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Conscientious Objectors and the Peace Movement in Britain 1914-1945

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Unpublished Sources: Archives and Manuscripts

Archives

London Yearly Meeting *minutes* (the annual *Proceedings* have been printed since 1858)

Meeting for Sufferings (its standing executive committee): manuscript or typescript *minutes*

Minutes and papers of the following committees are also relevant

Peace Committee, 1888-1965
Friends Service Committee, 1915-1920
War & Social Order Committee, 1915-1928
Visitation of Prisoners Committee, 1916-1920
Wartime Statistics Committee, 1917-1922
Present Situation Committee, 1939-1940
Conscription Committee, 1939-1945

Friends Home Service Committee: Prison Ministers Subcommittee, 1940-1949

Manuscripts

It is advisable to consult the finding aids to manuscripts in the Library reading room first, as some of the manuscript collections are extensive.

Barritt, Cornelius: (sentenced to death, 1916) account of experiences

Temp MSS 62

Brocklesby, John: (sentenced to death, 1916) account of experiences

Temp MSS 412

Central Board for Conscientious Objectors: records 1939-1944

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Temp MSS 914

Colchester & Coggeshall Monthly Meeting: reminiscences 1939-1945

Temp MSS 687

Davies, Russell V.: papers on registration as a CO in World War I

Temp MSS 690

Dryderdale log: logbook kept by a house-party of former COs and families, 1919 MS Vol S 477

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Ewan, George Alfred: prison memories of a World War I CO Temp MSS 761

Harvey, T. Edmund: correspondence with COs from 1916-1920: Pelham Committee papers

Temp MSS 835

Lane, Terence: collection of material about World War I COs Temp MSS 585

Murfin, Frederick J: account of prison experiences of a World War I CO

Temp MSS 772

No-Conscription Fellowship: duplicated papers, 1914-1919 MS Vol 149

No More War Movement: minute book, 1932-1939 Temp MSS 579

Philcox, Rowland: personal papers of World War I CO

Temp MSS 197

Plummer, Hubert: account of experiences as World War I CO

Temp MSS 594

Pollard, Pauline: correspondence with World War I COs Temp MSS 454

Rowntree, Arnold: papers Temp MSS 977

Rowntree, Maurice L.: papers of World War I CO

Temp MSS 480

Sainty, Frederick B: notebook of Quaker prison visitor, 1917-1919

MS Vol S 410

Tait, Frederick: diary of World War I CO

Temp MSS 907

Wild, H.E: personal papers of World War I CO Temp MSS 122

Wilkinson, A Denby: Account of experiences as a World War I CO

Temp MSS 686

Williams, Joan: account of experiences as a CO in World War II:

Temp MSS 620

Winchester Whisperer: clandestine prison magazine & manifesto circulated by World War I COs MS Vol S 77

Published Sources: Printed books & theses

Most items will be on the open shelves in the Reading Room, but some will be on closed access, and you will need to fill in a call slip. The library call number is given on the right of each entry. Please note this is a select bibliography. Further items may be located via our online catalogue www.quaker.org.uk/cat

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Asher, John: Conscientious objectors in Settle 1914-1919, 2014 Box L 240/23 Ayles, W.: Why I am a conscientious objector, 1916 051.54 [War 12/62] and 051.54 [peace 29/1] Barker, Rachel: Conscience, government and war, 1982 051.57 BAR Baxter, Archibald: We will not cease: the autobiography of a conscientious objector, 1939 and reprints 1968 & 1980 051.57 BAX Bell, Julian H, ed.: We did not fight: 1914-1918 experiences of war resisters, 051.57 BEL 1935 Bibbings, Lois S.: Telling tales about men: conceptions of conscientious objectors to military service during the First World War, 2009 051.59 BIB Brock, Peter: Pacifism in the 20th century, USA, 1998 051.59 BRO Brock, Peter: These strange criminals: an anthology of prison memoirs..., 2004 051.599 BRO Brock, Peter: Prison samizdat of British conscientious objectors in the First World War" from The Journal Of Prisoners On Prisons, volume 12, 2003 (pub.Canadian Scholars Press, Toronto) Box 552/14 & 15 Boulton, David: Objection overruled, 1967 051.57 BOU 2nd. Edition, 2014 051.57 BOU Burnham, Karyn. The courage of cowards: the untold stories of First World War conscientious objectors, 2014 051.57 BUR Catchpool, Corder: Letters of a prisoner for conscience sake, 1941 051.57 CAT Catchpool, Corder: On two fronts, 1918 051.57 CAT Ceadel, Martin: Pacifism in Britain 1914-1945, 1980 051.59 CEA Chamberlain, W.J.: Fighting for peace: the story of the War Resistance Movement, 1929 051.57 CHA Chamberlain, W.J.: A C.O. in prison., 1917 051.54 [peace 26/22]; Box 223/2 and Box 276/13 Cole, Clara G.: The objectors to conscription and war, 1936 051.57 COL Cortright, David, Peace: a history of movements and ideas, 2008 051.59 COR Ellsworth-Jones, Will: We will not fight: the untold story of the First World War's conscientious objectors, 2007 051.57 ELL Francis, Thomas W.: The tribunal manual, 1917 051.57 FRA

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Smith, Lyn, Voices against war: a century of protest, 2009 051.59 SMI

Tucker, Leigh: *The English Quakers and World war 1-* PhD, USA, 1972 L 051.57 TUC

Vellacott, Jo: Bertrand Russell and the pacifists in the First World War, 1980 051.599 RUS/VEL

Pamphlets

The Library holds peace pamphlets, catalogued by author or corporate body, including:

Central Board for Conscientious Objectors

Fellowship of Reconciliation

National Peace Council (National Council for the Prevention of War until 1928)

No Conscription Fellowship

Northern Friends Peace Board

Peace Committee (of London YM)

War Resisters International

Yorkshire Quarterly Meeting Literature committee

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Periodicals

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CO's Hansard 1916-1919

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The CO's Hansard 1940-1947

The Christian Pacifist (Fellowship of Reconciliation) 1939-1951

The Friend 1843-

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Northern Friends Peace Board Annual Reports 1913-

Peace News 1936-

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The Seed (Friends Anti-War Group/ Quaker Socialist Group) 1935-1939 Spiceland News sheet 1940-1944

The Tribunal (No-Conscription Fellowship) 1916-1919

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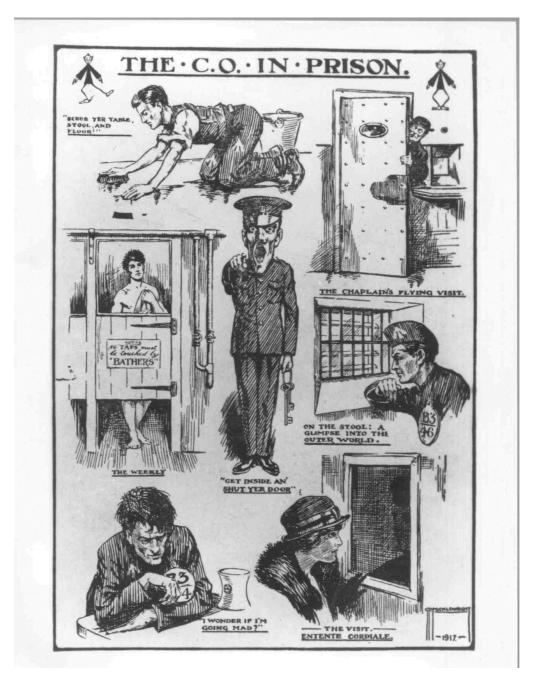
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