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ELECTIONS (Box 1).

Papers, including printed election literature, 1935-65, for various general and by-elections in which DM was involved. In the Western Isles (1950-1), Kelvingrove (1958), and Motherwell (1959) he stood variously as an Independent Liberal, Liberal and Independent Home Rule candidate.

- Box 1. 1. Papers, largely printed, relating to the Motherwell election, 1935, and to the Scottish Universities by-election, 1938.
- 2. Correspondence and papers concerning the Western Isles elections, 1950-1, and Scottish Liberal Party papers, 1951-2.
- 3. Liberal Party general election literature, 1951, and papers relating to election expenses.
- 4. Papers and cuttings relating to the Glasgow Kelvingrove by-election, 1958.
- 5. Motherwell election papers, 1959.
- 6. A few papers relating to the Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles by-election, 1965.

POLITICAL AND GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE AND PAPERS (Box 2).

- Box 2. 1. General correspondence, 1942-72.
- 2. Scottish Reconstruction Committee minutes and other papers, 1946-9.
- 3. Correspondence and papers relating to Scottish Convention, 1948-9.
- 4. Copy, 1949-52, for the National Weekly, Glasgow [DM editor].
- 5. National Covenant Committee papers, 1950-1.
- 6. Social and Economic Enquiry Society of Scotland, minutes and papers, 1964-6.
- 7. Copy, 1969, largely for the Scots Independent.

A large folio scrapbook containing press cuttings relating to the Kelvingrove by-election, 1958.

INDUSTRIAL AND GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE (Boxes 3-4)

Correspondence of DM with various individuals largely on the iron and steel industry and other industrial topics, but including some political affairs (see especially the correspondence with George Dott). Box 2 includes also correspondence with firms of accountants and stockbrokers for whom DM did consultancy work on the steel industry, and files of his letters to various newspapers on the Spanish Civil War.

- Box 3. 1. John B B Douglas, [steel merchant] New Jersey, on U.S. iron and steel industry, 1934-9.
2. George Dott, 1935-9, on industrial journalism and politics.
3. Correspondence with various MP's, largely on wartime steel production:
- Tom Fraser, 1943-4.
Sir Arnold Gridley, 1941.
David Kirkwood, 1941.
James Maxton, 1941-2, 1945.
John McGovern, 1943.
Andrew MacLaren, 1943.
Hector McNeill, 1941.
Ellis Smith, 1941.
G S Harvie Watt, 1941.
4. F H Happold of the Financial News, 1941-3.
5. J L Henderson, British Iron and Steel Federation, 1937-42.
6. C J Kavenagh [Director] and T. Stevenson [Secretary] of British Steelwork Association, 1934, 1938-39.
- Box 4. 1. Alan H Maude, editor The Times Special Numbers, 1938.
2. J Douglas Moffat [on wolfram deposits in Cornwall]. 1939-42.
3. Lithgow Nelson and Co, Accountants, London, 1939-40, concerning their 'Economic Round Table' monthly reports (iron and steel reports by DM); with copies of the reports.

4. Spiers and Jeffrey, Stockbrokers, Glasgow, 1939-43, relating to DM's preparation of an iron and steel industry report for them (May 1939), and to consultancy work.
- 5-7. DM's letters to editors of various (chiefly Scottish) newspapers in support of the Republican cause in the Spanish Civil War:
 5. Daily Express.
Daily Worker [criticism of communist reporting].
Evening News [Glasgow].
Evening Times [Glasgow].
Forward
Left News [criticism of John Strachey].
Picture Post
Stornoway Gazette
Sunday Mail 1937-8.
 6. Glasgow Evening Citizen, 1936-9.
 7. Glasgow Herald, 1937-9.
 8. General correspondence, 1939-49.

INDUSTRIAL JOURNALISM (Boxes 5-8)

Correspondence of DM as a freelance industrial journalist with editors and editorial staff 1934-45; with files of his copy, 1937-45.

- Box 5. 1. Hamilton Advertiser, 1934-8.
British Steelmaker, 1935.
Evening Citizen, 1934-9.
Economist, 1937, 1942.
Daily Express., 1934-9, 1941.
Financial News, 1937-42.
Daily Herald, 1934, 1937, 1941.
Investors' Chronicle, 1938-9.
Iron and Coal Trades Review, 1936-8.
2. Manchester Guardian Commercial, 1937-43.
Sunday Mail, 1937.
Motherwell Times, 1937.
New Chronicle, 1935-9.
Picture Post, 1941.
Sunday Post, 1934-7, 1941.

Daily Record, 1937.
Reuters' Economic X-Ray, 1939.
Reynolds' News, 1937-9.
Sheet Metal Industries, 1938.
Sheffield Daily Independent, 1934-8.
Scotsman, 1936-42.
The Times, 1938, 1941.
Financial Times, 1937, 1939.
Evening Times [Glasgow], 1937.
Waste Trade World, 1938.

3. Mixed file of copy and correspondence, 1943-5.
Economist.
Financial News.
Sunday Mail [DM as 'Robert Blair']
Scotsman
4. Copy and correspondence, 1944:
New Leader.
Scope [industrial magazine].
Sunday Mail.
Scotsman.

Box 6. Copy, chiefly on iron and steel industry:

1. 1937.
2. 1938.

Box 7. 1. 1938.
2. 1939.

Box 8. 1. 1939.
2. 1941-42.

MINISTRY OF SUPPLY (Boxes 9-11).

During the war period DM worked as a Public Relations Officer initially for the Iron and Steel Federation many of whose functions were absorbed by the Iron and Steel Control of the Ministry of Supply. Following a transfer from London to Glasgow in 1940 he was concerned in organising campaigns for the salvage of railings, and scrap iron and steel. He left the ISC in the autumn of 1941 following policy disagreements with its management, but was soon re-employed by the Ministry of Supply as a Works Relations Officer in Scotland. The following files are illustrative mainly of the ISC period, and the organisation of railings and other scrap campaigns.

- Box 9. 1. Memoranda, etc, to Lord Beaverbook as Minister of Supply, July-Oct, 1941.
2. Correspondence, 1940-1, with A.K. McCosh Deputy Controller (Raw Materials) of the ISC.
 3. DM's 'personal' file [salary, expenses etc], 1940-1, and material relating to the organisation of scrap salvage.
 4. Correspondence and papers, 1940, re campaign for collection of iron railings.
 5. Correspondence, 1940-1, re Voillage Dump Schemes, and Local Authority scrap collection campaigns.
- Box 10.1. ISC press releases, statements and other publicity material, 1940-2.
2. Press releases and articles of DM, 1940, for scrap campaigns in Scotland.
 3. Papers re metal reclamation, 1940.
 4. 'British and Foreign Press Review', a series produced by the ISC, 1940-3.
 5. Press cuttings, June-July, 1940.
- Box 11. 1. Personal correspondence, 1939-42, with Sir Andrew Duncan, President of the Board of Trade and Minister of Supply.
2. Correspondence with L.L. Whyte, Director of Planning, Ministry of Supply 1942; Harry Ward, Management Research Group no.1, 1943.
 3. Correspondence, largely with Sir Andrew Duncan, other Steel Control and Federation officials and steel companies concerning Metallurgia Ltd., 1942-51.

DAVID MURRAY: LATER POLITICAL CORRESPONDENCE (Box 12)

- Box 12. 1. Correspondence, 1964-6, with William Wolfe on the Social and Economic Enquiry Society of Scotland and on SNP economic policy.

2. Correspondence, 1970-4, with Donald J Stewart, Parliamentary Leader of the SNP.
3. Correspondence with other MP's: James Craigen; Edward Taylor; John Peyton.
4. Miscellaneous letters, 1961-73.