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## BIBLIOGRAPHY OF BRITISH RADICAL BOOKSHOPS

This is an attempt at a comprehensive bibliography on the history of radical bookshops in Britain, but has extended to the radical book trade in general – at home and abroad. The list is much more sketchy for the non-UK trade.

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### Articles

- *The Bookseller* 21.1.94 "Fascists attack (**Mushroom**)  
Bookshop
- *Just (Censored) Books* Editorial in *The Communist* June 1980  
(BICO) on the refusal of the Belfast shop, **Just Books**, to stock  
their material. 1pp
- *Bill Butler Another sort of Publisher* in *Frendz* No.28, 26 May  
1972 (2 pp). Interview as much about **Unicorn Bookshop** in  
Brighton that he set up with his partner, as about his publishing.  
Has photo.
- *Guardian* 6.9.1980 (article on radical bookshops).

CPGB pamphlets published during wartime which formed internal news review:

- a) *Communist Organisation for Victory* Aug 1942. Literature sales.
- b) *Mobilising the Party for the Second Front* Oct 1942 B Bradley: "District Literature Bulletins are being produced by the majority of Districts".
- c) *Organising to Win the Offensive* Dec 1942. B Bradley has lengthy article on selling lit. in factories, meetings etc.
- d) *Organising for Offensive Action* Feb 1943 Ben Bradley: "A majority of Districts now have full-time District Literature Organisers and the majority of districts have their own bookshops (except Hants & Dorset)."
- e) *Party Organisation - Weapon for Victory* March (?) 1943. Ben Bradley *On the Literature Front*: contains letter on setting up a small shop in Northampton.
- f) *Organise to Mobilise Millions* March 1943, has important article by Ben Bradley looking at bookshops and lit. sales (increased 10 fold from 1940 to 1942: "Special credit is due to Central Books Ltd and those responsible for building a central distributing agency which is comparable to any capitalist concern". There is also a description of lit. selling at a big rally.

- g) *Organising for Victory in 1943* May 1943, has 2 articles incl. an interesting comparison of Lit. sales between CP Districts
- h) *Sharpening Our Weapons* July 1943, has article on National Literature Conference
- i) *Speed the Campaign* Dec 1943, has article on Literature Competition
- j) *Strengthen Our Organisation* Feb 1944, has detailed article on National Literature Competition Results.
- k) *Party Organisation and the Invasion* June 1944, has article on *My Job: How a Literature Secretary Looked at it.*

---- *Party Life* CPGB Has regular articles on literature sales.

- a) Jeffery, Nora *We Could Treble Our Literature Sales in 1963* in Dec 1962 3pp
- b) Hibbin, Eric *New Plans for London Literature Sales* in July/Aug 1963 2pp
- c) Walker, Iris *Experiences of Lit. Sales in the Midlands* in Oct/Nov 1963 2pp

---- *Socialist Worker* 24 Dec 1977 Feature on books has one page on **Bookmarks**.

---- *Guardian* no date Booked for *Our Liberties* (Obituary of Giles Bristow (11.8.40-10.93), who ran the independent Bristow's Paperbacks in Norwich - sex, drugs, rock'n'roll and politics.)

---- *Tribune* 7.2.92 "Read a little bad news", on the closure of radical bookshops.

---- *Our View: the news and current affairs magazine for lesbians and gay men* (June-July 1994) Various article on writing and selling books, including a feature on GMP, and on **Silver Moon**.

Bell, Tom *Pioneering Days* 1941 Description of Will McGill and his **Herald League Bookshop** in Glasgow 1914/15 (p266)

Berry, Dave *Radical Book Trade Turns Over a New Leaf* in *New Statesman* 5.7.1985 2pp

Bradshaw, Ross *Early Closing at Mushroom Bookshop* in County Lit No.6, Nottingham County Council Literature Newsletter 1pp

Bradshaw, Ross *Chartist* article on radical publishing - to trace

Bradshaw, Ross *Tribune* 23.11.90 "Radical bookshops: up from the ashes?"

Burfield, Diana *F R Henderson and the Bomb Shop* in *Bookdealer* 19.8.2004 4pp

Cacanas, Zoe *Serving the New East Enders* in *Bookseller* 13.10.2000. On **Eastside Bookshop** 2pp

Cope, Dave *Party Bookshops – Turning Over a New Leaf?* in *Focus*, November 1984 1pp Report of CP Bookshops meeting.

- Derbyshire, Philip *Compendium Bookshop, 1968-2000 - Obituary in Radical Philosophy* 105, Jan/Feb 2001 1pp.
- Doherty, Brian *North West Labour History Journal* 7 (*The Revolution in High Lane? Direct Action Community Politics in Manchester in the 1970s* 5pp. Brief ref. to Mike Don at Grassroots and the question of all-women co-ops).
- Dooley, Pat *Selling Books in Ireland in Left Review* June 1936 4pp  
Humorous account of a radical bookstall at Irish National Teachers' Congress in Killarney. Dooley was a publisher's rep (for L&W ?)
- Douglas, H *The Significance of the Peace Library for United Front Literature in Inprecorr* June 6 1936 2pp On the new series of CP pamphlets, but covers theory & practice of literature sales; covers "lit. agent", bookshops, LBC. "Even on beaches, at cricket matches, on hikes, these pamphlets can be sold".
- Goodway, David *Charles Lahr: Anarchist, Bookseller, Publisher in The London Magazine* June/July 1977
- Gosling, Paul *Closure of Bookworm (Derry) in Co-op News*, Feb 2, 2008.
- Hetherington, Bill; Chester, Gail et al.  
*Housmans at 60* 4pp Supplement in *Peace News*, October 2005. With photos.
- Johnson, Linton Kwesi *John La Rose – Obituary in The Guardian* 4.3.06 La Rose was the founder of **New Beacon Books**, the black publishing house and bookshop; he was also the key figure behind the International Book Fair of Radical Black & Third World Books (1982-95).
- La Rose, John  
Interviewed by E A Markham in *Artrage* No.16, Spring 1987 2pp. Briefly covers his publishing, bookselling and organising of the International book Fair of Radical, Black & 3<sup>rd</sup> World Books.
- Lennon, Peter *Guardian* 27.8.93 "Final Chapter" on Olive Parsons and the life of the recently deceased **Collets**.
- McAlpine, Joan *Turning Over a Radical New Leaf in The Scotsman* 11.11.1991. 1pp On **Clyde Books**, Glasgow.
- Norrie, Ian *The Bookseller* : a series of articles on various cities mentioned radical bookshops. mid 90s?
- Page, Benedicte *The Bookseller* June 1 2001 p.30 Interview with Andy

McSmith (ex- **Days of Hope**).

Pitt, Bob

**Compendium Bookshop** in *What Next?* No.18

Reid, Betty

*The James Klugmann Collection of Books, Pamphlets & Ceramics at the MML* in *MML Bulletin*, 107 Winter 1985/6  
3pp

R.E.S.

*Eva Reckitt - Obituary* in *History Workshop No.2* 2pp

Ross, Alan

*The End: Leicester's Other Bookshop* in *Leicester's Other Paper* August/September 1995. 1pp (on the closure of **Blackthorn Books**)

Samuel, Raphael

*New Left Review 154* "Faith, Hope and Struggle" Short mention of a Jewish religious and Marxist bookshop in Cricklewood.

Sissons, R and Kennedy, S

*The Bookseller 22.3.80* "The growth of the new radicals".

Slade, L

*How Thames Began* in *Lit News* Nov. 1946 On Thames Books.

Ward, Colin

*New Statesman 13.5.94* "rejoices in the long life of alternative bookshops" "...alternative bookshops are outposts of our kind of civilisation."

Ward, David

*Shop Raided in Bombs Inquiry* in "The Guardian" 30.6.1995. Mainly on **Frontline Books** in Manchester, also raid on **Inner Bookshop**, Oxford, after fire bombings on Isle of Wight by animal rights activists. Police raids targeted the magazine *Green Anarchist*. Similar article in "The Observer" by Michael Durham on 9.7.1995.

## Magazines

*Books for Progress*

Central Books Ltd. Nos. 1 - 35 (July 1950 - Autumn 1958). Initially monthly, by 1951 published quarterly. 4pp printed review of books, mainly distributed by Central but not exclusively so. Sold at 1d. Replaced by the less ambitious *Book News* which was free. At this time, in 1959, Lawrence & Wishart produced their own 4pp *Review*, also free.

*The Eye*

No.1 Sept 1935 to No.8 1937 (Martin Lawrence Ltd). 4pp-8pp newspaper format, with reviews and articles beyond ML and CP's publications. One of the most visually striking magazines ever published by the British Left.

*Head and Hands - A Socialist Review of Books* No. 14 Winter 1983-4

*Labour Book Service Bulletin* August, October, November (No.10)1940 (Labour Book Service). 20pp

*New Anarchist Review* (A Distribution et al) Issues 5,7, from around 84/85

*News From Neasden - A Catalogue of New Radical Publications*  
No.1 1975 - ? (No.12 1980)

*Our Books* June 1921 (Leonard Parsons Publishers)

*Radical Bookseller* No. 1 October 1980 - No.78 Winter 1992. 12-16pp. Editor: Fergus Nicol Included London Labour Library's listings of radical books. The following issues have a list of radical bookshops: 6 (1981); 17/18 (1982); 34 (1984); 40,41,43 (1985); 49(1986/7); 60 (1988); 61 (1989); 67 (1990); 75 (1991). The following have surveys of Radical Bookshops: 34 (1984); 76 (1990).

## Books and Pamphlets

---- *Alternative England and Wales* (Nicholas Saunders, 1975) Four page listing, and short mentions of political and alternative bookshops

---- *Directory of Organisations* (Agitprop, 1971?)

---- *Federation of Radical Booksellers List of Shops* 1987 (FRB, 1987)

---- *Freedom - a Hundred Years October* Freedom Press 1986 88pp Centenary issue of *Freedom* issued in bound edition.

---- *How to Sell Literature* CPGB, 1942 12pp. Detailed description of CP literature distribution network, how to sell at stalls, in factories, how to keep accounts etc. "At the present time a mass pamphlet should have a national sale of 150,000...The bulk of the sale is concentrated in 2-3 weeks".

---- *Literature as a Political Weapon - A Guide for Committees and Literature Secretaries* CPGB 1955 16pp

---- *Making the Connections: Radical Books Today* (FRB, 1988). Includes articles and an annotated list of radical shops.

---- *Starting a Bookshop: A Handbook on Radical and Community Bookselling* (FRB, 1984) 173pp

- *The First 25 Years of Compendium Bookshop* (Compendium, 1993)
- *The Other Branch - Our Story 1972-1982* (Other Branch, 1982). Very good and funny on running a radical bookshop
- *Where is the Other News? The Newstrade and the Radical Press* (Minority Press Group,). Short chapter on the history of radical bookselling.
- Inter-Action Inprint 1975 32pp Contains information on **Centerprise**.
- Baker, Bob & Harvey, Neil (ed.) *Publishing for People and Fighting Censorship* (London Labour Library, 1985) Articles plus annotated list of radical bookshops.
- Benson, Ernie *To Struggle is to Live* (People's Publications, Newcastle 1980) 2<sup>nd</sup> volume describes his work setting up CP bookshop in Leeds. [p.117+]
- Bernard, Oliver *Getting Over It* (Peter Owen 1992) Reminiscences of working at Central Books during the war and after - includes description of sex at **Central Books** during fire watching duties in the blitz!
- Bornstein, Sam & Richardson, Al *War and the International* (Socialist Platform, 1986) Mentions a bookshop on Upper Street, London, run by the Revolutionary Workers League.
- Cadman, Eileen et al. *Rolling Our Own: Women as Printers, Publishers and Distributors* (Minority Press group, 1981). Includes a chapter on sexism in radical bookshops.
- Caldwell, John Taylor *With Fate Conspire - Memoirs of a Glasgow Seafarer and Anarchist* (Northern Herald Books, 1999) Description of setting up **Strickland Press** - bookshop and publisher in George Street Glasgow in 1939; owned by Guy Aldred's United Socialist Movement, set up with legacy from Sir Walter Strickland. Includes a list of Strickland Press publications.
- Carpenter, Maurice *A Rebel in the Thirties* (Paperbag Book Club, no date) Includes a long memoir of **Archer's Bookshop** in Parton Street, where the author worked.
- Chester, Gail & Rigby, Andrew(ed.) *Articles of Peace: Celebrating Fifty Years of Peace News* (Prism, 1986) Includes photograph of **Housmans Bookshop**, 1959.

- Cope, Dave *Central Books - A Brief History, 1939-99* (Central Books, 1999) 80pp Covers the retail and wholesale book businesses of the CPGB.
- Cunningham, Valentine *British Writers of the Thirties* (OUP 1988) p109 for Central Books and the Parton Street Bookshop.
- Daniel, Charles William *The Centenary of a "Crank" Publisher: (CW Daniel, 1971).* Mentions working with FR Henderson, later of the "**Bomb Shop**".
- Downes, Georgeanne et al. *Alternative London* (Otherwise Press, 6th edition, 1982) Includes a two page annotated list of bookshops - alternative, political and "ethnic and overseas".
- Fishman, William *The Streets of East London* (Duckworth, 1979) Includes a photograph of the outside of **Freedom**.
- Fountain, Nigel *Underground: The London Alternative Press 1966-74* (Comedia, 1988). Good material on the cultural radical material - **The Paperback Bookshop (Edinburgh)**, **Better Books** and **Indica** (London).
- Fox, R.M. *Stormy Crusade* (Hogarth Press 1938) Description of **Lahr's Bookshop** (pp180-184). Lahr was German anarchist and member of the IWW.
- Gallacher, William *Revolt on the Clyde* L&W (pp 43,51,58, 179-180 - confirm which ed. - 1940?) Descriptions of **Herald League Bookshop** in Glasgow, plus Will McGill selling papers and pamphlets at meetings. "During the Rent Strike always when a case was on the court was crowded with demonstrating workers, with McGill of the Herald League moving among the seats, shouting his periodicals and pamphlets". Also, refers to sales of pamphlets in factories.
- Gollancz, Victor *More for Timothy* (Gollancz, 1953) pp296-298
- Gorman, John *Images of Labour* (Scorpion, 1984) Article about **The Ginger Bookshop**, together with an illustration of the shop frontage and a short article on the Left Book Club, including a photograph of the banner of Carshalton Left Book Club.
- Gosling, Ray *Personal Copy* (Faber, 1980) (p144-145) Has a lovely long piece on **Jordan's International Bookshop** in St Anns, Nottingham - once the main British distributor of Trotskyist books. Gosling initially thought at first it dealt in hard-core porn. He also refers to it in *Anarchy* 38.

- Groves, Reg *The Balham Group: How British Trotskyism Began* (Pluto, 1974) 111pp Nice description of Henderson and his “**Bomb Shop**” on Charing Cross Road (pp45-6).
- Haddow, William Martin *My Seventy Years* by (Robert Gibson, Glasgow 1943). The short but very useful piece on the **Reformers Bookstall** and other early socialist bookshops in Glasgow (and publishing) starts on page 54.
- Hannington, Wal *Never On Our Knees* L&W 1967 Describes engineering plant in Slough in October 1919: "Dinner-hour meetings and lectures on trade unionism and socialism became a daily feature and large quantities of socialist literature were sold. In several departments socialist book-clubs were organised in which groups of workers subscribed a shilling a week and drew lots to decide the week in which they would be entitled to receive and own a quantity of new books of their choice". (p66-7)
- Haynes, Jim *Thanks for Coming* (Faber, 1984) Good on The Paperback Bookshop in Edinburgh. Includes a list of shops selling *IT*.
- Hobday, Charles *Edgell Rickword - A Poet at War* Carcanet 1989 See Chapter 15 "Bookselling" for account of Rickword's shops in Deal, Sandgate, then as manager of **Collet's** in Hampstead in 1954 and manager of second-hand department in Charing Cross Road from c1959 to 1965.
- Hopkins, Kenneth *The Corruption of a Poet* (James Barrie, 1954) Contains an account of Charlie Lahr and the shop and an extract from Hopkin's own (unpublished?) novel, *Poor Heretic*, which fictionalises Lahr. Hopkins lived above the shop 1938-9.
- Jackson, T A *Solo Trumpet*( L&W 1953) p61. Description of buying shares in C Kerr & Co. and getting cheap books - "This was launched originally as a co-operative venture: anyone holding a 10 dollar share in the Company could have books at half catalogue prices. A group of us put our shillings together, bought a share, and ordered a batch of books."
- Kops, Bernard *Shalom Bomb - Scenes from my Life* Oberon 2000 Description of David Archer and his shop p14-16
- Langdon, Julia *Mo Mowlam - The Biography* (Warner Books 2000) Amusing description of her volunteering to work in **Days of Hope** bookshop in Newcastle p113+)
- Lewenstein, Oscar *Kicking Against the Pricks - A Theatre Producer Looks Back* (Nick Hearn, 1994) The well known theatre and film producer worked in **Workers' Bookshop** in Farringdon Road in 1936 for

2 years, dealing with LBC members' queries; manager of this dept. was Nelly Lansbury, George's daughter. (p.54 onwards)

- Lindsay, John                      *Vicarage Party* Includes an account of Charlie Lahr's Red Lion Street/Square bookshop.
- McShane & Smith                      *Harry McShane - No Mean Fighter* (Pluto 1978) Some passing refs to Willie McGill, BSP, ILP and CP bookshops.
- Meltzer, Albert                      *I Couldn't Paint Golden Angels* (AK, 1996). Short pieces on the short-lived **Wooden Shoe** (anarchist) Bookshop and the anarchist **121 Bookshop** on Railton Road.
- Meltzer, Albert                      *The Anarchists in London 1935-1955* (Cienfuegos, 1976) Short mention of the opening of **Freedom Bookshop** in Red Lion Passage and the (un-named) anarchist bookshop in Glasgow in the 30s.
- Morrison, Sybil                      *I Renounce War: The Story of the Peace Pledge Union* (Sheppard Press, 1962) Short section on the early years of **Housmans Bookshop**.
- Mullen, Sally                      *The Bristol Socialist Society in Bristol's Other History* (Bristol Broadsides 1984). Brief mention of **Jack Flynn's** shop – **The Bomb Shop** (p42)
- Norrie, Ian                      *A Hampstead Memoir: High Hill Bookshop 1957-1988* (High Hill Press, 1989). Short mentions of **Collets**.
- Pollitt, Harry                      *Books and Pamphlets - How to Sell Them* CPGB 1938 40pp
- Pye, Dennis                      *Fellowship is Life* (Clarion Publishing, 1995) Material on Clarion vans.
- Snape, Robert                      *Radical Readers and Public Libraries* Public Libraries Research Group 1988
- Thacker, Joy                      *Whiteway Colony: The Social History of a Tolstoyan Community* (self-published, 1993) has some interesting references to **Freedom** during near death experience.
- Thompson, Glenn                      *Bringing Books to People- How to Set Up a Community Bookshop*
- Tuckett, Angela                      *The People's Theatre in Bristol, 1930-45* (Our History Pamphlet 72, 1979) p3. Refers to **Flynn's Bombshop** in the Horsefair, Bristol - debates in back room.

## Foreign Radical Shops, Publishers, Publications and Libraries - a small selection

- *Directory of Bookshops in Russia* Flegon Press 1965 20pp
- *Feminist Bookstore News* San Francisco. Bi-monthly. c1977-? (still going in 1993). c80pp Cody, Pat & Fred *Cody's Books - The Life & Times of a Berkeley Bookstore, 1956-1977* Chronicle Books 1992 206pp
- *New Pages* USA
- Bardouillet, Marie-Christine *La Librairie du Travail* (Francois Maspero, 1977) 177pp  
In French. Syndicalist publishing project that lasted from 1917 to 1939. Briefly linked to CP before reverting to syndicalism and Trotskyism. The project also included attempts at book-club and distribution network among militants.
- Calleson, Gerd *The Labour Movement Library and Archive (ABA) in Copenhagen* (in *Socialism and Democracy*, 6/88; 7pp).
- Cody, Pat and Fred *The Life and Times of Cody's Books: A Berkeley Bookstore 1956-1977* (Chronicle, 1992). A U.S. political bookshop.
- Conlin, Joseph R *The American Radical Press, 1890-1960* 2 vols (Greenwood Press 1974)
- Conlin, Joseph R *"The Comrade": An Introduction and Appraisal* (in *Labor History*, Spring 1971) 4pp On the Socialist Party of America's literary journal, 1901-5.
- Duram, James C *The Labor Union Journals and the Constitutional Issues of the New Deal* in *Labor History*, Spring 1974 23pp
- Feltrinelli, Carlo *Senior Service* (Granta, 2001) 464pp On Giangiacomo Feltrinelli, the Italian Communist businessman who founded a chain of bookshops bearing his name, went into publishing and eventually moved to the extreme left and died in unexplained circumstances. There was an extract in *The Guardian Weekend Supplement* Nov 3 2001.
- Genizi, Haim *The "Modern Quarterly": 1923-1940: An Independent Radical Magazine* in *Labor History*, Spring 1974 16pp
- Goldwater, Walter *Radical Periodicals in America, 1890-1950* in *Library Gazette* (issue unknown) 35pp. Annotated.
- Goldwater, Walter *Radical Periodicals in America, 1890-1950* (University Place Book Shop, 1977). Updated edition of previous item?

- Kedrov, M S *Book Publishing Under Tzarism (The "Zerno" Publishing House)* (Modern Books 1932) 39pp Early semi-legal and illegal publishing ruses of the Bolsheviks in Russia.
- Ruff, Allen *We Called Each Other Comrade - Charles K Kerr & Company, Radical Publishers* (University of Illinois Press, 1997) 312pp Kerr started publishing Unitarian pamphlets in 1886 before becoming a Socialist at the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century and creating one of the world's most important socialist publishing houses. Interesting on state repression of the distribution of socialist literature.
- Ruff, Allen *Socialist Publishing in Illinois: Charles K Kerr & Company of Chicago, 1886-1928* in *Illinois Historical Journal* 79, Spring 1986 13pp
- Ruff, Allen *The Socialist Press and Repression in the World War I Era: The Case of Charles H Kerr & Company* in *Journal of Newspaper and Periodical History* 5 Spring 1989 18pp
- Sendy, John *Melbourne's Radical Bookshops* (International Bookshop, 1983) 151pp
- Shore, Elliott *Selling Socialism: The "Appeal to Reason" and the Radical Press in Turn-of-Century America* in *Media, Culture and Society* 7, 1985 21pp
- Shore, Elliott *Talkin' Socialism: J A Wayland and the Role of the Press in American Radicalism, 1890-1912* (University of Kansas Press, 1988)
- Steinberg, Hans-Josef *Workers' Libraries in Germany Before 1914* 15pp in "History Workshop" 1, Spring 1976
- Ustinov, George *Centrizdat - The Central Publishing Organisation for the Peoples of USSR* (Moscow 1931; pamphlet 40pp )

## **Fiction**

- ? *The Chronicles of the Bomb Shop Touchstone Tales* (The Worker Press, Huddersfield, nd (c1900?)) 60pp. Humorous account of fictional newsagents/bookshop, its Irish owner and the variety of Fabians, Anarchists, Secularists, "ILPeers, SDPeers, IWWeers" who frequent it and debate in it.
- Belbin, David *Black and Blue* (Scholastic, 1995) Crime novel for young adults, based on the Nazi raid on Mushroom Bookshop in Nottingham in 1994 (Chapter 1), and various incidents surrounding the raid. Ross Bradshaw appears as a thinly disguised chief steward on an

anti-fascist demonstration.

- Kops, Bernard                      *Barricades in West Hampstead* (Hearing Eye, 1988) The poem "Whatever Happened to Isaac Babel" concludes with reference to Better Books.
- Miner, Valerie                      *Movement* (Methuen, 1982) pp.76-89 Short story called "Cooperative" on a fictional radical publisher which set up a women's bookshop.
- Mitford, Nancy                      *The Pursuit of Love* Fictional account of left bookshop in 1930s.
- Morley, Iris                          *Nothing But Propaganda* (Peter Davies, 1946) Depiction of working in a CP Bookshop during the war.
- Tressell, Robert                      *The Ragged Trousered Philanthropists* (Granada, 1978 pb) Description of Socialist van in Chapter 43 and sale of pamphlets p 429.

### **Radical Publishing, Distribution, Libraries, Clubs etc.**

- *Freedom Press, 1886-1941* (Friends of Freedom Press 1941 8pp)
- *Here Is the Other News*      Minority Press Group, 1980
- *Labour Research Department Anniversary Supplement*, July 1987 (20pp, illustrated). Published for the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the journal. LRD started in 1913 as the Fabian Research Department and changed its name in 1918. Much on its publications.
- *Local Publishing and Local Culture: An Account of the work of the Centreprise Publishing Project 1972-1977* (Centreprise Trust, 1977). Community bookshop and publisher in Hackney, London.
- Arnot, R Page                          *Forging the Weapon - The Struggle of the Labour Monthly, 1921-1941* (Labour Monthly 1941 p 32pp)
- Baggs, Christopher M                      *'Well Done, Cymmer Workmen!'* - *The Cymmer Collieries Workmen's Library, 1893-1920* (in *Llafur* Vol.5 No.3, 1990 8pp).
- Beale, Albert                          *Against All War - Fifty Years of "Peace News", 1936-1986* (Peace News 1986 pb 62pp)

- Becker, Heiner *Notes on "Freedom" and the Freedom Press, 1886-1928 in (the Raven No.1 1987 21pp)*
- Becker, Heiner *Johann Neve (1844-1896) (in The Raven No.2 August 1987 17pp). Neve was leading Anarchist involved in London in the German-speaking CABV and in editing/publishing anarchist papers.*
- Berry, Dave *Marxism Today* Nov 1986 Article on radical publishing
- Blackburn, Robin *A Brief History of "New Left Review", 1960-1990. 7pp This is the Introduction to Thirty Years of New Left Review: Index (NLR 1992 pb 130pp)*
- Clement, Ellie & Oppenheim, Charles *Anarchism, Alternative Publishers and Anarchism 25pp in Anarchist Studies Spring 2002*
- Dickinson, Bob *The Possibilities of Print: The Alternative Press in the North West During the 1970s (in North West Labour History Journal No. 27, 2002 3pp)*
- Dickinson, Bob *Imprinting the Sticks - The Alternative Press Beyond London (Arena 1997) 251pp. On the Manchester region.*
- Francis, Hywel *The Origins of the South Wales Miners' Library 23pp (offprint from 'History Workshop' No.2 Autumn 1976)*
- Gerrard, David *A Horn of Plenty - The Federation of Writer Workshop and Community Publishers (FWWCP) Archive in Working Class Movement Library Bulletin No.11, 2001 5pp*
- Gould, F J *The Pioneers of Johnson's Court - A History of the Rationalist Press Association (Watts & Co.,1935)*
- Harrison, Royden; Woolven, Gillian; Duncan, Robert *The Warwick Guide to British Labour Periodicals, 1790-1970 (Harvester Press, 1977) 685pp. A fabulous guide, with notes and locations.*
- Herbert, Michael & Taplin, Eric ed. *Born With a Book in His Hand: a tribute to Edmund Frow 1906-1997 (North West Labour History Group, 1998) Good on the Working Class Movement Library.*
- Hodges, Sheila *Gollancz: The Story of a Publishing House, 1928-1978 (Gollancz, 1978). Chapter on the Left Book Club.*
- Holm, Ian *Clubs of the Left in New Statesman May16 1986 2pp On LBC.*
- Hopkin, Deian *The Merthyr Pioneer, 1911-22 in Llafur, Vol.2 No.4, Spring*

1979. 11pp A paper for all factions of the labour movement.
- Kemsley, Walter (ed.) *Martin Eve Remembered* (Merlin, 1999) Tributes to the founder of Merlin Press
- Laity, Paul (ed.) *Left Book Club Anthology* (Gollancz 2001) 254pp Introduction and bibliography.
- Landry, Charles et al. *What a Way to Run a Railroad - An Analysis of Radical Failure* (Comedia 1985) Not specifically about the book trade, but a critique of unbusinesslike attitudes on the left. Lists some failed bookshops.
- Kuper, Richard *Interlink* No.1, Jan/Feb 87 "The crisis in radical publishing". The founder of Pluto Press reflects on left publishing as the publisher called in the receiver after nearly 17 years. 2pp
- Lewis, John *The Left Book Club: An Historical Record* (Gollancz 1970)
- Mumby, F A & Stallybrass, Frances *From Swan Sonnenschein to George Allen & Unwin Ltd* (Allen & Unwin, 1955) William Swan Sonnenschein (later changed name to mother's maiden name - Stallybrass) not a radical figure (he called himself a conservative in later years) but he published Stepniak, Edward Carpenter and the first edition of Marx's *Capital*. George Allen & Sons merged with Swan Sonnenschein (Stallybrass having departed to revive Routledges) in 1911. George Allen, a carpenter who studied under Ruskin and became his disciple and associate, started publishing Ruskin's monthly *Fors Clavigera* from Kent; later this grew into a considerable business and he took on other authors. Stanley Unwin took over the ailing firm in 1914 and formed George Allen & Unwin. In 1920 Allen & Unwin took over the Swarthmore Press (Quaker publisher).
- Noyce, John (ed.) *Directory of Alternative Media Periodicals* Smoothie Publications 1970 pb Includes Literary, cultural as well as political. Gives addresses and some dates of first issue
- Paul, Ronald *A Culture of the People: Politics & Working-Class Literature in 'Left Review' 1934-38* in *Left History* Vol.8 No.1, Spring 2002 16pp
- Scholefield, Julian *Labour's Youth Against the Bureaucracy: 1960-4* in *Permanent Revolution* No.6 Autumn 1987 15pp Includes details of *Socialist Advance, Keep Left, Young Guard, Socialist Outlook*.
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## **Abbreviations**

<b>APCF</b>	<b>Anti-Parliamentary Communist Federation</b>
<b>CPGB</b>	<b>Communist Party of Great Britain</b>
<b>DW</b>	<b>Daily Worker</b>
<b>FRB</b>	<b>Federation of Radical Booksellers</b>
<b>ILP</b>	<b>Independent Labour Party</b>
<b>IMG</b>	<b>International Marxist Group</b>
<b>IS</b>	<b>International Socialists</b>
<b>LLW</b>	<b>Lansbury's Labour Weekly</b>
<b>RB</b>	<b>Radical Bookseller</b>
<b>SWP</b>	<b>Socialist Workers Party</b>
<b>WRP</b>	<b>Workers' Revolutionary Party</b>

