P.180 Personal archives of Denis WINSTON [1908-1980] Professor of Town and Country Planning

Date Range:

1908-1981

Quantity:

6.49

shelf metres

Accessions:

1241

Administrative History:

Arthur Denis Winston was born on July 27th 1908 at Liverpool, England. After completing his studies in Architecture and Town and Country Planning at the Universities of Liverpool, England and Harvard, USA, Professor Winston gained practival experience with Messrs Lanchester and Lodge in London and with Harvey Wiley Corbett in New York City where he was engaged with preliminary drawings of the Rockefeller Centre.

He was awarded a Royal Institute of British Architects' Hunt Bursary and worked as a Senior Lecturer in Architecture at the Universities of Durham and Liverpool and Chief Architect to the Ministry of Health and Local Government in Northern Ireland.

After the bombing and destruction of the Central Area of Southhampton he was appointed Architect and Chief Planning Officer to the Southhampton County Borough where he was engaged in redevelopment and reconstruction, until his appointment to the Chair of Town and Country Planning at the University of Sydney in January 1949.

He died while on an academic assignment for the Faculty of Housing, Building and Planning at the Science University of Malaysia on the 19th May 1980.

See Biog 811 for detailed obituary.

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Previous Custodian:

Mrs Joan Winston

Series: 1 Date Range:

Personal Data 1908 - 1980

Accessions:

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Quantity: Item List:

0.04

Series Description:

There are 11 items in this series, which comprises personal data about Winston, both created by others and received by him, and also an autobiographical contribution. Items 1 - 5 consists of Winston's birth certificate, and of various forms of identification that were necessary in wartime Britain. Items 6 - 8 are passports issued to Winston over a period from 1929 to 1976, and give a good picture of his travels during this time. Item 9 contains various forms of Curriculum Vitae, used by Winston in applying for different positions, also entries for Who's Who. Item 10 is an autobiographical piece by Winston dating from 1942 to 1945, and which contains many names used by Winston to refresh his memory. It includes information that does not appear elsewhere. Item 11 are matriculation examination data completed by Winston when taking that examination in 1926.

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Series: 2

Degrees, Diplomas, Honours.

Date Range:

1925 - 1979

Accessions: 1241 Quantity: 0.30 Item List: n

Series Description:

This series contains 19 items, and is the evidence of Winston's achievements at school and university, and of Fellowships and other honours awarded to him. It commences with his School Certificate awarded in 1925, and ends with a Warrant of Appointment to the Order of the British Empire, which Winston received in 1979. In addition to his degrees from University of Liverpool and Harvard University, Winston received three fellowships relating to his professional life.

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Previous Custodian:

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Series: 3

Personal Documentation

Date Range:

1922 - 1973

Accessions:

1241

Quantity: Item List: 0.05

Series Description:

There are 5 items in this series, consisting of progress reports, references, positions held, job applications, financial miscellanea, and correspondence relating to the Commonwealth Fund.

Item 1 consists of results of courses taken, description of courses content, and an outline for Winston's M.A. degree at Harvard. Item 2 comprises references and appreciations of Winston, from 1929 to 1973, when he retired. Item 3 includes job applications, and descriptions of positions held between 1934 and 1948, and includes Winston's application for the Chair of Town and Country Planning, which he held from 1949 to 1973.

Included in this item is a very clear statement of his career up to that time. Item 4 consists of miscellaneous financial records, the major part of which refers to Winston's move to Australia in 1949. The last item in this series, item4, contains material relating to the Commonwealth Fund Fellowship that Winston won in 1932, and which was tenable at Harvard University from September 1932 to June 1934.

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Series: 4

Professional Organisations and Activities

Date Range:

1952 - 1958

Accessions:

1241 0.07

Quantity: Item List:

n.07

Series Description:

There are 7 items in this series, which relate to Winston's professional career as an architect and town planner. Item 1 refers to his career at the University of Sydney, in terms of his interests in the Chair of Town and Country Planning, rather than in the personal sense. Indeed, there is little of the personal in this item, and much of it has to do with advice sought and given during his occupancy of the Chair. Item 2 contains material relating to the Diploma of Town and Country Planning, as developed by Winston, who was the founding occupant of the Chair. Item 3 consists of correspondence and other records relating to the Town Planning Institute of South Australia. Winston appears to have had an interest in Adelaide as a "planned" city, and became involved with Adelaide planning at a later stage. Item 4 contains correspondence relating to the Australian Institute of Political Science, in whose summer schools Winston became involved for a while. Item 5 concerns the Civic Design Society, based at the University of New South Wales. It would appear that Winston became active in lobbying politicians under the auspices of the Society for a brief period. Item 6 comprises correspondence relating to the Australian Council for Balanced Development, a lobby group which attempted to persuade the federal government of the benefits of decentralisation, and which claimed some credit for the establishment of federal departments of urban and regional development in the 1970's. Item 7 in this series consists of correspondence with the Australian Academy of Technological Sciences, although the material is inconclusive as to the outcome.

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Series: 5

Diaries

Date Range:

1923 - 1980

Accessions: Quantity: 1241

Item List:

0.32

Series Description:

These diaries are a mixture of private and work desk records, and there is thus some duplication of years. There are 42 items in the series, and yet, given the time span of 57 years, are clearly not complete for the period.

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Previous Custodian:

Mrs Joan Winston

Series: 6

Correspondence relating to parents

Date Range:

1917 - 1952

Accessions:

1241

Quantity: Item List: 0.08 n

Series Description:

There are 6 items in this series, consisting of correspondence Winston conducted with his parents over a 30 year period, but also including letters recieved by Winston when his mother died in 1952. His father had died in 1941. It is apparent from the correspodence that Winston enjoyed a close and friendly relationship with his parents, and was in the habit of writing quite open and humourous letters to them, in particular his mother. The first item relates to the period fron 1917 to 1920, when Winston was between 9 and 12 years of age. Item 2 covers the period 1922 to 1951, and consists of letters written to his mother, although there are few of the early period, and by 1949 Winston was at University of Sydney as Professor. Item 3 comprises letters received from his father, but only over a one year time span. Item 4 contains letters written by Winston to both parents whilst at Harvard, and date from 1933 to 1934. These letters are quite descriptive of Harvard life. Item 5 comprises letters received from his mother in a period up to 1949. Most of the letters are not identified. Item 6 consists of letters received by Winston on the death of his mother in 1952. She had come to Australia in 1949, shortly after Winston's own arrival to take up his Chair. It is clear from the letters that a very close relationship existed between Winston and his mother. This series should be used in conjunction with series 7, which contains letters to parents whilst travelling overseas.

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Previous Custodian:

Mrs Joan Winston

Series: 7

Correspondence and other records relating to travel

Date Range:

1929 - 1939

Accessions: 1241 Quantity: 0.08

Item List:

n

Series Description:

There are 4 items in this series, and the first three consist of letters sent by Winston to his parents whilst travelling in the United States, Europe and Russia in the years from 1930 and 1939. The fourth item comprises other records relating to travel, such as loose diary entries, hotel bills, and itineraries. Winston's first overseas trip was to Italy in 1929, and the last in this series was to Yugoslavia, Switzerland, and across France. he had been trapped in Yugoslavia at the outbreak of war on 3 September 1939, and made his way through Italy to Switzerland, then across France and the Channel, arriving in Liverpool on 20 September 1939.

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Previous Custodian:

Mrs Joan Winston

Series: 8

Correspondence - General

Date Range:

1926 - 1980

Accessions:

1241

Quantity: Item List: 1.32

Series Description:

This series is the largest one in the record group, and covers a period from 1926, when Winston would have been 18, to the year of his death in 1980 at the age of 72. There are 45 items in the series, and items 42 to 45 consist of undated correspondence.

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Open

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Previous Custodian:

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Series: 9

School and University records

Date Range:

1916 - 1936

Accessions: 1241 Quantity: 0.16 Item List: n

Series Description:

11 items. 6 relate to school, one to Harvard, one as a Commonwealth Fellow and one to postgraduate work at the University of Liverpool in the Diploma of Civic Design.

Access:

open

Ownership:

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Previous Custodian:

Mrs Joan Winston

Series: 10

Public Talks and Addresses

Date Range:

1933 - 1978

Accessions: 1241 Quantity: Item List:

0.16

Series Description:

10 folders of public talks and addresses in relation to Urban Planning and Development.

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Previous Custodian:

Mrs Joan Winston

Series: 11

Consultancies

Date Range:

1950 - 1980

Accessions: 1241 0.48Quantity: Item List: n

Series Description:

33 items relating to consultancies made by Winston.

- 11/1 Snowy Mountains Authority, Aesthetics Committee, Correspondence and Minutes 1958 1966
- 11/2 Snowy Mountains Authority Consultancy Adaminaby 1953-1955
- 11/3 Snowy Mountains Authority Jindabyne Consultancy Correspondence
- 11/4 Snowy Mountains Authority Consultancy Jindabyne Report 1960
- 11/5 Eastern suburbs railway 1950
- 11/6 Commonwealth Department of Works 1955-1956
- 11/7 Bathurst Council 1956-1958
- 11/8 Council of the City of Orange correspondence 1955-1959
- 11/9 National Capitol Development Correspondence 1956-1965
- 11/10 North Sydney Planning correspondence 1959 1965
- 11/11 Church of England Property Trust Glebe Redevelopment Correspondence 1961-1965
- 11/12 St Marks Glebe, Randwick Correspondence 1965-1970
- 11/13 Tait Wilson and Reay Wooloomooloo Development Project Correspondence 1964-1976
- 11/14 State Planning Authority 1973-1974
- 11/15 City of Adelaide Development Victoria Square Project Correspondence 1969-1973
- 11/16 Adelaide City Development Plan 1971-1973
- 11/17 Appeal by the Pirie Street Methodist Mission Inc 1973-1977
- 11/18 Castle Hill Parkes Development 1973-1974
- 11/19 Weerona Railway Station Woollahra 1970
- 11/20 Australian Gas Light Company Correspondence 1971-1972
- 11/21 Archdiocese of Sydney Project 1969-1971
- 11/22 UN Technical Assistance Administration 1951-1955
- 11/23 UN Technical Assistance Egypt Correspondence 1953-1960
- 11/24 UN Technical Assistance mission to Egypt Report 1956
- 11/25 UN Project Manila 1963-1973
- 11/26 UN Project Singapore 1968-1971
- 11/27 Australian National University Site Development Correspondence 1954-1960
- 11/28 Australian National University Site Development Correspondence 1963-1972
- 11/29 Australian National University Site Consultants Draft Report 1955
- 11/30 Australian National Unviersity Site Development Proposals Final Report 1955
- 11/31 Australian National University and its development 1954-1968
- 11/32 Australian National University Draft Site Planning Report 1969
- 11/33 University Sains Malaysia 1978-1980

Access:

open

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Previous Custodian:

Mrs Joan Winston

Series: 12

Architectural competitions

Date Range:

1959 - 1971

Accessions:

1241

Quantity: Item List: 0.08 n

Series Description:

12/1 Sydney Cove Project - Correspondence 1961-1964

12/2 Sydney City Council, Strategic Plan, January 1971

12/3 Martin Place Redevelopment Proposals

12/4 St Andrews College - Fellows Garden

12/5 Competition for Design of Fountain

12/6 Council of the Municipality of Ryde Civic Centre 1959-1960

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Previous Custodian:

Mrs Joan Winston

Series: 13

Correspondence with Federal and NSW Government

Date Range:

1949 - 1975

Accessions:

1241

Quantity: Item List: 0.08

Series Description:

13/1 National Capitol Development Corrrespondence 1951-1971 13/2 State Government of NSW Correspondence 1949-1959 13/3 State Government of NSW 1960-1975

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Previous Custodian:

Mrs Joan Winston

Series: 14

Research Reports, Technical Committees and Lecture Tours

Date Range:

1949 - 1975

Accessions: 1241 Quantity: 0.12

1241

Item List:

0.12 n

Series Description:

14/1 Decentralisation in Australia 1954

14/2 Carnegie Research Grants 1954

14/3 Study Leave Report 1963

14/4 Typescript articles 1950-1974

14/5 Proposed publication "Cities in Crisis" 1969 - 1973

15/6 Lecture tour - Hobart, Tasmania

15/7 Lecture tour - Launceston, Tasmania Correspondence 1968-1971

15/8 R.A.I.A. - Civic Design Award Jury - 1965-1966

15/9 National Trust - 1949-1975

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Previous Custodian:

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Series: 15

Professional seminars and conferences

Date Range:

1948 - 1975

Accessions:

1241

Quantity:

0.08

Item List:

Series Description:

Papers written for various seminars and conferences.

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Previous Custodian:

Mrs Joan Winston

Series: 16

Printed publications/reprints

Date Range:

1906 - 1972

Accessions:

1241

Quantity: Item List: 0.08 n

Series Description:

21 items

Access:

Open

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Previous Custodian:

Mrs Joan Winston

Series: 17
Date Range:

Photographs 1915 - 1977

Accessions:

1241

Quantity:

0.64 n

Item List:

Series Description:

16 images of Denis Winston (1915-1960)

4 of D.W. and parents (N.D.)

6 images of parents and grandparents (1940-1943)

3 images of D.W and wife

15 images of D.W. and?

10 images of Joan Winston (1950-1961)

10 images of ? (1966)

27 not identified N.D.

4 negs ANU? (1966)

(95 images)

17/12 (1928-37) 46 prints (21 Architecture drawings: 25?

17/13 (1932-34) 204 prints

17/14 (1934) 68 prints

17/15 (1934) 178 prints

17/16 (1936) 149 prints

17/16 (1936 - 39) 139 prints

17/17 (1936-39) 143 prints

17/18 (1923-39) 491 prints

17/19 (1955-74) 80 prints

(1498 images)

1498 + 95= 1593 images

Total: 1498 + 95= 1593 images

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Previous Custodian:

Mrs Joan Winston

Series: 18

Miscellaneous Record Items

Date Range:

1906 - 1972

Accessions: 1241 Quantity:

0.64

Item List:

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Series Description:

18/1 Motoring Log book 1924 - 1927

18/2 Travel Book N.D.

18/3 Address Book N.D.

18/4 Scrap Book 1935 - 1937

18/5 Scrap Book 1937 - 1945

18/6 Drawing Book N.D.

18/7 Legal documents relating to D.W.'s family 1935-1941

18/8 Drawing relating to ???? 1934

18/9 Newspaper cuttings 1934 - 1975

18/10 Miscellanea 1918 - 1950

18/11 Letters received Joan Winston re death of D.W. 1980

18/12 Letters received by Joan Winston from the University Sains Malaysia 1980-1981