

**A Guide to the Banseng Hoe Papers
(1953, 1964, 1966, 1968-1969)
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Summary Information

Repository	College Archives & Special Collections / Wallace E. Mason Library / Keene State College
Title	Banseng Hoe Papers
Date	1953, 1964, 1966, 1968-1969
Extent	2.5 Linear feet
Language	English
Abstract	The Banseng Hoe Papers document aspects of an anthropologist's research on and fieldwork among the Semelai in Malaysia. It contains a map, clippings, correspondence, and photographs.

Preferred Citation note

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Biographical/Historical note

Dr. Banseng Hoe was born in Malaysia. In 1964, while studying for his Diploma in Social Work and Administration at the University of Singapore, he conducted fieldwork among the Semelai in Malaysia. His study from that time was published in 2001 as *Semelai Communities at Tasek Bera: a Study of the Structure of Orang Asli Society*. Dr. Hoe received his Master of Arts in Sociology from the University of Alberta, Canada in 1970 and his Ph.D in Sociology and Anthropology (minor) from Vanderbilt University in 1974. Between 1964 and 1967 he worked as a Social Welfare Officer for the Ministry of Public Affairs, Singapore, first with the government of Malaysia (1964-1965) and then with the Government of Singapore (1965-1967). He was Head of the Asian and Middle Eastern Programme and Social Organization at the Canadian Centre for Folk Culture Studies, National Museum of Man, from 1974 to 1984. He is presently Curator of Asian Studies at the Canadian Centre for Folk Culture Studies, Canadian Museum of Civilization. Dr. Hoe has lectured frequently and has received many awards for his work. He is the author of a number of books, manuscripts, reports, scholarly articles and book reviews.

Scope and Contents note

The photographs (folder 2) and the news clipping (folder 3) document the period of his fieldwork while the maps and table (folder 1), articles and abstracts (folder 2) and correspondence (folder 5) relate to his research on the Semelai and final report.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Collection Inventory

Box 1, Folder 1; Map and tables from “The Medical Natural History of the Malayan Aborigines” by Ivan Polunin, 1953. From The Medical Journal of Malaya, vol. 8, no. 1, September 1953, p. 55-174

Box 1, Folder 2; Frederick L. Dunn: article, abstract and Hooper Newsvector biography, 1968-1969. “Epidemiological Factors: Health and Disease in Hunter-Gatherers” in Man the Hunter, Richard B. Lee and Irvin Devore eds., 1968; abstract for “Social Relationships, Kinship and Communicable Disease Transmission” at VIIIth International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences, September 3-10, 1968; Hooper Newsvector , vol. 3 no. 3, October 1969, p. 2

Box 1, Folder 3; Two photographs, Fort Iskandar, Pahang, 1964 Laser copies with captions

Box 1, Folder 4; News clipping, 1964 “When the Rains Come to Tasek Bera...” The Sunday Mail, March 8, 1964

Box 1, Folder 5; Incoming correspondence from Frederick L. Dunn, 1966, 1969 Letters of January 2, 1966 and December 5, 1969