 1953 Apr 4
Annual report of the Sudan Irrigation Department, by R.J. Smith,
Director of Irrigation
- SAD.424/2/1-188 1952
Annual reports on Sudan provinces:
- SAD.424/2/1-21 1952 Sep 10
Annual report for Northern Province, by E.A. Balfour, Acting
Governor
- SAD.424/2/22-41 1952 Sep 29
Annual report for Khartoum Province by C. de Bunsen, Governor
- SAD.424/2/42-65 1952 Sep 4
Annual report for Kassala Province, by D. Hawkesworth,
Governor
- SAD.424/2/66-83 1952 Aug 29
Annual report for Blue Nile Province, by A.P. Cullen, Acting
Governor
- SAD.424/2/84-101 1952 Sep 8
Annual report for Kordofan, by G. Hawkesworth, Governor
- SAD.424/2/102-119 1952 Aug 28
Annual report for Darfur, by K.D.D. Henderson, Governor
- SAD.424/2/120-147 1952 Sep 6
Annual report for Upper Nile Province, by J. Longe, Governor
- SAD.424/2/148-167 1952 Jul 21
Annual report for Bahr al-Ghazal Province, by T.R.H. Owen,
Governor
- SAD.424/2/168-188 1952 Sep 18
Annual report for Equatoria Province, by E.H. Nightingale,
Governor
- SAD.408/7/1-2 1955 Jan
Circular letters from the Sudan Government British Pensioners'
Association concerning the annual general meeting

2. Personal Papers

- SAD.174/4/1-259 [ca. 1930-2010]
Memoirs of P.B. Broadbent's wife, (Violet) Mary as told to their daughter Judith Robinson during the 1990s, illustrated by copies of family photographs of their life in the Sudan and other supporting documents:
- SAD.174/4/1-7 1999
Papers relating to the publication of *Sudan Canterbury Tales* (Michael Russell, 1999), to which Mary Broadbent contributed "The wife's tale", including correspondence between Judith Robinson and the editor, Sir Donald Hawley
- SAD.174/4/8 1993
Biographical notes on Violet Mary Broadbent (née Putnam)
- SAD.174/4/9 1993
Sketch map of the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan
- SAD.174/4/10-11 1932 Nov
Photocopy of message of greeting from the Amir Muhammad Bahr al-Din to Mary Broadbent on her arrival in western Darfur
- SAD.174/4/12-214 1993
Memoirs of Mary Broadbent's life in the Sudan as dictated to her daughter Judith Robinson, interspersed with photocopies of photographs of the Broadbent family in the Sudan, copied from original albums still in the possession of the Broadbent family, including the journey out, life in Berber, Darfur, Khartoum, Kordofan, Blue Nile and Kassala provinces; visit to Abeché in Chad; Chad border incident; trip to Kenya where Judith was born, etc.
- SAD.174/4/154 2010
Obituary for Amedeo Guillet (b. 1909)
- SAD.174/4/215-259 1995
Memoirs of Judith Robinson (née Broadbent) who spent part of her childhood in the Sudan, particularly Kassala Province, interspersed with photocopies of family photographs still in the possession of the Broadbent family, and photographs of stone implements picked up by Mary Broadbent in a cave at Jabal Kassala (SAD.174/4/237-238) and of a silver "Chrysanthemum" box given to P.B. Broadbent by Sayyid `Abd al-Rahman al-Mahdi in ca. 1944 (SAD.174/4/243)
- SAD.174/5/1-84 1995-2010
Continuation of Judith Robinson's memoirs of her childhood in the Sudan with photocopies of family photographs still in the possession of the Broadbent family and other supporting photographs and documents, including:
- SAD.174/5/3-4 [ca. 1948]
Photographs of pictures painted by Judith Broadbent after a holiday in Kassala
- SAD.174/5/9-17 2010
Notes concerning and photographs of a crusader sword

- SAD.174/5/20-23 2010
Photographs of silver *jabbana* (coffee pot), ashtrays and cigarette box
- SAD.174/5/29-31 [ca. 1953-1958]
Copies of press cuttings on a talk by Mary Broadbent on missionary work in the Sudan, article by P.B. Broadbent in the *Daily Mail* on General Abbud and photograph of Broadbent speaking at a gathering of international representatives of the Y.M.C.A.
- SAD.174/5/32-76 [ca. 1949-1957]
Copies of two of Judith Broadbent's school projects on the Sudan, one written at Manor House School, Wimborne and the other probably in the lower 6th at the Francis Holland School, Sloane Square, London
- SAD.174/5/78-79,82-84 1995-2005
Press obituaries for J.S. Owen (1912-1995); Phillippa Maghrabi (1904-2000); George Rodger (1908-1995); E.H. Nightingale (1904-1996); and Duncan Campbell (1913-2005)
- SAD.174/5/80-81 [ca. 1990s]
Copy article by Annabel Heseltine on a return visit by Bill Carden to North Kordofan

3. Films

SAD.1000/4

[ca. 1932-1933]

DVD copy of original cinefilms taken by Mr and Mrs Broadbent and family covering their wedding in Devon, the trip by ship to Port Sudan, the journey to Geneina by lorry and the early days of their married life in the Sudan. The films were remastered in Paris.

Wedding of Philip and Mary Broadbent; trip to Geneina in 1933; harbour; Suez canal; quayside (Port Sudan?); P.B. Broadbent; journey by truck; gazelle; Broadbent taking tea by side of road; *fulah*; Mary with riding crop; British officials; nomads with donkey; girl carrying large basket on her head; woman with baby on her back; lizard; Arab men and boys; Mary sitting under tree; refuelling truck; *tukls*; Broadbent outside rest house; watering animals; camels; policemen; fort (Geneina?); Broadbent and Mary on horseback; meeting local *shaykhs* and officials; drummers; lineup of horsemen at tribal gathering; marchpast, riders with spears; young foal feeding; brick building (Broadbent house?); Mary at home; pet gazelle; monkey; horse in stable; Darfuri women; Darfur saddle

SAD.1000/3

[ca. 1934-1938]

DVD copy of original cinefilms taken by Mr and Mrs Broadbent, recording a trip to Cairo and Luxor to meet Mrs Broadbent's parents who had travelled out by ship from Devon to see them. The films were remastered in Paris.

"Farringdon to the Sudan, Luxor and Cairo": view of ship from the harbour; tug boat; tug towing ship out of harbour; view of coastline; ships in harbour; rowing boats approaching ship; harbour - Port Said?; rowing boats ready to take passengers; view of harbour buildings; large passenger ship; Suez Canal; *feluccas* on canal; buildings on bank of canal; cargo ship on canal; passenger ship; mast of ship; people in harbour; moving cargo; donkeys laden with fodder; railway passengers; sifting grain (Sudan); donkeys and camels at rest; Sudanese men leading animals; *suq* and street scenes; horse and cart; donkeys; men playing game; antiquities - Luxor?; tourists; scorpion; snake (cobra); pyramids at Giza; sphinx; views of desert; Cairo streets and buildings (brief); men washing by river; *feluccas* moored by river's edge and sailors; *saqiyah*; men on bicycles; *saqiyah*; palm trees; men in *jallabiyahs*; camels; camel train carrying sacks; *shaduf*, policeman watching; women carrying cans on their heads; *feluccas* moored by river's edge; sawing planks of wood; dam (Jabal Auliya?) and lock; mechanical cranes; view of riverbank from boat; villages on riverbank; men and donkeys; camels; wild cat; woman nomad on bull; construction site for dam, P.B. Broadbent and Violet Putnam centre; excavator; Abu Simbel

4. Printed Material

SAD.413/2/1-17 1951 Dec-1958 May
Sudan Monthly Record, Nos 253-267
(Dec1951/Jan1952-Feb/Mar1953); 269 (Apr/May 1953); 329 (May
1958)

SAD.408/7/73-74 1955 Apr 26
Sudan Weekly News, Year 1, No 36

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