

## P.015 Personal Archives of Herbert Ian Priestley HOGBIN

*Date Range:* 1926-1983

*Quantity:* 4.1 shelf metres

### *Administrative History:*

Herbert Ian Hogbin was born on 17 December 1904.

Hogbin attended the University of Sydney as an undergraduate and was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1926, in the following year he was awarded the Diploma in Education. In 1928 he completed a Master of Arts degree in Anthropology (Sociology and Linguistics) and in 1931, whilst on a Rockefeller Foundation Fellowship, attended the University of London and completed a Doctor of Philosophy (Anthropology).

Whilst in London the University of Sydney offered Hogbin the position of Acting Lecturer in Anthropology, he accepted and commenced lectures in August 1931. An Australian National Research Council Grant enabled him to undertake anthropological research in the Solomon Islands during 1933; Hogbin's previous anthropological expeditions included Rennell Island (1927) and Ongtong-Java (1928-29).

From 1934-1935 he undertook an expedition to New Guinea and returned to the University as lecturer from 1 June 1936.

In 1942 Hogbin was appointed as a member of the Prime Minister's Committee on National Morale, he and Professor Wright from University of Melbourne undertook a trip to northern Queensland in January 1943 to investigate the impact of troops on civilian life. Copies of their report are included in these papers (see P.015/7).

From 1943 to 1946 Hogbin was again on leave from the University. In 1943 he was granted leave by Senate to take up a request from Sir Philip Mitchell, High Commissioner for the Western Pacific, to assist in the rehabilitation of the Solomon Islanders after disruption from military operations, during this time he was a Captain in the British Solomons Island Defence Force. In January 1944 he was formally signed up as a member of the Australian Defence Forces and attached to the Research Directorate, LHQ, Melbourne. Hogbin was discharged from the army in early 1946; he took some of his accumulated leave before returning to the University in April. Whilst on leave during the 1946-47 long vacation Hogbin revisited New Guinea. On this occasion he was invited by the Administrator, Colonel Murray, to undertake research to assist in the establishment of native government.

In April 1948 Senate granted Hogbin 12 months leave to enable him to accept a Travelling Fellowship of the Australian National University. In the following month the Senate also approved his promotion to the grade of Reader in Anthropology in the Faculty of Arts.

In late 1952 Hogbin again applied for extended (12 months) sabbatical leave to date from September 1953; he had been invited by the University of Birmingham to deliver the Josiah Mason Memorial Lectures in October and November 1953; the remaining time was to be spent on his next publication. Senate approved his application in October 1952.

In 1958 Hogbin was appointed Acting Professor in charge of the Department of Anthropology and Acting Head of Department from September 1960.

During 1961 Hogbin again took sabbatical leave. He was based at the London School of Economics where he attended various seminars, he also visited other Universities and completed the manuscript of a book, Kinship and Marriage in a New Guinea Village. On his return he was appointed Acting Professor in the Department of Anthropology. Hogbin was granted leave from December 1968 to

September 1969 for travel to the United Kingdom and work on a book "on the religious systems of primitive people". Whilst in the UK Hogbin was elected an Honorary Fellow of the Royal Anthropological Institute of Great Britain.

Hogbin was appointed an Honorary Associate in the Department of Anthropology in November 1969, this appointment was renewed in subsequent years. In the following month he retired from the University.

In 1983 the Senate invited Hogbin to accept the honorary degree of Doctor of Letters.

Hogbin has an extensive and impressive list of publications to his credit, included in these papers is a Bibliography of his works compiled in 1970 (See P.015/11). As well as publishing books Hogbin also contributed as writer and assistant-editor to *Oceania* a journal of the University of Sydney.

***Sources:***

Connell, Sherington, et al, Australia's First, A History of the University of Sydney 1940-1990, Vol 2, University of Sydney, 1995

Whyte, J.P., A Bibliography of the Works of H. Ian Hogbin. University of Sydney Library, 1970 G.3/187 Hogbin, H. I. P.

***Related Records:***

P.122 Camilla Wedgwood Papers

P.130 Elkin Papers

## P.15 HERBERT IAN PRIESTLEY HOGBIN

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### SERIES LIST

NO:	TITLE:	DATE RANGE:
1.	Field Note Books and Diaries	1927-1974
2.	Field Note Books - Busana	1944-1948
3.	Busana - Miscellaneous Records	1943-?
4.	Guadalcanal - Longgu	1933
5.	Lecture Notes	1932-1977
6.	Ongtong Java - Notes and Manuscript	n.d
7.	Reports	1943-1944
8.	Lecture Notes - Anthropology and German	1926-1927
9.	Wogeo, New Guinea - Miscellaneous Records	1934
10.	Correspondence	1929-1982
11.	Miscellaneous Records and Objects	1926-1983
12.	Photographs - prints and negatives	1927-1945

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Series 1 Field Note Books and Diaries

Date Range: 1927 - 1974

*Accessions:*

*Quantity:* 0.10

*Item List:* No

***Series Description:***

This series of note books and diaries includes Hogbin's observations, sketches, etc about the people and places he visited from 1927 to 1974, including Luanua, Pelau, Guadalcanal and Florida.

Many of the note books are numbered and most are identified by location and date. The diary entries are dated whilst the entries in the field books are not. It has been noted on one of the boxes that the early note books are missing.

Items numbered 31-52 and the last three unnumbered note books previously formed part of Accession 707 Boxes 1-3.

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# UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY ARCHIVES - ITEM LIST

**GROUP NO:** P.015      **SERIES NO:** 1      **TITLE:** Field Note Books and Diaries

**BOX NO:**    **ITEM NO:**    **CONTENTS:**

- |    |       |   |
|----|-------|---|
| 1. | 4     | Lord Howe - 04/01/28                              |
|    | 5     | Lord Howe - 23/01/28                              |
|    | 6     | Luaniua - 29/05/28                                |
|    | 7     | Luaniua - 23/06/28                                |
|    | 8     | Pelau - 23/07/28                                  |
|    | 9     | Luaniua - 16/09/28                                |
|    | 10    | Luaniua - Subsidiary Notes                        |
|    | 11    | Luaniua - Technology Book                         |
|    | 21    | Tetekantzi - 26/01/33                             |
|    | 29    | Solomons - Literature, Notes, etc                 |
|    | 31-35 | Malu'u - from 10/07/33-                           |
| 2  | 36-37 | Malu'u - to 30/10/33                              |
|    |       | Malu'u - two indexes                              |
|    | 41-52 | Wogeo - 17/03/34- 18/12/74                        |
| 3  |       | Diary - Luaniua and Lord Howe - 03/11/27-27/11/28 |
|    |       | Diary II - Luaniua - 27/05/28-27/11/28            |
|    |       | Song Book   |
|    |       | Question Book                                     |
|    |       | Question Book - Longgu                            |
|    |       | Question Book - Wogeo                             |
|    |       | Wogeo - Index                                     |
|    |       | Unknown location - Notebook                       |
|    |       | Guadalcanal and Florida - ?1942                   |
|    |       | Diary - Wogeo - 1934                              |
|    |       | Solomons - 1943                                   |
|    |       | New Guinea(?) - 13/12/74-07/01/25                 |

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Series 2 Field Note Books - Busana

Date Range: 1944 - 1948

*Accessions:*

*Quantity:* 0.10

*Item List:* No

***Series Description:***

This series relates to Hogbin's visit to Busama which lies on the Huon Gulf, north coast of New Guinea. There are 25 numbered note books and 5 unnumbered note books. The unnumbered note books are titled: Busama, Questions, Questions II, Questions 3 and Bibliography.

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Series 3 Busana - Miscellaneous Records

Date Range: 1943 - ?

*Accessions:*

*Quantity:* 0.10

*Item List:* No

***Series Description:***

This series relates to Hogbin's visit to Busama which lies on the Huon Gulf, on the north coast of New Guinea. There are six items of different formats.

1. Diary 1943-1945
2. Busamang Index 2
3. Working notes
4. Notes etc Book 3
5. Maps
6. Negatives - 5 rolls

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Series 4 Guadalcanal - Longgu

Date Range: 1933 -

*Accessions:*

*Quantity:* 0.10

*Item List:* No

***Series Description:***

This series relates to Hogbin's travels in Guadalcanal and includes 7 note books numbered 22-28, an index to the note books and a book on Genealogies.

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Series 5 Lecture Notes

Date Range: 1932? - 1977

*Accessions:*

*Quantity:* 0.10

*Item List:* Yes

***Series Description:***

This series contains Hogbin's lecture notes. The notes are arranged predominantly into geographical areas, however some are subject files and one file contains newspaper and journal clippings relating to various areas and subjects. Most of the notes are undated.

Items in Box 9 were previously held at Accession 707 Boxes 3-4. See item list for more details.

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**GROUP NO:** P.015

**SERIES NO:** 5

**TITLE:** Lecture Notes

**BOX NO: CONTENTS:**

7. Polynesia  
Central Polynesia  
Tahiti Marquesas  
Eskimos  
Polynesia "A"  
Polynesia "B"  
Archaeology  
Evolution
8. Nuer  
Old Notes - Evolution of Man, Race, Introduction to Society  
Nyakusa  
Newspaper and Journal Clippings (2 files)  
Kwakuitt, Kingit and Haida Indians  
Borneo  
Fiji  
Ifugao  
Marquesas  
Lepchas  
Peasants of Central China  
Sumatra (including Achehnese)  
Khoisan Peoples  
Azande  
Pondu  
Course 1 - Chukchee  
Ba - Ila  
The Nagus  
Course 1 - East Africa  
Bantu of South Africa
9. Economics and Politics  
Kinship  
General Social Anthropology  
Study of Society  
Melanesia  
Study Guide Material (Macquarie University School of Behavioural Science)

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Series 6 Ongtong Java - Notes and Manuscript

Date Range: n.d - n.d

*Accessions:*

*Quantity:* 0.10

*Item List:* No

***Series Description:***

This series contains Hogbin's notes and draft manuscript for a thesis on Ongtong Java. The items are arranged in chapter order and then by subject. There are a number of draft versions of the Introduction. The folders have been retained in their original order.

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**GROUP NO:** P.015

**SERIES NO:** 6

**TITLE:** Ongtong Java - Notes and  
Manuscript

**BOX NO:     CONTENTS:**

10.           Introduction "A"  
              Chapter 1 - "The People of Ongtong Java"  
              Chapter 2 - "The Kinship System"  
              Chapter 3 - "The Joint Family"  
              Chapter 4 - "The People Day by Day"  
              Chapter 7 - "Priests and Kings"  
              Chapter 8 - "Mythology"  
              Chapter 9 - "The Temples"  
              Chapter 12 - "The Annual Festivals"  
              Chapter 13 - "Casual Ceremonies and the Priests"  
              Chapter 14 - "Initiation and Funeral Ceremonies by Priests"  
              Chapter 15 - "Occasional Ceremonies"  
              Chapter 17 - "Folk Tales"  
              Chapter 18 - "Economics"  
              Chapter 19 - "Interpretation of the Myths"  
              "A Brief Summary of the Proposed Conclusion of this Thesis"  
              Rough Work Book, "Genealogies and Rough Grammar"
- 11            Loose Papers  
              Introduction "C"  
              Introduction - draft  
              "Death and Illness"  
              Introduction "D"  
              General Index  
              Loose Papers  
              "Property"  
              "The Linguists of Ongtong Java"  
              "The Maakua"  
              "Food"  
              "The House, The Village and Daily Habits"  
              "Relationships and Function of the Relatives"  
              "Marriage, Birth, Adultery and Divorce, Relations between Sexes"  
              Introduction "B"  
              Chapter 7 - "Mythology"

## Correlated Index (2 files)

"Songs"

"Tapu Food and Songs"

"Nganguruku"

"Appearance, Tattooing, Clothing, Ornaments, Miscellaneous"

"The Heku'u"

"Technology"

"Fishing, Coconuts, The Garden"

"The Kibua"

"Genealogies"

"Tattooing"

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Series 7 - Reports

Date Range: 1943 - 1944

*Accessions:*

*Quantity:* 0.02

*Item List:* No

***Series Description:***

Box List:

1. Civilian Morale In Queensland, 01/02/43 (2 copies)

Report by Dr R. D. Wright, Professor of Physiology in the University of Melbourne, and Dr Ian Hogbin, Lecturer in Anthropology in the University of Sydney, to Major A. A. Conlon, Chairman of the Prime Minister's Committee on National Morale.

2. Native Administration in Big Gela and Olevuga-Vatila Sub-Districts, Florida, Solomon Islands, October 1943.

Report to Colonel O. C. Noel, Resident Commissioner, B.S.I.P.

3. Investigation of Native Labour In New Guinea, 1944 (4 versions)

Carried out on instruction from the Director of Research by Lieutenant-Colonel Ian Hogbin during the period March to June 1944.

4. Natives of the Salamaua Coast, 1944

A preliminary report by Lieutenant-Colonel Ian Hogbin forwarded to Brigadier Cleland, Angau HQ, for perusal and despatch to the Director of Research, L.H.Q, and comments from Colonel Murray.

5. Report of Committee Appointed by the Minister for External Territories, "Compensation to the Natives of Papua and New Guinea for War Injuries and War Damage" (July, 1945).

Chairman: Mr John V. Barry, K.C.; Members: Lt.-Col. H. Ian Hogbin, Major J. L. Taylor.

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Series 8 Lecture Notes - Anthropology and German

Date Range: 1926 - 1927

*Accessions:*

*Quantity:* 0.08

*Item List:* No

***Series Description:***

This series consists of three books containing notes taken by Hogbin during lectures at the University of Sydney. Two items are notes from lectures delivered by Professor Radcliffe-Brown in Anthropology and the third item contains notes from German lectures by Mr Triebel.

1. Anthropology I - Lectures delivered by Radcliffe-Brown, 1926
2. Anthropology II - Primitive Sociology - Lectures delivered by Radcliffe-Brown, 1927
3. German - Mr Triebel, 1927

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Series 9 Wogeo, New Guinea - miscellaneous records

Date Range: 1934 -

*Accessions:* 707

*Quantity:* 0.10

*Item List:* No

***Series Description:***

This series of records relate to Hogbin's studies of Wogeo, an island in New Guinea. Previously these items were contained in Accession 707 Boxes 3 and 4.

Box list:

1. Notes, vocabulary
2. Notes on languages of Wogeo and Manam
3. Cave Rubbings, 1934
4. Map
5. Notes (?references to Wogeo notebooks)
6. Kokwals (2 files)

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Series 10 Correspondence

Date Range: 1929 - 1982

*Accessions:*

*Quantity:* 0.02

*Item List:* No

***Series Description:***

This series consists of correspondence with various people. All correspondence (except first 3 items listed below) was previously held at Accession 707 Boxes 7 and 10.

Box 15:

Professor A. P. Elkin 1933-1934

Rockefeller Foundation, re Hogbin's Fellowship 1929-1930

University of Sydney - appointment, leave, etc 1929-1949

Letters sent to Mrs E. F. Hogbin (mother) 1953-1954

Letters sent to Miss Turner Shaw 1948-1949

Miscellaneous:

Letter to Editor Sydney Morning Herald 1946

Letter from Mr Gough Whitlam 1973

Letters received from Papua New Guinea 1964-1982  
(7 folders plus one folder of undated letters)

Letters received from Solomon Islands 1934

Box 16:

Letters sent to Dorothy Rhodes Taylor 1927-1936

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Series 11 Miscellaneous Records and Objects

Date Range: 1926 - 1983

*Accessions:* 707

*Quantity:* 0.01

*Item List:* No

***Series Description:***

This series of documents and objects contains records created by Hogbin, medals and testamurs presented to him and a bibliography of his works.

Drawing for Bookplate

?Malaita/Rennell notes, ?field book references

Note Book 1948-1949 - Contains index entries and page numbers

Notes "Manam Camilla Wedgwood" and "List of Houses and Householders Luaniua Village"

Book Reviews for "Law and Order in Polynesia", 1934

"Kookaburra" Magazine of the Sydney Teachers' College, Dec 1926 - See pp 24-26, 30, 32

Hogbin Genealogy - Correspondence, Photographs, Family trees, Newspaper clippings

Notes on European Cathedrals

Bibliography of the Works By H. Ian Hogbin - Compiled by Jean P. Whyte, University of Sydney Library, May 1970

"Anthropology in Administration in the Pacific - The Work of Dr Ian Hogbin in the Solomons"

Paper by Wilson Ifunaoa for Applied Anthropology

Medals:

Rivers Memorial Medal, Royal Anthropological Institute of Great Britain and Ireland, presented for Anthropological Field-Work in Ontong Java, 1946

The Wellcome Medal, Royal Anthropological Institute of Great Britain and Ireland

Testamurs:

University of London - Doctor of Philosophy (Anthropology), 15/07/31 (letter accompanying, dated 16/07/31)

University of Sydney, Master of Arts, 12/08/29

University of Sydney, Diploma of Education, 30/04/27

University of Sydney, Bachelor of Arts, 24/04/26

Certificates:

Appointment as Lieutenant in Reserve Military Forces, 04/05/44

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Series 12 Photographs

Date Range: 1927 - 1945

*Accessions:* 707

*Quantity:* 0.40

*Item List:* Yes

***Series Description:***

This series consists of negatives and prints from Hogbin's field trips, many of the images have been reproduced in his publications. Most of the negatives are identified and arranged in numbered bundles or albums. The prints are not always identified and are less methodically arranged.

Some images were accessioned in 1980 - see Gift and Deposit Register entries 1/111, 1/195, 1/200.

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**SERIES NO:** 12

**TITLE:** Photographs

<b>BOX NO:</b>	<b>ITEM NO:</b>	<b>CONTENTS:</b>	<b>DATE RANGE:</b>
18.	1.	Busama, Papua New Guinea - negatives	1930s
	2.	Wogeo, Papua New Guinea - negatives	1934
19.	3	Ongtong Java - negatives	1927-1928
	4	Rennell Island - negatives	1927
20.	5	Longgu "B" - negatives	1933
	6	Longgu and Nangali - negatives	1933
	7	Solomon Islands, Wogeo, War and Tropical Diseases - negatives	1930s
	8	Malaita - negatives	1933
	9	Miscellaneous Negatives	1933-1945
21.	10	Solomon Islands - prints and strip negatives	1933-1944
	11	Miscellaneous Negatives	1933-1945
22.	12	Busama, Papua New Guinea - prints	1930s
	13	Papua New Guinea - prints	1943-1944
23.	14	Wogeo, Papua New Guinea - prints	1934
*	15	One bundle of mounted prints	1930s