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Language of the English

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Scope and Contents

The material in A/14-33 was received from the estate of Mrs Turing, and many items bear annotations or corrections by her. Several refer to the preparation and publication of her biography, 'Alan M. Turing' (Heffer: Cambridge, 1959).

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Administrative Information

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

The documents in A/14-33 were received from the estate of Mrs Sara Turing after her death in 1977.

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Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Instances
Printed material, 1954-06 - 1954-11	

Scope and Contents

The file comprises newspaper cuttings, printed obituaries, material relating to inquest, and tributes.

Related Materials

Some of the items in this file are duplicated in K/5.

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Physical 1 envelope(s) (8 sheets in envelope)

Description : paper

Language English

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Materials

Articles and press cuttings referring to AMT and his work, 1946 - 1971

Scope and Contents

The file includes typescript translations of items from foreign periodicals.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

The file was assembled by Mrs Sara Turing.

Related Materials

Some of the items in this file are duplicated in K/5.

General

1 item in Japanese.

Finding aid date

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/2

Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) (47 items in
Description envelope)

Language English

of

Materials

Language Japanese

of

Materials

Brian Randell: 'On Alan Turing and the origins of digital computers', 1972

Scope and Contents

The file comprises 2 copies of the article: one as it was first published in the University of Newcastle Upon Tyne Computing Laboratory Technical Reports Series No. 33 (May 1972), the other as an off-print from 'Machine Intelligence' 7, Edinburgh University Press (Nov. 1972).

Finding aid date

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Originator(s)

Randell, Brian

Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/3

Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) (2 items in envelope)

Description : paper

Language English

of

Materials

(Recatalogued), 1912 - 1954

Scope and Contents

The photographs formerly held under reference A/4 are now in K/7.

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Code

Language English

of

Materials

Letters from various authors to R. O. Gandy on AMT's death, 1954-06

Scope and Contents

The file comprises 3 autograph letters signed and 1 typed letter signed from Christopher [Bennett], Philip Nicholas Furbank (Turing's executor), Don [Bayley] and Mrs Sara Turing to R. O. Gandy on AMT's death. The file also includes a copy typescript of AMT's will.

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/5

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Physical 1 envelope(s) (8 sheets in envelope)

Description : paper

Language English

of

Materials

Obituary material, 1954

Scope and Contents

The file comprises:-

- corrected manuscript of an obituary of AMT for the 'Manchester Guardian' by M. H. A. Newman;
- typescript obituary notice for 'Nature' by R. O. Gandy;
- typescript additional obituary notice for 'The Times' by R. O. Gandy (not published).

Date information

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Physical 1 envelope(s) (6 sheets in envelope)

Description : paper

Language English

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Materials

Letters from various authors to M. H. A. Newman, 1954 - 1955

Scope and Contents

3 autograph letters signed and 1 typed letter signed from Mrs Sara Turing, James Hardy Wilkinson, Robin O. Gandy, and N. E. Hoskin to M. H. A. Newman. The letters includes recollections of AMT and comments on Newman's Royal Society memoir, 1955.

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Physical 1 envelope(s) (8 sheets in envelope)

Description : paper

Language English

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Materials

Letter from R. O. Gandy to M. H. A. Newman, 1955

Scope and Contents

1 autograph letter signed, with annotations by Newman. The letter contains extensive references to AMT's published, unpublished, and projected work.

Related Materials

See also D/4 for the 'Messages from the Unseen World' which Gandy explains in the letter to Newman.

Date information

DateText: Date has been supplied.

Originator(s)

Gandy, R. O.

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Physical 1 envelope(s) (4 sheets in envelope)

Description : paper

Language English

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Materials

Letters from various authors to M. H. A. Newman, 1958-03-17 - 1958-06-30

Scope and Contents

1 autograph letter signed and 2 typed letters signed from Harold Davenport, Kurt Mahler and Alonzo Church to M. H. A. Newman, regarding the publication of AMT's papers.

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/9

Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) (3 sheets in envelope)

Description : paper

Language English

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Materials

Letters from various authors to Mrs Sara Turing, 1956-11-26 - 1971-03-23

Scope and Contents

2 autograph letters signed and 4 typed letters signed from D. W. Davies, Ralph O. Erickson, E. T. Goodwin, Walter H. Lee, A. Lerner and A. C. Pigou to Mrs Turing. The letters contain recollections of AMT sent to Mrs Turing, before and after the publication of her biography, 'Alan M. Turing' (Heffer: Cambridge, 1959).

- 2 copies of review by N.A. Routledge in Cambridge Review, 11 June 1960, of Mrs Turing's biography.

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Physical 1 envelope(s) (14 sheets in

Description envelope) : paper

Language English

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Materials

'Additional notes on Alan M. Turing and papers relative to him and his work', 1946 - 1964

Scope and Contents

The file contains manuscript, typescript and copy typescript notes made by Mrs Turing, with quotes from her own letters about her son's childhood, recollections of AMT's school and university career assembled from teachers, colleagues, etc. (generally dated but not all in chronological order and some unattributed), tributes, comments and assessments of AMT's work, etc. Includes press cuttings, articles, and a section 'on the manner of Alan Turing's death'. The file also includes 1 typed letter signed from Albert M. Uttley, 1958 on ACE [Automatic Computing Engine] and 1 typed letter signed from Vivian Bowden, 1964, as well as a transcript of part of a letter by Donald Michie on chess-playing machines.

Related Materials

Some items are duplicated in K/2 and A/1-2. See also D/3 for additional material relating to the chess-playing machine.

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Turing, E. Sara

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Physical 1 envelope(s) (51 items in
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Materials

Teaspoon, 1900 - 1960

Scope and Contents

The spoon is held with a label by Mrs Turing: 'This is the spoon which I found in Alan Turing's laboratory. It is similar to the one which he gold-plated himself. It seems quite probable he was intending to gold-plate this one using cyanide of potassium of his own manufacture. E. Sara Turing.' The verdict of the inquest on AMT was suicide. Mrs Turing never accepted this, believing that his death was an accidental consequence of scientific experiments carelessly conducted.

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/12

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Physical 1 envelope(s) (2 items in envelope)

Description : paper

Language English

of

Materials

Non-scientific writings by AMT, 1954-05

Scope and Contents

The file comprises:-

- autograph manuscript short story, untitled and undated (also known as Pryce's Buoy);
- first page of an autograph letter to Lyn [Irvine, Mrs Newman], May [? 1954].

Date information

DateText: Year date has been supplied.

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Physical 1 envelope(s) (4 sheets in envelope)

Description : paper

Language English

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Materials

Obituaries and tributes to AMT, 1954

Scope and Contents

The file includes:-

- 2 copies of an obituary notice in the 'Hazelhurst Gazette', Autumn 1954 (one copy has been corrected by Mrs Turing);
- typescript translations of sections about AMT's life and work made in 1967 from a Russian work, 'The Beginning of Cybernetics' by A. Lerner;
- 'Caption under Alan's photo at N.P.L.'.

Existence and Location of Copies

One item is duplicated in K/7.

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/14

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Physical 1 envelope(s) (5 items in envelope)

Description : paper

Language English

of

Materials

Letters from various authors to Mrs Turing on AMT's death, 1954-06-15 - 1955-12-08**Scope and Contents**

9 autograph letters signed and 4 typed letters signed, received by Mrs Turing on AMT's death, from colleagues, schoolmasters, neighbours and friends. Several refer to the circumstances of AMT's death, and to the inquest.

Title/Description**Instances****Finding aid date**

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/15-17
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Physical 3 envelope(s) (15 sheets in 3
Description envelopes) : paper

Language English

of

Materials

Letters from various authors to Mrs Turing on AMT's death, 1954 - 1955

Scope and Contents

The file comprises letters from A. J. P. Andrews (schoolmaster, Sherborne School); J. A. V. Bates (Medical Research Council); E. C. Bullard (National Physical Laboratory); L. Clayton (AMT's housekeeper); and C. R. Coote (Daily Telegraph).

Finding aid date

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/15
Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) : paper
Description

Language English

of

Materials

Letters from various authors to Mrs Turing on AMT's death, 1954 - 1955

Scope and Contents

The file comprises letters from S. Darlington (Hazelhurst school); W. S. Darlington (Hazelhurst school); Dr. Frank M. Greenbaum (AMT's psychoanalyst); and G. Jefferson (Manchester University).

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Physical 1 envelope(s) : paper

Description

Language English

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Materials

Letters from various authors to Mrs Turing on AMT's death, 1954 - 1955

Scope and Contents

The file comprises letters from Eric Milner-White (former Dean, King's College, Cambridge); John S. B. Stopford (Manchester University); N. Webb (AMT's neighbour); [C. Hugh O' D. Alexander] - a large part of this letter, including the signature, has been deleted by Mrs Turing.

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/17

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Physical 1 envelope(s) : paper

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Materials

Enhanced image of AMT/A/17/3 (part), 2020

Scope and Contents

16 digital images of the lower half of AMT/A/17/3 which were acquired and adjusted in PhotoShop in order to produce an image that allowed reading text that was effaced by Sara Turing.

amt/a/17/msi

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Spectral photography and analysis were performed by Maciej Pawlikowski, Head of the Digital Content Unit, Cambridge University Library.

Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/17MSI

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Physical 2.02 Gigabyte(s) (16) : .jpg and .tif

Description files

Physical 1 sheet(s) (printout of one of the

Description .tif files) : paper

Letters from various authors to Mrs Turing, 1957 - 1958

Scope and Contents

6 autograph letters signed from Ivor Jones (Bomber Command Bombing School, 2 letters), G. O'Hanlon (Schoolmaster, Sherborne School), Rev. H. A. Puntis, A. H. T. Ross (Schoolmaster, Sherborne School) and A. O. Scott to Mrs Turing in answer to requests for information while preparing her biography.

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/18

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Physical 1 envelope(s) (7 items in envelope)

Description : paper

Language English

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Materials

Letters to Mrs Turing from readers of her biography, 1957-07-02 - 1969-03-21**Scope and Contents**

11 autograph letters signed and 3 typed letters signed to Mrs Turing from readers of her biography, several with recollections or appreciations of AMT. 2 July 1957 - 21 Mar. 1969 and n.d.

Title/Description**Instances****Date information**

DateText: Some items are undated.

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/19-22

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Physical 4 envelope(s) (18 sheets in 4

Description envelopes) : paper

Language English

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Materials

Letters to Mrs Turing from readers of her biography, 1957 - 1969

Scope and Contents

The file comprises letters from W. S. Darlington, Robin O. Gandy, Mrs Gepp (the letter is incomplete) and Ruth Gervis (Schoolmistress, Sherborne School).

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/19

Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) : paper

Description

Language English

of

Materials

Letters to Mrs Turing from readers of her biography, 1957 - 1969

Scope and Contents

The file comprises letters from Theodore Hailperin (Association for Symbolic Logic), Peter Hogg (school friend), Oliver Holt (school friend), and Evelyn V. Loveday (AMT's visits to USA in 1940s).

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/20

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Physical 1 envelope(s) : paper

Description

Language English

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Materials

Letters to Mrs Turing from readers of her biography, 1957 - 1969

Scope and Contents

The file comprises letters from Malcolm MacPhail (recollections of AMT's work and friends in USA), J. H. Randolph (schoolmaster), Anthony D. J. Robertson (NPL; morphogenesis).

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Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) : paper

Description

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Materials

Letters to Mrs Turing from readers of her biography, 1957 - 1969

Scope and Contents

The file comprises letters from Nowell C. Smith (Headmaster, Sherborne School), E. C. Stoney (AMT's uncle), and R. Thom (morphogenesis).

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/22

Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) : paper

Description

Language English

of

Materials

Letters from various authors to Mrs Turing about AMT, 1960-09-24 - 1969-04-25

Scope and Contents

1 autograph letter signed and 3 typed letters signed from G. D. Clifford (Institution of Electronic and Radio Engineers), W. T. Jones (AMT at Princeton), Norman Routledge and N. S. Sutherland (University of Sussex Laboratory of Experimental Psychology) to Mrs Turing about AMT.

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/23

Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) (5 sheets in envelope)

Description : paper

Language English

of

Materials

A. M. Turing Award, 1974

Scope and Contents

The file contains printed information and correspondence regarding the A. M. Turing Award, instituted by the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) and first awarded in 1966. It includes 1 typed letter signed from Charles Bachman to Mrs Turing about the award, 30 May 1974, and manuscript notes on the subject by Mrs Turing, perhaps prepared for Sherborne School magazine.

Date information

DateText: Date has been estimated.

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/24

Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) (15 items in

Description envelope) : paper

Language English

of

Materials

Shorter biographical items, 1923

Scope and Contents

The file comprises:-

- a sketch of AMT as a boy, inscribed by Mrs Turing, 'Alan at Barton House. Aged 6?';
- first page of an autograph letter in French from John Turing, AMT's brother, to their father, 4 Sept. [1923];
- specimen of AMT's signature.

Arrangement

A photograph formerly held in this file has been moved to K/7

Date information

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/25

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Physical 1 envelope(s) (4 items in envelope)

Description : paper

Language English

of

Materials

Letters of congratulation, 1931 - 1951

Scope and Contents

9 autograph letters signed, 7 typed letters signed, 1 autograph postcard signed and 2 telegrams from various authors to AMT. The letters are mainly expressions of congratulation on various achievements, some including general information or reflections.

Title/Description

Instances

Date information

DateText: Some items are undated.

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/26-30

Code

Physical 5 envelope(s) (21 items in 5

Description envelopes) : paper

Language English

of

Materials

Awards of scholarships and election to King's Fellowship, 1930-1935, 1930 - 1935

Scope and Contents

The file comprises:

- Letter from AMT's grandmother on the award of a scholarship to King's College, Cambridge, 1930;
- Copy of a letter from G. O'Hanlon (Schoolmaster, Sherborned School) on AMT's leaving Sherborne and award of the Goodman Scholarship, 1931 (the copy was made by Mrs Turing);
- Autograph letter signed from G. O'Hanlon on AMT's Election to a Fellowship at King's College, Cambridge, 1935.

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/26

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Physical 1 envelope(s) : paper

Description

Language English

of

Materials

Award of Smith's Prize, Cambridge, 1936, 1936

Scope and Contents

The file contains letters from G.O'Hanlon (Schoolmaster) and Alec Ross Wallace (Headmaster) both at Sherborne School, friends, and a telegram from Mrs Turing.

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Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) : paper

Description

Language English

of

Materials

Election as Fellow of the Royal Society, 1951, 1951

Scope and Contents

The file comprises letters from E. C. Bullard (National Physical Laboratory), W. M. Cooper (University of Manchester), W. S. Darlington, and C. G. Darwin.

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/28

Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) : paper

Description

Language English

of

Materials

Election as Fellow of the Royal Society, 1951, 1951

Scope and Contents

The file comprises letters from E. T. Goodwin (National Physical Laboratory), Geoffrey Jefferson (University of Manchester), Sir Ben Lockspeiser (Department of Scientific and Industrial Research), and K. Mahler (University of Manchester).

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/29

Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) : paper

Description

Language English

of

Materials

Election as Fellow of the Royal Society, 1951, 1951

Scope and Contents

The file comprises letters from Philip Hall, R. S. Thompson (Sherborne School) and S. Turing.

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/30

Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) : paper

Description

Language English

of

Materials

Letters from R. F. Stoney to Mrs Turing, 1953-12-30 - 1957-06-09

Scope and Contents

The file comprises 2 typed letters signed, containing biographical information on the Stoney and Crawford families. The file also includes undated manuscript notes on the Turing family genealogy.

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Originator(s)

Stoney, R. F.

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Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) (3 sheets in envelope)

Description : paper

Language English

of

Materials

Reviews of Mrs Turing's biography, 1959-11-28 - 1960-12

Scope and Contents

The file comprises printed articles, newspaper cuttings and typescript copies of reviews of Mrs Turing's biography.

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/32

Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) (19 sheets in

Description envelope) : paper

Language English

of

Materials

Letters concerning a German edition of Mrs Turing's biography, 1971-06-24 - 1972-06-02

Scope and Contents

The file comprises 2 autograph letters signed and 2 typed letters signed regarding a possible German edition of Mrs Turing's biography, and the proposed publication of AMT's 'Collected Works'.

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/33

Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) (5 sheets in envelope)

Description : paper

Language English

of

Materials

John Turing: 'Articled clerk fifty years ago', 1978-06-21

Scope and Contents

The file comprises a photocopy of the article, published in the Law Society's Gazette, which contains a paragraph about his brother, AMT; the file also contains a copy of the second article in same series which contains no mention of AMT.

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Originator(s)

Turing, John

Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/34

Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) (2 sheets in envelope)

Description : paper

Language English

of

Materials

Arrangements for AMT's teaching position at King's College, 1939-12-10 - 1954-06-28

Scope and Contents

The file contains 5 autograph letters signed, 3 typed letters signed and 1 autograph postcard signed, between AMT, R. F. Kahn, J. M. Keynes, G. H. W. Rylands, J. T. Sheppard and others relating to the financial arrangements for AMT's teaching position in King's College.

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Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) (23 items in

Description envelope) : paper

Language English

of

Materials

M. H. A. Newman: 'Alan Mathison Turing 1912-1954', 1955

Scope and Contents

The file comprises an off-print of the article, from 'Biographical Memoirs of the Fellows of the Royal Society' (Vol. 1, Nov. 1955). The article includes a bibliography of AMT's work.

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Originator(s)

Newman, M. H. A.

Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/36

Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) (1 item in envelope) :

Description paper

Language English

of

Materials

'Biography Expenditure' and accounts, 1959 - 1974

Scope and Contents

Notebook containing details of 'Biography Expenditure' and accounts for Mrs Sara Turing.

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Originator(s)

Turing, E. Sara

Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/37

Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) (1 notebook and 3

Description sheets in envelope) : paper

Language English

of

Materials

Cuttings relating to 'Alan Turing: the Enigma', 1980-01-14 - 1980-01-23

Scope and Contents

The file comprises a newspaper cutting and photocopies from 'The Guardian' relating to the forthcoming biography of AMT (Alan Turing: the Enigma) by Andrew Hodges. 14 and 23 Jan. 1980.

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Reference GBR/0272/AMT/A/38

Code

Physical 1 envelope(s) (2 items in envelope)

Description : paper

Language English

of

Materials

C. J. van Rijsbergen: 'Turing and the origins of digital computers', 1982-03-30

Scope and Contents

The file comprises 2 typescript versions of the article.

Date information

DateText: 1 item is undated.

Originator(s)

Rijsbergen, C. J. van

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Physical 1 envelope(s) (2 items in envelope)

Description : paper

Language English

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Materials

Reviews of Andrew Hodges: 'Alan Turing: the Enigma', 1984 - 1986

Scope and Contents

The file comprises photocopies of the following reviews:

- Rudy M. Baum 'Tragic life of a brilliant mathematician' from 'CandEN', 21 May, 1984;
- Jeremy Bernstein 'A portrait of Alan Turing' from 'The New Yorker', 20 Jan. 1986;
- John W. Dawson, Jr. in 'The Journal of Symbolic Logic', Vol. 50, No 4. Dec. 1985.

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Theatre programme for 'Breaking the Code' by Hugh Whitemore, 1986

Scope and Contents

The play was based on the life of AMT and starred Derek Jacobi. The file includes reviews of the play from 'The Times', 23 Oct. 1986 and 'The London Standard', 22 Oct. 1986.

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Materials

Letters concerning commemorations of AMT, 1985-06-13 - 1988-06-28

Scope and Contents

9 autograph letters signed, 11 typed letters signed and other material relating to the unveiling of a commemorative plaque for AMT at his childhood home in Guildford, Surrey, and for a Turing computer room at King's College. Some items are photocopied.

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Information leaflets relating to Intelligent Terminals Ltd., 1985

Scope and Contents

Intelligent Terminals Ltd. was an 'Industrial Associate of the Turing Institute', devoted to research in artificial intelligence. c. 1985.

Date information

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Articles about AMT by John, 1954 - 1982

Scope and Contents

The file includes photocopies of three articles:

- 'Alan Turing' photocopied from 'The Shirburnian' (4 pages)
- 'Alan Turing - Eccentric Genius of Bletchley', (3 pages) TS copy letter to the editor of The Times in 1981, with related press cuttings, correspondence with The Times, and two letters from GM Watkins to John Turing
- 'My brother Alan', TS draft (18 pages)

Date information

DateText: Most items are undated.

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Materials

Memoir from AMT's sister-in-law, 1980 - 1989

Scope and Contents

Letter from Beryl MA Turing (John's second wife) to their son enhancing the information that had been published about AMT by the 1980s.

Conditions Governing Access

The document is currently available only as an edited transcript.

Date information

DateText: Date has been estimated.

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Physical 6 page(s) : paper

Description

Language English

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Materials

School reports, 1924 - 1931

Scope and Contents

Photocopies of AMT's school reports. Comprises Michaelmas 1924 at Hazelhurst, and Michaelmas 1927 through Summer 1931 at Sherborne (some reports are missing).

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Physical 20 sheet(s) : paper

Description

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Materials

Testamentary material, 1954-02-11 - 1954-11-26

Scope and Contents

This is the file kept by John while he administered AMT's funeral and bequests. It comprises

- correspondence with the Wilmslow funeral directors (Clegg) about arrangements and the necessity to support Sara in her misconception that AMT's death was an accident
- letters of condolence from John's friends and relations and AMT's friends and neighbours
- correspondence with the solicitors Crofton, Craven & Co. about funeral and testamentary expenses, AMT's assets, a legacy for John's daughters, estate duty, and the transfer to Sara of AMT's possible benefits from the University of Manchester superannuation scheme
- a copy of AMT's will and a draft trust document for the benefit of John's 3 daughters, as stipulated in AMT's will

Finding aid date

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Obituaries, 1954-06-10 - 1954-06-12

Scope and Contents

Photocopies of obituaries collected by AMT's family in the days following his death.

Other Finding Aids

A list of the articles represented in AMT/A/48-49 is present in the file.

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Physical 9 page(s) : paper

Description

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Materials

Articles about AMT, 1980-01-14 - 2003-12-19

Scope and Contents

Photocopies and original clippings of newspaper and magazine articles about AMT collected by his family. Interest in AMT was kindled by the release in the 1970s of previously classified material about Bletchley Park, and by the 1983 publication of Andrew Hodges' biography.

Other Finding Aids

A list of the articles represented in AMT/A/48-49 is present in the file.

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Physical 1 collection (25 articles) : paper

Description

Language English

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Materials

Correspondence with Andrew Hodges, 1977-09-19 - 1983-02-10

Scope and Contents

This file contains John Turing's correspondence with Andrew Hodges.

Existence and Location of Originals

The family retains the original of this file.

Conditions Governing Access

Restricted access.

Date information

DateText: Date has been estimated.

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Physical 197 page(s) : paper

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Language English

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