

Name of Creator:	Wright, George Ernest
Title:	G. Ernest Wright Papers
Dates:	1957-1972
Collection Number:	Coll. 018
Extent:	1.35 cubic feet (2 boxes)
Location:	R1/4
Biographical Abstract:	G. Ernest Wright earned his doctorate in ancient Near East studies from John Hopkins University, and mentored under W.F. Albright. Some of his many contributions and achievements include starting the popular <i>Biblical Archaeologist</i> journal, leading and implementing new archaeological procedures in the Shechem excavation, and serving as visiting archaeological director of the Hebrew Union College. Wright was elected president of ASOR in 1965, and continued work with the organization until his death in 1974.
Scope and Content Abstract:	This collection primarily contains correspondence from Wright's years as president of ASOR. Material dates as far back as 1957, and proceed into the early 1970's. Some of Wright's more notable correspondents include William F. Albright, A. Henry Detweiler, Paul W. Lapp, William Reed, and Dean Seiler. Subject-specific correspondence includes records of expenditures, budget planning, corporate memberships, and the Jerusalem School.

Languages:	The materials are in English, with some Arabic.
System of Arrangement:	The collection is arranged in one alphabetical sequence.
Restrictions:	The collection is unrestricted.
Conditions Governing Reproduction and Use:	Copyright restrictions may apply.

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	<p>The General Correspondence files contain letters arranged alphabetically by the last name of the correspondent.</p> <p>The Jerusalem School correspondence files contain letters discussing the possible purchase of additional land in Jerusalem.</p> <p>The Palestine Archaeological Museum: Board Minutes file contains materials pertaining to the publication of the Dead Sea Scrolls.</p> <p>The Protest of 1968 file contains correspondence regarding a controversy over four Jerusalem School professors signing their names to a protest piece in a Jerusalem newspaper. The piece objected to a military-themed parade celebrating the twentieth anniversary of the creation of Israel, calling it “insensitive to local people.”</p>
Other Relevant Collections:	Papers pertaining to Wright’s career at Harvard University can be found at the Andover-Harvard Theological Library. http://www.hds.harvard.edu/library/bms/bms00667.html

Collection Inventory			
<i>Box</i>	<i>Folder Number</i>	<i>Folder Title</i>	<i>Dates</i>
1	1	General Correspondence: A	1966-1968
1	2	General Correspondence: H	1966-1969
1	3	General Correspondence: L	1965-1969
1	4	General Correspondence: M	1966-1969
1	5	General Correspondence: P	1966-1969
1	6	General Correspondence: R	1966-1969
1	7	General Correspondence: S	1966-1969
1	8-9	Albright, William F. (2 folders)	1957-1972
1	10	Amman Center	1967-1969
1	11	Arab Countries Development Program	1968
1	12	Corporation Members	1966-1968
1	13-14	Detweiler, A. Henry (2 folders)	1964-1970
1	15	Financial	1965-1967
1	16-17	Freedman, D. Noel (2 folders)	1966-1969
1	18	Hebrew Union College Biblical and Archaeological School	1966-1969
		Jerusalem School	
1	19, 37	General (2 folders)	1967

1	20-22	Correspondence (3 folders)	1966-1969
1	23	Library and Office Supplies	1965-1966
1	24	Tents and Excavation Supplies	1969-1968
1	25-28	Lapp, Paul (4 folders)	1961-1970
Tube		Maps and Floorplan	n.d.
1	29	Mendenhall, George E.	1965-1967
1	30-31	Montgomery, James A. (2 folders)	1966-1969
1	32	Newman, Thomas D.	1968-1970
1	38	Palestine Archaeological Museum: Board Minutes	1965-1966
1	33	Phelps, Thomas W.	1966-1971
1	34-35	Protest of 1968 (2 folders)	1968
1, 2	36, 1-3	Reed, William L. (4 folders)	1964-1969
2	4-5	Sardis Excavation (2 folders)	1965-1969
2	6-10	Seiler, Dean B. (5 folders)	1966-1968
2	11	Stechert-Hafner Agency	1966-1967

Subject Headings:	
600 - Subject Added Entry - Personal Name	Wright, George Ernest, 1909-1974
610 - Subject Added Entry - Corporate Name	American Schools of Oriental Research
650 - Subject Added Entry - Topical Term	Sardis (Extinct city)

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