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CP/IND/HANN Wal Hannington (1896 - 1966) papers and NUWM materials

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SERIES: NUWM materials

CP/IND/HANN/01/01

Unemployed, Labour and Social Services Bulletin - most issues from No. CP/IND/HANN/1 (7 March 1938) to No. CP/IND/HANN/89 (September 1942).

Creation dates: 1938 - 1942

CP/IND/HANN/01/02

NUWM circulars prefixed 'D' Nos. CP/IND/HANN/23, 24, 26, -30, 32, 33, 35, 38 - 42, 45 - 52, 54 - 67, 69 - 74, 76 - 85, 91 - 96.

Creation dates: 13 December 1934 - 13 December 1935

CP/IND/HANN/01/03

NUWM Legal Department Bulletin Nos. CP/IND/HANN/8 and 9 (two versions).

Creation dates: June - August 1935

CP/IND/HANN/01/04

NUWM Headquarters News Letter nos. CP/IND/HANN/1 - 9 and 11 - 14.

Creation dates: 1935

CP/IND/HANN/01/05

NUWM non-numbered circulars.

Creation dates: December 1934 - December 1935

CP/IND/HANN/01/06

NUWM circulars/newssheets.

Creation dates: 1934 - 1935

CP/IND/HANN/01/07

Circulars and notes on NUWM finances and the dissolution of the organisation.

Creation dates: 1934 - 1946

CP/IND/HANN/01/08

Miscellaneous documents.

Creation dates: 1931 - 1942

Scope and Content: Report of NUWM conference 1931; London Reception Committee Bulletin October 1932; 10th National Conference resolutions 1937; Memorandum of Deputation of Unemployed Marchers 1937; List of branch organisers 1938; circulars of national NUWM office and Watford branch

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NUWM office correspondence - mainly Eric Edney to Wal Hannington, including attempt to call Eric Edney up in 1942.

Creation dates: January 1940 - March 1942

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NUWM ephemera - membership cards, collecting cards, poster for South Wales hunger march, notepaper, etc.

Creation dates: 1927 - 1943

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Speakers' notes, notes on how to form an NUWM group, policy pamphlets, notes for branches on defence of claims, etc.

Creation dates: 1930s

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NUWM printed leaflets - agitation, information, advertisements for hunger marches, etc.

Creation dates: 1922 - 1935

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Miscellaneous documents about unemployment or the NUWM.

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Creation dates: 1927 - 1937

Scope and Content: Report of National United Front Congress, NUWM Hawick scheme for woollen textiles for Spain, Home Office posters banning public processions in wartime, excerpts from Hansard on infiltration of NUWM, 1927, materials on South Wales Miners' March to London, 1927, etc.

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1932 March against the Means Test circulars.

Creation dates: 1932 - 1963

Scope and Content: Map of Britain showing unemployed march routes, 1932; 1933 Programme of unemployed march to TUC; 8 NUWM pamphlets by Hannington; letter to Lord Woolton, 1940; anonymous typescript on unemployment and fascism; correspondence about unemployed slave camps with Christopher Brunel; Hannington typescript 'Black Coffins'; 2 postcards to Syd Hannington

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Bound volume of papers and cuttings.

Creation dates: 1920s - 1935

Scope and Content: Including 'The Unemployed Special' Nos. 1 - 5 (July - October 1932); 'The Unemployed Leader' Nos. 6 - 12 (November 1932 - April 1933; 'The Unemployed Leader' Vol. 3 Nos. 1 - 19 (May 1934 - November 1935); 'Means Test and Wage Cut Special', January 1932; 'The Unemployed News', 3 December 1928; mounted cuttings from 'Out of Work', 1920s

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Bound volume of press cuttings and similar miscellany relating to unemployment and the NUWM.

Creation dates: 1922 - 1927

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Bound volume of press cuttings and similar miscellany relating to unemployment and the NUWM.

Creation dates: October - November 1927

CP/IND/HANN/02/06

Bound volume of press cuttings and similar miscellany relating to 1927 Welsh miners' march to London.

Creation dates: 1927

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Large scrapbook of newspaper cuttings related to the NUWM National Hunger March and Congress of February 1934.

Creation dates: January - March 1934

Physical characteristics: [Water damaged]

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Large scrapbook of newspaper cuttings related to general unemployment themes.

Creation dates: 1932 - 1935

Physical characteristics: [Slightly water damaged]

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Large scrapbook of newspaper cuttings related to NUWM Hunger March, 1936.

Creation dates: October - November 1936

Physical characteristics: [Slightly water damaged]

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Press cuttings on unemployment and the NUWM.

Creation dates: 1928 and 1929

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Press cuttings on unemployment and the NUWM.

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Creation dates: 1932

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Press cuttings on unemployment and the NUWM.

Creation dates: 1934

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Press cuttings on unemployment and the NUWM.

Creation dates: 1935

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Press cuttings on unemployment and the NUWM.

Creation dates: 1936

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Press cuttings on unemployment and the NUWM.

Creation dates: 1938

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Press cuttings on unemployment and the NUWM.

Creation dates: 1939

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Press cuttings on unemployment and the NUWM.

Creation dates: Undated - 1930s

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Magazine cuttings on unemployment and the NUWM, and Picture Post 4 February 1939.

Creation dates: 1939

SERIES: NUWM materials (not necessarily from Wal Hannington)

CP/IND/HANN/06/10

Leaflets, manifesto, copies of 'The Unemployed News'.

Creation dates: 1925 - 1928

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Local NUWM groups miscellany: Programme of unemployed miners' march to Bristol TUC, minute book of Bristol NUWM 1932 - 1933, Pamphlet: Phil Harker, 'Lancashire's Fight for Bread!', leaflet of Exmouth NUWM.

Creation dates: 1931 - 1936

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London NUWM: leaflets, financial records relating to 1932 hunger march, circulars from London NUWM Council and St. Pancras group.

Creation dates: 1932 - 1936

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Watford Hunger Marchers Reception Committee minute book.

Creation dates: 1932 and 1934

Immediate Source of Acquisition

(Donated by Arthur Crawley, Watford)

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South Wales - London Hunger March, October - November 1936: general ephemera, march bulletins, photocopies of press reports, manifesto, etc.

Creation dates: October - November 1936

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South Wales - London Hunger March, October - November 1936: Bath NUWM, Bath Unemployed Association and Bath March Council.

Creation dates: 1934 - 1936

Scope and Content: Correspondence of Major Tom Grenfell and others of Bath

Unemployed Association to prepare reception of marchers, etc. Also circulars, leaflets,

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accounts, etc. Separate folder concerning 1934 march reception

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National Congress and March Council - combined Hunger March and United Front Congress. March from Scotland, United Front Congress in Bermondsey Town Hall, February 1934.

Creation dates: 1934

Scope and Content: Circulars, leaflets, draft pamphlet by Harry Pollitt, ephemera, etc. Pamphlets include "The Workers' United Front" (Summary of the Congress), "The Way Forward" (Pollitt's speech to Congress) and the "Exposure of Belmont Slave Colony".

SERIES: Unemployment-related non-NUWM materials (not necessarily from Wal Hannington)

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National Joint Council and Co-operative Union demonstration leaflet, programme of Jarrow marchers' stay in London.

Creation dates: 1933 and 1936

SERIES: AEU materials

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Correspondence with individuals and institutions as AEU official. Includes correspondence with AEU National Office about unofficial dispute at Swift Scale Co. in January 1941; Jack Knife (Woddis) 1944; S. Elias 1944; Clive Jenkins 1951; and others.

Creation dates: 1938 - 1962

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Reports and other documents written by Wal Hannington as National Organiser of the AEU.

Creation dates: 1941 - 1951

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Correspondence and documents relating to Hannington's retirement in 1961, including notes for WH's speeches, etc.

Creation dates: 1961

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AEU enquiry into allegations by North London Divisional Organiser Tom Chapman of a Communist conspiracy against him. Correspondence and notes by Wal Hannington, report of enquiry, press coverage, etc.

Creation dates: 1958

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Correspondence with CPGB centre and individuals about AEU matters. Includes 2 lengthy documents on tactics in AEU elections.

Creation dates: 1942 - 1958

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AEU circulars - from period when Hannington was AEU National Organiser.

Creation dates: 1940 - 1949

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Printed AEU material - mainly from period when Hannington was AEU National Organiser.

Creation dates: 1938 - 1952

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AEU reorganisation after the war - documents from Hannington and other full-time officials, reactions to each others' documents, notes, final recommendations, correspondence, etc.

Creation dates: 1943 - 1945

SERIES: Non-AEU engineering industry materials

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HMSO wartime documents re wages, notes on tribunals on women's work, arbitration tribunal materials, etc. Some notes by Hannington.

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Creation dates: 1941 - 1944

SERIES: AEU Delegation to USSR, 1946

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Three notebooks by Wal Hannington giving detailed accounts of journey and activities in USSR, with official report of AEU delegation.

Creation dates: November - December 1946

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Draft and noteform versions of Hannington's report on the delegation to the USSR, with some notes for speeches made in USSR for delegation.

Creation dates: 1946

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Typescript and handwritten versions of Hannington's final report on the delegation to the USSR, with letter from Douglas Hyde.

Creation dates: 1946 - 1947

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Miscellaneous AEU documents relating to the delegation to the USSR.

Creation dates: 1946 - 1947

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Miscellaneous souvenirs of the delegation to the USSR collected by Hannington, including reports on the delegation in 'Trud'.

Creation dates: 1946

SERIES: Wal Hannington's books

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Correspondence re 'Mr. Chairman!' - with Lawrence and Wishart and various TU figures.

Creation dates: 1949 - 1965

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Correspondence and other documents concerning 'Rights of Engineers'; 'Ten Lean Years' and 'A Short History of the Unemployed', mainly with Victor Gollancz and his staff, also with Jack Tanner and other TU figures.

Creation dates: 1944 - 1949

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Typescript and printed versions of 'An Engineer Looks at Russia' (a reworked version of Hannington's final report on the 1946 AEU delegation to the USSR).

Creation dates: 1946 - 1948

Scope and Content: Also handwritten and typescript versions of 'The New Hungary As We Saw It', written jointly by Hannington and Jim Gardner (General Secretary, Amalgamated Union of Foundry Workers)

SERIES: London Trade Unions and Old Age Pensioners Joint Committee

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Papers of Joint Committee includes WH notes, leaflets, circulars and some correspondence between WH and various pensioners leaders.

Creation dates: 1963 - 1966

SERIES: Wal Hannington's books

CP/IND/HANN/09/01

Correspondence and other documents concerning 'The Problems of the Distressed Areas', with Victor Gollancz and his staff, Douglas Garman, Coward-McCann Inc., and various TU figures.

Creation dates: 1937 - 1950

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Unpublished manuscripts, notes and verse by Hannington, including a short story 'Three Brothers'.

Creation dates: n.d.

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Documents and correspondence relating to Hannington's Autobiography: synopsis, handwritten 'Chapter 28', correspondence with Gollancz, Lawrence and Wishart.

Creation dates: 1961 - 1966

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Notes and fragments used in compilation of Hannington's autobiography 'Never on Our Knees'. Includes some press cuttings and notes by Frank Jackson.

Creation dates: 1960s

SERIES: Wal Hannington correspondence

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Letters from Reginald Bridgeman.

Creation dates: 1949 - 1959

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Letters to, from and about Harry McShane.

Creation dates: 1957 - 1959

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Letters from Basil Davidson, and Hannington's literary suggestions for Davidson's novel 'An English Tune'.

Creation dates: 1952 - 1958

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Letters from (and a few to) Andy Boyd (NCLC, Belfast).

Creation dates: 1952 - 1960

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Letters from Willie Gallacher to Max Egelnick and Wal Hannington, from Hannington to Walter Citrine.

Creation dates: 1938 and 1954

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General correspondence 1930s, including letter from G.D.H. Cole.

Creation dates: 1934 - 1939

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General correspondence 1940 - 1944, including with Harry McShane, Montagu Slater, John Strachey (re his disagreement with the party in 1940 and enclosing Gollancz's pamphlet "Where Are you Going?") & Krishna Menon.

Creation dates: 1940 - 1944

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General correspondence 1945 -1949, including with Jack Lindsay, Eric Edney, comrades in Australia and South Africa, William Rust, etc.

Creation dates: 1945 - 1949

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General correspondence 1950 - 1953, including with Desmond Buckle, Hungarian TUC, Maurice Cornforth, Harry Pollitt, Margot Heinemann, Stanley Evans, etc.

Creation dates: 1950 - 1953

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General correspondence 1954 - 1956, including with W.C. Stevens, C. Desmond Greaves, Emile Burns, J.R. Campbell, John Gollan, Tamara Rust, Martin Lawrence, Angela Tuckett, Andrew Rothstein, etc.

Creation dates: 1954 - 1956

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General correspondence 1957 - 1959, including from Angela Tuckett, Max Egelnick, C. Desmond Greaves, Andrew Rothstein, Peter Kerrigan and others.

Creation dates: 1957 - 1959

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General correspondence 1960 - 1966, including with L. J. Macfarlane and others.

Creation dates: 1960 - 1966

SERIES: Wal Hannington miscellaneous memorabilia

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LTC souvenir programme, NUWM membership card, army reserve card, assorted passes for Hannington as a TU official, notebooks compiled in prison, references from employers, election miscellany from 1930s, ceremonial invitations, etc.

Creation dates: 1919 - 1946

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Hannington 65th birthday mementos, including party guest list and birthday cards.

Creation dates: June 1961

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Biographical material - including short biography issued by the AEU.

Creation dates: 1927 - 1950

Articles and speeches by Hannington

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Typewritten articles, largely for Labour Monthly and the Daily Worker, on trade unionism and industrial questions, Tom Mann, Jim Connell and other reminiscences.

Creation dates: 1944 - 1966

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Typewritten reviews and obituaries. Reviews of books on trade unionism, Tom Mann, etc. Funeral orations for Emrys Llewellyn and Mary Anne Everest.

Creation dates: 1948 - 1962

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Handwritten notes for speeches - mainly on trade union and industrial questions, also on Spain and fascism, unemployment, George Lansbury, Eastern Europe, the CPGB, etc.

Creation dates: 1930s - 1950s

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Articles and notes for articles on UK/USSR trade, for the Daily Worker and the British-Soviet Society.

Creation dates: 1940s

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Articles and notes for articles on the Marshall Plan.

Creation dates: 1951 and before

CP/IND/HANN/11/04

Excerpts from books and papers compiled by Hannington for articles and speeches.

Creation dates: 1919 - 1955

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Materials related to broadcasting - transcripts of programmes featuring Hannington, interviews, etc.

Creation dates: 1960 - 1963

SERIES: Miscellany

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Minutes of the London District Committee of the Plumbers' Glaziers' & Domestic Engineers'

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Union, concerning allegations of the operation of a Communist faction within the union.
Creation dates: November 1938

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CPGB-produced materials, including documents from the Economic Committee, on the Conference of British Empire Communist Parties, etc. Includes letter from J.R. Campbell.
Creation dates: 1950 - 1952

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Materials of the Britain-China Friendship Association (in which Hannington was an important figure) and of the China Campaign Committee (which preceded the BCFA). Includes bulletins, correspondence and material relating to the Sino-Soviet split.

Creation dates: 1945 - 1964

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Original handlists of the Hannington collection, showing how the collection was filed in the CPGB Archive. Contains some useful details of the collection.

Creation dates: 1980s

CP/IND/HANN/11/10

Leaflets issued by Hannington as CPGB candidate in Mertyr Tydfil by-election.

Creation dates: June 1934