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Report 2003-2004

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Report for 2003-2004

Introduction

A great deal of time has been spent this last year considering how to implement the Data Protection Act while at the same time enabling research on contemporary subjects to go forward. Further details are given below. The approaching implementation date for the Freedom of Information Act (January 2005) has led to further work on our administrative processes.

A large amount of unglamorous but essential cataloguing work has been achieved this year: Work on the TUC archive, the TGWU archive, the BASW archive and the Rollin and Wess papers has been carried out and detailed additions made to the *Summary Guide*. At the same time the Collection Level Descriptions in the *Summary Guide* have been kept up-to-date and we have begun to add interim box lists in pdf format.

Most of the additions to the Centre's holdings have been additions to deposits already held. The largest of these was the further deposit to the archive of the British Association of Social Workers, over 100 shelf metres of complicated and also very disordered material.

2003/04 is the last year that Sir George Bain will be Chairman of the Centre's Advisory Board. Sir George was one of the original founders of the Centre and has supported it in many ways throughout its existence, not least as Chairman since 1996. We are very grateful for all his help and look forward to seeing him again, perhaps as a researcher, in the future. Sir George will be succeeded by Mr Rodney Bickerstaffe, former General Secretary of UNISON and NUPE.

Data Protection Act

We have implemented the procedures which we proposed last year and we are pleased with the consequences. We spent 32 hours checking files requested by researchers and as a result closed 21 files because they contained sensitive personal data. Where researchers have

precise references we have been getting material up in advance of their visit, so that their research has not been held up. Full details of the procedures are given on our web site: http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/services/library/mrc/about/data_protection_act/

Accessions

The flow of records into the Centre continues unabated, mainly with additions to existing deposits, but also including some new deposits. The largest and one of the most significant deposits was the archive of the British Association of Social Workers. We already hold the archives of BASW's predecessors but this large deposit brought the archive up to 1990. A small group of BASW members assisted in sorting the archive before its transfer. They have continued to help sort the archive since then and we are very grateful for their help. Appendix 1 contains a summary list of all accessions received in the year.

Funding

The Centre has continued to enjoy funding support from several sources, in addition to the recurrent core funding given by the University of Warwick. Our depositors have very generously assisted the work of cataloguing. They include the Confederation of British Industry, the Cycle Touring and Countryside Trust, the Trades Union Congress, and the Transport and General Workers' Union.

The Centre benefited from the Research Support Libraries Programme (RSLP) Access programme for another year. The funding enables the Centre to open longer hours, by not closing at lunch time and by opening until 7 pm on Wednesdays and Thursdays. 168 (173 last year) archive readers and 120 (106) thesis readers have benefited from the extended hours. The additional staff time has also enabled more cataloguing to be completed, particularly of material in demand. We understand that the funding will end in July 2005.

The Access programme has also provided funding for a librarian to catalogue publications such as union/ employers' organisations journals and annual reports. We are merging the University Library's collection of such material with the Centre's own holdings. The opportunity has been taken to create a 'best set' and to de-accession duplicated material which has been offered to library colleagues elsewhere. The result is 364 more entries created/amended on the electronic library

catalogue. 167 of these are serial entries and 197 are monographs of items in the Centre. 268 books/volumes and 1453 parts/pamphlets were discarded. We have integrated TUC publications, rank and file organisations and pressure groups into the holdings. In addition, numerous Archive Authority Records have been created or revised. Our holdings are now much more visible, particularly since the records in the University Library's catalogue are contributed to COPAC, a union catalogue which gives free access to the merged online catalogues of members of the Consortium of University Research Libraries (CURL). We have also been able to liberate badly needed space in our strongrooms. The majority of the time has been taken up with the cataloguing of the Political Pamphlet Collection, a special library collection; over 1343 items have been catalogued so far.

Following a grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund and the continuing generosity of the Cycle Touring and Countryside Trust, work on cataloguing the National Cycle Archive was completed in December 2004. The catalogue of the Cyclists' Touring Club archive was completed and the catalogues of some fifty six other deposits, occupying forty shelf metres, were also compiled. All these finding aids are available online. The CTC library of books and periodicals, many of the books and periodicals belonging to the National Cycle Archive, and some the National Cycling Museum material, have been catalogued and are now available via the internet.

An exhibition of archives from the CTC archive was opened at the Centre in September 2003. The resulting interest led to 'Bicycle Clips', an article about the archive in the mid March issue of the University magazine, *Warwick the Magazine*. The Archives Hub made the archive its archive of the month in April 2004 (<http://www.archiveshub.ac.uk/apr04.shtml>). Pictures from both of these features are included in the Centre's web site. An information leaflet about the archive has been compiled. It briefly describes all the deposits and draws attention to cycling material deposited by other bodies at the Centre and in repositories elsewhere. The leaflet is available in paper format, as well as online. The on-line version is one of our most popular web pages.

The funding enabled us to do some conservation work on the archive, as well as packaging it in an archival way. Some early volumes of the *CTC Gazette* and some archives too fragile or unwieldy to be produced to readers have been microfilmed. Some of these volumes fill gaps in

the British Library's holdings. Slip cases have been made to protect the minute books of the Edinburgh Bicycle Club.

Work continued on a catalogue of the TUC archive, 1970-1990, funded by the Arts and Humanities Research Board. This year over 3500 files have been catalogued in XML. They include files relating to the Shrewsbury Pickets, including Ricky Tomlinson. The international files cover the period during which communism crumbled in Eastern Europe and the Middle East crisis.

Processing

Joanne Burman continued to produce and put away archives, dissertations and special collections material. She has continued to keep the deposits from Amnesty International and ITF documents and circulars up to date. She has assisted in the transfer of material from the Library's 41T collection. She unpacked a new deposit from Universities UK and updated the related finding aid. She made substantial progress transcribing a detailed list of part of the National Institute of Social Workers papers. All of this work has been in addition to her work administering the daily routine of the Centre and keeping the Centre's statistical records.

Charles Fonge continued to work on the Frank Cousins papers and on the TUC archive. He revised the Centre's website to fit into the University's new style guidelines. He worked out the procedure for converting the Centre's EAD files to EAD v2002 and converted a large number of files before he left.

Carole Jones continued to produce and put away archives, dissertations and special collection material, to provide clerical support and to help with the day-to-day running of the centre. She continued to participate in the transfer of material from the University Library's holdings into the Centre. She assisted Richard Storey with the listing of his Road Transport Collection (MSS.457) and the updating of the finding aid for the Papers of Jensen Motors Ltd (MSS.215), which now includes further files recently released from closure. She completed a box list of the previously unlisted section of the National Institute of Social Workers and continued the sorting of the Eileen Younghusband archive which forms a part of this collection (MSS. 463). She also unpacked and compiled box lists for the following: James Mortimer Papers (MSS.525); Labour CND (MSS.183); the Midland Bank staff magazine (MSS.396/5); and additional deposits of papers from the

West Midlands Engineering Employers' Association (MSS.265), the Motorcycle Association (MSS.204), the Campaign for State Education (MSS.236) and the British Airline Pilots' Association (MSS.248). She also continued to unpack, sort and list further additions to the archive of the International Transport Workers' Federation (MSS.159).

James King continued to catalogue the archives of the National Union of Teachers, particularly the extensive and disordered papers on the Burnham Committee on Teachers' Pay (MSS.179). In October 2003 he embarked on a two-year project to reorganise and catalogue the archives of the Transport and General Workers' Union (MSS.126), currently largely uncatalogued and spread around the strongrooms in a number of different deposits. He has completed the sorting and preliminary listing of the newly acquired papers of Sir Bill Morris, General Secretary from 1992 to 2003 (MSS.126/BM), and is sorting the July 2004 deposit of the papers of Jack Jones (MSS.126/JJ), General Secretary from 1969 to 1978. He has also listed the main series of TGWU correspondence files, deposited in 1994 and 1998, and is preparing an integrated list of the whole TGWU archive (MSS.126/TG). There is still considerable work to be done on the papers of the TGWU's predecessors and its Research Department, the latter a very large series of files covering every aspect of the Union's work and interests. He has also continued to advise on indexing issues and to edit the Archival Authority Record Database.

Andrew Morrison has worked on the AHRB project to catalogue the TUC archive. He has catalogued some 2500 files and begun the editing work to make clear the arrangement of the files in the finding aid.

Monica Ory continued to work on processing the National Cycle Archive, creating collection-level descriptions, authority records, and indexing terms. She completed detailed cataloguing of the Cyclists' Touring Club archive (see above). In January 2004 she moved to a new project, cataloguing the BASW archive. With assistance from Carole Jones she began the re-numbering, packaging and boxing of the papers of the predecessor organisations of BASW. The archives of these predecessor organisations had been catalogued by BASW in 1987, with a supplement in 1998. She marked up these catalogues and sent them to the National Archives' Access to Archives project for conversion into EAD format. The resulting electronic catalogue will be

available on the Centre's website and will also be included in the national A2A database.

She also began work on the large post 1970 BASW archive. The papers arrived in a very disordered state, but the minutes and papers of the committees, working parties, project groups, advisory panels etc., have been weeded, and most of the major committee series and all the minutes of the nineteen advisory panels are now numbered, boxed and listed. With the help of volunteers and work experience students, a start has also been made on sorting out and listing the series of circulars, news sheets and journals.

Judith Smith worked on two projects, cataloguing the printed material in the National Cycle Archive and integrating the Library's collection of trade union publications with the Centre's holdings. Further details of both projects are given above.

Richard Temple has completed full catalogues of the Aaron Rollin and William Wess collections (MSS.240). In addition he has catalogued 450 boxes of the post-1970 TUC archive. He has continued to create and amend collection-level descriptions, including those for the papers of Christian CND (MSS.462) and Labour CND (MSS.483), and he has also completed a review of closure periods for files in the Release archive (MSS.171). Following Christine Woodland's secondment (see below) he assisted in the management of the Centre.

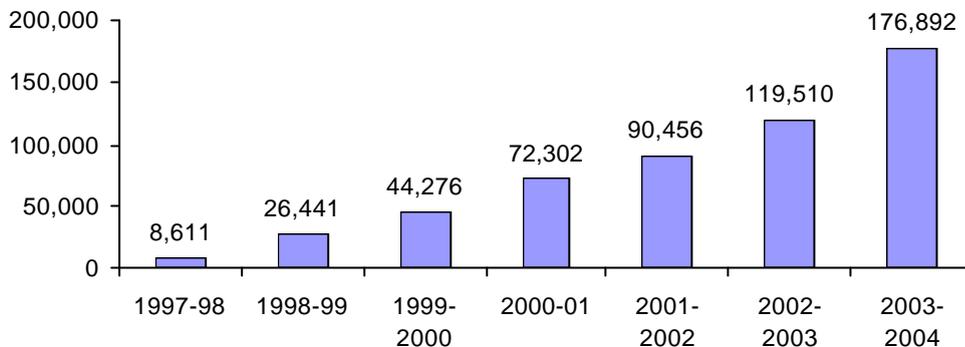
Christine Woodland was seconded to assist the move of the University's administration from Senate House to University House, a building recently acquired by the University. She continued to be occupied with the negotiating, surveying, and administering of the deposit of archives, as well as administering the Centre. She has edited the finding aids compiled by other members of the Centre's staff and regularly revised the Centre's webpages, including the *Summary Guide*. She gave introductions about archives to undergraduate and postgraduate students and other visitors to the Centre.

Use of the Centre

The statistics in Appendix 2 give a quantitative picture for the year. The following graphs put those figures into a longer perspective, although as with all statistics a number of caveats need to be borne in mind. The figures for 2000/2001 in all the graphs are only for nine months,

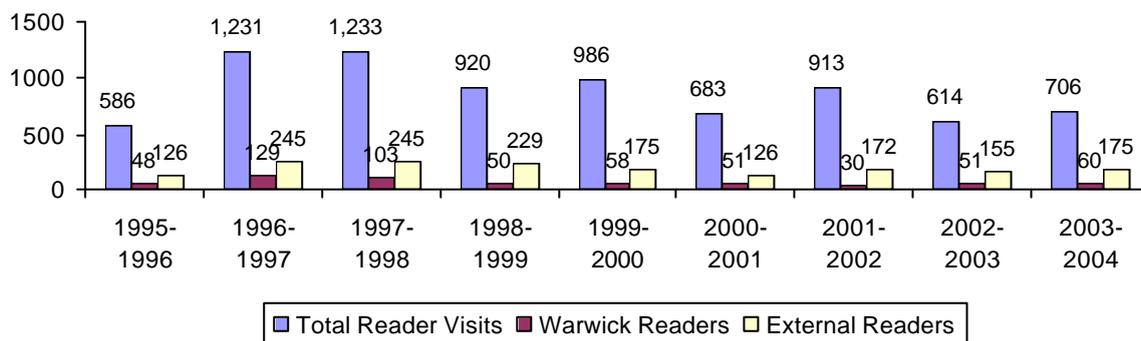
reflecting a change in the reporting period to the academic financial year.

Web Page Visits



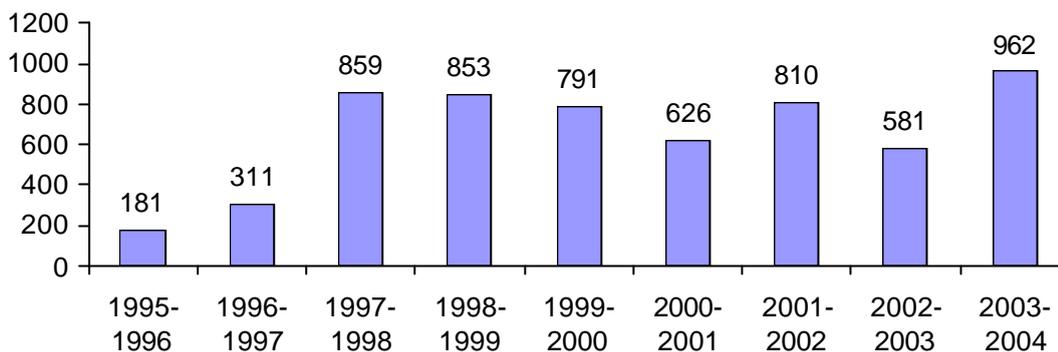
The basis for the figures for 2003/04 has changed. See p. 16 for details.

MRC Readers and Reader Visits



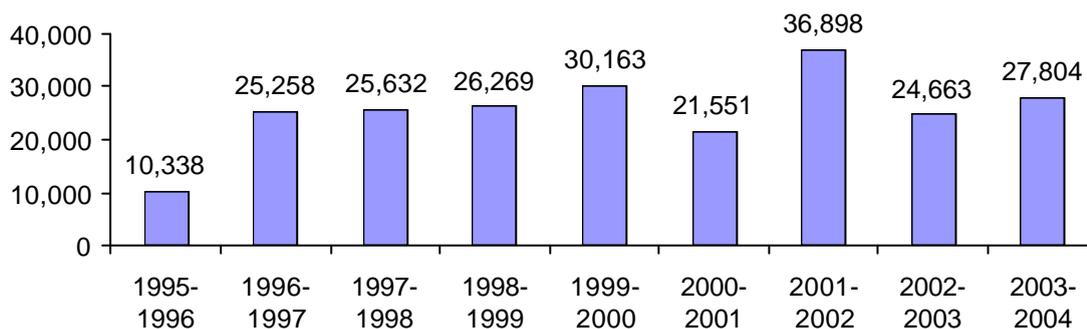
This graph combines the figures for readers and reader visits. Readers register once a year, but may make several reader visits.

Postal/Telephone Enquiries

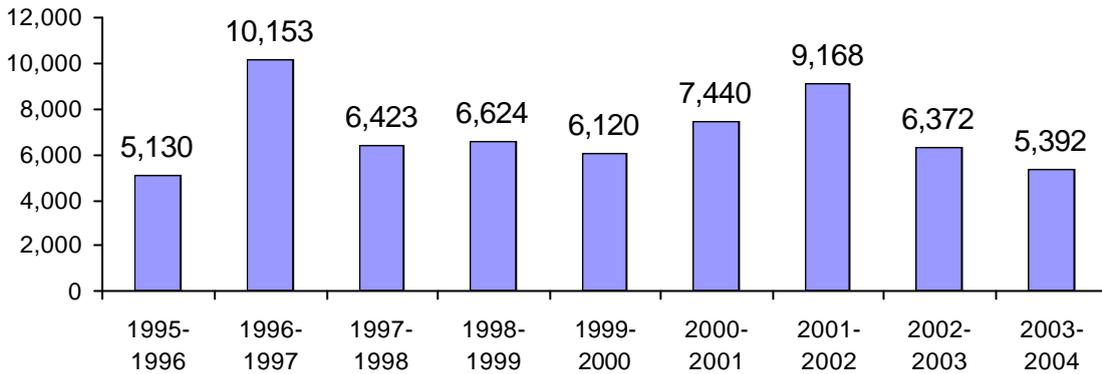


The large increase between 1996/97 and 1997/98 reflects the addition of telephone enquiries not previously included.

Documents Produced



Photocopies produced for Readers



As usual, the variety of research topics pursued is remarkably wide. Appendix 2 lists some of the publications that have been based on material held at the Centre.

Outreach

James King was a member of the Advisory Panel of the United Kingdom Archival Thesaurus Project.

Judith Smith served as Treasurer to the West Midland Division of the Career Development Group of CILIP (Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals). She was also a member of the Staff Library Group and Specific Needs working party.

Christine Woodland gave introductions about archives in general and the Centre in particular to history and politics postgraduates (29 students), and to undergraduates studying 'Visions of Society, 1930-1960' (15 students) and 'Victorian cities' (12 students). She also gave introductions to the Centre and its archives to local genealogy students (30 students). She gave a lecture on 'The TUC archives: opening up the treasure trove' at the conference on work organised by the Centre for Contemporary British History, 14 July 2004. She gave a lecture at the AMARC Summer Meeting at the University of Nottingham, 12 July 2004, on 'Access and restrictions in modern papers and archives: the curator's perspective, twentieth century archives.' She continued to be

a committee member of the Warwickshire Local History Society, the Dugdale Society, the Archive Committee of the Operational Research Society, and the Archive and Resources Sub-committee of the Society for the Study of Labour History. She represented SCONUL on the West Midlands Regional Archives Forum. She served on the management group for the West Midlands Regional cataloguing project 'Pay and Power' and the steering group for the Archives Hub (part of the UK's National Archives Network).

Various conferences and training sessions were held in the Centre. They included an induction course for postgraduate students, introducing them to the contents of the National Archives and how to find them, January 2004. The University's Humanities Research Centre held a workshop in the Centre on 'Outrageous Stories: women, scandal, and subversion in Britain', on Saturday, 24 April 2004. It is hoped to publish the papers. The University's Centre for the History of Medicine organised a workshop in the Centre on 'Ethics, History and Mental Disorder' on Saturday, 15 May 2004. Two separate days of training on EAD were held for members of the Society of Archivists in January 2004. A workshop on the implications for archivists and researchers of the Data Protection Act was held on 11 December 2003. Generous support was given by the Wellcome Foundation. The sessions held during the Centre's opening hours were made possible by the BP Archives, which allowed the Centre's readers to use their exhibition room instead of the searchroom. We are very grateful for their help.

The Edward Thompson Memorial Bursary was established by the Society for the Study of Labour History in honour of one of its distinguished founders and past Presidents. It is tenable at the Modern Records Centre, up to a value of £200 per annum, in order to support research in the Centre's archives. The recipient in 2003 was Mr Francis W. Salt of Manchester Metropolitan University. He is working on organised labour in charities for blind people in Manchester and Salford in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries.

The Centre's Honorary Fellow was Professor Roger Cooter. Professor Cooter is a Wellcome Professorial Fellow at the Wellcome Trust Centre for the History of Medicine at University College London. He specialises in the social history of ideas in science and medicine, 18th to 20th centuries.

The Centre has set aside funding to encourage use of its archives by University of Warwick postgraduate students. Their research has to be primarily based on archives held in the Centre but the research awards assist them to finance travel and other costs of research in other archive repositories and libraries. The first recipient of the funding is Elinor Harper of the Department of History. Her Ph.D. is provisionally entitled 'Finding Men in Feminine Spaces: Masculinities, Domesticity, Romance and Divorce in Mid-Twentieth Century England.' She hopes to complete her thesis in December 2004.

Charles Fonge led the revision of the Centre's web pages, to conform to the University's new web page style and software. The survey of our web pages a year ago showed demand for more detailed information. Full detailed cataloguing often takes many years to complete. One step in this process is an interim box list, which gives a rough idea of the contents of a file or box, but which does not meet the various cataloguing standards. We have begun to convert interim box lists which have been created in Word format to pdf format. This enables us to add them to the web pages and thereby give more information to our researchers in advance of their visits.

Staff

Charles Fonge left the Centre at the end of May to take up a new post at the University of York. Charles had been at the Centre for five years, during which time he made an enormous contribution to the Centre's work. He catalogued or converted to electronic format most of the finding aids for the Operational Research Society's archive, and made significant progress in preparing a finding aid for the papers of Frank Cousins. His most significant contribution was making the Centre's finding aids available on-line. He was responsible for converting the Centre's finding aids from EAD beta version to version 1, and more recently, to version 2002. He created a procedure to use XML and trained all the staff in its use. He also created a procedure to enable the Centre to comply with the standards established by the Archives Hub, and thereby make its data more widely available. He was responsible for the creation of various databases which we use to manage this work. For the last two years he spent half his time managing the University's archive. His ability to organise meticulously enabled him to introduce a large degree of order to the archive. We will miss his expertise, but we will also miss his sense of humour and glorious jokes. We wish him well.

Andrew Morrison joined the Centre in January to work on the Arts and Humanities Research Board project to catalogue the Trades Union Congress archive from 1970. Andrew qualified as an archivist at UCNW, Bangor in 1995. He has since worked at the University of Wales, Swansea; the Rural History Centre, University of Reading; Shropshire Records and Research Centre; and Warwickshire County Record Office. He has also done voluntary work at the national archives of New Zealand and Canada.

Appendix 1

Summary list of accessions

1st August 2003 to 31st July 2004

The inclusion of an accession in the following list does not necessarily mean that it is available for research at present. In the case of large or complex accessions only the main constituent parts have been described.

Part 1 Additions to existing accessions

- MSS.020/NAL National Association of Local Government Officers: *Guildhall Gazette* (journal of the Middlesex County NALGO branch), 1960s; audio and video tapes of conferences, 1980s-1990s; publicity department papers including MORI and other surveys of union members and potential members, advertising and political campaigns, applications to the political fund, 1980s - 1990s.
- MSS.056 National Union of Bank Employees: papers relating to the Cameron Enquiry, May 1963: files, exhibits, and correspondence, including the constitution and rules of NUBE.
- MSS.126/BM Transport and General Workers' Union: papers of Sir Bill Morris, General Secretary from 1992 to 2003, Deputy General Secretary, 1986-1992. Approximately 80 boxes of material mainly concerned with Sir Bill's term as General Secretary. They include appointment diaries, texts of speeches (including many made while Deputy General Secretary) and files on a wide range of subjects, both official Union business and Sir Bill's own interests. Subjects covered, among many others, include the University of Technology, Jamaica (of which he is Chancellor), the Bank of England (of which he is a Non-Executive Director), the Employment Appeal Tribunal, and the Royal Commission on the Reform of the House of Lords.

- MSS.126/JJ Transport and General Workers' Union: private papers of Jack Jones, General Secretary from 1969 to 1978. 45 boxes of material concerning his life and career from the 1930s to the present, including his service in the Spanish Civil War, his membership of the Royal Commission on Criminal Procedure, and his post-retirement campaigning for pensioners' rights. The deposit includes a large number of publications of the TGWU, the TUC, Labour Party, Age Concern and other organisations, and many photographs, articles, speeches and press cuttings.
- MSS.159 International Transport Workers' Federation: Management Committee minutes, 1950s; reminiscences of Arthur E. Lyon, Executive Secretary of the Railway Labor Executives' Association, 1975; 17 bankers boxes of publications, including Reports on Activities and Proceedings, 1938-1998 and press reports, 1946-1979.
- MSS.204 Motor Cycle Association of Great Britain Ltd.: minutes of various committees, 1981-1993, some extending series already held at the Centre.
- MSS.236 Campaign for the Advancement of State Education: minutes and annual reports, c. 1973-2000; publications, reports, press releases, 1960-1999; general correspondence, c. 1978-2000; *CASE Newsletter* (later *Parents and Schools*), 1967-2003; constitution, standing orders, c. 1975-1991; financial statements, c. 1980-1999; minutes, newsletters, circulars, correspondence of branches (includes Barnet, Brighton, South Hampshire branches), 1970s-1990s; press-cuttings, 1961-2000.
- MSS.237 Engineering Employers' Federation: additional publications and circulars.
- MSS.248 British Air Line Pilots' Association: minutes, circulars, correspondence, c. 1940s-1990s. Includes minutes of the National Joint Council for Civil Air Transport, 1960s.

- MSS.281 National Union of Public Employees: membership survey reports, notes and correspondence, 1987-1988.
- MSS.314 Mrs. Winifred Lakin: photographs and scrolls, including court scroll presented to Mrs. Lakin as Lord Mayor of Coventry, 1986.
- MSS.315 Edwards papers: minutes and case files for joint meetings of Trade Union representatives at Massey Ferguson.
- MSS.317 Tony Lane research notes: transcripts and notes of interviews with shop stewards at United Glass, St. Helens, 1981-1983.
- MSS.328 National Cycle Archive: Cyclists' Touring Club: additional Council papers and records previously missing, 1919-1920, 1947-1948, 1958-1980, 1991-1992; Centenary Committee, 1973-1978; Development Committee's reports to Council etc., 1969-1974; Town & Countryside Committee, 1981-1982; York Rally Committee, 1954-1978; Standing Joint Committee on Cycling, 1955-1968; and an attendance register (MSS.328/C); cycling papers of Malcolm Parry and his father, Lionel Parry, 1936-1996 (MSS.328/N44) and of Ernest J. Green, 1927-1968 (MSS.328/N45); cycling photographs, medals and papers of Bryan Ward, c.1947-2000 (MSS.328/N46); cycling papers and printed journals of Harry Aspden, 1941-1998 (MSS.328/N47); cycling catalogues and accessories' catalogues (MSS.328/N2-N3); cycling photographs (MSS.328/N25); videotapes (MSS.328/N38); papers of the CTC, West Bromwich Section (MSS.328/N48).
- MSS.335 Operational Research Society: papers relating to the Fellowship for Operational Research, including minutes and newsletters, 1997-2003 (MSS.335/FOR); and additional interviews with leading practitioners (MSS.335/OBIT).
- MSS.337 Institute of Administrative Management: additional papers and publications.

- MSS.358 Management Systems Training Council: articles relating to the Council, including 'The Door Now Closes', 'Where are They now? Who Are They?', 'Management Systems Training Council: the door is now closed'.
- MSS.363 John Simmons: press articles about the 50th anniversary of the Leo computer.
- MSS.377 Gillian Rose: Additional miscellaneous material removed from books donated by Prof. Rose to the University Library.
- MSS.378 British Association of Social Workers: 130 crates containing constitutional records, minutes and reports, including those of committees, working parties, groups and panels; circulars; records relating to the National Health Service, parliamentary and local government, conferences, finance and membership; correspondence, regional and branch records, legal papers, including case files, etc., mostly from 1970-c.1994, and the records of the Social Workers' Benevolent Trust and the Social Workers' Educational Trust.
- MSS.396/5 Midland Bank staff magazine, March 1920-June 1972 (incomplete).
- MSS.411 AMICUS: conference papers.
- MSS.414 Institute of Management Services: several new deposits include periodicals, 1975-1994; Financial Sector Group Board (FINSEC) papers, 1970s-2002; Devon and Cornwall branch files, 1960s-1990s; West Midland Region/Birmingham & District, minutes, 1970-1996.
- MSS.415 Public and Commercial Services Union: printed items produced by the Society of Civil Servants, National Union of Civil and Public Servants, and Civil and Public Services Association, 1990s.

MSS.417 West Midlands CND: publications including *CND Newsletter*, *E.N.D.*, *Peace News*, *CND News*, *Campaign*, *Sanity*, *CND Today*, 1981-1996.

MSS.483 Labour CND: Executive Committee minutes and papers, 1984-2000; Committee for Peace in the Balkans papers, 1997-1999; resolutions to Labour Party conferences, 1983-2000; correspondence with constituency and Labour Party secretaries, 1990-2000.

Part 2 New Accessions

MSS.524 Trades Councils: annual reports from 195 trades councils, c. 1872-1906 with later holdings for London, 1956-1964, and Birmingham, 1956-1978, have been transferred from the Board of Trade Library collection.

MSS.526 *New Builders Leader*: incomplete set, 1935-1954, transferred from the University Library.

MSS.527 Rank and File Groups: publications transferred from the University Library including *Platform*, 1974; *British Leyland: the Edwardes plan and your job* (Leyland Combine Trade Union Committee), 1980; *Carworker*, 1971-1973 (incomplete).

MSS.528 National Chamber of Trade: Annual reports/reviews, journals and miscellaneous publications; miscellaneous publications, 1972-1990; transferred from University Library.

MSS.529 *Militant*, 1965-1992.

Appendix 2

Performance Indicators, 2003-2004

As always, the Report as a whole serves as an overall performance indicator for the Centre. One of the Centre's most important activities is the selection and preservation of the records of the past for research in the future. This has been recorded in Appendix 1 of each Annual Report, in the list of records accessioned. The figures in brackets are last year's figures.

Visits to the Centre's web pages

176,892 (119,510) visits. The basis for the figures for 2003/4 has changed. The University has changed its web page software and URL. The Centre moved to this new site in February 2004. Unfortunately we can no longer recover figures on access to the pages before that date and we can no longer obtain figures on access to our collection level descriptions and full finding aids. Nor can we distinguish between internal and external usage. To get an approximate idea of the usage we have taken the figures for February-July 2004 (six months) and doubled them to get figures for twelve months.

Reader visits to the Modern Records Centre

706 (614) visits. These visits were made by 60 (51) researchers from the University of Warwick and 175 (155) researchers from elsewhere. These non-Warwick researchers comprised 94 (86) from other UK universities and 81(69) from overseas or were non-academic researchers.

Documents produced

27,804 (24,663) documents were produced. These figures include 1168 (1172) documents produced for BP readers and 72 (297) University of Warwick archives whose use was supervised in MRC's searchroom.

Enquiries answered

962 (581) were answered.

Photocopies produced for readers

5,392 (6,372) photocopies were produced for readers.

Catalogues

Although a significant amount of full cataloguing has been carried out in the last year, no pages have been submitted to the National Inventory of Documentary Sources and the National Register of Archives because the individual catalogues have not yet been completed. Interim lists have been posted on the Centre's websites.

External funding

A part-time assistant archivist's post, a part-time librarian cataloguer's post and a part-time records assistant post were funded by the RSLP's Access programme.

An assistant archivist's post was funded by a grant from the Arts and Humanities Research Board to catalogue the TUC archive, 1970-1990.

An assistant archivist's post was funded by a grant from the Transport and General Workers' Union to catalogue the TGWU archive.

A librarian cataloguer's post for six months and a part-time archivist's post for twelve months were funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund and the National Cycle Touring and Countryside Trust.

In addition to these grants, donations have been made by the Confederation of British Industry, the National Cycle Archive and the Trades Union Council. We are most grateful for this help. £5,700 (£8,500) was added to the Development Fund from these and other sources.

Theses produced

2,059 (1878) theses and 76 (34) items from the Library's special collection of books were produced.

A selection of recent research making significant use of the Centre's holdings

These publications do not reflect the use of the archives made by undergraduates and other students, and the non-academic use made by genealogists and other researchers.

Roger Cooter, 'The rise and decline of the medical member: doctors and Parliament in Edwardian and Interwar Britain,' *Bulletin of the History of Medicine*, 2004, 78, pp. 59-107

Nigel Copsey, *Contemporary British Fascism: the British National Party and the Quest for Legitimacy* (London: Palgrave, 2004)

Keith Gildart, 'Huw Thomas Edwards', *Dictionary of Labour Biography*, vol. 11 (London: Macmillan, 2003), pp. 57-65

C. J. Hunt, 'Alice Arnold of Coventry: trade unionism and municipal politics 1919-1939', Coventry University Ph. D., 2003

David Howell, 'Walter Halls', *Dictionary of Labour Biography*, vol. 11 (London: Macmillan, 2003), pp. 92-98

David Howell, 'James Headgoose Holmes', *Dictionary of Labour Biography*, vol. 11 (London: Macmillan, 2003), pp. 130-140

Maurice Kirby, *Operational Research in War and Peace: The British Experience from the 1930s to 1970* (Imperial College Press, 2003)

Maurice Kirby, 'The Air Defence of Great Britain, 1920-1940: An Operational Research Perspective', *Journal of the Operational Research Society*, vol. 48 (1997), pp. 555-568

Maurice Kirby, 'The Air Bombing of Germany in World War II: An Operational Research Perspective', *Journal of the Operational Research Society*, vol. 48 (1997), pp. 661-677

Maurice Kirby, 'The Origins and Diffusion of Operational Research in the UK' *Journal of the Operational Research Society*, vol. 49 (1998), pp. 307-326

Maurice Kirby, 'Blackett in the "White Heat" of the Technological Revolution: Industrial Modernisation under the Wilson Governments, 1964-1970, *Journal of the Operational Research Society*, vol. 50 (1999), pp. 985-993

Maurice Kirby, 'Operations Research Trajectories: The Anglo-American Experience from the 1940s to the 1990s', *Operations Research*, vol. 5 (2000), pp. 1-14

Maurice Kirby, 'Spreading the Gospel of "Management Science": Operational Research in Iron and Steel', *Journal of the Operational Research Society*, vol. 51 (2000), pp. 1020-1058

Maurice Kirby, 'Operations Research and the Defeat of Nazi Germany', *Military Operations Research*, vol.5 (2000), pp. 1-14

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