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Correspondence and papers, **ca.** 1914-63, n.d., of Dr. Joseph Forbes Duncan, Scottish farm workers' leaders; for letters concerning Duncan's earlier career of organisation of fishermen, and on behalf of the Independent Labour Party, see Acc.5490.

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F.1 Correspondence, 1918-49, as follows:

- (i) Letter of N.U. Campbell, New Deer, to Duncan, with a copy of a play 'The Sorrows O' A Slacker', by Campbell.
- (ii) Correspondence, 1935, concerning Duncan's membership of, and resignation from, the Educational Endowments Commission (Scotland).
- (iii) Correspondence, 1937-8, with Dr.J.F. Tocher, Aberdeen, concerning a contribution by Duncan to the Book of Buchan; with a copy of a draft, 'Agriculture', sent by Duncan.
- (iv) Letter, 1949, of A.C. Dann, General Secretary of the National Union of Agricultural Workers on 'tied' houses, with Duncan's reply.
- (v) Letter, 1949, with enclosures, of Alexander Ewen, Secretary, TGWU, Scottish Farm Servants' Section.

F.2 Labour Party Advisory Committee on Rural Problems, correspondence and papers May, 1918 – Sep, 1919; with further correspondence on the Labour Party's agricultural policy, Oct, 1924.

F.3 Speeches, articles, broadcasts, 1926-56, n.d., as follows:

- (i) 'The Education of the Agricultural Worker', British Association, Oxford, 1926.
- (ii) Presidential address to the Scottish Trades' Union Congress, Inverness, 1926.
- (iii) Article on rural life and industry in Britain, 1926.
- (iv) Broadcast talk on 'The Industrial Position of Scotland', 9 Jan, 1934.
- (v) Article, 'Working Conditions on the Land', for the Glasgow Herald Agriculture Survey, 1 Feb, 1956.
- (vi) Article in tribute to 'James Keir Hardie', n.d.
- (vii) Article on the agriculture industry, n.d.
- (viii) Paper on the wages, housing and living conditions of farm workers, n.d., but ca. 1955.

F.4 Miscellaneous papers, 1914-63, n.d., as follows:

- (i) 'Memorandum on the Scottish [Farm{ Servants', **ca.** 1914.

- (ii) Government Reconstruction Committee (Agricultural Policy Sub-committee), letters (2) of the secretary to Duncan, with 2 copies (1 corrected) of his evidence to the sub-committee, Oct-Nov, 1916.
- F.5 Presscuttings of Duncan's articles and letters in **Forward**, 1929-52, on agricultural, housing and general politics.
- F.6 Election addresses as Labour candidate for Moray and Nairn and South Aberdeen, and other printed political leaflets, 1926-36, n.d.
- F.7
  - (i) Cutting of article on 'The New Ploughman's Chanter', People's Journal 26 Nov, 1938.
  - (ii) Correspondence 1946-7 concerning a series of articles on agriculture for the Daily Record, with cuttings of the articles.