Middle East & Islamic Resources

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Middle East & Islamic resources at CRL

• More than 20,000 titles
• Print, microfilm, microfiche, digital
• Current / retrospective collections
Middle East & Islamic resources at CRL

• Newspapers
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• Dissertations
• Archival / microform sets
ARAB ARMY CHIEFS MEET ON ISRAELI MENACE

Nehru backs Nasser proposal

Aly Amer stresses need for unity over Jordan diversion

The extraordinary seventh session of the Military Advisory Board of the Council of the Chiefs of Staff of the Arab Army

AL-MOGHREB AL-AKSA

PUBLISHED EVERY MONDAY AND THURSDAY

SPAIN IN MOROCCO.

The French Press publishes an interesting study, by M. R. de Brulhierd, on the visit of H. M. the King of Spain to the Rif, from which we take the following extract:

The Franco-Spanish Convention of 1904 assigned to Spain a zone of economic influence limited on the North by the coast, from the mouth of the Muluya to the port of Larache (with the exception of the neutralised enclaves of Tangier and on the South by a line vaguely defined for want of documentation and charts. This line, the delineation of which we got from a Spanish work, starts from Larache, thence...
لا يوجد نص يمكن قراءته بشكل طبيعي من الصورة المقدمة.
THE INDIAN MUSALMANS:
OR
ARE THEY BOUND IN CONSCIENCE TO REBEL AGAINST THE QUEEN?
18916
BY
W. W. HUNTER, LL.D.
OF HER MAJESTY'S INDIAN CIVIL SERVICE;
ONE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE ASIATIC SOCIETY OF LONDON; HONORARY FELLOW OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY, LONDON; AND OF THE SOCIETY OF STRANGERS TO THE EAST, LONDON.

LONDON:
TRÜBNER AND COMPANY.
1874.

ALGERIE
L'ISLÂM ALGÉRIEN
EN L’AN 1900
PAR
EDMUND DOUTTE

ALGER-MUSTAPHA
SIRAL, IMPRIMEUR-PHOTOGRAVEUR
Sous les Oulams, 17
1900.

ISLAM IN AMERICA
A Brief Statement of Mohammedanism and an Outline of the American Islamic Propaganda.

BY
MOHAMMED ALEXANDER RUSSELL WEBB.

NEW YORK:
The Oriental Publishing Co.
1132 Broadway, New York, N.Y.
1880.
Archival / microform Sets

- State Department central files
- Creation of modern Iraq: India office political and secret files, c. 1914-1921
- Western books. The Middle East from the rise of Islam
- Arabic manuscripts in the British Library
- Muslims in Russia, 1881-1918 [Russian and émigré periodicals and newspapers]
CRL's collection of Middle Eastern-related material encompasses significant runs of newspapers from every country, dissertations on the Arab world and Islam, monographs and serials acquired through early deposit, and archival & microform sets of primary source content.

CRL continues to acquire current newspapers on microfilm as well as historical backfiles from the region, microform sets prioritized through CRL's purchase programs, and dissertations and archival material on demand. CRL also supports the Middle East Microform Project in its preservation and digital activities (see the related MEMP collection guide for additional resources of interest).

The references below feature the strengths of CRL's holdings. Links point to more detailed descriptions in our catalog, and where available point to digital version of the content or digitized finding aids for microfilm.

ARABIC MANUSCRIPTS

Arabic Manuscripts in the British Library
Author: British Library, Oriental and India Office Collections
Publisher: IDC Publishers
Temporal Coverage: 12th century to 1800
CRL has acquired several components of the collection of Arabic Manuscripts in the British Library. These include:

- Arabic manuscripts
- Books and monographic collections
- CIA Studies
- Egypt
- Iran
- Iraq
- Israel and Palestinian territories
- Jordan
- Lebanon
- Saudi Arabia
- Syria
- Turkey
Middle East Microform Project

- Founded in 1987
- 28 current institutional members
- MEMP preserves rare, unique, hard to obtain material about and from the Middle East
- Moving into digital projects
- Annual membership $750 for North American institutions, $500 for others.
MEMP Resources

Newspapers

al-Zaman (London) 2004-2009
Lloyd Ottoman (Istanbul) 1917-1918
Ittihad al-Shab (Baghdad) 1959-1960
Sirwan (Sanadaj, Iran) 2000-2005
MEMP Resources

Diaspora Newspapers

Al-Samir (Brooklyn, NY) 1936-1957
Funun (Montreal, Canada) 2003-2007
Beirut Times (Los Angeles, CA) 1985-2008
Qenneshrin (Germany & Sweden) 2005-2010
MEMP Resources

Library of Congress Arabic Pamphlets
4,000 items on 89 microfilm reels
Grouped into 39 subject areas
Guides to MEMP Collections

This page highlights important elements of the MEMP collection. It does not represent the complete holdings of MEMP, but is rather a representative description of some of the items of the collection. For access to all of MEMP's holdings, please search the CRL Catalog.

AHALI GROUP NEWSPAPERS

The Ahali Group of Newspapers represented the ideas, philosophy, and political activities of first the Ahali Group and later the National Democratic Party of Iraq. The political publications of the Group commences in 1932 and continues its intermittent appearance, under varied names, until 1953. The Chadirji Research Centre produced a set of 27 microfilm reels and an index to the collection. It contains collections of al-Ahali, Sowt al-Ahali, al-Mahdah, al-Bayan, Soud al-Ahali, al-Mawatin, and al-Akhdar al-Watan. An Article Index is available on CD-ROM. Catalog Record Guide

CHAGHERI COLLECTION OF IRANIAN LEFT-WING MATERIALS 1960-1985

MEMP has filmed a portion of the Chagheri Collection of Iranian Left-wing materials put out by, or relating to, a variety of oppositional groups to the regime of Muhammad Riza Shah Pahlavi (r. 1941-1979). The collection amounts to 1100 items, including pamphlets and other ephemeral material. The items in the collection are cataloged individually and can be accessed here. Catalog Record

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS ARABIC PAMPHLET COLLECTION, PART I

This collection was filmed in the 1990s from material collected at the Library of Congress. Materials are in Arabic, English, French, German, and other languages. The collection contains pamphlets and other ephemeral materials from the late 19th and early 20th century.
Middle East Digital Resources

“Open Access Middle East and Islamic Resources”

Peter Magierski
Middle East Studies Librarian,
New York University
Middle East Digital Resources

Commercial resources:

• Indexes
  – MECAS - Middle Eastern & Central Asian Studies
  – Index Islamicus

• News
  – Middle East NewsStand - ProQuest
  – Pan-Arab News Index (PANI) - AskZad
  – Mideastwire.com

• Other historical / primary source content
**Analyzing the sustainability of electronic resources and repositories for the research community.**

**Recently Updated:**
- **Brightsolid**
- **Portico**
- **UMI Dissertation Publishing, ProQuest, LLC.**

**DATA & TOOLS**

By aggregating plans and actionable data, CRL supports collaborative efforts in collection management analysis including print archiving initiatives.

- **Print Archives and Preservation Registry**
AskZad, produced by the Egyptian firm Arabia Inform, and distributed through East View Information Services, is a series of databases for Arabic language materials: Pan-Arab News Index (PANI), Pan-Arab Newspapers (PAN, also known as AskZad Full-Page Newspapers), Pan-Arab E-books (PAEB), Pan-Arab Journals Index (PAJI), Pan-Arab Academic Journals (PAAJ), Pan-Arab Dissertations (PAD), Pan-Arab Peer Review Articles (PAPRA), and Pan-Arab Conference Proceedings (PACP). Users need not subscribe to them all, but may choose specific databases.

The resources AskZad represents are considerable. According to Arabia Inform, the databases offer access to 44,000 e-books, dissertations, and peer-reviewed journal articles. Two hundred publishers are represented, as well as over 500 newspapers and content from 3,000 archived websites. Most of the content is scanned from paper copies, or added as born digital, although a very small portion to date has been converted from microform sources. New material is added daily. Incorporating thus over 500 million pages of Arabic content, these materials represent an important source for the history, politics, literature, culture, and even the applied and hard sciences from the Middle East and North Africa. Lists of titles in the various databases can be downloaded from the East View website at http://www.eastview.com/Online/DBtitlelists.aspx.

Arabia Inform launched the AskZad package version 1.0 in 2007, and version 2.0 in 2011. East View Information Services began offering AskZad in the U.S. by 2010. Such an aggregation of databases contains an enormous amount of material. The number of different databases can be confusing to the user, who might not be sure which one to use. However, cross-database searching is available.

**THE DATABASES PART ONE**

This first group of databases offers the broadest scholarly appeal, with extensive and vital materials for researchers.

**PAEB (Pan-Arab E-book Library)**
REVIEW

AskZad

ABSTRACT

AskZad, the new offering of the Center for Research Libraries (CRL) Information Services, now provides access to a vast collection of Arabic language materials: Pan-Arab News (PAN) (AskZad Full-Page Images), Pan-Arab Journals (PAAJ), Pan-Arab Dissertations (PAPRA), and Articles (PAPRA), and endeavors to fulfill the research needs of the global Arab world.

SOURCES

Sources for this review include the data collected by CRL. Other sources are noted where applicable.

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Stanford University
- David Giovacchini

Islamic World, Islam

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- Are there comparable sources that you prefer?
- Does the content and coverage fulfill expectations?
- What do you think of the delivery platform and interface functions?

Please comment on these or other issues:
World Newspaper Archive

• Latin American Newspapers
  • 1.2 million pages, 35+ titles

• African Newspapers
  • 415,000 pages, 60+ titles

• South Asian Newspapers
  • 450,000 pages, 10+ titles

http://www.crl.edu/collaborative-digitization/world-newspaper-archive
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Printable Newspaper Titles List
Click the column headers below to sort your matching newspaper titles
Lo que Piensa el Licenciado D. Teribío Esquivel Obregón
Acerca de la Carta del Dr. D. Francisco Vázquez Gómez

"Creo que la paz no puede venir sino de la conciliación de los intereses de todos"
Esquivel Obregón

EN LOS E. U. SE CREE QUE CARA EL GOBIERNO DEL GRAL. HUERTA

ASÍ LO MANIFIESTA EL "NEW YORK HERALD" EN SU EDICION DE AYER

EN EL E. U. SE CREE QUE CARA EL GOBIERNO DEL GRAL. HUERTA

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HOY SALEN LOS GRAL. RUBIO NAVARRETE Y J. MAASS

A LAS DOCE DEL DÍA SE EMBARCARAN LAS COLUMNAS MILITARES EN NODALDO

El Gobernador de Campeche mantiene a dos oficiales por su propia mano

El rebelde Castilla Brito agradeció a los diputados Martínez, Azcárate, a don Salvador Dondé y al propietario Branda con lugar de crueldad condenado entre soldados por la calle
Emerging Challenges

“Documenting Revolution in the Middle East”

Roberta L. Dougherty
Middle Eastern Studies Librarian
University of Texas at Austin
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Archiving the Middle East / Islamic Web

Library of Congress Web Archives
- Iraq War, 2003 Web Archive
- Crisis in Darfur, Sudan 2006
- Afghanistan Web Archive 2009
- Egypt 2008
- Jasmine Revolution – Tunisia 2011 [Archive-It]
- North Africa & the Middle East 2011 [Archive-It]

Archive-It
- Middle East Political Web 2007 (CDL)
- Iranian Blog, 2010 (Stanford)
- Egyptian Revolution 2011 (AUC)
- Libyan Uprising 2011 (U.Mich)

CDL Web Archive Service
- Middle East Political sites 2007-
Web archiving – challenges and limitations
Emerging Challenges

• New areas of research
  – Nationalism & Identity
  – History / Memory
  – Resistance / Revolution
  – Media
  – Gender issues
  – Migration, Diaspora

• New collecting strategies
  – Audiovisual
  – Ephemera (e.g., street art, graffiti)
  – Born electronic
Open Discussion

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In This Issue

This issue of FOCUS provides various takes on a form of historical evidence of central interest to CRL and its community: the newspaper. Since CRL's founding in 1949, we have built an immense shared collection of U.S. and...
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