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## Contents

The archive contains the Cremation Society's records and papers from its foundation up to 2014, the greatest concentration of these papers are twentieth century. These cover the administration of the Society, correspondence and resources on the developments of cremation and internment. The archive has a strongly international character, reflecting the society's close contacts with cremationist bodies in other countries ever since its foundation. Also included are the Society's holdings of International Cremation Federation (ICF) paperwork and correspondence, during the course of its history a number of Cremation Society members have been representative on the ICF's council.

## The Cremation Society of Great Britain

The Cremation Society of England was founded on 13th January 1874 by Sir Henry Thompson, physician to Queen Victoria, and a number of his friends. In 1930 it was renamed simply the Cremation Society, to emphasise its application to the whole of Great Britain, and its name was changed again in 1974 to the Cremation Society of Great Britain.

See Collection Level Description for more background notes.

## Accession details

Deposited by the Cremation Society of Great Britain, 1998, 2015, 2017, 2019-2021, 2024.

## Previous custodial history

Located in the Cremation Society's office in Maidstone until its deposit at Durham in 1998 and 2015.

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### Accruals

Further deposits of material which the society no longer requires for current administration are expected from time to time.

### Form of citation

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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.

### Bibliography

Further information about the Society, together with a short history and bibliography of cremation in Britain, is available on its web site

<http://www.cremation.org.uk><http://www.srgw.info/CremSoc/History/HistSocy.html#>

Cremation Society of Great Britain, *The history of modern cremation in Great Britain from 1874* (Maidstone, [1974])

Davies, Douglas J. & Mates, Lewis H. *Encyclopedia of Cremation* (London: Ashgate, 2005)

## Periodicals

### CRE/A

There are two sequences, according to size: A (ordinary sequence) and AO (oversize sequence). Each is arranged by country of publication.

*Other catalogues:* Catalogued within printed library catalogue, found by doing a shelfmark search for "CremationSoc A" (excluding some items from Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia, for which see printed list). Earlier printed list on search room shelves in Palace Green Library

## Books and dissertations

CRE/B

Arranged by country of publication (UK and USA together under B/EN):

- B/DE: Books published in Denmark
- B/EN1: UK and USA: Disposal of the Dead
- B/EN2: Cremation
- B/EN3: Funerals
- B/EN4: Practicalities of coping with death
- B/EN5: Legal aspects
- B/EN6: Medical aspects
- B/EN7: Death, bereavement and after-life
- B/EN8: Literature
- B/EN9: Art, architecture, memorials and cemeteries
- B/FR: France
- B/GE: Germany
- B/HU: Hungary
- B/IT: Italy
- B/NE: Netherlands
- B/PO: Poland
- B/RU: Russia
- B/SL: Slovenia
- B/SW: Sweden

*Other catalogues:* Catalogued within printed library catalogue, found by doing a shelfmark search for "CremationSoc B". Earlier printed list on search room shelves in Palace Green Library

## Pamphlets

### CRE/C

Pamphlets arranged by country of publication, then (other than UK) by date. UK pamphlets are arranged according to the following scheme (and by date within each of these subsections):

- C/AG. Argentina
- C/AL. Australia
- C/AU: Austria
- C/BE: Belgium
- C/CZ: Czechoslovakia
- C/DE: Denmark
- C/FI: Finland
- C/FR: France
- C/GE: Germany
- C/GR: Greece
- C/IN: India
- C/IR: Ireland
- C/IT: Italy
- C/LU: Luxemburg
- C/NE: Netherlands
- C/NZ: New Zealand
- C/NO: Norway
- C/RU: Russia
- C/SA: South Africa
- C/SW: Sweden
- C/SZ: Switzerland
- C/UK1. Disposal of the dead
- C/UK2. Death, dying, after-live, bereavement
- C/UK3. Funerals
- C/UK4. Legal aspects
- C/UK5. Cemeteries, crematoria, memorials
- C/US: United States of America
- C/YU: Yugoslavia

*Other catalogues:* Catalogued within printed library catalogue, found by doing a shelfmark search for "CremationSoc C". Earlier printed list kept with collection within strong room.

*Related material in other DUL collections:* Lectures can also be found at CRE/P/7/C

## ICF Papers

CRE/D 1936-2009

*Language:* The three official languages of the ICF are English, French and German and most official paperwork and correspondence is translated into these languages. Other languages are also noted at item level

*Biographical information:* The International Cremation Federation was established in London in 1937 with the basic aim to promote good practice in Cremation. The annual Congresses are held in the host country decided at the previous Congress. Congress usually coincides biannually with a General Council meeting. The General Council is the main policy making body of the organisation and acts the forum where votes on the Federation's policies are cast. The Executive Committee conducts business as decided in the General Council. Members of the Executive Committee are elected every three years and consist of a President, General Secretary, Treasurer and Vice President. At the 2003 Congress in Barcelona a restructure of the ICF was proposed and subsequently in 2005 the ICF formed three Regional Committees. The chairman of each Regional Committee is also a member of the Executive Committee.

During the history of the ICF members of the Cremation Society have held positions on the various Committees and have attended Congress.

Archives of the International Cremation Federation (ICF), and papers for ICF congresses, arranged according to the following scheme:

- D1. Constitution and rules
- D2. Annual report
- D3. Bulletin
- D4. Congress, Executive Committee and General Council publications, papers and correspondence. Arranged in date order (undated papers at end as D4/MISC). Includes some other international conference information
- D5. Correspondence
- D6. Surveys and statistics
- D7. Accounts and finances

Constitution, rules and statutes

CRE/D1/1-3 1937-1994

ICF papers relating to the foundation of the ICF, its constitution and rules

4 items

Constitution

CRE/D1/1 1957 [1937 and 1957?]

Two copies of the Constitution approved by the official delegates at the International Cremation Congress held in London, 24 Sept. - 2 Oct. 1937. The second copy is a reprinted version dated in pen as 1957 and shows minor revisions in the wording of the original constitution

*Language:* English; French; German

Rules

CRE/D1/2 [1966?]

Rules as amended by the International Cremation Congress held in Vienna, 23-26 May 1966

*Language:* English; French; German

## Statutes

CRE/D1/3 1994

ICF statutes listed for the Dutch Chamber of Commerce in 1994. Recognition by the Chamber of Commerce by a founding nation was required by the The United Nations and European Community. Prior to 1994 the ICF's statutes had not been formally recognised

*Language:* English; French; German

## Annual Reports

CRE/D2/1-2 1938, 1951-1976, 1995-2005

/1: ICF annual reports for 1938, 1951-76 (London, [1939-77]) Place of publication varies according to the location of the ICF headquarters.

2: Annual reports sent to the cremation societies from other institutions worldwide include:

DELA Cooperatie: delat kooperatieve vereniging voor het verzekeren en verzorgen van begrafenissen en krematies, U.A. Eindhoven for 1992, 1995-2000, 2003-2004  
de Facultatieve Groep for 1995-1998 and 2000-2005

Vereniging voor crematie AVVL for 2000

Yarden: uitvaartverzekering & verzorging for 2001

Schweizerischer verband fur feuerbestattung (Union Suisse de Cremation/

Associazione Svizzera di Cremazione for 2001/2002

*Language:* English; French; German; Swedish; Dutch

## Bulletin

CRE/D3 1961-1972

Bulletin of the International Cremation Federation, nos 1 (1961) - 15 (1970), 17 (1971) - 19 (1972) Two issues per year. Place of publication not stated [varied according to location of the ICF headquarters?]

*Language:* English; French; German

## Publications and Papers from ICF Congresses, General and Executive Committee Meetings

CRE/D4 1936-2009

Papers from ICF Congresses, General and Executive Committee Meetings. Between 1936-1990 files relate primarily to Congresses but, after this period Congress is held every two years with Executive Committee meetings occurring multiple times a year. These papers reflect the changes to the structure of the ICF when, in 2003, a regional structure was adopted. Correspondence is included where it directly links to the events, these are usually papers collected and created by ICF General-Secretary Roger N. Arber.

Material weeded includes duplicate material and a large proportion of organisational papers (city guides, maps, flight details), though some has been retained to demonstrate the organisational scale of ICF events.

*Language:* Mainly in the three official languages of the ICF, English; French; German.

Other languages will be noted at item level

20 boxes

CRE/D4/1936/1-3 1936-1937

1936 congress (12-20 Sept.), Prague

[The 1936 congress pre-dated the setting up of the International Cremation Federation, but led directly to its foundation at the next congress held in London in 1937]

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1936/1 12-15 Sept 1936

Mezinárodní kongres kremacní Praha 12.-15. září 1936 [congress programme]

*Language:* English; French; German; Czech

CRE/D4/1936/2 [1937?]

'The International Cremation Congress at Prague: report, decision, resolutions' (Prague, "Krematorium Society", [1937?]). Special issue of Krematorium, the periodical published by the "Krematorium" Society (Spolek pro Pohrbívání Zehem v Praze). Includes list of delegates, and text of papers

*Language:* English

CRE/D4/1936/3 [1937?]

Photocopy of D4/1936/2 in spiral binding

CRE/D4/1937/1-4 1937

1937 congress (24 Sept. - 2 Oct.), London

CRE/D4/1937/1 1937

Official handbook Includes article "The cremation movement in Great Britain from 1874 to 1937"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1937/2 [1937?]

Four versions of the Congress Report including drafts and the final version

*Language:* English

CRE/D4/1937/3 [1937?]

Rapport officiel / Offizieller Bericht Does not include the summaries of speeches given in the English version

*Language:* French; German

CRE/D4/1937/4 [1937?]

Selection of untitled draft papers

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1948 [1948]

1948 congress (27 April - 2 May), The Hague

CRE/D4/1948/1 [1948]

Report (London, Pharos Press, [1948?])

*Language:* English

CRE/D4/1951/1-2 1951

1951 congress (23-26 May), Copenhagen

CRE/D4/1951/1 1951

Programme includes article "The development of the cremation movement in Denmark"

*Language:* English; French

CRE/D4/1951/2 [1951?]

Official Report (Funeral Service Journal, [1951?])

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1954/1-13 1954

1954 congress (24-26 May), Oslo

CRE/D4/1954/1 [1954?]

Official programme Includes article "Cremation in Norway"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1954/2 [1954?]

Official report (London, Pharos Press, [1954?])

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1954/3 [1954?]

Official delegate's badge, from Great Britain

CRE/D4/1954/4 [1954?]

Congress paper

NAUMANN, Heinz: "The revival of the cremation movement in Germany"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1954/5 [1954?]

Congress Paper

OVDEN, O.: "Support for cremation from state and other sources"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1954/6 [1954?]

Congress Paper

MICHELFEIT, Franz: "Roman Catholic canon law and cremation"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1954/7 [1954?]

Congress Paper

BOMAN, Thorleif: "The attitude of the Protestant church towards cremation"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1954/8 [1954?]

Congress Paper

HEUER, Albert: "The cremation movement today as the expression of a changed attitude towards life"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1954/9 [1954?]

Congress Paper

WOLBEEK, F.A.: "Commission on Human Rights"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1954/10 [1954?]

Congress Paper

BLIDBERG, Per Gust: "Cremation statistics"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1954/11 [1954?]

Congress Paper

GRUFMAN, N.: "Right of option to hold the funeral service before or after cremation"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1954/12 [1954?]

Congress Paper

WOLBEEK, F.A.: "International Committee for Planning and Building of Crematoria"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1954/13 [1954?]

Congress Paper

"Mutual co-operation between cremation societies in cases where members die abroad: report by the Secretary General [P. Herbert Jones]"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1957/1-2 1957-1958

1957 congress (12-15 Aug.), Zurich

CRE/D4/1957/1 [1957?]

Official programme

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1957/2 1958

Official report(Stockholm, Zetterlund & Thelanders Boktryckeri-AB, 1958)

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1960/1-7 [1960-1961]

1960 congress (23-26 May), Stockholm

CRE/D4/1960/1 [1960-1961?]

One draft of the Official Report, the English and German has been annotated, and a copy of the Official Report (Stockholm, Zetterlund & Thelanders Boktryckeri-AB, 1961)

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1960/2 1960

Congress Paper

CARTER, H.D.E.: "Propaganda for cremation" (Stockholm, Zetterlund & Thelanders Boktryckeri-AB, 1960)

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1960/3 1960

Congress Paper

MICHELFEIT, Franz, & JENT, Viktor: "Proposed declaration concerning efforts for the repeal of the prohibition of cremation by the Roman Catholic Church"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1960/4 1960

Congress Paper

CAMERON, Sir John: "Gardens of remembrance in parish churchyards"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1960/5 1960

Congress Paper

WOLBEEK, F.A., MICHELFEIT, Franz, & NAUMANN, Heinz: "The economy of cremation"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1960/6 1960

Congress Paper

BOONE, P.C., HEUER, A., & RALD, N.J.: "Sociological aspects of cremation"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1960/7 1960

Programme, includes the article The Swedish Cremation Movement

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1962 1962

Executive Committee Meeting (15 Sept), Luxemburg

CRE/D4/1962/1 1962

File containing meeting paperwork for the Executive Committee Meeting, Luxemburg. Also includes handwritten notes and a substantial quantity of correspondence from Nils Gruffman.

*Language:* English; French;German, some correspondence is in German only

CRE/D4/1963/1-4 [1963-1964]

1963 congress (18-20 June), Berlin

CRE/D4/1963/1 [1963]

Programme, includes article "Cremation in Germany"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1963/2 [1964?]

CRE/D4/1963/2 Extracts from the report of the International Cremation Congress at Berlin

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1963/3 [1963?]

The world problems of the disposal of the dead prepared by the ICF Committee for Propaganda for the 1963 congress

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1963/4 1963

Congress Paper

JONES, P.H. "Cremation in Great Britain"

*Language:* English

CRE/D4/1966/1-7 [1966]

1966 congress (23-26 May), Vienna

CRE/D4/1966/1 [1966?]

Programme

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1966/2 [1966?]

Congress handbook, including programme and articles "Vienna the congress town" and "Cremation in Austria"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1966/3 [1966?]

Booklet of congress papers. Contents include:

KRENN, Anton: "Die Röm. Kath. Kirche und die Feuerbestattung / L'Eglise catholique et la crémation"

WOLBEEK, A.: "Die Feuerbestattung in den Niederlanden / La crémation en Hollande"

PREVETTE, Kenneth G.C. "Der Wert des Idealismus in der Feuerbestattungsbewegung / Valeur de l'idéalisme dans le mouvement crémationniste"

BOONE, P.C.: "Einäscherung in einer veränderten Welt / La pratique de la crémation dans un monde évolué"

SPOLECNOST PRATEL ZEHU, CZECHOSLOVAKIA: "Die Gesellschaft von Freunden der Feuerbestattung / La Société des Amis de la Crémation"

BRYAN, Paul G.: "Zusammenarbeit der Krematorien, das Ziel in Californien / Coopération entre les crématoriums [sic], le but en Californie"

*Language:* French; German

CRE/D4/1966/4 [1965?]

Drafts of the Kenneth Prevette's congress paper on "The value of idealism in cremation". With letters to Prevette, commenting on the drafts he had sent them, from Joseph Reeves, 8 December 1965, and Sir John Cameron, undated.

*Language:* English

CRE/D4/1966/5 May 1966

WIENER STADTWERKE, STÄDTISCHE BESTATTUNG: "Information concerning burials in Vienna". Text in three-page leaflet dated May 1966, probably prepared specially for the congress

*Language:* English

CRE/D4/1966/6 [1966]

Booklet of photostats of press cuttings from Austrian newspapers relating to the congress.

*Language:* German

CRE/D4/1966/7 [1966?]

Draft revisions to the constitution of the ICF, prepared by the Executive Committee at its meeting on 13 May 1965 for consideration by the congress. Set out in parallel columns with the existing constitution on the left, and draft amendments on the right.

*Language:* French; English version of sections 5-10 only.

CRE/D4/1968 [1968]

[Proposed?] 1968 congress (19 August 1968), The Hague

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1968/1 [1968]

Draft programme

CRE/D4/1969/1-18 [1969]

1969 congress (May), London

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1969/1 [1969]

"Report of the Secretary General to the congress in London, May 1969"

CRE/D4/1969/2 [1969]

Congress Paper

CARTER, H.D.E. "Does embalming affect cremation?"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1969/3 [1969]

Congress Paper

ERLANDSEN, Ida-Merete. "From the cromlech to the common grave for ashes"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1969/4 [1969]

Congress Paper

HEAP, Desmond. "The assault on the land"

*Language:* English

CRE/D4/1969/5 [1969]

Congress Paper

KIRCHOFF, Walter. "Efforts to reform cremation laws in the Federal Republic of Germany"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1969/6 [1969]

Congress Paper

KNAF, Charles. "The cremation in the Latin countries of Europe"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1969/7 [1969]

Congress Paper

NAUMANN, Heinz. "Area of land required for burial and cremation"

*Language:* English; German

CRE/D4/1969/8 [1969]

Congress Paper

NOTH, Ernest. "Cremation one hundred years ago"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1969/9 1969

Transcript of a recording of proceedings on Thursday 29 May 1969. Incomplete; covers the morning session on 29 May and part of the afternoon session, ending in mid-sentence on p.34

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1969/10 [1969?]

Full transcript of proceedings including opening addresses, some congress papers and sessions on Thursday 29 May 1969

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1969/11 1969

"Report by the Public Relations Committee" to the ICF Congress 1969 in London  
*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1969/12 1969

"Fundamental features of a burial law", draft protocol (4th draft, 26 March 1969) prepared by the Law Committee established by the meeting of the ICF General Council in Prague in 1967.

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1969/13 1969

One file of correspondence and enclosures regarding the ICF Congress in London, 1969. Enclosures include official documents including lists of delegates, copies of papers and plans for the conference hall layouts.

*Language:* English; French, German

CRE/D4/1969/14 1969

Delegate's application forms

*Language:* English; French, German

CRE/D4/1969/15 1969

File of information for delegates. Includes programme, schedules and other general information regarding location and hotels.

*Language:* English; French and German

CRE/D4/1969/16 1969

Correspondence with Yugoslavian delegates regarding a questionnaire. Includes copy of the questionnaire.

*Language:* English

CRE/D4/1969/17 1969

Photocopies of the Congress agenda, treasurer's report and a small number of papers

*Language:* English; French and German

CRE/D4/1969/18 [1969]

Programme

*Language:* English; German and French

CRE/D4/1972/1-18 [1972]

1972 congress (5-9 June), Grenoble

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1972/1 [1972]

Congress Programme

CRE/D4/1972/2 [1972]

Supplement entitled "Further information on the programme"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1972/3 [1972]

Official handbook. Includes list of previous conferences, and articles "Brève histoire de la Fédération Internationale de Crémation", "Se faire incinérer... Pourquoi?", and "La crémation en France". List of delegates loose inside.

*Language:* French

CRE/D4/1972/4 [1972]

"Report of the Secretary-General at the congress at Grenoble, June 1972".

Speech given by Secretary-General Nils Grufman

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1972/5 [1972]

Report [by Kenneth G.C. Prevette] on the progress of cremation in Great Britain.

*Language:* English

CRE/D4/1972/6 [1972]

"Draft of a resolution of the International Cremation Federation's congress 1971 [sic, i.e. 1972] for the purpose of refusal of embalming dead corpses" English draft with ms amendments in the hand of Kenneth G.C. Prevette, with later draft in English, French and German attached

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1972/7 [1972]

"Minutes of the meeting of the General Council of the International Cremation Federation held at Alpotel, Grenoble, on the 8th June 1972"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1972/8 [1972]

Summary of papers delivered at the congress.

*Language:* English

CRE/D4/1972/9 [1972]

Congress Paper

GRUFMAN, Nils. "I.C.F. and the human rights"

*Language:* English, French, German

CRE/D4/1972/10 [1972]

Congress Paper

GRUFMAN, Nils. "I.C.F. and the human rights"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1972/11 [1972]

Congress Paper

HAZEMANN, R.H. "The social and cultural aspect of cremation".

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1972/12 [1972]

Congress Paper

NOTH, Ernest. "Convention on the transport of corpses"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1972/13 [1972]

Congress Paper

PRÖBSTING, Karl. "Forms and objectives in cemetery and funeral direction"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1972/14 [1972]

Congress Paper

RIQUET, Michel. "The Catholic Church and the cremation of corpses"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1972/15 [1972]

Congress Paper

SIMOND, Jean: "Cremation in France"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1972/16 [1972]

Congress Paper

TURNER, E.S. "An evaluation of factors contributing to the progressive adoption of cremation in the United Kingdom"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1972/17 [1972]

Congress Paper

WILLIAMSON, R.G. "Memorialisation"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1972/18 [1972]

Programme

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1973/1-9 [1973]

1973 congress and general council meeting, (29-30 September), Turin.

CRE/D4/1973/1 [1973]

Agenda, including drafts. Also includes a signed list of delegates

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1973/2 [1973]

Protocol, includes drafts

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1973/3 [1973]

Multiple draft copies of the report of the Secretary General, Richard Ozmec, some of which include annotations by Kenneth G.C. Prevette

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1973/4 [1973]

Multiple draft copies "Convention by the Council of Europe" report

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1973/5 [1973]

"Meeting of the Board" report

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1973/6 [1973]

English translation of the welcome speech

*Language:* English

CRE/D4/1973/7 [1973]

Annual report

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1973/8 [1973]

Congress Paper

TURNER, E.S. "An Evaluation of Factors contributing to the progressive adoption of cremation in the United Kingdom"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1973/9 [1973]

File of meeting papers, including duplicates

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1974 [1974]

ICF Board Meeting (5 July), London

CRE/D4/1974/1 [1974]

One file of meeting papers for the ICF Board Meeting, 5 July 1974. Includes protocol, agenda, addresses and subscription information

*Language:* English; German

CRE/D4/1975/1-15 [1975]

1975 congress (8-12 June), Helsinki

CRE/D4/1975/1 [1975]

Programmes, one large A3 fold-out and one small leaflet.

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1975/2 [1975]

"Report of the Secretary General Director Dipl. Math. Dr. Richard Ozmec"

*Language:* French; German

CRE/D4/1975/3 [1975]

Protocol, including one annotated German draft and an early annotated English draft.

*Language:* German; English

CRE/D4/1975/4 [1975]

Agenda

CRE/D4/1975/5 [1975]

Congress Papers

ERICSON, Kjell. "Cremation information from authorities - a duty or undue influence?"

CRE/D4/1975/6 [1975]

Congress Paper

KOSTITCH, Alexander. "The participation of the Cremation Movement in the struggle against the worldwide ecological crisis"

CRE/D4/1975/7 [1975]

Congress Paper

MCDONALD, J.F. "A decade of cremation in the Roman Catholic Church"

CRE/D4/1975/8 [1975]

Congress Paper

OZMEC, Richard. "Humanisation of relations - one of ICF's tasks".

- CRE/D4/1975/9 [1975]  
Congress Paper  
SERVOZ-GAVIN, PAUL. "From inhumation to cremation". Front cover of English text is marked "Edited" and "inhumation" in title altered to "burial" in the hand of Kenneth G.C. Prevette
- CRE/D4/1975/10 [1975]  
Congress Paper  
STRNAD, Anton. "Humanisation of the environment"
- CRE/D4/1975/11 [1975]  
Congress Paper  
OZMEC, Richard. "Humanisation of relations - one of ICF's tasks"
- CRE/D4/1975/12 1975  
File of brief correspondence, delegate information and application forms
- CRE/D4/1975/13 [1975]  
"Post Conference Tours' leaflet
- CRE/D4/1975/14 [1975]  
General correspondence regarding 1975 Congress, Bordeaux
- CRE/D4/1975/15 [1975]  
Meeting paperwork and minutes for the Board Meeting and Executive Committee Meetings held between 8-12 June 1975
- CRE/D4/1976/1-8 [1976]  
1976 congress (8-12 June), Boston
- CRE/D4/1976/1 [1976]  
Protocol, including drafts and a signed list of delegates
- CRE/D4/1976/2 [1976]  
Agenda
- CRE/D4/1976/3 [1976]  
"Report on the efforts taken to reunite the Strasbourg Association with the French Federation"
- CRE/D4/1976/4 [1976]  
"Clarification of the function of 'Pharos' as the official organ of the ICF"
- CRE/D4/1976/5 [1976]  
"Report on the Human Rights Commission"
- CRE/D4/1976/6 [1976]  
"Reference of the Secretary General to the Congress Contributors"
- CRE/D4/1976/7 [1976]  
Two articles regarding the functions and future of the ICF
- CRE/D4/1975/8 [1975]  
Letter of address to the General Council [perhaps by the General-Secretary Dr Richard Omzek] regarding the future and purpose of the ICF
- CRE/D4/1977/1-7 [1977]  
ICF Board Meeting (28 September), Luxemburg  
*Language:* German and English

CRE/D4/1977/1-7 [1977]

CRE/D4/1977/1 [1977]

Agenda and register of participants

CRE/D4/1977/2 [1977]

Report of the Secretary General

CRE/D4/1977/3 [1977]

Report on the alterations to statutes

CRE/D4/1977/4 [1977]

Statements on the guidelines concerning VAT in Europe

CRE/D4/1977/5 [1977]

Report on the modifications to byelaws

CRE/D4/1977/6 [1977]

Report on the papers to be submitted at the 1978 Rotterdam Congress

CRE/D4/1977/7 [1977]

Other agenda points

CRE/D4/1978/1-10 [1978]

1978 Congress (June), Rotterdam

CRE/D4/1978/1 [1978]

Agenda, including drafts.

CRE/D4/1978/2 [1978]

Report of the General Secretary

CRE/D4/1978/3 [1978]

A statement on the guideline concerning the VAT in non EU countries including other financial details and a supplement sheet from the Official Journal of the European Communities L.145"6th directive concerning value added tax"

CRE/D4/1978/4 [1978]

Report on the modification of the byelaws and alteration of statutes

CRE/D4/1978/5 [1978]

Record of other matters addressed

CRE/D4/1978/6 [1978]

Congress Paper

CARTER, Horace D.E. "Music for cremation services"

CRE/D4/1978/7 [1978]

Congress Paper

EVANS, J.M. "The disposal of cremated remains"

CRE/D4/1978/8 [1978]

Congress Paper

GODARD, Jacques. "Ecologie et crémation"

*Language:* French only

CRE/D4/1978/9 [1978]

Congress Paper

OZMEC, Richard. "Aims and future problems of ICF"

CRE/D4/1981/1-21 [1981]

1981 congress (5-9 October), Berlin

*Language:* English, French and German

CRE/D4/1981/1 [1981]

Leaflets: programme, list of delegates, menu

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1981/2 [1981]

Congress Paper

ADAM, Hendrik: "Cremation - a comparison with interment from an environmental point of view"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1981/3 [1981]

Congress Paper

BEGERT, Horst: "Burial of urns at sea - a major form of burial in the future?"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1981/4 [1981]

GAEDKE, Jürgen: "Development and problems of cremation in the Federal Republic of Germany"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1981/5 [1981]

Congress Paper

HANSEN, Heiko: "Caskets made of wood - how much longer?"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1981/6 [1981]

Congress Paper

HORSSSEN, W. van: "Cremation, environment, energy"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1981/7 [1981]

Congress Paper

MAHLER, Erhard: "The development of cremations and burials in Berlin"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1981/8 [1981]

Congress Paper

MEYER ZU NATRIP, Hans-Joachim: "The setting of tasks and the finances of an ideological organization [i.e. the International Cremation Federation]"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1981/9 [1981]

Congress Paper

PORTER, Michael J.: "The youth opportunities programme".

*Language:* English

CRE/D4/1981/10 [1981]

Congress Paper

ROY, Donald K.: "Eighty years of cremation in Canada"

*Language:* English; French;German

CRE/D4/1981/11 [1981]

Congress Paper

SEGRE, Bruno: "Cremation in Italy"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1981/12 [1981]

Congress Paper

SPENCER, Eric: "Where do we come from, what are we, where are we going?"

Two copies of the English, one with marked in the hand of Kenneth G.C. Pevette, "Revised Dec. 1981"

*Language:* English

CRE/D4/1981/13 [1981]

Congress Paper

TRIP, Mrs. N.H. van den Broek-Laman: "Reaction to changes"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1981/14 [1981]

Congress Paper

TUCHEN, John: "Cremation in Australia - some similarities and distinctions"

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1981/15 [1981]

Address by Dr. G. W. B. Borris (Netherlands) about needs for some restructuring of the ICF

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1981/16 [1981]

Report by the Luxemburger Feuerstattungsverien on recent cremation developments in Luxembourg.

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1981/17 [1981]

Report by Roger Wendin on recent cremation developments in Sweden.

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1981/18 [1981]

Kenneth G.C. Pevette's first and last report to Congress

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1981/19 [1981]

File of Kenneth G.C. Pevette's paperwork for Congress which includes typescripts of comments and sessions, agenda and copies of papers. Some material bears annotation in Kenneth G. C. Pevette's hand

*Language:* English; French; German

CRE/D4/1981/20 [1981]

A brief letter from Eric Spencer to Kenneth G. C. Pevette with a number of enclosures including ammended versions of his paper and articles

*Language:* English

CRE/D4/1981/21 [1981]

Misc. correspondence regarding 1981 Congress, Berlin. Also includes minutes from previous General Council meetings

*Language:* English

CRE/D4/1990/1-5 [1990]

1990 Congress (17 - 20th July), Bournemouth

*Language:* English only

CRE/D4/1990/1 [1990]

Information for delegates including a draft programme

CRE/D4/1990/2 [1990]

List of delegates

CRE/D4/1990/3 [1990]

Financial information including lists of subscriptions and itemised congress costs

CRE/D4/1990/4 [1990]

Agenda

CRE/D4/1990/5 [1990]

Full set of General Council Meeting minutes

CRE/D4/1991/1-8 [1991]

1991 Congress (24 - 26 October) Brussels

73rd Annual CANA (Cremation Society of North America), (14-18 August 1991), Toronto

*Language:* Some French

CRE/D4/1991/1 [1991]

Brochure for the Hotel Metropole, where Congress was held, the first page includes annotated notes in French

*Language:* English; French;

CRE/D4/1991/2 [1991]

Agenda and minutes for the Executive Committee Meeting

CRE/D4/1991/3 [1991]

Information for delegates: programme and participation fees

CRE/D4/1991/4 [1991]

Subscription list with cover note

*Language:* French;

CRE/D4/1991/5 [1991]

Letter addressed to Mrs I. E. S. Larive of the European Parliament regarding the Federation's Resolution

CRE/D4/1991/6 [1991]

Minutes of a meeting of the General Council

CRE/D4/1991/7 [1991]

Translation of the President's opening speech into French with handwritten notes and annotation

*Language:* French

CRE/D4/1991/8 [1991]

List of exhibitors and registration lists for the 73rd CANA Convention

CRE/D4/1992/1-6 [1992]  
 Congress (16 - 23 September 1992), Bratislava/Prague  
 Groupe de Travail Informal Europeen (6-7 November)  
*Language:* English only

CRE/D4/1992/1 [1992]  
 Mr Roger N. Arber's notes, correspondence and copies of paperwork for the  
 1992 Executive Committee Meeting

CRE/D4/1992/2 [1992]  
 Agenda and minutes of Executive Committee meetings

CRE/D4/1992/3 [1992]  
 Secretary General's report

CRE/D4/1992/4 [1992]  
 Financial report delivered on the 25, 26 October 1992 to the General Council

CRE/D4/1992/5 [1992]  
 Papers relating to previous Congress and planning for 1993 Congress

CRE/D4/1992/6 [1992]  
 Small file of correspondence regarding the Le Groupe de Travail Informel  
 Europeen and the second conference of International Funeral Directors

CRE/D4/1993/1-8 1993-1995  
 1993 Executive Committee Meeting (5 - 6 March)  
 1993 Executive Committee Meeting (6 October)  
 1993 Congress (6 - 8 October), Paris  
*Language:* Mostly English with some French

CRE/D4/1993/1 [1993]  
 Draft agenda and proposals for the March 1993 Executive Committee Meeting  
 which are annotated by Roger N. Arber. Includes a french translation of proposals  
 in Arber's hand.

*Language:* English; French

CRE/D4/1993/2 [1993]  
 Minutes of a meeting of the Executive Committee meeting regarding the Code  
 of Ethics, March 1993

*Language:* English; French

CRE/D4/1993/3 [1993]  
 Minutes of a meeting of the Executive Committee, March 1993

CRE/D4/1993/4 [1993]  
 Minutes of a meeting of the Executive Committee, October 1993

CRE/D4/1993/5 [1993]  
 Supplement for Item 8 of the Executive Committee meeting, October 1993 which  
 lists ICF members

CRE/D4/1993/6 [1993]  
 List of participants for 1993 Congress

CRE/D4/1993/7 [1993]  
 Congress programme

CRE/D4/1993/8 1993-1995

Roger N. Arber's correspondence as General Secretary of the ICF regarding Congress, Council and Committee meetings.

CRE/D4/1994/1-10 [1994]

1994 Executive Committee Meeting (7 - 9 April) St. Petersburg

*Language:* English with some Russian

CRE/D4/1994/1 [1994]

Programme and agenda for the meeting of the Executive Council

CRE/D4/1994/2 [1994]

Financial statement

CRE/D4/1994/3 [1994]

Letters regarding the Future of the ICF including the original letter from Rolf Gronblom of the The Finnish Cremation Society and subsequent responses to his proposals particularly from Australian delegates. Relates to item 7 of the agenda

CRE/D4/1994/4 [1994]

Membership lists and the code of ethics relating to item 9 of the agenda

CRE/D4/1994/5 [1994]

Minutes from the previous Executive Committee meeting held in Paris, October 1993

CRE/D4/1994/6 [1994]

Beckelhimer, Michael I. "The Russian Way of Death" reproduced from The Moscow Times

*Language:* English; Russian

CRE/D4/1994/7 [1994]

An address to the Executive Committee  
VITUKHNOVSKY, B. Cremation in Russia

CRE/D4/1994/8 [1994]

Roger N. Arber's papers regarding arrangements for the Executive Committee meeting in St. Petersburg

CRE/D4/1994/9-10 [1994]

Official ICF circular letters for the 1994 Congress, St. Petersburg.

CRE/D4/1995/1-2 [1995]

1995 Executive Committee Meeting (14 July), Bournemouth

International Fair of Funeral Services, Brno

*Language:* English only

CRE/D4/1995/1 [1995]

Agenda and Papers for the meeting of the Executive Committee

CRE/D4/1995/2 [1995]

Roger N. Arber, as the General Secretary of the ICF represented the Federation at the first International Fair of Funeral Services in Brno. File includes two drafts of his paper "The Role of the International Cremation Federation, press release, leaflets and brochures, and correspondence regarding arrangements.

CRE/D4/1996/1-8 [1996]

1996 Joint Australia Cemeteries and Cremation Association (ACCA)/ICF Congress (15 - 17 October), Adelaide

*Language:* Mainly English with some French

CRE/D4/1996/1 [1996]

Conference programme

CRE/D4/1996/2 [1996]

Registrants handbook which includes lists of delegates, accompanying persons, sponsors, trade exhibitors, exhibitor's booths and hairdressers in Glenelg

CRE/D4/1996/3 [1996]

Survey results

CRE/D4/1996/4 [1996]

Draft summary of ICF meeting with a cover letter and other supplementary documents

CRE/D4/1996/5 [1996]

Official report of the ICF meeting

*Language:* English; French

CRE/D4/1996/6 [1996]

Two copies of the official Congress paperwork including agenda and supporting documentation

CRE/D4/1996/7 [1996]

Printed edition of the conference papers and reports. Includes:

TAYLOR, Barry. "I will never betray you"

DAVIES, Prof. Douglas J. "British Attitudes to Reusing Old Graves"

BACHELOR, Phil. "Survivors Discovered"

CROWDEN, Kevin. "Re-use of Graves in South Australia"

TREGASKIS, Peter "Financial benefits and rewards resulting from the application of limited tenure provisions"

BASS III, Prof William M. "Summer and winter decay rates of bodies of the surface in Tennessee"

WOOD, Walter. "Progress on Burial Research in North America"

HODGESON, Geraldine. "In Pursuit of White Bones"

DENT, Boyd and KNIGHT, Michael J. "National study of cemetery groundwaters"

BOTTING, John. "Opportunities & constraints for using recycled water for irrigation purposes in an urban environment"

WATERS, John. Crematorium Emissions, some Australian experiences

LUBY, John P. Air quality in the UK - emissions from crematoria

CRE/D4/1996/8 [1996]

Name badges for Roger and Irene Arber

CRE/D4/1997/1-20 [1995 and 1997]  
 ICF Meeting (31 January), Amsterdam  
 Executive Committee and General Council (20 - 22 March), London  
 1997 Congress, Elba  
 Executive Committee Meeting (18 - 19 October), Strasbourg  
*Language:* Mainly English with some Italian

CRE/D4/1997/1 [1997]  
 Full report of the meeting of ICF members, report has been Annotated in Roger N. Arber's hand. Also includes loose pages withflight details

CRE/D4/1997/2 [1997]  
 Agenda for the meeting of the Executive Committee, March 1997

CRE/D4/1997/3 [1997]  
 Programme, March 1997  
*Language:* English and French

CRE/D4/1997/4 [1997]  
 Attendance list for the General Council Meeting, March 1997

CRE/D4/1997/5 [1997]  
 The ICG General Council Meeting reports and minutes which have been annotated in Roger N. Arber's hand

CRE/D4/1997/6 [1997]  
 Minutes of the General Council Meeting, March 1997

CRE/D4/1997/7 [1997]  
 Two copies of a paper from the Dutch Crematoria Association (LVC), one is attached to two sheets of handwritten notes about working groups, most likely written by Roger N. Arber, March 1997

CRE/D4/1997/8 [1997]  
 Financial information, receipts and invoices for the ICF meetings in March 1997

CRE/D4/1997/9 [1997]  
 Translation of an article in L'Ara entitled "The General Council of the International Federation in London". Pencil annotation at the top of the article suggests it was published in June/July 1997

CRE/D4/1997/10 [1997]  
 Letter with enclosure sent from the President of the Societa di Cremazione in Bologna, Guido Stanzani to Roger N. Arber regarding arrangements for the 1998 Executive Committee meeting in Bologna and papers from the 1997 Congress at Isle of Elba  
 Enclosed Congress paper:

STANZANI, Gudio: "Cremation and cemetery problems in Italy"

CRE/D4/1997/11 [1997]  
 Handwritten draft by ICF General Secretary Roger N. Arber of an introductory address to his paper delivered at 1997 Congress, Isle of Elba. Includes some of Arber's handwritten notes in Italian.  
*Language:* Italian;

CRE/D4/1997/12 [1997]

Conference Paper:

ARBER, Roger N.: "Cremation and dispersion in Great Britain". Multiple copies.

CRE/D4/1997/13 [1990s?]

Printed table showing the progress for cremation in England and Wales between 1885-1995

CRE/D4/1997/14 [1990s]

Photocopied article:

White, Stephen: Hindu Cremations in Britain from *The Changing Face of Death: historical accounts of dying and disposal*; Eds: Jupp, Peter C. and Howarth, Glennys

CRE/D4/1997/15 20th century

"The History of Modern Cremation in Great Britain from 1974" from *Pharos*

CRE/D4/1997/16 20th century

Photocopy of a partial untitled article regarding cremation in Italy, reference to Roger N. Arber's article "Cremation and dispersion in Great Britain" has been highlighted

*Language:* Italian

CRE/D4/1997/17 [1997]

Correspondence between Roger N. Arber and translator Talia Piolanti who translated his paper for 1997 Congress, Isle of Elba

CRE/D4/1997/18 [1997]

Letters between President of the Societa di Cremazione in Bologna and General Secretary Roger N. Arber. Enclosure include:

an annotated draft itinerary and invitation to 1997 Congress  
Photographs of Roger N. Arber and Irene Arber at 1997 Congress.  
An additional copy of Arber's paper has been weeded

CRE/D4/1997/19 [1995]

Sucheki, Zbigniew: *La Cremazione: nel diritto canonico e civile* (Vatican City, Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 1995)

*Language:* Italian

CRE/D4/1997/20 [1997]

Executive Committee Meeting (18 - 19 October), Strasbourg delegate pack containing reports, minutes, agenda and programme. Some sections include annotations in Roger N. Arber's hand

CRE/D4/1998/1-7 [1998]

Executive Committee Meeting (18 -19 April 1998), Bologna

Executive Committee Meeting (27 - 18 November 1998), Brno

*Language:* English only

CRE/D4/1998/1 [1998]

Meeting papers for the Executive Committee Meeting (18 -19 April), Bologna containing reports, minutes, agenda and programme. Some sections include annotations in Roger N. Arber's hand

CRE/D4/1998/2 [1998]

Paper work of Roger N. Arber regarding the Executive Committee Meeting in Bologna. Includes some handwritten notes on hotel paper, annotated paperwork from the committee and some letters from other ICF members

CRE/D4/1998/3 [1998]

Travel informaton for Roger N. Arber's trip to Bologna

CRE/D4/1998/4 [1998]

Meeting Papers for the Executive Committee Meeting (27 - 18 November 1998), Brno; containing reports, minutes, agenda and programme. Some section contain handwritten annotation

CRE/D4/1998/5 [1998]

Additional Papers for the 1997 Executive Committee Meeting in Brno

CRE/D4/1998/6 [1998]

Annotated and highlighted photocopy of handwritten version of the ICF Technical Sub-Committee's first report to the Executive Committee

CRE/D4/1998/7 [1998]

Papers relating to the VENIA International Funeral Fair in Brno including leaflets and promotional information

CRE/D4/1999/1-17 [1999]

ICF Conference on Cremation and the Environment (30 May - 2 June), The Hague Executive Committee Meeting and Funeraire '99 (11 - 12 November), Paris IOGR Annual Conference and Death Care World Expo 1999 (10-13 March), Reno, Nevada

*Language:* Mainly English, some Swedish

CRE/D4/1999/1 [1999]

Adapted summary on the occasion of the ICF Conference on Cremation and the Environment entitled Inspectorate Guideline on the Delivery of the Dead: Guidelines for the equipment, technical management and maintenance of cemeteries, crematoria and funeral parlours Third, revised edition; 1999

CRE/D4/1999/2 [1999]

Programme for the CF Conference on Cremation and the Environment, The Hague

CRE/D4/1999/3 [1999]

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on Sunday 30 May, The Hague

CRE/D4/1999/4 [1999]

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 2 June, The Hague

CRE/D4/1999/5 [1999]

Two copies of the meeting Papers for the Executive Committee Meeting (Sunday 30 May), The Hague; containing reports, minutes, agenda and programme. One of the copies is labelled as Roger N. Arber's working copy.

CRE/D4/1999/6 [1999]

Two copies of the programme for the General Council Meetings

CRE/D4/1999/7 [1999]

Meeting papers for the General Council Meetings held on Monday 31 May and Tuesday 1 June

CRE/D4/1999/8 [1999]

Final and draft versions of the Secretary General's Report for the Council Meetings, The Hague

CRE/D4/1999/9 [1999]

ICF subscription lists

CRE/D4/1999/10 [1999]

Transcript of the the Technical Sub-Committee's Question and Answer Session, Tuesday 1 June 1999, includes a letter from Dr C. T. Chamberlain, Vice President of Technical Affairs at Evans Tabo Universal and enclosed report of a study on mercury compounds in Lund

*Language:* EnglishSwedish

CRE/D4/1999/11 [1999]

Report: Inspection Guidelines for Cremation and Burial: an overview by IR. P J Verkerk, Head of Inspection Department of the Ministry of Housing Spatial Planning and the Environment

CRE/D4/1999/12 [1999]

Roger N. ARber's paperwork concerning the ICF Conference in The Hague includes correspondence with Dr Alan Thomas, Chairman at Harewood Crematorium Limited, New Zealand; correspondence with Ms Li Jian of the China Funeral Association; financial paperwork; notes and correspondence with various delegates; an invitation to the Conference from the Royal Dutch Cremation Society; and Cremation and the Environment Conference newsletters

CRE/D4/1999/13 [1999]

A paper prepared on behalf of the ICF Technical Sub Committee by Dr C. T. Chamberlain for presentation at the Techical Seminar 'The European Cemeteries of the 2000s' held in association with the fair Funeraire '99, entitled Cremators for the new Millenium - Design, Cultural and Environmental Issues.

CRE/D4/1999/14 [1999]

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held in Paris on Thursday 11 - Friday 12 November 1999

CRE/D4/1999/15 [1999]

Additional meeting papers for the Executive Committee Meeting held in Paris on Thursday 11 - Friday 12 November 1999

CRE/D4/1999/16 [1999]

Photograph of Roger N. Arber at the sublimatorium exhibit at Funeraire '99 with its inventor Michel Leclerc

CRE/D4/1999/17 [1999]

Proceedings Manual for the 1999 Annual Conference Educational Sessions at the IOGR Annual Conference and Death Care World Expo, March 1999

CRE/D4/2000/1-8 [1999-2000]

Executive Committee Meeting (19 April 2000), Japan

Executive Committee Meeting (23 October 2000), Amsterdam

*Language:* English only

CRE/D4/2000/1 [1999]

Photocopy of the Federation Sponsorship Scheme, the original of which had been annotated in Roger N. Arber's hand

CRE/D4/2000/2 [2000]

Outline of the Programme for the ICF Executive Committee meeting April 2000, Japan

CRE/D4/2000/3 [2000]

Agenda for the ICF Executive Committee meeting April 2000, Japan

CRE/D4/2000/4 December 1999 - August 2000

Letters to Roger N. Arber from various correspondents regarding the ICF Executive Committee meeting April 2000, Japan.

CRE/D4/2000/5 [2000]

Meeting papers for the for the Executive Committee meeting April 2000, Japan

CRE/D4/2000/6 [2000]

Two copies of the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting October 2000, Amsterdam, one of which is an annotated draft

CRE/D4/2000/7 [2000]

Agenda and additional meeting papers for the Executive Committee meeting October 2000, Amsterdam

CRE/D4/2000/8 [2000]

Roger N. Arber's copy of the meeting papers for the Executive Committee meeting October 2000, Amsterdam. Arber has used a highlighter pen to mark sections.

CRE/D4/2001/1-10 [2001]

Executive Committee Meeting (2 - 3 April 2001), Stockholm

Executive Committee Meeting (14 - 15 October 2001), Barcelona

*Language:* English only

CRE/D4/2001/1 [2001]

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting ), Stockholm

CRE/D4/2001/2 [2001]

File notes and action list regarding the planning and programme of the Executive Committee Meeting April 2001, Stockholm

CRE/D4/2001/3 [2001]

Roger N. Arber's copy of the meeting papers for the Executive Committee Meeting April 2001, Stockholm

CRE/D4/2001/4 [2001]

Additional meeting papers for Executive Committee Meeting April 2001, Stockholm

CRE/D4/2001/5 [2001]

Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting on 14 October 2001, Barcelona

CRE/D4/2001/6 [2001]

Roger N. Arber's copy of the meeting papers for the Executive Committee Meeting October 2001, Barcelona

CRE/D4/2001/7 [2001]

Pharos Special Report "Review of Emissions from Crematoria in the UK"

CRE/D4/2001/8 [2001]

Ethical and Promotional Sub-Committee report, agenda item 4.2.1

CRE/D4/2001/9 [2001]

Incomplete set of meeting papers for the Executive Committee Meeting October 2001, Barcelona cover items 11-12 of the agenda

CRE/D4/2001/10 [2001]

Article from Greek News entitled Okay to exhume, not to cremate (10 August 2001)

CRE/D4/2002/1-4 1997-2002

Executive Committee Meeting (27 April), Copenhagen

2002 Congress

Executive Committee Meeting (22 - 21 October), Amsterdam

*Language:* English only

CRE/D4/2002/1 [2002]

Correspondence between General Secretary Roger N. Arber and various correspondents regarding the Executive Committee Meeting April 2002, Copenhagen

CRE/D4/2002/2 [2002]

Roger N. Arber's copy of meeting papers for the Executive Committee Meeting (27 April), Copenhagen

CRE/D4/2002/3 1997 -2002

Correspondence regarding the proposed 2002 Conference in Boston which was cancelled following September 11 Terrorist Attacks, 2001

CRE/D4/2002/4 [2002]

Roger N. Arber's copy of meeting papers for the Executive Committee Meeting October 2002, Amsterdam

CRE/D4/2003/1-22 [2003]

Executive Committee Meeting (20 January), Amsterdam

2003 Congress (7 - 9 April), Barcelona

Executive Committee Meeting (6 March), Amsterdam

Executive Committee Meeting (29 August), Schiphol

Executive Committee Meeting (7 November), Paris

*Language:* English with some French

CRE/D4/2003/1 [2003]

Roger N. Arber's copy of meeting papers for Executive Committee Meeting 2003, Amsterdam which has been marked with highlighter pen and annotated in Arber's hand

- CRE/D4/2003/2 [2003]  
Programme for 2003 Congress  
*Language:* French
- CRE/D4/2003/3 [2003]  
Principles for voting printed on acetate for probable use on an overhead projector and a separate list of candidates for the Executive Committee.
- CRE/D4/2003/4 [2003]  
Draft of Country Reports for 2003 Congress and final copy, including a printed presentation
- CRE/D4/2003/5 [2003]  
Delegates lists for 2003 Congress
- CRE/D4/2003/6 [2003]  
General Information for delegates at 2003 Congress
- CRE/D4/2003/7 Feb - Mar 2003  
Copies of letters sent to delegates regarding 2003 Congress and nomination procedures for Executive Committee and General Council  
*Language:* English;French
- CRE/D4/2003/8 [2003]  
2003 Congress preliminary details
- CRE/D4/2003/9 [2003]  
Roger N. Arber's copy of meeting papers for the General Council Meeting on the 7 and 8 of April 2003.
- CRE/D4/2003/10 [2003]  
ICF Technical Sub-Committee report "The work of the ICF with the Ospar Convention for the protection of the marine environment of the north-east Atlantic"
- CRE/D4/2003/11 [2003]  
ICF Technical Sub-Committee report Draft ICF Guide to Cremation Practice"
- CRE/D4/2003/12 [2003]  
Photocopied information from Arunas Palacinskis regarding the establishment of crematoria in Lithuania
- CRE/D4/2003/13 [2003]  
Congress paper  
ARFFMANN, Leif: "Reclamation of implants/Prostheses"
- CRE/D4/2003/14 [2003]  
Congress presentation:  
KEIZER, Henry J. "Presentation ICF in the Future"
- CRE/D4/2003/15 Feb - Sep 2001  
File of correspondence between General Secretary Roger N. Arber and various correspondents regarding 2003 Congress
- CRE/D4/2003/16 [2003]  
Travel and venue information for 2003 Congress in Barcelona
- CRE/D4/2003/17 [2003]  
Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting March 2003, Amsterdam

CRE/D4/2003/18 [2003]

Roger N. Arber's papers for the Executive Committee Meeting March 2003, Amsterdam. Some text has been marked with a highlighter pen

CRE/D4/2003/19 [2003]

Meeting paperwork for the meeting of the Executive Council August 2003, Schiphol

CRE/D4/2003/20 Mar - Aug 2003

Correspondence to Roger N. Arber regarding Executive Council August 2003, Schiphol

CRE/D4/2003/21 [2003]

Meeting papers for the Executive Committee Meeting, November 2003, Paris. Some paperwork is briefly annotated

CRE/D4/2003/22 Aug - Nov 2003

Letters and emails from various correspondence regarding the Executive Committee Meeting, November 2003, Paris.

CRE/D4/2004/1-8 2004-2005

Executive Committee Meeting (8 March), Schiphol

Executive Committee Meeting (18 August), Vancouver.

*Language:* English only

CRE/D4/2004/1 [2004]

Meeting papers for the Executive Committee Meeting, March 2004, Schiphol

CRE/D4/2004/2 [2003]

Letters and emails between various correspondence regarding the Executive Committee Meeting, March 2004, Schiphol. Enclosures are mainly minutes from previous ICF meetings. Of particular interest is a paper entitled Stockholm convention on persistent organic pollutants

CRE/D4/2004/3 [2004]

Agenda for the Executive Committee Meeting, August 2004, Vancouver.

CRE/D4/2004/4 [2004]

Letters and emails between various correspondents regarding the Executive Committee Meeting, August 2004, Vancouver. A large number of letters include enclosures of minutes from meetings, the minutes from the Executive Committee Meeting in Vancouver and draft amendments to statutes. Also referred to is the CANA (Cremation Association of North America) 86th Annual Conference in Vancouver

CRE/D4/2004/5 [2004]

Paperwork from the CANA (Cremation Association of North America) 86th Annual Conference in Vancouver including programme, promotional material, business cards and Roger N. Arber's nametag as an ICF delegate

CRE/D4/2004/6 [2004]

Meeting papers for the Executive Committee Meeting, December 2004, London

CRE/D4/2004/7 [2004]

Minutes for the Executive Committee Meeting, December 2004, London

CRE/D4/2004/8 Nov 2004 - Jan 2005

Letters and emails between various correspondents regarding the Executive Committee Meeting, December 2004. Also of note are emails regarding the 2005 CANA/ICF Joint Annual Convention. Promotional leaflets for cremation services and a VHS tape about eternal reefs have been weeded from this file

CRE/D4/2005/1-8 2005-2006

Executive Committee Meeting (6 May), London

2005 Congress (16- 17 August), New York

Executive Committee Meeting (9 November), Paris

87th Annual Convention of #

CANA (Cremation Association of North America) (17-20 August), New York City

*Language:* English only

CRE/D4/2005/1 [2005]

Two copies of the meeting papers for the Executive Committee Meeting, May 2005, London. The second photocopy version bears brief annotations [by Roger N. Arber] also, of note is one copy of a discussion document regarding the phased approach to mercury abatement

CRE/D4/2005/2 [2005]

Two copies of the minutes for the Executive Committee Meeting, May 2005, London.

CRE/D4/2005/3 [2005]

Emails from various correspondents regarding the Executive Committee Meeting, May 2005, London. Also of note are attachments of the revised ICF statutes and emails sent from the Technical sub-committee.

CRE/D4/2005/4 [2005]

One file of paperwork for the Executive Committee Meeting at the 2005 Congress in New York. Includes an annotated agenda and two copies of the minutes. Also includes two copies of the minutes for the previous meeting in May 2005, one of which has also been annotated, probably by Roger N. Arber.

CRE/D4/2005/5 Mar 2004 - July 2005

Large file of Roger N. Arber's paperwork regarding the 2005 Congress in New York, including minute papers for the General Council Meeting, previous meeting minutes, correspondence, lists of delegates and registration information

CRE/D4/2005/6 [2005]

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting, November 2005, Paris and a copy of the ICF's Article's of Association

CRE/D4/2005/7 May 2005 - Feb 2006

Correspondence to Roger N. Arber regarding the Executive Committee Meeting, November 2005 with enclosures including meeting papers and minutes from previous meetings

CRE/D4/2005/8 [2005]

CANA (Cremation Association of North America) directory of exhibitions, attendee lists and delegate pack for the 87th Annual Convention

CRE/D4/2006/1-3 [2006]

Executive Committee Meeting (11 July), Bournemouth

*Language:* English only

CRE/D4/2006/1 [2006]

Agenda and Minutes for the Executive Committee Meeting, July 2005,  
Bournemouth

CRE/D4/2006/2 [2006]

Report by the Technical Sub-Committee "ICF Guide to Cremation Practice"

CRE/D4/2006/3 Jan - Aug 2006

Roger N. Arber's correspondence regarding Executive Committee Meetings

CRE/D4/2007/1-2 [2007]

Executive Committee Conference Call Meeting (12 June)

*Language:* English only

CRE/D4/2007/1 [2007]

Minutes for the Executive Committee Conference Call Meeting, June 2007 which  
also includes copies of previous meeting minutes and the ICF's Article of  
Association

CRE/D4/2007/2 Mar - Jul 2007

Correspondence with Roger N. Arber's regarding arrangements for the Executive  
Committee Conference Call Meeting

CRE/D4/2009/1 [2009]

Two letters of invitation to the 2009 General Council Meeting held in Sydney

CRE/D4/Misc/1-12 [1954-1977]

Mostly undated Congress Papers and loose ICF material

CRE/D4/Misc/1 [nd]

MICHELFEIT, Franz: "The funerals and funeral profession"

*Language:* English only

CRE/D4/Misc/2 [nd]

"Draft of a guide through the planned travelling exhibition" prepared by the  
ICF-Promotion Committee

CRE/D4/Misc/3 [1954]

"Forms of work applied by Danish Cremation Society through 30 years" A survey,  
originally prepared for the 1953 annual report of the Danish Cremation Society  
(Dansk Ligbrændingsforening), of the forms of activity in which the society had  
engaged over the preceding thirty years. It covers activities up to the passage  
of the Danish Cremation Act of 18 April 1954, and was probably distributed in  
that year, but does not appear to be one of the 1954 conference papers.

CRE/D4/Misc/4 [nd]

Samples of Australian certificates for cremation

CRE/D4/Misc/5

File containing papers about the Catholic Church and Cremation in English and  
French, pamphlet and brochure drafts and copies of circular letters from 1959 -  
1960

CRE/D4/Misc/6 - 8 1938 - 1969

Filed copies of meeting papers including protocol, minutes and addresses

CRE/D4/Misc/9 [1969]

ICF Propaganda publication draft A guide through the planned travelling exhibition

CRE/D4/MISC/10-12 [1977]

Copies of Case Law Topics: Conventio for the protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms (European Commission of Human Rights, Strasbourg, 1917)

### Surveys and Statistics

CRE/D6/1-7 1854-1984

Surveys and questionnaires circulated worldwide by the ICF to create statistics about cremation internationally. Files mainly contain sheets of answers to these surveys. Years covered include: 1954-1956; 1956-1961; 1970; 1974-1977; 1984.

7 files

### Accounts

CRE/D7/1-3 1938-1960

/1-2: Two files of accounts for the ICF, one for audited accounts and the second for sundry accounts

/3: One cash book, 1936-1954

### Correspondence

CRE/D8/A-D 1946-2005

Correspondence has been divided into Official ICF correspondence and correspondence of individuals

Files are arranged chronologically

*Related material in other DUL collections:* Cremation Society's ICF correspondence can also be found at CRE/P/2/C/ICF/1-10

#### Official ICF correspondence

CRE/D8/A/1-7 1937-1978

Seven files of correspondence regarding official ICF correspondence. Arranged chronologically

/1: Letters regarding Reciprocal Agreements between countries, in English and French

/2-4: Circular letters sent from various members of the ICF Executive Council between 1958 - 1972. Letters refer to ICF business, Congresses, General Council and Executive Committee Meetings and enclosures include papers for these events. Original file title reads "Cirkular o. Diverse"

/5-7: Circular letters from the General-Secretary Dr Richard Omzec to members of the ICF, often regarding Congresses, General Council and Executive Committee Meetings

*Language:* Copies of circular Letters in English; French; and German

7 files

Mr Nils Gruffman

CRE/D8/B/1-19 1963-1968

Correspondence between ICF President Mr Nils Gruffman and various correspondents. Arranged as follows:

/1-17: Letters received by Gruffman during and after his term as President between 1963-1968 from ICF members around the world. Letters are filed chronologically with letters in each file ordered alphabetically by society or country.

/18-19: Extensive correspondence between Gruffman and Dr Franz Michenfiet, Director of the Labour Cremation Society "Die Flamme" (ArbeiterFeuerbestattungsverein 'Die Flamme'), in German. Michenfiet succeeded Gruffman as ICF president.

*Language:* English; French; and German

19 files

Mr. K.G.C. Prevette

CRE/D8/C/1-2 1965-1983

/1: Letters sent to Mr. K.G.C. Prevette as General-Secretary of the Cremation Society of Great Britain from various members of the ICF, much of which relates to Congresses and meetings

/2: Letters to K.G.C. Prevette regarding the 1981 Congress, Berlin

/3: Correspondence regarding The American Cemetery Association's first International Cemetery Conference in Amsterdam on 19-26 April 1975

2 files

Dr Richard Omzec

CRE/D8/D/1-11 1973-1978

Correspondence between ICF Secretary General Dr Richard Omzec and various correspondents.

/1-11: Letters received by Omzec during his term as Secretary-General of the ICF. Letters are filed chronologically with letters in each file ordered alphabetically by society or country.

File 12: Letters to Dr Richard Omzec regarding the Human Rights Sub-Committee. Enclosure includes a questionnaire entitled "ICF Special Committee for Human Rights"

11 files

## Funeral orders of service

CRE/E1-E3

Orders of service for christian churches, individual crematoria, and other religions and groups

Order of Service for Christian Churches

CRE/E1/1-14 1951-1990

- /1: Funeral services of the Christian churches in England (Norwich, Canterbury Press, 1986, repr. 1988)
- /2: Funeral services of the Christian churches in England, including additional hymn section, New ed. (Norwich, Canterbury Press, 1994)
- /3: Church of England: The order for the burial of the dead (London, Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, n.d.)
- /4: Church of England: Funeral services, Alternative services series 3 (London, Cambridge University Press, c.1974)
- /5: Order of service for use at cremation (London, Eyre and Spottiswoode for the London Cremation Company, 1951) "Compiled by a panel of the officiating clergy at Golders Green Crematorium" for the London Cremation Company
- /6: Order of service for use at cremation (Oxford, University Press for the Cremation Authority, 1962 repr. 1971) "Compiled by a panel of the officiating clergy and ministers at Golders Green and Woking Crematoria"
- /7: Funeral service approved by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York for use in Crematorium chapels / Funeral rite at a crematorium authorised by the [Roman Catholic] Episcopal Conference of England & Wales for use in England and Wales (Maidstone, Cremation Society of Great Britain; London, Eyre & Spottiswoode, [1979?]) Anglican and Roman Catholic services printed back to back
- /8: Methodist Church: The order of service for the burial or cremation of the dead prepared by the Faith and Order Committee and authorized by the Conference for use (London, Methodist Publishing House, [ca 196-?]) At head of title: The Methodist Church services and sacraments
- /9: Funeral service for use by Catholics at a crematorium (Maidstone, Cremation Society of Great Britain, [1974?]). Title from cover Funeral rite at a crematorium for use in England and Wales and has imprint Episcopal Conference of England and Wales Liturgical Commission, and date 1973. Imprimatur "concordat cum originali" inside front cover dated 1974
- /10: The order of Christian funerals: guidelines for Roman Catholic funerals London, Liturgy Office, [1990?])
- /11: Salvation Army: General orders for conducting Salvation Army ceremonies (London, Salvationist Publishing and Supplies, 1966)
- /12: Funeral services of the Christian churches in Wales (Norwich, Canterbury Press, 1987) At head of title: Gwasanaethau Angladd. Parallel text in Welsh and English
- /13: Gebedsdienst bij een crematie, uitgave in samenwerking met het Nederlands Liturgisch Centrum (Hilversum, Gooi & Sticht, 1967)
- /14: Funeral Service for use by Catholics at Crematoria (London, Burns & Oates, publishers to the Holy See in conjunction with the Cremation Society, nd.)

*Language:* English;Welsh;Dutch

14 items

## Orders of Service for Individual Crematoria

CRE/E2/1-12 1920-1960

- /1: Downs Crematorium, Brighton
- /2: Eccles Cemetery and Crematorium
- /3: Golders Green Crematorium, 1920
- /4: Golders Green and St. John's Woking Crematoria, 1941
- /5: Golders Green Crematorium, 1955
- /6: Golders Green Crematorium, 1962
- /7: Mortlake Crematorium
- /8: Nab Wood Crematorium, Shipley
- /9: Norwich and Norfolk Crematorium
- /10: Overdale Crematorium, Bolton
- /11: Parc Gwyn Crematorium Parallel text in Welsh and English
- /12: Randalls Park Crematorium, Wimbledon

12 items

## Orders of Service for other Religions and Groups

CRE/E3/1-3 1977 and 1994

- /1: Hindu funeral rites (Antyéshti samskaar): a compilation of original text and English translation of ritual readings and recitations performed at the cremation ceremonies of the Hindus, Jains and Sikhs - in English, Hindi, Sanskrit and Gujurati Rev. ed. (Bradford, Vishwa Hindu Parishad, 1994)
- /2: A humanist funeral service, compiled by Corliss Lamont (Buffalo, Prometheus Books, c.1977)
- /3: Form of service for naming of infants, marriages and funerals, specially compiled for Spiritualists (London, Spiritualist Association of Great Britain, n.d.)

3 items

## Crematoria

CRE/F/AG-US 1899-1996

Material is arranged by country, and within country by place. A summary description of the contents of each file is provided, and fuller details are given of the more substantial items within files.

Includes directories of crematoria, and brochures and short studies of crematoria and cemeteries in towns and cities worldwide, also includes some printed material for national cremation societies

13 boxes

Argentina

CRE/F/AG 1922-1936

File on the Buenos Aires crematorium. Includes descriptive pamphlets dated 1925 and 1936, two pamphlets by Eduardo J. Baca (Proyectos de ordenanza reglamentando la cremación de cadáveres y ordenando la construcción de un nuevo Templo Crematorio en la ciudad de Buenos Aires, 1922, and Breve reseña del Crematorio de Buenos Aires, 1934), a brochure by Andres S. Sein entitled Crematorio y ciencia, 1936, and statistics of cremations at the crematorium 1925-1936.

Australia

CRE/F/AL 1906-1960's

Information about Crematoria across Australia, organised by State and territories:

New South Wales

CRE/F/AL/NSW [c. 1920's-1940's]

Prospectus of the New South Wales Cremation Company, 1924, and brochures for crematoria in Newcastle, Sutherland and the Sydney area

Queensland

CRE/F/AL/QUE [c. 1930-1960]

Prospectuses, brochures and leaflets relating to crematoria in Brisbane circa 1930's-1950's and Toowoomba circa 1960's

South Australia

CRE/F/AL/SOU 1906

Reprint of 1906 description of the Adelaide Crematorium, the first to be opened in Australia, in 1903

Tasmania

CRE/F/AL/TAS [c. 1930's?]

Brochure of the Cremation Society of Tasmania, circa 1930s?

Victoria

CRE/F/AL/VIC [c. 1930's-1960's]

Brochures for crematoria in the Melbourne area and a leaflet for Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park

Western Australia

CRE/F/AL/WES [c. 1940's?]

Brochure for Karrakatta Crematorium, circa 1940s?

## Austria

CRE/F/AU 1940's-1970's

Pamphlets giving information on crematoria in Knittelfeld, Villach and Vienna, (including 25 Jahre Feuerhalle der Stadt Wien, [1948], and Festschrift 50 Jahre Feuerhalle Wien-Simmering, [1969]), and plans dated 1952 of Villach crematorium

## Canada

CRE/F/CA 1930's-1980

Brochures and pamphlets concerning crematoria and burying grounds in Saint John, New Brunswick, Toronto and Montreal. Also includes blank forms and leaflets for services offered at The Mount Royal Cemetery Company and Crematorium Inc.

## Czechoslovakia

CRE/F/CZ 1920's-1990's

3 files of material including pamphlet on cremation in Liberec / Reichenberg in the Sudetenland (RÜCKER, Friedrich: Feuerhalle-Urnenhain in Reichenberg, Böhmen: Gedenkschrift zum zehnjährigen Betriebe, Reichenberg, Verlag des Stadtrates, 1928, F/CZ/1/1), map of crematoria in Slovakia, brochures and pamphlets concerning crematoria in Banska Bystricka, Bratislava, Karlovy Vary, Pardubice, Prague and elsewhere in Czechoslovakia, and a set of cremation posters issued by the Prague cremation society Spolecnost pratel Zehu in 1969, with a duplicated typescript introduction in English, explaining the aims of the poster campaign

## Denmark

CRE/F/DE [1948?] and 1951

Pamphlet Havekunst Denmark [1948?] on landscape gardening in Denmark (with English text), including section on Mariebjerg cemetery, and additional notes, 1951, on Mariebjerg cemetery

## Finland

CRE/F/Fi c. 1959

Leaflets on Helsinki crematorium, giving statistics of cremations 1926-1959, and Arkkitehtuurikilpailuja / Architectural competitions in Finland no 3 (1990), issue devoted to an open competition for a garden of remembrance and cinerarium in the Puotila chapel area, east Helsinki, with English summary on pp.22-23

## France

CRE/F/Fr 1993

Folder produced by Groupement funéraire du Père Lachaise, Paris, circa 1993, containing map of crematoria in France, bar graph entitled "Evolution de la crémation en France de 1975 à 1992, pi chart entitled "Mode de gestion des crématoriums français (64 établissements au 1er mai 1993", pi chart entitled "Destination de cendres en 1992", brochure of Les Amis du Musée Funéraire National, and booklet, BEAUVIS, Charlette, & LANGLADE, Vincent de, Le Columbarium du Père-Lachaise (Paris, Editions Vermet, c.1992). Also includes a report created by Pompes Funebres Generales entitled "Connaissance du Crematorium de Nantes", [c. 1989?]

## Germany

CRE/F/GE/1-6 1908-1973

Information about Crematoria across Germany arranged by city

CRE/F/GE/1 1994

Directory of crematoria in Germany: Deutsches Bestatter-Verzeichnis

## Berlin

CRE/F/GE/2/1-3 1937 and 1953

/1: 25 Jahre Feuerbestattung in Berlin zum 25 jährigen Bestehen des Krematoriums Berlin-Wedding, hrsg. von der Bezirks-Verwaltung (Berlin, 1937)

/2-3 Verzeichnis der Krematorien Bundesgebiet und Westberlin, issues dated February 1953 and October 1954

## Bremen, Chemnitz and Cologne

CRE/F/GE/3/1-3 [1908?], 1927 and 1937

/1: VEREIN FÜR FEUERBESTATTUNG, BREMEN: Bericht, issues for 1927

/2: LOHMANN, A., compiler: Das Krematorium und der Urnen-Friedhof in Chemnitz (Chemnitz, [1908?])

/3: Festschrift aus Anlass der Fertigstellung des Krematoriums in Köln, 11 April 1937 (Cologne, [1937])

## Dresden and Gotha

CRE/F/GE/4/1-3 1911 and 1928

/1: Die Feuerbestattungsansalt der Stadt Dresden (Dresden, Buchdruckerei der Dr. Güntzschen Stiftung, [1911?])

/2: Die Feuerbestattung in Dresden: Handbuch, hrsg. von der "Urne" Verein für Feuerbestattung zu Dresden (Dresden, 1911)

/3: Gedenkschrift zum 50jähr. Bestehen des Krematoriums in Gotha, hrsg. vom Stadtvorstand (Gotha, Gothaer, 1928)

## Hof and der Saale, Leinfelden and Mainz

CRE/F/GE/5/1-3 [1929], [1937] and 1973

/1: Gedenkschrift anlässlich der Einweihung des Krematoriums Hof-Saale, hrsg. vom Feuerbestattungs-Verein Hof (Hof-Saale, Mintzel'sche Buchdruckerei, [1929]) Cover title:Das Krematorium in Hof-Saale eröffnet am 28. September

/2: Leinfelden Brochure for new crematorium in Leinfelden, circa 1973

/3: Fünfzig Jahre 1887-1937 Verein für Feuerbestattung E. V. Mainz (Mainz, [1937])

## International Guides

CRE/F/GE/6/1-2 mid 20th century?

International guides to cremation:

Feuerbestattungsvereine und Feuerhallen, Wiener Verein, [nd.]

Vereinbarung zwischen den Mitgliedern des "International Verbandes für Feuerbestattung", Wiener Verein, [nd.]

## Hungary

CRE/F/HU [c. 1937?], 1976 and 1984

Notes, circa 1976, on cremations in Budapest, pamphlet on the cemetery and crematorium at Debrecen (Debrecen szabad. kir. város új köztemetője ravatalozó és hamvasztó épülete, Budapest, [circa 1937?]), with photocopy of the same pamphlet, an English translation of article from the periodical Zeh, 1937, on the Debrecen crematorium, and a 1984 brochure for Budapest crematorium

## Italy

CRE/F/IT [c. 1980's]

Brochure for Turin crematorium, "La sala dolenti del tempio crematorio di Torino" and a Statute for the International Cremation Society of Italy (Statuto della Federazione Internazionale per la cremazione)

## Netherlands

CRE/F/NO 1940's-1970's

Brochures for crematoria at Dierne, Velsen, and elsewhere in the Netherlands,

## New Zealand

CRE/F/NZ 1928-1942

Statistics of cremations at Auckland, Wellington, Dunedin and Christchurch 1939-1942, article on proposed new crematorium for Auckland, circa 1928, brochures for Canterbury Crematorium, Christchurch, and Dunedin Crematorium, circa 1930's, and typescript notes, circa 1950, on Karori Crematorium, Wellington, with statistics for 1910-1950

## Norway

CRE/F/NO 1937

Two pamphlets: GLEDITSCH, J.: Tekst til Emanuel Vigelands billedbok i Kristiania Krematorium (Kristiania, B. Bentzens boktrykkeri, 1924), and ROLFSEN, Alf: Dekorasjonen i det nye krematorium i Oslo (Oslo, Gylendal Norsk Forlag, 1937)

## South Africa

CRE/F/SA 1934, 1936 and 1957

Brochures for Cape Town crematorium 1934, Durban crematorium 1936 and undated, and Port Elizabeth crematorium circa 1957

## Spain

CRE/F/SP [c. 1990]

Brochures of the Asociación Crematoria Madrileña  
Brochure for La Incineracion es el Mejor Camino

## Sweden

CRE/F/SW 1930's-1950's

Brochures and leaflets about crematoria and gardens of remembrance at Goteborg, Norrkoping and Stockholm, and article "Masters of building / Asplund, the Woodland Crematorium [Stockholm]" by James Codrington Forsyth from The Architects' Journal, vol. 186 no 49 (9 Dec. 1987), 32-49

## Switzerland

CRE/F/SZ

Brochures for Gäule and Lausanne crematoria, 1960's-1970's, pamphlet 50 Jahre Feuerbestattungsverein Winterthur 1905-1955 (Winterthur, [1955?]), and pamphlet Denkschrift über die Feuerbestattung in Zürich 1874-1915, hrsg. vom Stadtrat Zürich (Zürich, Fretz, 1915; cover title Das Neue Krematorium in Zürich)

## United Kingdom

CRE/F/UK/1-3 1935-1938

Printed and published material about UK Crematoria. Also includes Crematoria plans

## CRE/F/UK/1 1970-1996

Directories of crematoria in the UK, arranged chronologically. Not all editions have been retained, but sufficient to illustrate the changes in content and title, and to provide a chronological spread. Contents:

- Directory of crematoria in the United Kingdom, [2nd ed.] (London, 1970)
- A list of names and addresses, arranged by place
- Directory of crematoria in the British Isles and of overseas cremation societies, 5th ed. (Maidstone, 1973)
- Content greatly expanded. Includes short history of cremation in Britain, statistics, cremation fees, information on siting and planning of crematoria and on building costs, information on religious attitudes to cremation, much information on the Cremation Society itself (including guide, classified by topic, to subjects discussed at its post-war conferences)
- The Cremation Society's yearbook and directory of crematoria in the British Isles and overseas cremation societies, 6th ed. (Maidstone, January 1975)
- The Cremation Society's handbook and directory of crematoria, 7th ed. (Maidstone, 1975)
- Two heavily annotated copies of The Cremation Society's handbook and directory of crematoria, 7th ed. (Maidstone, 1975)
- Directory of crematoria, 1980, 1986 and 1990 editions (Maidstone, 1980-96)
- Loose-leaf directories in ring binders. Narrower content - still gives some historical information, cremation statistics, information on siting and planning of crematoria and on architects and building costs, but no longer has section on overseas organisations
- Procedure for Cremation issued by Pontypridd crematorium, [circa. 1935-1949]

## CRE/F/UK/2 1935-1937 and 1958

Memoranda and articles of association for individual UK crematoria:

- Golders Green Crematorium, incorporated 1958
- Kent County Crematorium, incorporated 1935 (Reprinted 1961)
- London Cremation Company, incorporated 1900
- Norwich Crematorium, incorporated 1935
- Oxford Crematorium, incorporated 1937
- South London Cremation Society, incorporated 1938

## CRE/F/UK/3 1920-1990

Other material on individual UK crematoria includes: brochures and leaflets, 1920's-1990's, on crematoria and cemeteries at Aldershot, Boston (Lincs), Carlisle, Golders Green, Portchester (Hants), Ruislip and York; 2 leaves of rough sketches of elevations and plans of Golders Green crematorium (drawn on the back of blank cremation certificates), leaflet on the undercroft for caskets of ashes at All Hallows by the Tower, London; an article on the Crownhill Crematorium, Milton Keynes from The architects' journal, 14 July 1982; accounts for Kent County Crematorium, 1973-1996

CRE/F/UK/4 1952

Original hand-drawn plan of the proposed cremation furnace design for Lawnswood Crematorium in Leeds. Drawn by Max Kingsland, employee for the cremator manufacturer J G Shelton & Son, and prior to that Evans Universal, who were taken over by Facultatieve Technologies

*Provenance:* Gifted to the Cremation Society in June 2018 and donated to Durham University Special Collections in July 2018

USA

CRE/F/US/1-2

Printed and published material about Crematoria in the USA

CRE/F/US/1 1991-1992

Directory of crematoria in the USA: CANA Cremation Association of North America membership directory, 1991/2

CRE/F/US/2/1-22 1899-1972

Brochures, reports, and leaflets about individual US crematoria:

- /1: Cedar Memorial Park, Iowa: brochure, circa 1956
- /2: Chapel of the Chimes, Oakland, Cal.: brochures and publicity material, circa 1930's-1940's
- /3: Chapel of Memories, Oakland, Cal.: 2 brochures, 1940-41
- /4: Cypress Lawn Cemetery and Crematorium, San Francisco, Cal.: detailed brochure (24 pp.), 1899, and other publicity material
- /5: Forest Hills Cemetery, Crematory and Columbarium, Mass.: brochures, circa 1930's-1940's
- /6: Fresh Pond Crematory, New York, N.Y. (United States Cremation Co.): 4 brochures, 1910 - circa 193-, and pamphlet A brief outline of the history of the United States Cremation Company (New York, [1932?])
- /7: Gardner Earl Memorial Chapel and Crematorium, Troy, N.Y.: The Gardner Earl Memorial Chapel and Crematorium, Oakwood Cemetery, Troy, N.Y. by picture and prose (Albany, N.Y., Frederick S. Hills, 1902), and brochures and publicity material, 1950's-1970's
- /8: Green Mount Cemetery, Baltimore: brochure, circa 1964
- /9: Harmony Grove Cemetery, Salem, Mass.: brochure and other publicity material, circa 1922
- /10: Michigan Cremation Association: brochure for the Detroit Crematorium and Columbarium, circa 1937, including a history of the association, and arguments for incineration
- /11: Missouri Crematory Association, St Louis, Mo: "Cremation a growing custom", brochure for the Missouri Crematorium and Columbarium, circa 192-
- /12: Mount Auburn Cemetery, Boston, Mass.: Annual report of the Trustees for 1903 , 1904
- /13: Mountain View Cemetery Association, Oakland, Cal.: general brochure and brochure for Mountain View mausoleum and Cloister Gardens, circa 1960's
- /14: New York & New Jersey Cremation Company: brochures for its crematorium at North Bergen, N.J., including lengthy arguments for cremation, early 20th century
- /15: The Odd Fellows Cemetery Association, San Francisco, Cal.: brochure, 1899
- /16: Pittsburgh Crematory: brochure, circa 1909. Includes list of crematories in the USA and Canada
- /17: Portland Cremation Association, Oregon: two brochures for Portland Crematorium, circa 1910 (includes statistics of cremations in the USA 1883-1909, and at Portland 1901-1910) and circa 193-
- /18: Rosehill Crematory, Elizabeth, N.J.: brochure (one page defective), circa 193-
- /19: Sunnyside Mausoleum and Memorial Gardens, Long Beach, Cal.: brochure, circa 195-
- /20: Swan Point Cemetery, Providence, Rhode Island: brochure for memorial grove and megalith, and information sheet, circa 196-
- /21: Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett, Mass.: 122nd annual report, for 1972
- /22: Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Cypress, 1964
- /23: National Cremation Society Newsletter Vol 1. No.1, Florida, [circa 1970's?]

## Trade literature

## CRE/G/GE-US

Trade directories and sales literature. Only a small selection has been retained, chosen as a representative sample illustrating attitudes to death and memorialisation. A later selection of trade literature has also been kept from a later accrual. Arranged by country:

- /GE: Germany
- /IT: Italy
- /UK: United Kingdom
- /US: USA

5 boxes

*Related material in other DUL collections:* Information about printed material or printed material sent as enclosures may be found with crematoria correspondence at CRE/P/2/D

## Germany

CRE/G/GE [c.1930-1980]

Catalogues of suppliers of urns and memorial art, circa 1930's-1980's. 1 box.

## Italy

CRE/G/IT [c.1960-1980]

Catalogues of suppliers of funeral requisites and memorial sculptures, plaques etc., circa 1960's-1980's; promotional postcard produced for L'Assessore Al Servizi Demografici Della Città Di Torino, 1989. 1 box.

## United Kingdom

CRE/G/UK 1936-1981

Yearbook and Directory of the National Association of Funeral Directors, 1962 and 1971; undated [early 20th-century] Directory of co-operative funeral furnishing services; 1981 issue of Manual of funeral directing (National Association of Funeral Directors); and brochures of suppliers of funeral requisites, memorials, pre-paid funeral plans, and a certificate course in funeral directing, circa 1980's-1990's. Also includes some propaganda material produced by the Cremation Society, circa 1936-1960s. 1 box

## USA

CRE/G/US [c.1970-1980s] and 2004

American Blue Book of Funeral Directors, 1974/75, membership services brochure of the American Cemetery Association, and catalogues and brochures of suppliers of funeral requisites and memorials, circa 1970's-1980's; a catalogue for Urns produced by Batesville Services and Eckels and Superior, 2004 and nd.; an information pack about Eternal Reefs, 2004; a collection of catalogues and information sheets for cremators and lettering for signage. 2 boxes.

## Cuttings

CRE/H 1874-1996

### Compilation and coverage

The Cremation Society's extensive cuttings collection dates back to the year of the society's foundation in 1874, and provides a rich source of information on attitudes to death and cremation, burial rituals, related legal and administrative processes, and medical and hygienic matters in different countries, cultures and periods. Initially compilation of the collection seems to have been the work of successive secretaries of the society, and for the nineteenth century the contents are markedly international in character, including many cuttings from foreign publications as well as about matters relating to death and cremation world-wide. Later a press cuttings agency was employed, and the twentieth century cuttings are drawn almost entirely from British publications and are predominantly concerned with cremation in Britain and Ireland, although some foreign news continues to be collected. The collection has survived unevenly. There are gaps from 1890 to 1910, 1936 to 1946 (except for a few cuttings from the years of World War 2), and 1948 to 1957, and coverage for some later years is sparse or evidently incomplete.

4.5 metres

### Arrangement

Up to about 1919 the usual arrangement is roughly chronological. Thereafter attempts were made to introduce some grouping by topic and place. In the 1930s an entire album was devoted to cuttings relating to the National Council for the Disposition of the Dead (CRE/H18). From about 1960 cuttings began to be grouped into three broad divisions entitled "Around the Country", "Miscellaneous" and "Foreign", and from about 1985 this became a five-fold division, "Around the Country", "About People", "Proposed New Crematoria", "Foreign" and "Miscellaneous".

### Physical form and condition

Up to 1929 the cuttings were usually pasted into albums, with many items folded over to fit and others protruding. Thereafter the cuttings were pasted or stapled to loose sheets of paper. Their condition is often very fragile. Many items are loose. Many are crumpled, torn, splitting along fold lines, or desiccated, and portions of some have been lost. In particular, CRE/H3 has a loose letter after p.196. CRE/H4 has a loose item after p.22. CRE/H5 has a fragile ms map after p.7 and a loose pictorial item before p.52. In CRE/H6 the first leaves have become detached and an item on p.148 is brittle with a piece broken off. CRE/H7 similarly has detached leaves at the start, and a brittle and damaged item after p.28. CRE/H8 has loose items after p.31. CRE/H9 has loose items after p.71 and brittle and torn items at p.98. CRE/H10 has at p.10 a ms letter split along folds with pieces detached. CRE/H11-12 have numerous loose items. CRE/H13 has loose items after p.18. CRE/H14 has several pages loose and some items only loosely inserted. The condition of CRE/H15 is particularly parlous, with bundles of loose items tucked in. All of the collection needs great care when handling, and some of it is unfit for production.

## CRE/H1 1874 (March - August)

Cuttings from newspapers, periodicals, and printed ephemera.

Illustrations:

p.18. Cartoon (from *Punch*), undertaker's black horse (supposedly made redundant by widespread adoption of cremation) redeployed to the hunting field.

After p.151. A cremation [? at Dresden, part of a cutting from a German publication], showing the committal of the coffin to the cremator by a clergyman wearing Geneva bands.

pp.171-2. Cartoons from *Punch* about cremation as a solution to the problem of an interfering mother-in-law.

p.179. Cartoon from *Moore's Rural New Yorker* about the disposal of a cremated Irish drinker's ashes.

Geographic range: Britain, Belgium, Chile, France, Germany, India, Japan, Siam, USA.

*Language:* English, French, German.

*Size:* ca. 19.5 x 11 x 7 cms

Arrangement: Approximately chronological.

## CRE/H2 1874 (April) - 1875 (February)

Cuttings from newspapers and periodicals; ms letters and ms poem. Topics include demonstrations at West Hartlepool against a proposal in favour of cremation (pp.41-9), cremation of Lady Dilke (pp. 67-70), with original letter from Ashton W. Dilke to William Eassie; ms poem "The pauper's drive" (between pp. 75-6); report in *The Times* of House of Lords debate on the law of burial (tipped in at end of vol.)

Illustrations:

p.xxx. Tomb of Edward Stacy (d.1555) and his wife Katherine.

p.71. Illustration of a burning coffin with distraught observers, on a broadsheet headed "Cremation or humanity. Horrible disclosures of burning bodies".

p.176. Cremation furnace designed by Frederick Siemens.

Geographic range: Britain, Austria, China, France, Germany, India, Italy, Turkey, USA

*Language:* English, French.

*Size:* ca. 19.5 x 11 x 7 cms

Arrangement: Approximately chronological.

CRE/H3 1875 (February - December), predominantly. Also includes an 1850 article (p.185), two 1854/5 cuttings, one from 1873, and about six from 1874.

Cuttings from newspapers, periodicals and pamphlets; ms notes and letters.

Includes:p.73. Letter from J. J. Bushell, Freeman of London, to William Eassie, 22 April 1875, describing the opposition encountered from local clergy, both Anglican and Dissenting, to a municipal scheme for use of a cremator attached to the City of London Gas Works to cremate dead prisoners from the London Bridewell, and also burn condemned meat and offal from the markets which, with all of the city's refuse, had formerly been tipped into White Friars Dock. The intention of the scheme was to use gas from the cremator to fuel street lighting.pp.155-162. *Sweeney Todd Outdone*, a pamphlet attacking proposals for burying the dead in cheap perishable coffins.After p.195. Letter from Harry White, Trinity College Dublin, 6 August 1875, giving an account of watching gravediggers at Navan, Co. Meath, breaking up the coffin and remains of a girl buried just nine years ago, which they encountered while digging a new grave.Bound in at end of vol. Brochure and price list of the Funeral Company, undertakers in Blackfriars.

Illustrations:

Before p.1. Ground-plan and elevation of mausoleum, designed by Charles Barry, for W. Ellis at All Saints Church, Whitstable.

pp.4-5. Illustrations to a comic article from *Fun* on the endeavours of "the intelligent and energetic chairman of our Select Suburban Cremation Society" to give himself a bodily weight appropriate to an urn for his own ashes which had been thoughtfully presented to him by the society.

p.13. Diagram of chapel and connected gas house for a scheme for cremation in town gasworks, the gas thus generated being used to fuel street lamps.

p.16. Funeral procession of a Chinese emperor.

p.23. "Ancient oven discovered near Cambridge".

pp.67-8. A cremator tested under Sir Henry Thompson's supervision.

p.71. *Punch* cartoon about ashes mistaken for snuff.

p.116. Toulouse cemetery devastated by floods, with graves broken open.

p.124. Exhibition of perishable wicker coffins.

p.127. Illustrations of Chinese funeral customs.

Before p.129. Illustrations of hearses, funeral carriages, biers etc made by Dottridge Bros of London.

p.166. *Punch* cartoon.

p.175. Japanese tombs.

p.178. Cartoon.

After p.186. Tower of Silence, Bombay.

Geographic range: Britain, Canada, China, Crimea, Egypt, Fiji, India, Ireland, Siberia, USA.

*Language:* English, French.

*Size:* ca. 19.5 x 11 x 7 cms

*Arrangement:* Approximately chronological.

CRE/H4 1875 (December) - 1876, predominantly. Also includes one cutting from 1802 and two from 1874.

Cuttings from newspapers, periodicals, and pamphlets, printed ephemera; ms notes and letter. Includes: p.8. Account of the funeral of the chief of the Mackintosh clan, and of the convivial customs traditionally associated with the burial of a Highland chieftain. p.23. Description of the unhappy consequences of overcrowding in Irish churchyards. pp.45-55. Accounts of the first cremation in Milan, January 1876. p.57. Brochure of the Mourning Reform Association. p.73. Brochure of the National Mausoleum Society. pp.80-84. Programme and cuttings about the International Cremation Conference held at Dresden, June 1876, with ms notes of W. Eassie, who attended on behalf of the Cremation Society, and cards of other delegates. p.87. Proposal by B. Clarke MRCS, in postscript to a ms letter, for disposal of the dead by dissolving the body in a glass coffin immersed in chloride of alum - "I suppose relatives among the upper classes could do it themselves." p.203. *Times* report, 4 March 1876, of the House of Commons debate on a burials bill.

Illustrations:

p.7. Cartoon "The undertaker's shop of the future", showing a wide choice of containers for ashes.

After p.20. The catacombs of Palermo.

p.30. Two illustrations of the Towers of Silence near Bombay.

p.68. Monument in the British graveyard at Scutari.

After p.74. Tomb of the favourite horse of Sultan Mahmoud at Scutari.

p.91. Remains of the British military cemetery at Tientsin, China.

p.93. Funeral procession of Sultan Mahmoud II entering his mausoleum.

After p.103. Designs (elevation and plan) for a crematorium and mortuary building by Karl Pieper, Dresden engineer, and G. Lilienthal, Berlin architect.

p.167. Grave of Capt. G.F. Hall, USS *Polaris*.

p.179. The first cremation at Milan, 22 January 1876, showing both the exterior of the crematorium and the scene within, from *L'illustrazione italiana*.

p.195. Large folding plate of the designs by Pieper and Lilienthal for a cremation and mortuary building approved at the International Cremation Congress, Dresden.

Geographic range: Britain, Albania, Austria, Assyria, Bulgaria, China, Egypt, France, Germany, Greece, Herzegovina, India, Ireland, Italy, Malta, Palestine, Portugal, Spain, Switzerland, Turkey, USA.

*Language:* English, French, German, Italian.

*Size:* ca. 19.5 x 11 x 7 cms.

*Arrangement:* Approximately chronological.

CRE/H5 1876 (October) - 1878 (April), predominantly.

Cuttings from newspapers, periodicals and pamphlets; ms letters, drawings, and notes. Includes: pp.6-8. Ms drawings of a furnace, and accompanying letters from its designer, Malortis, to W. Eassie and Sir Henry Thompson, dated 11-12 February 1875. After p. 9. Printed invitation, addressed in ms to Sir Henry Thompson, to attend the first public cremation in the USA (of Joseph Henry Louis, Baron de Palm), at Washington, Pennsylvania, December 1876, in a furnace designed by F. Julius LeMoyne. After p.17. Ms letter to Sir Henry Thompson, 9 Dec. [1876?] from Madame Colmache, widow of Prince Talleyrand's secretary, who was present at the death and embalming of Talleyrand and "herself had the choice of the eyes of glass", offering Sir Henry an article by her describing the event. After p.25. MS letter to W. Eassie, 2 March 1877, from Sir Henry Thompson, introducing the Rajah Rampal Singh "who wants to know if he can burn his dead wife", and asking Eassie to give the rajah information about costs, etc. - "if he w[oul]d pay for a place here - why should he not if he wishes? - He could do it here." After p.55. Ms letter to Sir Henry Thompson, 24 April 1877, from Fred. Scott, secretary of the Manchester and Salford Sanitary Association, inviting him to contribute a model of the cremation apparatus he approves to an exhibition of sanitary appliances which the association will mount for the forthcoming visit of the British Medical Association to Manchester. After p.63. Ms letter to W. Eassie from Anthony Rick, 26 May [1877?], arranging a meeting to discuss how the case for cremation can be advanced in England, and sending a reference to remarks on cremation by the Lutheran J.A. Quenstedt in his *Sepultura*, Wittenberg, 1660. pp.64-69. "Open spaces", an address by Octavia Hill to the National Health Society, 9 May [1877?] on transformation of graveyards into gardens. pp.119-121. Description of the crematory model of Prof. Ludovico Brunetti of Padua. p.124. City of Padua printed death certificate, completed in ms., 1877. After p.163. (1). Ms letter to W. Eassie, 16 December 1877, from F. Julius LeMoyne, Washington, Pennsylvania, describing the progress of the cremation movement in the USA since the first public cremation there the previous year (using a furnace designed by LeMoyne), and describing his crematory at Washington and enclosing a photograph of it. After p.163. (2). Ms transcript of a letter [to W. Eassie] from C[eleste] Clericetti, Milan, 10 March 1878, responding to criticisms by Dr. Bartlett of the cremation apparatus which he and Prof. Polli had designed at Milan, and describing possible improvements to it, especially by connecting it to the town gas supply. pp.164-183. "The systems of cremation now in use upon the continent", printed text of a lecture by W. Eassie to the 10th ordinary meeting [of the Cremation Society?], 13 February 1878, including notes of the discussion afterwards and diagrams of the Siemens and Rickman furnaces. pp.185-193. "Burning bodies. Another human body committed to Cremati. In the Bakeshop of LeMoyne", hostile newspaper account, 16 February 1878, of the cremation of Mrs Ben Pitman of Cincinatti at Washington, Pennsylvania.

Illustrations:

p.52. "Mr. Punch makes the best of his Christmas dinner", coloured reproduction of a *Punch* cartoon about cremation [? produced as an unorthodox Christmas card], with an unrelated 1874 cutting pasted to the back.

After p.53. Pencil drawing of an urn of ashes, with notes at head "Occupying 1 hour and 35 minutes" and at foot "Ellen Bailey Age 14".

p.92. Burning of the body of Martin Merino, who had attempted to assassinate the queen of Spain, at Madrid.

p.96. "Modern resurrectionists", cartoons, dated in ms 1864 or 1854, about the clearing and dumping of human remains from church vaults.

p.108. Cartoon about burial alive.

After p.157. Diagram of Rickman's automatic gas furnace, with descriptive text.

p.159. Lithographed designs for cemetery chapels, from *Building News*.

Geographic range: Britain, Canada, China, Crimea, Cuba, Egypt, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Palestine, Persia, Russia, Siam, Spain, Switzerland, Turkey, USA, West Indies.

*Language:* English, French, German, Italian.

*Size:* ca. 19.5 x 11 x 7 cms.

*Arrangement:* Approximately chronological.

CRE/H6 1878 (April) - 1880 (February), predominantly. Also includes a June 1877 cutting, and an 1882 pamphlet.

Cuttings from newspapers, periodicals and pamphlets: ms letters and notes. Includes: pp.3-7. Accounts in Italian of the cremation of Henry Crookenden at Milan, April 1878, which was attended by William Eassie on behalf of the Cremation Society, with visiting cards of some of the people Eassie met. pp.20-23. "Cremation in Japan", cutting from *Tokio Times*, Yokohama, 6 April 1878. pp.25-26. Ms letter from J.W. McCarthy, British Legation, Yedo, Japan, 22 April 1878, sending the above cutting, and a ms English translation (on p.26) of parts of a Japanese work describing funeral customs on the island of Saghalin or North Yezo, involving disembowelling the corpse and drying it in the sun for a year. pp.38-42. A further letter from McCarthy, 14 June 1878, sending a printed English translation (on pp.39-42) of a German publication by W. Doenitz on the same subject, and commenting on the origins of cremation in Japan, and the reasons for its temporary suppression and then reinstatement by the present government. After p.45. Comic verse (manuscript, 1 stanza) about cremation (first line "Don't lay me on the river bank amid the fragrant flowers"), annotated "from Miss Hart ... [18]79". After p.81. Ms letter to Rev. H. R. Haweis from Horace Coomber, 9 July 1876, sending him an account of bodies being washed away by a flood in a Manchester Corporation cemetery in 1872. pp.106-107. Ms account of the first official cremation at which both civil and religious authorities assisted, at Gotha, 10 December 1878. p.150. Ms letter to the secretary of the Cremation Society from Tito Di Medici, physician and surgeon, Castrocaro, near Forli, Italy, 25/5/1879, sending a copy of a publication by him on cremation. After p.201. Ms letter to W. Eassie from J. Jones, 12 Jan. 1876, sending him the Latin motto of the Italian cremation society, with an English translation. p.212. Printed constitution of the First Cremation Society of San Francisco, California, 1882. 8 pp.

Illustrations:

p.1. Illustration of a mummified child, signed Zambecchi, with ms note "Mummy produced by Betti, Milan".

p.2. Photograph of Capuchin cemetery, Rome, showing piles of skulls decoratively arranged, and interspersed with skeletons garbed in Capuchin habits.

After p.15. Funeral of the murdered Lord Leitrim at St Michan's, Dublin, 10 April 1878.

p.32. Advertisement for metallic burial caskets.

After p.121. Burning ghat at Calcutta.

Before p.122. Photograph of a coffin cart.

p.146. Pen and ink drawing entitled "The Vicar of Woking's idea of Cremation", showing a man in cook's hat and apron clutching a large gridiron.

After p.155. Patent folding bier cum grave barrier.

p.160. *Punch* cartoon about cremation of a pet cat.

After p.179. Plan and section of tumulus at Tregascal, Cornwall, with sepulchral urn.

p.208. Indian troops taking part in war in Afghanistan, burning their dead comrades.

Geographic range: Britain, Algeria, Austria, Central Africa, Egypt, France, Germany, India, Italy, Japan, Portugal, Roumania, South America, Spain, Turkey, USA.

*Language:* English, French, German, Italian.

*Size:* ca. 19.5 x 11 x 7 cms.

*Arrangement:* Approximately chronological.

CRE/H7 1880 (February) - 1883 (April), predominantly. Also includes one 1878 and three 1879 cuttings.

Cuttings from newspapers, periodicals and pamphlets; complete pamphlets; ms letters, etc. Includes: After p.2. *La cremazione della Salma del Professore Giovanni Polli*. Milan, 1880. 8 pp. p.31. *The Order of Cremation of the Dead by Fire. With preface by a Catholic priest*. 16 pp. [Another copy is bound after p.134.] p.88. "The Zoological Necropolis Company (Limited)", cutting from the *Pall Mall Gazette*, 4 March 1882, about the company's plan to establish a burial-ground near London for pets. pp.111-119. Letter to Sir Henry Thompson, signed Kosmos, published in *The World*, 25 October 1882, about the advantages of cremation over burial, and asking for an account of the views and activities of the Cremation Society, with Sir Henry's reply, from *The World*, 8 November 1882, including a description of the hostile reception accorded to the Society's attempt to establish a crematorium at Woking in 1879. With, appended, ms letter from Dr. Giuseppe Colombi [?, reading uncertain], Milan, November [1882], giving statistics of cremations in Italy from 1876 onwards, and information about Italian cremation societies and about certification requirements before a cremation, particularly to avoid its use to conceal evidence of crimes such as poisoning. p.135. Ms letter to Miss Hart, written from 18 Endsleigh St, London, 28 June 1882 and signed A. Asher, challenging incorrect statements about Jewish burial customs in an unidentified publication.

Illustrations:

On front pastedown. Pen and ink drawing of a shroud-wearing corpse, risen from its grave, asking a passer-by the way to Woking.

p.iii. Burning ghat, Calcutta, 1879.

p.v. Unidentified columbarium.

p.x. Soldiers erecting headstones over the graves of comrades killed at Peiwar Kotal, 1879.

p.xx. Naga graves.

p.xxiii. Diagrams of a cremation furnace and plan and elevation of a crematorium, from *The American Architect and Building News*, 29 May 1880.

p.6. Tree roots disturbing a grave.

p.22. Cartoon from *Scientific American*, Sept. 1880.

p.28. Milan crematorium, built by Albert Keller.

p.46. "Storer's garbage cremating furnace", illustration with descriptive text, from *Scientific American*, 2 July 1881.

p.67. "Robbery of the Earl of Crawford's body", from *The Penny Illustrated Paper*, 10 December 1881.

p.120. Improved burial casket, from *Scientific American*, Nov. 1882.

Geographic range: Britain, Afghanistan, Africa, Belgium, China, Crimea, Egypt, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Russia, Tunisia, South America, USA.

Language: English, Danish, French, German, Italian.

Size: ca. 19.5 x 11 x 7 cms.

Arrangement: Approximately chronological.

CRE/H8 1883-1884 (August), predominantly, but also includes a few cuttings from 1879, 1881, and 1882.

Cuttings from newspapers and periodicals; ms notes; and a complete pamphlet. Includes: pp.64-65. Cuttings from a variety of newspapers, 15-17 January 1884, with colourful descriptive detail about the attempt by Dr. William Price to cremate his infant son. pp.69-71. Cuttings on Dr. Price's announcement of his intention to establish a public crematorium at Llantrissant. After p.127. Account from *South Wales Daily News*, 16 February 1884, of the trial of Dr. William Price for attempting to cremate his son. pp.[156]-163. Detailed report from *South Wales Daily News*, 13 February 1884, of the judge's charge to the grand jury at the trial of Dr. William Price, and cuttings from various periodicals of comments and discussion of the implications of the trial's outcome. pp.167-170. "Cremation versus burial: what has been done in England", cutting from *Pall Mall Gazette*, 27 March 1884, of an illustrated article, based on information supplied by William Eassie, about the development of the Cremation Society's crematorium at Woking. p.182. Ms account of an experiment at the Woking crematorium on 9 April 1884, when William Eassie cremated part of a cow, with a list of those who attended and a note of the costs of coke and faggotts. Below, cutting from *Moonshine*, 12 April 1884, of a comic poem entitled "The song of the crematorium". After p.191. Joseph Sykes, *The Conception of Death and its Influence on Thought* (Brighton, printed by J.G. Bishop, 1882. 16 pp.), poem, with presentation inscription by the author. pp.193-194. Cutting from *City Press*, 23 April 1884, describing a visit to the Woking Crematorium by a municipal fact-finding committee considering the establishment of a crematorium at Ilford, with a ms note that the visit included a demonstration of the cremation of 124 lbs of a horse. pp.197-200. Cuttings from *Daily Telegraph*, 9 and 11 August 1884, about the case brought by Dr. William Price against the police at Swansea Assizes for false imprisonment, defamation, and wrongful detention of the body of child he had attempted to cremate.

Illustrations:

p.31. "Healey's specifications" for an improved furnace for burning town and other refuse.

p.32. "Clowning at funerals", illustration of an undertaker on horseback, with verses about his "paltry plumes, his hat-bands vile, and all his nauseous mummery".

p.101. "The national Campo-Santo or cloister in connection with Westminster Abbey", cutting from *Building News*, 29 February 1884, of design by Sir G. Gilbert Scott for adding a cloister to the Abbey for interring those whom the nation wished to honour, but for whom space was lacking in the Abbey itself.

After p.165. "Cetewayo laid out in his hut after death", showing him tied up in a sitting posture.

p.172. The crematorium in the Campo Santo, Rome.

After p.177. Room in the Villa Nevada, Cannes, with the coffin of the Duke of Albany, April 1884.

p.185. Cremation cartoon, "The burning question".

p.192. Tumulus, excavated grave goods, and grave with skeleton, from an 1884 issue of *Matériaux pour l'Histoire Primitive et Naturelle de l'Homme*.

Geographic range: Britain, Egypt, France, Germany, Italy, India, South Africa, USA.

Language: English, French, Italian.

Size: ca. 19.5 x 11 x 7 cms

Arrangement: Approximately chronological.

CRE/H9 1884 (April) - 1885 (March), predominantly, but also includes several undated cuttings and a few from 1881-1883.

Cuttings from newspapers, pamphlets and periodicals; complete pamphlet; ms letters and notes. Includes: p.60. Ms letter from E[dward] L. Garbett, 3 Myddelton Terrace, [London], 13 May 1884, proposing that corpses for cremation should first be desiccated, and could then be kept in that state for a year or more, and then burnt along with other such dried corpses, reducing the costs of individual cremations. Describes possible apparatus, and suggests that experiments, initially on small animals, might be used to diminish popular prejudices. After p.77. Newspaper report, 17 January 1874, of the release to Dr. William Price by the police of the body of his infant son, amid scenes of local excitement. After p.79. Ms letter to William Eassie from R. J. Wicksteed, House of Commons, Ottawa, 5 June 1884, about his (Wicksteed's) forthcoming lecture in Ottawa on cremation, and enclosing a cutting about the possibility of establishing a crematorium in Canada. After p.97. Ms letter in German, 4 April 1883, signature indecipherable, [sending greetings to William Eassie from a German cremation society?]. p.98. "The living and the dead", address by J. D. Beugless, President, New York Cremation Society, delivered 2 June 1883, published in *Banner of Light*, Boston, 28 July 1883. After p.101. *Crematio*, by Prof. Francesco Mariotti, a poem (Milan, G. Civelli, 1883. 7 pp.). p.104. Ms letter [to the Cremation Society?] from Stockholm, 17 July 1882, announcing the formation of a Swedish society for cremation, the Likbrännings-Föreningen i Stockholm. pp.117-118. Newspaper reports of the cremation in France, at Etrétat, of Baboo Sahed Chatjay, brother-in-law of the Maharajah of Baroda. p.121. Ms note [by William Eassie] that he cremated half a pony at Woking crematorium, 5 Sept. 1884, with details of those present and the time required. After p.129. Ms note from Joh. J. Perk, secretary of the Netherlands cremation society, Vereeniging voor Lijkverbranding, 6 September 1884, acknowledging receipt of publications on cremation. pp.135-146. Cutting from *The Daily Picayune*, 11 August 1884, of address on cremation by Dr. Felix Formento to the Louisiana State Medical Society. pp.174-176. Cuttings about Dr. William Price's cremations of his pet bull, dog and cat, January 1885. p.292. Ms note by William Eassie, 14 February 1885, about seeing, exhibited in Oxford Street, two massively fat sisters aged 19 and 17, who weighed respectively 29 and 31 stone.

Illustrations:

p.62. Plan, elevation, and cross-section of crematorium recently built at Manston, Derbyshire, from *Building News*, December 1883.

p.113. Cremation urns, Manston House, Blandford, Dorset, designed by the architect C. F. A. Voysey for Captain Hanham.

p.163. Cartoon from *Judy*, 20 August 1884, about the damages of one farthing awarded to Dr. William Price in his action against the police for interfering with his son's cremation.

Geographic range: Britain, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Crimea, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Mongolia, Netherlands, Sweden, USA

Language: English, French, German, Italian.

Size: ca. 19.5 x 11 x 7 cms.

Arrangement: Approximately chronological.

CRE/H10 1884 (September) - 1886 (April), predominantly, but with one cutting from 1883 and one from March 1884.

Cuttings from newspapers and periodicals, printed ephemera, complete pamphlets, ms letters and notes. Includes: p.14. Account, 27 March 1885, of the first cremation carried out at Woking (of the body of Mrs Pickersgill). After p.29. Account, 7 December 1883, of the cremation of Captain Hanham at the crematorium he had established at Manston House, Dorset. After p.49. Report, in Italian, of the 2nd congress of the Società Italiana di Cremazione at Florence, March 1885. After p.57. Ms letter from Ed. Garbett, 2 June 1885, arguing that bodies for cremation should first be desiccated, thereby reducing both the risk of concealing evidence of poisoning and the time needed to carry out a cremation. p.61. Account, with annual statistics 1876-1884, of the progress of the cremation movement in Italy. p.107. Ms note about appointment to discuss cremation with General Harris. p.125. Accounts of the first human cremation in the USA, of Eugène Lièvre at Mt Olivet, Long Island, December 1885. p.148. Ms notes about two exceptionally heavy human bodies. p.149. Account of the first cremation carried out at Buffalo, December 1885. p.154. Annual report, accounts, and membership list of the National Funeral and Mourning Reform Association, 1884, with, appended, annual report, accounts, and membership list of the Leicester Funeral & Mourning Reform Association, 1884. 23 pp. After p.157. Ms letter to William Eassie from E. Westlake, Salisbury, 20 November 1885, requesting information about the Cremation Society, stating (with illustrative diagram) that in Salisbury people are buried in the same stratum from which drinking water is drawn, and asking how the Cremation Society deals with nitrogen rendered gaseous during cremations, as he is concerned that it might be lost to the cycle of organic life if cremation was universally adopted. After p.171. Ms letter to William Eassie, from Moses Stearns, secretary of a cremation society in Philadelphia, 20 February 1885, protesting at having to pay customs tariffs on publications of the English Cremation Society which Eassie had sent him, and sending a cutting about a new monthly, *The Crematist*, published in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. p.178. Ms order from Philadelphia Cremation Society for publications of the English Cremation Society, 13 March 1886. p.186. Prospectus, 31 March 1886, for a meeting to consider the formation of a Leicester branch of the Cremation Society, including a list of the proposers. p.188. Hugo Erichsen, *Cremation and the Medical Profession*, an address to the Detroit Medical and Library Association, 1 February 1886 (15 pp.).

Illustrations:

After p.9. Illustration (part of a cutting dated 15 March 1884 about the crematorium at Manston House, Dorset) showing the cremator empty and with coffin inserted. p.52. "God's acre in the desert - burying soldiers who died during the journey from Gubat to Korti", from *The Graphic*, April 1885.

Geographic range: Britain, Canada, China, Egypt, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, USA.

Language: English, French, German, Italian.

Size: ca. 19.5 x 11 x 7 cms.

Arrangement: Approximately chronological.

CRE/H11 1886 (January) - 1887 (December), predominantly, but also includes an 1883 and an 1885 cutting.

Cuttings from newspapers and periodicals, printed ephemera, and manuscript letters and notes. Includes a number of cuttings on the papal condemnation of cremation issued May 1886, and p.31. Manuscript letter to William Eassie at the Sanitary Congress, York, 27 September 1886 (signature cut off), giving an account of the first cremation in Denmark on 13 September 1886. p.32. Prospectus of the Buffalo Cremation Company, New York, including plans and elevations of the crematorium designed by Green & Wickes, Buffalo architects, and article about it from *The Sanitary Engineer*. p.63. Manuscript notes, signed D. S. M., on the legality and costs of transporting corpses by train in the USA. After p.67. Manuscript letter from Thomas Martin, Guernsey, 22 Sept. 1886, proposing, in view of the papal condemnation of cremation, the forming of a society for providing other sanitary means of disposal of the dead, and commending the merits of the system of "Scientific Interments" which he has devised and described in various publications. After p.89. Report of a proposal in Italy for construction of a crematorium which would use electricity to consume corpses. After p.105. Manuscript letter from Clara Farrell, Ilfracombe, 7 November 1887, referring to letters in *The Times* by Rev. Septimus Hansard in support of cremation, and recalling repulsive sights she had seen as a child when a churchyard was dug up for a church extension.

Illustrations:

p.10. Funeral pyre of the late Maharajah Tookaji Rao Holkar, of Indore.

p.22. Mummies of Rameses II and Seti I, recently unbandaged at the Boulak Museum, Egypt.

p.38. Richly decorated chancel of the Buffalo Crematory Temple.

p.192. Sketches from *The Illustrated London News*, September 1887, of graves near the River Congo, one marked by broken crockery, and another, the monument of a chief, surrounded by the skulls of women buried alive with him.

After p.221. Funeral procession and cremation of the ruler of Siam at Bangkok, from *The Graphic*, September 1887.

Geographic range: Britain, Argentina, Australia, Congo, Denmark, Egypt, France, Germany, India, Ireland, Netherlands, Siam, Switzerland, USA, Vatican.

*Language:* English, French, German.

*Size:* ca. 19.5 x 11 x 7 cms

*Arrangement:* Approximately chronological.

CRE/H12 1883 (December) - 1888 (May), predominantly, with some loose 1889 cuttings.

Cuttings from newspapers and periodicals, and manuscript notes. Includes numerous cuttings relating to the prosecution of Dr. William Price for attempting to cremate his infant son, and concerning the cremation bill introduced to the House of Commons by Dr. Cameron but rejected in May 1884. Also includes (before p.25) manuscript paper on cremation by Dr. Sedgwick Saunders, March 1884.

Illustrations:

p.1. Plan of crematorium recently built and used at Manston, Dorsetshire, December 1883.

p.30. View and section of the Woking Crematorium furnace.

p.43. The crematorium at Manston, Dorsetshire, shown with the cremator empty and with a coffin inserted

Geographic range: Britain, France, Germany, India, Italy, Japan, Siam, Spain, USA.

*Language:* English, French, German.

*Size:* ca. 30 x 23 x 4 cms

*Arrangement:* Approximately chronological.

CRE/H13 1883 (March) - 1899 (December), predominantly, but also includes one item from July 1890.

Cuttings from newspapers and periodicals, mostly relating to certification of death, and to scandals (especially at Nellfield Cemetery, Aberdeen) concerning repeated use of a grave for further burials, with disturbance to the remains of those previously interred there.

Geographic range: Britain, largely Scotland.

*Language:* English.

*Size:* ca. 30 x 25 x 5 cms

*Arrangement:* Approximately chronological with a very incomplete manuscript index at the front.

CRE/H14 1910 (February) - 1923 (April), predominantly.

Cuttings from newspapers and periodicals; manuscript notes and letters. Many cuttings (including, p.21, "The dismal disposal of man", an interview with G. K. Chesterton) relate to an article "The cult of the corpse" by H. M. Walbrook in the *Pall Mall Gazette*, August 1910. Others concern the inauguration in 1921 of the Cremation Society's scheme for people to register during their lifetime their wish to be cremated. Also includes: Before p.55. Manuscript letter from G. B. C. Sinclair, 8 December 1921, noting the lack of a crematorium in Bristol and Plymouth and pressing for the Cremation Society's support to establish cremation facilities for Devon and Cornwall. After p.58. Manuscript letter from the editor of *The Undertakers' Journal*, 19 November 1920, drawing attention to comments by Sir Edward Marshall Hall, counsel in a murder trial, who had suggested that cremation might easily be used as a means to eliminate evidence of poison, and offering to publish a rejoinder from the Cremation Society. p.91. "Cremation", article by G. S. Burt Andrews in *Municipal Magazine*, June 1921, giving an account of the development of cremation facilities in Johannesburg, and completion of a crematorium there in 1918, the cost of which was borne by the Hindu community.

Illustrations:

p.23. The funeral of Holman Hunt and interment of his ashes at St Paul's Cathedral, London.

p.57. Burial of the ashes of Colonel Cody after his funeral at Aldershot.

p.67. Funeral at Golders Green crematorium of Colonel Cumming, killed by Sinn Fein.

p.69. Funeral at Golders Green crematorium of the leading socialist, H. M. Hyndman.

p.71. Photographs published in a South African newspaper, *The Natal Witness*, 22 April 1921, of the funeral cortege of Colonel Wales, the first European to be cremated in Natal (using a makeshift funeral pyre at Pietermaritzburg) and of the recently erected crematorium in Johannesburg.

p.74. The removal of the body of Dr W. S. Bruce from a Glasgow hospital, for cremation.

p.83. Sketch of a suggested annexe for Westminster Abbey, to contain a columbarium chapel.

p.94. Interior of Golders Green Crematorium.

p.96. Obituary photograph of the architect Ernest Newton, February 1921.

Geographic range: Britain, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Israel, South Africa

Language: English, Norwegian.

Size: ca. 29 x 23.5 x 5 cms

Arrangement: Approximately chronological with a very incomplete manuscript index at the front.

CRE/H15 1919-1929.

Cuttings from newspapers and periodicals; manuscript and typescript letters, including a number of letters to newspaper editors from the secretary of the Cremation Society, George Noble. Includes: After p.36. Ms letter from W.S. Dimes, Plymouth, May 1925, about discussion by Plymouth Town Council of the possibility of establishing a crematorium. After p.48. "The municipal crematorium at Vienna, architect Clemens Holzmeister", illustrated article by Howard Robertson from *Building News*, September 1925. p.63. Carbon copy letter from George Noble, 24 April 1926, to the editor of the *Northern Daily Telegraph* about the problems of providing suitable sites for new cemeteries and the contrasting advantages of cremation and gardens of remembrance. After p.90. Bundle of loosely inserted cuttings on cremation and cancer, occasioned by an article in the *British Medical Journal*, 1925, urging doctors to advocate cremation for patients who died of cancer. pp.244-245. Cuttings about the prosecution in 1927 of Rev. David Jenkyn Evans, under the Cremation Act of 1902, for perjury in making a statutory cremation declaration that relatives had been informed. The charge (which was linked to a disputed will) was dismissed. p.389. Carbon copy letter to the editor of *The Times* signed H. T. H., Harley St, April 1928, pointing out that the only person legally authorised to permit a cremation was the Medical Referee appointed to each crematorium.

Illustrations:

After p.16. Views of Golders Green Crematorium.

p.29. Rt. Hon. A. M. Carlisle, P.C. in his sickroom, January 1926, with extracts from the certificate requesting cremation which he had signed before taking to his sickbed and details of the cremation service fees he had paid in advance.

pp.187-189. Plan, elevation and views of crematorium designed for Brighton Borough Council by Albert C. Freeman, 1929.

p.206. Ornate funeral pyre and funeral procession in Bangkok for King Rama VI of Siam.

p.213. Views of Arnos Vale crematorium under construction, 1927. Before p.225. Plans of the site and building for Nottingham's proposed crematorium, 1928.

After p.228. Masonic procession and foundation stone-laying (by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master) for Ipswich crematorium, April 1928

p.232. Elevation and plan of the Ipswich crematorium, 1928.

pp.237-239. Opening ceremony for Ipswich crematorium and view of the building, December 1928.

p.247. Cremation ceremonies at the funeral of the chieftain of Lampang, northern Siam, July 1927, over four years after his death.

p.269. Crematorium at Easter Warriston, Edinburgh, under construction, 1929.

p.299. Plans and elevations of crematorium for East Finchley designed by Albert C. Freeman, 1928.

After p.356. Plan and elevations for a design for a crematorium by Patrick McNeil, awarded the Tite Prize 1928.

p.387. Interior and exterior views of Golders Green crematorium, its garden of rest, and a new chapel there designed by Alfred B. Yeates, and cutting showing the urn containing the ashes of Thomas Hardy to be interred in Westminster Abbey, 1928.

p.396. Dr. William Price in Druidic dress (in a 1927 newspaper cutting recalling his trial for attempting to cremate his infant son in 1884).

Geographic range: English, French, German, Italian.

Language: Britain, Australia, Austria, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, India, Russia, Siam, USA, Yugoslavia.

Size: 32 x 30 x 13 cms

Arrangement: Grouped to some extent under topics and places, with a very incomplete manuscript index at the front.

CRE/H16 1908-1927, and undated.

Cuttings on cremation (complete articles and shorter references) extracted from *The Undertakers' Journal*.

Illustrations:

Includes: 1908, p.37. Albert C. Freeman, architect, burial reformer and cremation expert.

1908, pp.115-141. Bronze age and Roman cinerary urns found in Britain.

1908, pp.251-2. Mummies at Guanajuato, Mexico.

1909, p.19. Cremation ceremonies in Burma.

1909, p.66-7, 120. French coffins and funeral transportation.

1910, pp.249. George Noble, secretary of the Cremation Society, and his wife and children.

1911, p.69. Arthur E. Piggott, secretary of the Manchester Crematorium.

1912, p.54. Parsee Tower of Silence, Bombay.

1912, p.109. Sir Charles Cameron, President of the Cremation Society.

1913, p.240. The corpse of a rich Igorote being smoked for 24 days before interment in the Philippines.

Undated, p.56. British woodworking machinery for coffin manufacture.

Undated, p.171. The Ernest George Columbarium, Golders Green crematorium.

Geographic range: Britain, Australia, Burma, Canada, Czechoslovakia, France, Germany, India, Mexico, New Zealand, Papua, the Philippines, USA, world of antiquity.

Language: English.

Size:

Arrangement: Chronological, followed by undated cuttings in page number order.

CRE/H17 1930-1935.

Cuttings largely supplied by a cuttings agency and mostly taken from British newspapers and a few periodicals.

Language: English.

Arrangement: Grouped under place or topical headings arranged in one roughly alphabetical sequence, followed by an Obituaries file. The arrangement under each heading is chronological.

CRE/H17/1

Ancient crematoria discoveries, Aberdeen, Articles [on cremation] in papers, journals etc (including, in a separate folder, cuttings from a number of Australian newspapers in 1934, sent to the Cremation Society by the secretary of Woronora Crematorium, Sydney), Bath, Birkenhead, Birmingham, Blackpool, Bournemouth, Bradford, Brighton, Burial of ashes

CRE/H17/2 1930-1934

Cremation Conferences.

CRE/H17/3

Cremation Society reports [i.e. newspaper comments on them], *Cremation in Great Britain* 2nd ed., Cremation Misc., Catholics, Crime and cremation, Coroners, Croydon.

CRE/H17/4

Cemeteries, Crematoria - news of new constructions.

CRE/H17/5

: Darlington, Death registration, Derby, Dispersals of ashes, Dundee.

CRE/H17/6

Edinburgh, Fidler (i.e. the book *Cremation*, by Florence G. Fidler), Foreign news (including cuttings from some foreign publications), Gainsborough (Lincolnshire), Gardens of rest, Glasgow, Golders Green, Guernsey.

CRE/H17/7

Harrogate, Hull, Ilford, Ipswich, Isle of Wight, Islington, Jews.

CRE/H17/8

Kent, Kew, Lectures and letters.

CRE/H17/9

Leeds, Leicester, Liverpool, Maidstone, Manchester.

CRE/H17/10

Medical fees and certificates, National Council for the disposition of the dead, Newcastle upon Tyne, Nottingham

CRE/H17/11

Oxford, Plymouth, Pontypridd, Portsmouth, Premature burial, Propaganda [for cremation], Public assistance.

CRE/H17/12

Reading, Regulations, Religion, Richmond [Surrey], Royal Sanitary Association of Scotland, Royal Sanitary Institution.

CRE/H17/13

Severus, Sheffield, Southampton, Stockport, Sutton and Cheam.

CRE/H17/14

Tottenham, Undertakers, Wales, Walsall, West London, Woking, Wolverhampton and Wimbledon.

CRE/H17/15

Obituaries (largely brief notices of the funerals of prominent supporters of cremation; also includes a few more detailed obituary notices, for Edith Maurice Vance, Secretary of the National Secular Society, the miners' leader A.J. Cook, and C. P. Scott, editor of the *Manchester Guardian*).

## CRE/H18 1933-1936.

Newspaper cuttings relating to the disposal of the dead and more specifically to the National Council for the Disposition of the Dead, created in 1933 under the auspices of the Cremation Society, when the Federation of Cremation Authorities, the British Undertakers' Association, and the National Association of Cemetery Superintendants set up a Standing Committee to consider matters relating to disposal of the dead in the light of current sanitary science and the hygienic needs of modern communities. The National Council, as distinct from the Standing Committee, had its first meeting in January 1935, and gained incorporation by the Board of Trade later that year under the name Council for the Disposition of the Dead (Incorporated). The Council shared the Cremation Society's address at Nottingham Place, London, and its secretary, P. Herbert Jones, was also the Society's secretary.

Geographic range:

*Language:* English

*Size:* ca. 28.5 x 24 x 3 cms

Arrangement: Chronological, with a manuscript index at front of vol.

## CRE/H19 1935

Papers found loose at the back of CRE/H18 relating to the National Council for the Disposition of the Dead, incorporated and licensed by the Board of Trade in 1935 as the Council for the Disposition of the Dead (Incorporated).

*Language:* English

Arrangement: Approximately chronological.

## CRE/H19/1-5 1935

Address given by Lord Horder at the 1st meeting of the Council, 22 January 1935.

## CRE/H19/6-7 1935

Report on proceedings at the 2nd meeting of the Council, 2 May 1935, with a list of the Council's members appended.

## CRE/H19/8-14 1935

Notes entitled "The new constitution of the National Council for the disposition of the dead", compiled by its secretary P. Herbert Jones [for a speech?], explaining the background to the new constitution and its implications, ca. September 1935.

## CRE/H19/15-16 1935

Report on the Council's activities, autumn 1935, possibly compiled for its 3rd meeting.

## CRE/H19/17-20 1935

Address given by Lord Horder at the 3rd meeting of the Council, 19 November 1935.

## CRE/H19/21-22 1935

Galley proofs, stamped 26 Nov 1935, of an article for the *Undertakers' Journal*, reporting on proceedings at the Council's 3rd meeting.

CRE/H20 1947 (July-September).

Newspaper cuttings relating to the cremation conference organised by the Cremation Society and the Federation of British Cremation Authorities at Cardiff, 15-16 September 1947, and carbon copies of letters of thanks to those who contributed to its success. The conference included a visit to Llantrisant, scene of Dr. William Price's cremation of his infant son in 1884, and the unveiling of a memorial plaque to him by his daughter, Penelopen. A number of the cuttings are about Price. They include (CRE/H20/18-19) illustrations of him in his druidical garb, and photographs of his body laid out in state after his death in 1893, and its cremation in the same field at Llantrisant where he had burnt his son.

*Language:* English

*Size:*

*Arrangement:* The cuttings are in no particular order; the correspondence is in alphabetical order of recipient.

CRE/H21 1958-1959.

Cuttings concerning the take-over of the London Cremation Company in August 1958 by L. C. Holdings, Amalgamated Tobacco Corporation, and the Corporation's unsuccessful attempted take-over of the Great Southern Cemetery and Crematorium Company in April-May 1959.

*Language:* English

*Arrangement:* Chronological.

CRE/H22 1960-1969 (predominantly 1960-1964)

"Miscellaneous and foreign", cuttings largely from British newspapers

*Language:* English

*Size:*

*Arrangement:* In 3 sections, the first roughly chronological, followed by a small section arranged by topic and a foreign section arranged chronologically.

CRE/H22/1-40 1960-64

Miscellaneous cuttings, 1960-64.

CRE/H22/41-45 1960-62

Cuttings, 1960-62, arranged under the following topical headings: Medical referees fees, Panorama [BBC television programme on cremation, broadcast February 1960], Statistics.

CRE/H22/46-47 1960-69

Cuttings from Italian newspapers about the cremation conference held in Stockholm, 1960, and, from *Cronaca di Livorno*, 1969, about the history of cremation in Italy and more specifically in Livorno.

*Language:* Italian

CRE/H23 1963-1964.

"Around the country": cuttings largely from British newspapers, arranged under placename.

*Language:* English

*Arrangement:* By place.

CRE/H23/1

Airedale and Wharfedale, Aldershot, Birmingham, Blackpool, Braintree, Bridlington, Brighton, Bromsgrove, Broomhill, Burton, Buxton.

## CRE/H23/2

Cardiff, Chester, Chilterns, City of London, Colchester, Derby, Dewsbury, Dipton (Co. Durham), Doncaster, Dundee, Dunfermline.

## CRE/H23/3

Edinburgh, Exeter, Gateshead, Glasgow, Great Yarmouth, Godalming & Guildford, Golders Green, Grantham, Gwent.

## CRE/H23/4

Hanworth, High Wycombe, Holborn, Honor Oak, Horden, Ilkeston, Ipswich, Kendal, Kettering, Kirkcaldy, Lambeth, Leicester, Lewes, Lewisham, Lincoln, Maidstone, Manchester, Margate, Merthyr, Minehead, Norton Lindsey, Nottingham, Norwich.

## CRE/H23/5

Oakley Wood (Warwickshire), Pembroke, Pontefract, Pontypridd [including cuttings about Dr. William Price and erection of a stained glass memorial to him at Glyntaff Crematorium], Port Talbot, Potters Bar, Rawdon, Retford, Roehampton, Rotherham, Rugby, Scunthorpe, Sheffield, Shrewsbury, Slough, Southend, South Essex Crematorium, Stafford, Sutton Coldfield, Swindon, Taunton, Thanet, Truro, Tunbridge Wells.

## CRE/H23/6

Walton Lea, Wandsworth, Warwick, Weston-super-Mare, West Cumberland, Isle of Wight, Wimbledon, Worksop, Worthing, Wrexham, York, Yorkshire.

## CRE/H24 1985-1986.

"Around the country": cuttings mainly from British newspapers, arranged under placename.

*Language:* English

*Arrangement:* By place.

## CRE/H24/1

Aberdare, Aberdeen, Alnwick, Amersham, Argyll, Atherstone.

## CRE/H24/2

Barrow-in-Furness, Barnsley, Basingstoke, Birkenhead, Birmingham, Blackpool, Bolton, Boston (Lincolnshire), Bournemouth, Bracknell, Bradford, Bramcote (Nottingham), Brighton, Bristol, Burton-on-Trent, Bury (Lancashire), Bury St Edmunds

## CRE/H24/3

Caerphilly, Cambridge, Cardiff, Chatham, Cheltenham, Chesterfield, Colchester, Colwyn bay, Coventry, Crewe, Croydon.

## CRE/H24/4

Dagenham, Darlington, Derby, Dipton (Co. Durham), Doncaster, Dorchester, Dudley, Dukinfield, Dumfries and Galloway, Dundee, Durham, Eastbourne, Eastleigh, Exeter, Falkirk, Forest of Dean (Gloucestershire), Forest Heath (West Suffolk), Glasgow, Gloucester, Golders Green, Grantham, Great Yarmouth, Guildford, Gwent.

## CRE/H24/5

Halifax, Harlow, Harrogate, Hastings, Haverhill, Huddersfield, Ipswich, Keighley, Kelso, Kettering, Kings Lynn.

## CRE/H24/6

Lambeth, Leamington Spa, Leatherhead, Leicester, Lewisham, Lincoln, Liverpool, London (Misc. boroughs), Luton, Lytham St Annes.

## CRE/H24/7

Macclesfield, Machynlleth, Maidstone, Mansfield (Nottinghamshire), Margam (Port Talbot), Mayshill, Middlesbrough, Mortlake Mountsett (near Stanley, Co. Durham), Newark, Newcastle under Lyme, Northampton, Norwich, Oldham, Oxford, Paisley (Lanarkshire), Plymouth, Poole, Portchester, Preston, Redditch, Rochdale.

## CRE/H24/8

Scarborough, Scunthorpe, Sevenoaks, Shrewsbury, Slough, Southampton, Southend, South Essex, Southport, Stafford, Stevenage, Stockport, Stourbridge, Stratford, Sunderland, Swansea, Taunton, Teignmouth, Torquay, Tunbridge Wells.

## CRE/H24/9

Wakefield, Walsall, Warrington, Weeley (Essex), West Bromwich, Weymouth, Whitehaven, Widnes, Wigan, Isle of Wight, Wolverhampton, Worcester, Worthing, Wrexham, Yardley (Birmingham), York.

## CRE/H25 1986-1987.

"Around the country": cuttings largely from British newspapers, arranged under placename  
Arrangement: Approximately chronological.

## CRE/H25/1

Accrington, Alnwick, Amersham, Ampney Crucis (Gloucestershire), Ayr.

## CRE/H25/2

Barnsley, Bangor (Wales), Barrow-in-Furness, Beckenham, Bedford, Belfast, Birkenhead, Birmingham, Bodmin, Bolton, Bournemouth, Bradford, Bramcote (Nottingham), Brighton, Bristol, Bromley, Burton-on-Trent, Bury (Lancashire), Bury St Edmunds

## CRE/H25/3

Cambridge, Cardiff, Carlisle, Chatham, Chelmsford, Cheltenham, Chester, Chesterfield, Chichester, Corbets Tey (Essex), Croydon.

## CRE/H25/4

Darlington, Derby, Dewsbury, Dudley, Dukinfield, Dundee, Dundrod (Co. Antrim, about Ireland's first crematorium for pet cats and dogs), Durham, Edinburgh, Eltham, Enfield, Exeter, Falkirk.

## CRE/H25/5

Gloucester, Grimsby, Gwent, Halifax, Harlow, Hartlepool, Hastings, Hendon, Hereford, Hounslow, Hull, Ipswich, Islington.

## CRE/H25/6

Jersey, Kettering, Kidderminster, Kings Lynn, Knowsley, Lambeth, Lancaster, Leamington, Leatherhead, Leeds, Leicester, Lincoln, Liverpool, Llangyndeyrn, Llwydcoed, Luton, Lytham St Annes, Hendon, Islington.

## CRE/H25/7

Macclesfield, Maidstone, Margam (Port Talbot), Middlesbrough, Mortlake, Mountsett (near Stanley, Co. Durham), Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Newton Abbot (Devon), Nithsdale, Nottingham, Northumberland, Norwich, Oakley Wood (Warwickshire), Oldham.

## CRE/H25/8

Peterborough, Plymouth, Pontefract, Poole, Portchester, Preston, Rhymney Valley (Wales), Rochdale.

CRE/H25/9

Salford, Salisbury, Slough, Southampton, Southend, St Helens (Merseyside),  
Stourbridge, Sunderland, Torquay, Tunbridge Wells.

CRE/H25/10

Walsall, Wandsworth, Weeley (Essex), West Bromwich, Weymouth, Whitehaven,  
Wigan, Woking, Wolverhampton, Worcester, Worthing, Wrexham, York.

CRE/H26 1988-1989.

"Around the country": cuttings largely from British newspapers, arranged under placename

*Language:* English

*Arrangement:* By place.

CRE/H26/1

Aberdare, Aberdeen, Accrington, Alnwick, Amersham.

CRE/H26/2

Bangor (Wales), Barnsley, Barnstaple, Barrow-in-Furness, Bath, Bathgate (West  
Lothian), Bedford, Belfast, Birmingham, Blackburn, Blackpool, Blyth  
(Northumberland), Bodmin, Bolton, Boston (Lincolnshire), Bournemouth, Bradford,  
Bramcote (Nottingham), Bridlington, Brighton, Bristol, Burton-on-Trent, Bury  
(Lancashire), Bury St Edmunds.

CRE/H26/3

Cambridge, Carlisle, Chatham, Cheltenham, Chester, Chesterfield, Colchester,  
Colwyn Bay, Coventry, Crewe, Croydon.

CRE/H26/4

Darlington, Derby, Dipton, Doncaster, Dudley, Dukinfield, Dundee, Dunfermline,  
Durham, Durrington.

CRE/H26/5

Eastbourne, Eltham, Enfield, Eskdalemuir (Dumfriesshire), Falkirk, Garston  
(Hertfordshire), Glasgow, Golders Green, Grantham, Great Yarmouth, Grimsby,  
Guildford, Gwent.

CRE/H26/6

Halifax, Hanworth (Middlesex), Harlow, Hartlepool, Hastings, Hendon, Hereford,  
Huddersfield, Hull, Inverness, Ipswich, Irvine (Ayrshire), Islington.

CRE/H26/7

Kings Lynn, Kingston (Surrey), Lambeth, Leamington, Leatherhead, Leeds, Leicester,  
Lewisham, Liverpool, London - East Finchley, Luton.

CRE/H26/8

Manchester, Mansfield, Margate, Middlesbrough, Milton (Northamptonshire), Milton  
Keynes, Morden, Mountsett (near Stanley, Co. Durham), Mortlake.

CRE/H26/9

Narberth (Wales), Newbury, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Newton Aycliffe (Co. Durham),  
Northampton, Norwich, Nuneaton.

CRE/H26/10

Oldham, Oxford, Peterborough, Plymouth, Poole, Pontypridd, Portchester, Preston.

CRE/H26/11

Reading, Redditch, Rochdale, Rotherham, Rowley Regis.

## CRE/H26/12

Scarborough, Scunthorpe, Sheffield, Shrewsbury, Skipton, Slough, Southampton, Southend, South Shields, Stafford, Stockport, Stourbridge, Streatham, Sunderland, Sutton Coldfield, Swansea, Swindon, Taunton, Thornton (Merseyside), Torbay, Torquay, Tunbridge Wells.

## CRE/H26/13

Wakefield, Weeley (Essex), Westerleigh, Weston-super-Mare, Weymouth, Whitby, Whitehaven, Wigan, Isle of Wight, Woking, Wokingham, Wolverhampton, Worcester, Workington, Worthing, Wrexham, Yeovil, York

## CRE/H27 1990-1992

"Around the country": cuttings largely from British newspapers, arranged under placename

*Language:* English

*Arrangement:* By place.

## CRE/H27/1

Aberdare, Aberdeen, Aberystwyth, Accrington, Altrincham, Amersham, Ayr

## CRE/H27/2

Barnsley, Barrow-in-Furness, Bath, Bedford, Belfast, Biggleswade, Birkenhead, Birmingham, Blackburn, Bodmin, Bolton (Lincolnshire), Bournemouth, Bracknell, Bradford, Bramcote (Nottingham), Bridlington, Brighton, Bristol, Burnley, Burton-on-Trent, Bury St Edmunds.

## CRE/H27/3

Camborne, Cambridge, Cardiff, Carlisle, Ceredigion, Cheltenham, Chester, Chichester, Chorley, Colwyn Bay, Corbets Tey (Essex), Corby, Coventry, Crawley, Crewe, Crowle, Croydon.

## CRE/H27/4

Darlington, Derby, Dewsbury, Doncaster, Dudley, Dukinfield, Dundee, Durham, Eastbourne, Easthampstead, Edinburgh, Enfield, Exeter.

## CRE/H27/5

Garston, Glasgow, Gloucester, Glyntaff, Golders Green, Grantham, Gwent, Halifax, Harlow, Harrogate, Hartlepool, Hawkinge (Kent), Hendon, Hinckley, Hounslow, Hull

## CRE/H27/6

Inverness, Ipswich, Jersey, Kettering, Kings Lynn, Lambeth, Leamington, Leeds, Leicester, Letchworth, Lewisham, Liverpool, London - Manor Park, London - Notting Hill, Loughborough, Luton, Lytham St Annes

## CRE/H27/7

Macclesfield, Maidstone, Manchester, Margate, Medway, Melbourn, Melton, Merseyside, Middlesbrough, Milton Keynes, Montgomeryshire, Moray, Mortlake, Mountsett (near Stanley, Co. Durham).

## CRE/H27/8

Newbury, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Newham, Nottingham, Norwich, Nuneaton, Oldham

## CRE/H27/9

Paisley, Perth, Plymouth, Pontefract, Poole, Porchester, Preston, Redbridge (Essex), Redditch (Herefordshire), Rotherham, Rowley Regis, Roxburgh.

CRE/H27/10

Salisbury, Scarborough, Scunthorpe, Semington (Wiltshire), Sheffield, Skipton, Slough, Solihull, Southampton, Southend, Stafford, St Helens (Merseyside), Stockport, Stoke-on-Trent, Stourbridge, Sutton Coldfield, Swansea, Swindon.

CRE/H27/11

Taunton, Truro, Tyneside, Walsall, Ware, Warrington, Westerleigh, Weymouth, Widnes, Wigan, Isle of Wight, Woking, Wolverhampton, Worcester, Worthing, Wrekin, Wrexham, Yeovil, York.

CRE/H28 1993-1994.

"Around the country": cuttings largely from British newspapers, arranged under placename

*Language:* English

*Arrangement:* By place.

CRE/H28/1

Aberdare, Aberdeen, Aberystwyth, Accrington, Aldershot, Altrincham, Amersham, Ayr.

CRE/H28/2

Bangor (Wales), Barnsley, Barnstaple, Barrow-in-Furness, Basingstoke, Bath, Bedford, Berwick-on-Tweed, Belfast, Birkenhead, Birmingham, Birtley (Tyne & Wear), Blackburn, Blackpool, Blyth (Northumberland), Bolton, Boston (Lincolnshire), Bournemouth, Bracknell, Bramcote (Nottingham), Bridgend, Brighton, Bristol, Burton-on-Trent, Bury St Edmunds.

CRE/H28/3

Cambridge, Cardiff, Cardross, Carlisle, Chelmsford, Cheltenham, Chester, Chesterfield, Chichester, Colchester, Colwyn Bay, Corbets Tey (Essex), Coventry, Coychurch (Glamorgan), Crewe, Croydon

CRE/H28/4

Darlington, Derby, Dewsbury, Doncaster, Douglas (Isle of Man), Dudley, Dukinfield, Dumbarton, Dundee, Dunfermline, Durham

CRE/H28/5

Eastbourne, Easthampstead, Eccles, Edinburgh, Enfield, Exeter, Falkirk, Folkestone, Friockheim (Angus, Scotland).

CRE/H28/6

Garston (Hertfordshire), Gateshead, Glasgow, Gloucester, Golders Green, Grantham, Greenhithe, Greenock, Grimsby, Guildford, Gwent.

CRE/H28/7

Hackney, Halifax, Haringey, Harlow, Harrogate, Hereford, High Wycombe, Huddersfield, Hull, Ipswich, Islington, Jersey

CRE/H28/8

Keighley, Kettering, Kings Lynn, Kirkcaldy, Kirklees, Lancaster, Leamington, Leatherhead, Leeds, Leek, Leicester, Lewisham, Lincoln, Liverpool, Llwydcoed, London - Miscellaneous, Loughborough, Luton, Lytham St Annes.

CRE/H28/9

Macclesfield, Maidstone, Manchester, Medway, Middlesbrough, Milton Keynes, Mortlake.

## CRE/H28/10

Narberth (Wales), Newark, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Northampton, Norwich, Nottingham, Nuneaton, Oldham, Oxford, Oxted.

## CRE/H28/11

Perth, Peterborough, Plymouth, Pontypridd, Poole, Portchester, Port Talbot, Preston, Putney, Redditch, Rochdale, Ruislip.

## CRE/H28/12

Salford, Salisbury, Scarborough, Scunthorpe, Sheerness, Sheffield, Shrewsbury, Slough, Solihull, Southampton, Southend, Southport, South Shields, Stafford, Stevenage, St Helens (Merseyside), Stockport, Stoke-on-Trent, Sutton Coldfield, Sunderland, Swansea, Swindon.

## CRE/H28/13

Taunton, Tewkesbury, Torquay, Truro.

## CRE/H28/14

Wakefield, Wales - Miscellaneous, Walsall, Warrington, Warwickshire, Watford, Weeley (Essex), Weymouth, Whitley Bay, Widnes, Wigan, Isle of Wight, Wirral, Woking, Wolverhampton, Worcester, Workington, Worthing, Wrexham, Yeovil, York.

## CRE/H29 1995-1996.

: "Around the country": cuttings largely from British newspapers, arranged under placename.

*Language:* English

*Arrangement:* By place.

## CRE/H29/1

Aberdare, Aberdeen, Aberystwyth, Accrington, Aldershot, Altrincham, Amersham, Ayr.

## CRE/H29/2

Banbury, Barnsley, Barnstaple, Barrow-in-Furness, Basildon, Basingstoke, Bath, Bedford, Belfast, Blackpool, Blyth, Bodmin, Bolton, Boston (Lincolnshire), Bournemouth, Bradford, Bramcote (Nottingham), Bridgend, Brighton, Burton-on-Trent.

## CRE/H29/3

Cambridge, Cardiff, Cardross, Carlisle, Cheltenham, Chester, Chesterfield, Chippenham, Colchester, Corbets Tey, Coventry, Crewe, Croydon.

## CRE/H29/4

Derby, Dewsbury, Doncaster, Dudley, Dukinfield, Dundee, Dunfermline, Durham.

## CRE/H29/5

Eastbourne, Edinburgh, Elland, Eltham, Enfield, Exeter, Falkirk, Folkestone, Friockheim (Angus).

## CRE/H29/6

Garston, Gateshead, Gillingham, Glasgow, Gloucester, Golders Green, Grantham, Greenock, Grimsby, Gwent.

## CRE/H29/7

Halifax, Hanworth, Harlow, Hastings, Hendon, Hereford, Hounslow, Hull, Inverness, Ipswich, Jersey.

CRE/H29/8

Kettering, Kings Lynn, Kingston, Kirkcaldy, Kirklees.

CRE/H29/9

Lancaster, Leamington, Leeds, Leicester, Lewisham, Liverpool, London - Miscellaneous, Loughborough, Louth, Luton, Lytham St Annes.

CRE/H29/10

Macclesfield, Maidstone, Manchester, Mansfield, Medway, Merseyside, Middlesbrough, Milton Keynes, Monmouth, Morecambe.

CRE/H29/11

Narberth, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Northampton, Norwich, Nottingham, Nuneaton, Oldham, Oxford.

CRE/H29/12

Perth, Peterborough, Pitsea, Pontypridd, Poole, Preston, Reading, Redditch, Rochdale, Rossendale pet crematorium, Rotherham, Rowley Regis, Ruislip.

CRE/H29/13

Salford, Salisbury, Scarborough, Scunthorpe, Semington (Wiltshire), Sheffield, Shrewsbury, Skipton, Southampton, Southend, Southport, South Shields, Stafford, St Helens, Stockport, Stoke-on-Trent, Stourbridge, Sunderland, Swansea.

CRE/H29/14

Taunton, Thatcham, Torquay, Truro, Tunbridge Wells.

CRE/H29/15

Walsall, Warrington, Warwick, Weeley (Essex), West Bromwich, West Lothian, Weston-super-Mare, Weymouth, Whitley Bay, Wigan, Isle of Wight, Woking, Wolverhampton, Worcester, Workington, Worthing, Wrexham, Yeovil, York, Yorkshire.

CRE/H30 1988-1996.

"Proposed new crematoria": cuttings largely from British newspapers about proposals for new crematoria in the United Kingdom, arranged under placename

*Language:* English

*Size:*

*Arrangement:* By place and chronologically within place.

CRE/H30/1

Aberystwyth (North Dyfed), Alyn and Deeside (Clywd).

CRE/H30/2

Banbury, Barking (Essex), Basingstoke, Bedford, Beverley (Yorkshire), Bishop's Stortford, Berwick-on-Tweed, Bodmin, Borders and North Northumberland (Berwick-on-Tweed, Galalaw, or Wooler), Broadley (Moray).

CRE/H30/3

Camborne (Cornwall), Charlton (Hampshire), Cheltenham, Chippenham (Wiltshire), Cinderford (Forest of Dean), Clydesdale, Coventry, Datchworth, Dumbarton, Dumfries, East Lindsey (Lincolnshire), Ellon (Aberdeen), Evesham.

CRE/H30/4

Farningham (Kent), Friockheim (Angus), Halstead (Sevenoaks and Dartford, Kent), Heath Charnock (Chorley), Hemsworth, Hinckley (Leicestershire).

CRE/H30/5

Inverness, Ipswich, Irvine (Ayrshire), Isle of Sheppey.

CRE/H30/6

Knebworth, Largs, Leigh (Greater Manchester), Letchworth, Llanelli.

CRE/H30/7

Newtownabbey (Co. Antrim), Northwich (Cheshire), Nuneaton.

CRE/H30/8

Ormskirk, Otford, Petersfield, Pitsea, Radcliffe (Lancashire), Redhill (Shropshire), Rhondda (South Wales).

CRE/H30/9

Salisbury, Semington (Wiltshire), Sheffield, Shepperton (Middlesex), Sittingbourne, Southend, South Lakeland (Cumbria), Stevenage, Stirling, Stroud (Gloucestershire).

CRE/H30/10

Tavistock, Telford, Tewkesbury, Thamesmead, Thirsk, Tiverton, Tollerton (Nottinghamshire), Tynedale, Wellington (Shropshire), Wells, Welshpool, Westerleigh, West Lothian.

CRE/H31 1985-1996.

"About people": cuttings largely from British and Irish newspapers about prominent and notorious people who wished to be or were cremated, architects, designers, landscapers and staff of crematoria, leading figures in organisations and societies associated with funerals and cremation, etc.

*Language:* English

*Arrangement:* Chronological.

CRE/H32 1985-1996

"Foreign news": cuttings on matters related to cremation in countries other than Britain. Some are from foreign publications, but the majority are taken from British and Irish newspapers. Coverage is greatest for the Republic of Ireland and the USA.

*Size:*

*Arrangement:* By country; chronological within country.

CRE/H32/1

Australia, Belgium, Cambodia, Canada, China, Czechoslovakia, Denmark.

CRE/H32/2

France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, India.

CRE/H32/3

Republic of Ireland. Many of the cuttings relate to proposals to establish new crematoria, and especially to the controversy in 1995 over the proposal to build Munster's first crematorium at Ovens in Cork.

CRE/H32/4

Italy, Japan, Malta, Netherlands, Philippines, Roumania, Russia, Singapore, South Africa, Spain, Sweden.

CRE/H32/5

USA.

## CRE/H33 1985-1996.

Miscellaneous cuttings, largely from British newspapers, on death, bereavement, cremation and crematoria, funerals, and cemeteries, and on associated beliefs, customs and costs, and other related matters. Cuttings for 1985 cover September-December only, cuttings for 1991 cover January-August only. Coverage for 1990 and 1992 is relatively sparse, and cuttings for 1996 cover only January-March and December.

*Language:* English

Arrangement: Approximately chronological.

## CRE/H34 1884-1974 (predominantly 1884-1947).

"Odds and ends": a file of miscellaneous cuttings, probably mainly swept up from items which had become detached from cuttings books. Includes an 1890 article on cremation from *Cassell's Saturday Journal* with illustrations of the Woking crematorium; a photograph of Sir Henry Thompson from a 1924 newspaper; a 1931 ms letter from an unemployed man, A. W. Oliver, to the secretary of the Cremation Society, explaining his reasons for supporting cremation and praising the work of the society; and a number of cuttings from the period of World War II.

*Language:* English

Chronological.

## CRE/H35 1994 and 1996

Newspaper and journal articles about the take over of UK funeral company Great Southern and Plantsbrook by the US funeral organisation Service Cooperation International. Most articles are collated from editions of the Funeral Services Journal

## CRE/H36 2002

US and UK newspaper reports about the conviction of a funeral director at America's Tri-State Cemetery in Noble, Georgia who was found guilty of not adequately disposing of bodies or cremating the remains left to his care.

## CRE/H37 2002

Newspaper reports regarding the death, funeral arrangements and cremation of Princess Margaret

## Photographs

CRE/J/A-F

Photographs collected and taken during the history of the Cremation Society

Photo Albums

CRE/J/A1-A4 [1932-1990s?]

Pharos picture albums:

1: Small blue photo album. Includes cuttings taken from Pharos of Cremation Society Council members, crematoria and events. Images taken from blocks. Photos are mounted in reverse chronological order from 1939-1963. The album bears K.G.C Prevette's personal stamp

2: Large blue photo album, faded with tears to the spine. includes mainly pictures of urns, memorials and tombs, including Golders Green Crematorium, [mid to late 20th century].

3: Large blue photo album with red blinding and edges. Includes cuttings from Pharos and photographs of people, conferences and crematoria around the world, 1963-1982. Items are mounted in approximate reverse chronological order. Images taken from blocks

4: Album of black and white photographs of Australian and UK crematoria, [mid to late 20th century]

Geographic range:Worldwide

4 albums

## Crematoria

CRE/J/B/Ayr-York [c.1937-1960s]

Loose photographs of UK Crematoria filed alphabetically by location

Abderdeen: one b&w photographs of a model of the crematorium, 1937; one b&w internal, and one b&w external photograph of the crematorium, [nd.] 3 items

Ayr: b&w external photographs, [nd.] Two items

Belfast: b&w aerial photograph of crematorium, [nd.] 1 item

Birmingham: three b&w exterior photographs of a model for a proposed crematorium in Handsworth and two b&w photographs of models of the proposed memorial gardens, 1956. Includes reproductions of the photos with text [possibly from Pharos]. 6 items

Cardross: Dunbartonshire, five b&w exterior shots and two b&w interior shots with one reproduction [possibly for Pharos] [nd.] 8 items

Cardiff: b&w exterior photographs of the crematorium and reproductions [probably for Pharos], [nd.] 4 items

Colwyn Bay: b&w photographs of a model of Colwyn Bay Crematorium, 1955 and b&w exterior photographs of the crematorium, [nd.] 5 items

Daldowie: two external b&w photographs of the crematorium, [nd.]; five photographs of the crematorium grounds, [nd.]; five B&W interior photographs [nd.]; two photographs of a group of men stood on the steps of the crematorium and one of them walking the crematorium grounds, 1955. Also includes one original ink architectural drawing of the building [nd.] 16 items

Douglas, Isle of Man: b&w interior photographs and one exterior photograph by Barnes Photos Ltd. And Manx Press Pictures, [nd.] 9 items

Dundee, interior b&w "Interior of Chapel Showing Catafalque", and exterior b&w photograph, [nd.] 2 items

Edinburgh, Morton Hall Crematorium: one b&w "interior of large chapel" by Henk Snoak; two b&w photographs with crematorium exterior in background and Sir Basil Spence with two other unnamed gentleman in foreground, includes a printed clipping of the images [c. 1967]; an exterior b&w photograph with inscription "Crematorium designed by Sir Basil Spence who was responsible for building Coventry Cathedral. Certain similarities in the architectural features of Coventry can be seen in this Crematorium, Sir Basil's first. Opened on February 1967 England's 197th crematorium by A.L. Hunter Photography, copyright Sir Basil Spence [c. 1967?]; 2 b&w exterior photographs by Henk Snoak; 1 b&w exterior photograph by A.L.Hunter Photographer. [c. 1967?]

Falkirk: one b&w exterior photograph, [nd.]

Glasgow: Four b&w interior photographs, by Annan photography; and two exterior b&w photographs of Glasgow (Linn), [nd.]

Guernsey: four b&w exterior images of Foulton Cemetery Chapel; one b&w interior picture and four photographs of front and floor plans for the chapel, [nd.]

Greenock, two b&w external photographs, [nd.]

Isle of Wight: one b&w external photograph, [nd.]; two b&w interior photograph, one bears the inscription "Southern Gas Board, New Creamatorium at Wippingham, Isle of Wight, The Isle of Wight's new crematorium was recently dedicated by the bishop of Portsmouth. The impressive modern building includes twin gas fired cremators and the most up-to-date sound and signalling inter-communication in the country. Heating to the chapel, the hall, the officer, etc. is by two G.40 gas-fired Ductair Units. Interior of chapel showing return air grille at high level and warm air

outlet at low level, on right" [nd.]; two b&w images of the twin cremators and Ductair units which also include similar inscriptions, [nd.]

Jersey: b&w interior photographs, [1960s] 2 items

Kingston: mounted photographs, one internal and two external of Kingston crematorium, which have faded probably due to sun damage. All are clearly labelled, [nd.]

Kircaldy: photographs from an architectural competition to design the crematorium at Kircaldy includes covering letter and newspaper clippings about the event.

Photographs of six sets of architectural plans; two b&w external two b&w internal photographs of the finished crematorium; one b&w photo of the twin cremators, [c. 1959?]

Leith: b&w interior and exterior photographs, [nd.], 3 items

Pontypridd: one b&w external photograph; one b&w group photograph outside of the crematorium, with annotations listing members of the Pontypridd Burial Board present [nd.]; b&w photograph of two members of the burial board with clipping of the same [nd.]; and a b&w photograph of war memorial plaque [nd.]

Swansea: b&w photographs of crematoria gardens and exterior of the building, [nd]. 3 items

Reddich : One b&w photo of exterior includes inscription "West elevation of crematorium showing entrance of loggia and chapel of Remembrance, and the main entrance covered by a porte cochere", [nd]

Wakefield: b&w exterior photographs, [nd.], 3 items

Wrexham: Three b&w exterior and two interior crematorium photographs [nd]; one b&w photo of Mr Coulthaw the Superintendent and 1 b&w photo of Mr Trevor Williams T.C. and Mr McCartney his deputy, 1967

York: two b&w external and one internal photograph of the crematorium. Also includes clipping of the reproduced image in Pharos with annotation

1 box

## Conferences

CRE/J/C/1966-1987 [1966-1987?]

Loose collections of photographs taken at various conferences featuring members of the Cremation Society and the ICF:

1964: B&w photographs from the Cremation Society Conference in Bournemouth 1967. Includes pictures of Mr and Mrs Reeves, Sir John Cameron, Jessica Mitford and Mr and Mrs Thompson. 6 items

1966: One colour photograph from the Cremation Society Conference, Worthing, 1966. Unlabelled.

1968: Seventeen b&w photographs of delegates of the Cremation Society Conference, Blackpool, in formal dress, 1968; two colour photographs of delegates attending Cremation Society Conference talks, 1968; and one colour photograph of a small bird feeding her chicks, [1968?]. Most photos are clearly labelled with delegate's names. 20 items

1969/1: Photographs from ICF Congress, London, 1969. Mostly b&w photographs of speakers and groups in formal dress, labelled with names. Includes one coloured photograph of the panel of speakers. 12 items

1969/2: Mounted photographs from ICF Congress, London, 1969. Mostly b&w photographs of speakers and groups in formal dress, photographs are not visibly labelled but, in most pictures, delegate's name badges are visible. 7 items

1970: B&w photographs from the Cremation Society Conference, Eastbourne, 1970. Includes the Rt. Hon. Anthony Greenwood and other delegates in formal wear. None of the photographs are labelled. 4 items

1971: B&w and coloured photographs from the Cremation Society Conference, Brighton, 1971. Includes delegates during sessions, with a worldwide panel of delegates, and some pictures of groups of delegates in formal wear. 36 items

1972/1: B&w photographs from ICF Congress, Grenoble, 1972. 21 items

1972/2: B&w photographs from the Cremation Society Conference, Bristol, 1972. 40 items

1973: B&w photographs from the Cremation Society Conference, Bournemouth, 1973. Many of which show Cremation Society members, attendees and international delegates in formal wear. Many of the photos are labelled with names on the reverse. 79 items

1974: B&w photographs from the Cremation Society Centenary Conference, London, 1974. Many of which show Cremation Society members, attendees and international delegates in formal wear. All photographs are clearly labelled with names on the reverse. 32 items

1978: Mostly b&w photographs of speakers and the conference room for the ICF Congress, Rotterdam, 1978. Includes one colour photograph from the dinner. 9 items.

1982/1: B&w photographs possibly from the Cremation Society Conference, Bournemouth, 1982. All pictures are of delegates at dinner. 5 items

1982/2: Coloured photographs in black display mounts, most likely from the Cremation Society Conference, Bournemouth, 1982. Includes photographs of overseas delegates, the panel of speakers and social functions. 39 items

1982/3: Mainly b&w with a small number of coloured photographs from a Cremation Society Conference or ICF Congress, notes on the reverse suggest the 1982 Cremation Society in Bournemouth. Photographs show social events and

conference panel. Also includes a menu from the Royal Bath Hotel, Bournemouth.  
30 items

1987: Cardboard frame mounted photographs from the Cremation Society  
Conference, Bournemouth, 1987

Misc: Eight files of photographs from various Cremation Society Conferences and  
ICF Congresses, circa. 1960s and 1980s. Pictures are of speakers, conference  
displays, venues, dinners and social events. Many photographs are labelled on  
the reverse. Some may have been taken later and were included for use in Pharos

1960s-1980: B&w conference photographs from various Cremation Society  
Conferences and possibly ICF Congresses' between 1960 and 1980. Includes  
some photographs of the venue, the Royal Bath Hotel, . 57 items

4 boxes

Council Members and individuals

CRE/J/D1-D7 1932-1990's

1: One b&w portrait of A.G. Piggott, Secretary of the Cremation Authorities of Great  
Britain, 1932

2: Collection of photographs of foreign personalities in the cremation movement  
worldwide, mainly b&w portraits and photographs taken at conference, circa. 1936-1976.  
Most photographs have names written on the reverse. 12 items

3: Collection of photographs of Sir John Cameron, both personal and professional, circa.  
1960's-1970's. Most are b&w and were taken at Cremation Society conferences or  
events. Some photographs are labelled on reverse. 19 items

4: Photographs taken of Cremation Society property, mainly of offices, [c. 1970s?].  
Includes photographs of K.G.C. Prevette on the grounds of Woodcut House with a  
rottweiler that was presumably the Society's guard dog. 7 items

5: Large collection of photographs of society members in both b&w and colour, [circa.  
1950's-1990's]. Some are portrait though many are pictures from conferences. 75  
photographs

6: One black and white portrait photograph of Donald K. Roy, Manager of the Mount  
Royal Cemetery Company, Quebec, Canada, circa. 1977.

7: One black and white portrait photo K.G.C. Prevette taken at Palace Hotel, Southport  
Conference, June 1963

1 box

## General Photographs

CRE/J/E/1-6 1934-1990

General photographs, usually taken for use in Pharos

- 1: File of miscellaenous photographs including early photographs of individuals, Cremation Society and Crematorium events, plaques and memorials. Its possible that photographs were intended for use in Pharos. Photographs circa. 1930s - 1980s. 34 items
- 2: One black and white photograph of a historic hall marked up for print, presumably in Pharos, nd.
- 3: Black and white crematoria plaque, marked up for publication, nd.
- 4: Black and white photograph of a coastline sent from CANA for publication, includes covering letter, 1990
- 5: One mounted black and white photograph of a display of Books of Remembrance, with two reproduction, nd.
6. One black and white photograph with the cover note "The body of Princess Chamshere Jung, Princess of Nepal, Cremated in the open-air at Woking, in accordance with Hindu Religious Rites, 1934

1 box

## Lantern slides

CRE/J/F [20th century]

Lantern slides made during the course of the Cremation Society's history. The first box is fully listed in a seperate Word document. Labels on each box are as follows: Books - title pages; Duke of Bedford; Drawings; Italian pics; Pictures; Vesalius; Manuscripts; Anatomies and Estienne

11 boxes

## Cremation Society archives

CRE/P

The papers are arranged according to the following scheme:

1. Constitution and administration of the Cremation Society
  - 1/A. Articles of association, and constitution
  - 1/B. Minute books
  - 1/C. Accounts and finances
  - 1/D. Directors, managers and staff
  - 1/E. Membership
  - 1/F. Cremation assurance
  - 1/G. Library
  - 1/H. Miscellaneous papers
2. Correspondence
  - 2/A. Cremation Society's Correspondence with society members, the registrar of companies, crematoria, organisations, authorities and to individuals
  - 2/B. Correspondence with the Registrar of Companies
  - 2/C. International correspondence of the Cremation Society
  - 2/D. Correspondence with Crematoria
  - 2/E. Correspondence with organisations and authorities
  - 2/F. Correspondence with individuals
  - 2/G. Correspondence and papers about Cremation Society property
  - 2/H. Correspondence in topical files
  - 2/I. Cremation Authority correspondence
3. Statistics and surveys
4. Council for the Disposition of the Dead, etc., 1933-1938
5. Disposition of the dead in wartime, 1939-1940
6. Cremation and the law
  - 6/A. Amendments to cremation bills, 1946-1964
  - 6/B. Statutory forms for cremation
  - 6/C. Parliamentary papers and official publications, 1834-1987
7. Lectures, promotional activities, and background information

Constitution and administration of the Cremation Society

CRE/P/1

## Articles of association, and constitution

CRE/P/1/A/1-5 1893-1977

/1: Cremation Society of Great Britain's Memorandum and Articles of Association according to the Companies Acts, 1862 to 1890, 1908 to 1948, 1948 to 1967 and 1948 to 1976. Includes amendments and changes to the Society's name. 13 items, includes duplicates

/2: Annotated drafts of the Cremation Society's Memorandum and Articles of Association to be adopted by a special resolution in 1977, copies are annotated in a number of hands and show variation. 18 items

/3: Certificates confirming alterations to the Cremation Society's name, memorandum and articles of association and incorporation, 1922, 1930 and 1935. 1 file

/4: Three files of correspondence regarding the Cremation Society's articles of association and constitution includes: letters to Sir Henry Thompson regarding the incorporation of the Cremation Society as a limited company, 1893; correspondence regarding the draft memorandum, articles of association and applications to the Board of Trade and Registration, enclosures include draft memorandum, 1921-1922; and correspondence regarding the license to dispose of 'Limited' in the Cremation Society's title, 1958

/5: Cremation Society of England Incorporated Seal Book, 1922

3 boxes

## Minute books

CRE/P/1/B 1874-1954

CRE/P/1/B/1 1874 (January 13th) - 1885 (July 15th)

CRE/P/1/B/2 1887 (April 23rd) - 1903 (May 7th)

CRE/P/1/B/3 1904 (April 29th) - 1921 (April 13th)

CRE/P/1/B/4 1921 - 1928

CRE/P/1/B/5 1928 (May) - 1934 (October)

CRE/P/1/B/VI 1935 (January) - 1946 (October)

CRE/P/1/B/VII 1946 (December 16th) - 1954 (October 12th)

## Accounts and finances

CRE/P/1/C/1-4 1884-2014

CRE/P/1/C/1 1901-1939

Cremation Society Accounts Ledgers: 1884-1896; 1901-1914; 1915-1923; 1924-1934; 1934-1939

Cremation Society Cash Books: 1884-1901 and 1929-1938

Cremation Society and Woking Crematorium Cash Books, 1901-1919

8 items

## CRE/P/1/C/2 1937-1941, 1975 and 1981-2014

Annual financial reports include:

- /1: Reports submitted to the Council by the Finance Committee, 1938
- /2: Revenue Accounts and Balance Sheet, 1936-1949
- /3: Report of the Council, Accounts and Balance Sheet for 1975 and 1981
- /4: Annual Accounts, 1981-2014
- /5: London Cremation Company Annual Reports and Accounts, 1958-2011

37 files

## CRE/P/1/C/3 1933-1941; 1982-1990

Correspondence regarding Cremation Society accounts and finances:

- /1: Correspondence of P.D. Leake, solicitor for the Cremation Society, to the Special Commissioners, about the financial administration of the Society, August 1933.
- /2-3: Correspondence with accountants Larking & Larking and later, Larking and Levick for 1982; 1988; 1990
- /4: Standing orders for the Directory of Crematoria, 1975
- /5: Curwin, Carter and Evans Solicitor's Correspondence mainly in regards to accounts, 1950-1972

4 files

## CRE/P/1/C/4 1920-1955

Two files of receipts for the Cremation Society, including receipts of payment to crematoria for members' assurance claims

## Directors, managers and staff

## CRE/P/1/D/1-5 1900-1978

- /1: Register of Directors and Managers, 1929-1949 and 1950-1970, 2 items
- /2: Directors attendance books for 1958, 1972, 1981 and 1989, 4 items
- /3: Correspondence about the dismissal of Mr Duggan as the Cremation Society's Secretary, and the appointment of Mr. George A. Noble, 1900
- /4: Notes and summaries about Cremation Society office work and staff duties, 1978
- /5: Lists of staff at the London Federation, a table for the election of council members and lists of contacts for various groups, [mid 20th century?]

## Membership

CRE/P/1/E/1-6 1932-1937

Membership of the Society was constituted by subscription to the Cremation Society's declaration, which had been carefully drawn up so as to ensure the approval of a principle rather than adhesion to any specific practice. People could pay a fee to become Life Members or could register their wish to be cremated without paying a fee. Membership information includes:

- /1: Annual subscribers and life members lists which gives the names of members and their address with occasional annotations in red ink to denote when a member had died, [c.1980s?]
- /2: Four members registers detailing date of death and location of cremation: 1920-1933; 1933-1939; 1939-1957; [1920s-1930s]
- /3: List of life members to April 30th 1932, lists members alphabetically and only provides names
- /4: Life member prospectus, 1934, 1936, 1937
- /5: Sample file of membership certificates from 1891-1954
- /6: Two annotated copies of promotional material for membership to the cremation society [c.1921-1940]

*Access restrictions:* Some material closed due to data protection issues

## Cremation assurance

CRE/P/1/F/1-13 1938?-1944

Papers relating to the Cremation assurance scheme and Pharos Assurance Friendly Society which enabled people to pre-pay their cremation fee by regular installments without the need to become members of the society. The scheme continued in its original form until 1950, when a change in the society's constitution brought into being the Cremation Assurance Friendly Society, to which the assurance was transferred. Includes:

8 files

*Access restrictions:* Some material closed due to data protection issues

## Policy

CRE/P/1/F/1-3 [1938-1950s?] and 1978

- /1: Policy review and papers about the Cremation Assurance Scheme, 1938?-1944
- /2: Policy documents include rules for the Cremation Assurance Society, blank forms and amendments to the rules of the Society
- /3: Documents regarding Funeral Arrangements for use by Trustees and Executors (FATE), 1978 (closed to public access)

3 files

## Claims

CRE/P/1/F/4-6 1956-1986

/4: Claims books: 1956-1959; 1958-1959, 1960-1969; 1970-1977; 1983; 1984

/5: Completed membership forms, receipts and correspondence for claims to Pharos Cremation Assurance Friendly Society from January - May 1986 for surnames beginning with I-O. This file has been kept as a sample of claims forms, claims for other names and dates were weeded prior to acquisition

/6: Blank claims form

6 books and 1 file

## Correspondence

CRE/P/1/F/7-11 1956-1994

/7-8: General letters and forms for Life Memberships to the Assurance scheme, 1956-1958

/9: Correspondence from the Cremation Assurance Friendly Society and Pharos Assurance Friendly Society, 1970-1988

/10-11: Correspondence about changes to the Cremation Society Membership Scheme and pre-paid funeral plans, includes brochures and marketing material, 1993 -1994

5 files

## Promotion and forms

CRE/P/1/F/12 20th century

Contribution cards, forms and leaflets for the Cremation Assurance Friendly Society and Pharos Assurance Friendly Society

1 file

## Accounts

CRE/P/1/F/13 1958-1961 and 1978-1995

Accounts and balance sheets for the Cremation Assurance Friendly Society and Pharos Assurance Friendly Society

9 items

## Library

CRE/P/1/G/1-2 1948-1968

This series contains lists of the library holdings:

/1: Shelf lists for the Historical Section of the library; lists of pamphlets issued by the Cremation Society for advice; information and statistics; lists of publications not produced by the society; and possible wall displays from the library about Woking crematorium, [nd.]

/2: Summary of library contents with notes on arrangement; lists of holdings; list of foreign published materials; index to cremation pamphlets; and an annotated catalogue.

2 files

*Related material in other DUL collections:* Holdings bear the Woodcut Library stamp but are distributed throughout the collection, these can mainly be found in CRE/A-G and CRE/P/7. Copies of parliamentary papers and reports can be found in CRE/P/6.

## Miscellaneous papers

CRE/P/1/H/1-4 1884-1974

- /1: Menu for the Cremation Society centenary banquet, Kensington Close Hotel, 5 July 1974; Rough drawing of a bronze tablet to be erected by the Cremation Society and the Federation of British Crematorium Authorities to commemorate William Price's incineration of the body of his infant son, and the judgment by Mr Justice Stephen, 12 February 1884, that this was a legal act; Blank certificate of election as an Honorary Member of the Cremation Society, for distinguished services to the cremation movement
- /2: The role of the Cremation Society, its future role (1967-1968) By Mr Milner White. Also suggestions for the future of *Pharos*
- /3: Papers relating to the application for the cremation of Miss Eileen Jeanne Woollard, 1932 (?cause of death miscarriage)
- /4: Receipts, 1950; bulletin from *La Flamme*, 1975; memorandum on policy, nd.

## Correspondence

CRE/P/2 1888-1994

Cremation Society's Correspondence with society members, the registrar of companies, crematoria, organisations, authorities and to individuals

CRE/P/2/A 1923-1999

General correspondence with the society members as well as other official cremation and burial authorities both in Britain and overseas. The series includes mixed files of correspondence at the beginning of the sequence followed by letters from individuals. Files on individuals are arranged chronologically. Letters sent between Council and Honorary members of the Cremation Society can also be found in

CRE/P/2/F

53 files

CRE/P/2/A/60 1895- 1921

Early letter books regarding Cremation Society business

CRE/P/2/A/56 1923

Extensive correspondence sent to the Cremation Society of England from individuals, crematoria and international cremation societies. Much of the correspondence requests advice or support from the Cremation Society or provides outlines of cremation promotion, propaganda and the building of new crematoria. Also includes some trade correspondence about the development of new furnaces.

4 files

Filed chronologically by sender

CRE/P/2/A/57 1924

Extensive correspondence sent to the Cremation Society of England from individuals, crematoria and international cremation societies. Much of the correspondence requests advice or support from the Cremation Society or provides outlines of cremation promotion, propaganda and the building of new crematoria.

3 files

Filed chronologically by sender

CRE/P/2/A/58 1925

Extensive correspondence sent to the Cremation Society of England from individuals, crematoria and international cremation societies. Much of the correspondence requests advice or support from the Cremation Society or provides outlines of cremation promotion, propanganda and the building of new crematoria

5 files

CRE/P/2/A/59 1926

Extensive correspondence sent to the Cremation Society of England from individuals, crematoria and international cremation societies. Much of the correspondence requests advice or support from the Cremation Society or provides outlines of cremation promotion, propanganda and the building of new crematoria

3 files

CRE/P/2/A/1-10 1936 - 1969

Mixed correspondence between Council and Honorary members of the Cremation Society:

/1-2: Correspondence with council members, 1936 -1959

/3: Correspondence with council members, 1964 -1969

/4: File 4: Correspondence between society's Council members, in particular: Mr J. Reeve, Mr W.H. Jones, Sir J. Cameron and K.G.C. Pevette, 1967 - 1969.

/5: Correspondence with Honorary Members, 1937-1938

/6: Small file of correspondence to the Honorary Treasurers, 1967-1968

/7-8: Correspondence referring to nominations for Council and prospective Vice Presidents, 1969 -1982

/9: Correspondence from former Council Members, 1981 - 1994

/10: Two files of correspondence regarding social events for Members, 1962, 1982.

11 files

Lord Verulam

CRE/P/2/A/11 1956-1958

Extensive correspondence with James Brabazon Grimston, 5th Earl of Verulam in his capacity as President of the Cremation Society.

Sir J. Cameron

CRE/P/2/A/12-13 1964-1969

Two files of correspondence with Sir John Cameron, and following his death in 1969 with his sister Miss M.L. Cameron. Letters are mainly between Sir John Cameron in his capacity as President of the Cremation Society with General Secretary K.G.C. Pevette. Also includes a file of sympathy letters following the announcement of Sir Cameron's death.

F.W. Thompson

CRE/P/2/A/14 1965-1968

Correspondence regarding Thompson's role as Treasurer, mainly with K.G.C. Pevette.

P.H. Jones

CRE/P/2/A/15 1965-1973

Correspondence mainly with K.G.C. Pevette, also includes news of Jones' death.

K.G.C. Pevette

CRE/P/2/A/16-17 1966-1988

Correspondence with K.G.C. Pevette and various correspondents, including invitations to an appreciation cocktail party following his retirement from the Society. Also includes a file of information about Pevette's career, with photographs. Of particular interest is a letter of congratulations to Pevette on the award of OBE in 1982 and a sand cast of an urn for a Rolls Royce.

P. Bond

CRE/P/2/A/18 1967-1988

General Society letters regarding meeting dates, of particular interest is an enclosed letter from Bond to R.N Arber which was originally addressed to The Architects' Journal.

*Related material in other DUL collections:* For more information on P.Bond's work for Architectural Journals see: CRE/P/2/H/ARCH

J.H. Briscoe-Smith

CRE/P/2/A/19 1967-1975

Correspondence between Briscoe-Smith and K.G.C. Pevette, of particular note are letters referring to the appointment of Directors at Golders Green Crematorium (1971).

N.R. Junkison

CRE/P/2/A/20 1967-1980

Correspondence between Junkison and K.G.C. Pevette. Jenkinson was the board's representative from North Thames Gas.

L. Milner White

CRE/P/2/A/21 1967-1977

General Cremation Society circular letters regarding meeting dates. Of particular interest is a letter to K.C.G Pevette critiquing, as a Landscape Architect, designs for a crematorium.

*Related material in other DUL collections:* For more information on Milner White's architectural firm see see: CRE/P/2/H/ARCH

J. Reeves

CRE/P/2/A/22 1967-1970

Brief correspondence between J. Reeves and K.C.G Pevette. Most letters are of condolence to the death of Reeves during his term as President Elect for the Cremation Society in 1969.

W.H. Jones

CRE/P/2/A/22 - 26 1967-1982

Extensive correspondence between W.H. Jones in his capacity as Secretary of the Cremation Society and K.G.C. Pevette. Letters are mostly administrative and refer to meeting arrangements. Enclosures include minutes from Cremation Society meetings, often annotated and sent for approval. Jones was an active participant in the Cremation Society until his death in 1982.

CRE/P/2/A/22 contains photographs

Lord Greenwood

CRE/P/2/A/27 - 28 1968-1982

Correspondence between Lord Greenwood and various correspondents, mainly K.G.C. Pevette during Lord Greenwood's Presidency of the Cremation Society up until his death in 1982. Included are Pevette's invitations for Lord Greenwood to re-join the Society, and various newspaper articles about Lord Greenwood and his family, and his role in Parliament.

R.G. Williamson

CRE/P/2/A/29-30 1968-1982

Correspondence between Williamson and K.G.C. Pevette mainly with regard to meetings and finances, also includes draft material for Pharos articles.

*Related material in other DUL collections:* For more of Williamson's Correspondence see: CRE/P/2/A/51

H.D.E. Carter

CRE/P/2/A/31- 32 1969-1984

Two files of correspondence from K.G.C. Pevette and R.N. Arber mostly referring to meetings, conferences and Cremation Society business.

Ven. J.M. Evans, Archdeacon of Surrey

CRE/P/2/A/33 1970-1981

Correspondence between the Venerable J.M. Evans and K.G.C. Pevette, as the Anglican Church representative on the board letters refer to church services as well as meetings. Includes a copy of Evans' article for an ICF conference "The disposal of cremated remains" and documentation relating to the parochial fees order and fees payable to ministers of religion for services at cemeteries and crematoria.

E.H.T. Hambly

CRE/P/2/A/34 1970-1976

Brief file of general circular Cremation Society letters and brief letters about meetings

E.S. Turner

CRE/P/2/A/35 1970-1982

Correspondence regarding meetings, conferences and Cremation Society between E.S. Turner the Superintendent City of London Cemetery and Crematorium and K.C.G Pevette. Includes a draft report on crematoria fumes caused by plastic and some criticisms of designs for a crematorium, particularly involving traffic flow

Father John MacDonald

CRE/P/2/A/36 1970-1992

Correspondence between Father John MacDonald and K.G.C. Pevette, as the Roman Catholic representative on the board letters refer to the Order of Service for Catholics, Cremation Society business, meetings and conferences. Includes Father MacDonald's conference papers "A decade of cremation in the Roman Catholic Church" and "The attitude of the Roman Catholic Church to burial and cremation".

R.A. Winks

CRE/P/2/A/37 1972-1977

Letters mainly regard general Cremation Society notes and arrangements for meetings and conferences. Also contains a Pharos article and correspondence on Winks' death.

Sir Austin Strutt

CRE/P/2/A/38 1974-1976

Correspondence between Vice President of the Cremation Society Sir Austin Strutt and K.G.C. Pevette which includes drafts of Strutt's article Cremation Legislation, galley proofs and K.G.C. Pevette's suggestions.

Dr. H. Thomas

CRE/P/2/A/39 1974-1999

Correspondence between Vice President of the Cremation Society Dr. Hew Thomas and K.G.C. Pevette, mainly in regards to the organisation of conferences and to Thomas' conference papers. Also included is a letter to R.N. Arber regarding faulty crematoria equipment at Thornhill Crematorium, Cardiff and news of Thomas' death in 1994.

K. Haywood

CRE/P/2/A/40 1975-1980

Correspondence between K. Haywood and K.G.C. Pevette particularly regarding meetings and the Society's finances. Includes Haywood's letter of resignation

R.L. Lindsay

CRE/P/2/A/41 1975-1980

Correspondence between R.L. Lindsay and K.G.C. Pevette, as a member of the Scottish Cremation Society their work is briefly referred to but letters largely discuss meetings and general society business.

Lord Marshall

CRE/P/2/A/42 - 43 1975-1988

Correspondence between President of the Cremation Society and Chairman of Golder's Green Crematorium Lord F. Marshall and K.C.G. Pevette mainly with regard to general society business, conferences and meetings. Of particular note are letters regarding the 1975 Congress in Scarborough which addressed the Broderick report, includes notes for Lord Marshall about the legal perspective; a letter about faulty crematoria equipment at Thornhill Crematorium, Cardiff. The second file contains letters from various correspondents including letters with R.N. Arber's regarding his employment as Assistant Manager of Golder's Green Crematorium.

E. Spencer

CRE/P/2/A/44 1979-1982

General correspondence between Eric Spencer and K.G.C. Prevette regarding content for Conferences and some references to the International Cremation Federation. Also includes medical certificates and information regarding the cremation of a still born child.

J. Mitford

CRE/P/2/A/45

General correspondence between Jessica Mitford and K.G.C. Prevette, including Mitford's nomination as Vice President of the Cremation Society. File includes Mitford's articles "Bake and Shake" and "Post Mortem"

Ven. Deacon D. Palmer

CRE/P/2/A/46 1980-1981

Correspondence of The Venerable Derek Palmer, Archdeacon of Rochester, mostly brief letters regarding Council meetings and circular letters.

W. Hardie

CRE/P/2/A/47 1980-1984

Correspondence of W. Hardie, Secretary of Scottish Cremation Society. Includes letters regarding donations and support from the Scottish Cremation Society to the Cremation Society of Great Britain, some of which express thanks. As R.L. Lindsay's successor Hardie also corresponded about financial claims and analysis.

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M. Seagrave

CRE/P/2/A/48 1980-1985

Letters to Seagrave from R.N. Arber mostly with regard to Council meetings, conferences and general Cremation Society business

C.D. Robinson

CRE/P/2/A/49 - 50 1982-1990

Correspondence of C.D. Robinson of Sir Guy Dawber, Fox & Partners Architects. Letters mainly from R.N. Arber about general Cremation Society business, of particular interest are letters regarding the building proposals for a Crematorium in the centre of Leicester and cremation legislation.

R.G. Williamson

CRE/P/2/A/51 1982-1987

R.G. Williamson's correspondence with R.N. Arber regarding Cremation Society business is extensive and refers to Williamson's participation in discussions about the Golder's Green Federation, The London Cremation Company and Great Southern. There is particular reference to the elections of new Council members, the finances of the Society and possible selling of assets like Woodcut House and the Cremation Society's investment in subsidiary.

*Related material in other DUL collections:* For more of Williamson's correspondence see: CRE/P/2/A/29-30

P.J. Murphy

CRE/P/2/A/52 1984

Though not a member of the Cremation Society, P.J. Murphy circulated material at a Cremation Society Conference for consideration by the Council. Letters regarding Golder's Green Crematorium

*Access restrictions:* CLOSED

Presidents

CRE/P/2/H/53 1963-1984

Letters sent to or regarding the Cremation Society's Presidents

Cremation Society Circular Letters

CRE/P/2/H/54 [1960s]

Scrapbook of circular letters sent from the Cremation Society

Cremation Society Administrative Letters

CRE/P/2/A/55 [c. 1960s]

Correspondence sent from members of the Cremation Society Council regarding general administration such as job advertisements and brief letters regarding the running of Golders Green and Woking Crematorium

Joint cremation and burial authority correspondence

CRE/P/2/B 1937-1940

Brief correspondence about the Cremation Society's Annual Returns () have been re-numbered and integrated with administrative financial records

1 file

International Correspondence of the Cremation Society

CRE/P/2/C 1934-1991

International correspondence includes much unofficial correspondence regarding the ICF

18 boxes

Filed in alphabetical order with material from each accession integrated

CRE/P/2/C/Argentina/1-2 1950-1963

General correspondence with members of Liga Argentina Pro- Cremacion and brief enquiries from other organisations

*Language:* Some letters in Spanish

2 files

CRE/P/2/C/Australia/1-8 1934-1976

Extensive correspondence with The Cremation Society of Australia, crematoria, organisations, general enquiries and state societies. Letters often regard general business, information about cremation, statistics and meetings

8 files

CRE/P/2/C/Austria/1-5 1938-1973

Correspondence between representatives of the Austrian Cremation Society Verein Der Freunde der Feuerbestattung, Die Flamme, and H.J. Jones and K.G.C. Prevette regarding general I.C.F. business and annual statistics.

*Language:* Some letters in German

5 files

CRE/P/2/C/Bahamas/1 1961

Brief correspondence from a British Colony in the Bahamas about the process of cremation and their practice of shipping embalmed bodies to Florida to be Cremated

1 file

CRE/P/2/C/Belgium/1-5 1939-1975

General correspondence between representatives from the Société Belge pour la Crémation and Vereniging voor Crematie (Association pour L'incineration) regarding general I.C.F. business, general enquiries

*Language:* Some letters in French

5 files

CRE/P/2/C/Bermuda/1 1949-1962

Correspondence with Medical Officers based in the Medical and Health department in Hamilton, Bermuda about establishing a crematorium

1 file

CRE/P/2/C/Brazil/1-2 1930-1960

Correspondence with a Harry Kennard, a Civil Engineer in Rio de Janeiro about establishing a crematorium and opposition from the Roman Catholic Church

2 files

CRE/P/2/C/British West Indies/1-3

General enquiries usually about establishing crematoria sent from the British West Indies particularly from, British Guiana, Jamaica, Trinidad and Barbados

3 files

CRE/P/2/C/Burma/1-2 1962

Letter regarding the setting up of a crematorium in Ragoon (Yangon)

2 files

CRE/P/2/C/Canada/1-5 1930-1977

Correspondence with cremation societies in Canada, funeral directors, crematoria regarding general updates and information requests. Also includes some correspondence from academic institutions and organisations Of particular interest:

/2: Letters regarding the Canadian Cemeteries Act (26 November 1947 in file 2); and photographs of incinerators (28 October 1947 in file 2).

5 files

CRE/P/2/C/Central America/1 1966-1967

Correspondence from Brazil and Guatamala regarding general questions about cremation and the establishment of crematoria in Central America

*Language:* One letter in French

1 file

CRE/P/2/C/Chile/1 1952-1962

Brief correspondence regarding efforts to establish a crematorium in Santiago

1 file

CRE/P/2/C/China/1-2 1958

Reply from the Office of the Charge d'Affaires of the People's Republic of China to the I.C.F. to state they have no information about Cremation in China

2 files

CRE/P/2/C/Czechoslovakia/1-3 1924-1973

General correspondence and enquiry regarding cremation in Czechoslovakia.

Of particular note:

/1: A letter from Ing. Fr. Mencl regarding columbaria and Czechoslovakian law regarding the disposal of ashes (3 January 1935); an undated article titled "Cremation in Bohemia"; and statistics

/2: Information about cremation and disposal of ashes in Czechoslovakia; newspaper report, article, postcards and photographs about the first crematorium in Czechoslovakia (January 1969)

*Language:* Some French and Slovak

3 files

CRE/P/2/C/Denmark/1-4 1948-1971

Includes:

/1-2: Letters between ICF President Professor K. Secher and a number of correspondants including; His Excellency W. Godfrey, Archbishop of Cius regarding cremation and the Catholic Church; Professor A. Hirt. Also includes letters sent in Secher's capacity as President of the Cremation Society of Denmark. 1948-1950

/2-4: General correspondence with delegates from Dansk Ligbrændingsforening and other organisations. Of particular interest is a series of letters regarding an enquiry into exhumation (24 March - 11 May 1970); correspondence with the Liberal Jewish Synagogue regarding the transportation of the ashes of Freida Linz from Golder's Green to Denmark; (25-26 February 1969); architectural plans and articles for a new crematorium in Denmark, the Østre Kirkegård, Aalborg, 1964

4 files

CRE/P/2/C/Fiji/1 1947

Brief letter regarding the establishment of a crematoria in Fiji

1 file

CRE/P/2/C/Finland/1 1966

Brief general correspondence between members of the Cremation Society and Krematorieföreningen i Finland

1 file

## CRE/P/2/C/France/1-15 1938-1963

- /1: Brief correspondence from Societe Grenobloise pour la Propagation de l'Incineration, 1938
- /2: Correspondence with R.O.I. Falbisaner of the Societe Crematiste de Strasbourg mainly in regards to ICF matters and Falbisaner's experience of the war as part of the Resistance Movement. 1938-1947
- /3-4: Extensive correspondence with Rene Hofman of the Federation Nationale des Societes Francaises de Cremation, mainly regarding ICF business 1938-1958
- /5: Correspondence with members of Societe pour la Propagation de l'Incineration mainly with regard to ICF business, 1938-1963
- /6: General correspondence, some regarding ICF business, 1939-1961. Also includes promotional material and photographs of the International Museum Necropolis, 1999
- /7: Correspondence with Docteur J. Godard, 1951-1956
- /8: Letters and papers regarding the Annual Congress of the Federation Nationale des Societes Francaises de Cremation in Dijon, 1952
- /9: Correspondence from M. Ernest Noth of the Societe pour la Propagation de L'Incineration, 1953-1963
- /10: General correspondence mainly from members of the Societe Crematiste de Strasbourg and regarding ICF business, 1960-1966
- /11: Correspondence between P.H. Jones and Dr R.H. Hazeman of the Federation Nationale des Societes Francaises de Cremation mainly regarding ICF business, 1961-1963
- /12: ICF correspondence from K.G.C. Prevette with regard to meetings in Amiens, 1973
- /13: General correspondence some of which refers to ICF business, 1972-1973
- /14: General correspondence with cremation societites, organisations and individuals, 1973-1976
- /15: Report in French "Connaissance du Crematorium de Nantes"

*Language:* Some letters in French  
15 files

## CRE/P/2/C/Germany/1-10 1928-1976

/1: General correspondence with the Verband der Feuerbestattungsverine Deutscher Sprache and Die Volks-Feuerbestattung, 1928-1930

/2: Correspondence with Verband der Deutscher Feuerbestattungsvereine, Grossdeutsche Feuerbestattung and Dr. Phil. Paul Deffke regarding subscriptions to Pharos including copies of draft articles, 1938

/3: General correspondence with members of the Grossdeutsche Verband der Feuerbestattungsvereine E.V., 1938-1939

/4: Correspondence between Prof. Dr. med. H. Zeiss and P.H. Jones, 1938-1939

/5: Account information, 1939-1956

/6-7: General correspondence and enquiries from various individuals and cremation groups, including some ICF business, 1939-1963 and 1939-1971

/8-9: Correspondence with Heinz Naumann, 1951-1958

/9: Information and correspondence with Volks-Feurbestattung E.V including statistics and some letters from furnace manufacturers in West Germany, 1966-1976

/10: Statistics and letters with the Volks-Feuerbestattung E.V. regarding cremation in West Germany, 1966-1976. Of particular note are letters from Richter & Schadel regarding the production and supply of furnaces which includes plans for furnaces, 8 October 1971

10 files

## CRE/P/2/C/Ghana/1 1954-1973

General correspondence from Ghana includes early correspondence regarding intentions to create a colonial cremation society in the Gold Coast (1954) and later from a student intending to study cremation and the possibility of building a crematoria in Accra (14 November 1972)

1 file

## CRE/P/2/C/Great Britain/1 1938-1962

Correspondence with individuals and representatives from other cremation authorities about international meetings, the ICF and overseas statistics

1 file

## CRE/P/2/C/Greece/1 1948-1955

Correspondence between P.H. Jones and Docteur Dametre Theodorides regarding cremation and ICF meetings, including Theodorides' paper "The Dogmatic Law relating to Cremation"

*Language:* Some French

1 file

## CRE/P/2/C/Holland/1-15 1930-1976

/1: Correspondence with the Worker's Cremation Party (Arbeiders Vereeniging voor Lijkverbranding) regarding details of cremation at Woking and Golders Green Crematorium, propaganda and the Worker's Cremation Party publication *De Urn*

/2-4: Extensive general correspondence with A.V.V.L. Vereniging Voor Crematie, including some letters regarding ICF meetings, 1930-1961

/5: General correspondence, mainly between M. de Bruin and P.H. Jones regarding cremation business and the ICF, 1936-1954

/6: General correspondence between Dr. Nils Longberg and P.H. Jones, 1954-1955

/7: Extensive correspondence between K.G.C. Prevette and P.H. Van Roojan regarding ICF business, the structure and staffing of the Federation, 1938-1946

/8: Correspondence between P.H. Jones and representatives of the Vereniging voor Facultatieve Crematie regarding ICF business, 1947-1963

/9-10: General correspondence mostly between K.G.C. Prevette and F.A. Wolbeek, 1954-1955 and 1962-1964

/11-13: Correspondence mainly between K.G.C. Prevette and F.A. Wolbeek regarding ICF business, 1963-1968, 1968-1972, 1970-1973

/14: Correspondence mainly between K.G.C. Prevette and F.A. Wolbeek regarding ICF business, in particular the Roman Catholic Church's attitude to Cremation, 1974-1976

/15: General correspondence from Holland, of particular interest are letters regarding the legality of cremation and the impact of a Government Bill that posed the threat of closure to some crematoria (11 December 1954 - 15 February 1955)

*Language:* Some French and German

15 files

## CRE/P/2/C/Hong Kong/1-3 1940-1950, 1960, 1965-1973 and 1994

Letters expressing an interest in Cremation in Hong Kong, and later figures and information provided for the ICF

3 files

## CRE/P/2/C/Hungary/1-2 1930-1974

Extensive correspondence about Debrecen Crematorium

2 files

## CRE/P/2/C/Iceland/1-2 1937-1958 and 196-1972

Correspondence with the Cremation Society of Iceland regarding ICF matters, annual reports, the establishment of a crematorium in Reykjavik and arrangements with Edinburgh Crematorium for members of the Cremation Society of Iceland to be cremated in Edinburgh

2 files

## CRE/P/2/C/India/1-2 1945-1964

Correspondence regarding the establishment of a modern crematorium in India and later correspondence with P.H. Jones for the ICF

2 files

CRE/P/2/C/Indonesia/1-2 1939, 1962-1968

General correspondence including statistic of cremation in Indonesia for 1968 provided by Dowson and Mason

2 files

CRE/P/2/C/Iran/1 1947

Brief correspondence regarding the intention of Mr. J.D. Watt of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company Limited to build a crematorium in Abadan

1 file

CRE/P/2/C/Italy/1-5 1906, 1946-1973

General correspondence, particularly with the Federazione Italiana per la Cremazione regarding cremation in Italy and ICF business. Of particular interest is a letter sent from Lodovico Foresti outlining the number of cremations and date of establishment for Crematoria in Italy. Also includes general enquiries about Cremation in Italy

*Language:* Some Italian and French

5 files

CRE/P/2/C/Ireland/1-3 1987-2000

Web articles and emails about the establishment of a Crematorium in Cork, the Republic of Ireland's first crematorium outside of Dublin, the opening of Newlands Cross Crematorium in Dublin and Mount Jerome Crematorium

3 files

CRE/P/2/C/Jamaica/1 1947-1961

Enquiries and letters of interest about cremation in Jamaica and the establishment of crematoria in Jamaica. Includes a letter regarding the possibility of cremating in London of a body interred in Jamaica

1 file

CRE/P/2/C/Japan/1-2 1937-1938 and 1951-1973

General correspondence regarding cremation, the ICF and visits to Europe. Also includes papers from the Cremation Society Conference, Brighton, 1971 about cremation in Japan, promotional material for Tokyo Hakuzen Cremation Company, letters from Japan Environmental Sanitation Centre and Wellman Incandescent Furnace Co Ltd.

2 files

CRE/P/2/C/Kenya/1 1950-1963

General enquiries regarding cremation. Also includes proposals and enquiries about design for the establishment of crematoria.

1 file

CRE/P/2/C/Latvia/1-3 1932-1948

Brief correspondence with August Loeber of the Latvian Cremation Society, mainly regarding the ICF. Also includes annual reports from the society for 1929-1931

3 files

## CRE/P/2/C/Luxembourg/1-3 1938-1963

Extensive correspondence mainly with Dr A. Daubenfeld of the Societe pour la Propagation de L'Incineration and Vice-President of the ICF. Of particular interest are:

/1: Letters between P.H. Jones and Dr A. Daubenfeld regarding the Downey v. David and Gorman v. Greenwood legal cases involving Roman Catholic cremation, these letters also refer to the situation in Germany in 1938(22 Jan 1938 25 May 1938). Letters from 19 November 1945 and 9th January 1945 refer to the business of Debreczen Crematorium in Hungary and include attachments regarding the continuation and business of the Societe pour la Propagation de L'Incineration during the Nazi occupation.

Correspondence from 1947 largely refers to the organisation of the first International conference following World War II and the limitations placed on the participation of German organisations and participation of delegates from Russia and Czechoslovakia, and about religious tolerance to cremation

/2: Letters from 1949 mainly refer to the Bill of Human Rights, cremation in Morocco and information following Daubenfeld's death. Also includes a copy of the official handbook for the 1948 ICF conference at The Hague.

*Language:* Some letters in French

3 files

## CRE/P/2/C/Malaya/1-3 1938-1968

General correspondence and enquiries regarding cremation with Dr Wu' Lien-teh of the Cremation Society of Perak, includes text, photographs and plans for his paper "Cremation in Japan" and a photograph of the crematorium at Ipoh (2 May 1953). Also included are the Rules and Regulations for The Cremation Society of Perak

3 files

## CRE/P/2/C/Malta/1 1948-1971

Enquiries regarding cremation from Malta, includes a letter about ICF business

## CRE/P/2/C/Mauritius/1 1954-1964

Response to enquiries about establishing a Crematorium in Mauritius

1 file

## CRE/P/2/C/Mexico/1 1939

Letters regarding Cremation statistics for Mexico

*Language:* Some Spanish

1 file

## CRE/P/2/C/Monaco/1 1938-1949

Paper and photographs for a paper presented at the 1938 ICF Congress in London about Cremation in Monaco and the ban on cremation despite there being a fully functioning crematorium

*Language:* Some French

1 file

CRE/P/2/C/New Zealand/1-5 1911-1971

General correspondence about cremation in New Zealand, usually regarding ICF business. Of particular interest are:

- /1: Newspaper clippings from 5 May 1911 about Crematoria in New Zealand
- /2: Letter detailing the of the cost and build of Christchurch Crematorium (30 September 1937)
- /3: Correspondence with New Zeland's Customs and Excise regarding the movement of cremated remains, 1938
- /5: Letters regarding Nelson Crematorium and architect's plans for a new crematorium in Auckland, 1959

5 files

CRE/P/2/C/Nigeria/1 1969-1971

Enquiry regarding memebership to the Cremation Society of Great Britain

1 file

CRE/P/2/C/Norway/1-5 1932-1973

General correspondence regarding cremation in Norway including annual reports and ICF business. Of particular interest:

- /2: A letter from Dr L. Hansen of the Norsk Kremasjons Forening about the history of cremation in Norway, with brief reference to the German occupation of Norway, December 1946
- /3: Correspondence with Dr. L. Hansen regarding ICF business, particularly arrangement of Congress in Oslo, 1955
- /5: Letters regarding the ICF Human Rights Sub-Committee, 18 September 1973

*Language:* Annual reports are in Norwegian

5 files

CRE/P/2/C/Palestine/1 1946

Brief correspondence about electric furnaces and establishing a crematorium for the British community in Haifa

1 file

CRE/P/2/C/Rhodesia/1-4 1952-1973

Correspondence regarding the establishment of the Cremation Society of Matabeleland, the opening of new crematoria in North and South Rhodesia and general ICF business. Also includes some general correspondence about cremation in Britain.

4 files

CRE/P/2/C/Romanaia/1-2 1937-1962

Correspondence mainly regarding ICF business. Of particular interest are:

- /1: Photographs of columbaria and members if the "Cenusa" Societatea de Ajutor Mutual si de Crematiune and correspondence regarding the impact of WWII on cremation in Romania, particularly damage to their buildings in air raids (20 November and 30 December 1946), Also includes a letter from Dowson & Mason Ltd regarding cremation practice in Romania (13 August 1962)

*Language:* Includes some German

2 files

CRE/P/2/C/Seychelles/1 1973

Brief correspondence about establishing crematoria and cremation in Britain  
1 file

CRE/P/2/C/South America/1 [1930-1932]

Brief letters from Cuba and Argentina  
1 file

CRE/P/2/C/South Africa/1-4 1936-1975

Correspondence with the Cremation Society of South Africa, Crematoria and Government Departments referring to annual reports, South African crematoria, ICF business and general enquirie. Of particular interest:

/2: Architectural plans and drawings for a proposed crematorium in the City of East London [c. 1950?]

4 files

CRE/P/2/C/Spain/1 1959 and 1968-1972

Brief general correspondence regarding cremation in Spain and enquiries about cremation  
1 file

CRE/P/2/C/Singapore/1 1950

Letter regarding the provision of cremation brochures  
1 file

## CRE/P/2/C/Sweden/1-15 1929-1979

Correspondence mainly between P.H. Jones and Swedish delegates of the ICF with regard to general ICF business and cremation in Sweden. Of particular interest:

/1: Correspondence from G. Schlyter, Town Syndic of Helsingborg and General Secretary of the International Cremation Bureau. Includes typescripts for his address given at the reception of American, English, Indian and Danish members from the International Highschool in Denmark, Elsinore, in the "Peace Temple" of Helsingborg, 27 July 1930. Includes correspondence in reference to the address; statistics for Cremation; an article about Professor A. Gueniot, 22 April 1934; official notifications from the Bureau Internationale de Cremation, 1929-1930

/2: Correspondence between Mr S. Hockert of the Svenska Eldbegangelseforsakrings Kassa (The Swedish Cremation Assurance) and The Swedish Cremation Society and P.H. Jones, 1938-1950. Includes a letter regarding the society during the period of WWII, 17 August 1945; letters regarding the first ICF Congress following the end of WWII and the resignation of H.T. Herring from the role of ICF Treasurer, 19 November 1946 -21 January 1947

/3: Correspondence between Vicktor Petren, President of the Svenska Eldbegangelseforsakrings and P.H. Jones, 1938-1956

/4: Correspondence between Gust Blidburg and P.H. Jones, 1938-1958

/7: Correspondence between General Fritz Bauer and P.H. Jones, 1939-1948

/8: Correspondence between Oscar Ovden, Editor of Ignis and P.H. Jones, 1939-1958

/9: Extensive correspondence with ICF Secretary-General Nils Gruffman and P.H. Jones the Cremation Society's General Secretary, mainly regarding developments and statistics of cremation in Great Britain, 1951-1961

/10-11: Extensive correspondence with ICF President Nils Gruffman and K.G.C. Prevette the Cremation Society's General Secretary, 1961-1971

/12-15: Letters regarding Swedish delegates visit to London and visit from the Communal Cemetery Administration to Scotland, 1974-1979

*Language:* Some French and German

15 files

## CRE/P/2/C/Switzerland/1-3 1932-1934 and 1963-1973

General correspondence with Verein fur Feuerbestattung Basel and the Societe Vaudoise de Cremation

*Language:* Some German

3 files

## CRE/P/2/C/Tasmania/1-3 1965-2001

General correspondence regarding ICF business, the Tasmanian Burial and Cremation Bill

3 files

CRE/P/2/C/USA/1-10 1899-1978

Extensive correspondence with the Cremation Society of Great Britain and the International Cremation Federation with a range of correspondants from across the USA. Of particular interest:

/1: Correspondence with crematoria in the USA and Canada, 1899-1935. Includes Cyprus Lawn Cemetery Association (1899); Californian Memorial Columbarium, Chapel of the Chimes (1931); Mt Olivet Cemetery, Cryptorium, Crematory and Columbaria (1922); The Buffalo Cremation Company, Limited (1929); an annotated directory list for the USA and Canada 1920-1921 published by the Cremation Association of America; Prospect Cemetery, Toronto, Ontario (1931); The Michigan Cremation Association (1930); letters from H.R. Hargrave of The Cremation Association of America regarding the legality of scattering ashes; Memorial Extension Commission Inc. regarding cremation law with enclosure; Cheltenham Hills Cemetery Company, Philadelphia (1935). Also includes a small number of photographs and postcards of crematoria.

/2: Correspondence between P.H. Jones as General Secretary of the Cremation Society to Lawrence F. Moore of Chapel of the Chimes, Oakland California, 1938-1962

/3: Small amount of correspondence mostly between P.H. Jones and Dr Hugo Erikson. Also includes a letter from the U.S Public Health Service regarding statistics, 1939-1940

/4: Extensive file of correspondence between P.H. Jones and interested parties across the USA, including many general enquiries, 1940-1963

/5: Correspondence between the General Secretary of the Cremation Society of Great Britain P.H. Jones and the president of the Cremation Association of America, R.H. Hargrave, 1943-1962

/6: General correspondence from Crematoriums and businesses across the USA to P.H. Jones and K.G.C. Prevette. Contains many letters about Pharos, 1963-1970. Includes promotional leaflets, brochures and advertisements and a black and white photograph (left to right: Barthol W. Pearce, Lakewood Memorial Park and newly elected president of the Cremation Association of America; George W. Oberg, Oak Woods Cemetery Association, Chicago, president of the Association; and Paul Bryan, Mountain View Mausoleum, member of the board of director, international delegate for the Cremation Association of America and vice-president of the ICF)

/7: General correspondence from crematoria and the American Cremation Association to K.G.C. Prevette and P.H. Jones, some relating to the ICF, 1964-1971. Also includes two coloured photographs of the furnace from Troy Cemetery Association

/8: Extensive file of correspondence to K.G.C. Prevette regarding cremation in the USA, conferences, trade and subscriptions, 1971-1974. Of particular interest are letters and information about calcination

/9: Extensive file of correspondence to K.G.C. Prevette regarding cremation in the USA, conferences and trade information, 1973-1978

/10: Correspondence with the Editor of Casket and Sunnyside, Howard Bernard, 1976-1977

/11: Responses to enquiries about cremations, 1939-1963

10 files

CRE/P/2/C/USSR/1-2 1932-1966

/1: Correspondence mainly from Dr. V.N. Polovtsev and G. Noble, the Secretary of the Cremation Society of Great Britain regarding the exchange of correspondence and from Guido Bartel of Moscow Crematorium, 1932-1934. Of particular interest are articles 'The Fifth Anniversary of the Moscow Crematorium' by Guido Bartel (26th April 1934) and 'Ergebnisse des Moskauer Krematoriums in Jahre 1932' with handwritten English version and notes on articles; and four faded black and white photographs of examples of unusual urns in Moscow (22nd February 1934)

/2: Letters from the Cremation Society of Great Britain to relevant officials in Russia regarding Cremation in Soviet Russia and progress concerning the development of furnaces and crematoria. The main Russian correspondent is D.N. Benyamovsky of Moscow crematorium, 1960-1966

2 files

CRE/P/2/C/Yugoslavia/1 1938-1946

General letters to Dr V.Kujundzic in Belgrade and some correspondence with Mr. J. Saulik of Drustvo Prijatelj za Podizanje Krematorija regarding the Congress of the Federation of Cities to be held in Belgrade.

1 file

CRE/P/2/C/Zambia/1 1971

Very brief correspondence with city officials in Ndola about the proposals to build a crematorium in Zambia and other brief enquiries to the Cremation Society of Great Britain

1 file

## CRE/P/2/C/ICF/1-10 1936-1972

Foreign correspondence that relates primarily to the functions and processes of the ICF, in particular the organisation and outcomes of Congress meetings. Includes:

- /1: Small number of letters regarding the legation of cremation in various countries for invitation to the 1937 Congress in London, 1937. Original file title: Enquiries to Legation
- /2: Correspondence to P.H.Jones regarding invitations to events and memberships to the ICF, 1936-1937. Correspondants based throughout the UK. Original file title: Invitations and replies to and from Cremation Authorities
- /3: P.H. Jones's correspondence, as the ICF Secretary-General, to English delegates regarding the 1937 ICF Congress in London, 1937. Mostly letters of invitation and planning from P.H. Jones to representatives across the UK. Original file title: 'General correspondence from English delegates'
- /4: Correspondence mainly between ICF Secretary-General P.H. Jones and H.T. Herring regarding Herring's resignation as the Federation's Treasurer, 1946-1947
- /5: Letters regarding ICF subscriptions and Congress reports, 1948-1958
- /6: P.H. Jones' correspondence with various ICF members regarding statistics, subscriptions and Congress reports, 1953-1956
- /7: Correspondence addressed mainly to P.H. Jones regarding travel plans of UK delegates to the Congress meeting at Stockholm. Includes some official ICF correspondence between Jones and Secretary-General Nils Grufman, 1960
- /8: P.H. Jones' correspondence to Secretary General of the ICF Nils Grufman. Jones was acting Honorary Treasurer to the ICF at time of writing and letters refer to ICF general business. Mainly regarding personnel and Congress meetings, 1961-1963. Also includes articles 'Insurance of cremation costs in Austria', translated 1.3.1963 (13 March 1963 Annotated draft); 'The sociological and psychological factors in cremation' by J.J. Visman which was proposed for Congress but not accepted (12th December 1962); 'Cremation in the USSR' originally published in L'ARA, September 1962, this version is translated from the original into English; The International Cremation Federation Report of the Executive Committee for the year 1961; 'Burial Problems of the World' an ICF draft brochure for worldwide distribution, translated into English
- /9: Brief correspondence to Nils Grufman and hotels in Germany regarding reservations for the British delegates at the Berlin Congress, 1972
- /10: General correspondence to Nils Grufman, General Secretary of the ICF, 1972

10 files

*Related material in other DUL collections:* Correspondence in this section overlaps with material in CRE/D5/A-D

## Correspondence with Crematoria

CRE/P/2/D 1938-2004

12 boxes

*Related material in other DUL collections:* For printed material on crematoria see CRE/F

## General correspondence

CRE/P/2/D/1 1938-1964

General correspondence between Crematoria across the UK and the Cremation Society includes letters about the establishment of crematoria. Crematoria included:

/A: Aberdeen, Accrington, Aldershot, Airedale and Wharfedale, Altrincham  
 /Ba-BI: Barnsley, Barrow on Furness, Bath, Bedford, Belfast, Birkenhead, Birmingham Crematorium, Birmingham Parks Department, Blackburn  
 /Bo-Bu: Boston, Birtley, Blackpool, Blythe, Bolton, Bournemouth, Bristol, Burnley  
 /Ca-Ch: Cambridge, Cardiff; Carlisle, Chelmsford, Cheltenham, Chester, Chesterfield  
 /Co-Cz: Colchester, Colwyn Bay, Craghton (Glasgow), Crawley, Cornwall, Coventry, Crewe  
 /D: Daldowie, Darlington, Derby, Dundee, Dunkinfield, Durham, Doncaster  
 /G: Golders Green, includes lists of notable people to be cremated there  
 /H: Harlow (Essex)  
 /Ma: Macclesfield, Maidstone, Manchester Municipality, Mansfield, Margate  
 /Me-Mo: Medway, Middlesbrough, Middleton, Morecambe and Heysham, Mortlake  
 /N: Newcastle upon Tyne, Newport (Isle of Wight), Gwent Newport, Northampton, North East Surrey, Great Northern London Cemetery, Norwich and Norfolk, Nottingham, Nuneaton  
 /O: Oldham, Oxford  
 /P: Perth, Paisley, Peterborough, Plymouth, Pontypridd, Portsmouth and Gosport, Portchester, Preston  
 /R: Reading, Rochdale, Rotherham, Rowley Regis, Ruislip (Breakspear Crematorium)  
 /Sa-Sl: Salford, Salisbury, Scunthorpe, Sedgley, Dudley and Brierly Hill, Shrewsbury, Skipton, Slough  
 /So-Sz: Solihull, Southampton, South Essex Crematorium, Southend, South London Crematorium, Southport, St Helens  
 /Misc.: General correspondence about various UK crematoria including Reddich, London Cremation Company and Hither Green Crematorium. Of particular interest is a transcript of an article from the Daily Express about funeral workers strike at Hither Green Crematoria including photographs, October 1976; and photographs of coffins; and the opening ceremony of Crownhill Crematorium in Milton Keynes, September 1985

3 boxes

Arranged alphabetically by Crematoria name or location. Letters E-L and T-Z are missing or have not been deposited

*Related material in other DUL collections:* Published material for crematoria can be found at CRE/G

## Contracts

CRE/P/2/D/2 1938-1968

Correspondence between Crematoria across the UK and the Cremation Society regarding contracts and membership to the Assurance Scheme and costs for services. The extent of information in these files can vary greatly. Crematoria included:

/Acc-Alt: Accrington; Aldershot; Aberdeen; Altrincham, Bowdon, Hale & District Joint Cemetery Board  
 /Bar-Bur: Barnsley; Barrow in Furness; Bath; The Beckenham Crematorium, Crystal Palace; Bedford; Birkenhead; Birmingham, City Cemetery and Crematoria at Lodgehill and Birmingham Municipal Crematoria; Birmingham, The Birmingham Crematorium Company; Birtley; Blackpool; Blackburn; Bolton; Blyth; Bradford; Bournemouth; Bridlington; Brighton, The Downs Crematorium and General Cemetery; Bristol, Arnos Vale and Canford Crematorium; Burnley; Bury  
 /Cab-Cra: Cambridge; Camberwell; Cardiff; Carlisle; Chelmsford; Cheltenham; Chilterns; Chesterfield; City of London Cemetery and Crematorium - see also Manor Park; Colchester; Colwyn Bay; Coventry; Cornwall; Crewe; Craighton; Croydon  
 /Dar-Dur: Darlington; Daldowie; Derby; Dewsbury; Doncaster; Douglas, Isle of Mann; Dukinfield; Dundee; Dunbarton; Durham  
 /EaL-Enf: East London; Eastbourne; Eccles; Edinburgh; Eltham Crematorium Joint Committee, Woolwich; Enfield  
 /Fal-Fol: Falkirk; Folkestone  
 /Gla-Gue: Glasgow, The Scottish Burial Reform and Cremation Society Ltd and Glasgow City; Gateshead; Gloucester; Golders Green, also see Woking; Greenock; Grimsby; Guernsey  
 /Har-Hul: Harlow; Halifax; Harrogate; Hendon Park; Hastings; Huddersfield; Hull  
 /Ips-Is: Ipswich; Islington  
 Jersey  
 /Ken-Kir: Kent County; Keighley; Kettering; Kingston; Kirkcaldy  
 /Lam-Lei: Lambeth; Lancaster; Leeds, Cottlingley Hall and Lawns Wood; Leicester; Leith; Lewisham; Liverpool; Loughborough; Luton; Lytham St. Annes;  
 /Mac-Mor: Macclesfield; Maidenhead; Maidstone, Crematorium Joint Committee; Manchester, Blackley Crematorium; Manor Park Crematorium, Forest Gate; Mansfield; Medway Crematorium Committee; Margate; Middlesbrough; Mortlake; Morecambe and Haysham; Middleton  
 /Nar-Nun: Narberth; Newcastle upon Tyne; Newport; Newcastle under Lyme; Newport; New Southport; Northampton; North-East Surrey; Norwich City Crematorium; Norwich, Norwich Crematorium and St. Faith's Crematorium; Nottingham; Nuneaton  
 /Old-Oxf: Oldham, Oxford  
 /Pai-Pre: Paisley; Peterborough; Perth; Plymouth; Pontypridd; Pontefract; Porchester, Portsmouth; Preston;  
 /Raw-Rui: Rawdon, Airedale and Wharfedale Joint Crematorium; Reading; Rochdal; Rotherham; Rowley Regis; Ruislip-Northwood

/StH- St. Helens; St. Marylebone; Salford; Salisbury; Scarborough;  
Scunthorpe; Sedgley, Dudley and Brierley; Sheffield; Shipley; Skipton;  
Shrewsbury; Slough; Southampton; South Essex, Hornchurch; South  
Shields; Southend on the Sea; Streatham, South London; South West  
Middlesex Crematorium Board; Stafford; Southport; Stockport; Stoke on  
Trent; Solihull; Stourbridge; Sunderland; Surrey and Sussex  
/Tau-Tun: Taunton Joint Burial Committee; Thornton Crematorium,  
Liverpool; North Shields, Tynemouth; Torquay; Tunbridge Wells;  
/Wak-Wes: Wakefield; Wandsworth, Putney Vale; Walsall; Wasington;  
West Hartlepool; West Bromwich; West London, Kensall Green; West  
Herts; West Norwood; Weymouth; Widnes; Whitley Bay; Wigan; Wimbledon;  
Wolverhampton; Woking, also see Golders Green; Worcester; Worthing;  
/York

4 boxes

Arranged alphabetically by Crematoria name or location, there is a file for each  
Crematoria

## Orders

CRE/P/2/D/3 1937-1957

Correspondence between Crematoria across the UK and the Cremation Society regarding the order of copies of cremation forms, "What you should know about Cremation" brochures and loan of resources. Some files also include price lists and additional general correspondence. Crematoria covered includes:

Bedford Parks and Cemetery Office; Blackburn Crematoria; Bolton; Bournemouth; Bradford  
 Camberwell, also includes photographs and painted photographs of crematoria and gardens; Cambridge; Cornwall Joint Crematoria Committee; Croydon  
 Darlington; The Downs Crematorium, Brighton  
 East London Cemetery Company  
 Gilroes; Glyntaff, Perth; Grimsby, Paisley  
 Halifax; Hull, Parks, Cemeteries and Allotments Department  
 Ipswich; Islington  
 Kingston-upon-Thames;  
 Leeds, Cottingley Hall; City of London Cemetery and Crematorium; the London Cremation Company, Golders Green and Woking  
 Manchester; Middleton; Mortlake Crematorium, Chiswick  
 Northampton; Norwich; Nottingham;  
 Oxford  
 Reading; Rochdale  
 Skipton; Southampton; Southend; Stockport; Stoke on Trent; St. Marylebone; Sunderland;  
 Tottenham  
 Wandsworth; West London; West Norwood; Weymouth  
 Correspondence to various Crematoria about the brochure "What you should know about Cremation"  
 Copies of brochures "What you should know about Cremation" for different Crematoria, each brochure follows the same standard format but has been ammended for the different Crematoria

4 boxes

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## Proposed Crematoria

CRE/P/2/D/4 2004

Correspondence, newspaper articles and reports refusing the applications for proposed Crematoria in Tipperary and Mocklerstown

## Correspondence with organisations and authorities

CRE/P/2/E 1933-2008

This series contains correspondence between the Cremation Society and various organisations including some funeral-related organisations, associations and review boards, as well as organisations dealing with bereavement and other aspects of internment and loss. Also includes some correspondence with organisations involved in the administration of the Society. The content and extent of material varies greatly between organisations but often includes general business information, collaborative meetings, conferences or advertisement of services, where material is extensive a note has been made

25 boxes

Filed alphabetically by organisation

Papers relating to the 29th Joint Conference of Burial and Cremation Authorities, Portsmouth, September 1970 have been removed from this sequence and into CRE/P/2/I/2

CRE/P/2/E/A/1-10 1943-2003

/1: Age Concern, 1986-2003

/2-3: Association of British Cremation Authorities, 1949-1950. Includes extensive correspondence about the formation of the Association

/4: Association of Munciple Corperations, regarding conference attendance and reports, 1950-1967

/5: Association of Nature Reserve Burial Grounds, 1994

/6-8: Association of Private Crematoria and Cemeteries, three files of correspondence, meeting papers and planning documents for the APC including constitution documents and a paper about promession, 2004-2007

/9: Association for Planning and Regional Reconstruction, 1943 and 1946

/10: The Association of Scottish Funeral Directors in regards to a number of Scottish crematoria, 1955-1956

10 files

CRE/P/2/E/B/1-10 1945-2008

/1-2: The Beveavement Services Industries Association, 2007-2008

/3: British Council, 1945, 1966 and 1971-1978

/4: British Institute of Funeral Directors, 1983-1989

/5-6: British Standards Institute, two files of correspondence including information on cremator research, discussion about the standardisation of furnaces and correspondence with manufacturers, 1964-2008

/7-8: Burial and Cemeteries Advisory Group, two files of emails and meeting documents. Topics cover include cremation law and environmental issues, 2001-2007

/9: Bereavement Forum Group, 2009

/10: British Library, 1993

10 files

## CRE/P/2/E/C/1-33 1935-2008

- /1: The Cabinet Office, 2005
- /2: Central Council for Health Education, 1936-1947
- /3-4: Central Council for the Care of Churches, 1946-1947 and 1967-1968
- /5: Central Office of Information, 2001
- /6: Centre for Policy on Aging, 1998
- /7: Charities Aid Foundation, 1991
- /8: The Charity Commissioners, regarding applications for certificates of repayment in respect of the Selective Employment Tax, 1966-1967, 1974, 1994-1996
- /9: The Chartered Institute of Public Finance, 1968, 1973-1974, 1988-1990 and 2005
- /10: The Child Bereavement Trust, 2005-2006
- /11: Chosen Heritage, 1993
- /12: Church of England, 1935-1936
- /13-14: Citizen's Advice Bureaux, 1955-1956, 1967, 1974, 1976 and 1992
- /15: The Consumers Organisation 'Which', including extensive correspondence about funeral costs, the organisation's research and output, as well as magazine clippings and articles, 1974-1992
- /16: Confederation of Burial Authorities, 1998, 2004 and 2008
- /17: Coroner's Society, 2007
- /18-21: Council of British Funeral Services, four extensive files of correspondence including meeting minutes, agendas and information about CBFS membership, 1951-1973, 1969-1988, 1993-1996. Of particular interest are letters regarding crem-ware and plastic fittings on coffins, particularly at Newcastle Crematorium where smoke was a problem, 13 October 1953 - 2 December 1953
- /22-23: Council for the Preservation of Rural England of particular interest is a letter outlining a proposal for memorial plantations to replace cemeteries, 1933-1939, 1943 and 1957-1958
- /24: Council for the Disposition of the Dead, 1956
- /25: County Planning, 1969
- /26: Country Landowners Association, includes rules for the CLA and minutes from meetings, 1975-1976
- /27: Cremation and Urn Society, 2005
- /28-30: Cruse National Organisation for the Widowed and their children, three files includes information about the Cruse training course, 1977, 1983-1986
- /31: Chosen Heritage, 1992-1995
- /32: Company Searches, 1984
- /33: The Congregational Memorial Hall Trust (1978) Ltd., 1990-1991

33 files

## CRE/P/2/E/D/1-8 1947-2007

/1-4: Department of the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, four files regarding reform to burial and cremation law, the DEFRA handbook on "The siting and planning of Crematoria", consultation papers about Mercury emissions and the Environmental Protection Act. Includes correspondence with other environmental agencies, 1947-2005

/5: Department of Health, includes information regarding the consultation on improving the process of death certification, 2007

/6: Department for Trade and Industry, 1974-1977

/7: Department for Work and Pensions, 2005

/8: Dowson & Mason, regarding the production of cremators and conference exhibitions, 1972-1980

8 files

## CRE/P/2/E/E/1-4 2001-2004

/1-4: European Standard Body (CEN), extensive correspondence regarding the standardisation of Funeral Services, includes correspondence with the British Standards Institute and reports from delegates of member countries, 2001-2004

4 files

## CRE/P/2/E/F/1-19 1947-2008

/1-8: The Federation of British Cremation Authorities, seven files of extensive correspondence includes meeting minutes, committee reports, statistic information and budget statements, 1950-1987 and 1999-2001. Of particular interest are: letter and report about atmospheric pollution, 23 March 1987 (file 3); standard equipment and instruction for funeral directors guidance reports, nd (file 3); letters regarding plastic moulding on coffins creating smoke, 20 October 1975, 20 June 1974 (file 4); "Projections of the demand for cremation in the UK" a report for the Federation of British Cremation Authorities prepared by C.G. Edwards and A.D. Gibbons of the University of York, May 1977 (file 5); correspondence and information regarding mercury emissions and selenium ampoules, May 2002 (file 7); a questionnaire to cremation authorities on the impact of the Environmental Protection Act, 1990 and year 2000 review of the Secretary of State's guidance notes, correspondence and report [2000] (file 7)

/8: Federation of Women's Institutes, 1947-1948 and 1950

/9: FIAT-IFTA, brief emails regarding the reproduction of a map in their publication Thanos, 2002

/10: The Foundation for the Study of Infant Deaths, 1988-1992

/11: Freedom of Information Act, letter sent from the Department for Constitutional Affairs, 2005

/12: Funeral Furnishings Manufacturer's Association, 1980, 1991-1992, 2004-2008

/13-17: Funeral Ombudsman Scheme, five files including board papers, memorandum and articles of association and annual reports, 1994, 1997-2002

/18: Funeral Standards Council, includes a Code of Conduct for the Funeral Planning Council and a report from the Great Southern Group on the resignation of some Co-operative society's from the National Association of Funeral Directors to set up the Funeral Standards Council, 1993-1996, 2003

/19: Funeral Vocational Development Group, 1999

19 files

## CRE/P/2/E/G/1-3 1998-1999 and 2005

/1-2: Golden Charter, 1998-1999

/3: Green Fuse, 2005

/4: Gower Consultants, nd.

3 files

## CRE/P/2/E/H/1-4 1954-2005

/1: Health and Safety Commission, 2000

/2: Her Majesty's Stationary Office, 2005

/3-4: Home Office, includes the joint memorandum of The Cremation Society, The Federation of British Cremation Authorities, The Proprietary Crematoria Association regarding regulations which was sent to the Home Office, 1954 and extensive correspondence about the Home Office review of death certification, 2000-2001

/5: Health Department, Brighton, regarding the Medical Referees' Session

4 files

## CRE/P/2/E/I/1-14 1948-2004

/1-7: Institute of Burial and Cremation Administration, seven files, 1970-2004. Includes printed membership information and annual reports, 1970-1994; printed materials and letters regarding branch meetings, 1989-1997; and correspondence mainly in regards to meetings and conferences, 1948-1978, 1990-1995 and 1997-2004.

/8: The Institute of Groundsmanship, 1990

/9: Institute of Leisure and Amenity Management, including letters regarding Joint Conferences of Burial and Cremation Authorities, 1975-1985

/10: Institute of Landscape Architects, 1948

/11: Interflora, 1968-1980

/12: Institute of Parks and Recreation Administration, 1952-1973

/13: International Cremation Federation, 1965-1975. Small amount of correspondence between K.G.C. Prevette and Secretary General of the ICF Nils Gruffman regarding as conference papers, committee and council meetings

/14: Infocheck, 1986

9 files

## CRE/P/2/E/L/1-5 1933-1999

/1: Liberation Society, 1933

/2: Loewen Group, 1998-1999

/3: London Association of Funeral Directors, 1999 and [nd.]

/4: London Planning and Advisory Board, 1997

/5: L. Bell and Co. and Martin & Son, printers, 1951-1956

5 files

## CRE/P/2/E/M/1-13 1934-1999

- /1: Methodist Missionary Society, 1949-1953
- /2: Metropolitan Boroughs Standing Joint Committee, 1934-1938
- /3: Ministry of Defence, 1942-1954, 1988 and 1993
- /4-5: Ministry of Health and Social Security, 1948-1976, 1992 and 1999
- /6-7: : Ministry of Housing and Local Government, includes an extensive file of correspondence regarding the provision of crematoria, the Cremation Society's deputation to the Ministry and information about proposed crematoria, 1951-1968.
- /8: Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance, 1961 and 1963
- /9: Ministry of Town and Country Planning, 1947
- /10: Ministry of Supply, 1955
- /11: Ministry of Works, 1944
- /12: Monopolies and Mergers Commission, 1987 and 1994-1995
- /13: Maidstone Voyage, 1995

13 files

## CRE/P/2/E/N/1-22 1938-2005

- /1: National Association of Bereavement Services, 1999
- /2: National Association of Cemetery and Crematorium Superintendants, 1933-1939
- /3-9: National Association of Funeral Directors, extensive correspondence, 1938-1971, 2000-2003, 2004-2008. Includes photograph from the NAFD's Centenary Reception at the House of Lords, 26 October 2005
- /10: National Association for Master Masons mainly regarding the Bristol Conference, October 1989
- /11-13: National Association of Memorial Masons, two files, 1986-2003. Includes some trade and review literature and information from the Poole Conference, 17 September 1999
- /14: National Association for Pre-paid Funeral Plans, 1989, 1994-1998
- /15: National Association for Widows, 1977-1978
- /16: National Council for Vocational Qualifications, 1989, 1994-1995
- /17: National Council for Voluntary Organisations, 2004, 2006 and 2008
- /18: National Federation of Personal Health Association, 1946-1954. Includes address given at the re-opening of the Pioneer Health Centre by the Rt. Hon. the Lord Geddes,
- /19: National Funerals College, 1991-1995. Includes some information on the Lesbian and Gay Bereavement project and pilot education projects
- /20: National Health Trusts, in particular the Central Manchester Healthcare NHS Trust, 1995
- /21: National Secular Society mostly regarding non-religious funeral 1965-1976, 1985-1989 and 2000-2006
- /22: National Union of Funeral Service Operatives, 1943-1982

22 files

## CRE/P/2/E/O/1 1989-1997

Office of Fair Trading mainly in regards to pre-paid funeral plans, 1989-1997. Also includes a copy of "Funerals: A report", January 1989, into the cost of funerals

1 file

## CRE/P/2/E/P/1-11 1951-2003

/1-6: Cremation Planning Authorities, six files, mainly correspondence with Cremation and Planning Authorities such as Rural District Councils, Urban District Councils, County Councils and other Local Authorities about the provision of Crematoria. Arranged alphabetically according to town, c.1943-1963. Includes architect's drawings for Marston crematorium (file 4)

/7: Pre-Retirement Association, 1994

/8: Printers, quotations from Martin and Son and L. Bell & Co. Ltd., 1951-1955

/9-11: Proprietary Crematoria Association, three files include: bulletins and meeting minutes, 1951-2003; information about the Broderick Committee and Catholic Church legislation, 1977-1987

11 files

## CRE/P/2/E/R/1-7 1943-2007

/1: Rationalist Press Association Ltd., 1943-1971

/2-3: Retained Organs Commission, 2001-2005

/4-5: Review of Coroner Services, 2001-2007

/6: Royal Sanitary Institute, 1946-1955

/7: The Royal Society of Health, 1948-1968

7 files

## CRE/P/2/E/S/1-6 1933-1997

/1: Sanitary Inspectors Association, 1933-1937

/2-5: Service Corporation International, 1995-2000. Four files, includes appraisals, reports and information on the Service Corporation International and Plantsbrook Group Plc merger situation

/6: Society for the Prevention of Premature Burial, enquiry into the activities of the society which appears to have been out of business since the 1930s, 1954

/7: Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Society (SANDS), 1987-1988 and 1997. Includes drafts of a paper delivered at the 1987 Cremation Society Conference by Sue Burgess "S.A.N.D.S and it's work" and newsletters

6 files

## CRE/P/2/E/T/1-3 1942-1978

/1. Tabo Cremators, 1976-1978. Correspondence mainly regards conferences and directories, includes a letter to K.G.C Prevette from Leslie Leonard regarding chipboard coffins and smoke, 20 March 1978

/2. Town and Country Planning Association, 1942

/3. Town Planning Institute, 1952

3 files

CRE/P/2/E/W/1-3 1933-1951

- /1. Welsh Board of Health, 1949-1951
- /2. Women Public Health Association, 1933-1939. Includes Handbooks and Annual Reports
- /3. Workers' Educational Association, a brochure and invitation to "Better Blackburn" an exhibition arranged by the Blackburn Branch of the Workers' Educational Association in collaboration with the Blackburn Civic Development Sub-Committee and the British Institute of Adult Education and incorporating the "Living in Cities Exhibition" of the Council for the Encouragement of Music and the Arts, 1944

3 files

CRE/P/2/E/Misc [1950s]

Miscellaneous business files mainly in regards to the supply of Pharos, [1950s]

Small miscellaneous business file mainly regarding government bodies and debates, 1982-1984

Filing index for correspondence files for organisations in the 1950s which illustrates the original alphabetic filing system, some of these files were not included in either accrual of material and are likely to be missing or re-filed, [1955?]

Correspondence with individuals

CRE/P/2/F 1888-1995

Correspondence between members of the Society and individuals regarding cremation

*Provenance:* Word-processed transcripts from correspondence of J. C. Swinburne Hanham, by J. Arkell, 2002 (accession Misc.2002/3:3)

## CRE/P/2/F/1-18 1888-1995

Correspondence between individuals filed chronologically:

- /1: Duke of Bedford to Sir Henry Thompson, 1888 (Feb) - 1890), and one letter from the Duke's son, Herbrand Russell, 1891
- /2: Correspondence of J.C. Swinburne Hanham with Sir Henry Thompson and others re the London Necropolis and National Mausoleum Company, 1889-1891
- /3: Transcript of correspondence of J.C. Swinburne Hanham by J. Arkell, 1889-1906
- /4: Correspondence of J.C. Swinburne Hanham with Sir Henry Thompson and Martin R. Smith re the formation of the London Cremation Company, with legal opinion of J. Andrew Strahan (July 1900) that the Cremation Society was entitled to use surplus revenue to subscribe for shares in the projected company, 1898-1900
- /5: Correspondence of J.C. Swinburne Hanham, largely with William Robinson, Martin Smith and his son Nigel M. Smith, re the formation of the London Cremation Company, and re Golders Green Crematorium, especially the laying out of its gardens, 1900-1906. Includes a letter, 22 April 1904, describing Sir Henry Thompson's funeral.
- /6: Duplicated typescript transcripts of correspondence between Herbert T. Herring, Secretary of the Cremation Society, and Francis Skrine, 1927, about the latter's wish that the Society would be more militant in its promotion of cremation.
- /7: Correspondence with Alderman Dennis Gordon, 1946.
- /8-9: Correspondence about the handbook "Cremation in Great Britain" by J.P. Herbert, 1946-1956. Letters are mainly enquiries from individuals. Enclosures include reviews
- /10: Correspondence with George E. Whitewood, 1947-1948
- /11: Correspondence with F.G. Marshall and Edward Bramley 1948, & 1955 re remembrance books
- /12: Correspondence with R. Humphrey Davies
- /13: Correspondence with Sir John Mann, 1952-1953
- /14: Correspondence with Desmond Heap, 1954
- /15: Correspondence with M.R.R. Davies of the Faculty of Law at the University of Leeds, 1955-1983
- /16: Correspondence with Lisa Kaznier about her research and tracing the papers of Sir Henry Thompson, 1995. Includes a draft of 'The Progress of Cremation'
- /17: Correspondence with Douglas Davies about a cremation and bereavement research project, 1995
- /18: Correspondence with Hilary Grainger and Peter Jupp about research

## CRE/P/2/F/19-30 1936-1996

Ten miscellaneous correspondence files, largely containing general enquiries and requests for Cremation Society publications. CRE/P/2/F/26 includes correspondence from individuals sent to or regarding Vice-Presidents of the Cremation Society, 1963-1984. CRE/P/2/F/27 includes miscellaneous correspondence from individuals sent specifically to R.N. Arber, 1978-1996.

CRE/P/2/F/31 1944

Letter from H.G. Garrett to P.H. Jones includes an article from News Chronicle about cremation during the Nazi regime, particularly at Lublin concentration camp

Correspondence and papers about Cremation Society property

CRE/P/2/G 1914-1967

Correspondence about properties owned by the Cremation Society and regarding Crematoria buildings and land that the Society have advised and been involved with  
Filed alphabetically by property name.

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Aberdeen

CRE/P/2/G/Aberdeen/1-2 1944

/1: Correspondence regarding the trial of James Dewar and Alick George Forbes, 12.10.1944, after malpractice at Aberdeen Crematorium, and newspaper cuttings

/2: Correspondence about Aberdeen Crematorium, 1946 -1949

Brecon House

CRE/P/2/G/Brecon/1-2 1986-1995

/1: Correspondence regarding the sale of Woodcut House and the acquisition of other office spaces in Maidstone, particularly Brecon House

/2: Correspondence regarding the lease details for Brecon House, 1986-1995

Bridge Chambers

CRE/P/2/G/Bridge/1 1992

Correspondence about the transfer of management and freehold of Bridge Chambers, East Farleigh to the Cremation Society, 1992. Includes the Conveyance Plan for Bridge Court

Darlington

CRE/P/2/G/Darlington/1 1938

Correspondence and deeds relating to the mortgage of Darlington Crematorium Company, 1938

Esher

CRE/P/2/G/Esher/1 1947

Property File - Esher. Concerning purchase of Cabramatta, Cobham as a Garden of Rest for ash scattering - proposal withdrawn

## Nottingham Place

CRE/P/2/G/Nottingham Place/1-13 1928-1994

- /1: Correspondence about the purchase of 23 Nottingham Place, 1928  
Includes initial work specifications
- /2: Lease of 23 Nottingham Place to the London Cremation Company, 1928-1935
- /3: Suggestions of the Board of the London Cremation Company in response to a resolution of the Cremation Society's Council, October 1936, concerning 24 Nottingham Place.
- /4: Correspondence with professionals regarding the 'Rights of Light' dispute at 47-49 Nottingham Place. 1938-1940
- /5: Tenancies of Hamwee solicitors, 1938-1939, and Methodist Missionary Society, 1942-1949, at 47 and 49 Nottingham Place
- /6: Lease of 47 Nottingham Place to Miss Sheila Jacob, 1964-1967, and Mr Benjafield, 1953-1954
- /7: Correspondence with potential purchasers of 47 Nottingham Place, 1969-1972
- /8: Correspondence regarding Mundy, Goodrich and Co, the ground floor tenants of 47 Nottingham Place, 1970-1972
- /9: Miscellaneous correspondence regarding 47 Nottingham Place, 1970-1972
- /10: Correspondence with Chestertons Estate Agents regarding the sale of 47 Nottingham Place, 1970-1972
- /11: Correspondence regarding the details of other properties for sale, 1971
- /12: Correspondence with Wood, Nash and Winter's solicitors regarding 47 Nottingham Place, 1972-1973, includes information about the Charity Commission
- /13: Enquiry to L.A. Rhodes regarding the ownership of 47 Nottingham Place

## Woking Crematorium

CRE/P/2/G/Woking/1-2 1914-1933

- /1: Correspondence regarding the management of Woking Crematorium by the LCC, 1914
- /2: Schedule of policies in force with the Alliance Assurance Company, 7 February 1933, on property at Woking Crematorium

## Woodcut House

CRE/P/2/G/Woodcut/1-8 1973-1986

- /1: Correspondence with the neighbours of Woodcut House, 1972-1973
- /2: Correspondence with Chestertons Surveyors, 1972-1977
- /3: Chestertons Surveyors' specification of works to be carried out at Woodcut House, February 1973
- /4: General correspondence about Woodcut House and works to be carried out, 1973-1974
- /5: Correspondence about the sale of Woodcut House, 1983-1986, includes a number of reports made by the The Development Planning Partnership
- /6: Correspondence about the sale of Woodcut House, 1986
- /7: Correspondence about the sale of Woodcut House, with some letters referring to Brecom House, 1986
- /8: Correspondence with K.G.C. Prevette regarding the history of Woodcut House which includes a transcript of an interview with a previous owner and an information sheet

## Misc.

CRE/P/2/G/Misc/1-3 [1973-1976?] and nd.

- /1: Correspondence and information about compliance to building regulations, [1973-1976?]
- /2: Metal building plaque with engraving that reads 'Cremation Assurance Friendly Society, The Cremation Society, Golders Green Foundation, Pharos Journal, The Pharos Press'
- /3: Information about a woodworm, dry rot and rising damp survey for Cremation Society properties

## Correspondence in topical files

CRE/P/2/H 1910 -1990

Subject files as maintained by the Cremation Society. Related series include: CRE/P/2/E. Also contains some administrative information about the Cremation Society. Included at the very end of the sequence is a list of the original files maintained by the Cremation Society, some of which are missing or filed elsewhere. Files retain original titles and are arranged alphabetically. Material from the early accession has been integrated into this structure

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## AIDS

CRE/P/2/H/AIDS/1-2 1985

- /1: Letters to Dr. Marian McEvoy of the Communicable Disease Surveillance Centre in regards to her paper for the 1985 Cremation Society Annual Conference
- /2: General information about HIV in regards to embalming

## Anti-Cremation Society

CRE/P/2/H/ANTI/1 1936-1948

Letters between Cremation Society Council members regarding anti-cremation propaganda in Birmingham and subsequent legal action. Enclosures include the letter sent to families of the recently bereaved entitled "Cremation is transgression against God and unsanitary" and religious propaganda leaflets.

## Architecture

CRE/P/2/H/ARCH/1-13 1942-1993

Correspondence regarding the architecture of crematoria. Files include:

- /1: Correspondence with H.D.T. Smith, 1942
- /2: Correspondence about the Cremation Society's Panel of Experts on Cremation, mainly with the Royal Institute of British Architects and the Royal Horticultural Society, 1943-1953
- /3: Correspondence with Architectural Students, 1946-1954
- /4: Correspondence with Richard Suddell, 1954-1955
- /5-6: General Correspondence with Architects and Architectural firms, 1954-1993
- /7: Correspondence with Architectural Students, 1955-1963
- /8: Bond, Peter B. "The Celebration of Death" Reprinted from The Architectural Review, April 1967. For more on Bond see: CRE/P/2/A/18
- /9: Correspondence with Maxwell Fry, 1968. Includes an obituary for Maxwell Fry.
- /10: Correspondence with J.H. Glover of Basil Spence, Glover and Ferguson, 1968-1980
- /11: Correspondence regarding Architectural Association School of Architecture, 1976-1984
- /12: Correspondence with Landscape Architects, 1977
- /13: Correspondence with Milner White and Partners including a report titled Siting and Planning Crematoria, 1968. For more on Milner White see: CRE/P/2/A/21

## Authors

CRE/P/2/H/AUTH/1 1992-1993

Correspondence regarding Richard S. Firman's "Behind the Curtain"

## Autopsy

CRE/P/2/H/AUTO/1 2002

Correspondence regarding Prof. Gunther Von Hagen's first televised autopsy and 'Body Works' exhibition

## Australia

CRE/P/2/H/AUST/1 1974

Correspondence and information regarding Cremation in Australia

## The Bereavement Register

CRE/P/2/H/BERE/1 2006

Brief correspondence regarding The Bereavement Register's Code of Bereavement with enclosure

## Body Parts

CRE/P/2/H/BODY/1 1999-2003

Correspondence and information regarding guidance and public enquiries into the disposal and retention of organs and body parts

## Bovis Construction

CRE/P/2/H/BOVI/1 1971

Correspondence regarding the construction of Crematoria

## British Gas

CRE/P/2/H/BGAS/1 1983-1996

Brief letters from British Gas

## British Medical Association

CRE/P/2/H/BMeA/1 1925-1932

Correspondence on medical certification and charges

## Broadwater Press

CRE/P/2/H/BROA/1 1969-1973

Correspondence regarding purchase orders made by crematoria for the 'Roman Catholic Order of Service' booklet circulated by the Cremation Society

## The Brodrick Committee

CRE/P/2/H/BROD/1-6 1959-1982

The Broderick Committee looked into the forms and death certificates required for Cremation and recommended a new system of medical certification.

Correspondence regarding the Broderick Committee and Report include:

- /1: Correspondence with the Home Office, particularly between K.G.C. Pevette and The Rt. Hon. Merlyn Rees, M.P., 1972-1980. Includes draft of "Death Certification and Coroners: Report of the Brodrick Committee"
- /2: Correspondence regarding medical forms and the common inaccuracies made when completing Cremation Forms B, C and F
- /3: Correspondence of the Home Office Working Party and information regarding medical certification, 1959-1969
- /4: Correspondence and information about medical certification, 1965-1968
- /5: Correspondence regarding the Brodrick Committee from Great Southern Group and The Federation of British Cremation Authorities, 1978-1981
- /6: Correspondence regarding medical certificates when death occurs in hospital, 1982

## Burial at Sea

CRE/P/2/H/BuSe/1 1993-2003

Correspondence and information regarding options for burial at sea

## Cardiac Pacemakers

CRE/P/2/H/CARD/1-4 1977-2009

Correspondence regarding cardiac pacemakers and other implanted devices includes:

- /1: Letters and information about the removal of pacemakers prior to cremation following media reports that mercury-powered cardiac pacemakers can explode, 1977-1983
- /2: Information regarding cremation in instances where a cardiac pacemaker has been fitted, including some enquiries into the subject, 1977-2009
- /3-4: Correspondence and information regarding College projects about exploding pacemakers, 2006-2007

## Charter for the Bereaved

CRE/P/2/H/CBer/1-3 1995

Three files of draft material and the published Charter for the Bereaved produced by the Institute of Burial and Cremation Administration. Includes a heavily annotated draft and brief correspondence

## Cemeteries

CRE/P/2/H/CEME/1-3 1976-1984 and 2001-2006

Correspondence and information about Cemeteries includes:

/1: North East London Polytechnic course for the Faculty of Environmental Studies about the Future of Cemeteries, 1976-1977

/2: General enquiries about cemeteries and cemetery surveys

/3: General cemeteries information, particularly about Highgate Cemetery, 2001-2006

## Winston Churchill

CRE/P/2/H/CHUR/1 1990

Correspondence and papers concerning Sir Winston Churchill's wishes on cremation, 1990

## Christmas Cards

CRE/P/2/H/ChCa/1 1993-1994

Letters regarding orders for I.C.F. Christmas Cards

## Church Legislation

CRE/P/2/H/ChLe/1 1989

Correspondence with The Church's Group on Funeral Services at Cemeteries and Crematoria regarding Clergy rotas in crematoria

## Christians

CRE/P/2/H/CHRI/1-2 1990 and 1992

Files regarding Christians and cremation include:

/1: Promotional material for the Christian Resources Exhibition, 1990

/2: Newspaper clippings from The Church of England Newspaper, 1992

## Church of England

CRE/P/2/H/COFE/1 1943-1956

Correspondence and cuttings on the Church of England's attitudes to cremation

## Coffins

CRE/P/2/H/COFF/1-3 1972-2007

Correspondence about coffins include:

/1: Letters between General Secretary K.G.C. Prevette and numerous manufactures of coffins regarding materials and imports, 1972-1982

/2: Letters and information from coffin manufacturers, including overseas distributors. Some letters refer to the smoke produced in cremation and the use of plastic, 1975-2007

/3: Letters and promotional material from coffin manufacturers, 1989-2001

## Complaints Procedure

CRE/P/2/H/ComP/1 2006

British Humanist Association's 'Ceremonies Service Complaints Procedure'

## Companies Registration Office

CRE/P/2/H/ComR/1 1960-2004

Letters and information about the administration of the charity and annual returns sent to the Registrar of Companies

## Competitive Tendering

CRE/P/2/H/ComT/1 1991

Administrative correspondence regarding competitive tendering for cremation services

## Company vehicle

CRE/P/2/H/ComV/1 1974-1980

Administrative correspondence regarding company vehicles

## Computerisation in Cremation

CRE/P/2/H/COMC/1 1988, 1992

Letters regarding the use of computers in crematoria, including summary of findings for a survey about computers

## Complaints

CRE/P/2/H/COMP/1 1997-1998

Cremation Society responses to complaints about crematoria from members of the public

## Condolence Letters

CRE/P/2/H/COND 1993

Small file of notifications of deaths and the Cremation Society's return letter of condolence.

## Conferences

CRE/P/2/H/CONF/1-3 1990-1998

Brief and general correspondence about conferences includes:

- /1: Letters regarding possible papers for future conferences, 1990-1997
- /2: Conference fliers by other organisations, 1991 and 1998
- /3: List of conference tapes perhaps held by the Cremation Society

## Copies of duplicate letters

CRE/P/2/H/COPI/1-2 [1971-1985?]

Two files of Cremation Society and Pharos duplicates of sent letters

## Cremation

CRE/P/2/H/CREM/1-8 1956, 1978-2006

Correspondence and information about Cremation and the Cremation Society, includes:

- /1: Replies received to a circular letter sent in 1978 about slides for crematoria interiors, 1978-1979
- /2: Information about the history of cremation, including Cremation Society leaflets, [c.1972]
- /3-6: Correspondence and information regarding Cremation legislation and amendments, 1989, 1995, 2000, 2005-2006
- /7: Information regarding the progress of Cremation including statistics and lists of crematoria
- /8: Correspondence with the Ministry of Housing and Local Government on Section 5 of the 1902 Act, (radius), 1956

**Cremator Advertisements**

CRE/P/2/CREA/1 late 20th century

Draft advertisement designs for Birlec Electric Furnaces and Askham Gas Cremators, includes pencil sketches

**Dead Citizens Charter**

CRE/P/2/H/DeCC/1 1996

Correspondence, information and newspaper clippings about the Dead Citizen's Charter and the Dead Citizen's Charter Conference hosted by The National Funerals College

**Death Certification**

CRE/P/2/H/DeCe/1 1978, 1991-1992

General enquiries about death certification

**Deceased Register**

CRE/P/2/H/DeRe/1 2002

Correspondence from the Deceased Register Ltd. including a booklet about the history of the register

**Embassies**

CRE/P/2/H/EMBA/1 1992, 1997, 2000

Brief correspondence with the Spanish and French Embassies

**Emissions Trading**

CRE/P/2/H/EMIS/1-3 2003-2005

Correspondence and information referring to Emissions:

/1-2: Correspondence regarding mercury emissions from Crematoria and the EU Emissions Trading Directive including a number reports by IPA Energy Consulting about technical assistance and a burden sharing arrangement for the abatement of mercury emissions in Crematoria, 2003-2004

/3: Letters about the development and progress of the Crematoria Abatement of Mercury Emissions Organisation (CAMEO), 2005

## Environmental Protection Act

CRE/P/2/H/EnPA/1-14 1990-1991, 2000-2001

Files about the Environmental Protection Act, 1990, includes:

/1: Paper presented at the 64th Annual Cremation Society Conference, "Application for Authorisation - Part I, Environmental Protection Act, 1990", 1990

/2-3: Correspondence and conference papers regarding applications for authorisation, 1991-1992

/4: Dr C.T. Chamberlain, 'Experience with Cremators under the Environmental Protection Act in the United Kingdom' produced by Evans Universal, October 1993

/5: Enquiries regarding the conference paper 'Secretary of State's guidance - Crematoria "Applications for Authorisation"', 1991

/6: General correspondence regarding the Environmental Protection Act, 1990, 1992-1994

/7-14: Letters sent to Members of Parliament, European Parliament, Scottish Parliament and the Welsh Assembly regarding the Secretary of State's further guidance on Crematoria which involved additional industry changes to conform with European initiatives to reduce mercury emissions. Includes files of responses, 2000-2001

## Eric White and Partners

CRE/P/2/H/ErWP 1968

Correspondence about the future role of the Cremation Society with consultants

## Europe

CRE/P/2/H/EURO/1 1988-1990

Brief correspondence about industry changes in regards to Europe

## Euthanasia

CRE/P/2/H/EUTH/1 1992-1994

The Voluntary Euthanasia Society of Scotland newsletter containing the article "Lying to the Dying" by Mary Gilhooly. Also contains some correspondence

## Exhibitions

CRE/P/2/H/EXHI/1 1948-1949

Correspondence on Exhibitions, 1948-1949, includes photographs and sketches

## Filters and Filtration Systems

CRE/P/2/H/FILT/1 1988

Articles about developments in crematoria, particularly regarding the impact of emissions on the environment

## Finance and investment companies

CRE/P/2/H/FINA/1 1993 and 2004

Administrative correspondence with finance and investment companies

## Fuel

CRE/P/2/H/FUEL/1 1988

Response to an enquiry about fuel use in crematoria

## Funeral accounts

CRE/P/2/H/FuAc/1 1984-2000

Correspondence, expenses and accounts from various funeral directors, includes press cuttings about the cost of funerals

## Funeral Directors

CRE/P/2/H/FuDi/1-2 1980-1994

Information about Funeral Directors includes:

/1: Press releases and reports about the performance of Funeral Directors, 1989-1990 and 1994

/2: 'Directory of Funeral Directors' order forms and some business correspondence from Funeral Directors, 1980-1985

## Funerals

CRE/P/2/H/FUNE/1-5

/1: Print outs from the internet about resouces, funeral services and funeral costs in the USA, 1999

/2: Correspondence regarding funeral garments, particularly a robe to be used in cremation, 1995

/3: Information about funeral supermarkets in Walthamston and Catford, 1996-1998

## Funeral Pyre

CRE/P/2/H/FuPy 2006

Information gathered for Shirley Firth who acted as an expert witness in a legal case concerning a funeral pyre in Northumberland

## Garden of Remembrance

CRE/P/2/H/GaRe/1 1994

Correspondence with SCI UK, the UK branch of Soka Gakkai International, about the establishment of a Garden of Remembrance at Taplow Court, Maidstone

## General Synod

CRE/P/2/H/GeSy/1-3 1973-2005

Correspondence and information about the Church of England

/1-2: Correspondence and information mainly in regards to parochial fees, clergy employment at cemeteries and crematoria and conferences, 1973-2005. Also includes a proof copy of 'Funeral Services for the Christian Churches of England published in 1986

/3: Information and correspondence about the Church of England's fees, funeral services, practices and procedures, 1983-1987

## Green Belt

CRE/P/2/H/GrBe/1 1998

One newspaper clipping about a crematorium built on green belt land in Wigan

## Health and Safety

CRE/P/2/H/HeSa/1-4 1975-2000

/1-3: Letters and information about Health and Safety law, 1975-1976, 1990-1996 and 2000

/4: Mr D.M. Jones' correspondence and paperwork as the Health and Safety Executive, 1977-1978

## Hindu Cremation Ceremonies

CRE/P/2/H/HIND/1 1976 and 2007

Correspondence and information about Hindu cremation ceremonies

## Home Cremations

CRE/P/2/H/HoCr 2005

Two photocopies of newspaper clippings about a home cremation

## Hepatitis

CRE/P/2/H/HEPA/1 1993

Information about Hepatitis B

## Infectious diseases

CRE/P/2/H/InDi [2007?]

Information about infectious diseases

## Jewish customs

CRE/P/2/H/JEWI/1 1946, 1981, 1990-1992 and 2001

Enquiries and articles regarding liberal and reformed Jewish customs in death and cremation

## Journalists

CRE/P/2/H/JOUR/1-5 1939-2003

/1-2: General correspondence and reports from journalists, 1939-2002

/3: Correspondence with newspaper journalists, 1965-2002

/4: Correspondence with journalists from periodicals, 1965-1996

/5: Correspondence with television and radio journalists, 1985-2006

## Infusion Pumps

CRE/P/2/H/InFu/1 1986

Correspondence and technical information about the danger of infusion pumps in cremation for a technical article in Pharos by R.N. Arber entitled "Implantable drug delivery systems". Most correspondence is with a manufacturer of infusion pumps called Infusaid

## Internet

CRE/P/2/H/INTER/1-5 1998-2008

Correspondence about setting up and gathering content for the Cremation Society's website and general emails about the website

## Law of Burial, Cremation and Exhumation

CRE/P/2/H/LBCE/1 1988-1989

Correspondence with the author and editor of 'Law of Burial, Cremation and Exhumation', M.R. Russell Davies and, D.A. Smale with regards to updates for the sixth edition

## Lecture Programme

CRE/P/2/H/LePr/1

Correspondence regarding a lecture programme for The Royal Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufacture and Commerce. Includes a copy of Tony Walter's paper Ritualising Death in a Consumer Society

## Legacy, Bequests and Donations

CRE/P/2/H/LeBD/1-4 1942-2004

Correspondence regarding donations of money to the Society, legacies and bequests from individuals

## Legal Matters

CRE/P/2/H/LeMa/1 1989 and 1992

Brief correspondence regarding legal matters

## Lists of Crematoria

CRE/P/2/H/LiCr/1-2 1954-1979

Lists of worldwide crematoria, 1954-1978

Information for the Directory of World Crematoria 1972, 1976 and 1979

## Living Wills

CRE/P/2/H/LiWi/1 2005

Website print outs about living wills

## Local Government Training Board

CRE/P/2/H/LoGT/1 1974

Local Government training board list of publications and training materials

## London Local Authorities

CRE/P/2/H/LoLA/1-2 1989

Extensive correspondence about the Cremation Society's and the Proprietary Crematoria Association's petition to Parliament about the London Local Authorities (No.2) Bill. Also includes copies of reports and evidence

## Maximillian Lewinsohn

CRE/P/2/H/MAXI/1 1975-1977

Correspondence and clippings regarding Maximillian Lewinsohn's shares in the Dundonian, Dundee Crematorium

## Medical Certification

CRE/P/2/H/MeCe/1 1939-1953, 1954-1956, 1999

/1: General correspondence about medical fees and certification required for Cremation, mainly administrative and enquiries, 1939-1953

/2: Professional correspondence regarding the Statutory Forms to be completed by coroners and information from the Royal College of Pathologists about the retention of tissue at post-mortem examination, 1954-1956, 1999

## Memberships

CRE/P/2/H/MEMB/1 [nd.]

Leaflets for corporate memberships with other organisations

## Memorials

CRE/P/2/H/MEMO/1 [1985-1987]

Promotional material from various memorial companies offering different services and correspondence from the Memorial Advisory Bureau

## Memorial Services

CRE/P/2/H/MemS 1976

Correspondence about annual memorial services in crematoria nationwide

## Ministerial departments

CRE/P/2/H/MiDe/1-7

Correspondence from various Government Ministerial Departments

/1: Ministry of Food letters about permits, 1946

/2-4: Appeals to the Ministry of Health regarding the provision of crematoria including letters from local authority offices, and letters of evidence from town clerks in various local authorities, 1946-1948

/5: Letters from Admiralty looking into Cremation for Royal Navy personnel, 1957 and 1961

/6: Letter from the Air Ministry enquiring about Crematoria, 1961

/7: Letters from the Department of Health and Social Security regarding implants. Of particular interest are letters with R.A. Denham about the recycling of orthopaedic implants into surgical instruments for hospitals in Nepal

## Missing People and Family History

CRE/P/2/H/MiPe/1 1995

Letter of enquiry about tracing places of burial for a baby

## MSI Market Research

CRE/P/2/H/MSIM/1 2004-2005

Correspondence from a Market Research company about the cremation market

## Music

CRE/P/2/H/Musi/1 [1973-1994?]

Letters and information regarding popular music for crematorium services as well as distributors of music for funeral services

## New Companies

CRE/P/2/H/NeCo/1-3 1996

Information about a new security company and lists of other useful information and companies

## Next Generation PLC and Next Environmental Services

CRE/P/2/H/NeEn/1 1992

Correspondence with Next Generation PLC and Next Environmental Services

## Northern Ireland

CRE/P/2/H/Nlre

Letters and information about Cremation Legislation in Northern Ireland

## Oversized Cremators

CRE/P/2/H/OvCr 1995

*Restrictions:* Closed access

## Orthoscrap

CRE/P/2/H/ORTH/1 2007

Correspondence about the recycling of orthopedic implants following the removal prior to cremation

## Pagans

CRE/P/2/H/PAGA/1 1991-1992 and 1994

Copies of the Pagan Hospice and Funeral Trust Newsletter

## Parliamentary debates

CRE/P/2/H/PARL/1-2 1972, 1986-1990, 1998-2006

/1: Extracts from the House of Commons Parliamentary debates regarding cremation and death certification

/2: Letters and information about Parliamentary debates regarding the cost of funerals

## Anna Pavlova

CRE/P/2/H/PAVL/1 1999-2001

Correspondence and information regarding the proposals and arrangements to move the ashes of ballerina Anna Pavlova and her husband, Victor Dandre from Golders Green to Moscow

## Plans for Proposed Crematoria

CRE/P/2/H/PIPC/1 1983 and 1996

Plans and correspondence for a proposed crematorium at Charleton Road, near Montrose and a planning proposal submitted to Maidstone Castle for the burial of human cremated remains

## Plantsbrooke Group

CRE/P/2/H/PIGr 1988-1991

Clipping, articles and some letters in regard to the Plantsbrooke Group and particularly to its Chairman Howard Hodgeson

## Pollution

CRE/P/2/H/POLL/1 1988

Brief notes on pollution

## Precious Metals

CRE/P/2/H/PrMe 1987

Articles, information and letters about the disposal of precious metals and the controversy of selling metals retrieved from ashes.

## Price Commission

CRE/P/2/H/PrCo/1 1977

Correspondence and reports regarding the Price Commission Report into funeral costs

## Promession

CRE/P/2/H/PROM/1 2005-2008

Articles, information and feasibility reports about the process of promession, or freeze-drying, as an alternative method to dispose of the dead

## Public Assistance Authorities

CRE/P/2/H/PuAA/1 1932

Advice from the Counsel about whether the Public Assistance Authorities can lawfully cremate human bodies

## Public Opinion Survey

CRE/P/2/H/PuOS/1 1975

Correspondence and transcripts regarding public opinion surveys into cremation

## Publications

CRE/P/2/H/PUBL/1 1990 and 1995

Requests for Cremation Society Publications

## Redundant Churches

CRE/P/2/H/ReCh/1 1975

Correspondence with the Advisory Board for Redundant Churches about converting redundant churches into crematoria

## Regulation of the pre-paid funeral industry

CRE/P/2/H/RePP/1 1999

Consultancy documents from the HM Treasury regarding the regulation of the pre-paid funeral industry

## Religions - various

CRE/P/2/H/RELI 1976-2009

Information and correspondence regarding burial and cremation beliefs and rituals in a number of different religions

## Researchers and students

CRE/P/2/H/ReSe 2004-2008

General enquiries from researchers and students most of which include order forms for past conference papers

## Review of Civil Registration in England and Wales

CRE/P/2/H/RevC/1 1999-2005

Correspondence and information regarding the Review of Civil Registration in England and Wales which looked into the reform of birth and death registration

## Reverse Polymerization

CRE/P/2/H/RevP/1 1999 and 2002-2003

Correspondence with F.J. Pearson from Kingsland Energy Limited about reverse polymerization and reverse combustion

## Roman Catholic Church

CRE/P/2/H/RoCa/1-7 1960-2000

/1: Correspondence regarding the Cremation Society and International Cremation Federation's approach to the Roman Catholic Council of Rome. Includes a paper by Dean N.J. Reid "Petition to the Council of the Church in Rome to remove the prohibition on Cremation" and the 1960 ICF Congress paper "Proposed declaration concerning efforts for the repeal of the prohibition of cremation by the Roman Catholic Church", 1960 and 1966

/2: Letters, press cuttings and reports regarding the repeal of the prohibition by the Roman Catholic Church including a propaganda leaflet titled "Why I support Cremation" which contains an extract of an earlier speech made by The Rt. Rev. Bishop Heywood, 1961-1967

/3: Correspondence with Father J.F. MacDonald regarding the Roman Catholic Church's stance on cremation and arrangements for MacDonald's attendance at Cremation Society Conferences. Also includes a portrait photograph of MacDonald, 1965

/4: Letters and statistics about Roman Catholic cremation and embalming, 1965-1966

/5: Responses to circular letters from the Cremation Society regarding Roman Catholic services in Crematoria, 1965

/6: Enquiries about and copies of the Roman Catholic Order of Service, 1984-1987

/7: Letters regarding Catholic Services and related publications, 1990, 1995 and 2000

## Roses

CRE/P/2/H/ROSE/1-4 1975-1983, 1994 and 2001-2002

/1: Letters regarding rose varieties for use in Memorial Gardens, includes cut outs from Pharos of rose varieties in full colour, 1976-1980

/2-3: Letters regarding embroidered rose appliques, medals and decorations for Cremation Society conferences including samples, 1975, 1983, 1993, 2001-2002

/4: Watercolour draft illustrations and sketches [by Lady Greenwood] of cards for a memorial display stand with roses, 1980

## Royal Family

CRE/P/2/H/ROYA/1-2 1977 and 2001

/1: Correspondence and materials for the Loyal Address to mark the Silver Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, 1977

/2: Brief correspondence requesting the Directory of Crematoria

## Smoke

CRE/P/2/H/SMOK/1 1975-1976

Letters and leaflets regarding smoke emissions from crematoria

## Spiritualism

CRE/P/2/H/SPIR/1 1954-1955

Correspondence on Spiritualism and cremation - a case relating to Dame Marbret De'Ath and the death of Francis C B Greene (brother of the novelist, Graham Greene). Also includes material about the proposed posthumous publication, in Paris, c.1955, of Francis Greene's unfinished novel, centred on a city crematorium, under the title "Out of the dead land", 1954-1955.

## Shares

CRE/P/2/H/SHAR/1-3 1962-1981

Three files of information regarding shares particularly in the London Cremation Company

## Statute Law Revision

CRE/P/2/H/StLa/1 1976

Correspondence with regional crematoria and burial boards and The London Cremation Company regarding revisions to Statute Law

## Stockbroker Reviews

CRE/P/2/H/StRe 1989

Reports and correspondence

## Tabo Cremators

CRE/P/2/H/TaCr/1 1976-1978

Correspondence with Tabo Cremators reharding a 1975 Annual Conference in Eastbourne

## Tour Arrangements

CRE/P/2/H/ToAr/1 1987

Letters regarding visits to UK crematoria and suppliers arranged by the society

## Translation

CRE/P/2/H/TRAN/1 2004

Letters about translation services

## Training

CRE/P/2/H/TRAI/1 1993 and 2006

Letter and printed website pages about training courses available for cremation and cemetery workers

## Town and Country Planning

CRE/P/2/H/ToCP/1

Correspondence with the County Council of Middlesex and clippings regarding the Town and Country Planning Act and a national campaign for the encouragement of cremation, 1949.

## Cremation Law in the USA

CRE/P/2/H/USCL/1 1910

Correspondence and papers about the Cremation Laws in the USA, 1910

## Vandalism

CRE/P/2/H/VAND/1 [1970-1983?]

Statistic reports on vandalism in crematoria

Victoria & Albert Museum  
 CRE/P/2/H/ViAI 1988  
 General letters of enquiry

Victoria's Cemeteries Act  
 CRE/P/2/H/Vict/1 2001  
 Cover letter and Discussion paper published by the Department of Human Services in Melbourne Australia Victoria's Cemeteries and Crematoria: Options for Legislative Change

Welfare State International  
 CRE/P/2/H/WeSI [c. 1990s?]  
 Promotional material for open air theatre group

Working Group  
 CRE/P/2/H/WoGR  
 Reviews, handwritten notes, reviews and information from the meeting of the working group for the revision of the Process Guidance Note 5/2 (12) for the 'Statutory Guidance Notes for Crematoria'. Topics covered include the standard of coffins and the environmental impact of cremation

Year 2000 Complaint  
 CRE/P/2/H/YCom 1999  
 General information and advice about the "Millenium Bug"

University of York  
 CRE/P/2/H/YORK 1994  
 Cover letter and report on the proposed feasibility study into the re-use of graves

Miscellaneous correspondence about the provision of Crematoria  
 CRE/P/2/H/MISC 1992-2008  
 Six files of correspondence

Cremation Authority correspondence  
 CRE/P/2/I 1984-2010

Correspondence largely regards the organisation of Cremation Society Conferences and Joint Committee Meetings. Only a small number of Cremation Society conference files have been kept as a sample, the Society ceased to run its own conferences in 2007 so the selection of files represents the period before and after this change, with some material referring to Sales Exhibitions. Joint Cremation and Burial Authority Committees are collaborative meetings between the Institute of Burial and Cremation Administration and The Federation of British Cremation Authorities which included delegates from the Cremation Society. Also included are an extensive conference programmes from the conferences

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*Related material in other DUL collections:* For photographs from Exhibitions see: CRE/J/C

## Cremation Society Conferences and Committee Meetings

CRE/P/2/I/1 1984, 1988, 2000, 2010

/1946-1978: Correspondence with government departments including the Department of the Environment, the Ministry of Housing and Local Government and the Ministry of Health regarding Cremation Society Conferences between 1946 and 1978

/1951: Report, notes, correspondence and memorandum regarding the Committee appointed to consider the creation of a form of membership to include local authorities and cremation authorities, November 1951

/1974: Plans and drawings for the exhibition space for the 1974 conference

/1984: One file of material relating to the Cremation Society Conference, 1984 including incomplete sets of papers and some correspondence

/1988: Two files of information about the history of the Cremation Society for the 1988 Exhibition in Bath. Includes some original historical material and some reproductions. One file contains slides, information and leaflets and the other objects including badges, pins and embroidered lapel patches. Of particular note is original pencil drawing concepts for the Society's logo. F

/2000: One box of material relating to the Cremation Society Conference, 2000. Papers are arranged alphabetically by speaker and includes correspondence, papers, transparencies, floppy discs containing slide-shows and transcripts of Q&A sessions. Speakers are: Mr Andrew Bennett MP, Dr Clive T. Chamberlain, The Earl Grey's presidential address, Professor M.A. Green; Mr Claes Foghmoes, Dr Hilary Grainger, Dr Jenny Hockey, The Revd. Professor Roger Grainger, Mr Frederick J Pearson, Revd. Charles Read and Mr Stephen R.G. White. Also includes a file of material about the organisation of the conference at the Majestic Hotel in Harrogate, which includes template letters to delegates

/2010: Two boxes of material relating to the Cremation Society Conference, 2010. Papers are arranged alphabetically by speaker and includes correspondence, transcripts of papers and Q&A sessions and full colour print outs of slide-shows Speakers include: Adrian Britton, Dr Shoji Eguchi, The Revd Dr Peter C. Jupp, Professor Hilary Grainger; Ulf Lagerstrom; John Palmer, Alon Nativ and Stephen White.

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## Joint Cremation and Burial Authority Conferences

CRE/P/2/I/2 1956,1984

/1956: One file of correspondence and minutes for the Propaganda and Publicity Joint Committee meetings in 1956. The committee consisted of delegates from the Cremation Society and The Cremation Assurance Friendly Society

/1970: Correspondence about Joint Conference of Burial and Cremation Authorities, Portsmouth, September 1970, with conference programme and lectures

/1974: One file containing minutes from Cremation Society committees including the Joint observations from the interdepartmental committee of the Federation of British Cremation Authorities, the Proprietary Crematoria Association and the Cremation Society; the Centenary Celebration Committee, 1974 and the Ad Hoc Committee, 1974

Two files of correspondence and minutes regarding the Joint Conference of Burial and Cremation Authorities. Also includes one conference paper entitled 'Old Burial Grounds and Church yards - Why should local authorities accept their Problems?' by L.L. Wild, F.Inst. B.C.A.(Dip.) and J.E. Rotherham, M. Inst. B.C.A.(Dip.), a report for Brown Boveri electrical furnaces and promotional material for Bobcats diggers

4 files

Conference programmes

CRE/P/2/I/3 1968-2008

Full set of Cremation Society Conference programmes, 1968-2005 and some invitations

Incomplete selection of programmes for Joint Burial and Cremation Authority Conferences, 1986-2008

Proceedings Manual for the 1999 IOGR Annual Conference and Death Care World Expo, Nevada

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## Statistics and surveys

CRE/P/3 1924-1978

- /1: Municipal Cemetery Undertakings Survey, 1927. 4 files. Covers the 3 years, 1924-1926 Arranged alphabetically according to name of cemetery in files A-G, H-M, N-S, S-Y. Information given: population, date established, capital expenditure on undertaking, total interments to March 1926, number of interments in last 3 years, average loss/gain per interment, estimated life of cemetery.
- /2: Survey by correspondence of the views of leading British churchmen on cremation, 1935; for publication in *Pharos*.
- /3: Survey survey undertaken for *Pharos.*, sent to medical officers of health on the question "In your opinion, is cremation more sanitary than burial?", 1935
- /4: Survey undertaken for *Pharos.* Survey of coroners, 1936, on the question "Does burial offer a greater safeguard against crime than cremation?"
- /5: Crematoria statistics include: one compiled summary list of cremations from 1953-1960 with correspondence; 7 looseleaf files and 1 (oversize) summary file of annual cremation statistics for all UK crematoria from date of opening to 1976; one summary volume from opening dates of crematoria to 1976; two files of statistics from 1970-1980s for a small number of UK crematoria
- /6: Municipal Cemetery Undertakings Survey, 1950. Covers the 3 years, 1947-1949. Information given: Population, date established, capital expenditure on undertaking, total interments to March 1926, number of interments in last 3 years, average loss/gain per interment, estimated life of cemetery. Arranged in files for: Reports and published results; Authorities with surpluses; small Authorities with deficiencies and summary; large Authorities with deficiencies, 1-100, 102-234, 234-379, and summary; responses too late for inclusion.
- /7: Correspondence from multiple external sources regarding statistics for cremations, 1962-1994
- /8: Small correspondence file with summary of statistics for 1959-1963 from the Cremation Association of America, for publication in *Pharos*
- /9: Cover letters and correspondence for a survey on cremation popularity entitled 'Why Cremation is so Popular in this country compared with elsewhere, 1965
- /10: Furnace Survey, 1967. 3 files Survey of crematoria supervisors in Great Britain, about good and bad features of the furnaces at their crematoria. Filed in arbitrary order of return. Returns numbered 1-71 and some unnumbered. No index, but with summary of responses. Includes correspondence concerning the survey
- /11: Questionnaire on cremation facilities and related correspondence, 1968. Questions cover the removal of the coffin to committal room, floral arrangements and music. Contains question drafts only, not responses
- /12: Survey of the views of Bishops of the Church of England on cremation, 1969
- /13: Survey on land used for burial purpose, 1969. Filed alphabetically by county, includes summary, 23.3.1970; correspondence concerning the survey; proformas, and figures; and results. Scotland, Wales and forms too late for inclusion are filed at the end of the sequence
- /14: Music in crematoria survey, 1973. First file contains summarised list of respondents, a compiled list of popular songs used in crematoria, questionnaire and music book. Files 2 and 3 contain the completed questionnaires

/15: Survey, carried out in 1974, entitled "Changes in Cremation since 1874". Includes correspondence with crematoria supervisors, asking for their opinion regarding changes over the preceding century, since the foundation of the Cremation Society

/16: Attitudes to Cremation - Pilot Study, 1975 Sponsored by the Cremation Society and undertaken by management consultants

/17: Questionnaire regarding vandalism in crematoria, 1976

/18: John and Patricia Wilmshurst Sought opinions from ministers of religion, funeral directors, crematory workers and groups of recently bereaved individuals in Kent and Exeter Results and transcripts of discussions given Memorialisation Survey, 1977. 6 files Contains 180 replies from the 218 survey forms sent to all U.K. crematoria. Arranged by number (largely arbitrary order, with some elements of alphabetical order; Scotland, Wales, Channel Islands, N. Ireland at end). Also includes a file of overseas responses (Australia, NZ, South Africa, Europe and Scandinavia) to a short survey concerning disposal of ashes and memorialisation in foreign countries. With summary dated 2.2.1978

/19: Information on generators resulting from 1979 survey, including a file of negative responses from crematoria without generator

/20: Statistic reports for Crematoria across the UK, 1997-2008. Reports are arranged chronologically and cover crematoria facilities and capacity. Fields change over the ten year period but generally include: form of committal; time of service; operate rota ministers; accept diy funerals; support charter for the bereaved; information about coffins; number of cremators; size of coffins accepted; computer use; special services eg. neonatal. Later statistics refer to environmental schemes and implant explosions

/21: Compiled statistic summaries and information about the Cremation Society, the development of cremation in the UK and overseas relationships and contact details, [c.1960s]

/22: Staffing survey results, gives details of staffing in crematoria that carry out an average of 3,000 cremations a year, [nd.]. Also includes code of Cremation Practice for The Federation of British Cremation Authorities

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Council for the Disposition of the Dead, etc., 1933-1938

CRE/P/4 1933-1939

In 1933, in an attempt to bring together all the organisations concerned with the disposal of the human dead, the Cremation Society was instrumental in bringing about the formation of the National Council for the Disposition of the Dead (from December 1935 named the Council for the Disposition of the Dead). Until the council came to an end with the outbreak of World War II, it shared the Society's premises.

Small amount of material from the 2015 accrual has been integrated chronologically  
3 boxes

## Memorandum and Articles of Association

CRE/P/4/A/1-2 1933-1939

/1: Memorandum and articles of incorporation of the Council for the Disposition of the Dead, 1935, with related correspondence and papers, 1933-1936, including a letter from the Board of Trade, September 1935, giving reasons why for incorporation the word "National" must be removed from the name of the body.

/2: Correspondence regarding the constitution revision, memorandum and articles of incorporation of the Council for the Disposition of the Dead, 1939

2 files

## Meetings and Annual Reports

CRE/P/4/B/1 1935-1938

/1: Annual General Meeting papers, 1936, 1938, 1939, including annual reports for 1936-1938

/2: Addresses by Lord Horder to the National Council for the Disposition of the Dead, 22 January 1935 and 19 November 1935

1 file

## Correspondence

CRE/P/4/C/1-10 1933-1939

/1: Miscellaneous correspondence and papers of the National Council for Disposition of the Dead, 1933-1935, especially concerning cremation certificates and charges for certification. Includes printed report of proceedings from 3rd Joint Conference of Cemetery and Cremation Authorities, Birmingham, June 1934

/2: Correspondence with Council members, 1933-1939

/3: Correspondence between the General Secretary of The Council for the Disposition of the Dead and General Secretary of the Cremation Society, 1933-1939

/4: Correspondence with the Home Office, 1934

/5: Correspondence with bodies concerned with cremation and burial concerning the possibility of their becoming affiliated members of the Council for the Disposition of the Dead, 1935-1936

/6: Correspondence concerning Jewish burial societies and the proposed bill for the registration of funeral directors, 1935-1936. Includes legal opinion of Harold B. Williams, 1935 Drafts of bill for the registration of funeral directors, 1936, with suggested amendments, and related papers. Includes copy of printed 1925 Registration of undertakers bill (Bills 93) , copy of the *Undertakers' Journal*, 50 no. 9 (15 Sept. 1935), which gives the text of the 1928 Embalmers and funeral directors act, Province of Ontario, Canada, notes for Lord Horder's address to the National Association of Funeral Directors' Conference, 1937, and report on cremation and public health from the Royal Sanitary Institute's congress

/7: Correspondence with, and concerning the Treasurer, 1935-1938

/8: Correspondence with Lord Horder, 1936-1939

/9: Correspondence with Vice Presidents, and invitations (some declined) to become a vice-president, 1933-1939

/10: Correspondence with the Registrar of Companies, the Inland Revenue, and the Council's bank, 1937-1939

10 files

## Membership

CRE/P/4/D/1-5 1936-1939

/1-3: Members application forms, nos. 31-101, with related correspondence, 1935-1939

/4: Correspondence re membership applications, and possible affiliation of the Burial Society of Great Britain, and the National School of Embalmers Association, 1938-1939

/5: Blank membership certificate, [nd.]

5 files

## Registration of Funeral Directors

CRE/P/4/E/1-7 1933-1939

The Council for the Disposition of the Dead was involved in the Draft Bill for the registration of Funeral Directors. Material regarding the bill includes:

/1: Correspondence with the National Association of Funeral Directors, 1933-1939 (British Undertakers Association until 1935). Includes programmes for the Association's conferences at Scarborough, 1936 and Whitley Bay, 1938, and autumn conference number of the National Chamber of Trade Journal October 1937

/2: Correspondence about proposed bill for the registration of funeral directors, 1935-1937

/3: Correspondence about the Registration of funeral directors bill, 1937-1938

/4: Correspondence about the bill for the registration of funeral directors, 1938. Includes two drafts of the bill

/5-6: Files on proceedings in 1936 and 1938 on the Registration of funeral directors bill, including printed text of the bill, 16 May 1938, and notes on the withdrawal of the motion for the second reading of the bill in the House of Lords in June 1938

/7: The National Association of Funeral Directors syllabus and exam papers, undated

7 files

## Disposition of the dead in wartime

CRE/P/5 1939-1940

/1: Plan for the disposition of the dead in a national emergency, produced by the Cremation Society and The Federation of Burial and Cremation Authorities, July 1939 and including correspondence with Sir John Anderson at the Home Office.

/2: Papers on air raids: "Air raid precautions: responsibilities of the medical officers of health", memorandum to be submitted by the Society of Medical Officers of Health to the Lord Privy Seal, the Ministry of Health, and the Home Office A.R.P. Department, with related correspondence

/3: "The problem of the disposition of the dead after air raids", extract from a paper by Dr. A.B. Williamson given at 8th Joint Conference of Burial and Cremation Authorities, 26th June 1939, with related letter

/4: Correspondence with the Federation of British Cremation Authorities, 1939

/5: Cremation of Civilian Dead in Wartime - letter from the Cremation Society to local authorities, September 1939, seeking support for the Society's opposition to a government circular making clear that cremation of civilian dead following air raids would not be permitted, due to wartime difficulties in meeting the requirements of the certification system. With the authorities' replies. With some related cuttings, and "Civilian deaths through war: arrangements for the disposal of bodies", article in *Municipal review*, May 1939, p.165.

5 files

## Cremation and the law

CRE/P/6 1902-1999

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## Amendments to cremation bills

CRE/P/6/A/1-11 1942-1972

/1: Correspondence regarding cremation law amendments, 1946-48.

/2: Representations to the Home Office, by the Cremation Society, 1945-1951, and related correspondence and papers. Includes report of the 29.1.45 meeting, material for memorandum on amendments and MOH booklet on War Deaths, 1942.

/3: Correspondence and cuttings, leading to the new regulations, 1951-52.

/4: The 1952 Cremation Bill, drafts, comments and final version.

/5: Correspondence concerning future amendments of the Cremation Regulations, 1953-8.

/6-7: Home Office Working Party on Cremation Regulations, 1964. Correspondence, minutes and papers. Includes copies of existing parliamentary bills (1959-68, 1962-64). 2 files.

/8: Revision of the Cremation Regulations, 1962-4 (Summary papers).

/9: *The siting and planning of crematoria*, Ministry of Housing and Local Government guidelines May 1963 (91202/2/76B); Cremation Society notes on the same subject, 1968; DOE Guidelines 1972 (LG6/232/36); and earlier drafts and comments

/10: Draft Bill to provide for the registration of funeral directors and for the purposes connected therewith, nd.

/11: Cremation Society objections and observations to the draft regulations under the Cremation Act, 1902

11 files

## Statutory forms for cremation

CRE/P/6/B c.1930-1966

B, C, F and A forms as printed for British Crematoria pursuant variously to the Regulations dated 1930, 1952 and 1965. Arranged alphabetically by name of crematorium, with several copies of each. Copies of forms other than B,C,F and A. Listed 1-26, by Cremation Society. Includes specimen Register sheets for both cremations and memorials.

1 file

## Parliamentary papers and official publications 1834-1987

CRE/P/6/C 1834-1987

50 published papers, bills and reports, arranged chronologically. Also includes a booklet from The Federation of British Cremation Authorities which includes Codes of Cremation Practice and the Charter for the Bereaved

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## Lectures, promotional activities, and background information

CRE/P/7 1850?-1999

Lectures, promotional activities, and background information collected and created by the Cremation Society through the course of their history

5 boxes

Entries have been separated into appropriate subseries. Files from the first accession appear in chronological order at the beginning of each subseries and the latest accruals have been added at the end of each sequence.

## Background information

CRE/P/7/A/1-12 [1885-1999]

12 files

CRE/P/7/A/1 1885-1969

Useful information for speakers on cremation, and replies to enquiries:

Synopsis on which a lecture or a series of lectures on cremation may be based

Notes for speakers on cremation

Chronological table (labelled "Information for graphs") of the number of cremations, crematoria, deaths, and percentage of deaths which were cremations, 1885-1957

Progress of cremation in Great Britain 1938-1956, table of the proportion of cremations in relation to deaths

Graph of new life members enrolled in the Cremation Society, 1908-1963, and of claims under the Society's cremation assurance scheme, 1943-1963, with note on verso of the number of claims in 1964-Feb 1965

Table of life members enrolled in the Cremation Society 1908-1958

Analysis of geographical distribution of life members of the Cremation Society, as at 19 April 1956

Notes on crematorium administration, layout and design

List of speakers on cremation design

List in chronological order of crematoria opened in Britain 1885-1969

List of crematoria erected in Britain 1954-1961, with costs

List of the world's crematoria, arranged by continent and then by country, with note "Correct 20/9/57"

Note on opening ceremonies for new crematoria

List of persons of note cremated in Britain up until 1931

List of well-known people who have addressed the Cremation Society's conferences

List of those who have acted as chairmen of sessions at the Cremation Society's annual conferences 1946-1958

List of papers read at the Cremation Society's annual conferences, 1946-1958

List of questions raised at the Cremation Society's annual conferences, 1948-1953

List of conference venues, 1922-1965, used for conferences of the Cremation Society and other cremationist bodies

"Code of cremation practice approved by the Federation of British Cremation authorities, 1945"

"Instructions for funeral directors approved by the Federation of British Cremation Authorities, 1945."

National Association of Funeral Directors publicity leaflets

Note on the lifting of restrictions on the cremation of Roman Catholics, with estimates of the number of Catholic cremations in 1964-1966

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CRE/P/7/A/2 [c.1960s?]

Notes and drafts for talks and lectures about the cremation movement in Britain and the Cremation Society, mostly by K.G.C. Prevette.

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CRE/P/7/A/3 [1980s?]

Notes about the history and future of the Cremation Society and chronologically arranged extracts from its minutes, compiled by K.G.C. Prevette for a talk to be given at a 1980 conference.

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CRE/P/7/A/4 1964 and 1970

Recollections and information on the history of the Cremation Society by George C. Noble, its former secretary, compiled in 1964 at the request of the then secretary, K.G.C Prevette. With, attached to Noble's recollections, notes of the speech made by Martin R. Smith, Chairman of the London Cremation Company, at the opening of the Golders Green Crematorium, 1902.

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CRE/P/7/A/5 1960-1970 1980

General information and conference papers including:

"The value of idealism in the cremation movement" a paper submitted to the ICF Congress held in Vienna in May 1966 by K.G.C. Prevette

Notes and information about the Cremation Society, their history, premises and the opening of Woking crematorium

"Cremation in Great Britain" a paper given by P.H. Jones to the Swedish Cremation Conference, Stockholm, 1963

"A short talk on Cremation" an introduction by Bert Britton, nd.

Information about Cremation from an Age Concern factsheet

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CRE/P/7/A/6 [1960-1980s]

Information and leaflets about Cremation and the Roman Catholic Church

1 file

CRE/P/7/A/7 [1960-1980s]

Information about Cremation, of particular interest is a poem by The Rt. Hon. the Earl of Verulam about Cremation and Burial Exhibitions; notes for speakers on cremation; draft for guidance on organising a funeral; information on the ICF Special Committee for Human Rights; "Crematorium Memorials" an article by W.J.S. Butler; shareholding and membership paperwork

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CRE/P/7/A/8 [1960s-1990s]

Information sheets and articles about various religious funeral services and customs. Services covered in detail include Christian, Hindu, Humanist and Secular.

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CRE/P/7/A/9 [1960-1990s]

Miscellaneous file of information about cremation and the Society including leaflets, reports and some correspondence. Of particular interest are letters sent between K.G.C. Prevette and Sir John Colville of the Churchill Centenary Trust regarding Churchill's interest in Cremation (12, 18 and 23rd July 1974).

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CRE/P/7/A/10 [1990s]

Miscellaneous file of information mainly in regards to environmental issues and funeral costs. Also includes Liberal Jewish Cremation Practices a conference paper and article by Rabbi Bernard Hooker

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CRE/P/7/A/11 [1990s]

Miscellaneous file of information about cremation in the United Kingdom, particularly with regards to Environmental Legislation. Includes one article about Japan

1 file

CRE/P/7/A/12 20th century

Notes for speakers on Cremation, prepared for conference speakers

1 file

CRE/P/7/A/13 1900-1984

Articles of Association and constitutional documents for related bodies includes:

The Federation of British Cremation Authorities' constitution, 1938 and 1946

The Federation of British Cremation Authorities' Code of Cremation Practice, 1980

The Federation of British Cremation Authorities' recommendations on the establishment of crematoria, 1965

The Federation of British Cremation Authorities' guidance on the minimum standards of practice and equipment in crematoria

An incomplete set of The Federation of British Cremation Authorities' Executive Committee Reports between 1965-1984

Memorandum and Articles of Association of The Cemeteries Association Limited, 1922

The London Cremation Company Memorandum and Articles of Association, 1900

Institute of Burial and Cremation Administration, Memorandum, Articles of Association and Bye-Laws, 1958

The Cremation Council of Great Britain's constitution, 1946

1 file

CRE/P/7/A/14-15 1889-1986

/14: Correspondence, information and papers about the founding figures in Cremation and the Cremation Society including Dr William Price and Dr Henry Thompson

General enquiries, correspondence and information about the founders of The Cremation Society, includes letters to the post office about commemorative stamps for centenary of the first cremation at Woking (1983)

2 files

CRE/P/7/A/16 1834

Burial places (Bills of Mortality) in the Diocese of London

1 file

## Biographical information

CRE/P/7/B [1930s]

/1: Biographical notes and cuttings relating to supporters of the cremation movement. Those chiefly covered are Edwin Chadwick (1800-1890), Rose Mary Crawshay, William Eassie (d. 1888), Rt. Hon. Robert Farquharson (born 1836), Ernest Hart, Rev. H.R. Haweis, Herbert T. Herring (born 1861), Rt. Hon. Walter Foster Ilkeston (d. 1913), John Cordy Jeafferson, Rev. Brooke Lambert (d. 1901), Rudolph Chambers Lehmann, Sir Lyon Playfair (1818-1898), John Everett Millais, William Robinson (1838-1935) of Gravetye Manor, East Grinstead, John Simon (1816-1904, Martin Ridley Smith (d. 1908), Swinburne-Hanham, Recorder of Faversham (born 1860), Sir John Tenniel, Sir Henry Thompson, Rev. Charles Voysey (d. 1912), and Sir Thomas Spencer Wells (1818-1897).

/2: P. Herbert Jones (1898-1973), Secretary of the Cremation Society: biographical information, recollections and letters of condolence on his death, and photographs of him.

2 files

## Lectures

CRE/P/7/C 1874-1995

7 files

*Related material in other DUL collections:* For related material see: CRE/C

CRE/P/7/C/1 1936-1937

Cremation Society lecture programme: lecturers' completed report forms on lectures delivered on behalf of the Society in 1936, applications for speakers and related correspondence 1939, and schedule of planned lectures for that autumn (mostly cancelled due to outbreak of war), and notes and correspondence about proposals to revive the lecture programme, 1947.

## CRE/P/7/C/2-7 [1930s-1990s]

Miscellaneous lectures, essays and reports, and working materials for lectures:

- “Why cremation should supersede earth burial in modern cities”, anonymous Cremation Society lecture.
- “Cremation v burial. Sentiment”, anonymous draft paper. Lecture on cremation and crematoria given at Leicester College of Art by Rev. David H. Bishop, A.R.I.B.A., 26 September 1968.
- “Some problems of the new cremation authorities”, draft address by Howard T. Burt to the annual Cremation Society conference, 1974. Duplicated typescript extracts about cremation practices in Java, Bali, India and Burma from Frank Hedges Butler's *Round the world* (1924).
- “Floral tribute problems: discussion between Mrs. Coleman, Mr. Carter & Mr. Prevette”.
- “Natural gas and the cremator”, paper by Dowson & Mason Ltd, 30 January 1967.
- “Save the land for the living”, project report by Ruth Marelyer Denton for a Health Visitor's examination, 1967.
- “Joint boards and joint committees for crematoria”, paper submitted by A. Glossop, Town Clerk of Altrincham, Cheshire, to the Altrincham, Bowdon, Hale and District Joint Cemetery Board. Closing address to the 1980 Cremation Society Conference, Brighton, by Lord Greenwood of Rossendale.
- “Cremation - a modern necessity”, address by Lord Horder to a meeting in connection with Health Week, Douglas, Isle of Man, 3 March 1939.
- “Investigation into actual condition relating to establishment of cremation facilities in Japan”, English translation of a report for the Japan Environmental Sanitation Center and Japan Facilities Establishing & Managing Association.
- “The problem of the disposition of the dead in crowded areas”, paper by P. Herbert Jones read at the Royal Institute of Public Health Conference, Norwich, 17 May 1934.
- “The public health aspect of the disposition of the dead”, draft lecture by P. Herbert Jones to be read at the students' reunion of the Morrison School of Embalming, Manchester, 25 July 1937, with related correspondence between Jones and the School attached.
- “Cremation and environment”, by J.P. Koster, technical adviser to the K.V.F.C.
- “Cremation in Hong Kong”, paper by John Sheung-Lee (Environmental Hygiene Assistant, Regional Services Department, Hong Kong), for presentation at the annual conference of the Cremation Society, Torquay, 1986.
- “The Catholic Church and cremation”, by Rev. J.F. McDonald.
- “The funerals and funeral profession”, paper by Dr. Franz Michelfeit, Vienna, translated from German.
- “A report on the funeral customs & costs in England”, by George A. Noble, Secretary of the Cremation Society, August 1926.
- “The attitude of the church towards cremation”, address by Bertram Pollock, Bishop of Norwich, at the Oxford Cremation Conference, 22 July 1938.

- "The value of idealism in the Cremation movement", paper by K.G.C. Prevette submitted to the International Cremation Congress in Vienna, May 1966, with a postscript note updating some statistics to 1971.
- "Guidelines for the new Roman Catholic funeral rite", by Tony Rogers, 1 July 1991.
- "Cremation and pacemakers", conference paper by Dr. H.A. Selling, 19 May 1978.
- "The French and the dead", conference paper by Jean Stoetzel, Monaco, 1980.
- "About a survey relating to the French and the death", conference paper by Professor Louis Vincent Thomas, Monaco, 1980.
- "The development of cremation in the Netherlands", conference paper by a representative of the Vereniging voor Facultatieve Crematie, 1973.
- "The Roman Catholic attitude towards cremation explained by a Roman Catholic", paper signed J.W., 8 August 1910, with footnotes by the secretary of the Cremation Society.
- "The passing of a famous novelist, Flora Annie Steel, 16th April 1929", an account of her cremation, by Mary Spalding Walker, with attached note "Reproduced in May Bulletin 1929 No 21" on letterhead of the Federation of Cremation Authorities in Great Britain.
- "The Aryan peoples and cremation. A tentative note", by Sidney F. Wicks. Memorial service address by Sidney F. Wicks, compiled for a service at Manchester Crematorium, 22 June 1940, with, attached, a printed order of service, and three leaves of quotations from various authors headed "A litany of life and death", also for use in the service.

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CRE/P/7/C/4 [1939] and nd.

- "The attitude of the Church towards Cremation" an address given by The Rt. Rev. The Lord Bishop of Norwich, K.C.V.O., D.D. at the Oxford Cremation Conference, 22nd July 1936
- Handwritten translation of an article about Incinerators by [Doctor Paul Cornet] chief doctor of the Prefecture de la' Seine, from D'Cornet, undated
- An report "Opinion of Mr. Meadow White" by Frederick Meadow White, 1874 and list of letters that outline public opinion to cremation

CRE/P/7/C/5 1979 and 1984

Papers delivered at Cremation Society's Annual Conferences in 1979 and 1984

- "Mortality projections and the future distribution of the elderly in England and Wales" by Mr. Frederick L. Ashwood, Statistician, Office of Population Censuses and Surveys, 1984
- "Electricity - Future Developments" by W.C. Dobie, The Electricity Council, July 1979

CRE/P/7/C/6 [c.1974?]

Handwritten and typescript draft material about the history of the Cremation Society and its development over a hundred years. The file is labelled '100 years' as a conference report to be checked by K.G.C. Prevette

CRE/P/7/C/7 1968, 1995 and nd.

Miscellaneous papers include:

General Secretary [K.G.C. Prevette?], "Siting and Planning of Crematoria", February, 1968

R.N. Arber, "A Brief Overview of the Funeral Industry in Great Britain", September, 1995

"An unabridged History of the International Cremation Federation", undated

Propaganda and advertisement

CRE/P/7/D 1920-1985

CRE/P/7/D/1 [1920-1930s?]

Cremation Society advertisements, information sheets and leaflets:

3 advertisements for the society, one marked *Church directory 1934*.

Duplicated reproduction of a letter from the Ministry of Health, 1926, confirming that urns of ashes may be interred in churchyards which have been closed to further burials.

*Cremation information*, issues for 1944, 1948, and 1951.

Cremation laws. General principles.

Cremation law and certification (chronological list of publications, 1949-1982).

*The Cremation Society of England*, brochure about the society, including sketch of proposed columbarium chapel in Westminster Abbey, and section on interment of ashes in churches and churchyards.

*Cemeteries or ... playing fields*

*Facts about cremation*

*What you should know about cremation*

*Why cremation*

*Cremation versus Burial: comparison of costs*

*Leading questions about cremation, 1939*

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CRE/P/7/D/2 1960-1968

Plans and correspondence about proposed films about cremation

1 file

CRE/P/7/D/3 [1962-1985]

Transcripts of miscellaneous television and radio broadcasts and one undated, including a talk entitled "The notorious Dr. William Price" on BBC Radio 4, 7 July 1974, by K.G.C. Prevette.

1 file

CRE/P/7/D/4 20th century

Leaflets and information sheets about the history of cremation in Great Britain

1 file

CRE/P/7/D/5 20th century

Leaflets and promotional material about cremation, crematoria and what to do when somebody dies

1 file