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Unraveling the Past : Readings in Philippine History / Maria Luisa T. Camagay (et al.)

VeePress (Vibal Group Inc.), Quezon City 2018

xii, 362p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

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\$ 25.00 / null

650 gm.

Unraveling the Past: Readings in Philippine History provides a glimpse of Philippine history through a selection of primary sources produced by the individuals and institutions that witnessed or took part in shaping the past. This volume includes documents and materials relating to different events from vital historical periods beginning with the early Philippine society of the precolonial times, the occurrence and termination of Spanish colonization, the struggle for sovereignty under the American and Japanese occupations, the multifaceted challenges faced by postwar administrations, up to the contemporary times which cover the Martial Law years. The book also incorporates sources that tackle important issues concerning agrarian reform, economic nationalism, independent foreign policy, national minorities, and the Philippine constitutions. This creates an opportunity for a deeper understanding of the complex past by reading materials which tackle the different aspects of history related to Philippine politics, economics, culture, society, and religion. The authors of the book intend to give emphasis on the importance of historical scholarship by allowing its readers to conduct an analysis and evaluation of documents and materials in terms of identifying the historical context, viewpoint, and possible bias of a primary source. Thus, Unraveling the Past aims to produce essential historical knowledge and consciousness, at the same time, cultivate critical and analytic skills amongst its readers. The purpose of the book is to read the primary sources pertinent to the history of the Philippines. Primary sources are defined as "a piece of evidence written or created during the period under investigation." The book is composed of 18 chapters starting with the topic on the importance of primary sources in history and ending with the 1986 People Power Revolution. By reading the primary sources covering a particular period in Philippine history, it is hoped that one would be able to make his or her own inferences about the past independent from those provided by a history text.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456699>

The Continuation of Ancient Mathematics: Wang Xiaotong's Jigu Suanjing, Algebra and Geometry in 7th Century China / Tina Su-Lyn Lim and Donald B. Wagner

Nordic Institute of Asian Studies (NIAS), Denmark 2017

xii, 220p.

Include Index ; Bibliography

9788776942175

\$ 25.00 / null

600 gm.

After the collapse of Roman civilization, knowledge of mathematics dwindled in Europe. In the Arab world, however, the works of ancient mathematicians like Euclid were preserved and built upon by new thinkers like al-Khwarizmi, who became instrumental in spreading Indian mathematics and numerals to the West. Little known to Western historians, a parallel development of mathematical knowledge was happening in China. A rare glimpse of this world is offered via a translation and elaboration of one of the canons of classical Chinese mathematical education. Wang Xiaotong's Continuation of ancient mathematics shows us a stage in the development from the 1st to the 14th century CE of the Chinese traditional algebra of polynomials. Here in the 7th century, columns of numbers used in root-extraction procedures are recognized as equations that can be solved numerically, but these equations cannot yet be manipulated. Wang Xiaotong arrives at numerically solvable polynomials through a variety of ad hoc techniques, including geometric constructions and rhetorical algebra. In the 18th century, it would be shown that all of his problems could be solved by straightforward algebraic manipulation of polynomials using 14th-century Chinese methods. Lim and Wagner's in-depth study of the Continuation brings this work to an audience unfamiliar with the history and particulars of Chinese mathematical knowledge. Their worked examples also illuminate the text and invite comparison with the work of medieval mathematicians in the Middle East and Europe. The work will appeal to historians of mathematics especially but anyone interested in the evolution of Chinese science and technology will also find this very informative.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=248169>

The Building of the North Borneo Railway and the Founding of Jesselton / Ross Ibbotson

Opus Publications Sdn. Bhd., Malaysia 2018

544p.

9789833987610

\$ 125.00 / HB

2100 gm.

Both the North Borneo Railway and the town of Jesselton owe their existence to the ambitions of William Clark Cowie, who was elected to the Court of the British North Borneo Company in 1894, became managing director in 1897 and later elected Chairman shortly before his death in 1910. Appropriately, the first two chapters in this book cover Cowie's early adventures in the Far East and his rise to power in the British North Borneo Company.

Cowie's ambitions to build a railway were tantamount to an obsession and this book records how Cowie completely ignored any criticism or advice from his staff in Borneo and ruthlessly removed anybody who stood in his way.

The North Borneo Railway and the town of Jesselton have been inextricably linked since their inception in the final years of the 19 Century. Realising that the West Coast terminus of the railway at Weston was totally unsuitable for development as a port, after a few false starts the site of the town to be called Jesselton was selected, and a contract awarded to extend the railway northwards to connect the new town to what, at the time, was envisaged to become a Trans-Borneo rail network.

This book describes the technical details as to how the engineering difficulties of the railway were overcome and exposes the extraordinary internal company politics that marred the early construction phases from the beginning of the project. It covers the development of the town of Jesselton, the establishment of infrastructure, and the almost total destruction it suffered at the end of World War II. The effect of the Japanese occupation and the Allied Landings in Borneo are examined. The book closes with details of the post-war reconstruction and development undertaken by the Colonial Government in the 18 years that elapsed from the end of hostilities in 1945 until Independence in 1963.

The content of the book is carefully referenced and illustrated with over 400 photographs and maps.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=421952>

Stories of One Malaccan Family / Melissa Chan & Henry Chan (Illustration) Preethi Nair (Eds) Sonia Chan, Claire Wong & Audrey S. Quay

Baba and Nyonya Heritage Museum Sdn Bhd, Malaysia 2018

137p.

9789671559802

\$ 65.00 / HB

800 gm.

An Ancestral House. On Jalan Tan Cheng Lock, formerly Heeren Street, most of the houses were once occupied by Peranakan Chinese. By the 1980s with Malacca fast becoming a tourist destination, many residents began to move out of their houses that were located within the heritage quarters.

For some families on Heeren Street, if they could afford the upkeep, their homes were kept solely as Ancestral Houses, with family members returning during specific occasions such as Chinese New Year or birth or death anniversaries of the deceased patriarch or matriarch to pay their respects.

The practice of keeping ancestral tablets in a homestead is not unique to the Peranakan Chinese community, and is a shared practice in many Asian communities. It is a repository that helps families remember their roots, heritage and ancestry.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=421956>

Kaki Lima and Other Intriguing Malaysian Numbers /

MPH Group Publishing Sdn Bhd & Salt Media Group Sdn Bhd., Malaysia 2017

144p.

9789674154271

\$ 16.00 / null

350 gm.

1. Malaysia – History
2. Malaysia – Politics and government
3. Malaysia – Social conditions

A compilation of Malaysian facts tied to the numbers one to 60, Kaki Lima and Other Intriguing Malaysian Numbers offers snippets that invite the reader to get to know this country a little better. This book is not meant to be conclusive, exclusive or representative of any particular point of view, but it does hope to inspire readers to recall other numbers that have astonished us, brought us together and made us proud.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=421955>

My Journey Into Perak : Mining the State History / Azrah Hj. Abdullah

Institut Terjemahan & Buku Malaysia Berhad, Malaysia 2018

x, 86p.

9789674607784

\$ 25.00 / null

400 gm.

1. Perak (Malaysia) – History
2. Judul (Malaysia) – Economic conditions

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=421954>

Legends of the Secret Tunnels of Malacca / Dennis De Witt

Nutmeg Publishing, Malaysia 2018

102p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789834351991

\$ 10.00 / null

150 gm.

- 1.Melaka – History
- 2.Malaysia - History

Tales of the subterranean tunnels under the historic town of Malacca has existed for over a century. These were stories of tunnels that served as the governor's secret emergency exit from the fortress and a mile long tunnel that once connected the fortress of Malacca to the fort on St. John's hill, strategically built for the defense of the town. There were also stories of a tunnel under St. Paul's hill and how people had gone into these tunnels but were never to be seen again because they were eaten alive by a giant mythical serpent who guards the tunnels.

What secrets do the tunnels contain and why were people willing to risk their lives by descending into the dark and unknown orifices below Malacca? Is there lost treasure still buried in Malacca? Did the last Sultan of Malacca stash his huge cache of gold after the Portuguese captured Malacca and the secret vault still remains undiscovered till today? Was Malacca, Plotemy's Golden Cherosene and the Ophir, the source of King Solomon's gold?

This book uncovers the layers of history that unfolds Malacca's most bizarre and amazing legend.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=421959>

Perak Sultanate : The Historic Royal Glory of Perak Tengah / Sharina Md Nordin & Abdul Jalil Hamid (Consult. Ed) Mohd Annuar Bin Zaini

Universiti Teknologi PETRONAS & The New Straits Time Press (Malaysia) Berhad, Malaysia 2017

144p.

9789838710497

\$ 125.00 / HB

1200 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=421960>

David Whippy of Nantucket : His Extraordinary Influence on the History of the Fiji Islands / Rondo B B Me

Environmental Defence Society Incorporated 2018

viii, 322p.

9789829819611

\$ 65.00 / null

680 gm.

In 1825 the young David Whippy, a native of Nantucket, found himself stranded on Bau Island, the home of the most powerful chief in the Fiji Islands. Unlike many of his contemporaries who returned to their homes, David chose to stay and carve out a life for himself in a land which was slowly coming to grips with the complexities of the interaction between these two very different cultures.

David was a worldbringer: he moved easily between the worlds of the European traders who came to Fiji in search of lucrative cargoes, and the world of his adopted people, the Fijians. As a result of his sobering influence, business acumen, and vision, his new home of Levuka became the main port of call for trading vessels, whaling ships, and foreign naval gunships. The infrastructure that he and his associates evolved, ranging from providing pilots and interpreters to the building of small boats and schooners, made Levuka a commercial port and laid the foundations for the town to become the first capital of Fiji in 1874.

Set against the background of the complex Fijian politics of the period, this book explores David's life, both public and private, over those vital years, culminating in his death in 1871, three years before the Cession of the Islands to Great Britain.

The book also includes genealogical information for the benefit of his descendants.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457061>

Enslaved in Paradise : A History of Mammoth Betrayals of Fijians by the British, Chiefs and Leaders of Fiji, 1876-2006 / Rajendra Prasad

Environmental Defence Society Incorporated 2018

290p.
9780473444693
\$ 55.00 / null
500 gm.

A riveting account of Fiji's history, challenging some of the common perceptions and revealing how the British stranded the Girmitiyas to save Fiji's sugar industry and colluded with the chiefs who prevented social, political and economic development of indigenous Fijians but blamed Indo-Fijians for it.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457062>

Cannibals and Converts : Radical Change in the Cook Islands / Maretu, Marjorie Tuainekore Crocombe

USP Press, Fiji 2016

240p.
Includes Index ; Bibliography

\$ 30.00 / null
3150 gm.

Cannibals and Converts tells the amazing story of life in the Cook Islands before the coming of Europeans, the subsequent wars and intrigues over women and power, the destruction of gods and churches, the agonizing deaths in epidemics, the break-up of polygamous families and the radical changes in custom and culture.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=457063>

The Indus and Its Provinces : Their Political and Commercial Importance / W.P. Andrew

Research, Compilation, Consolidation & Printing History of Sindh, Department of Culture, Tourism and Antiquities, Government of Sindh, Pakistan 2017

280p.
9789698100339
\$ 50.00 / HB
700 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456588>

Naqsh-o-Nigar-e-Iqbal : Collection of stamps, coins and banknotes / Mian Sajid Ali

Berger Paints Pakistan Limited, Pakistan 2015

1v.

\$ 20.00 / HB

This book covers the stamps, coins, bank notes and memorial fund stamps on Allama Iqbal.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456589>

Historical Images of Pakistan / F. S. Aijazuddin

Ferozsons (Pvt.) Ltd., Pakistan 2012

172p.
9789690100252
\$ 90.00 / HB

1250 gm.

Nineteenth century illustrations and descriptions of the provinces of India that would later become Pakistan.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456590>

History of The Arghuns and Tarkhans of Sindh (1507-1593) and Ta'rikh-i-Ma'sumi / Dr. Mahmudul Hasan Siddiqi

Endowment Fund Trust For Preservation of the Heritage of Sindh (EFT), Pakistan
2014

1v.

Includes Index

9789699860065

\$ 40.00 / HB

1050 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456592>

Pakistan : Historical Legacies, Contemporary Issues / / Syed Jaffar Ahmed (Intro)
I. A. Rehman

Royal Book Company, Karachi 2017

358p.

9789694074412

\$ 30.00 / HB

600 gm.

1. Pakistan movement.
2. Democracy -- Pakistan -- History.
3. Radicalism -- Religious aspects -- Islam.
4. Pakistan -- Politics and government.
5. Pakistan -- Politics and government -- 21st century.

"This volume comprises articles and essays dealing with the deep-seated political problems faced by Pakistan since independence. The post-colonial state and society of Pakistan faced crises of ideology, identity, national integration and democracy, all, in one way or the other, rooted in the pre-colonial social formation and state structure. The author has discussed in detail the connectivity between Pakistan's past and present, thus constructing a meaningful dialogue between history and politics of the country. The volume, it is hoped, would help understand many of the problems Pakistan has faced since her birth. It may also help find solutions for the issues highlighted and discussed in detail. Written objectively and with an in-depth understanding of history and politics, the articles included in the anthology would be of interest for the scholars, researchers and students of history, politics and Pakistan Studies."

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456596>

The Separation of East Pakistan : The Rise and Realization of Bengali Muslim
Nationalism / Hasan Zaheer

Royal Book Company, Karachi 2018

xxxii, 512p.

Includes Index ; Map

9789694074696

\$ 25.00 / null

600 gm.

To understand the separation of East Pakistan in 1971, it is necessary to put the events of that year into the proper perspective of the unstable relationship between East and West Pakistan from 1947 onwards. Hasan Zaheer examines the genesis of the single state of Pakistan, and analyzes the crises which marked the relations between the two areas from 1947 to the army actions of 1971. The book makes extensive use of primary sources, conversations and interviews with those directly involved in the events of the post army action period, unpublished documents, and the author's own personal experiences. It is a detailed account of events on the national and international fronts, culminating in the surrender of the army in East Pakistan on December 16, 1971.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456597>

The Indus Saga and the Making of Pakistan. / Aitzaz Ahsan

Royal Book Company, Karachi 2018

xiv, 416p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789694073736.

\$ 25.00 / null

550 gm.

Drawing on primary sources, especially literature, the author endeavours to establish the separateness of Indus from India. Discarding many widely accepted myths of Indian history, the book presents a history of the political culture of the Indus region (now Pakistan) from ancient times to the modern age.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456598>

Rizal + / Alfred A. Yuson (ed)

Water Dragon, Inc., Philippines 2018

176p.

9789719311225

\$ 50.00 / HB

1200 gm.

"The coffee-table book is a beautiful artifact, replete with gorgeous photographs, beguiling art and illustrations, and thought-provoking pieces." It was glitterati meets literati at the launch of the handsome coffee-table book Rizal +, an anthology of art and literature starring the national hero.

All of 176 pages in full color, the collection of essays, thematic features, artworks and photographs all dwell on various matters, including trivia curiosa, related to Jose Rizal.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456700>

Marawi on the War's End / Delon Porcalla (Ed) Juanita Galang Trinidad
(Photographs) Linus Guardian Escando II

Focalens Publishing., Philippines 2018

1v.

Includes Index

9786219590204

\$ 200.00 / HB

1650 gm.

One year ago, extremist groups made a futile attempt to establish a foothold in what was once the peaceful, vibrant and thriving City of Marawi. It is just fitting that we commemorate the fateful day through the images depicted in this photo book entitled, Marawi: On the War's End. This work vividly captures the struggles, difficulties and eventual triumph of those who have been affected by that dark moment in our nation's history. On its pages, we see their unwavering faith and determination as they navigate through the war-torn streets and alleys of their home city. Indeed, imprinted throughout this book is the resilience of a noble people who refused to give in to the forces of violence and terror.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456701>

Inside and Art : The History, Architecture and Art of San Beda College Alabang /
I. Dr. Joseph Richard C. Renta III (Ed)

San Beda College Alabang, Philippines 2018

xvii, 183p.

9789719563204

\$ 100.00 / HB

1200 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456702>

No Man Left Behind : A Story of Valor in the Battle of Marawi / P. R. Fortuno, Phd

P. R. Fortuna, PhD, Philippines 2018

400p.

\$ 45.00 / null

850 gm.

It's the raw, heroic story of a 1st Scout Ranger Battalion's torturous rescue mission during the early days of the Battle of Marawi. Told from the soldiers' perspective, it brings to life the brutal military and cultural dynamics of the liberation of Marawi from the ISIS-inspired Maute terrorist attack.

NO MAN LEFT BEHIND is a 384-page book, written in a no-frills fast-paced action style with lots of colored-photos and maps in glossy paper, on the successful rescue mission of trapped military personnel and recovery of immobilized APCs deep behind enemy lines by the troops of the 1st Scout Ranger Battalion in the Battle of Marawi. Read and learn more about our soldiers' admirable philosophies, enlightening insights, pragmatic leadership style and amazing brotherhood amid a punishing environment. This book, a first of its kind in Philippine military literature, cuts across all sections of our society - this is for everyone.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456703>

"The Sea Devil Came Calling" : Count Felix von Luckner and his visit to Aitutaki : August/September 1917 / Howard Henry

Sovereign Pacific Publishing Company, Cook Islands 2018

76p.

Includes Bibliography

095823389K

\$ 35.00 / null

150 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=455382>

Arthur Prior – A 'Young Progressive' : Letters to Ursula Bethell and to Hugh Teague, 1936-1941 / Mike Grimshaw (ed)

Environmental Defence Society Incorporated 2018

232p. ; 152x228mm.

9781927145906

\$ 60.00 / null

450 gm.

Arthur Prior (1914–69), the founder of 'tense logic', is regarded as New Zealand's greatest 20th-century philosopher. It is commonly believed that the philosopher J.N.D. Findlay lured a young Prior away from theology and his training for the ministry to the world of philosophy. However, as Prior's letters to the poet Ursula Bethell and to his communist cousin Hugh Teague now make clear, he did not simply abandon theological study in order to immerse himself in philosophy – nor does it seem that it was a matter of his disbelieving in theology one minute and believing in philosophy the next. Until World War II, and, it appears, for a time afterwards, Prior seriously considered a career as a religious journalist, especially when travelling and living on the Continent and in England with his first wife, Clare Hunter. During these years, Prior wrote widely on theology and contemporary Christianity. In his correspondence with Ursula Bethell – who called him one of her 'young progressives' – and Hugh Teague, Prior discusses in detail his religious and theological thought and his personal beliefs and influences, including his shift from formal theological study into a world of journalism and philosophy. These previously unknown letters, which cover the years from 1936 to 1941 and his time in Dunedin, Wellington, France and London, chronicle a substantial part of a fascinating period in Prior's development, both theologically and philosophically. Prior's letters have been transcribed and annotated for this volume by early Prior scholar Mike Grimshaw. An essay by Mike Grimshaw and an introduction by Prior expert Jack Copeland provide further context, including a brief introduction to tense logic.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=455573>

Tutu Te Puehu : New Perspectives On The New Zealand Wars / John Crawford & Ian McGibbon (eds)

Steele Roberts Aotearoa, New Zealand 2018

524p.

9780947493721

\$ 55.00 / null

'The New Zealand Wars of the 19th century are among the most profound influences on the development of modern New Zealand,' says Sir Jerry Mateparae in his foreword to this book.

Chapters discuss the Northern, Waikato, Taranaki, Urewera and other conflicts. Topics include the transportation of Maori prisoners to Van Diemen's Land; the role of the militia, the navy and coastal steamers; military intelligence; the loyalty of many Maori to the Crown; the Arawa Flying Columns as an early special force; press reportage here and overseas; memorialisation of the wars; the Australian and imperial context — and more.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=455572>

With Them Through Hell : New Zealand Medical Services in the First World War / Anna Rogers

Environmental Defence Society Incorporated 2018

496p.

Includes Index

9780995100190

\$ 75.00 / HB

1500 gm.

The thousands of New Zealand men who fought in the First World War went through hell. And right beside them was another fighting force, armed with scalpels, bandages and drugs. Hundreds of doctors, nurses, stretcher-bearers, orderlies and ambulance drivers, dentists, chiropodists, pharmacists, physiotherapists and chaplains cared for the sick and wounded, often at great personal risk. Veterinarians did the same for horses, camels and other animals. The challenges were enormous - horrific injuries, gas and deadly diseases, especially the influenza of 1918. There were some astonishing successes - most famously by plastic surgery pioneers Harold Gillies and Henry Pickerill - but the price was high, for patients and carers. The skilled, compassionate and courageous New Zealand medical personnel of the Great War have not always received the attention they deserve. Anna Rogers tells their remarkable story.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=455571>

Stand For All Time : The Marquette Sinking and the Nurses' Memorial Chapel / Anna Rogers & Cheryl Jenkins

Environmental Defence Society Incorporated 2018

136p. ; 210 x 250mm.

9780473450755

\$ 50.00 / null

550 gm.

Among the thousands of New Zealand deaths in the First World War, the 32 caused by the 1915 sinking of the Marquette were particularly poignant, shocking – and scandalous. Along with a British ammunition column, No. 1 New Zealand Stationary Hospital sailed from Egypt bound for Salonika on 19 October. Not marked as a hospital ship and therefore vulnerable to German U-boat attack, the Marquette was torpedoed in the Aegean Sea on the morning of 23 October. Ten New Zealand nurses and 22 mostly Medical Corps men died. Several more were injured, some severely. And the disaster was entirely avoidable: medical personnel should never have been onboard. The Nurses' Memorial Chapel in Christchurch honours the three local nurses who were lost in the sinking. It is the country's first hospital chapel and its only memorial chapel to women who perished in all wars or in the 1918 influenza epidemic. It is thought to be the only purpose-built hospital chapel in the world that commemorates nurses who died in the Great War. Yet this lovely building was twice threatened with demolition in the 20th century and only survived thanks to a passionate, hard-fought campaign. Then came bad damage in the Canterbury earthquakes of 2010–11, followed by superb restoration and reopening in 2018. This vivid, compelling and attractive book tells the story of the Marquette sinking, and the scandal surrounding it, and of the creation of the chapel and the challenges it has faced. It will help to ensure that tragedy of the Marquette, the names of those who died and the special building that honours them, will never be forgotten but stand for all time.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=455570>

E Tautala Aso : History of Piula Theological College, 1868-2018 / Saunoa Sila
Environmental Defence Society Incorporated 2018

v, 95p.

9789829099075

\$ 75.00 / HB

700 gm.

Historical account of the history of Piula Theological College from 1868 – 2018.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=455511>

Asia Through Nordic Eyes: Fifty Years of Nordic Scholarship on Asia / Gier
Helgesen, Gerald Jackson

Nordic Institute of Asian Studies (NIAS),Denmark 2018

xii, 340p.

Includes Index

9788776942724

\$ 29.00 / null

550 gm.

Contact between Asia and the Nordic countries goes back at least 500 years. Scholarly interest and exchange between the two regions took time to develop, however; for many years Nordic scholars were more focused on the Biblical world than on the Far East or Subcontinent. The explosion in academic learning from the 1960s dramatically changed this picture and by the end of the decade Asia was studied at more than 100 institutions scattered across the Nordic region. In response, an institute was established now known as NIAS, tasked to support and provide focus to this fragmented scholarly environment. The institute opened its doors in 1968. An integral part of NIAS's work in the past five decades has been to encourage publication of Nordic Asia scholarship. Since 1968, about 500 different works have been published out of the institute. A few had a huge international impact (deciphering the inscriptions of the Indus Valley Civilization was a major linguistic and historical breakthrough, for instance) while other works have had impressive political/societal effects. Indeed, as a whole, it is agreed that the publishing work carried out at NIAS over the decades has boosted the global profile of Nordic scholarship on Asia beyond all expectations. In celebration of 50 years of publishing at NIAS, this volume offers a selection of Nordic writing on Asia. The excerpts span the decades and the myriad fields within Asian Studies, with context and relevance offered by commentaries from present-day scholars. Readers from all areas and disciplines will find much to tempt them in this smorgasbord of Asia learning.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=435441>

Engaging Asia: Essays on Laos and Beyond in Honor of Martin Stuart-Fox / Desley
Goldston (ed)

Nordic Institute of Asian Studies (NIAS),Denmark 2019

xxiv, 478p. ; 27 illustrations & 4 maps

Includes Index

9788776942540

\$ 42.00 / null

750 gm.

Long regarded as a peripheral state in mainland Southeast Asia, Laos has attracted far less scholarly attention than richer and more powerful neighbours like Thailand and Vietnam. This has meant, however, that in Lao studies there is a greater potential for individual scholars to make significant contributions to their field. One such scholar is Australia's Martin Stuart-Fox, in honour of whom this festschrift has been produced with contributions from colleagues, former doctoral students and friends. The volume is more than a hagiography, however. Its chapters on Laos all make significant contributions to Lao studies. These range from the writing of Lao prehistory in Laos, to early Lao-Thai relations, from French colonial archaeology to medical practices and gun-boat diplomacy, from the 'invention' of Laos as a modern state to its revolutionary transformation and present politics. Though the main focus is on the history, politics and national identity of Laos, essays also point 'beyond' Laos, both geographically and metaphorically. In the first instance, the volume provides a welcome comparative perspective, from precolonial relations between Southeast Asian polities and European courts to colonial policies within French Indochina, to the structure of communist power in Vietnam. Three concluding essays point beyond Laos in a metaphorical sense in directions indicated by Professor Stuart-Fox's wider intellectual interests - to cultural legitimation and identity, to Buddhism and Buddhist meditation, and to how the principles of Darwinian evolution apply to historical change. Engaging Asia is thus a volume that will stimulate and satisfy, while at the same time honouring a scholar whose unusual career took him from marine biologist to war correspondent to respected scholar of Southeast Asian politics and history.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=435442>

Sind and its Sufis / Jethmal Parsra Gulraj

Culture and Tourism Department, Government of Sindh, Pakistan 2016

\$ 15.00 / HB

300 gm.

1.Sufism -- Pakistan -- Sindh.

2.Sindh (Pakistan) -- History.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456583>

Narrative of a Residence at the Court of Meer Ali Moorad with Wild Sports in the Valley of Indus (In Two Volumes, Vol. I & II) / Edward Archer Langley, Late Captain, Madkas Cavalky

Research, Compilation, Consolidation & Printing History of Sindh, Department of Culture, Tourism and Antiquities, Government of Sindh, Pakistan 2017

200p.

9789698100346

\$ 50.00 / HB

1000 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456584>

Sind Under the Mughuls / M. Saleem Akhtar

Research, Compilation, Consolidation & Printing History of Sindh, Department of Culture, Tourism and Antiquities, Government of Sindh, Pakistan 2017

376p.

Includes Select Bibliography

9789698100377

\$ 35.00 / HB

750 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456585>

Scinde Or The Unhappy Valley. / Richard Francis Burton

Research, Compilation, Consolidation & Printing History of Sindh, Department of Culture, Tourism and Antiquities, Government of Sindh, Pakistan 2017

352p.

9789698100308

\$ 40.00 / HB

850 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=456586>

Sind Revisited / Richard Francis Burton

Research, Compilation, Consolidation & Printing History of Sindh, Department of Culture, Tourism and Antiquities, Government of Sindh, Pakistan 2017

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Since the late 20th century, academic interest in the crypto-Judaic group known as the Dönmes has grown and intensified. Most studies resulting from this interest have concentrated on the Dönmes' place in a world of intersecting identities, and on the nature of their secret religion. In this process, however, narratives by actual members of this community have been few and far-between. This work, based on a series of interviews with a member of the Karakaş group - one of the three main Dönme sects - aims to fill that gap. Complete with introducing chapters on the history of the Dönmes, and in particular the Karakaş group; richly annotated with footnotes that explain local nuances and provide additional resources; this book will appeal both to specialist workers, as well as general readers interested in this curious chapter at the intersection of Ottoman, Judaic and contemporary Turkish history. Previously-unpublished intra-communal religious documents, calendars and partial genealogies of the Karakaş sect are also reproduced in this volume.

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The book contains, in addition to the oral history interviews conducted, the introduction by the historian Dr. Mehmet Polatel and the afterword by the editor Dr. İclal Ayşe Küçükırca, whom are members of the Hrant Dink Foundation's History Program.

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Kayseri was one of the rare cities in which Armenians continued to live during the Republican period, with 1,978 Armenians registered there according to the 1927 census. This total dropped to 1,600 in 1932, to 800 in 1960 and to zero today. After the migration of Armenians living in various areas of Anatolia to Istanbul, predominantly in the 1950s, a significant number of Armenians from Kayseri gathered in the Samatya district in particular.

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Why the state founders of Israel and the Turkish Republic, despite being mostly secular and looking initially to create a secular state, chose to integrate religion into the state sphere by incorporating religious institutions into the state apparatus? Part of the answer relates to the objective of achieving national homogeneity, as one of the striking similarities between the two countries. The state elite in both countries encountered the same urgent issue after declaring independence – the formation of a national unity. This book makes a comparison of the relationship between the state, religion and nationalism in the State of Israel and the Republic of Turkey during their state-building processes. Existing literature analyzing the relationship between the state and religion in Israel and Turkey reveals that both have been conceived as secular, democratic, modern states, and Israel can be put forward as exceptional case in the Middle East. That said, there is a need to include the issue of secularism in the national, historical contexts of both states to gain a better understanding of the issue. To this end, this book delineates the similar and different paths followed by the State of Israel and the Republic of Turkey concerning their experiences with secularism, and argues that, contrary to general assumptions that emphasize their uniqueness in the region; the two share various similarities and indeed are not unique.

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During the 19th century, British diplomacy towards the Ottoman Empire was based on rejuvenating and revitalising the administration system with a series of social and political reforms. Although British attitudes began to transform during the Near Eastern Crisis of 1876-8 and the Anglo-Ottoman alliance was interrupted, the policy changed dramatically on the eve of the First World War. Nonetheless, major events such as the Chanak Crisis in the British Cabinet, the occupation of Constantinople and Smyrna and finally the Turkish Nationalist Movement under the leadership of Mustafa Kemal Ataturk effected the dynamics of Anglo-Ottoman relations. This book examines the ground of these policies and analyses how this storm was over in British foreign policies towards Turkey between 1918 and 1923.

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Despite the proscription of public political debates under colonial rule in Burma, boundary-crossing ventures like the Burma Research Society (founded in 1910) allowed those from different racial and cultural backgrounds to engage in debates about national belonging and identity. At the same time their scholarship generated new historical and cultural knowledge. Such social and intellectual interactions sowed the seeds of nascent nationalism in Burma, not least a unifying Burmano-Buddhist hegemony as promoted by BRS members like J.S. Furnivall and his circle. This was contested by the regional nationalism of San Shwe Bu, with Leslie Fernandes Taylor also warning of the consequences of neglecting the ethnic and linguistic diversity of Burma's many races. With the rise of Rangoon University and popular culture and militant nationalism coming to dominate the social and political landscape by the mid-1930s, the influence of the BRS began to wane. This detailed study of the BRS and its membership, together with an analysis of its published output, contextualizes the Society within its metropolitan and regional setting, as well as drawing on a broader, transnational intellectual landscape. This timely work on the Society's intellectual legacy has the potential to inform current debates in Myanmar at a time when the activities of ultra-nationalist groups threaten other religions and ethnicities' rights as citizens.

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