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Al;B1 Aboriginal message sticks and smoke signals and other papers.
and [Brisbane, etc., 1940-74]. 13 pts. illus. Typescript and
Al;B5 printed material (photocopy).

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- Al;B1 (1) Correspondence regarding Aboriginal smoke signals
- (a) Letter from W.J.E. Watson, District Inspector, Charters Towers to A.G. Lund, Superintendent, Postal Services, 15 Sep. 1950, [1] l. Typescript (photocopy).
 - (b) Letter from A.G. Lund to W.J.E. Watson, 26 Sep. 1950, [1] l. Typescript (photocopy).
 - (c) Letter from V.M. Nagle, Acting District Inspector, Charters Towers to A.G. Lund, 2 Oct. 1950, [1] l. Typescript (photocopy).
 - (d) Letter from E.A. Olds, Postmaster, Burketown to W.J.E. Watson 13 Nov. 1950, [1] l. Typescript (photocopy).
 - (e) Letter from W.J.E. Watson to A.G. Lund, 16 Nov. 1950, [1] l. Typescript (photocopy).
 - (f) Letter from W.J.E. Watson to A.G. Lund, 1 Dec. 1950, [1] l. Typescript (photocopy).
 - (g) Letter from W.J.E. Watson to A.G. Lund, 2 Jan. 1951, enclosing letter from Robert Gunther, Monkira Station, dated 18 Dec. 1950, [2] l. Typescript (photocopy).
- Al;B5 (2) [Terry, Michael. Smoke talk]: the primitive Australian smoke signal system is the best in the world. People, Oct. 1961: 7-9, illus. Photocopy. (Incomplete). Also published in War of the Warramullas, by Michael Terry. Adelaide, Rigby, 1974.
- (3) Smoke signals: 1 clipping.
- Al;B1 (4) Letter from W.J.E. Watson to A.G. Lund, 7 Dec. 1950, enclosing letter from E.A. Olds concerning message sticks, [1] l. Typescript (photocopy).
- (5) Aboriginal message sticks, Queensland Museum Display, Apr. 1970, [3] l. Photocopy.
- (6) Stone age artefacts. APQ, Feb./Mar. 1970:32, 2 pls. Photocopy.
- (7) He's getting the message. Courier-Mail, 8 May 1970, illus. Photocopy.
- (8) Mailmen who delivered abos' message sticks. Truth, 12 Feb. 1956, illus. Photocopy.
- (9) Detailed description of so-called "letter" or "message" sticks. Appendix to North Queensland Ethnography Bulletin, no. 8, by W.E. Roth, [4] l. Photocopy.
- (10) Warning by message stick. Courier-Mail, 19 Sep. 1974: 3, illus. Photocopy.
- (11) Some Aboriginal myths and legends, by Kidjurrigin, n.d., [4] l. Typescript (photocopy).
- (12) Letter from W.J.E. Watson to A.G. Lund, 12 Dec. 1950; with enclosure from F.H. Crombie to W.J.E. Watson, 5 Dec 1950, [2] l. Typescript (photocopy).
- (13) Early communications : [extract from Early Darling Downs mail system and telegraph. Toowoomba, McDonald & Rosbrook, 1940], [1] l. Typescript and holograph (photocopy).

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