

# Guide to the Ethiopia Collection

MS 1516



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## Collection Overview

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**CALL NUMBER:** MS 1516

**TITLE:** Ethiopia collection

**DATES:** 1867-2013

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 10.76 linear feet (13 boxes)

**LANGUAGE:** The material is in English and Amharic.

**SUMMARY:** The collection consists of correspondence, journals, printed material, ephemera, and photographs relating to the history of Ethiopia and the current political and social conditions.

**ONLINE FINDING AID:** To cite or bookmark this finding aid, please use the following link: <https://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/mssa.ms.1516>

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## Requesting Instructions

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box  
f. folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Transferred from the African Collection Curator.

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### Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

## **Conditions Governing Use**

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## **Preferred Citation**

Ethiopia Collection (MS 1516). Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library.

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## **Associated Materials**

African Collection, MS 605; Pamphlet Collection, MS 1351; African Postcard Collection, MS 1575. Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library.

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## **Scope and Contents**

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## **Arrangement**

The material in the original accession is arranged chronologically. Additions to the collection may vary in arrangement.

## Collection Contents

### Original accession

b. 1, f. 1	<a href="#">Italo-Abyssinian dispute: books; journals; letters; photographs</a>	1868-1936
b. 1, f. 2 - 3	Ethiopian liberation and relief: journals; newsletters; printed material	1964-1990, undated
b. 1, f. 4 - 5	General information pamphlets; brochures; booklets	1967-1981
b. 1, f. 6	Falasha Jews: newspaper clippings; printed material	1975-1981
b. 1, f. 7	Oromo liberation: journals; newsletters; printed material	1981-1992
b. 1, f. 8 - 9	Tigray liberation: journals; newsletters; printed material	1981-1993, undated
b. 2, f. 10	Political organizations: printed material	1994
b. 2, f. 11	Ministry of Information Press Department: printed material	1986-1989
b. 2, f. 12	Government documents: journals; reports	1993
b. 2, f. 13	Massawa and Asmara: photograph album	undated
b. 2, f. 14	"Photographs of Ethiopia 1958-1982 by Shemelis Desta": exhibition in the West Midlands	undated
b. 3, f. 15	"Events in Dar es Salaam": photograph album by E. Gladden	1962
b. 3, f. 15	"Tour to Gibraltar and Tangier": photograph album by E. Gladden	1968 May-June
b. 3, f. 15	Photographs. See also: Kenya Collection, Manuscript Group Number 1523	

## **Accession 1995-M-144: Additional Material**

b.1	Additional printed materials and photographs	1936-1941, 1958, 1977-1978, 1990-1995
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## **Accession 2000-M-018: Additional Material**

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Additional printed materials

1936, 1975-1985,  
1994, 1997

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**Accession 2004-M-036: Additional Material**

b. 1, f. 1	"Forward" [newsletter of the World Wide Federation of Ethiopian Students]	1976 Dec, 1977 March
b. 1, f. 2	REST Bulletin [Relief Society of Tigray, Ethiopian Human Rights Council report]	1988, 1994, 1998, undated
b. 1, f. 3	"Storm: Somali, Tigray & Oromo Resistance Monitor" [newsletter]	1981 Jun, 1982 May
b. 1, f. 4	"Struggle" [journal of the Worldwide Federation of Ethiopian Students]	1976
b. 1, f. 5	"Tigray" [newsletter of The Union of Tigreans in North America]	[198-?] February 18, 1981 Nov, 1982 Dec, 1986 Jan,
b. 1, f. 6	Tigray People's Liberation Front [news release]	1983
b. 1, f. 7	Miscellaneous printed materials [human rights, art, archeology]	1962, 1965, 1983, 1998, undated
b. 2	Photograph album [Italian, over 350 photographs of people, animals, and scenery in Ethiopia; a few Suez Canal and military shots]	[193-]



**Accession 2006-M-040: Additional Material**

b. 1, f. 1	Collector cards representing Ethiopian flags, coins, medals, monuments, and individuals, Rastafarian badge	1928, 1936, 1985, undated
b. 1, f. 2	La Lune, editorial cartoon, "Theodoros, Roi d'Abyssinie, le Lion d'Abyssinie et le Lion Britannique"	1867 December 22
b. 1, f. 3	Relief Society of Tigray (REST) UK Support Committee, newsletter, press release, locust update, appeal letter	1987 April-May, September 9
b. 1, f. 4	American-African Affairs, vol. 10, no. 6	1976 June 9

**Accession 2011-M-005: Additional Material, 1920-1990, undated**

Material is arranged as received.

## Publications

b. 2, f. 2	<i>Berhanena Selam</i> (2) The leading Ethiopian newspaper of the 1920s and 1930s, possibly commemorative issues for the coronation of Haile Selassie. The text is in Amharic.	Circa 1920 - 1930s
b. 1, f. 1	<i>Hurgie Dima</i> : The struggle in Tokkumma Oromo Organization in N. America (TOONA)	1976
b. 1, f. 1	<i>Oroma Speaks</i> : A publication of the Oromo Liberation Front	1981
b. 1, f. 1	Relief Society of Tigray: Annual Report	1983
b. 1, f. 1	<i>Sagalee Waldhaansso</i>	1985
b. 1, f. 1	Seventh Report on the Drought and Overall Food Supply in Ethiopia	1978
b. 1, f. 1	<i>Waldhaansso</i> : Journal of the Union of Oromo Students in North America	1984

## Maps

b. 2, f. 1	Felt maps (3) of Ethiopia The back of each map reads "From Tiringo Tulu to Zerihun H/G." A brass cross adorns the front of each map.	1990
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## Photographs

b. 2, f. 3	Color photographs (9) of historic Coptic Christian churches and sites in Ethiopia, including among others, Lalibela
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**Accession 2015-M-001: Additional material, 1920-2013**

b. 1, f. 1-2	Printed material	1920-2013
b. 1, f. 3	Marshall Graziani documents from shortly after conquest of Ethiopia	1939
b. 2	Propaganda art piece in relief of airplane dropping sewing machine by parachute to native	Circa 1939
f. 3	Posters Includes African Union posters.	Circa 2000s

## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Subjects**

Italo-Ethiopian War, 1935-1936  
Jews, Ethiopian  
Oromo (African people)  
Tigrinya (African people)

### **Geographic Names**

Ethiopia -- Description and travel  
Ethiopia -- Foreign relations -- Italy  
Ethiopia -- History -- 1490-1889  
Ethiopia -- History -- 1889-1974  
Ethiopia -- Politics and government  
Ethiopia -- Social conditions  
Italy -- Foreign relations -- Ethiopia

### **Genres / Formats**

Photographs -- Ethiopia

### **Corporate Bodies**

Abyssinian Expedition (1867-1868)  
Ethiopian Peoples' Revolutionary Party  
Relief Society of Tigray