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Ref: MS 180

Title: *The Blackshirts in Kingston Project*

Scope: Documentation recording the activities of the Kingston-upon-Thames Branch of the British Union of Fascists from 1932 to 1941.

Dates: 1932-2003 (mainly 1932-1941)

Level: Fonds

Extent: 1 box

Name of creator: Jeffrey Wallder

Administrative / biographical history:

The Project is one copy of the original work of Jeffrey Wallder, the original being placed with the Kingston Museums and Heritage Service Archive and another copy at the Imperial War Museum. It is intended “to record and study the activities of the Kingston-upon-Thames branch of the British Union of Fascists and National Socialists during the period of its existence from 1932 to 1940”.

The original Project is undated but according to the author was completed in 1995; some additional information was added in 2003.

Related collections: British Union Collection; Cooper Collection; Fascism in Great Britain Collection; Joyce Papers; Saunders Papers

Source: Donated by the author via the Department of History

System of arrangement: As received

Subjects: Fascism - Great Britain

Names: British Union of Fascists - Kingston-upon-Thames Branch; Greaves, Blanche; Kingston-upon-Thames (Surrey); Mosley, Sir, Oswald Ernald, 1896-1980; Wallder, Jeffrey

Conditions of access: Academic researchers by appointment

Restrictions: None

Copyright: Variously according to document

Finding aids: Listed below

Itemised list:

- 180/1** *Written Study*
Includes a short biography of Oswald Mosley and his part in the British Union of Fascists movement. Interviews were recorded between 1982 and 1992.
Typescript
- 180/2** *Pictorial Study*
BU Period 1935-1941. Includes photographs from the private albums of former members Florence Elliott, John Nicholls and Bryan Donovan.
- 180/3** *Documentary Study*
Period 1935-1941. Includes local and national newspaper reports relating to Kingston-upon-Thames.
- 180/4** *Interview*
An interview, carried out on September 9th, 1992, with Blanche Greaves, the former Women's District Leader for Kingston from 1934 to 1940. At the time of the interview she was 76 years old and living in the West Country, having originally joined the Blackshirts in Kingston at the age of 18.
Double audio-cassette.
or 4 CDs (accrual, May 2015)
A transcript of this interview is available. See British Union Collection, 5/14
- 180/5** *Street-map of Kingston and District*
Undated, circa mid-20th century.
- 180/6** *Additional information: April 2003*
Further documentation assembled since the original study of 1995.