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Papers, 1918-47, of Robert di Folco (1899-1963), who was born Libero Antonio Difolco, in Piedimonte San Germano, Italy. He served in the Italian army during World War I, and was among the troops who were led by the Italian poet d'Annunzio, on 12 September 1919, to the seizure of the city of Fiume on the Dalmatian coast.

Donated, 2001.

1. Small notebook, used as war diary, 1918.
2. Diary of di Folco's experiences in the Italian Army, 1918-21.
3. Envelope containing a page from the small notebook (Acc.12028/1 above), 28 November– 4 December 1918.
4. Miscellaneous documents including:
 - (i) report of a military promotion (apparently from lance corporal to sergeant), 23 December 1919
 - (ii) request for a police clearance certificate, 14 July 1921
 - (iii) military leave certificate, 27 July 1921
 - (iv) birth certificate, 15 January 1930
 - (v) certificate of naturalization, 9 May 1947
 - (vi) letter to di Folco concerning his naturalization, 6 June 1947
 - (vii) letter to di Folco's wife concerning her acquisition of British nationality, 11 June 1947.
5. *Ricordo di Fiume*: booklet of 12 postcards of the city of Fiume, with notes, n.d. (in English). The booklet includes two banknotes for 1 and 50 lire.
6. Photograph, n.d., of Robert di Folco in military uniform, and four picture-postcards dating from World War I.
7. Set of five photographs, n.d., used as illustrations to an article published in the *Historian* (see Acc.12028/8 below).
8. *Historian*, 13 (1986-87), containing an article by John di Folco, son of Robert, on the Fiume expedition.
9. Five war medals, framed, dating from World War I, and d'Annunzio's Fiume expedition, n.d.
10. Certificate, 1918, of award of the 'Croce al Merito di Guerra'.