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Title:
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Date(s):
Created 1940, 1944, 1982

Level of description:
collection level

Extent and medium of the unit of description (quantity, bulk, or size):
4 files

Context

Administrative / Biographical history:
Born 1914; educated at Bedford School, Royal Military Academy, Woolwich and Jesus College, Cambridge; commissioned into the Corps of Royal Engineers, 1934; Lt, 1937; served in World War Two, 1939-1945; Adjutant to Commander Royal Engineers, 3 Div Royal Engineers, Belgium and France, 1940; temporary Capt, 1940-1942; General Staff Officer 2, War Office, 1941-1942; Capt, 1942; Bde Maj, 206 Infantry Bde, 1942; temporary Maj, 1942-1944; General Staff Officer 2, Junior Staff School, 1942-1943; Bde Maj, Army Group Assault Bde, 1943-1944; temporary Lt Col, 1944-1947; Senior Officer Royal Engineers 1, British Military Mission, Greece, 1945-1947; Maj, 1947; General Staff Officer 2, War Office, 1949-1952; General Staff Officer 1, Far East Land Forces, 1953-1955; Lt Col, 1955; Col, 1958; Assistant Adjutant General, Headquarters Scottish Command, 1958-1962; Brig, 1962; commanded Corps Royal Engineers, 1 British Corps, 1962-1965; Chief of Staff, Northern Ireland Command, 1965-1967; commanded Engineer Support Group, 1967-1969; Aide de Camp to the Queen, 1968-1969; retired 1969; Clerk to Dean and Chapter, Durham Cathedral, 1969; clerk to Lord Crewe Trustees, 1969; Vice President of St John's Ambulance Bde, County Durham; Deputy Lieutenant for County Durham, 1975; died 1982.

Immediate source of acquisition or transfer:
Presented to the Centre by the family in 1983.

Content & structure

Scope and content:
Copies of papers, 1940-1982, including narrative manuscript diary covering service with 3 Div Royal Engineers, Belgium and France, May-Jun 1940, with printed map entitled Lille-Ghent, North West Europe, sheet No 2, scale 1: 250, 000 (GSGS 4042, War Office, 1938); narrative manuscript diary covering service with 51 Highland Div Royal Engineers, North West Europe, Oct 1944 and Feb-May 1945, with typescript nominal roll of officers, list of casualties between Jun 1944 and May 1945, and typescript programme for the 51 Highland Div victory parade, Bremerhaven, Germany, May 1945; five printed maps of North West Europe entitled 'Brussels and Liege', 'Walcheren and Amsterdam', 'Osnabruck', 'Hamburg', 'Hannover' (no publication details or scale), with printed map of the Rhine entitled 'Outline of 51(H) Div RE plan, Operation PLUNDER', annotated with dispositions of Royal Engineers units for the Rhine crossing, 1945; correspondence with Maj Karol John Drewienkiewicz, 25 Field Sqn Royal Engineers, 1982, concerning operations of 3 Div Royal Engineers (May 1940); typescript text of lecture, given at Antwerp, 1982, on operations to clear the Scheldt Estuary, 1944.

System of arrangement:
4 files.

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**Existence and location of originals:**
King’s College London College Archives

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