ICS 87

Tinker papers

SUMMARY GUIDE

Repository	GB 101 Institute of Commonwealth Studies
Reference code	ICS 87
Date of accumulation of material	1965-1982
Level od description	Collection
Extent	6 boxes
Name of creator	Professor Hugh Russell Tinker

Biographical history

Hugh Russell Tinker was born in 1921 in Essex, and educated in Taunton School and Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge. He served in the Indian Army 1941-1945, and was then employed in the Indian civil administration until 1946. Thereafter he followed an academic career as a historian, as Lecturer, Reader and Professor at the School of Oriental and African Studies, 1948-1969; Director of the Institute of Race Relations, 1970-1972; Senior Fellow at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies, 1972-1977; and Professor of Politics, University of Lancaster, 1977-1982, of which he was Emeritus Professor until his death. In addition, he held brief overseas professorships, at Rangoon in 1954-1955, and Cornell, USA, 1959. As an active member of the Liberal Party, Tinker stood as a candidate in general elections, for Barnet in 1964 and 1966; and for Morecambe and Lonsdale in 1979. He was involved in the party's immigration and race relations panel in the early 1970s. He was also Vice-President of the Ex-Services Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament. Tinker wrote numerous books, mainly on topics reflecting his academic interests: the history and politics of the Indian subcontinent, and Indians overseas. His publications included: The Foundations of Local Self-Government in India, Pakistan and Burma (1954); The Union of Burma: A Study of the First Years of Independence (1957); India and Pakistan: A Political Analysis (1962); Ballot Box and Bayonet: People and Government in Emergent Asian Countries (1964); Reorientations: Studies on Asia in Transition (1965); South Asia: A Short History (1966); Experiment with Freedom: India and Pakistan 1947 (1967); (Ed) Henry Yule: Narrative of the Mission to the Court of Ava in 1855 (1969); A New System of Slavery: The Export of Indian Labour Overseas 1830-1920 (1974); Separate and Unequal: India and the Indians in the British Commonwealth 1920-1950 (1976); The Banyan Tree: Overseas Emigrants from India, Pakistan and Bangladesh (1977); Race, Conflict and the International Order: From Empire to United Nations (1977); The Ordeal of Love: CF Andrews and India (1979); A Message from the Falklands: The Life and Gallant Death of David Tinker (1982); (Ed) Burma: The Struggle for Independence (1983-1984); Men who Overturned Empires: Fighters, Dreamers, Schemers (1987); Viceroy: Curzon to Mountbatten (1997). A Message from the Falklands was based on the letters of Tinker's son David, who was killed there while serving as a lieutenant on HMS. Hugh Tinker died in 2000, survived by his wife Elizabeth and their two elder sons.

Archival history

The papers were created and kept by Hugh Tinker. They were donated to ICS via his son, Mark Tinker, in 1992

Scope and content

Papers of Professor Hugh Russell Tinker, historian: predominantly research notes and drafts of books published between 1974 and 1982 (A New System of Slavery; Separate and Unequal: The Banyan Tree; Race, Conflict and International Order; The Ordeal of Love; and A Message from the Falklands). Also included are some papers relating to Tinker's involvement with the Immigration and Race Relations Panel of the Liberal Party, and to his directorship of the Institute of Race Relations.

System of arrangement

The original files have been grouped into series relating to each publication, together with further series of files concerning race relations, and published copies of Tinker's work

Access	Open
Copyright/copying conditions	Usual conditions
Language	English
Finding aids	A descriptive list is available in ICS Library
Directly related material at ICS	The published copies of Tinker's books are available in ICS Library
Date of description	17 Aug 2000

DESCRIPTIVE LIST

ICS 87/1	Files relating to 'A New System of Slavery: The Export of Indian Labour Overseas 1830-1920'	1972-1974
ICS 87/1/1	File of research notes for the book, marked 'First Phase 1830-1870'	c.1973-1974
	Includes an original printed copy of 'An Act for regulating the Emigration of the Native Inhabitants of the Territories under the Government of the East India Company to the Island of Mauritius', 1842; and an original manuscript list of emigrant ships despatched to Mauritius, 1854, with covering letter to the Colonial Secretary, Mauritius	
	1 file	

ICS 87/1/2	File of research notes for the book, covering the period c.1870-c.1900	c.1973-1974
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ICS 87/1/3	File of research notes for the book, marked 'last phase' and covering the period c.1900-c.1920	c.1973-1974
	1 file	
ICS 87/1/4	Typescript draft of the book	c.1974
	1 file	
ICS 87/1/5	Typescript draft of the book, and correspondence with publishers	1972-1974
	1 file	
ICS 87/2	Files relating to 'Arthur Phayre in Mauritius, 1874- 1878: Social Policy and Economic Reality' and 'Separate and Unequal: India and the Indians in the British Commonwealth 1920-1950'	1974-1976
ICS 87/2/1	File containing research notes on and drafts of 'Arthur Phayre in Mauritius, 1874-1878' and research notes on 'Separate and Unequal', together with correspondence with publishers on these and other works	c.1974-c.1976
	1 file	
ICS 87/2/2	Draft of 'Separate and Unequal'	c.1975
	1 file	
ICS 87/2/3	Draft of 'Separate and Unequal'	c.1975
	1 file	
ICS 87/2/4	Proof copy of 'Separate and Unequal'	c.1976
	1 file	
ICS 87/3	Files relating to 'The Banyan Tree: Overseas Emigrants from India, Pakistan and Bangladesh'	c.1974-1976
ICS 87/3/1	File of correspondence with publishers, research notes and other documents, predominantly relating to 'The Banyan Tree'	c.1974-1976
	1 file	
ICS 87/3/2	First draft of 'The Banyan Tree' 1 file	c.1975

ICS 87/4	Files relating to 'Race, Conflict and the International Order: From Empire to United Nations'	1975-1976
ICS 87/4/1	File of correspondence with publishers, research notes and other documents relating to the book	1975-1976
	1 file	
ICS 87/4/2	Typescript draft of the book	c.1976
	1 file	
ICS 87/5	Files relating to 'The Ordeal of Love: CF Andrews and India'	c.1978-1979
ICS 87/5/1	Typescript draft of the book	c.1978
	1 file	
ICS 87/5/2	Proof copy of the book	1979
	1 file	
ICS 87/6	File relating to 'A Message from the Falklands: The Life and Gallant Death of David Tinker'	c1982
ICS 87/6/1	Rough draft of the book, comprising typescript trancripts of David Tinker's letters, with some linking passages	c.1982
	1 file	
ICS 87/7	Miscellaneous files concerning race relations	c.1967-1973
	Some relate to Tinker's involvement with the Liberal Party; others date from his directorship of the Institute of Race Relations	
ICS 87/7/1	Papers relating to the Immigration and Race Relations Panel of the Liberal Party, including minutes of meetings, reports and related papers	1971-1973
	1 file	
ICS 87/7/2	Papers relating to Racial Harmony International, an organisation of which Tinker was the first President, and miscellaneous reports and articles predominantly on race relations, mostly by Tinker	c.1967-1971
	1 file	

ICS 87/7/3	Papers for a conference on the impact of minority demands on British and US institutions, held at the Institute of Race Relations	1971
	1 file	
ICS 87/7/4	Papers given at a conference at the Institute of Race Relations, on the future direction of research on racism	1972
	1 file	
ICS 87/7/5	Transcripts of talks given by Tinker on BBC Radio, on various aspects of international and race relations, some broadcast as part of the series 'Personal View'	1968-1969
	1 file	
ICS 87/8	Published copies of Tinker's works	1965-1970
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