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Minute books, reports, correspondence and papers, press-cuttings, electioneering literature and other records, 1878-1991, from the Head Office of the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Association, including records of local organisations: additional to the earlier deposit, Acc.10424.

Deposited, 1996, by Mrs Alison Polson, Secretary, SCUA: researchers wishing to consult SCUA Papers must obtain prior permission from The Director, 67 Northumberland Street, Edinburgh EH3 6JG.

Summary of principal groups of records in this collection:

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1-3. Bound volumes of annual reports (mostly printed), balance sheets and miscellaneous papers of the Scottish Conservative Club and associated clubs, 1878-1953.

1. 1878-1922.
2. 1878-1936.
3. (i) 1936-1946.
(ii) Found loose inside, miscellaneous papers and reports, 1945-1953.

- 4-5. Minute books for the Scottish Unionist Association Central Council Executive Committee, 1947-1965, including programmes for the annual conference.
 4. 1947-1964.
 5. 1964-1965.
6. Minute book of the Scottish Junior Unionists, Central Committee, 1948-1961.
7. (i) Minute book of the Scottish Advisory Committee and Scottish Young Unionist (later Scottish Young Conservative and Unionist) Advisory Committee, 1963-1967.
(ii) Loose minutes added to the above volume, 1967-1968.
8. Agendas for the meetings of the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Association Women's Advisory Committee, 1965-1968.
9. Volume cataloguing the national bodies of the Scottish Conservative & Unionist Party.
10. Minutes of the directors' meetings and A.G.M.s of Scotland Publications Ltd., 1968-1970.
- 11-12. Minute books of the Glasgow Unionist Association.
 11. Joint Executive Committee, 1919-1965.
 12. General Committee, 1955-1965.
13. Records of attendance of the G.U.A. General Committee Meetings, 1938-1967.
14. Agendas for the meeting of the G.U.A. General Committee, 1943-1965.
15. Minute book of the Glasgow Group Committee, 1958-1965
- 16-17. Minute books of the Glasgow Regional Council, Executive Committee and Women's Advisory Committee, 1965-1972.
 16. 1965-1967.
 17. 1967-1972.
18. Agendas, records of attendance, minutes, correspondence of the Glasgow Regional Women's Advisory Committee, 1967-1970, loose.
19. Minute book of the Glasgow Regional Young Conservatives Committee, 1965-1968.
20. Loose minutes of Glasgow Region sub-committees and Young Conservatives, 1965-1966.

21. Minute book of the Forum of the Glasgow Conservative Club, 1959-1967.
- 22-26. Minute books of the Eastern Division of the Scottish Unionist Association.
 22. Eastern Divisional Council, 1952-1964.
 23. Eastern Divisional Council Executive Committee, 1963-1965.
 24. Eastern Divisional Council Committees, 1957-1963.
 25. (i) Eastern Divisional Committee, private minute book, 1943-1964
(ii) Miscellaneous papers, correspondence and notes on minutes, found loose in above.
 26. Eastern Divisional Council Women's Committee, 1950-1964.
27. Records of attendance to the Eastern Divisional Council's Executive Committee meetings, 1955-1965.
28. Subscribers list for the S.U.A. Eastern Divisional Council.
29. Savings account books of the Eastern Divisional Council
 - (i) 1956-1961
 - (ii) 1961-1964
- 30-32. Minute books of the Scottish Junior Unionists (later Scottish Young Unionists then Young Conservatives).
 30. Eastern Area, 1949-1962.
 31. Eastern Area, 1962-1964.
 32. North East Region, 1965-1966.
33. Minute book of the No.1 Area, Junior Unionist Council, 1933-1939.
- 34-35. Minute books of the Western Conservative Club, Edinburgh.
 34. 1896-1906.
 35. 1906-1914.
36. Agendas and minutes of the Westminster Ladies Luncheon Club, 1960-1962.
37. Minute book of the South Western Regional Committee, 1965-1969.
38. Minutes bound in one volume of regional councils of the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Association, 1965-1969.
 - (i) North Eastern Region, 1965-1969.
 - (ii) North Eastern Women's Advisory Committee, 1968-1969.
 - (iii) Highland Region, 1965-1969.
 - (iv) Highland Regional Council Women's Committee, 1965-1969.

- 39-44. Minute books, agendas, accounts and reports of the S.U.A. Western Divisional Council
- 39. Minute book, 1957-1961.
 - 40. Minute book, 1962-1965.
 - 41. Agendas for the meetings of the Council's Executive Committee, 1945-1961.
 - 42. Agendas for the meetings of the Council, 1956-1964.
 - 43. Agendas for the meetings of the Executive Committee and the Women's Executive Committee, 1962-1965.
 - 44. Records of attendance, Executive Committee, 1945-1963/4.
- 45-48. Reports, accounts and minutes of the Western Area Committee, 1950-1965.
- 45. Annual reports, accounts, minutes etc. bound, 1957-1964.
 - 46. Minute book of the Finance and General Purposes Committee, 1958-1965.
 - 47. Account book, 1961-1965.
 - 48. Minute book of the Scottish Junior Unionists Western Area Committee, 1950-1957.
49. Minute book of the No.4 Area Group (Highland) Executive Committee, 1951-1964.
- 50-52. Minute and account books of the Bridgeton Unionist Association, 1928-1971.
- 50. Minute book, 1928-1948.
 - 51. Minute book, including newspaper cuttings, 1958-1971.
 - 52. Accounts 1955-1971.
- 53-55. Minute books of the Uddingston Unionist Association, 1910-1978.
- 53. A.G.M.s and Special General Meetings, 1910-1977.
 - 54. Committee meetings, 1947-1960.
 - 55. Committee meetings, 1960-1978.
56. Minute book of the Pollock Unionist Association Mosspark and Craigton Branch, 1933-1953 (becomes a branch of the Govan U.A. after 1948).
- 57-66. Minute books and accounts of the Govan Unionist Association (becomes Craigton U.A. after 1955), 1948-1970.
- 57. Minutes; Govan and Craigton U.A., 1948-1963.
 - 58. Minutes; Govan U.A., 1950-1957.
 - 59. Govan and Craigton U.A. account book, 1948-1964.
 - 60. Craigton U.A. list of donations, 1959-1966.
 - 61. Craigton U.A. bank deposit books.
 - (i) 1962-1964.
 - (ii) 1962-1963.

- (iii) 1963-1964.
 - 62. Minutes; Craigton Young Unionists, 1955-1964.
 - 63. Craigton U.A. Women's branch, cash book, 1958-1970.
 - 64. Minutes; Govan U.A. East Branch, 1954-1963.
 - 65. Minutes; Craigton U.A. South West Branch, 1958-1959.
 - 66. Craigton U.A. South West Branch, cash book, 1958-1965.
- 67-69. Minute books of the Scotstoun Unionist Association, 1950-1971.
- 67. 1950-1953.
 - 68. 1954-1959.
 - 69. 1963-1971.
70. Joint Office account book, 1951-1959.
71. List of membership payments, 1962-1967.
- 72-76. Minute books, agendas etc. of the Empirical Society, 1953-1970.
- 72. Minute book, 1953-1968.
 - 73. Minute book, 1968-1970, with loose correspondence and notes.
 - 74. Agendas, 1953-1965.
 - 75. Register of attendances and membership list, 1953-1968.
 - 76. Account book, 1953-1968.
77. (i) Scottish Unionist Association Annual Conference Programme, 1913, 1922, 1928-1968 (some missing) and supplementary agenda, 1971.
(ii) S.U.A. Constitution and Rules, 1919, 1931-1932, 1968, 1972, 1976.
(iii) S.U.A. Central Council Executive Report, 1935-1936, 1938.
(iv) S.U.A. Annual Report and Balance Sheet, 1924-1938 (some missing).
78. (i) S.U.A. Western Divisional Council Annual Reports, 1936-1961 (some missing), plus programme for 1961 women's conference.
(ii) Eastern Divisional Council report 1945/6
(iii) Glasgow Conservative Association Report, 1919.
(iv) Glasgow Unionist Association Report, 1941, and programmes for Annual Meetings, 1956, 1959-60, 1962.
79. Papers of the Government of Scotland Policy Group, 1968-1969.
80. Papers on Scottish Nationalism from 1945.
- (i) Newsletters; S.N.P. and Scottish Covenant Association
 - (ii) Minutes and reports of the Committee of the Scottish National Assembly.
 - (iii) Correspondence on the pamphlets "Scotland and the Union" by Mr Brogan, and "Scotland and the U.K." by Col Blair, 1947-1948.
 - (iv) Analysis of the Scottish Nationalist Claim, 1963.

81. Campaign material for the 1979 referendum for a Scottish Assembly; Conservative (material from both the Yes and No campaigns), Labour and S.N.P.
- 82-84. Scottish Junior Unionists (later Scottish Young Unionists) press cuttings and photographs, 1954-1965
82. 1954 and 1964.
83. 1955-1965.
84. 1960-1965.
85. (i-v) Papers, leaflets etc. of the Scottish Young Conservatives, 1962-1978.
- (i) Regional Y.C. syllabuses, mostly 1966/7.
- (ii) Recruiting leaflets.
- (iii) Literature from the Edinburgh University Conservative Club.
- (iv) Magazines and newsletters.
- (v) Miscellaneous.
86. Programmes from Scottish Young Conservative conferences and seminars, 1962-1978.
87. Leaflets etc. from the 1931 General Election campaign.
- (i) "Friends of Economy" leaflets.
- (ii) New Party leaflets.
- (iii) "Empire Industries" leaflets.
- (iv) Unionist literature.
- (v) Labour literature.
- (vi) Liberal literature.
- (vii) Communist literature.
- (viii) Scottish Nationalist literature.
88. (i) Election addresses from the 1945 General Election: Unionist, Communist, Liberal, Labour.
- (ii) Election addresses from university seats, 1945.
- (iii) Programme of a meeting addressed by Sir Archibald Sinclair, 1941.
- (iv) Address given by Sir Winston Churchill at a meeting in 1949, with programme of meeting, notes, newspaper clipping, ticket allocations.
- (v) Notes on the Statement of Unionist Policy for Scottish Control of Scottish Affairs, 1949.
89. Campaign material for parties other than the Conservatives, 1964-
- (i) Scottish Nationalist.
- (ii) Liberal.
- (iii) Progressives and Independents.
- (iv) Labour.

- 90-92. Conservative and Unionist campaign material for local and general elections, 1959-1987.
- 90. General Elections, 1951, 1959, 1964, 1970, 1974, 1979, 1987.
 - 91. Local by-elections, Paisley 1961, Pollock 1967, West Leith 1969, Links/Lorne 1976, Glasgow 1978; High Peak Borough Council 1978; other local elections 1967-1980.
 - 92. Miscellaneous and undated election campaigns. Newspaper cuttings 1970.
93. (i) Local and national Conservative newsletters, 1949-1973
(ii) Notebook containing local election results in Scotland, 1922-1947.
94. Miscellaneous papers, including:
- (i) Leaflets about a charter for Scotland.
 - (ii) Leaflets and other material for European elections.
 - (iii) Programmes, syllabuses etc. for local association events, 1955-1991.
95. Copies of the "New Scotland" newspaper, 1968-1970. Transferred to PB. Shelfmark 7.95 PER.

Printed Material

- 96-137. Printed or duplicated material, including books and pamphlets, mostly privately printed for the organisation and retained as an integral part of the SCUA archive with the papers listed above: numbering is in continuation with the earlier series.
96. Scottish Young Unionists/Conservatives: miscellaneous duplicated copies of minutes of committee meetings, 1960-8.
97. Printed papers issued by the Scottish Unionist Association:
- (i) Constitution and Rules, 1919, 1931-2, 1952, 1968.
 - (ii) Copies of the Annual Report and Balance-Sheet for: 1924, 1927, 1929-31, 1933, 1935-6.
 - (iii) Central Council Reports for 1935 and 1936.
 - (iv) Programmes for SUA Conferences, 1931-2, 1934, 1936, 1938, 1942-3, 1945, 1947, 1951.
 - (v) Young Unionists: programmes for Weekend Conferences, 1964-5.
98. Printed papers of the Western Divisional Council, SUA, and of Glasgow Unionist Association:
- (i) Annual reports, 1936, 1939-41, 1943-6, 1948, 1951-3, 1955-63.
 - (ii) Programme for Women's Conferences, 1960-3.
 - (iii) Rules of Glasgow Unionist Association, 1925.

- (iv) Programmes of GUA Annual Meetings, 1947, 1956-65.
99. (i) Eastern Divisional Council: pamphlet describing its organisation and structure, n.d., and copy of the Annual Report for 1960.
- (ii) West Renfrewshire CUA: *Toryism in West Renfrewshire* by Dr. J.T. Ward, 1972, issued to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the Association.
100. A collection of reports, guides and other pamphlets, 1944-75, relating generally to the work of an Agent, and to party organisation.
- 101-121. A series of Campaign Guides issued by the Scottish or UK national organisations for the benefit of candidates and other party workers: volumes from 1892 to 1992 are represented.
101. *The Campaign Guide: an Election Handbook for Unionist Speakers*, National Union of Conservative Associations for Scotland, Edinburgh, 1892.
102. *The Campaign Guide*, Edinburgh, 1895,
103. *The Campaign Guide*, Edinburgh, 1900.
104. *The Campaign Guide*, Edinburgh, 1904.
105. *The Campaign Guide*, London and Edinburgh [1914].
106. *The Campaign Guide*, London, 1922.
- 107-118. Later issues of the *Campaign Guide* and *Supplement*, 1955-92, all issued by Conservative Central Office and the Conservative Research Department, London.
107. 1955.
108. 1959.
109. 1964.
110. 1974.
111. 1974 [*Supplement*].
112. 1977.
113. 1978 [*Supplement*].
114. 1983.
115. 1987.
116. 1989.
117. 1991.
118. 1992.

- 119-121. *Campaign Guide for Europe and Supplement*, 1979, and *Handbook for Europe*, 1984, all produced by the Conservative Research Department, London.
119. *Campaign Guide*, 1979.
 120. *Supplement*, 1979.
 121. *Handbook*, 1984.
- 122-125. *The Parliamentary Election Manual*, Conservative Central Office, 1951-76.
122. 1951.
 123. 1957.
 124. 1970.
 125. 1976.
127. *Analysis of the Scotch Reform Act, 1868* [etc.], by J.B. Nicolson, Advocate, Edinburgh, 1869: copy of the Edinburgh Conservative Association.
128. *Conservative Agents and Associations in the Counties and Burghs of Scotland, 1880*, Edinburgh, 1880.
129. *Directory of Conservative Associations in Scotland, 1884*, Edinburgh, 1884.
130. *Facts for Electors: A Handbook for Unionist Committee Men*, Edinburgh, 1900.
131. *List of Conservative & Unionist Agents and Secretaries, April 1947*, London, 1947.
132. Geoffrey D.M. Block, *A Source Book of Conservatism*, London, 1964.
133. J.T. Ward, *The First Century: A History of Scottish Tory Organisation*, Edinburgh, 1982.
134. *The Year Book for Scotland, 1967*, Central Office, Scotland, 1967.
135. The Labour Party: *Conduct of Scottish Local Elections*, London, 1949.
136. The Labour Party: *Conduct of Parliamentary Elections*, London, 1954
137. A gangerized copy of T. Wilkie, *The Representation of Scotland*, Paisley, 1895, with additional information on Parliamentary elections to 1929.

Edinburgh Conservative Association

- 138-162. Minutes, correspondence and papers of the Edinburgh Conservative Association, 1865-86, originally contained in a large black deed box. During the period covered by this series the Association was successively entitled the Edinburgh Constitutional Association, Edinburgh Conservative Committee and, finally, Edinburgh Conservative Association.

- 138-141. Minutes, reports to AGMs, and related papers of the Association, 1868-80.
- 138. 1868-9.
 - 139. 1874-6.
 - 140. 1877-80.
 - 141. 1881-6.
- 142-151. Correspondence and papers, 1868-86, of James Bruce W.S., as Secretary of the Association.
- 142. 20 May - 8 June 1868.
 - 143. 9-30 June 1868.
 - 144. July-November 1868.
 - 145. 1869-70.
 - 146. 1875 - January 1876.
 - 147. March 1876.
 - 148. April-July 1876.
 - 149. August-October 1876.
 - 150. November-December 1876.
 - 151. 1877-86.
- 152-153. Papers relating to voter registrations and election organisation. 1865-84.
- 152. (i) Poll Book [privately printed] for the City of Edinburgh parliamentary election, 13 July 1865; arranged in wards and streets and showing how each elector voted.
(ii) General registration papers, 1865-8, 1874-9.
 - 153. General registration papers, 1880-4.
154. *Appendix to Digest of Registration Cases, 1877-80*, privately printed, Edinburgh c.1880].
155. General and miscellaneous Association papers, manuscript and printed, 1874-80.
156. Papers relating to the formation and early years of the Scottish Conservative Club, Edinburgh, 1877-82.
157. Cartoons, placards, election verses, admission tickets and other related printed ephemera, relating to Lord Stanley's proposed parliamentary candidature for Edinburgh, 1868, the Conservative Dinner in honour of Lord Derby, 1875, and other elections to c.1881.
158. A small collection of petition forms and drafts of petitions to Parliament on various subjects, c.1882-3.
159. Circulars and other printed papers of Stockbridge Conservative Association, 1880-1.

- 160. A series of annual reports [printed] to the Annual Meetings of the Scottish National Constitutional Association, 1872-82: lacking the year 1873.
- 161. A collection of Party and other political pamphlets (list in file): includes the *Ninth Annual Report of the City of Edinburgh Conservative Working Men's Association*, Edinburgh, 1881, and a list of *Conservative Agents and Associations in the Counties and Burghs of Scotland*, Edinburgh, 1882.
- 162. Miscellaneous printed leaflets and papers, 1865-1903, n.d.

Scottish Constitutional Committee

- 163-192. Minutes, correspondence and papers of the Scottish Constitutional Committee, 1968-70, established by the Party in August 1968 under the chairmanship of Sir Alec Douglas-Home to enquire into and report on a form of government and administration for Scotland consistent with the unity of the United Kingdom; the collection was originally contained in a large black deed box. Where they exist, original office file numbers are cited in square brackets in the descriptions below and the integrity of these files has been preserved as far as possible.
- 163-166. Minutes of the Committee from 13 September 1968 to 16 March 1970.
 - 163. Manuscript minutes for meetings 1-5, 13 September 1968 - 21 February 1969 [SCC/3/1/1-5].
 - 164. Manuscript minutes for meetings 6-10, 28 March - 21 September 1969 [SCC/3/1/6-10].
 - 165. Manuscript minutes for meetings 11-17, 20 October 1969 - 16 March 1970 [SCC/3/1/11-17].
 - 166. A file of final typescript minutes of all 17 meetings, as circulated to members of the Committee, September 1968 - March 1970 [SCC/3/2/1-17].
- 167. Copies of submissions, memoranda, statements and notes to the Committee, 1968-9 [series SCC/4/2, *passim*].
- 168. Various drafts, 1968-9, for the Committee's Report [in same series as above & some from SCC/4/6].
- 169-170. Chairman's files [Sir Alec Douglas-Home MP], 1968-9.
 - 169. Chairman's Notes circulated to Committee, 1968-9 [SCC/1/1-6].
 - 170. Chairman's correspondence during period of the Committee's establishment, July-August 1968 [SCC/2/1/1-34].
- 171-181. Secretary's correspondence and papers [Dr J.T. Ward, Strathclyde University], 1968-70.

- 171. Preliminary correspondence file, July-August 1968 [SCC/2/7/1-22]: all letters are addressed to Sir Alec Douglas-Home.
- 172. Notices of meetings, September 1968 - February 1970 [SCC/1/2/1-23].
- 173. Secretary's enclosure notes, September 1968 - April 1970 [SCC/1/3/1-74].
- 174. Agenda file, September 1968 - March 1970 [SCC/1/6/1-28].
- 175. Secretary's circulars to members, September 1968 - April 1970.
- 176. 'Secretarial Notes', *ie* inter-office correspondence, September 1968 - April 1970 [SCC/6/1/1-218].
- 177. Miscellaneous correspondence and papers, 1968-70.
- 178. Committee address list, circulation lists for papers, list of correspondents, etc; Dr. Ward's list of office files.
- 179. Secretary's record of his activities for the Committee, August - September 1968.
- 180. A "Miscellany" of papers all relating to the work of the Committee.
- 181. Alphabetical card index tabulating and listing submissions to the Committee.

182-187. Financial correspondence and papers, 1968-70.

- 182. Office Cash book, 1968-70.
- 183. Bank Statements, 1968-9.
- 184. Correspondence with hotels re bookings, 1968-70 (numbered 1-138).
- 185. A file of hotel bills.
- 186. Other receipts.
- 187. "Finance, Insurance, Rent" [SCC/5/1/1].

188-192. Press Comments files.

- 188. Comments on Wheatley [Report], 1969.
- 189. Comments on the Douglas-Home Committee report, 1970.
- 190. Secretary's general press file, containing releases, notes on contacts with the media, copies of newspapers, etc., 1968-70 [SCC/2/6/1 *et seq.*].
- 191. "Spares", nos. 1-6, 8, 10-11, being mostly copies of press or periodical articles relating to the work of the Committee.
- 192. Miscellaneous cuttings, 1968-70.

Glasgow Euro-Constituency

193-198. Minute and cash books and other records of the Glasgow Euro-Constituency Council, 1978-91.

- 193. Minute book of the Council, 20 December 1978 - 9 January 1990.
- 194. Previously loose in no.193: minutes, 18/4/89, 23/10/90 and 6/2/91; circular with agenda, 27/4/89.
- 195. Current Account Book, 1980-5.
- 196. Euro 100 Club, list of members and numbers, 1981-7.

- 197. Previously loose in no.196: registration forms for Club, 1987.
- 198. 100 Club Deposit Account Book, 1981-4.

Glasgow Conservative/Unionist Association

- 199. An incomplete series of printed *Annual Reports*, 1900-41, of the Glasgow Conservative (later Unionist) Association retained with the archive: lacks years 1900-1, 1906-21, 1923, 1930, 1935-40.

The Year Book for Scotland, etc

- 200-212. Twelve issues of *The Year Book for Scotland and Scottish Parliamentary Election Manual*, issued by the Scottish Unionist Council, Edinburgh, 1955-67.

- 200. 1955.
- 201. 1956.
- 202. 1957.
- 203. 1958.
- 204. 1959.
- 205. 1960.
- 206. 1961.
- 207. 1962.
- 208. 1963.
- 209. 1964.
- 210. 1965.
- 211. 1966.
- 212. 1967.

- 213. A copy of Gerald Warner, *The Scottish Tory Party: A History*, London, 1988, retained with the archive.