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Papers of Rev. Dr Harry Parkin

1827-2002

Biographical Background:

Harry Parkin was born in 1926 and trained for the Methodist ministry at Hartley Victoria College in Manchester before becoming a missionary. He was ordained in the Church of South India in 1952 before returning to England with his wife Mary in 1956 and preaching on the Essex Methodist church circuit until 1968. In that year he was appointed to the Batak university (Nommensen University) in Pematang Siantar in Northern Sumatra. He lectured there in comparative religion and continued his work at the same time with the Methodist Missionary Society. He took the opportunity to study Batak religion in more depth and in 1975 submitted, to Serampore College, his doctoral thesis, 'The extent and areas of Indian/Hindu influence on the ideas and development of the Toba Batak religion, and its implications for the Christianisation of the Toba Batak people of North Sumatra'. The edited version appeared in 1978 as Batak fruit of Hindu thought, an important source of description of Batak religion including divination, astrology and the cosmic tree of the Batak. During this period he also worked on the unpublished monograph on Batak proverbs which is to be found at U DPN/2.

In 1979 Dr Parkin was appointed as Director of Religious Studies at Trinity Theological College in Singapore where he taught courses on the world's religions and on comparative religion. In 1985 he returned to England and spent the last five years of his life as Methodist preacher on the Beverley circuit in the East Riding of Yorkshire. He continued to collect work on Asian religions and was heavily involved in ecumenical activities. He died on 8 April 1990 aged 64.

Custodial history:

Donated by Mrs Parkin in 1991 [U DPN1/44] and in 2011 [U DPN/45-54]

Description:

The papers of the Reverend Dr Harry Parkin comprise his research material and finished work on the Toba Batak religion and his research and teaching work into comparative religions. During the course of his work he collected valuable Batak bark books and these are now held as part of the artificial collection of South East Asian manuscripts at U DSE or are in the Centre for South-East Asian Studies.

Dr Parkin's papers in more detail are as follows: doctoral thesis on Batak religion (1975); an unpublished monograph on Batak proverbs (circa 1980s); articles and papers on Batak books and literature (1970s and 1980s); papers and studies on Indian religions (1970s and 1980s); teaching materials on world religions (1970s and 1980s); a paper on personal theology (1984); two papers and related material on Asian theology (1983); notes for courses of religious studies (1979-1985); pamphlets and offprints of articles by other people (1827-1923); papers on a variety of topics in Asian studies by other authors (1967-1985).

Arrangement:

U DPN/1-3 Writings on the Toba Batak, 1970s
U DPN/4-16 Studies of Indian religions, 1980s
U DPN/17-24 Courses on world religions, late 20th century
U DPN/25-44 Miscellaneous publications, 1827 – 1985
U DPN/45-54 Miscellaneous items, 1975– 2002

Extent: 4 boxes (0.67metres)

Related material:

Four Batak bark books [Ref U DSE/43-46] were purchased from the estate of Dr Parkin and are contained amongst the artificial collection of South East Asian manuscripts [Ref U DSE] Papers of Professor Mervyn A Jaspan [Ref U DJA] Papers of Dr. David Kenneth [Ref U DBA] Papers of Frederick William Dalley [Ref U DDA] Papers of Dr. Geoffrey Marrison [Ref U DGM]

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U DPN/1-3 Writings of Dr Harry Parkin on the Toba Batak 1975 - 1976

U DPN/1 Photocopy. Doctoral thesis: 'The extent and areas of the Indian/Hindu influence on the ideas and development of Toba Batak religion, and its implication for the Christianization of the Toba Batak people of North Sumatra. (A thesis presented to the Senate of Serampore College, for the degree of Doctor of Theology, 1975), by Harry Parkin. Reproduced from typescript. Pp.(ix), 456, (xi), maps. 30 cm., board bound. 1975

From the Abstract:

'This study has grown out of the lecture room experience of teaching Batak Religion and Batak Culture to theological students in Universitas H.K.B.P. Nommensen, Padang Siantar, North Sumatra. It started in the process of orientation to a new field of work: when I started to learn about the history and culture of the Batak peoples, there was the strange sense of being in a completely new geographical location, but of knowing the position and nature of the landmarks. More was involved than the general relationship between 'Mother India' and the 'India of the Islands'. At several salient points of Toba Batak religion, what had been experienced and learned of Hinduism in Mysore at an earlier period of service was very relevant. More than co-incidence was necessary to explain the similarities.

Contents:

- 1) Introduction: Batakland. The Batak. Tribal areas. Primacy of the Toba Batak. Migration. Origin of the Batak people. Batak religion. Christianization of the Toba Batak.p.1
- 2) The problem stated: Cultural context. Diversity of opinion. Inhibiting factors. p.38
- 3) Indianization: Evidence of Indianization in Sumatra. The

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nature and character of Indianization. The agents of Indianization. The reaction of autochthonous culture. p.67

- 4) Hindu - Buddhist presence in Batakland: Batak megalith and sarcophagus culture. The Hindu kingdom of Tanah Jawa in Simalungun. Simangambat Ganesha. p.114
- 5) The Batak script: Indian origin. Development. The use of the Batak script. p.153
- 6) Toba Batak vocabulary: Table of 200 Sanskrit derivatives in Toba Batak. Classification. Analysis. p. 166
- 7) Toba Batak religion: The tondi cult. The Deities. Text and translation of Leiden Codex Or. 3402. p. 235
- 8) Magic and divination: Desa na ualu. Bindu matoga. Siva yantra. p.326
- 9) Magic: calendar and astrology: Batak horary divination. p. 356
- 10) The cosmic tree and Batak society: The Indian concept of the cosmic tree. The Batak cosmic tree, Hariara Jambu Barus. Its mythological context. Secondary similarities of cosmological interest. p.382
- 11) Conclusions and implications: The extent of Hinduism. The implications of Hinduization for Christianity. Accommodation and syncretism. Contextualization for the Toba Batak Church. p. 411

Bibliography: 170 items. pages 458-467

Note: An edited version of Dr. Parkin's thesis was published as: 'Batak fruit of Hindu thought'. (Christian Literature Society: Madras, 1978).

This item has not been deposited with the archives, though what appears to be a partial version can be found at U DPN/45

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Unpublished monograph. 'The religious ideas of Batak proverbs', by Harry Parkin, edited by G.E. Marrison and L.G. Hill. (G.E.M. has added an analytical list of contents and a foreword; and at the end, an annotated bibliography, and an index with glossary. L.G.H. has added comments on the study, in the light of current Social Anthropology). Typescript, 30 cm. pp. xx, 341, xxiii.

Contents:

Foreword. Biographical note (G.E.M.). Batak proverbs (G.E.M.). The Toba Batak (H.P.). The study in the light of current Social Anthropology (L.G.H.), pages i - xx

- 1) Introduction: Batak understanding of word power. Batak terms for proverbs. The first line of Batak proverbs. Variants. Sources used. Purpose and methodology. Religious and social concepts of the Bataks. Transcription and orthography. p.1
- 2) Tondi- the soul of a living person: 15 umpama (= proverbs) cited. Commentary: funerals, death, sources of strength, benedictions, the threefold divisions of Batak

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- society. p.48
- 3) Begu- the spirit of a dead person: 5 umpama cited. Commentary. p.103
- 4) Datu- medicine man, shaman, animist priest: 7 umpama cited. Commentary, including discussion of tunggal panaluan - the datu's staff. p.120
- 5) Hulahula - the bride-giving party: 27 umpama cited. Commentary, including sahala, charisma; hariara, the cosmic tree; ulos, ceremonial cloths; and boru, the bride-receiving party. p.159
- 6) Raja- the king: 35 umpama cited. Commentary: The Sisingamangaraja dynasty; stories, and a Toba Batak text. p.219
- 7) Debata and Tuhan- God and Lord: 25 umpama cited. Commentary: Warneck's view of the Batak High God questioned. Divine providence. Benediction. Myth of origin of Ompu Mula jadi na bolon, the primal ancestor of the Batak. p.288
- Bibliography (G.E.M.) i
Index and Glossary (G.E.M.) pp. viii-xxiii

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| <p>U DPN/3</p> <p>U DPN/3/1</p> | <p>Papers of Harry Parkin on the Batak</p> <p>Paper. 'Batak Bark Books'. 5ff., typescript, carbon copy A.4. (Headed: 'by the Rev. Dr. Harry Parkin' - i.e. after 1975). He discusses the terms pustaha = book; pustaha lak-lak = folding book, and refers to three Batak pustaha in his possession, and defines the following terms:
hata poda: language of instruction
datu: Batak medicine man
poda: different kinds of poda used in divination
pagar: a defensive charm
dorma: a love charm
porhalaan: Batak divinatory calendar
pormesa: zodiac
panggorda: the eight animal symbols
pehu na pitu: the seven planets
pormamis: division of the day into five periods
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- U DPN/3/2 Paper. 'Ompu Mula Jadi na Bolon and Mahesuara', by Harry Parkin. 25 ff., typescript, carbon copy, quarto = 25.5 cm. In this paper, Parkin criticizes the contention of Johannes Warneck, that the Batak have an indigenous belief in a High God. (See: *Die Religion der Batak*. Leipzig, 1909). He also criticizes Philip O. Lumbon Tobing, who follows the same view in his doctoral thesis: *The structure of the Toba Batak belief in the High God*, Leiden, 1956. Instead, Parkin demonstrates the influence of the Hindu Siva Trimurti. He discusses Batak religion, including concepts of the Godhead, Indonesian High Gods, the identity of the Batak concept, Batak ideas of creation, including the cosmic tree, evidences of Hindu influence, including the Tamil merchant guild at Labu Tua, near Barus of the eleventh century A.D., and Buddhist and Saiva temples at Padang Lawas, South Tapanuli, of the eleventh to the fourteenth centuries
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- U DPN/3/3 Paper. 'Tonggo: a collection of traditional liturgical texts in Toba Batak', by Harry Parkin. Typescript (photocopy), 2 + 4 ff., quarto = 27.5 cm. Based upon recordings made by Drs. H.J.H. Promes, on 4 January 1966, from Datu Ama ni Rongkoman Samosir, in Ambarita, district Samosir. At the head of the first page is a stamp: Theologicum Capuccinorum, Dli. Medan, Pem. Siantar, together with the name written, Pastor A.B. Sinaga. late 20th cent.
- Contents:
- 1) Tonggo mulamula. Liturgy of origins. 10 lines. Begins: Hutonggo, hupio, hupangalualui Badia ni Daompung, Ompu Raja Mulamula. Ends: Tumpak hami maduma jala horas.
 - 2) Tonggo sahala ni sumangot. Liturgy of the charisma of the spirits. 36 lines. Begins: Hutonggo, hupio, hujou, hupangalualui badia ni daompung, sahala ni ompunami, sahala ni binibini ... Ends: Bintang na rumiris, ombun na sumorop. Ba anak pe riris, boru pe antong torop. I ma tutu.
 - 3) Tonggo ni desa na ualu (Pane na Bolon). Liturgy of the eight wind directions: the Great Dragon. Begins: Ama ni Rongkoman Samosir: Bahan ma udut ni gondang ni na hantapian, gondang ni Ompunta Pane na Bolon. Alai tangihon hamu ma jolo, hibanen ma jolo tonggone. Then follows eight sections, with a musical interlude between each. 1. Purba = East. 2. Anggoni = South-East. 3. Dangsina = South. 4. Nariti = South-West. 5. Pastima = West. 6. Manabia = North-West. 7. Utara = North. 8. Irisanna = North-East. Ends: Martumtum buluan, martantan jabijabi. Horas bita dingin, tumpahon in daompung Tuan Laon ni Pane. Bahen gondang ni Tuan Laon ni Pane. 4 folios.
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U DPN/4	Dr Harry Parkin's studies of Indian religions	late 20th cent.
U DPN/4/1	<p>Paper. 'Historical Survey' (of Indian religions and Zoroastrianism: an introductory course). 62 ff, typescript, carbon copy, A4 = 30 cm.</p> <p>Contents:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) General framework, page 12) Primal religions: Animism, magic, fertility cults, dualism, symbolism, spirit powers; High God religion or henotheism; the future of primal religions, p.23) Indian religions: Pre-Aryan: Pre-Aryan religion; the name Arya; Indus Valley, Aryan invaders; Indus Valley rites of Mohenjodaro and Harappa. Archaeological finds of importance for the study of Indian religions, p.94) Vedic religion: The Vedic age, compilation of the Vedas. Social conditions; religion; theology; deities, kathenotheism, p.145) Zoroastrianism: Zarathustra and his teaching; scriptures, temples, towers of silence, worship. History of Zoroastrianism, p.236) Brahmanism: The great and little traditions; the Upanisads. Fundamental ideas: brahman, atman, samsara, karma, caste, asramadhara (= the four stages of life). Aims of life: dharma, artha, kama, moksa, p.327) Jainism: The Jain religion. Tirthankaras. Parsvanatha, the 23rd Tirthankara. Mahavira. Bhahrabahu, the 6th. leader after Mahavira. Doctrines: jiva, karma, ahimsa; omniscience, atheism, laymen, temples, worship, festivals, p.458) Buddhism: Gautama Buddha; the tradition; the basic teachings of the Buddha: The four Noble Truths. The Noble Eightfold Path. The ten fetters. Anatta (= non-existence of the soul); kamma (= works); nibbana (= emancipation, final bliss), pp. 53-62 <p>1 item</p>	late 20th cent.
U DPN/4/2	<p>Paper. 'Hinduism'. (An incomplete monograph, in draft by Dr. Harry Parkin, typed, and with emendations in black ink. It contains definitions and discussions of Sanskrit terms. There is no bibliography). Typescript, pp. (ii), 130 A4 = 30 cm.</p> <p>Contents:</p> <p>Summary introduction: Main characteristics: experiential, humanistic, relative. Main groupings or sects: Sanatana Dharma, Vaisnavites, Saivites, Kali, Guru sects. pp. i - ii</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Introduction:<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. Scope of study, p. 1b. Indus Valley civilization: culture, religion, p.2c. The Aryans: people, history, culture, religion, p.9d. Aryan-Dravidian synthesis: no-displacement theory. Earth goddess and fertility cult. Sanskritization, Rudra-Siva.	late 20th cent.

U DPN/4/2 cont...	<p>p.16</p> <p>e. Cosmic conflict: Devas v. Asuras; light v. darkness; gods v. raksasas; Durga v. Mahisa. p.21</p> <p>f. Dominant characteristics: anthropocentric, naturalistic, experiential, gnostic, monist, relative, individualistic, energetic, undogmatic. p.29</p> <p>g. Four formative movements: localization, ritualization, impersonal interiorization, personal spiritualization. p.37</p> <p>2) Vedism:</p> <p>a. Social conditions: historic, geographical, socio-political and economic contexts. p.42</p> <p>b. Vedic scriptures: Sruti scriptures; the four Vedas. p.51</p> <p>c. Vedic religion: rta, the Vedic cosmic law. Vedic cosmogony, cosmology; theology, gods and deities; henotheism; eschatology. p.61</p> <p>3) Brahmanism</p> <p>a. Historic context: Brahman supremacy. Prophetic reactions: Aranyakas, Jainism, Buddhism. p.99</p> <p>b. Brahmanical literature: Upanisads. The beginnings of the smrti literature. 106</p> <p>c. Religious concepts of Brahmanism: ultimate reality - Atman-Brahman. Samsara, karma, moksa. p.117</p> <p>d. Religious institutions of Brahmanism: Varnadharmas, the four social classes; Asramadharmas, the four stages of life; Purusartha, the four aims of life; the four paths of discipline. pp. 121-130.</p> <p>1 item</p>	
U DPN/5	Papers connected with 'A Syllabus for the Study of World Religions', by Harry Parkin	c. 1984
U DPN/5/1	<p>Circular staff letter, from S. Ganesamoorthy, dated Singapore, 23 January 1984, enclosing a copy of a draft of 'A Study of World Religions Syllabus', submitted by Dr. Parkin for consideration at a meeting on Saturday 28 January, 1984. (Man and his Destiny). 15 ff., reproduced from typescript, with some pencilled annotations.</p> <p>1 item</p>	1984
U DPN/5/2	<p>Response of the Rev. Dr. Harry Parkin to a meeting on 26th. January, on the Syllabus of Study of World Religions. (Dr. Parkin defends the Course against criticisms. The meeting had suggested a. concentration on beliefs and teachings; and reducing the scope of the material, by excluding Judaism, Jainism and Sikhism. A copy of the original syllabus, as in U DPN 5/1 is included). 9 ff., typescript, carbon copy, folio = 33 cm. (The Syllabus was being considered for use in schools; but in the end it was not introduced).</p> <p>1 item</p>	1984

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U DPN/5/3	Man and his destiny. 10 ff., reproduced from typescript, fcp = 33 cm. (As in U DPN 8, where details are given) 1 item	c. 1984
U DPN/5/4	Man and his destiny: explanatory notes. 9 ff., typescript, carbon copy, A4 = 30 cm. 1 item	c. 1984
U DPN/5/5	Judaism. 4 ff., reproduced from typescript, A4. 1 item	c. 1984
U DPN/5/6	Christianity. 4 ff., reproduced from typescript, A4. 1 item	c. 1984
U DPN/5/7	The world of religion: Hinduism I: 3 ff., reproduced from typescript, fcp. 1 item	c. 1984
U DPN/5/8	Hinduism II. 4 ff., reproduced from typescript, A4. 1 item	c. 1984
U DPN/5/9	Sikhism. 4 ff., reproduced from typescript, A4. 1 item	c. 1984
U DPN/5/10	Pali Buddhism. 4 ff., reproduced from typescript, A4. 1 item	c. 1984
U DPN/5/11	Chinese Buddhism. 4 ff., reproduced from typescript, A4. 1 item	c. 1984
U DPN/5/12	Confucianism. 1 f., typescript, carbon copy + 7 ff., reproduced from typescript A4, with notes added in ink. 1 item	c. 1984
U DPN/5/13	Confucianism. (A different draft). 1 f., typescript, carbon copy + 4 ff., reproduced from typescript, A4. 1 item	c. 1984
U DPN/5/14	Taoism. 4 ff., reproduced from typescript, A4. 1 item	c. 1984
U DPN/5/15	Islam. 4 ff., reproduced from typescript, A4. 1 item	c. 1984
U DPN/5/16	Examination papers: Cambridge University, Syllabus for examinations in Religious Studies, 1982-83. 6 ff., photocopy, A4. 1 bundle	c. 1984
U DPN/5/17	Specimen Examination paper: The study of World Religions: Man and his destiny. 1 f., typescript, carbon copy, Fcp. 1 item	c. 1984

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| U DPN/6 | Paper. 'World Religions II - Religious Families', by Harry Parkin. Typescript, 22 ff., carbon copy, A4. Description and classification of religions. Primal religions. Indian religions. Semitic religions. Mysticism. Quasi-religions.
1 item | late 20th cent. |
| U DPN/7 | Paper. 'Paradigms of Religions', by Harry Parkin. 13 ff., typescript, duplicated. A4. Definition of terms; primal, Indian and Semitic paradigms. Paradigm of culture; theocentric religious culture; Biblical perspective of culture. Mission. Areas of debate, with questions. Areas of cultural encounter. Possible attitudes. Methodology, general. Particular constructions. (This paper is directed to teaching Christian missionary method and practice).
1 item | late 20th cent. |
| U DPN/8 | Paper. 'Man and his Destiny', by Harry Parkin. 10 ff., reproduced from typescript, fcp. The role of religion: relates every part of life to one basic concept, shapes society and provides personal values. Religious activities include worship, prayer and meditation, and the pursuit of justice and compassion. The causes of religious pluralism: historical and cultural influences, religious tensions, religion in a changing world.
1 item | late 20th cent. |
| U DPN/9 | Paper. 'Man's understanding of man. Man and his struggle: a Protestant Christian standpoint', by Harry Parkin: Seminar arranged by the Inter-Religious Organisation and the Institute for the Study of Religions and Society (Singapore). Typescript, 3 ff., duplicated, fcp. The spiritual struggle; the inner struggle; fallen nature; the need for a Saviour.
1 item | late 20th cent. |
| U DPN/10 | Paper. 'F.E.D. Schleiermacher, 1768-1834', by Harry Parkin. 2 ff., typescript, carbon copy. Chronology; the basis of religion; redemption; positive historical religion.
1 item | late 20th cent. |
| U DPN/11 | Paper. 'John May: The religious construction of meaning: Christianity and Buddhism as problem- solvers', by Harry Parkin. (Article in Australian Essays in World Religions, ed., by Victor C. Hayes). (Review by Harry Parkin). Typescript, 3 ff., A4. (Dr. May was Assistant Director of the Katholisch - Oekumenischer Institut, University of Mynster)
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- U DPN/12 Paper. 'Magic and Religion: a brief survey', by Harry Parkin 4 ff., typescript, carbon copy, A4. The debate about their relationship has been a long one. Reasons to consider magic include the increase in interest in the occult in Western society; while the development and modernization of life in Asia has not resulted in any marked decrease in the use of magic. Jung's approach to religion and alchemy offers a helpful approach.
1 item late 20th cent.
- U DPN/13 Paper. 'Changing Religions', by Harry Parkin. 3 ff., typescript, A4. (apparently incomplete at the end). This is a time of rapid social change. Revolutionary types of religion tend to produce sects. There has been a radical change in attitudes to Ministry. Changes of religious allegiance are made when it is, or appears to be advantageous to the person concerned.
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- U DPN/14 Paper. 'A drop in the ocean: a response to R.M. Mansbach, by Harry Parkin. 20 ff., typescript, carbon copy, fcp. Professor Mansbach's article in Commentary, Oct-Nov 1981 asks: 'Is religion a thing of the past?' His view, as a social scientist, is that it should be confined to the sphere of ethics. Parkin discusses various situations and the works of several writers. Japan has been influenced by industrialization. Dr. Judith M. Brown, of the University of Manchester, notes that 'both Hindu and Christian traditions are living through a period of stress'. (Men and Gods in a Changing World. SCM: London, 1980). In 1980 a new Buddhist seminary was opened near Nanjing. G.H. Jansen (Militant Islam. Pan: London, 1979), notes that the ordinary Muslim, in former times, lived his daily life according to the precepts of Islam. Parkin held that the future of religion will be determined by its references to reality and truth, despite modern rationalism and other pressures. S.F. Nadel (Nupe religion: Routledge and Kegan Paul: London, 1954), summarized changes in Eastern religions, and like Mansbach, acknowledged the contribution made by religion to social unity and progress. The role of religion continues to be that of asserting that there is more than a material dimension to life.
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- U DPN/15 Paper. 'Personal Theology', by Harry Parkin. 10 ff., typescript, fcp. Religion is recognised as a personal matter: but Theology is generally seen and taught as a rather impersonal discipline. Religion involves both the intellectual and emotional spheres. There are three strands in Theology: classical, vulgar and personal. Revelation comes through personality, as evidenced by the Bible. Because Christianity is such a personal affair, it brings together the intellectual and emotional aspects of life in a unique way.
1 item late 20th cent.
- U DPN/16 Two papers on Asian Theology, (given by Harry Parkin at a seminar arranged by the Institute for the Study of Religions and Society, Singapore, in 1984). pp. (iii), 25. Reproduced from typescript, A4. 1984
- Preface, by the Rev. Dr. Harry Parkin, Singapore, 29 August 1984, p. i. East Asian Journal of Theology, Singapore, subscription form, p. ii. Yeow Choo Lak: A summary of Elements in Asian Theology, ATESEA, Singapore, Easter, 1983, p. iii
- 1) Yeow Choo Lak: Elements in Asian Theology (pp. 1-10). The beginnings of indigenous Theology: four basic elements in Asian Theology: growth, development, transformation, modernization. This involves alterations of goals, structures and the processes of theological thinking, as well as of customs, values and institutional thinking. There must be self-critical discipline and mutual criticism. In particular, Asian Theology will have to grapple with tribal or racial characteristics.
- 2) The Rev. Dr. Harry Parkin: The Asian Context of Asian Theological Education (pp. 11-25). Theological education. Dragons and pigs, i.e. Christianity's dealing with cultural symbols in Asian society; three parables relating to pearls (Confucian and Christian). Authority in the light of primal religious thought. Theology of inculturation. Openness to the universalities.
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U DPN/17-24	Notes for courses of religious studies	1979 - 1985
U DPN/17	<p>Religion and Culture: Notes for courses of Religious Studies: Trinity College, Singapore. Duplicated typescripts, mostly foolscap (22 pp). Contents: 1) Course outline, 1 p. 2) Introduction, 3 pp. 3) Definitions, 2 pp. 4) Relationship between religion and culture, 4 pp. 5) Language, 4 pp. 6) Culture and worship, 4 pp. 7) Indonesian society and its religio-cultural setting, 4 pp. 1 file</p>	1979 - 1985
U DPN/18	<p>Indian Religions: Notes for courses of Religious Studies: Trinity College, Singapore. Duplicated typescripts, mostly foolscap (41 pp). Contents: 1) Course outline, 1 p. 2) Indus Valley Civilization, 2 pp. 3) Vedism I, 4 pp. 4) Vedism II, 4 pp.; some manuscript notes added on p. 4. 5) Vedism III, 3 pp. 6) Hinduism I, 3 pp. 7) Hinduism II, 4 pp. 8) Notes on Hinduism, 1 f. 9) Sectarian Hinduism: Introduction, 2 pp. 10) Saiva Bhakti, 3 pp. 11) Vaisnava Bhakti, 3 pp. 12) The doctrines of Grace in the context of Bhakti religions, 5 ff., A4. 13) Kali-Durga worship: Saktism and Tantrism, 3 pp., fcp. 14) Buddhism, 3 pp. 1 file</p>	1979 - 1985
U DPN/19	<p>Chinese Religions: Notes for courses of Religious Studies: Trinity College, Singapore. Duplicated typescripts, mostly foolscap (17 pp). Contents: 1) Course outline, 3 pp. 2) Introduction, 3 ff. 3) Confucianism I, 3 ff. Confucianism II, 4 pp. 4) Chinese Cosmology, with Chinese terminology, 2 ff., fcp. 5) Tao Te Ching, extracts. 2 ff., photocopy, A4 1 file</p>	1979 - 1985

- U DPN/20 Islam: Notes for courses of Religious Studies: Trinity College, Singapore. Duplicated typescripts, mostly foolscap (20 pp). Contents:
1) Course outline, 1 p.
2) Introduction, 13 pp.
3) Qur'anic Studies: sources, 1 f.
4) Qur'anic Studies: Jesus in the Qur'an, 1 f.
5) The Prophet Muhammad, 4 ff.
6) Leader of the Religious Community, 2 pp. (Chronological summary of the life and career of the Propher Muhammad from 613 to 632 A.D.).
7) Islam: Worship and Prayer, 9 ff.
8) Islam: Pilgrimage, 3 pp.
9) Islam: Tax and Fasting, 5 pp.
10) Theological development: sects, theologians, 6 ff.
11) Kor'anic issues, 4 ff.
12) Assignment, Third Term, 1983/84, 1 f.
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- U DPN/21 Comparative Studies of Religion: a thematic approach: Notes for courses of Religious Studies: Trinity College, Singapore. Duplicated typescripts, mostly foolscap (39 pp). Contents:
1) Religion and religions. Typescript, 18 ff., A4
2) Classification of religions. Typescript, 21 ff., A4.
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- U DPN/22 The Study of the Nature of Religion: Notes for courses of Religious Studies: Trinity College, Singapore. Duplicated typescripts, mostly foolscap (49 pp). Contents:
1) Introductory notes, 11 ff.
2) Cultus, 5 ff.
3) Religion and Culture II, 5 ff.
4) Religion and Culture III: the law, 8 ff.
5) Problems with law
6) Religion and Culture IV: worship, 6 ff.
7) Culture and Pastoral Care, 3 ff.
8) Culture and religious control of the sick, 4 ff.
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