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Fife/Clackmannan/Stirling Correspondence

1-22 Pits covered in this correspondence series are almost all within the above district. All files within the boxes refer to specific mines and/or their respective union branches, which are listed on the boxes.

1. 1958 [includes Brora mine, Sutherland].
2. 1960 [Stirlingshire].
3. 1960 [includes Frances accident].
4. 1960 [includes closed collieries].
5. 1961 (1).
6. 1961 (2).
7. 1963 (2).
8. 1963 (2).
9. 1964 (1).
10. 1964 (2).
11. 1965 (1).
12. 1965 (2).
13. 1965 (3).
14. 1966 (1).
15. 1966 (2).
16. 1967 [general].
17. 1967 [disputes, etc.].
18. 1967 [ditto].
19. 1967 [general].
20. 1967 [general].
21. 1967 [general].
22. 1967 [correspondence – pits/disputes].

23-25 A similar series relating to Lanarkshire district.

23. 1967 (1).

24. 1967 (2).
25. 1967 (3).

Miscellaneous

26-61 'Miscellaneous' correspondence mostly concerning matters dealt with at Scottish level between level between the Coal Board and the Union.

26. 1961 [NCB, etc.].
27. 1961 [Scottish Division NCB Consultative and Disputes Committees].
28. 1961 [general].
29. 1961 [NUMS officials' correspondence].
30. 1961 [Welfare Committee].
31. 1962-3 [general].
32. 1963 [Officials, etc].
33. 1963 [general].
34. 1963 [general].
35. 1963 [circulars/disputes/pensions].
36. 1964 [Officials].
37. 1964 [concessionary coal/NCB].
38. 1964 [circulars/disputes/pensions].
39. 1964 [general].
40. 1965 [Officials].
41. 1965 [general].
42. 1965 [circulars/disputes/pensions].
43. 1965 [NCB/concessionary coal].
44. 1965 [welfare].
45. 1966 [Officials].
46. 1966 [Day School/general/pensions].
47. 1966 [concessionary coal/NCB].
- 47a. 1966 [circulars/dipsutes/pensions etc.].
48. 1966 [welfare].
49. 1968 [general].
50. 1968 [general].
51. 1968 [welfare].

General Correspondence

52-67 These files have an alphabetical arrangement within years (1965-6).

52. A-B, 1965.
53. C-D, 1965.
54. E-H, 1965.
55. I-M, 1965.
56. O-S, 1965.

- 57. V-Z, 1965.
- 58. A-B, 1966.
- 59. C, 1966.
- 60. D, 1966.
- 61. E-G, 1966.
- 62. G-H, '966.
- 63. I-M, 1966.
- 64. M-P, 1966.
- 65. P, 1966.
- 66. S, 1966.
- 67. S-Y, 1966.

Lothians District Agent

68-72 Various subject files, all 1969, boxes 1-5: not yet listed in detail.

Disputes

73-88 Arrangement of this series is alphabetical by name of the individual colliery branch.

- 73. A-G, 1960.
- 74. H-Z, 1960.
- 75. A-F, 1960.
- 76. G-M, 1961.
- 77. M-S, 1961.
- 78. A-G, 1963.

95-100 A similar series of '**Pit Minutes**', Lanarkshire and Lothians, 1961-5, arranged by alphabetical order of pit; the first and last pits only are listed.

- 95. Argyll – Kingshill No.3, 1961.
- 96. Auchengleich – Wester Auchengleich, 1961.
- 97. Argyll – Kingshill No.2, 1963.
- 98. Kingshill No.3 – Wester Auchengleich, 1963.
- 99. Argyll – Wester Auchengleich, 1964.
- 100. Argyll – Wester Auchengleich, 1965.
- 101. Dalkeith – Lady Victoria, 1966.

102-117 A series of **Colliery Consultative Committee** minutes and pit minutes, 1961-8.

- 102. Ardenrigg – Wester Auchengleich, 1961.
- 103. Argyll – Overtown, 1961.
- 104. Ardenrigg – Wester Auchenleisch, 1963.
- 105. Manor Powis – Wellesley, 1963.

- 106. Various, A-L, 1963.
- 107. Argyll – Wester Auchengleich, 1963.
- 108. Bannockburn – Wellesley, 1964.
- 109. Argyll – Overtoen, 1965.
- 110. Blairhall – Valleyfield, 1965.
- 111. Blairhall – Valleyfield, 1966.
- 112. Bilston Glen – Easthouses, 1966.
- 113. Bedlay – Overtown, 1966.
- 114. Bedlay – Solsgirth, 1968.
- 115. Fife: Blairhall – Maddiston, 1965-8.
- 116. Fife: Seafield – Valleyfield, 1965-8; and other Fife files.
- 117. Lanarkshire: Argyll – Solsgirth, 1967.

118-121 **‘Joint Disputes’** agenda and minutes, 1960-7.

- 118. 1960.
- 119. 1961.
- 120. 1962-6.
- 121. 1967.

- 122. Rothes Colliery, Fife: pit minutes, agreements, correspondence, etc., 1955-61.

123-167 **‘Branch Correspondence’** files, 1961-71.

- 123. Argyll – Carnbroe, 1961.
- 124. [not used].
- 125. Auchengleich – Boglea, 1961.
- 126. Cardowan – Gartshore 9/11.
- 127. Hassockrigg – Quarter/Thinacre & Rescue Brigade, 1961.
- 128. Kingshill Nos. 1 – 3, 1961.
- 129. Bannockburn – Polmaise, 1961.
- 130. Twechar No. 1 – Bonnybridge, 1961.
- 131. Argyll – Knowehead (Carnbroe), 1962.
- 132. Dullatur – Gartshore 9/11, 1962.
- 133. Ardenrigg – Bonnybridge, 1963.
- 134. Canderigg - Gartshore 9/11, 1963.
- 135. Kingshill Nos. 1 – 3, 1963.
- 136. Newton – Quarter/Thinacre & Rescue Brigade, 1963.
- 137. Twechar No. 1 – Wester Auchengleich, 1963.
- 138. Ardenrigg – Bonnybridge, 1964.
- 139. Garscube – Kingshill No. 2, 1964.
- 140. Kingshill No. 3 – Blantyreferme Clay Mine, 1964.
- 141. Overtown – Quarter/Thinacre, 1964.
- 142. Cardowan – Dumbreck, 1964.
- 143. Twechar No.1, Wester Auchengleich & Rescue Brigade, 1964.

144. Argyll – Kingshill No. 3, 1965.
145. Auchengleich – Cardowan, 1965.
146. Gartshore 9/11 – Bonnybridge, 1965.
147. Newton – Quarter/Tinacre & Rescue Brigade, 1965.
148. Argyll – Cardowan, 1966.
149. Gartshore – Kingshill No. 3
150. Bilston Glen – Lady Victoria.
151. Lingerwood – Polkemmet, 1965.
152. Riddochill/Woolmet & Clay Mines, 1965.
153. Closed Collieries, 1964-5.
154. Lothians B – E, 1966.
155. Lothians N – R, 1966.
156. Lothians R – W & Clay Mines, 1966.
157. Lady Victoria; Lingerwood; Monktonhall, 1966.
158. Newton Clay Mine – Wester Auchengleiah, 1966.
159. Lanarkshire: Argyll – Cardowan, 1967.
160. Lanarkshire: Gartshore 9/11 – Garscube, 1967.
161. Wester Auchengleich – Cardowan, 1968.
162. Gartshore – Kingshill No. 3, 1968.
163. Fife: Kinneil – Valleyfield/Longannet, 1968.
164. Fife: Manor Powis – Francis/Randolph, 1968.
165. Lothians: Easton, Lady Victoria, Monktonhall, 1969.
166. Lothians: Polkemmet, Roslin, Whiterigg.
167. Lothians: Bilston – Whiterog Fireclay.

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Organisational Correspondence: files on various subject; contents lists are pasted on the fronts of boxes.

168. AGMs; A.R.I.O.; membership; etc, 1958-61.
169. E.B.T.A.; HMI of Mines; C.O.S.A.; West Fife Constituency Labour Party; T.G.W.U.; etc., 1959-61.
170. A.R.I.O.; General Secretary and President; etc., 1964.
171. Day Schools; Ministry of Labour; Workmen's Inspectors; etc., 1964.
172. President and General Secretary; N.C.B.; A.R.I.O. and C.I.S.W.O.; etc., 1965.
173. Miscellaneous Correspondence, A-Z; rest days; holiday pay; etc., 1965.
174. Concessionary coal; S.T.U.C. and T.G.W.U.; S.C.E.B.T.A.; Transport Users Consultative Council; 1966.
175. Miscellaneous, A-Z; holiday pay; etc., 1966.

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'Collated' files individually identified within the boxes and listed meantime only in year order.

176. 1960

- 177. 1961
- 178. 1962
- 179. 1963
- 180. 1963
- 181. 1963
- 182. 1964
- 183. 1964
- 184. 1964
- 185. 1965
- 186. 1965
- 187. 1965
- 188. 1966
- 189. 1966
- 190. 1966

191-199 Various files, mostly dealing with **Welfare, Safety and Manpower** matters, 1960-6.

- 191. N.C.B., Scottish Divisional Consultative Council, 1965-6.
- 192. Head Office Circulars; General Secretary and President; Compensation Officer, Ministry of Labour; 1960-1.
- 193. Scottish Divisional Welfare, 1960-1.
- 194. Ambulance Committee and Welfare Committee/correspondence, 1964.
- 195. Welfare and safety matters, 1966.
- 196. Circulars; Area NUM/NCB committees, etc., 1969.
- 197. Concessionary coal and M.W.P.S., 1969.
- 198. Convalescent Homes; cancellations, 1966; miscellaneous; general services.
- 199. Homes committees; meetings, agenda, minutes, etc., 1966.

204-207 '**Seam Agreements**' files, various dates.

208-210 '**Miscellaneous Agreements**' files, various dates.

211. **Situation of the Scottish mining industry**: reports and papers, including proceedings at NUMS – NCB meetings, 1958-64.

212. **Lothians District Secretary's** files, 1966.

213-214 **Coal Mining Conciliation Scheme**: NUM record [printed] of negotiations and decisions, 1940-60.

- 213. [Vol.2], 1940-53.
- 214. [Vo.3], 1954-50; and index, 1943-60.

- 215-224 **Elections of Officials**, 1961-80.
- 215. Scottish President, 1961.
 - 216. Scottish President, 1967.
 - 217. U.K. President, 1971.
 - 218. Scottish General Secretary, 1964.
 - 219. Scottish General Secretary, 1969.
 - 220. Scottish General Secretary, 1977-8.
 - 221. U.K. General Secretary, 1968.
 - 222. Agent (Scotland), 1978.
 - 223. Agent (Scotland), 1979.
 - 224. Agent (Scotland), 1980.
- 225-231 **Public Activities** files, 1962-81.
- 225. Lobby of Parliament, 7/8 Mar, 1962.
 - 226. Lobby of Parliament , 17 Feb, 1966.
 - 227. Lobby of Parliament, 6 Nov, 1967.
 - 228. Lobby of Labour Party Conference, Sep, 1968.
 - 229. Wages campaign, 1970: lobby of J.N.N.C., 15 September.
 - 230. Special T.U.C. Conference, Croydon, 5 June 1969.
 - 231. William Gallacher Centenary, 1981: correspondence.
- 232-237 **Ballots** files, 1972-6.
- 232. Wages and surface hours, Nov. 1969.
 - 233. Wages, Oct. 1970.
 - 234. Wages, 1971.
 - 235. Wages, 1972.
 - 236. Wage Claims, productivity incentives etc., 1973-5.
- 238-239 238. **Miscellaneous** files: retainers for fire teams, 1975, Grade A+, 1975; Oakersdyke mine strike, 1974; rules revision, 1969; Polmaise $\frac{3}{4}$ coal reserves, 1970.
- 239. Scottish Area pamphlet, *The Miners and the nation*.
- 240-243 **General Correspondence**, 1967.
- 240. A-E.
 - 241. F-L.
 - 242. S.
 - 243. G. Steel, West Lothian; miscellaneous.
244. Miscellaneous: circulars; concessionary coal; compensation; Co-op; 1967.

- 245-247 **Branch correspondence, 1967**
- 244. B-E.
 - 245. L-M.
 - 246. Newcraighall; Rosslyn; Polkemmet.
- 248-258 **Pit Consultative Committee minutes, etc., 1957-74.**
- 247. Pit Consultative minutes/joint disputes, 1967.
 - 248. Workmen's Inspectors reports; safety minutes; 1967.
 - 249. Umpires awards [A-D], 1957.
 - 250. Umpires awards, E-O, 1957.
 - 251. Umpires awards, P-Z, 1957.
 - 252. Disputes remits, A-O, 1957-61.
 - 253. Disputes remits, P-W, 1957-61.
 - 254. Seam agreements: Lothians, A-N.
 - 255. Seam agreements: Lothians, O-W.
 - 256. Pithead meetings, etc, 1970-4.
 - 257. Members' correspondence, 1974.
- 259-262 **Mine disasters files, 1950-9.**
- 258. Knockshinnoch Castle disaster: part proceedings of inquiry, 10-15 November 1950.
 - 259. Auchengleich Colliery disaster: proceedings of Ministry of Fuel and Power inquiry, days 1-6, 4-11 January 1960.
 - 260. Auchengleich inquiry: proceedings, 7th to final day, 12-15 Jan. 1960; summing-up by NUMS representatives; papers of or relating to the Public Enquiry, 18 Sep. 1959.
 - 261. Kames and Lindsay disasters: NUMS accounts [printed], 1957.
263. The 'Triple Alliance' of coal, steel and rail unions: correspondence and minutes of meetings, 1981-3.
- 264-265 Discussion documents, Mining Schools, Conference papers, 1947-85.
- 254. Discussion document on the 'Political Economy of North Sea Oil and Gas' by Peter B Smith, July 1974 [3 copies].
 - 255. NUMS Mining School reports [printed], 1947-85; Scottish Area E.C. and Special Conference minutes [printed], 1979-81.
- 266-269 **Miscellaneous files, as under:**
- 266. General correspondence; circulars, E.C. and Lothians; 1965.
 - 267. Circulars, Lothians, 1966.
 - 268. Circulars, 1974.

269. Agents's correspondence, 1973; the Scottish Miner: statements, 1970-3.

270-277 **Ayr District Branch, 1956-68.**

270. Douglas Ponfeigh; Douglas Castle; Glenburn; Highhouse; Kames; Kennox; Kilwinning; 1956.
271. Barony; Beoch; Burnfoothill; Coalburn; Coylton/Rankinston; Cummock; Douglas Ponfeigh, 1963.
272. Barony; Beoch; Burnfoothill, Coalburn; Coylton/Rankinston; Crosshouse/Dreghorn; Cumnock; Dailly; Douglas; Glenburn; Glentaggart; 1964.
273. Highhouse; Kames; Killoch; Kennox; Kilwinning; Kirkconnel; Lochlea; 1964.
274. Mauchline; Minnivey; New Cumnock; Pennyvenie; Sanquar; Sorn; Whitehill ½; 1964.
275. Barony; Beoch; Coalburn; Colyton/Rankinston; Crosshouse/Dreghorn; Old Cumnock; Dailly; Douglas/Ponfeigh; 1967.
276. New Cumnock; Pennyvenie; Sorn; Kilmarnock Rescue Station; 1967.
277. Kames; Kennox; Kilwinning; Kirkconnel; Killoch; Littlemill; Lochlea; Minnivey; New Cumnock; Pennyvenie; Rescue Station; Sorn; 1968.

278-283 **Ayr District Disputes Files, 1957-61.**

278. Disputes Committee, Ayrshire: submissions, 1957.
279. Submissions, 1958.
280. Disputes Committee: agenda papers etc., 1958.
281. Agenda papers and minutes, 1958.
282. Minutes, 1961.
283. Umpire's decisions, 1961.

284-299 **Ayr District Miscellaneous Files, 1957-79**

284. Colliery minutes, 1978-9.
285. Scottish Divisional Consultative Council papers, 1957.
286. Scottish Divisional Consultative Council papers, 1962.
287. Scottish South Area Consultative Council, 1957.
288. Scottish Divisional Welfare Committee, 1957.
289. C.I.S.W.O No.4 District, 1957.
290. Workmen's Inspectors papers, 1972.
291. Workmen's Inspectors reports, 1968.
292. Workmen's Inspectors Day Schools.

- 293. Miscellaneous: Scottish Executive Committee; Gala Committee; wages structure; Youth Committee, 1960.
- 294. Minutes and agreements: Bridgend and Cairnhill.
- 295. Pit minutes: Douglas.
- 296. Minutes and agreements: Fauldhead.
- 297. Minutes and agreements: Kames.
- 298. Minutes and agreements: Knockshinnoch.
- 299. Minutes and agreements: Whitehill.

300-320 **Ayr District: Ponfeigh Branch Records, 1911-61**

- 300. Minute book, 1911.
- 301. Minute book, 1914.
- 302. Minute book, 1922.
- 303. Minute book, 1925.
- 304. Minute book, 1926.
- 305. Minute book, 1930.
- 306. Minute book, 1937.
- 307. Minute book, 1941.
- 308. Minute book, 1945.
- 309. Minute book, 1950.
- 310. Minute book, 1952.
- 311. Minute book, 1955-9.
- 312. Minute book, 1959-62.
- 313. Minute book, 1962-6.
- 314. Branch Account book, 1950-61.
- 315. Douglas Division District Welfare Committee minute book, 1922-26.
- 316. Douglas Water Miners Welfare Society Committee minute book, 1936-34.
- 317. Miners Welfare minute book, 1934-9.
- 318. Miners Welfare minute book, 1939-44.
- 319. Miners Welfare minute book, 1948-55.
- 320. Miners Welfare minute book, 1955-61.

321 **Polkemmet Inquiry, 1985**

- 321. Transcription of the proceedings at an inquiry, June 1985, under the auspices of West Lothian District Council into the closure by the NCB of Polkemmet Colliery, Whitburn.