

# **The Communist Party of Great Britain archive**

**CP/IND/MATH George Matthews (b. 1917) papers**

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**SERIES:** Articles by George Matthews

CP/IND/MATH/01/01

General articles, reviews, letters to publications and some press releases by GM, mainly for the Morning Star.

Creation dates: 1973 - 1979

CP/IND/MATH/01/02

General articles, reviews, letters to publications and some press releases by GM, mainly for the Morning Star.

Creation dates: 1980

CP/IND/MATH/01/03

General articles, reviews, letters to publications and some press releases by GM, mainly for the Morning Star.

Creation dates: 1981

CP/IND/MATH/01/04

General articles, reviews, letters to publications and some press releases by GM, mainly for the Morning Star.

Creation dates: 1982

CP/IND/MATH/01/05

General articles, reviews, letters to publications and some press releases by GM, mainly for the Morning Star.

Creation dates: 1983 – 1984

**SERIES:** Political Committee and PC Sub-Committee

CP/IND/MATH/01/06

Materials and notes by George Matthews, Bill Wainwright, Bill Alexander and Emile Burns on PC and PCS meetings.

Creation dates: 15 May - 31 December 1957

CP/IND/MATH/01/07

Materials and notes by George Matthews, Bill Wainwright, Bill Alexander and J. R. Scott on PC and PCS meetings.

Creation dates: 1958

CP/IND/MATH/01/08

Materials and notes by George Matthews, Bill Wainwright, Bill Alexander and Gordon McLennan on PC and PCS meetings.

Creation dates: December 1959 - May 1961

CP/IND/MATH/01/09

Materials and notes by George Matthews, Bill Wainwright, and Bill Alexander on PC and PCS meetings.

Creation dates: June 1961 - December 1962

CP/IND/MATH/01/10

Materials on "leading personnel" in CPGB - results of interviews with district secretaries, notes by John Gollan, correspondence, etc.

Creation dates: 1964

CP/IND/MATH/01/11

Miscellaneous PC papers, and letter from Denis Ellwand.

Creation dates: 1974 - 1975

CP/IND/MATH/01/12

Miscellaneous PC papers, with notes and annotations by GM.

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Creation dates: 1976

CP/IND/MATH/02/01

Miscellaneous PC papers, with notes and annotations by GM.

Creation dates: 1977

CP/IND/MATH/02/02

Miscellaneous PC papers, with notes and annotations by GM.

Creation dates: Early 1978

CP/IND/MATH/02/03

Miscellaneous PC papers, with notes and annotations by GM.

Creation dates: Early 1979

CP/IND/MATH/02/04

Scottish CPGB Central Committee minutes, featuring intervention by Comintern emissary Mikhail Borodin (Grusenberg), under the name of Comrade Brown. With some biographical material concerning Borodin and his later fate.

Creation dates: 15 August 1922

CPGB EC

CP/IND/MATH/02/05

Special EC meeting called 1 April 1979.

Creation dates: 1 April 1979

Scope and Content: To discuss Gerry Cohen's promise to resign as London District Secretary if Monty Johnstone was sent to Hungary as a CPGB representative to a WMR conference.

Includes correspondence, notes by Reuben Falber, Gordon McLennan and George Matthews.

**SERIES:** CPGB centre documents collected by George Matthews

CP/IND/MATH/02/06

Drafts of "Manifesto for New Times", with some correspondence, and some editorial notes by GM.

Creation dates: 1989

CP/IND/MATH/02/07

Documents and correspondence with Mary Barnett of Haringey Anti-Apartheid re Dave and Norma Kitson.

Creation dates: 1984

CP/IND/MATH/02/08

Misc. documents, including on the role of the CPGB and economic policy.

Creation dates: 1985

CP/IND/MATH/02/09

Plans and preliminary documents relating to the launch of "7 Days".

Creation dates: 1985

CP/IND/MATH/02/10

Various documents, drafts and notes.

Creation dates: 1986

CP/IND/MATH/03/01

Various documents, drafts and notes. Includes Gordon McLennan's speech for the 40th CPGB congress.

Creation dates: 1987

CP/IND/MATH/03/02

Various documents, drafts and notes. Includes material on the CPB breakaway and "Facing Up to the Future".

Creation dates: 1988

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Various documents, drafts and notes.

Creation dates: 1989

CP/IND/MATH/03/04

File of CPGB evidence to the 1974 - 1975 Royal Commission on the Press, including notes, correspondence, drafts, etc.

Creation dates: 1974 - 1975

CP/IND/MATH/03/05

Correspondence with Marx Memorial Library concerning the return of the CPGB's Daily Worker files to St. John Street.

Creation dates: 1985 - 1987

CP/IND/MATH/03/06

Materials re Soviet show trials and rehabilitations - correspondence re Ken Coates' campaign in 1978 for Bukharin's rehabilitation; resolution (1986) from Brixton CPGB on trials.

Creation dates: 1978, 1986

**SERIES:** Industrial matters

CP/IND/MATH/03/07

File on the British TUC and the WFTU:~ correspondence, SH notes on Citrine's speech, etc.

Creation dates: circa 1949

CP/IND/MATH/03/08

Death of Walter C. Stevens of the ETU - Pollitt's valediction, obituary, funeral arrangements, copy of Electron, etc.

Creation dates: 1954

CP/IND/MATH/03/09

ETU scandal:~ file of cuttings, documents relating to the court case against Foulkes, Haxell et al, documents and notes by John Gollan.

Creation dates: 1959 - 1961

CP/IND/MATH/04/01

ETU scandal:~ 2nd file of cuttings, documents relating to the court case against Foulkes, Haxell et al, documents and notes by John Gollan.

Creation dates: 1961

CP/IND/MATH/04/02

ETU scandal:~ file of cuttings, documents relating to the ballot on debarring CPGB members from holding office, documents and notes by John Gollan.

Creation dates: 1964

CP/IND/MATH/04/03

RILU Provisional Council circular letter (original with photocopies).

Creation dates: 30 August 1920

CP/IND/MATH/04/04

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1947 - 1949

CP/IND/MATH/04/05

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1950

CP/IND/MATH/04/06

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1951 - 1952

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CP/IND/MATH/04/07

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc. Includes correspondence with Hymie Kanter re industrial disputes at firms owned by party members.

Creation dates: 1953

CP/IND/MATH/04/08

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1954

CP/IND/MATH/04/09

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1955

CP/IND/MATH/04/10

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1956

CP/IND/MATH/04/11

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1957

CP/IND/MATH/04/12

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1958

CP/IND/MATH/04/13

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1959

CP/IND/MATH/05/01

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1960

CP/IND/MATH/05/02

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1961

CP/IND/MATH/05/03

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1962

CP/IND/MATH/05/04

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1963

CP/IND/MATH/05/05

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1964 - 1965

CP/IND/MATH/05/06

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals,

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Creation dates: 1966

CP/IND/MATH/05/07

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1970 - 1971

CP/IND/MATH/05/08

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1972

CP/IND/MATH/05/09

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1973

CP/IND/MATH/05/10

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1974 - 1975

CP/IND/MATH/05/11

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1976

CP/IND/MATH/05/12

Documents on the state of the CPGB's industrial organisation - TUs, factory groups, journals, etc.

Creation dates: 1977 - 1978

**SERIES:** CPGB general

CP/IND/MATH/05/13

CPGB budgets - assorted financial statements.

Creation dates: 1950s - 1960s

CP/IND/MATH/05/14

"All for the Cause" - GM's 60th CPGB anniversary pamphlet - 1st draft and comments thereon, notes, etc.

Creation dates: 1980

**SERIES:** Peace and International questions

CP/IND/MATH/06/01

National Cultural Committee document on peace and the battle of ideas.

Creation dates: 1948

CP/IND/MATH/06/02

Materials on peace and disarmament, including correspondence, and notes for speech (by Bill Wainwright?).

Creation dates: 1954

CP/IND/MATH/06/03

Materials on peace, disarmament and foreign affairs, including CPGB PC documents, and notes on the Peace Campaign Committee, mainly by Bill Wainwright, some by Bill Alexander.

Creation dates: 1959

CP/IND/MATH/06/04

Materials on peace, disarmament and foreign affairs, including CPGB EC documents, information on Africa, USA and Ireland.

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Creation dates: 1960 - 1961

CP/IND/MATH/06/05

Materials on peace, disarmament and foreign affairs, including CPGB EC and PC documents, notes by Bill Alexander, information on Africa, Moscow conference on contemporary capitalism, etc.

Creation dates: 1962

CP/IND/MATH/06/06

Materials on peace, foreign affairs and the international Communist Movement.

Creation dates: 1964 - 1967

Scope and Content: Including CPGB EC and PC documents, notes by Bill Alexander and Reuben Falber on PC Sub-committees, information on Africa, Tri-continental conference, world communist conferences, Indian CPGB members, etc.

CP/IND/MATH/06/07

Materials on peace and the peace movement.

Creation dates: 1970 - 1973

Scope and Content: Includes draft by Tony Chater, Reuben Falber's correspondence with Colin Sweet, materials on the CPGB Peace Consultative Committee and on the World Peace Council, etc.

**SERIES:** Press and publicity matters

CP/IND/MATH/06/08

Cuttings and miscellany related to Roger Graef's "Decision: British Communism".

Creation dates: 1977 - 1978

CP/IND/MATH/06/09

Assorted press cuttings concerning the CPGB, mainly from the non-communist press.

Creation dates: 1970s and 1980s

CP/IND/MATH/06/10

Cuttings concerning John Peck in Nottingham.

Creation dates: 1988

**SERIES:** CPGB general

CP/IND/MATH/06/11

Notes for articles and speeches on the British Road to Socialism around the time of the 1977 congress, mainly by George Matthews.

Creation dates: 1977

CP/IND/MATH/06/12

Cuttings, discussion contributions and other materials related to the 1977 British Road to Socialism.

Creation dates: 1977

CP/IND/MATH/06/13

Articles, correspondence, cuttings and notes by GM on the controversy following Tony Lane's suggestion in Marxism Today that not all shop stewards were perfect.

Creation dates: 1982

CP/IND/MATH/06/14

Jim Arnison's samizdat critique of the CPGB, with annotations (by Reuben Falber?).

Creation dates: 1985

CP/IND/MATH/06/15

Correspondence on the Morning Star, initiated by a critical letter from Simon Reynell of Sheffield. Notes and drafts by GM.

Creation dates: 1978

CP/IND/MATH/06/16

File on Monty Johnstone:~ Copies of some of MJ's articles, and some correspondence with

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MJ.

Creation dates: 1970s

CP/IND/MATH/06/17

Formation of New Communist Party - statements and drafts. Also cuttings on NCP split 1981.

Creation dates: 1977 - 1981

CP/IND/MATH/07/01

Higher Education Commission - group established by the CPGB to compile a book on questions of higher education. Notes, drafts, correspondence, etc.

Creation dates: 1947

CP/IND/MATH/07/02

Joan Simon's book on Marxism and Education.

Creation dates: 1961 - 1962

Scope and Content: Documents from Lawrence and Wishart, CPGB PC, CPGB Education Advisory Committee, correspondence, notes by Bill Alexander and Nora Jeffery, comments by James Klugmann, Max Morris and Sam Fisher

CP/IND/MATH/07/03

Joan Simon's book on Marxism and Education.

Creation dates: 1961 - 1964

Scope and Content: Protracted correspondence, including with Joan Simon and Nora Jeffery concerning the MS and Morris and Fisher's criticisms of it, PC sub-committee materials on the question, notes by Bill Alexander, etc.

CP/IND/MATH/07/04

Joan Simon's book on Marxism and Education - materials and report of a committee established to look at the squabble around the book; correspondence.

Creation dates: 1964

CP/IND/MATH/07/05

File on Arnold Kettle: Ms by Dipak Nandy, Times article by Bernard Levin.

Creation dates: 1985, 1987

CP/IND/MATH/07/06

File on 1983 general election, with GM's notes and revisions to CP manifesto.

Creation dates: 1983

CP/IND/MATH/07/07

Republication of "Communist Cartoons", 1982.

Creation dates: 1982

Scope and Content: Notes and correspondence by George Matthews with the CP of Canada, James Cameron, Eric Hobsbawm, A. J. P. Taylor, Idris Cox and others about republication. Also - 1963 letter from cartoonist Will Hope to W. Gallacher

CP/IND/MATH/07/08

Notes (not by GM) on CPGB education, late 1930s.

Creation dates: 1938 - 1939

CP/IND/MATH/07/09

Correspondence (some of it badly torn) with Peter Hall on questions of revisionism, with notes and annotations by GM.

Creation dates: 1977

CP/IND/MATH/08/01

Abortive international summit conference, June 1960.

Creation dates: 1960, 1990

Language: Russian

Scope and Content: Photocopies of Soviet account of the conference, and covering letter to Gollan from Khrushchev, other related documents and translations into English, Francis King's notes on the PRO's holdings on the event. (Originals sold)

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CP/IND/MATH/08/02

Notes taken by GM at the 1961 Labour Party conference.

Creation dates: 1961

CP/IND/MATH/08/03

File on TU disciplinary action against T. W. Sullivan for attending communist-sponsored peace conference.

Creation dates: 1952

**SERIES:** International matters

CP/IND/MATH/08/04

File on the death of Stalin, containing excerpts from the British and Soviet press, notes and valediction by Harry Pollitt, etc.

Creation dates: 1953

CP/IND/MATH/08/05

Case of Zdenek Rudinger - Czechoslovak communist known to several CPGB members incarcerated in CZ prisons in the 1950s.

Creation dates: 1957

Scope and Content: Letters from CPGB members C.B. Coulson, Elizabeth Grove, Stanley Harrison and others requesting that appropriate representations be made to the CZ authorities, notes by Bill Alexander

CP/IND/MATH/08/06

File of correspondence on Czechoslovakia, mainly post 1968, with several letters from Marian Sling to John Gollan, and other materials. Also - 1960 letter re holidays in Czechoslovakia.

Creation dates: 1960, 1968 - 1975

CP/IND/MATH/08/07

Translations and cuttings on the Parti Communiste Français's re-establishment of relations with the Chinese CP.

Creation dates: 1982

CP/IND/MATH/08/08

File on dissent in socialist countries - press cuttings, statements, Soviet and East European apologies, notes by GM.

Creation dates: 1960s and 1970s

CP/IND/MATH/08/09

Granada TV's "Full Circle", highlighting the case of Marian and Otto Sling - transcript and publicity.

Creation dates: 7 May 1974

CP/IND/MATH/08/10

Centenary of Marx's death - reviews of books, cuttings, minutes and materials re Marx with Sparx - CPGB centenary event.

Creation dates: 1982 - 1983

CP/IND/MATH/08/11

Cuttings, notes, draft articles and materials on the formation and progress of the SDP.

Creation dates: 1981 - 1982

CP/IND/MATH/08/12

File of cuttings, articles and pamphlets on/by Tony Benn.

Creation dates: 1980s

**SERIES:** Industrial matters

CP/IND/MATH/08/13

Statement by Ken Gill on Communist work in the TUs.

Creation dates: Early 1980s

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**SERIES:** Anti-Semitism & U.S.S.R.

CP/IND/MATH/08/14

Articles & correspondence re revelations at 20th Congress of the C.P.S.U. of anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union.

Creation dates: 1956

Scope and Content: Includes text of "Folkstyme" article on the execution of Jewish writers and notes of meeting called by National Jewish Committee 16 July 1956. Correspondents include G St Clere Smithe (Sec, Beckenham & Penge branch), Guy Yates (Penge), Professor Hyman Levy, Ray & Alec Waterman, W Simons (Cheetham, Manchester) & Gill Bradbury (District Sec, Kent).

**SERIES:** International Communist Movement

CP/IND/MATH/09/01

Article by I. Cox for WNV on "Fraternal Association" in reply to article by GM.

Creation dates: 1957

CP/IND/MATH/09/02

Notes, cuttings, reports and memoranda re proceedings & decisions of 22nd Congress of CPSU.

Creation dates: 1961

**SERIES:** Articles and correspondence

CP/IND/MATH/09/03

Misc. articles, polemics and comments on other articles re CPGB's direction in 1980s. Includes correspondence with Royden Harrison, Dave [Cook], Jon Bloomfield and Bert Ramelson.

Creation dates: 1980-1987

CP/IND/MATH/09/04

Correspondence with R. Samuel re GM's criticisms of Samuel's "Lost World of British Communism" articles.

Creation dates: 1985-1986

**SERIES:** Inner Party disputes

CP/IND/MATH/09/05

Press cuttings re internal CPGB splits and expulsions in London and North West. Mainly Morning Star but also Focus and The Guardian.

Creation dates: 1983-1985

**SERIES:** People's March for Jobs

CP/IND/MATH/09/06

Campaign material including leaflets, posters, stickers, badges, t-shirt, etc.

Creation dates: 1983

**SERIES:** Miscellaneous files

CP/IND/MATH/09/07

Correspondence re pension funds & legacies/estates.

Creation dates: 1980-1981

**SERIES:** Press and publicity department

CP/IND/MATH/09/08

Miscellaneous correspondence re publications and propaganda, etc. Includes material re a CPGB press and publicity conference in Birmingham and a copy of article by Jim Jeffery "An Analysis in Physical Terms of British Manufacturing".

Creation dates: 1977- 1979

**SERIES:** Miscellaneous files

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CP/IND/MATH/09/09

Miscellaneous file of CPGB leaflets, cuttings and notes.

Creation dates: 1950s-1990s