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## Preface

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## Introduction

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Edith Jackson

(d. 2004)

1948-1949      Mistress, Girls Training College, Omdurman

1950-1953      Headmistress, Tonj Girls' School

### Accession details

Presented by Miss Jackson, 1993

### Arrangement

1. Official Papers

2. Personal Papers

3. Photographic Material

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## 1. Official Papers

SAD.769/14/1-6 1951

Copy of the first annual report of Tonj Girls' School, Bahr al-Ghazal, 1950-1951, containing information on staff, early difficulties with discipline, health, progress in lessons, organisation of the school, buildings and equipment. Includes some additional comments by E. Jackson, written in 1989

SAD.769/14/7-8 1950

Nominal roll of girls at Tonj Girls' School, 1950 entry, from Tonj, Tonj District, Gogrial District, Aweil District, Bor District, Rumbek District, Yirol District and Shambe

## 2. Personal Papers

SAD.769/14/9-54 1948 Jan 14 - 1951 Feb 12

Ts copies of letters home in diary form, covering the journey to the Sudan, work at the Girls' Training College Omdurman, Atar School, Upper Nile Province and Tonj Girls' School, Bahr al-Ghazal and an inspection tour of schools in Blue Nile Province:

SAD.769/14/9-13 1948 Jan 14-26

Account of the journey by sea from Southampton to the Gulf of Suez on board the *Empire Ken*

SAD.769/14/14-15 1948 Jan 28-30

First impressions; the journey by train to Khartoum

SAD.769/14/16-24 1948 Feb 7 - May 11

At the Girls' Training College, Omdurman. Inspection of a *kuttab*, founded by Sayyid `Abd al-Rahman al-Mahdi; visit to the *suq*; teaching handicrafts to women who have had no schooling; picnic for Khartoum and Omdurman girl guides; description of area between her home and the Nile; diet; entrance examinations; problems caused by marriages of female teaching staff; inspection of *kuttab*; visit to Gordon College; exploration of the outskirts of Omdurman; teaching her first lesson

SAD.769/14/25-30 1948 Jun 5 - Aug 5

At Atar School, Upper Nile Province. Description of bird and animal life; cattle auction; weekend cruise up the Nile and Zeraf rivers; rudimentary medical care of boys in the school; attendance at dance in Atar village

SAD.769/14/31-36 1949 Jan 16 - Feb 2

Inspection tour, of schools in Blue Nile Province, visiting girls' schools at Gulli, Shuwal, Kawa, Hilla Bella, Na`ima (sub-grade school) and the boys' school at Abu Guta. References also to cotton picking at Um Garr and a visit to local midwives at Na`ima

SAD.769/14/37-54 1950 Jan 7 - 1951 Feb 12

Service at Tonj Girls' School, Bahr al-Ghazal. Hospitality at Juba from Mr. and Mrs. G. Janson-Smith (Asst. Director of Education Southern Provinces) and visit with them to the Italian R.C. Missions at Loa and Palotaka; attempts by Verona Fathers to record Zande music (SAD.769/14/37-38); arrival at Tonj, description of village and surrounding country (SAD.769/14/39); visit to Shambe to pick up assistant, Eva Tucker (SAD.769/14/40); trip with the D.C., J.H.T. Wilson and his wife to Kom Ngol where they were introduced to the Chiefs' court as the teachers in charge of the new school (SAD.769/14/41); selection of bull names for teachers (SAD.769/14/42); visit from Heather Corlass of the Publications Bureau (SAD.769/14/43); arrival of girls for new school (SAD.769/14/45); establishing discipline (SAD.769/14/45-47); arrival of school herd of cattle (SAD.769/14/48); fighting a fire at the school, suspension of matron from duty (SAD.769/14/49); visit from Miss Clarke, Controller of Girls' Education (SAD.769/14/51); end of term (SAD.769/14/52-53)

SAD.105/92/1-16 [1990s]

Manuscript notes by E. Jackson on the careers of some former pupils  
of Tonj Girls' School, mostly from the first and second entry, with  
typescript transcript

### 3. Photographic Material

SAD.724/15/1-34 [1950 - 1953]

Photographs of Tonj Girls' School, Bahr al-Ghazal:

- SAD.724/15/1 The old house; its wide netted in verandah was the first classroom
- SAD.724/15/2 "Chiltern Cottage", built by the D.C. for the headmistress
- SAD.724/15/3 Sunday morning parade, E. Jackson on horseback
- SAD.724/15/4 Girls in school dresses
- SAD.724/15/5-6 Daily inspection of boarding houses before school
- SAD.724/15/7 Raising water from the well
- SAD.724/15/8,10 Girls bathing behind the well
- SAD.724/15/9 Matron and E. Jackson
- SAD.724/15/11 Girls at leisure
- SAD.724/15/12 Girl standing before *anqarib*
- SAD.724/15/13 Serving breakfast
- SAD.724/15/14 Apel, Eva Tucker and Anjie
- SAD.724/15/15-17 Dinka cattle, the school's herd with herdsmen
- SAD.724/15/18-19 Household group; dwelling huts and cattle barn
- SAD.724/15/20 Dinka boys in canoes
- SAD.724/15/21 Dinka girls
- SAD.724/15/22 Dinka boys at cattle camp
- SAD.724/15/23 Rest-house
- SAD.724/15/24-27 Pupils modelling houses and cattle from mud
- SAD.724/15/28-29 Wash-day
- SAD.724/15/30 Girls setting off for the fields
- SAD.724/15/31 Girls in sand pit
- SAD.724/15/32 Girls playing in the river at the end of term
- SAD.724/15/33 Packing up the lorry at the end of term
- SAD.724/15/34 The last lap on the trek home

