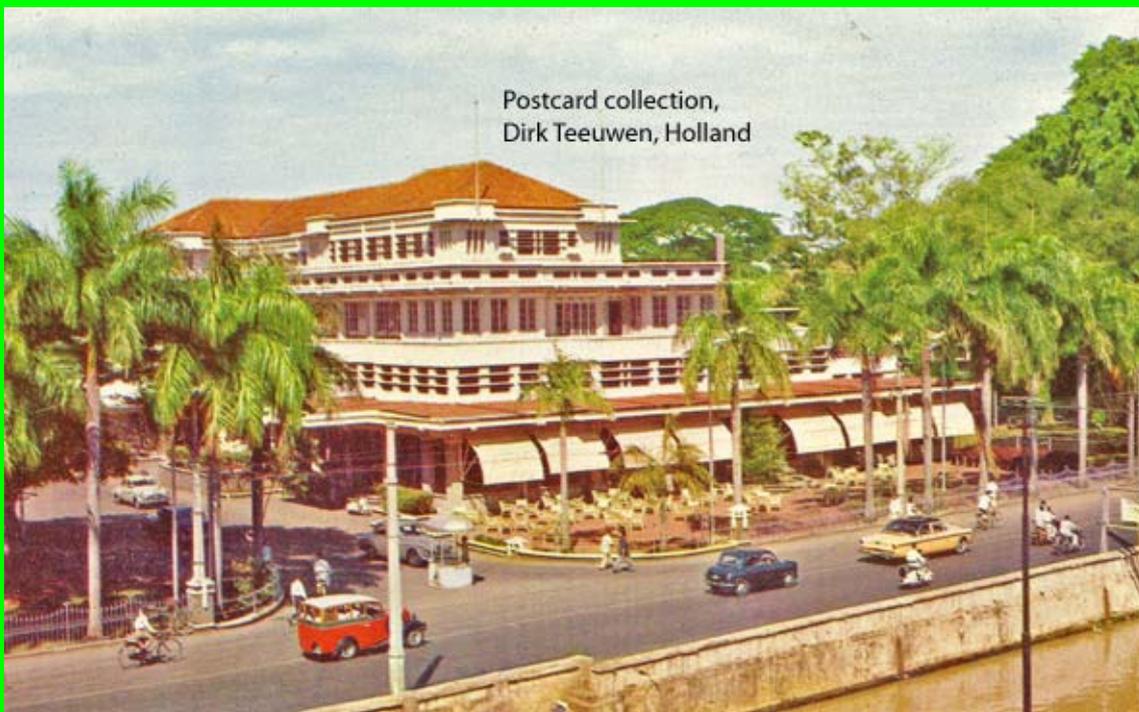


Hotel Des Indes, old postcards

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1. Hotel des Indes, Batavia – Jakarta circa 1950

The reception building (see postcard 2) of the demolished (in 1971) Hotel des Indes was the main building of an estate which was laid out in 1747. From 1781 the estate was known as “Huize Moenswijk”. This Van Moenswijk family residence and its garden was a site of 3.5 hectare.

In 1824 the estate was sold to the Dutch East-Indian government and in 1825 the government established a boarding school for girls on the premises. But because of shortage of young ladies as well as female teachers the school was closed in 1829. The Frenchmen Chaulan and Dodero bought the estate and turned it into an hotel, Hotel de Provence. In 1851 it was sold to the Dutchman Wenning Hof who named it Hotel Rotterdam.

The Swiss Wijss took over in 1852. New name: Hotel Des Indes.
Purchases by: Cressonnier (Frenchman) 1860, Gallas (Frenchman) 1871, Lugt (Dutchman) 1888, Gantvoort (Dutchman) 1903. The hotel enterprise became a limited liability company.
In 1950 the hotel was annexed by the new Indonesian government, name Duta Indonesia. Demolished in 1971.



**2. Reception pavilion of Hotel des Indes (Huize Moenswijk!!),
Batavia – Jakarta circa 1930
Demolished in 1971 as well.**