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INTRODUCTION

The archives of Attic Press (BL/F/AP) were generated and collected by Róisín Conroy as co-founder and publisher of Attic Press and as an activist in the Irish women’s movement. They were donated to the Boole Library, University College, Cork by Conroy in 1997. The core sections of the collection relate to the activities of Conroy while working as a Librarian within the research unit of the Irish Transport and General Workers’ Union (ITGWU), to Irish Feminist Information (IFI) and to Attic Press. There is also a small amount of ancillary material. The collection therefore reflects the various facets of Conroy’s career as a librarian and information officer, publisher, disseminator of information and campaigner for women’s rights. The material dates from the early seventies to the 1990s.

Section 1 relates to the ITGWU’s research unit wherein Róisín Conroy worked as an information officer from 1970-1979. The archives in these subsections relate to Conroy’s work in the development of the ITGWU library service; her involvement with the trade union movement, including the Trade Union Women’s Forum (TUWF) and the Labour Women’s National Council (LWNC); and her initial contact with women’s rights in the areas of equal pay, social welfare equality and family law. Subsection 1.4 deals with the Irish Labour History Society (ILHS) for which Conroy organised an exhibition in Wexford entitled ‘Irish Labour History’. Within this subsection are sources for Irish women’s history (BL/F/93) relating in particular to the Irish Women Workers’ Union (IWWU). Sub section 1.5 contains various publications collected by Conroy during her tenure as information officer.

Section 2 contains papers relating to the development and structure of Irish Feminist Information (IFI). In 1978 Róisín Conroy and Mary Doran set up IFI as a feminist organisation concerned with the publication and dissemination of information relating to women in Ireland. Over time IFI organised itself as a company and was overseen by a Board of Directors. Subject to change, directors on the board included Mary Paul Keane (co-founder of Attic Press), Patricia Kelleher, Gaye Cunningham, Anne Hyland and Padraigin Ní Mhurchu (IWWU). It was set up in response to a ‘felt need regarding the lack of information/contacts for distributing work written on women’s issues’. Its main aim was ‘to develop a distribution network and create an awareness among women’s groups and local groups of the written work or image’.

In 1982 IFI opened membership to women who had completed some form of IFI training. As a non-profit making organisation IFI used any surplus monies, as well as government and private funding sources to develop training and employment projects. In 1983 the first Women in Community Publishing (WCP) course commenced for 12 unemployed women, with funding from AnCo (now FAS) and the European Social Fund. Subsequently, Women’s Community Press was set up as a workers’ publishing co-operative by five former trainees of this first WCP course. Its objectives included publishing material by and for women, facilitating community groups in producing their own literature and helping minority groups gain access to the printed word. It also undertook contract work in editing
and layout while acting as a distributor for women’s groups, such as the Rape Crisis Centre, who had published reports and materials. By 1984 IFI had developed links with such state agencies as the Department of Women’s Affairs, AnCo, Youth Employment Agency, Employment Equality Agency, IDA, Coras Trachtala and the Arts Council for not only financial support but also for the exchange and sharing of information particularly in the areas of women’s employment and co-operatives.

In November 1984 IFI separated its training and publishing functions by launching their feminist publishing house – Attic Press. The archives which detail the development of both IFI and the setting up and subsequent development of Attic Press are listed in Section 2.1. The involvement of the same individuals and often the same projects results in many overlaps in the material, making them at times indistinguishable in terms of administration. They have for this reason been listed together. Most of the records relating to the publishing activities of this group can be found in Section 3; though there are related records in Section 2. It begins with media coverage of IFI and Attic Press (collected press cuttings); as well as the Irish publishing industry in general, promotional material for various titles, authors’ profiles, reviews of their work, and follows with material relating to the production of its titles.

Publication material has been divided into the following categories: The Irish Women’s Diary and Guidebook, titles relating to women in the arts and culture, women’s histories, legal and political titles, handbooks relating to social issues and citizen’s advice, titles in women studies, fiction titles, anthologies and poetry. ‘Other’ titles include books published by the imprint Basement Press (established in 1994). Two of these titles include the biographies of David Norris and Luke Kelly. Not all of the titles published by Attic Press are in this collection. The remaining material is most likely with Cork University Press which took over Attic Press in September 1997.

The type of material within the publication sub-sections varies from correspondence concerning commissions, drafts of manuscripts and proofs, photographs and artwork for the books and in some cases, press cuttings relating to the topic being covered. There is a large ‘archive’ of articles written by Nell McCafferty which were collected for her two books – Goodnight Sisters and The Best of Nell. Articles relating to the Kerry Babies case can also be found among material relating to the publication of McCafferty’s book A Woman to Blame. There are also press cuttings among the publication papers for Emily O’Reilly’s Masterminds of the Right.

Sources gathered during the researching of books have also been kept with publication related material. For titles in women’s histories there are press cuttings, articles and pamphlets relating to women in Irish history. This applies particularly for the Missing Pieces series co-edited by Margaret MacCurtain and the Did Your Granny have a hammer??? (suffrage pack) co-edited with Rosemary Cullen Owens which were produced during the IFI training courses.

Many of Attic Press’ political and legal titles were controversial. Easons at various times refused to sell Attic Press books, others were initially banned, such as Peggy Deery. For
this reason many of the drafts and correspondence with solicitors will have to remain closed despite the time lapse to protect all concerned.

Section 4 and 5 contain records relating to International Feminist Bookfairs, Women’s World Festivals and International Interdisciplinary Congresses most of which relate to organising of the events concerning participants, workshops and talks, and the exhibition of books. Papers given at the 3rd International Interdisciplinary Congress on Women held in Dublin are included in the collection. In a copy outgoing letter (30 June 1987) potential participants are invited to a discussion on reflections of the Irish Women’s Movement – ‘we are writing to as many women as we know who were actively involved….It is important that Irish Women now begin the task of recording those years so that the analysis necessary for forward political development for women can begin to take place’ (BL/F/AP/991). This collection also contains some of the papers given at this conference. Talks given by Ailbhe Smyth and Nell McCafferty can be found among the sound archives (BL/F/1566) concerning the history of the feminist movement and the development of the UCD women’s studies forum and course.

Papers relating to women’s groups and associated organisations can be found in section 6. These women’s groups include the Irish Women’s Liberation Movement. Records therein relate to conferences and seminars as well as the examination of the history of the Irish Women’s Movement. Other women’s groups in this collection include the Council for the Status of Women, the Commission for the Status of Women with records generally relating to forums, seminars and reports. Papers relating to Irish Women United’s activities can be found in sub-section 6.3 and the issues they campaigned for. Associated groups within this section include those which campaigned for women’s rights such as the Irish Council for Civil Liberties and the Irish Countrywomen’s Association.

Papers relating to campaign issues have been divided into the following categories: employment equality, women’s resource centres, well woman centres, women and health, divorce, abortion, contraception, gay-rights, lesbianism, one-parent families and prisoners rights. Correspondence, reports, minutes, research notes, campaign literature, publications and press cuttings can be found among these papers. One of the campaigns in which Róisín Conroy played a pivotal role, and which is represented in this collection, was that of the Campaign for a Unified Social Welfare Code (7.10). In 1982 Róisín Conroy took an action to the High Court regarding her inability to qualify for Unemployment Assistance due to the fact she was, in law, still considered to be a married woman and without any dependant. The High Court eventually ruled in favour of Conroy, and discrimination inherent in the Social Welfare System had to be rectified by the state.

Róisín Conroy’s consistent interest in popularising information and research findings is evident from the various organisations and groups she liaised with. At times she acted as an information consultant to such organisations as the Department of Education, the Employment Equality Agency, Wellwoman Centre, and the Health Education Bureau.

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1 This was a legal technicality, or device, as Róisín Conroy (née Smyth) was separated and has a son, Joel Conroy, the custody of whom was decided by another High Court action.
A paper given by Conroy entitled ‘Sharing Health facts – The Organisation of an Information Network’ (BL/F/1272) is a sample of the type of records, which can be found in Section 7. This paper was delivered at a Women’s health seminar, organised by the Health Education Bureau and the Council for the Status of Women. Other material relates to Conroy’s involvement with the Irish women’s movement in general such as a petition to the government organised by the Equal Pay Ad Hoc Committee. The consequence of such information gathering and dissemination has resulted in a rich source of material documenting the activities of not only Róisín Conroy but other Irish women. These include Anne Speed, June Levine, Nell McCafferty, Mary Paul Keane, Mary Doran, Ann O’Donnell, Ann Connolly, Therese Caherty, Patricia Kelleher Marie McMahon, Marian Finucane and Ailbhe Smyth (to name but a few) and their efforts to change the status of women legally, economically and socially.

Section 8 reflects the role of Róisín Conroy and others such as Patricia Kelleher, Mary Doran and Mary Paul Keane at UN Conferences. While most of the material consists of U.N. literature such as papers given therein, sub section 8.2.2 is devoted to Ireland’s role at the 1985 conference for Women, Equality Development and Peace.

Section 9 has been devoted to the area of women’s studies and feminism. The section begins with the development of the Irish women’s studies forum and centre and related activities. Research notes, articles and press cuttings concerning women’s movements in Ireland and at international level have been grouped together in sub sections, which include studies done on Irish women and general women’s studies. For example folder BL/F/AP/1424 contains material relating to the image of women in the media and of women working within the broadcasting industry. Most of the publications in this section deal with feminist movements, feminist thought and international feminist information networks.

Section 10 contains more collected publications – most of which are feminist newsletters and magazines such as Status, Banshee: Journal of Irish Women United, and Spare Rib (to name but a few). These publications have been grouped into the following subjects – feminism, anarchism, socialism and politics. There is a small amount of material therein relating to lesbianism and gay rights.

Most of the press cuttings found in the collection have been integrated into their relevant sections eg. campaigns or feminism. A number of ancillary files of press cuttings were added to section 10 which relate to environmental issues, the catholic church and discrimination in Irish society in the areas of race, gay rights, and the travelling community.

Approximately forty cassettes can be found in Section 11. These sound archives have been grouped into women’s histories, publication promotions and women’s conferences. The women’s history section contains an interview with Hilda Tweedy; founder of the Irish Housewives’ Association by Pat Kenny. The conference sound archives are also interesting. Speakers therein include Nell McCafferty at San Francisco State University giving a talk on the ‘Exploration of Cultural Identity’ and the ‘History of the Feminist
Movement’. There is also a recording of feminist songs and an entertaining talk given by the controversial and radical American feminist Mary Daly.

The final two sections, 12 and 13 contain memorabilia and miscellaneous material. The memorabilia includes banners, posters, badges, photographs postcards, and other material collected at conferences or ‘women’s’ events.

Some provisional organisation of the records was done by Conroy, before their listing and arrangement, in haste and during pressurised hand-over of Attic Press to CUP, so a considerable amount of rearrangement and imposed order was needed to make the collection more accessible and comprehensive for the researcher. Many of the sections are inter-related. Records which grew from their relevant source have been kept therein, so as to preserve the original order, origin and integrity of the records. Files which are ‘closed’, have been done so due to the contemporary nature of this collection in order to protect the privacy of individuals concerned.²

Researchers should also be aware of sister collections to this archive are housed in the Irish History Archive in Dublin and a complete set of Attic Press publications lie alongside the books published by Arlen House and Women’s Community Press at the Women’s Studies Dept. in University College Galway.

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Project Archivists
November 2000

This project was contracted by the Boole Library Archive Service, University College Cork to Eneclann Ltd; Archives and Records Management Services, Innovation Centre, Trinity College Dublin in July 2000.

² Róisín Conroy has further materials in the form of letters and documents which will be added to this collection but at present are ‘sensitive’ and include details of her Separation Agreement as well as correspondence with the Gardaí in relation to a ‘raid’ on her house in the 1980s.
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LWNC  
Labour Women’s National Council

MPK  
Mary Paul Keane – director of Irish Feminist Information and co-ordinator of Attic Press

RC  
Róisín Conroy – co founder of Irish Feminist Information

SPG  
Small Presses Group

S.P.U.C.  
Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child

U.S.F.  
Union for Sexual Freedom

WPA  
Women’s Political Association

WCP  
Women’s Community Press

WCP course  
Women in Community Publishing course

YEA  
Youth Employment Agency
## 1. RÓISÍN CONROY AND THE IRISH LABOUR MOVEMENT

### 1.1. Development of ITGWU Library Services

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| **4** | 1973 | Copy letter from Róisín Conroy to the General Secretary of the ITGWU. The letter is written in response to a letter to Róisín Conroy informing her that the marriage bar on women employed by the union has been removed. RC informs the general Secretary that she has already given notice that she will be leaving her employment with the ITGWU, as she has decided to have a baby. ‘To married couples it is
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<td>1974-1978</td>
<td>Monthly and annual accounts and receipts for library expenditure including details of periodical subscriptions. 21 items</td>
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<td>[1975]</td>
<td>Booklet entitled ‘The Documentation Service’. The booklet looks at the documentation service of the Development Services Division and was produced by P.J Clancy for the general and senior staff of the ITGWU. 10pp</td>
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<td>May 1976</td>
<td>‘Holdings of Periodicals in the ITGWU Reference Library, published by the Development Services Division of the ITGWU. 2 items</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>Aug 1976-May 1977</td>
<td>Report on the holding and periodicals in the ITGWU Reference Library (July 1976), with and a list of publishers and agents, as well as a list of accessions to the Library. 17 items</td>
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Photocopy of an advertisement featuring the publications of the ITGWU.
1p

Photocopy of a list of publications of the Labour Party.
1p

Some Information Sources and Literature of relevance to trade unions’, by the Library information Section, Development Services Division, ITGWU.
10pp

Reading lists for courses on Labour law from the College of Industrial Relations, Rathmines. Also bibliographies on trade unions, industrial relations, James Connolly, ITGWU, labour history, women workers, and employment equality. Includes a copy letter from RC to Daltn O’Ceallaigh regarding a draft bibliography of reading material for the library service, and makes suggestions on the organisations and arrangement of the contents of the bibliography.
c.40 items

File containing material relating to motions passed by [ITGWU Annual Conferences and local branches] arranged alphabetically.
35pp

File detailing efforts by RC to have the position of Librarian officially recognised within the ITGWU, along with the introduction of an appropriate salary. Includes drafts of letter from RC to Daltn O’Ceallaigh relating mainly to the delay in obtaining official recognition of her position as Librarian with an appropriate salary. The file also contains ms notes on wages and salaries of Assistant Librarians and librarians in Dublin City and county public libraries, as well as notes on the setting up of libraries, and the design of libraries. Also a job application form for Development Officer with the National Social Service Council,
Dublin. ‘I have a long standing commitment to the ITGWU and do wish to remain in its employment…the position (irrespective of its occupant) is in need of fundamental review and change in the light of current requirements of the union in general and the DSD in particular’ (29 June 1979). These files, held by RC, were used in evidence by ITGWU clerical staff (in or around 1984) in their successful claim for equal pay in the Labour Court (O’Murchu was in Chair and defending ITGWU position was Paddy Clancy).

17 items


3 items

17  Feb 1977  Directory of Information Services for Trade Unionists, by the Information Section of the ITGWU.

25pp

18  1977-1978  Personnel details relating to RC’s absence from work in the Library, and library statistics and accounts. Includes a confidential memorandum of reply from RC to Daltun O’Ceallaigh relating to reasons for her absence from work. The memorandum also carries reference to research being carried out by Desmond Greaves (20 Mar 1977). Also details of loans of material from the library, as well as requests for material. Also library accounts from April-June 1978.

8 items

19  [1977-1979]  Photocopies of articles from various journals, some of which have been obtained from the AnCo Library, through interlibrary loans with the British Library. Includes ‘The Women’s Liberation movement in Russia: Feminism, Nihilism and Bolshevism 1860-1930, by Richard Stites, from Canadian Slavonic Papers Vol.21 (1979), and

10 items

20    Feb-Dec 1978    File containing a confidential memorandum from Daltun O’Ceallaigh to Róisín Conroy requiring her to supply completed weekly work diaries. Includes photocopies of diaries for the period Mar-May 1978, and a memorandum of reply from RC detailing her attempts to create a better library service, and protesting at O’Ceallaigh refusal to take into her account her position as a single mother, and his failure to recognise her as a conscientious worker. Also includes a covering letter from Platform, Blackrock, Co. Dublin enclosing a copy of *The 21st Dail and Seanad*, by Ted Nealon (24 Feb 1978).

6 items

21    [Apr 1978]    Draft and copy of a letter from RC to O’Ceallaigh concerning the library service, and enclosing ‘Suggestions for Improving Communications within the ITGWU’, written by RC. The document discusses the development of an information unit and improvements in the library service at the ITGWU.

6 items

22    June 1978    Confidential preliminary study entitled ‘The concept and practice of an Information Service’, by Daltun O’Ceallaigh, ITGWU.

72pp


12pp

24    [1979]    Circulation lists for periodical titles being forwarded to various staff members of the ITGWU.

34 items
25 1979 Pamphlet entitled ‘Radical Librarianship’, by John Lindsay. 18pp

26 1981-82 File relating to material supplied to RC from The Library Association of Ireland. Includes documents relating to the Annual Joint Conference of The Library Association of Ireland and The Library Association, Northern Ireland Branch, as well as association journals for Winter 1981, and Spring 1982. 6 items

27 1982 Gralton Magazine File of material relating to a publication entitled Gralton ‘an independent, non-sectarian form’ where the ‘Irish left…can discuss the present day realities of Irish society and debate the methods of radically changing it’. Includes correspondence between Róisín Conroy and John Crane, publication advertisements, and draft copies of a editorial statement. 15 items

28 [nd] List of international library contacts with names, addresses and areas of interest. 19pp

1.2. Women and Unions

29 c1973-1977 File relating to women and trade unions. Includes the Journal of the International Council of Social Democratic Women, dealing with trade unions and what they can offer women. Also contains a document from the Women’s Advisory Committee entitled ‘Women in Irish Society – the debate within the ITGWU’. 4 items

30 c1976-1977 File containing the manifesto of the
Socialist Women’s Group, as well as a news sheet printed by the People’s Democracy. Also articles relating to the emancipation of women and the right to work.

6 items

31 1984, 89-90 Contribution cards belonging to Róisín Conroy for both The Irish Worker’s Union (1984), and the National Union of Journalists (1989-90).

3 items

1.2.1. Irish Transport and General Workers Union (ITGWU)

32 [1973-76] File relating to the Women’s Advisory Committee of the ITGWU, and the Trade Union Women’s Forum (TUWF). Includes a photocopy of a report ‘Women in Irish Society – The Debate within the ITGWU’, submitted on behalf of the ITGWU Advisory Committee (1973). Also a photocopy of a circular letter from Derry McDermott, Trade Union Women’s Forum, on the establishment of a Trade Union Women’s Forum, with a list of its aims, guest speakers, and details of the forthcoming and subsequent meetings.

3 items

1.2.2. Irish Congress of Trade Unions. (ICTU)

33 1975-78 Meetings and seminars organized by the ICTU, and reports produced by the ICTU, Economic and Social Committee of the EEC, and the International Council of Social Democratic Women, with regard to equality, discrimination and maternity leave.

10 items

34 [1981] File containing the ICTU ‘Working Women’s Charter’, and a leaflet entitled ‘A Women’s Place is in her Union’. Also
includes a photocopy of an article describing ICTU’s efforts to introduce a motion on discrimination in the workplace at the Annual Delegate Conference. Also an article by Nell McCafferty on a dispute at Ranks Flour Mills, involving both workers and their wives.

6 items

1.2.3. Irish Women Worker’s Union and Federated Workers Union of Ireland

35 [nd] Photographs taken of the office of the Irish Women Workers Union, located above Pages Restaurant in Parliament Row, Dublin 2. (This restaurant was part of 48 Fleet Street premises – side door).

5 items


22pp

37 1984 Booklet entitled ‘Transfer of Engagements 1984: Irish Women Worker’s Union to Federated Worker’s Union of Ireland’. Also includes an information sheet from Padraigin Ní Mhurchu, General Secretary of the Irish Women Worker’s Union relating to proposals for the transfer (May 1984).

2 items

38 8 May 1985 A copy of The Irish Women Workers’ Branch of the FWUI report to the Irish Women Worker’s Convention. Includes promotional brochure.

2 items

39 1985 File relating to the Irish Women Worker’s Branch of FWUI. Includes branch reports and details of the Breslin Benevolent Fund.

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**1.2.4. Labour Women’s National Council (LWNC)**

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<td>Aug 1976-July 1978</td>
<td>File of correspondence detailing the workings and concerns of the LWNC and the Labour party. Includes letters from various campaign groups, notification of meetings to be held, and press releases. Also includes a letter sent to the council from ‘Six housewives that stay at home where they belong’…We will always be second class citizens more power to the men we deserve to be called nothing else’.</td>
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<td>1977-78</td>
<td>File of material related to the working of the LWNC as well as the Labour parties. Includes minutes of meetings, lists of delegates and election material relating to various candidates, and motions for consideration at meetings. ‘The reason why we have the LWNC is that women are under represented in political life throughout the world’.</td>
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<td>Feb-June 1978</td>
<td>Correspondence and reports relating to the Labour Party Sub-Committee, meetings of the LWNC, Labour Party newsletters, the Law Reform Commission, the Women’s Representative Council, and the establishment of a women’s group within the Confederation of Socialist Parties of the European Community and International Council of Social Democratic Women (ICSDW). Includes a copy of a letter to the editor of <em>The Irish Times</em> from the Executive Council of the LWNC. A letter from Mr. Justice Brian Walsh, President of the Law Reform Commission to Mary Freehill, Co-Coordinator of the LWNC, Family Law sub-committee</td>
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thanking her for a copy document on the law of Nullity and seeking the views of the LWNC on aspects of matrimonial law (1978). Also includes agendas and reports of ICSDW meetings.

33 items

45  Feb-July 1978  Correspondence between John Carroll, Vice President of the ITGWU and RC. The letters relate the views of the LWNC on nuclear power in Ireland, and the government’s proposal to build a nuclear power station at Carnsore Point, Co. Wexford. ‘At the very least we should have a public enquiry…much more preferable to this would be the implementation of the ICTU demand for a permanent Energy Council’. (N/B The late Petra Kelly was very involved in this campaign, she travelled regularly from Germany to Ireland during this period).

5 items

46  14 Aug 1978  Letter from Cormac O Cuilleanain, Editor of an Administrative Diary and Yearbook, published by the Institute of Public Administration, to the LWNC asking them for information on the council to include in the 1979 edition.

1p

47  Oct-Dec 1978  The establishment of a women’s working group within the Confederation of the Socialist Parties of the European Community, the Women’s Advisory Council, and the Labour Women’s National Council. In relation to the Women’s Working Group, includes a letter from Fionnuala Richardson, Socialist Group, European Parliament to RC, Secretary of the LWNC, informing her of the meeting to establish formally a women’s working group (24 July 1978); a ‘working paper prepared for the Women’s Group’ (15 Dec 1978), and ‘The position of Women in the European Community’, by Karen Dahlerup (20 Dec 1978). On the Women’s Advisory Council, the file includes a profile of the Council’s aims and structure (1972/73), and a policy statement entitled ‘The Status of Women in Society’. The file also includes a profile of the history, objectives and structure of the LNWC (1975-77), sub-committee reports and statements on education, nullity and divorce, and equality. Also a list of constituency delegates to the LWNC, and material relating to the 1977 election campaign of Mary Freehill, Secretary of the LWNC, and Labour Party candidate for Dublin South East.

41 items
48 8 Nov 1978 Letter from [?], Castleknock, Co. Dublin to RC. The letter expresses support for RC upon her resignation from the LWNC. ‘Unfortunately, your going will be a possible fatal blow to the council – there are few with your integrity… the truth is that the enemies of the [Labour] party are within, and we must fight them from within’. (N/B As the Labour Party had publicly separated itself from and criticised the Equal Pay Campaign which the LWNC supported, RC felt bound to publicly resign as the LWNC Secretary).

2pp

49 1978-79 Policy document on women from the Socialist Labour Party. Includes sections on women and work, childcare, the family and health, education, agriculture, family law, social welfare, trade union, and fertility.

10pp

50 28 May 1979 Confidential address list of international senior members, member parties, consultative parties, and fraternal and associated organisations of Socialist International.

36pp

1.3. Campaigns

1.3.1. Equal Pay


5 items
Equal pay claims for women members of the ITGWU under the fourteenth Round of the National Wage Agreement. Includes two circular letters from the Development Services Division of the ITGWU to Branch Secretaries, listing the circumstances for trade unions to submit equal pay claims. Includes copy replies from branch secretaries. Also includes a covering letter from Michael Mullin, General Secretary of the ITGWU to Mr. Clancy, Development Division of the ITGWU enclosing a copy of a circular from Donal Nevin, ICTU, to affiliated unions. Mullen refers to Manus O’Riordan’s (Senior research Officer of the Development Services, ITGWU) efforts to gather information on equal pay and also states that O’Riordan ‘should be acquainted with the terms of this ridiculous circular’ (27 June 1973). Also typescript guidelines for women workers and trade union representatives on how to make a claim under the Anti-discrimination (Pay) Act 1974. Also includes newspaper articles from *The Irish Times* and from *Liberty*. (See Also /15 above)

Press cuttings, reports, research notes, and photocopies of articles relating to the agitation for the implementation of equal pay legislation known as the Anti-Discrimination (Pay) Act of 1974 in Ireland, and the proposed amendment to the Act by the (Labour Party) Minister for Labour Michael O’Leary and the procurement of financial aid from the E.E.C to subsidise equal pay in industry. Also includes press cutting from *The Irish Times* on the worker’s strike at Thoms Directory, Merrion Square, Dublin (1975), and the worker occupation of the Lip factory in France (1976); report from *The Sunday Press* on career prospects for school leavers in 1975; ‘Report on the Irish Footwear Industry to the Minister for Labour, 1946’; fact sheet entitled ‘Legislative changes affecting women workers since 1970’, issued by the Women’s Political Association (WPA), with manuscript notes on the reverse side relating to wages and the WPA. The file also containing a letter from RC to *The Irish Times* detailing that ‘The average industrial earnings of a man at the end of June was 122.7p per hour and for a women the figure was 73.9p an hour…It is time that the exploitation of our women workforce was realised by the government and it made its elimination a priority (1975).
rights in Industry. Includes an explanatory leaflet detailing the role and work of the Labour Court, an a photocopy of an article discussing how the Labour Court seemed to be giving women little hope of equality (1976).

4 items


12 items


30pp

57  Jan 1976-Feb 1980 File relating to agitation for the implementation of equal pay legislation and better working conditions. Includes press cuttings from The Irish Times concerning the tabling of a strike motion for a delegate conference on equal pay by the Executive Committee of the Civil and Public Services Union. Also a typescript list of demands from Irish Women United (IWU) regarding legislation and the access of women to all types of employment, training, maternity leave, and material from IWU concerning a Forum on equal pay to be held in the Mansion House.

6 items

58  Sept 1977 A Confidential report on Equal Pay in the ITGWU produced by the Research Department of the ITGWU.

33pp

59  Sept 1977-Nov 1978 File relating to equality for women workers including married women with particular reference to the Employment Equality

7 items

60 Dec 1978 ‘Equal Pay. A Bibliography’. Compiled by RC, Librarian, ITGWU. 56pp


1.3.2. Social Welfare


63 6 May 1978 Typescript copy of a paper entitled ‘Sex Discrimination and Social Welfare – Are the Benefits of Equality Illusionary’, delivered by Eithne Fitzgerald to the Irish Council for Civil Liberties. 5pp
1.3.3. Legal Aid

64 May 1975 Submission by the ITGWU entitled ‘Legal Aid’. Includes ms notes by RC relating to the Labour Women’s National Council, Free Legal Aid and the Josie Airey legal case.

2 items

65 1975-1977 Newspaper cuttings mainly from The Irish Times, Irish Press and Irish Independent relating to problems associated with the free legal aid system. Includes cuttings relating to the barrister dispute over the state criminal legal aid scheme and settlement terms arranged with the Minister for Justice.

7 items

1.3.4. Children and Family Law

66 [nd] File relating to the services and work of youth organizations, and the need for a national youth policy. Includes a photocopy of ‘Youth in Need’ a report from Contact, an advisory service to young people; a newsletter entitled Youth Forum, from the National Youth Council of Ireland (1976); a list of youth clubs in the Dublin area; and a report in The Irish Times on a survey carried out by the Fine Gael branch at TCD on families living in the corporation flats at Pearse St, Cuffe St, and Mercier St., which showed inadequate educational and recreational facilities for children.

9 items

67 [1974-1976] File relating to childcare services which assist and monitor violence within the family. Includes an article ‘ISPCC: A Service for all the family’ from Relate: Information Bulletin of the National Social Service Council vol.1.4 (1974). Press cuttings from The Guardian concerning the grant by Essex County Council to the NSPCC to set up an action research unit to study violence in the family (1976), and an article
from the *Irish Independent* relating to a report to set up a central register for child brutality victims (1976).

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<td>Typescript paper entitled ‘The Family in Modern Society’, written by Ivor Browne. The paper seeks to ‘question the effectiveness of the family as it exists in contemporary western society, in carrying out…jobs which have been assigned to it.’ 22pp</td>
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<td>1975-1976</td>
<td>File relating to adoption laws, childlessness, and Juvenile detention in Ireland. Includes copies of <em>Relate</em>, featuring an article on the adoption procedure, and newspaper cuttings relating to a Supreme Court decision (1976) to return a six year old boy adopted in 1971 to his natural parents. Also includes news cutting relating to the opening of Scoil Ard Mhuire at Lusk, as a Juvenile Detention centre (1975).</td>
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<td>Newspaper cuttings relating to the campaign for legal reform in Ireland in relation to family law.</td>
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<td>Newspaper cutting relating mainly to children, the Family Home Protection Bill (1976), and the views of the Free Legal Aid Council (FLAC) on the Bill. 33 items</td>
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<td>74</td>
<td>[1977-1978]</td>
<td>Submissions and reports from the ICTU, regarding the improvement of maternity leave provisions in Ireland. Includes a photocopy of a paper entitled ‘Paper on Maternity Provisions’, by Inez McCormack which examines discriminatory attitudes in employment towards women at work and statutory provisions for maternity leave. 3 items</td>
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<td>[1977-1978]</td>
<td>File relating to maternity provisions for women in Ireland, as well as the childcare policies of Dublin Corporation. Also examines similar policies in Northern Ireland. Many of the reports are provided to RC by the Combat Poverty Agency. 10 items</td>
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<td>Newspaper articles relating to the work of the Action Information Motivation Group (AIM). Includes references to the Forum for</td>
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Five Women, held in Dublin, and the publication of their report on legal separation in Ireland.

30 items

78  1975-1980  File of newspaper cuttings relating to problems associated with Catholic annulments and divorce legislation. Includes comments made by Dr. Eamon Casey, Bishop of Kerry in a Pastoral on the need for ‘children’s allowances for unborn children’ in *The Irish Times* (1976). Also a report on a statement by AIM in *The Irish Times* concerning ‘grave risks’ involved for women and children in second church marriages resulting from Catholic church annulments. AIM describes these second marriages as ‘sanctified legal suicide’ there being no legal protection for the wife or the children of a second marriage who will have the status of illegitimacy (1976).

7 items

1.3.7. Other

79  1977  Information leaflet issued by Dublin No.2 Branch of the ITGWU, Liberty Hall, Dublin, concerning the strike at Kilmartin’s Turf Accountants and seeking support on the picket line as well as financial support for the strike fund.

1p

80  [1978]  Documentation relating to the establishment of a Nuclear power station at Carnsore Point, Co. Wexford, with reference to safety, alternative energy sources, costs and the feasibility of nuclear power in Ireland and globally. Includes press cuttings relating to reservations expressed by John Carroll, Vice-President of the ITGWU on the plans for the establishment of the power station at Carnsore point (1978). Also includes articles entitled ‘The European community and Nuclear Safety’, and ‘Nuclear Power in Long-Run Energy Supply’, by JA Crutchfield from The Economic and Social Research Institute. (See Also /45 above)

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<td>Information sheet relating to an ITGWU strike of McDonald’s restaurant in Dublin City centre. The dispute centres around McDonald’s refusal to recognise the union.</td>
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<td>82</td>
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<td>Leaflets issued by the Dublin No.4 Branch of the ITGWU seeking support for the workers on strike in McDonalds, O’Connell St., Dublin.</td>
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<td>83</td>
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<td>Information sheet seeking support for the occupation of Confexim Ltd. factory premises in Drogheda, by twenty-five women employees. The dispute centres on the factory owners ‘disappearance’ from Ireland having not paid the workers wages.</td>
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### 1.4. Irish Labour History Society

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<td>File containing flyers and brochures relating to the Irish Labour History Society. Includes a document detailing the aims of the society.</td>
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<td>Copies of Saothar (vol.1, 2, 3, and 5) and other newsletters published by the Irish Labour History Society.</td>
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<td>88</td>
<td>1977-1978</td>
<td>Letter from Pat Scully, Secretary of the Sean Dunn Branch of the Labour Party to RC enclosing papers relating to the foundation of the branch stating that ‘they would be of interest to the Labour History Society’.</td>
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<td>90</td>
<td>1978</td>
<td>File relating to the organization and mounting of an exhibition entitled ‘Irish Labour History’ in the Arts Centre, Cornmarket, Wexford. Includes material relating to the compilation of an exhibition handout, and election literature and photographs of Senator Mary Francis Davidson, nominated for the Industrial and Commercial panel for Seanad Elections, 1961. Also two postcards from Andree Skeffington, Terenure Rd., Dublin, to RC discussing the exhibition and providing information on the lives of people included in the exhibition. Also includes a draft article on Brehon Laws and women in early Ireland.</td>
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92  [c1978]  Copies of newspaper articles taken from the Times Pictorial (1952), as well as transcript and typescript bibliographies of leading historical figures of the labour and socialist movements. Includes Karl Marx, William Thompson and Anna Wheeler, Keir Hardy, James Larkin and James Connolly.

41 items

93  May Sept 1983  File of letters relating to research on women’s history concerned with a Irish women’s history project organised by the Irish Labour History Society for its Annual Conference 1984. Includes a letter from Clare O’Connor to Mary Jones regarding Jones’ research and the archives she’s been working on relating to the Irish Women’s Workers Union. Margeret MacCurtin asks Clare O’Connor for an extension for her article on women in agriculture. Also includes letters to Barbara Kelly and Catherine Ross regarding the publication of a book entitled ‘A Hundred years of Irish Women Workers: 1850-1950’, for the Trade Union Women’s Forum.

11 items

94  1983  Research notes and biographical material relating to Irish women in history. Includes articles entitled ‘A Woman’s Place 1935’ by G. Sweeney, and bibliographies for research on Women’, by Patricia Ballou. Also short bibliographies for significant figures such as Lily O’Brennan, Linda Kearns, Kate O’Callahan, Agnes O’Farrell, Mary Hayden, Mary Macken, Margaret Buckley, Albina Broderick, Madeleine Ffrench-Mullen, Dr. Kathleen Lynn, Dr. Ada English, Winifred Carney, Jennie Wyse Power, Louise Gavan Duffy, Cora Hughes, Miss Calahan, Gladys Evans, Lily Reynolds, Alice Brady, Mary Bonaventure, Finola O’Donnell, Alice Kyteler, Margaret Desmond, Francis Power Cobbe, Marie Egeworth, and Kathleen Clarke. The file also includes a newspaper cutting regarding the Irish actress Peg Woffington, short bibliographies of Irish saints, and a ts of a paper delivered at the ICTU Women’s Advisory Committee entitled “Women in the Irish Trade Unions: A Note’, list of contacts and sources,
and a list of photographs lent to Noreen Green from RC. See also: Women’s Publications.

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<td>File relating to the women’s history project detailing that ‘The Women’s Committee [of the National Union of Public Employees] had already been approached by the Irish Labour History Society to undertake a project on women’s history for its Annual Conference in Sept 1984’, one of the aims of the project being ‘to compile an introductory history of women’s health in Northern Ireland’. Includes some interview extracts relating to women’s health and old wives tales employed as cures for colic, warts, and ringworm.</td>
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<td>File relating to the Irish Labour History Society’s Annual Symposium, held at Trinity College, Dublin. Includes a draft press release outlining the purpose of the symposium, a programme of the talks and workshops, applications forms and list of representatives from Women in Community Publishing. The file includes abstracts of workshop papers given by various contributors to the symposium, notes for the chairpersons, and a report on the Labour History Conference by the women on the Community in Publishing course.</td>
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<td>98</td>
<td>Attendance ticket for the Irish Labour History Society’s annual symposium, belonging to Therese Caherty, a student of the Women in Community Publishing Course.</td>
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1.5. Collected publications relating to the labour movement

100  [nd]  Pamphlet entitled ‘The Connolly Deleon Controversy on Wages, Marriage and the Church’. Historical reprints No.15, published by The Cork Workers’ Club.

46pp

101  [nd]  Photocopy of an article entitled ‘The Trade Union Organization in Ireland’, from *The Statistical and Social Inquiry of Ireland*.

1p

102  [nd]  Photocopy of a pamphlet entitled [‘Firey cross: The Story of Jim Larkin’, by Joseph Deasy]

40pp


23pp


1p

Photocopy of the title page of ‘Ireland at Berne’, which contained the reports and memoranda presented to the International Labour and Socialist Conference held at Berne, in February 1919. Issued by the authority of the National Executive of the Irish Labour Party and Trade Union Congress.


Article entitled ‘Inquest on Labour Inquiry’, reprinted from Standard (May 1944), and published by the National Labour Party.

Four copies of ‘Planting the Seed’, published by the National Executive Council of the ITGWU.

Two postcards from the Ironbridge Gorge Museum Trust featuring a trade union certificate for the Amalgamated Society of
Carpenters and Joiners, engraved by A. J. Waudby, 1866; and a trade union certificate for the Amalgamated Society of Engineers, Machinists, Millwrights, Smith and Pattern Makers.

2 items


15pp


1p


5pp


17pp


4pp


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<td>Photocopies of <em>Axe to Root</em>, and <em>Old Wine in New Bottles</em>, by James Connolly.</td>
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<td>Photocopy of a published radio address on ‘Collective Bargaining – A first Step’, Rev. R. A. McGowan, Assistant Director of the Department of Social Action of the National Catholic Welfare Conference. This address was the first in a series of three addresses on ‘Society and Social Encyclicals – America’s Road Out’, delivered in the Catholic Hour on May 9, 1937.</td>
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<td>Photocopy of an article entitled ‘The Unions Reply to the Labour Party’s Statement’. 6pp</td>
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<td>‘Current Questions. Extracts from recent speeches by Eamonn de Valera’, published by Fianna Fail. 53pp</td>
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<td><em>Congress Bulletin</em>, issued by the Irish Trade Union Congress. Includes a report on the annual general meeting of the Congress. 8pp</td>
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<td>130</td>
<td>1959</td>
<td><em>Fifty years of Liberty Hall, 1909-1959</em> 104pp</td>
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<td>1961,1965</td>
<td>Seanad Eireann Election notices from 1961 and 1965, issued by Senator Mary Francis Davidson seeking support for election to the Industrial and Commercial Panel. 2 items</td>
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140 | 1974 | Pamphlet entitled ‘Revolutionary Movements of the Past’, by John De Courcy Ireland, published by the Republican Education Department.  
| | | 26pp |

| | | 6 items |

142 | c1975 | ‘Chronicle of the development of the ITGWU 1909 to 1975’.  
| | | 7pp |

| | | 39pp |

| | | 25pp |

145 | Jan 1976 | *Liberty*, published by the ITGWU, featuring an article entitled ‘Let us mobilise our strength as a union and win equality for women now’.  
| | | [incomplete] 4pp |

| | | 23pp |
147  Autumn 1976  Society for the Study of Labour History.
Bulletin No.33  84pp


149  Nov 1977  Pamphlet reprinted from the Sept/Oct 177 issue of Unfree Citizen, the newsletter of Peoples’ Democracy. ‘We are reprinting it to spread the word about the true nature of British Imperialist rule in the 6 counties’.  5pp


151  [1978]  Pamphlet entitled ‘Ireland’s right to Unity’, published by the British Peace Committee.  8pp


153  [1979]  ‘The Story of the Limerick Soviet, the 1919 general strike against British militarism’.  24pp
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<td>Copy of a publication entitled ‘Employment Rights Guide’, issued by the Coolock Community Law Centre, Dublin 5.</td>
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<td>Photocopy of an article entitled ‘Rediscovering Suffrage History’, by Jill Liddington, from History Workshop: A Journal of Socialist Historians.</td>
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<td>Untitled article taken from The Scorcher, published in Cardiff and Swansea. Includes a discussion on the struggle of the working class in Britain against poverty.</td>
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<td>1982</td>
<td>Document entitled ‘Local Studies List’, containing a list of the holdings of Sligo County Library relating to local studies.</td>
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<td>159</td>
<td>13 Feb 1983</td>
<td>London Workers Group Bulletin</td>
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161  May 1983  ‘Nineteen Eighty-Three. A First Trade Union Annual’. Published by the Lancashire Association of Trade Councils. 96pp

162  [1983]  Photocopy of a advertisement for a video entitled ‘Unenjoyment’, made by unemployed people in Finglas, about unemployment in the area. 1p
2. IRISH FEMINIST INFORMATION AND ATTIC PRESS

2.1. Development and Structure

163 [1978-83] List of addresses of IFI members. 2pp

164 [nd] List of contact addresses for various groups in Ireland. Includes women’s groups as well as the Single Women’s Association, Sexual Counselling for Disabled, and the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. 5 items

165 [c1979] Material detailing the aims and objectives of Irish Feminist Information (IFI), a co-operative distribution service for women’s writing in Ireland, which was ‘set up around the idea of a Women’s Calendar’. The file details the setting up of IFI by Róisín Conroy and Mary Doran in 1979, and gives details material disseminated. 5 items

166 [nd] File entitled ‘Index to Files on Women’. Contains lists of files and corresponding numbers under the following headings; Equal Pay, Anti-discrimination, Social Welfare/Tax, Politics, Family Law, E.E.C, Working Women, Women’s Organisations, and Trade Unions. 9pp

167 1980-81 Two telegrams to RC. One relates to a meeting to be held in Boswell’s Hotel, while the other relates to a proposition from Marian [Finucane]. 2 items
‘New types of employment initiatives…relating to women’, Study no.81/26B, The Centre for Research on European Women for the Commission of the European Communities. c.110pp

Annual Report and Accounts from AnCo, The Industrial Training Authority. 36pp

File relating to an agreement between IFI and Books Upstairs to work together for the year 1981 as a publishing group, with a view to solidifying the relationship in the future. Includes discussion documents and minutes of meetings held between IFI and Books Upstairs. Also correspondence between the two parties. 11 items

Copy letter from RC of IFI to Clé, detailing the enclosure of £50 membership fee due. 2pp

Minutes of a meeting of the heads of Irish print publishing companies, held at University College, Cork. 3pp

File containing documentation relating to the development and structure of IFI. Includes a retrospective study of the non-viability of the ‘The women’s Diary and Guidebook 1979-1982’, and the non-viability of the co-operative between IFI and Books Upstairs. 6 items

File of material relating to the incorporation of Irish Feminist Publications Limited under
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<td>[c. Jan 1982-Jan 1987]</td>
<td>Minutes and copy minutes of the meetings of IFI.</td>
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<td>c1983-1984</td>
<td>File relating to the process of creative writing. Includes newspaper cuttings and advertisements for workshops run by <em>The Irish Times</em> and by the Tyrone Guthrie Centre.</td>
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<td>Manuscript book entitled ‘Students notebook. Marks and progress’, containing notes by RC on various subjects including minutes of meetings, women’s equality, and <em>Status Magazine</em>.</td>
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<td>Discussion document detailing reflections among directors regarding the rules of IFI.</td>
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<td>179</td>
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<td>Confidential draft copy of a document detailing the structure of IFI. Includes lists of individuals under the headings; possible friends, business people, sources of information, politicians, and journalists/writers/broadcasters.</td>
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<td>180</td>
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<td>Copy of an agreement between IFI and it’s directors. The directors agree to advance £400 (£200 each by Mary Doran and Róisín Conroy) without interest to the company.</td>
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<td>IFI document detailing training sessions for new IFI board members.</td>
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<td>182</td>
<td>1983-85</td>
<td>Correspondence between IFI and various individuals relating to offers issued to join the Board of Directors of IFI.</td>
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<td>c1983-87</td>
<td>List of files and file numbers held by the IFI/Attic Press office.</td>
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<td>1983-88</td>
<td>Company Register for IFI detailing shareholders and members of the Board of Directors. Includes a Notice of change of directors.</td>
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<td>185</td>
<td>1983-88</td>
<td>Bound volume containing the minutes of meetings of IFI. For the period 1983 to 1984, most of the minutes are taken up with the running of two full time ten month courses. During 1986 and 1987 time was spent assessing the pulls between IFI as a voluntary non-profit making organization and Attic Press establishing itself as a commercial enterprise. Towards the end of 1987 and the beginning of 1988 most of the minutes are concerned with the development of structures, and the separation of Attic Press and IFI.</td>
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<td>186</td>
<td>c1984</td>
<td>File of stationary provided by various graphic designers for consideration by Attic Press, in relation to the development of their own stationary.</td>
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<td>[nd]</td>
<td>Blank stationary from Attic and Basement Press. Includes stock movement sheets, periodical circulation records, order forms</td>
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and stock lists, payment notes, and design specification forms.

14 items

188 c.Feb-May 1984 File of letters concerned with the formulation of an Attic Press Logo, as well as with the printing of a poster promoting writings by Irish women. It is proposed that an Irish Female artist be commissioned to design the poster, and that the poster will be used at the First International Feminist Book Fair. N/B The Attic logo (a woman pushing a pencil) incorporated a design by Rachel Humphries and Keggy Carew. The Design chosen for IFI poster was by Amelia Stein which contained a photograph of a young ‘punk’ Camden Street trader.

15 items

189 18 Dec 1984 Receipt from IFI regarding books published.

1p

190 Dec 1984-Apr 1985 Correspondence between RC and Nuala Fennell, Minister of State For Women’s Affairs related to a proposed seminar on setting up and developing small businesses. Includes a list of women’s groups who may be interested in attending, and a letter of thanks to RC relating to a presentation given. Includes a publication entitled ‘Women mean business: An Introduction to setting up your own small business’.

19 items

191 [nd] Information pack entitled ‘Sweatshop. A woman’s guide to self-employment’. Includes information on how to organize your kitchen table into a suitable work desk, case studies, information relating to marketing and advertising, finance and book-keeping, and the law.

16 items

192 1984 File relating to publishing projects identified for 1984/85. Includes notes on marketing and typesetting.

11 items
193  1984  Trade sheet from the Radical Bookseller, carrying an advertisement for IFI and the Irish Woman’s Diary.  

1p

194  June 1985  Project development plan for IFI compiled by Marion Henderon, as Enterprise Worker employed by IFI in February 1985 to work on the feasibility of creating new, financially viable, self-managed employment enterprises in the broad area of publishing, with particular reference to trainees of the IFI Women in Community Publishing Courses. The Enterprise Worker was also employed to work on the development of Women’s Community Press and Attic.  

45pp

195  c1985-86  File relating to the employment of Maria Walsh by Attic Press, ‘who will involve herself directly with the selling of Attic Press books’. Includes detailed projections of sales compiled by Walsh.  

7 items


2 items

197  Nov-Dec 1986  Questionnaire sent to Attic Press by the Co-operative Action Programme on Local Initiatives for Employment Creation (ILE Programme). The questionnaire is an attempt to set up an international network in the field of women, local initiative, and job creation. Also includes a report from ILE which arose from an international seminar held in Paris.  

2 items

198  1986  Material relating to the Youth Employment
Agency and Bank of Ireland Mini-company Programme, ‘enabling young people to sample the business world’.

3 items

199  1986  

24pp

200  c1986  
Report from the Enterprise Worker detailing work completed according to objectives set.

3pp

201  1986-89  
File of material relating to IFI’s employment of two workers during 1986 and 1987, under the Social Employment Scheme, run by the Department of Labour. The Scheme later came under the jurisdiction of FAS.

78 items (2 folders)

202  [nd]  
Two Curriculum Vitae sent to IFI regarding potential employment with IFI/Attic Press.

2 items

203  [nd]  
Copy of an agreement between IFI and Gill and Macmillan Ltd, whereby Gill and Macmillan agree to grant IFI the exclusive right to publish an unspecified volume in the English language.

4pp
Minutes of a meeting between MPK and RC detailing Attic Press publications for 1987, and research being conducted into publications for 1988.

Letter from IFI to Padraigin Ni Murchu asking her to reconsider her decision to resign as an acting board member, in light of the fact that the advisory board of IFI has recommended that anomalies which exist between the legal board and the advisory board of IFI be regularised. ‘In view of your previous involvement in the organisation it is felt you would have a valuable and important role to play’.

Report on the expansion of Irish Publishing by Charles Pick Consultancy sent to Mary Paul Keane of Attic Press. The report was commissioned by The Arts Council, Bord na Gaelige, Coras Trachtala and The Industrial Development Authority. It contains a review of Attic Press.

Diagrammatic charts relating to proposals for the re-structuring of IFI.

Attic Press Stock lists and order forms.

File of material relating to the restructuring of IFI/Attic Press and the redefinition of individual roles within the organizations.

File of minutes and copy minutes and correspondence relating to the restructuring of IFI/Attic Press and to the ensuing
disagreement between the two principal directors of Attic Press, Róisín Conroy and Mary Paul Keane. Includes Mary Paul Keane’s letter of resignation from Attic Press and the terms of her withdrawal from the company. ‘My head is pounding and I feel a great gulf between us which I am no longer confident about bridging’ (MPK to RC, 6 May 1988).

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<td>c.14 Nov 1988</td>
<td>File containing the minutes of the 1988 Annual General Meeting and an Extraordinary General Meeting of IFI/Attic Press. The minutes detail the separation of IFI and Attic Press, the resignation of Mary Paul Keane, and the agreement in principle to maintain IFI as a sleeping company for historical purposes. The file also includes a copy of the agreement finalising the separation and the withdrawal of Mary Paul Keane from Attic Press.</td>
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<td>File relating to the Attic Press decision to purchase Desk Top Publishing equipment for the company.</td>
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<td>214</td>
<td>Jan-Oct 1989</td>
<td>Hardback weekly record of Attic Press staff meetings, with typescript copy of weekly agenda relating to such topics as Editorials, Sales and Marketing, and Finance and Structure. Also includes a computer printout of Attic Press titles under the headings ‘Scheduled, Probable, Possible’, and a printout of a memo from RC to Ailbhe Smith regarding AIS rights on named books.</td>
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<td>Feb 1989</td>
<td>Report entitled ‘Women in Publishing: Twice as Many, Half as Powerful?’ written by Frances Tomlinson and Fiona Colgan,</td>
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The Business School, Polytechnic of North London. The report is concerned with the employment of women in the UK book publishing industry.

c.68pp

216 1 July 1991 Postcard from Attic Press giving notice of a change of address to 4 Upper Mount Street, Dublin 2.
1 item

217 Jan 1991-Jan 1994 File of minutes of the meetings, meeting agenda, and internal memoranda between individuals of Attic Press, mainly concerned with editorial policy.

c.184 items (2 folders)


c.228 items

2.1.1. IFI premises at 48 Fleet Street

219 1890-1980 Copies of leases for the premises of 48 Fleet Street; let by the corporation to Terence Kelly in 1890 for 75 years, in 1953 let by the corporation to trustees of the Irish Women’s Workers Union (IWWU), and in 1980 let by IWWU to Edward Lyons.
9 items

220 1973-84 File containing articles of association regarding charities – Hope Ltd, and Cherish Ltd and newspaper cutting ‘Charities boom in the face of recession’. File includes development programme for the activities of the premises, ‘In order to acquire the building, a holding company has been set up, with a Board of Trustees...The immediate financial requirement, to purchase the lease and set up the bookshop and café is 87,000 pounds. It is proposed to raise this money through the sale of 87 shares of 1000 pounds each...In the long term we need to raise a further
150,000 pounds to purchase the entire premises.’ Includes solicitors letters regarding purchasing the lease for the premises.

3 items


93pp

222 March 1983 Letter and Memorandum of Association relating to the formation of Fleet Street Arts and Publishing Ltd, ‘a co-operative scheme by Irish women, to promote and develop a centre which will act as a catalyst in realizing women’s full potential in the field of arts and communication’. The purpose of the group is to purchase and manage 48 Fleet Street, Dublin. Also multiple copies of briefs relating to Fleet St.

23 items

223 1983-85 Correspondence between IFI and the FWUI regarding improvements to be made to the premises at Fleet Street, in lieu of rent; proposals to purchase the lease form FWUI; notice for IFI to quit the premises; and letters detailing the eviction of IFI as well as a disagreement over the ownership of the office carpet, missing stock, and purported offence causes to administrators of the Breslin Fund.

c.50 items (2 folders)

224 Jan 1984-Feb 1985 Material relates to the Ireland fund, Boston, Massachusetts, which Aine O’Maolain applies to for a grant of £25,000. She writes ‘You will note that we have reversed the order in which we intend raising the money for the purchase of 48 Fleet St. This decision was taken after serious consideration and reflection following discussions with our financial and legal advisors together with the owners of the building. We now intend postponing the bookshop project until the end of 1986. The fund responds by stating it is unable to award the required funds. Includes a summary of Fleet Street income and expenditure.

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<td>Jul 1984-Dec 1985</td>
<td>Correspondence between members of IFI with various insurance companies following a break-in at Fleet St. Includes a copy of the Garda report form, an account of the break-in with details of stolen goods, plan of layout of the premises and agreement regarding Women in Community Publishing and IFI regarding new premises at 44 East Essex St. Also correspondence with solicitors in relation to rents and rates.</td>
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<td>226</td>
<td>Oct 1984-Jan 1985</td>
<td>File of material relating to Women’s Community Press and their attempts to purchase premises in Fleet St. Includes letters regarding the purchase ‘following very recent discussions with the FWUI…we have been informed that unless we can raise 2000,000 pounds by July this year to purchase 48 Fleet Street vacant possession will be required by the owners to allow sale of the property to take place on the open market’. Also includes a list of possible sponsors and a letter from Mary Linehan asking that her name be removed from Fleet Street company notepaper as a director, ‘I would be more than happy to be included as a sponsor or patron or some list of supporters, I would not be prepared to be a director of the company’.</td>
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<td>227</td>
<td>Oct 1984-Feb 1985</td>
<td>File containing an inventory of fixtures, fittings, equipment, area calculation, and costs in acquiring Fleet St. Also a draft extract from an IFI meeting regarding the premises and bookshop, and a copy of solicitors letters related to IFI’s offer to purchase. Includes a list of contributors and amounts donated, and a preliminary report from Aine O’Maolain regarding funding.</td>
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<td>Jul-Sep 1985</td>
<td>Correspondence between IFI/Attic Press and various individuals concerning a search for new premises. ‘We are under starters orders from FWUI…to vacate the premises in Fleet St.’</td>
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<td>c1987</td>
<td>File of possible financial supporters compiled in 1984. The list is accessed in</td>
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relation to attempts by IFI/Attic Press to 
purchase a building at Fleet Street. ‘A woman’s Arts centre, might [jog] a 
name or two for Attic Press.’

### 2.1.2. Financial Administration

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<td>Material relating to the Commission of European Communities. Contains a supplement to ‘Women of Europe. Equal Opportunities: Action Programme’, and a list of Section 54 grants available from the Equal Opportunities Commission.</td>
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<td>232</td>
<td>[1982]</td>
<td>File relating to the European Social Fund. Contains a practical guide for applicants as well as copies of application forms for assistance from the fund.</td>
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<td>233</td>
<td>July 1983</td>
<td>Proposal from IFI to the Women’s Bureau (in Europe) seeking funds for the establishment of a Community Publishing and Bookselling Co-operative.</td>
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<td>234</td>
<td>July 1983</td>
<td>Letters and a copy of a proposal submitted to the Bureau for Questions Concerning</td>
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Employment and Equal Treatment for Women, under the Commission of the European Communities, for consideration for possible funding under the European Action Programme. The proposal relates to the setting up of a Women’s Community Publishing and Bookselling Co-operative.

3 items


4pp

236 1983-1985 File containing material relating to a proposal for funding submitted by RC to the Employment Equality Agency for various projects. The letters detail the provision of £500 but the refusal of a grant for the sum of £37,214. Mary Doran responds ‘We could not avoid noticing that large sections of your research budget are filtered to one specific approach of research which is highly academic in format and turgid in its presentation. This makes both the analysis and findings unavailable to a wide audience. Furthermore, the majority of researchers commissioned by your agency are men, and not surprisingly have ignored a feminist critique of their own disciplines’.

25 items

237 June-July 1984 Letters from Colette Cullen, Chartered Accountant, and a draft copy of an IFI financial statement for the period ending June 30, 1984.

5 items


68pp
239  c1984 Submission to the Employment Equality Agency for funding of nine titles, including *The Irishwoman’s Diary*, *The Best of Nell*, and *Sexism in Irish Education*. 10pp

240  1984-85 File relating to the German Marshall Fund U.S Equal Opportunities Fellowship. Contains the CV’s of RC, Patricia Kelleher, Liz Harper, MPK. Includes general information on Women’s Community Press and IFI, and the issues and themes which IFI wish to pursue in the US. Also a sample of the types of centres, organizations etc. they would like to visit. Includes details of the fund and a brief description of the programme fellowship. Also inclusive of a letter from the fund stating that they are ‘sorry to inform you that the fund will not be able to offer you a fellowship’. Conroy replies asking for a list of those admitted. c.30 items

241  1984-85 File relating to an application from RC to the Skaggs Foundation, US for funding to participate in the UN Decade for Women Conference. The file details the granting of $1,000 for travel expenses for one member of IFI. 13 items

242  1984-85 File concerned with an IFI application for funds from the employment of an enterprise worker. Inclusive of an information pack from the Youth Employment Agency and Youth Enterprise. 15 items

243  1984-85 Financial Statements from IFI for the periods ending June 30, 1984, and June 30, 1985. 11 items

244  1984-90 Correspondence between the Bank of Ireland and IFI/Attic Press regarding the setting up of overdraft facilities, as well as the securing of loans.
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<td>Auditor’s Report to the members of IFI.</td>
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<td>246</td>
<td>June 1985</td>
<td>Letter and advertisement for a ‘Start your own business’ competition from the Bank of Ireland.</td>
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<td>Aug 1985-May 1987</td>
<td>Correspondence between Attic Press and the Youth Employment Agency regarding the former’s application for commercial grant aid. The letters detail the agency’s agreement to fund Attic Press and are concerned with the drawing up of an agreement between the two.</td>
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<td>c1985-87</td>
<td>File containing material relating to sources for international funding. Includes the German Marshall Fund and the Ireland Fund.</td>
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<td>3 Feb 1986</td>
<td>Letter from The Youth Employment Agency to Attic Press enclosing a copy of a funding agreement between the two parties. The agreement is signed by the agency.</td>
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<td>Mar 1986</td>
<td>File of draft and copy material relating to a proposal submitted to a ‘Get down to Business’ competition run by <em>U Magazine</em>. The proposal centers on the installation of an Alpha Micro computer at Attic Press.</td>
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<td>Statement of Assets and Liabilities of IFI.</td>
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<td>253</td>
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<td>File of letters to and from Maria Walsh, Attic Press, relating to funding for a publication entitled 'Woman to Woman', A Health Care Guide and Directory, by Anne Roper, to be published by Attic Press in 1986. Many of the letters detail the decision of various organisations not to fund the publication.</td>
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<td>254</td>
<td>1986</td>
<td>Copy proposal and correspondence between IFI and the Combat Poverty Agency, seeking funding for an IFI computerisation plan.</td>
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<td>Attic Press Accounts for the year ending 30 June 1986.</td>
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<td>File relating to plans for the computerisation of Attic Press. Includes information regarding and correspondence with, various computer companies including Mycrosyster, London. Also rough work material relating to computer access and application.</td>
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<td>Apr 1986-Aug 1987</td>
<td>IFI cheque book, for Attic Press marketing account number 5.</td>
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<td>258</td>
<td>1986-88</td>
<td>Statements of Accounts for IFI from the</td>
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<td>259</td>
<td>1986-89</td>
<td>Bank Statements detailing various IFI accounts. Provided by The Bank of Ireland.</td>
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<td>Account sheets recording amounts credited and debited to IFI/Attic Press bank accounts.</td>
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<td>261</td>
<td>1987</td>
<td>File relating to a submission for funding from IFI to the Combat Poverty Agency. The proposal details three action-research projects on movements for social change; (1) The Women’s Movement. (2) Separation: A Pathway. (3) Child Abuse.</td>
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<td>1987</td>
<td>Transcript detailing IFI problems in relation to having to wait for a decision from the Arts Council on funding.</td>
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2.2. Correspondence

266  1977-87  File of letters received by IFI and Attic Press. Includes letters from international organisations and individuals seeking information on IFI, feminism in Ireland, The Irish Woman’s Diary and other publications, enquiries regarding the publishing process, and the Women in Community Publishing Course. Also letters from various organizations and individuals seeking or giving advice on various subjects relating to feminism.

13 folders

267  12 Aug 1980  Letter from Mary [Kenny], London to June [Levine]. The letter relates to Levine’s plans to write a book on the early days of the women’s movement in Ireland, and Mary’s plans to contribute to it. ‘I was a headstrong, exhibitionistic, wild young woman…I think that more level-headed and prudent people who would not make eejits of themselves found an unconscious satisfaction in seeing me act out wild acts for them; and the resentment I feel turned against me now is because, partly, I no longer do fulfil this psychic role of acting out such roles’. She refers also to her completion of a book on Christianity as well as her plans to write a book on abortion.

6pp

268  22 Sept 1980  Letter from Niamh Kilcullen, Tralee, Co. Kerry to RC. The letter discusses the fact that the Rose of Tralee should be discouraged by feminists and suggests that prior to their arrival in Ireland the contestants should be sent a letter containing the reasons why they should not take part. ‘Masquerade how you will the Rose of Tralee contest is no different from Miss Blackpool, Miss Universe or Miss Pretty Polly!’

1p

269  [nd]  Letter from [Sinead Brady] of the Waterford Resource Centre to RC regarding the organisation of an Unemployment Day. ‘The women’s course is slightly on the rocks – it’s supposed to be anti-man!! I’m kinda depressed about it.’

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<td>1980-84</td>
<td>File of copy letters from IFI to various. Includes a letter to the <em>Irish Independent</em> regarding the rape bill; and a letter to the Health Education Bureau with regard to funding for RC to travel to a world conference of women to be held in Copenhagen, July 1980. 6 items</td>
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<td>271</td>
<td>c1981</td>
<td>Draft and copy letters from IFI to the media and to ISIS, Switzerland. The letters are concerned with the organisation of a health conference, and the receipt of £500 in lieu of services rendered to <em>Status Magazine</em>. Also letter related to an <em>Irish Independent</em> article on prostitution. 3 items</td>
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<td>272</td>
<td>1982</td>
<td>Letters and information from the Employment Equality Agency relating to a request from RC to become involved with a European Regional Seminar entitled ‘Participation of Women in Social and Political Life- Marking Points in Connection with the Female Life Cycle’, to be organized by the German Commission for UNESCO, Bonn, 24-26 October 1982. 4 items</td>
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<td>273</td>
<td>May-Jul 1983</td>
<td>Correspondence between IFI and Irish Bookhandling Ltd., relating to an agreement whereby IBH agreed to take over the wholesale distribution of the Irish Women’s Diary and Guide Book. ‘We write with grave concern about the apparent state of sales, broken/unhonoured commitment and non-service from IBH’. 4 items</td>
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<td>274</td>
<td>2 Nov 1983</td>
<td>Letter from AnCo to RC inviting her to attend a seminar entitled ‘Towards Equality and New Directions for Women’, to be held at the Irish Management Institute on Thursday 24th November 1983. 2 items</td>
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<td>275</td>
<td>Jan 1984</td>
<td>Letter from Paula Hine[ly], Melissa Murray, and Catherine [Lewis] to RC related to the</td>
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setting up of a network of related groups
which ‘all have in common the aim of establishing in Ireland a more open,
democratic and tolerant society’. The suggestion comes in the wake of the
pro-life abortion campaign.

276 10 Jan-30 Dec 1984  File of copy letters from Attic Press sent to
various recipients mainly concerned with
Women in Community Publishing Course.
Includes letters to a number of individuals interested in contributing to the
course, as well as letters to the Department of Social Welfare regarding
students participating in the course; subscriptions to various publications;
applications for funding; taxation and insurance matters, as well as
equipment orders; letters to the media regarding coverage of a number of
publications; and a letter to O’Brien Press regarding the amount levied for
reproduction of one of Nell McCafferty’s articles. ‘The reason for the delay
[in returning the permissions form] is due to the time it took me to get over
the shock of the 200.00 (pounds) typed figure…Nell was equally horrified
and suggested I ask you to deduct whatever is due to her’.

284 items (4 folders)

277 Jan 1984-Dec 1985  Correspondence between Attic Press/IFI and
various individuals regarding advice and
information pertaining to the Women in
Community Publishing course, as well as more general information relating
to feminism.

44 items

278 4-31 Jan 1985  File of copy letters from Attic Press sent to
various recipients. Mainly concerned with
business matters including publishing
orders, bill payment, and correspondence with VAT and tax obligations.
Includes a letter to Books Ireland protesting at advertisements placed in the
publication. The letter states that Attic Press and WCP are ‘two completely
separate publishing businesses’ and should not be confused. Also promotion
and marketing of the suffrage pack and expressions of appreciation for
contributions made to finance the publication of the pack; placement of
WCP students; replies to requests for information; development of export
markets to US; and a letter regarding IFI’s interest in purchasing the
premises at 48, Fleet Street. The letters also detail the obtaining of funding
from the Skagg’s Foundation for Mary Paul Keane attend the UN Decade
for Women World Conference , to be held in Nairobi, Kenya in 1985; letters
of appreciation to various individuals for hospitality received while attending the OED seminar in Paris; vacation of the Fleet street premises; requests for Spanish rights of _Rapunzel’s Revenge_; and a letter to Nell addressing complaints made by her in relation to Attic Press’s publication of _A Woman to Blame._

294 items (8 folders)

279  20 March 1985  Letter from Mary [McD] to Catherine McConville of Attic Press relating to the design of a poster for the Galway Simon Community. The letter encloses the organisations current posters. The writer wishes to get ‘away from the dreadful dark things with men lying in bins, empty bottles, homelessness can affect all sorts of people now young and old, because of the most basic thing unemployment’.

6 items

280  1985  Two letters from Anne[Hyland] to RC relating to the organisation of an IFI weekend meeting to be held at Carrighru House, Cobh, Co. Cork.

2 items

281  10 Jan- 19 Dec 1986  File of copy letters from Attic Press to various recipients concerned with a change of address; a Get down to Business competition run by _U Magazine_; a computerization programme for Attic Press; distribution in the US and Australia; compilation and marketing of various publications; grant aid; book fairs and launches; royalty statements; correspondence with Maire Murry in Limerick Prison regarding publication of work; and correspondence regarding the Liquidation of Kaleidoscope. ‘In our 18 months existence this is the second liquidation we have had to face with…a blow that will take us years to recover from’.

284 items (3 folders)

282  c.19 March 1986  Letter from RC to Microsyster, London, containing the minimum requirements of Attic Press for the installation of a computerized programme. Includes a document from Microsyster providing information on their current works and future projects.

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<td>5 Jan – 14 Dec 1987</td>
<td>File of copy letters from Attic Press to various recipients. Includes reference to problems in the Australian market and attempts to break into other international markets; funding from various agencies; instructions to bank; translation rights; failure of <em>Women in Focus</em> and subsequent financial difficulties; conceptual ideas for a number of publications; and reference to a disagreement with Francis Molloy regarding the inclusion of one of her stories in <em>Mad and Bad Fairies</em>, where Molloy makes demands for compensation and a public apology. c.284 (3 folders)</td>
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<td>March-May 1987</td>
<td>Letters from various individuals to the organisers of the 3rd International Interdisciplinary Congress on Women, wishing to make artistic and musical contributions to the congress. 4 items</td>
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<td>285</td>
<td>15 July 1987</td>
<td>Letter from the Breslin Benevolent Fund to Attic Press. The letter concerns the publication of <em>These Obstreperous Lassies – A history of the Irish Women Workers’ Union</em>. ‘We now have a 418 page manuscript which is enclosed, and wish to investigate our publishing options’. The letter includes information relating to the provenance of the Breslin Fund. 2 items</td>
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<td>286</td>
<td>Nov 1987-Nov 1988</td>
<td>Correspondence between Adena Franz, Lilith Publications Inc. Montreal and Attic Press regarding the purchase of publication rights. Includes promotional material provided by Lilith Publications. 9 items</td>
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<td>287</td>
<td>13 Jan- 26 July 1988</td>
<td>Letters from Attic Press to various recipients. Includes references to book fairs; technical difficulties in the printing process; various publications; problems regarding the distribution of various publications; a request for funding from the Arts Council; the purchasing of</td>
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right for a number of foreign publications; and a letter detailing payment and pension plans for employees of Attic Press.

61 items

288 27 June 1990 Circular letter from Mairin De Burca detailing a meeting re the campaign to elect Mary Robinson President of Ireland, to be held in Robinson’s house on the sixth of July.

1p

289 1991-96 File of letters received by Attic Press. Mainly concerned with ongoing publications. Including letters regarding financial assistance for *The Northern Ireland Women’s Movement*; the legalities of publishing Gene Kerrigan’s *Hardcases*; the submission of a work for consideration entitled Man in a Dress; and a note from Nell [McCafferty] enquiring ‘Is it time now to do an article on the grant-aided thing you have successfully pulled off?’

9 items

290 Jan 1994 Letter from RC to *The Irish Times* regarding ‘Eileen Battersby’s ill informed piece on Irish publishing, there are none so blind as those who refuse to see’.

1p

291 Feb 1994 Correspondence between RC and Wesley College, Dublin, which details RC’s contribution of a poem entitled ‘If only she had told you beforehand’, by Mary Dorsey, to be included in an anthology called *Lifelines*. ‘As you say the poem nearly speaks for itself and we are very happy to print your comment: ‘it meant a great deal to me at a time of betrayal which I found absolutely shattering’: However if you would like to add to this comment we would be very happy to print it’.

4 items
2.3. Women in Community Publishing Course (WCP course)

2.3.1. Funding of the WCP course

292  Sept-Dec 1982  Correspondence between IFI and the Equal Opportunities Programme, AnCo- the Industrial Training Authority, concerned with funding for the establishment of the WCP course. Also includes minutes of the meeting of the two parties. 9 items

293  3 Nov 1982  Proposal made by IFI to the Council for the Status of Women concerned with the setting up of a pilot training scheme for unemployed women in the area of publishing. 12pp

294  1982-83  File containing letters from Carmel and Patricia Kelleher to Margaret Erraught, Vice Chairperson of the Council for the Status of Women relating to a proposal for funding for the WCP course. The file also contains minutes of council meetings, a list of members, and a speech made by Gemma Hussey at the opening of a seminar organised by the council. 16 items

295  1982-1985  Copy and draft proposals for a pilot training project in publishing for unemployed women submitted by IFI to AnCo. Includes details of trainer and training resources, as well as proposed expenditure for the 1984 WCP course. 26 items

296  [1983-85]  Correspondence between IFI and AnCo in relation to the WCP course. Many of the letters relate to AnCo’s decision not to fund a course in 1985. 42 items
297 May 1984 Letter and submission dealing with a two-tier plan for both a ‘Developmental Stage’ and a ‘Start-up Stage’ in relation to a job creation programme. The proposal is submitted to the Youth Employment Agency by IFI. Includes an acknowledgement receipt of communication.

2 items

298 C 22 Sept 1984 Application for funding to the Employment Equality Agency by the WCP course to attend a Women in Print Conference in Leeds. Includes a detailed proposal outlining the objectives of the WCP course, the benefits of attending the conference, and an estimate of the costs of sending two women to the conference. Includes annual reports of the Employment Equality Agency for 1981 and 1982.

5 items

299 1985 Specifications for various courses run by AnCo.

20 items

2.3.2. Administration of the WCP course

300 [Dec 1982] File of material relating to applications for entry on to the WCP course.

28 items

301 [nd] File relating to the interview process for placement on the WCP course. Includes guidelines for interviewers, a questionnaire to be completed by interviewees, and an interview assessment sheet. (The sheet was designed by Pauline Conroy and Patricia Kelleher to avoid any possibility of Political and/or state interference in selection process).

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<td>302</td>
<td>1982</td>
<td>Completed copy application forms from individuals interested in participating in the WCP course, to be run by IFI in 1983.</td>
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<td>303</td>
<td>1982-84</td>
<td>File of material relating to the position of co-ordinator with the WCP course. Includes job specifications as well as a number of CV’s submitted by various individuals. Also details of salaries etc. and a letter to Tricia Coxon providing her with the terms of her employment as administrator with the WCP course.</td>
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<td>1982-85</td>
<td>File containing agendas detailing meetings between WCP course administrators, and between the administrators and IFI. Also letters from individuals within IFI commenting on various aspects of the course structure.</td>
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<td>305</td>
<td>Oct-Nov 1983</td>
<td>Draft and copies of a report by Patricia Kelleher entitled ‘A Women’s Community Based Publishing Project: An Interpretative Approach’. The report details the evolution and development of IFI, contact with Anco and the selection of trainees for the WCP course, the publishing co-operative venture, and suggested guidelines for a future course.</td>
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<td>306</td>
<td>1983</td>
<td>Selection of national periodical, radio and television coverage given to the WCP course.</td>
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<td>307</td>
<td>1983</td>
<td>Minutes of the meetings of members and administrators of the WCP course. Mainly concerned with publicity and finance.</td>
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<td>308</td>
<td>1983</td>
<td>Press cuttings related to the WCP course and publishing in general.</td>
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<td>309</td>
<td>1983-84</td>
<td>File relating to internal evaluations into the individual elements of the WCP course conducted by the co-ordinators of the WCP course.</td>
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<td>311</td>
<td>4-13 Sept 1984</td>
<td>Letters from various international publishers concerning information supplied by IFI relating to the WCP course.</td>
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<td>312</td>
<td>[1984]</td>
<td>Personal information including names and addresses provided by students of the 2nd WCP course. Also includes a monthly absence/check-in list.</td>
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<td>313</td>
<td>[1984]</td>
<td>File relating to trainee guidelines, payment in respect of training fees, trainer fee retention criteria, and a proposal from the Bank of Ireland Centre for Co-operative Studies relating to a course for trainers and organisers of workers’ co-operatives and community based co-operatives.</td>
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<td>314</td>
<td>1984-85</td>
<td>File relating to evaluations conducted of the second WCP course. Includes commentaries on course content by the students themselves.</td>
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1984-85 Questionnaires compiled by the external training division of AnCo and by Ken Wright and Associates, Training and Personnel Consultants, and completed by students of the WCP course. The questionnaires are an attempt to evaluate student impressions of the course as well as to determine their needs. Includes a career choice inventory completed by Marianne Hendron.  
10 items

21 Jan 1985 Letter from Rita Corley to RC and MPK expressing her desire to return to the WCP course.  
1p

### 2.3.3. Course Content

24 March [1982] Notebook containing draft lectures to be delivered to students of the Women in Community Publishing (WCP) Course organized and run by Irish Feminist Publications. Also include a memo from RC to Patricia Kelleher giving a rough outline of course content.  
2 items

1982 File of copy articles relating to the printing process.  
12 items

[1982] Documentation relating to costs in publishing.  
6pp

c1982-87 File containing bibliographies of feminist literature, and literature concerned with women’s issues from various sources provided by co-ordinators to the students of the WCP course.  
45 items (4 folders)
321  Feb 1983  Copy editing exercises assigned to students of the WCP course.  

322  [March 1983]  File containing teaching materials in relation to the compilation of specifications and estimates. The file also contains blank specifications forms and cost sheets, as well as examples of specifications sent and costings/estimates received from various printers.  

323  [1983]  Teaching file relating to distribution, and the sourcing of information and funding.  

324  [1983]  Copy chapters taken from an unspecified volume on management distributed to the students of the WCP course. Also contains management articles provided by Ken Wright and Associated, Training and Personnel Consultants, Dublin.  


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<td>Document entitled ‘Setting the Scene. How to create the best setting for your work physically and psychologically’.</td>
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<td>[1983]</td>
<td>File containing examples of font types provided by typesetters and available for publications.</td>
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<td>329</td>
<td>[1983-84]</td>
<td>File containing various exercises assigned to students of the WCP course. Mainly related to group decision making.</td>
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<td>331</td>
<td>[1983-85]</td>
<td>File of teaching materials relating to the structuring of meetings, style sheets and layout, cast-offs and copy fitting, publicity, launch strategies including newspaper dead-lines, and publishing operations.</td>
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<td>[1983-86]</td>
<td>File relating to the teaching of editing methodology. Also contains information relating to the Association of Freelance editors and indexers.</td>
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<td>File of material relating to book design and typography. 15 items</td>
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<td>Catalogues provided by various typography companies to IFI. 12 items</td>
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<td>336</td>
<td>Feb-Oct 1984</td>
<td>Copies of weekly course timetables relating to the first WCP course. 56 items</td>
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<td>337</td>
<td>July 1984</td>
<td>File of handouts given to Therese Caherty over the duration of her studentship with the second WCP course. Includes a list of trainees as well as a list of guest speakers. 9 items</td>
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<td>338</td>
<td>[July 1984]</td>
<td>File of material belonging to Therese Caherty containing ms notes and handouts relating to lectures delivered to the second WCP course. Includes notes on creative writing, Clé, women and labour history in Ireland, publicity, the sociology of communications, distribution, typesetting, cast-off and copy-fitting, typography, company law, and a lecture delivered to the students by Vincent Browne. 40 items (2 folders)</td>
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<td>339</td>
<td>1984</td>
<td>Document detailing the placement of students of the WCP course with named publishing organisations, and the nature of work to be carried out for each student. 1p</td>
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<td>1984-85</td>
<td>File containing teaching materials relating to course content and projects to be undertaken by students of the WCP course. 30 items</td>
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<td>1984-85</td>
<td>Material belonging to Therese Caherty detailing various visits undertaken to bookshops and printing establishments as part of the WCP course.</td>
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<td>342</td>
<td>1984-85</td>
<td>Weekly course timetables for the second WCP course. Contains supplementary material relating to various lectures and seminars given.</td>
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<td>343</td>
<td>[1985]</td>
<td>File of materials related to teaching of photography to students of the WCP course. Includes copy photographs and articles relating to methodology. Also includes examples of course work.</td>
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<td>Sept 1986</td>
<td>Copy article relating to printing and production, by Hugh Oram. Reproduced from <em>Books Ireland</em>.</td>
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<td>[1986]</td>
<td>Teaching file containing information on copyright, contracts and insurance in relation to their effect on the publishing process.</td>
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<td>346</td>
<td>1987</td>
<td>List of the names and addresses of typesetters working in Ireland in 1987.</td>
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2.3.4. Projects Undertaken

347  c. Mar-May 1982  File relating to proposed publication projects to be undertaken by the students of the WCP course. The file contains costings and estimates for both a socialist diary, and a review of Irish television over the previous 20 years.

2 items

348  April 1983  Copy study entitled ‘Distribution - News and Books in Ireland’, by Noreen O’Donoghue and Liz Harper, completed as part of their studentship with the WCP course.

23pp

349  [May 1983]  Specification forms, costings, and correspondence relating to the publication of three titles; ‘Women in History’, a title produced by the Killbarrack Women’s Group, and a report commissioned by Cherish. The three publications formed part of the WCP publishing course.

25 items

350  May-June 1983  File of copy letters sent to various organisations seeking funding for the publication of titles completed by the Kilbarrick Women’s Writing Group and by the WCP course.

22 items

351  5-12 July 1983  Letters from Cork City Library, the Federated Workers’ Union of Ireland, and the Council for the Status of Women regarding invitations issued by the WCP course to a launch of their completed publications.

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<td>16 July 1983</td>
<td>File relating to a one day seminar on financial management organised jointly by the WCP course and the Women in Publishing Group. 9 items</td>
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<td>353</td>
<td>1983</td>
<td>Programme for a mini seminar organised by the students of the WCP course. Contents of the seminar included: ‘The Hidden Army. A survey of women in the paper and print industry; Censorship in Ireland; Sources for Funding; and Distribution. 1 item</td>
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<td>355</td>
<td>1983</td>
<td>File relating to the publicity aspects of a launch of three publications by the students of the WCP course. Includes minutes of meetings, and draft press releases and media advertisements. 62 items (2 folders)</td>
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<td>356</td>
<td>c. Aug-Sept 1984</td>
<td>Preliminary material and estimates from various printers relating to the proposed publication of a newsletter entitled ‘Brazen Hussey’, to be produced by the students of the WCP course. 19 items</td>
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<td>1 Nov 1984</td>
<td>File of material relating to a study undertaken by the students of the 2nd WCP course into the feasibility of organising a women’s movement seminar. 2pp</td>
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<td>1984-85</td>
<td>File of material belonging to Therese Caherty containing documentation relating to projects undertaken by a student of the 2nd WCP course. These include draft material relating to the publication of a suffragette pack, as well as The Irish Woman’s Guidebook and Diary 1985.</td>
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<td>19 April 1985</td>
<td>Speeches and addresses delivered at the launch of four publications completed by students of the WCP course in 1985.</td>
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<td>360</td>
<td>1985</td>
<td>File of material relating to production specifications and promotional details of a number of publications produced by the students of the WCP course. These include <em>Did Your Granny have a Hammer? Rapunzel’s Revenge</em> and <em>Who owns Ireland...Who owns you?</em></td>
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<td>361</td>
<td>Feb-May 1985</td>
<td>‘Seminar Documents’ – ‘Papers received from countries participating in the ILE programme...regarding the situation of women, ILEs and job creation in their country’: Netherlands – ‘Experimental start-up facilities scheme for women’s companies’, other papers from – Germany, Norway, United Kingdom, Ireland, Turkey, United States, Belgium, Australia, Commission of the European Communities, CREW (Centre for Research on European Women), and paper entitled ‘Economic Development As If Women Mattered: some thoughts and model programs’. Includes ‘Issues Paper’ which outlines ‘the rationale and major questions to be examined at the Seminar’ and notes on ‘the Proposed Themes, Objectives and Organisation of the International Seminar on the Role of Women’ (some multiple copies for Some of the papers).</td>
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<td>362</td>
<td>Mar-June 1985</td>
<td>File relating to the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and development (OECD). Contains letters re acceptance by Róisín Conroy and members of the Women in Community Publishing Course attending the seminar, other letters relate to funding of IFI</td>
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participation eg. letters to Youth Employment Agency with notes re Women in Community Publishing. Includes draft agenda, timetable, a provisional list of participants, and a press release which states ‘Participants will discuss the different features of and obstacles to women’s local employment initiatives and report on experience in training, financing, advice and other support measures. File contains various copies of reports by IFI on the seminar which summarizes various points And issues raised at the OECD and copy letters sent to various groups such as AnCo, Youth Employment Agency and FWUI for comment, a brief reference document prepared by the Irish Dept of Labour and the Dept of the Taoiseach about the seminar and a list of contacts.

363 June-Dec 1985

Letters relating to the OECD. Leni van der Meer’s thanks Róisín Conroy for her contribution, copy letters sent to Nuala Fennell; Minister of State for Women’s Affairs, and John Long; Minister for Dept of Labour – ‘we are still awaiting some type of response from AnCo with regard to the proposal which we sent in for a third Women in Community Publishing Course…we are anxious that rumours about no training over 25’s will be shortly proved unfounded’. Niall Greene; executive with YEA, congratulates Conroy on her work at the seminar. Leni van der Meer in another letter asks Conroy if she has overcome funding problems for the WCP course ‘I hope you will succeed…as I think your work is of great value for the participation of women in local employment development and, more generally, for their integration into the economy’. Niall O’Donnellan – Programme Manager’s (YEA) response to the OECD report – ‘I was struck by the statistics on the share of new companies started by women and found interesting the comments on funding for ILE’s. I have taken the liberty of circulating copies to Patricia Curtin…and Touche Ross, who are currently evaluating our programme. File includes a list of contacts and summary record to the seminar.

13 items

364 1985


8 items.
2.4. Women in Community Publishing Group

365  1982-85  File relating to a Women in Publishing Group formed to organize workshops and social events and to discuss policy on topics of interest to women in publishing.
                c.40 items

                4pp

                1p

2.5. Women’s Community Publishing Co-Operative

368  [c.1982-84]  General and rough work material relating to fundraising concerned with the setting up of a Women in Community Publishing Co-operative. Includes list of fundraisers and possible trustees with notes relating to trusts. Also Memorandum and Articles of Association of Fleet Street Arts and Publishing Ltd, and the Women’s Centre.
                21 items

369  1983  File relating to the setting up of a co-operative engaged in community publishing and bookselling, in order to make access to published material more ‘equal’. Includes a report written by Patricia Maher detailing that ‘I feel it would be necessary to undergo a period of training on co-operatives…I would envisage this training period commencing very shortly after the WCP course ends in October…Thus the co-op would be established at the beginning of Feb 1984…In reference to the training I would want to contract IFI to set up such a course for a number of reasons’.
                7 items
370 Apr-Oct 1983 Letters to Odile Quintin, Director of the Bureau for Questions concerning Employment and Equal Treatment, EEC Commission from RC and Patricia Kelleher relating to funding for their co-operative project. File includes the co-operative proposal, and notes relating to the Women and European Social Fund.

12 items

371 May-June 1983 File containing a draft proposal and projected costs of the Women in Publishing Co-operative, by Liz Harper; notes by Mary Flanagan (June 1983) entitled ‘Why a Co-operative for women in community publishing?’; and a paper by Mary Doran RC, and Anne O’Donnell entitled ‘Contribution towards a discussion on the aims and structure of a Women’s Centre’.

12 items

372 Oct 1983 Speeches and a press release detailing the announcement of an EEC grant as well as further funding from The Women’s Bureau in Brussels in support of the Women Community Publishing Co-operative.

4 items

373 1983 Newsletter published by the [Women’s Community Publishing Co-Operative].

36pp

374 1983-84 Letters, memos and minutes of meeting between IFI and the Women’s Community Publishing Co-operative relating to trade agreements negotiated, and the settlement of costs outstanding. Includes a document detailing the aims and objectives of the co-operative. Also a memo detailing a proposal that the co-operative use ‘Women’s Community Press’ and Ink splash as imprint and logo for their work.

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<td>376</td>
<td>c1985</td>
<td>File relating to a co-operative initiative to explore the feasibility of setting up of ‘Graphic Detail’, which would provide a package service including typesetting, design/layout, and marketing aimed specifically at publishers.</td>
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2.5.1. Sources collected relating to Co-Operatives

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Various reports relating to Credit Unions in Ireland. Also rules and regulations of Credit Unions as well as material relating to the Credit Union discussion group.  
7 items

Material relating to the London Group of Women in Printing Trades, and a leaflet from Foinse ‘an in-depth concept of nurturing and promoting development of Irish womankind’.  
4 items

Notes, research and articles related to co-operative movements. Includes a profit and loss account of Gralton Co-Operative Society.  
15 items

File of press cuttings related to co-operatives, funding, and the potential of small businesses.  
13 items

12pp

File relating to the setting up of Women’s Community Press. Includes a copy and draft Memorandum of Agreement between WCP and IFI, as well as rough work ideas for a logo for the new press.  
7 items

Newspaper cuttings detailing the launch of Women’s Community Press.
Women’s Community Press by former students of the Women in Community Publishing Course and IFI. Also details of the publication of *Smashing Times*, *If you can talk, you can write*, and *Singled Out*.

112 items

387 1983 File of photographs depicting the launch of Women’s Community Press, as well as a launch of their first three titles. 10pp

388 [1983] Book covers and other material relating to the promotion of Women’s Community Press publications. 6 items

389 1983 Letters and sales reports from Women’s Community Press concerning the sale of *If You Can Talk...you can write*, written by the Kilbarrick Women’s Writing Group. 6 items

390 1984 File containing notes on a trading agreement with IFI. Includes letters sent to IFI from WCP concerned with the payment of a phone bill, and with the decision made by WCP not to distribute an IFI sponsored Book Fair Poster, ‘due to the price of the poster, and having experienced many women’s reactions to the price’. 5 items

391 1986 File relating to a proposal from Women’s Community Press to the Combat Poverty Agency seeking funding for the installation of data processing facilities. 5 items

2.7. Small Presses Group

392 1982-86 File of letters and other material relating to
the work of the Small Presses Group. The material details meetings held and attempts made to garner support for a distribution study to be undertaken by the group. The letters also detail the Arts Council’s decision to fund a Small Presses Group distribution service.

58 items

393 Jan-Aug 1985 Copies of letters and minutes of meetings of the Small Presses Group comprising of eight small publishing houses which have come together to discuss their difficulties in terms of marketing and distribution. The letters further detail a study of the difficulties undertaken by the group with the aid of the Arts Council.

30 items

394 Feb-March 1985 File of questionnaires completed by individual publishing companies, forming the bases of the Small Presses Group distribution study.

18 items

395 Mar 1985 Drafts and copies of the distribution study conducted by Patricia Kelleher and assisted by Marianne Hendron and Noreen O’Donoghue.

16 items (4 folders)


4 items

397 Feb 1986 File containing a draft copy of a proposal to be submitted by the Small Presses Group to the Arts Council related to the setting up of a repping service and clearing house for small publishers. Includes a copy of the distribution study conducted by the group.

3 items
398  1986-87  Cash flow forecasts for a clearing house and repping service compiled by the Small Presses Group.  9pp
3. PUBLICATIONS

3.1. Attic Press Publicity

3.1.1. Media coverage re publishing industry & Attic Press launch

399 1974-95 Press cuttings re launch of Attic Press, with other press cuttings relating to other feminist writers and publishing houses eg. Robyn Rowland and Virago Press. Other press cuttings within the file relate to women’s rights and books on women’s issues. 31 items

400 1982-5 Press cuttings re Irish publishing industry in general – some articles entitled – ‘How to start out on your own magazine’, ‘Will books survive the T.V. era’, ‘The Take and the Feed…Gene Kerrigan assesses the methods used in political reporting’, ‘Crisis in the newspaper industry’, with other articles on the role and freedom of the press. 37 items

401 1989-92 Press cuttings re Irish publishing industry in general and the ‘surge in Irish fiction’ eg. ‘Writing by Irish women; how does it stand?’ by Eileen Battersby (The Irish Times), another article re writers at the San Francisco Symposium ‘Visions and Voices’, grants from Arts Council, launch of Sheela-na-gig bookshop in Galway set up by Mary Paul Keane and Michelle McCaughren, other articles re Clare Boylan and Joseph O’Connor. 47 items

402 1991 Press cuttings re Field Day Anthology controversy and the ‘omission of women writers and women’s issues’. 6 items
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<td>File contains draft of speech for the launch of Attic Press ‘the publishing imprint of IFI’ and lists of media contacts. 31 items</td>
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<td>405</td>
<td>1990-2</td>
<td>Press cuttings with profiles of Attic Press staff: Róisín Conroy, Ailbhe Smyth, Gráinne Healy (editor) and Michelle Cullen (production editor). Includes transcript of an interview between Conroy and Helen Meaney and reviews of Ailbhe Smyth’s <em>Wildish Things Anthology of New Irish Women’s Writings</em>. 18 items</td>
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### 3.1.2. Promotions, launches and marketing of Attic Press titles

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<td>Press releases for various titles and rights information. c. 40 items</td>
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<td>Questionnaires re audience and market research for certain titles. 19 items</td>
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<td>409</td>
<td>1986 &amp; 1996</td>
<td>Catalogues of Attic Press publications.</td>
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<td>410</td>
<td>1985-93</td>
<td>Media contact lists, media reports, notes re marketing campaigns, mail out lists for books to be reviewed with some authors’ profiles and review slips from various media groups seeking copies of publications for review.</td>
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<td>Sept 1989-Feb 1990</td>
<td>Presscuttings and photocopies of same re launch of three Attic Press titles by the following authors: Ronit Lentin, Evelyn Conlon and Leland Bardwell.</td>
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<td>412</td>
<td>1990s</td>
<td>Signings and receptions photographs featuring some of the following authors with others: Aileen Cashman, Betty Purcell with Olivia O’Leary, June Levine, Nell McCafferty, Pat Murphy, Róisín Conroy, Mary Robinson, Mairein Johnston, Mary Paul Keane, Leland Bardwell, Ronit Lenkin, Evelyn Conlon, Eilis Ní Dhuibne, Ailbhe Smyth and John Mahon with President Mary Robinson. Photographs taken by Derek Speirs, Clodagh Boyd, Tommy Clancy and Kate Horgan (includes note).</td>
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<td>413</td>
<td>1990 &amp; 1992</td>
<td>‘Author photographs’ of Áine Ní Ghlinn with a copy of <em>Wildish Things: An Anthology of New Irish Women’s Writing</em> and a photograph of Moya Roddy.</td>
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<td>414</td>
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<td>Photographs taken at a reception at Áras an Uachtaráin for the launch of Una Claffey’s book <em>Women Who Won: Women of the 27th Dáil</em> featuring President Mary Robinson, Una Claffey, Róisín Conroy and others. Photographs taken by Tom Clancy.</td>
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### 3.1.3. Attic Press authors. Press reviews.

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<td>Press cuttings with profiles of Nell McCafferty and reviews of her books.</td>
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<td>1985</td>
<td>Advertisements and reviews of Attic Press titles eg. in <em>Radical Bookseller</em>.</td>
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<td>Press cuttings (with photocopies) of booklists eg bestsellers list and ‘Books for Christmas’.</td>
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<td>Reviews of Ronit Lentin’s <em>Tea with Mrs Klein</em> in <em>Triad</em> and <em>Night Train to Mother</em>.</td>
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<td>Reviews of Éilís Ní Dhuibnė’s <em>Blood and Water</em> and <em>Eating Women is not Recommended</em>.</td>
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<td>Reviews of Betty Purcell’s <em>Light after Darkness</em>.</td>
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Reviews of the following: LIP pamphlet by Maureen Gaffney re women and marriage entitled *Glass Slippers and Tough Bargains*, *The Between People* by Kitty Manning, Rita Wall’s *Leading Lives*, Carol Coulter’s *Web of Punishment*, Elly Danica’s *Don’t: A Woman’s World*, Lorna Reynolds’ *Tasty Food for Hasty Folk*. Includes bestseller’s list and a review of the *Attic Book of Special Days for Women*.

32 items

Press cuttings with reviews of various *Attic* publications or which refer to or feature *Attic* Press authors eg. Book launches, comments re Mary Robinson’s presidency, the 4th International Interdisciplinary Congress on Women, the banned book *Our Bodies Ourselves*, and writers workshops. Includes press cutting with Róisín Conroy’s comments re SPUC and the Abortion amendment.

37 items


40 items

Mainly photocopies of press cuttings with reviews of the following books launched: Ronit Lentin’s *Night Train to Mother*, Nell McCafferty’s *Peggy Deery*, LIP pamphlet by Maureen Gaffney re women and marriage, Evelyn Conlon’s work, and a variety of children’s books such as Mary Rose Callaghan’s *The Awkward Girl*.

12 items

Press cuttings with reviews and some profiles of the following writers: Mary Beckett, Liz Butler-Cullingford, Evelyn Conlon, June Considine, Carol Coulter, Patricia Crisp, Mary Daly, Polly Devlin, Eileen Eavson, Gretchen Fitzgerald, Maureen Gaffney, Germaine Greer, Mairin Johnston, Marie Kearns, Belinda Loftus, Edna Longley, Paula Martinac, Geraldine Meaney, Frances Molloy, Claire O’Connor, Pat Rees, Christina Reid, Inez Reider, Hilda Tweedy, Rita Wall, Margaret Ward and...
Kathleen Whitehorn. c. 60 items

427 1991 Reviews of Moya Roddy’s fiction. 5 items

428 1992 Reviews of Trudi Hayes fiction. 6 items

3.1.4. Author’s profiles

429 1990-2 Aontas Women’s Education Group, Leland Bardwell; Maeve Binchy; Mary Rose Callaghan; Moya Cannon; AP Clarke and Evelyn Conlon.

c. 50pp

430 Carol Coulter, Linda Cullen, Mary Daly, Mary B Darcy, Eileen Evason, Gretchen Fitzgerald and Joan Catherine Fowler. File includes draft synopsis of Coulter’s *Web of Punishment*, a photograph of Gretchen Fitzgerald and Eileen Evason’s C.V.

c. 60pp

431 Rita Ann Higgins; Biddy Jenkinson; Geraldine Jennings; Maeve Kelly; Rita Kelly, Bernadette Leach; Anne Le Marquand Hartigan and Nell McCafferty. Includes extended biographical details re Rita Kelly.

c. 90pp

432 Women’s Press Ltd, Women’s Studies International Forum, Áine McCarthy, Medbh McGuckian, Geraldine Meany, Paula Meehan, Máire Mhac an tSaoi, Geraldine Mitchell, Margaret Neylon, Eilean Ní Chuillenáin, Nuala Ní Dhomhnaill and Éilis Ní Dhuibhne. Includes
Máire Mhac an tSaoi’s c.v.  
c. 70pp

433 Áine Ní Ghlinn, Ide O’Carroll, Clairr O’Connor; Joyce O’Connor; Joan O’Neill; Betty Purcell; Pat Rees; Moya Roddy; Helen Ruddle and Mary C.Ryan. Includes the c.v.’s of Joyce O’Connor and Helen Ruddle.  
c. 70pp

434 Kate Shanahan, Ailbhe Smyth, Hilda Tweedy, Máirín Úi Chomáin, Heather Von Prondynski, Rita Wall, Caroline Walsh, Dolores Walshe, Margaret Ward and Una Woods. Includes Hilda Tweedy’s c.v., Kate Shanahan’s list of newspaper contacts and a fax from Rita Wall.  
c. 70pp

435 List of writers’ addresses and contact numbers.  
c. 30pp

3.2. Irish Women’s Diary & Guidebook

1979 Diary

436 Aug 1978-Feb1979 File contains circular letter to various organisations re funding assistance to cover production costs of the diary – ‘funds derived from the sale of the calendar will be invested in the ideas and work surrounding the concept of a woman’s centre’, a list of registered community centres, production details, notes re distribution and sales and a review of the diary from the Irish Independent.  
c.40pp
1980 Diary

437  1979  Orders for the diary.  c. 40pp

438  1979  Copy letters from IFI appealing for grants towards diary publication with responses.  16pp

439  Jun-Aug 1979  Copy letters from IFI offering advertising space to various organisations in which the central theme and aim of the diary is outlined, letters to contributors, quotes from printers and copy letters of thanks to those who gave funding.  c. 70pp

440  Oct 1979-June 1980  File contains orders for the diary, advertisements for it in newspapers and newsletters, accounts re sales, and orders for the diary.  c. 50pp

1981 Diary

441  June 1980-June 1981  File mainly consists of orders for the diary. Includes some letters from persons/organisations seeking information re IFI publications. Also includes lists of media contacts.  c. 30pp

442  c. 1980  Lists of media contacts.  30pp

Closed

443  1981-3  Accounts re expenditure involved in producing the diaries 1981-3.  c.20 items
1982 Diary

444  June-Oct 1981  File contains order forms for the 1982 diary, copy letters to printing companies re quotes, a list of headings for the diary and covers for the diary.  

445  Jan-Sept 1982  Letters relating to pre publication discounts and publication costs, letters re distribution of the diary eg. in New York and to various printing houses re quotes.  

446  Sept-Oct 1982  Material relating to production of the diary – ‘Rough outline of chains of events to ’83 Diary’ and notes re content and structure.  

447  1982-3  Material relates to the distribution of the diary and publicity for it.  

448  1983-9  File contains numerous press releases and promotional material re the diary.  

1983 Diary

1984 Diary

449  July-Oct 1983  File contains plan of diary sequence, design and layout, letters to various organisations re listings eg. Adult Education Courses, letters re advertising, quotes from printers, sales figures, production deadline,
distribution list, list of ‘urgent tasks/decisions to be taken on diary 1984’,
copy letters to potential sponsors with replies eg. Council for the Status of
Women sends £50, a list of the types of cartoons to be included, letter to
cartoonist Arja Kajermo and photographer Derek Speirs, comments on the
diary and other books sent from Ailbhe Smyth to Róisín Conroy and
letters from organizations to be included in the diary’s listings section.

c. 80pp

450 Aug-Nov 1983  Letters re advertising space and sponsorship.
  27pp

451 Jan-Feb 1984  Readers’ comments on the diary.
  c. 30 items

452 n.d.  Notes with people’s names and phone
  numbers.
  9pp

Closed

1985 Diary

453 June-July 1984  Specification forms and quotes re printing
  of diary.
  19pp

454 June-Oct 1984  Copy letters to contributors re pieces for
  the diary on social and legislative change
  in Ireland over the last 10 years, with
  pamphlets from various organisations to be included in listings section,
  lists of ‘dates to be checked’, listings with amendments, task list, print
  specifications, accounts re diary sales, monthly cash flow analysis, and
  entry re ‘How Irishwomen fared at the 1984 Olympics’.
  c. 40pp

455 c. July 1984  File contains lists of dates needing checking,
  entries to be changed, quotes for inclusion,
  details re production plan and additions
for events.  
c. 70pp

456  n.d.  Quotes considered for use/used in diary.  
c. 30pp

11 items

458  Nov 1984-Jan 1985  Readers comments and criticisms about the diary.  
c. 100 items

1986 Diary

459  Feb-Sept 1985  Letters re sponsorship, listings and advertisements for the diary. Includes newscuttings promoting the diary.  
c. 50pp

460  n.d  Artwork and cartoons for the diary.  
c. 50pp

461  Feb-Sept 1986  Summary of contents of criticism of the diary with readers’ letters.  
c. 30pp

1987 Diary

462  1986  Letters from various groups and organisations re listings for the diary, copy letters to such organisations re any information which might be in need of updating or changing, letters to various organisations re advertising space, and comments from two readers.  
c. 25pp
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<td>Photocopies of moonrise and moonsets for the menstrual chart. 19pp</td>
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<td>1986</td>
<td>Notes and pamphlets re women and employment, enterprise allowance schemes, social employment schemes, youth employment schemes, community enterprise programmes and newscuttings re ‘own business schemes’. 7 items</td>
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<td>1986</td>
<td>Material collected for the diary editorial – ‘A Profile of Irish Women: some basic facts’ re population, marriage, education, apprenticeships, training, social welfare, earnings, migration, fertility and abortion, with notes and articles re statistics from other sources relating to women in the latter mentioned areas. Includes a list of contacts for the IDEA (Improvement of Daytime Education for Adults). c. 80pp</td>
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<td>1986</td>
<td>Drafts with notes on new contacts to be added to listings section. 9 items</td>
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<td>Names and addresses of contact groups to be included in the diary. Includes Women’s Health directory for Northern Ireland. 5 items</td>
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<td>1986</td>
<td>Notes to printer re bookcover, bookmark, and backcover ‘blurb’. 26pp</td>
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<td>1986</td>
<td>‘Artwork for diary’. 12 items</td>
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1988 Diary

470 Task sheet, printers estimate, pamphlets re listings section, articles [possibly sources for quotations in the diary] eg. ‘The Pitfalls of Politically correct language’ by Karen Lindsay, ‘An unsuitable genre for a feminist?’ by Cora Kaplan, and ‘Women writing: the arts of textual politics’ by Janet Madden-Simpson, advance information promoting the diary and a promotional newscutting.

14 items

471 n.d. Quotations to be used in the diary and suggested reading list.

C. 25 items

1989 Diary

472 July-Aug 1988 Correspondence between Róisín Conroy and Attic Press’ solicitor; Billy Keane; Listowel, Co Kerry, re ad for Wellwoman centre. Keane advises that ‘any references to clinics or centres or indeed any place where advice as to the availability of abortion is available should be excluded from the book’. Conroy writes to Ryder of the centre that ‘we feel that we would be letting ourselves open to an injunction from SPUC’.

13pp

473 Listings for the diary.

C. 100pp

474 Menstrual calendar, list of public holidays, a short list of recent work on women in Ireland by Ailbhe Smyth, notes re poverty, production details and quotations to be used in the diary with suggested reading list.

25 items
1990 Diary

475 Photocopies of listings from *Spare Rib* magazine, postcards (with cartoons with a feminist theme), menstrual calendar, and press releases about the diary.

  c. 30 items

476 File contains cartoons and letters to cartoonists – Catherine McConville and Mary Arrigan.

  c. 70pp

477 Unbound version of the diary.

  7 items

1991 Diary

478 Listings, and quotations to be used in the diary.

  c. 80pp

1992 Diary

479 CRC of 1992 diary with note ‘Menstrual chart removed for 1997 diary’.

  192pp

480 Fax from Róisín Conroy to ‘Orla’ in which criticisms are made about a woman with a party political background who caused problems for Attic Press in the past.

  1 item

481 Dec 1992 Letter from a reader criticising the diary –
‘you made some ridiculous mistakes for a ‘women’s diary’. In 1991, you got 2 of the moons wrong, and this year, the worst of all, you forgot to put February 29th into the menstrual calendar!!!’.

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#### 1993 Diary

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<td>Appeals to various regional women’s groups and organisations re updating the listings section with copies of listings and changes to be made.</td>
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made to listings. c. 150pp

1994 Diary

489 Jan-July 1993 File contains material re updating contact list of 1994 diary, various groups write re updating information about them, various drafts of contact lists with amendments, *About Women: A Resource Book for Women* published by Dublin Public Libraries.

490 Closed File contains the names, addresses and phone numbers of the Cork Federation of Women’s organisations. 6pp

491 Illustrations and quotations to be used in the 1994 diary. 14 items

1995 Diary

492 Jan-June 1994 Listings for 1995 diary. Includes memo from R Conroy to Ríona McNamara with comments on the diary. Includes some letters from readers. c. 40pp

493 various List of quotations to be used in the diary, and illustrations from Lucinda Bray – illustrator. 20pp

494 1994 Proof copy of diary with deletions and amendments. c. 190pp
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<td>506</td>
<td>1996</td>
<td>Sites of interest for women re networks, news and discussion groups, publishing and writing, art and literature. Includes articles ‘Women and the Internet’, ‘International Newsletter on Women’s Information Services’ and ‘Women’s Space’ (internet magazine).</td>
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3.3. Women in Arts and Culture

3.3.1. Hairy Strips by Arja Kajermo

File contains cartoonist Arja Kajermo’s contract with IFI/Attic Press, a newscutting from the Evening Herald entitled ‘Careful….Arja may be watching’, a solicitor’s letter to Mary Paul Keane authorising her ‘to collect original cartoons in respect of’ Arja Kajermo, and quotes from printers and photocopy of illustration for the bookcover. Includes letter from Arja Kajermo wherein she queries her contract and a letter from Róisín Conroy from Máiread Byrne which states ‘I got a card from Arja today to say that the publication was off – I hope that no form of censorship was the base of the dispute…Arja…told me…There was some disagreement about cartoons to be included in the book…I may be totally wrong about the reasons for non-publication’. Includes press release for the book and an advertisement in Rights: The Journal of the Irish Council for Civil Liberties for the Hairy Strips book.

13 items

Cartoons by Arja Kajermo which loosely fall into the following categories: ‘Conversations, Monologues, Men, Women, Children, Odds and Sods’. The third folder contains most of these cartoons published in The Phoenix, Sunday Press and Evening Press. (c. 260pp in all)

3 folders

3.3.2. Women in Focus: Contemporary Irish Women’s Lives: A collection of Photographs portraying the ordinary lives of women from a feminist perspective by Nell McCafferty and Pat Murphy.

Letter with draft requesting grants towards the publication of the book with responses from various bodies – Arts Councils, Council for the Status of Women, Equal Opportunities Commission, various other commissions, foundations and trusts; none of which are able to send any funds; though many have purchased the book. Includes advance information about the book, a list of contacts for advance sales, orders for the book;
many with words of support and goodwill (mainly in response to advertisement in *Spare Rib* magazine concerning Attic’s printing problems.  

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3.3.3. [Irish Women Artists – untitled]

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a book on Continental artists, names and addresses of contacts, draft of text and proposal for the book; the method of which will be ‘To apply feminist theory and writings on art (produced abroad) to the context of women’s art production in Ireland and to Irish women’s art outside Ireland’, a letter re contract and a letter from the President of the Ireland America Arts Exchange Inc – Paula McCarthy. Includes articles entitled: ‘How wide is The Gender Gap?: A decade of progress towards parity was followed by years of low visibility. Now women artists are asserting a renewed militancy in the struggle for equal representation’ by Eleanor Heartney, ‘Images of women and la peinture féminine’ by Nancy Spero and ‘The Conjuncture of Race and Gender in Anthropology and Art History; A Critical study of Nancy Spero’s work’ by Desa Philippi.

c. 30 items

3.3.4. Eithne Viney presscuttings

522 Aug-Dec 1987
Copy letters to Eithne Viney from Róisín Conroy and Mary Paul Keane relating to Attic Press’ interest in the possibility of publishing a selection of her articles which have appeared in the Irish Times over the years – ‘You have a tremendous understanding and empathy for rural women and their lives, an aspect of Irish life which is all too often forgotten or ignored by mainstream media. We admire the contribution you have made to the recording of this experience and hope we can find some mutual way of sharing this aspect of Irish life with the book reading public’.

2 items

523 1978-81

23 items:

524 1982
Articles as part of the ‘Down to Earth’ series entitled: ‘But men still shirk housework’, ‘Rural women need new resolve in politics’,

97
'Divorce fears', 'Men’s theft of women’s time', 'Education of a Sexist', 'Ecclesiastical handicapping', 'Birds in the Bush', 'Rural abortion', 'Goat Esteem', 'Town and Country', 'A landed lady’s tale', 'No holidays for farmwomen', 'Distant neighbours', 'Inventing the wheel again, and again and again…', 'Feminism and man-hating', 'Mary yielded centre stage', 'Render Unto Caesar' and ‘Time Out’. Untitled article relates to how farming women inevitably get loaded with the housework.

21 items


11 items


7 items


18 items

3.3.5. Leading Lives by Rita Wall

File mainly consists of correspondence about the book between Michelle Cullen and Rita Wall; news editor of The Catholic Herald wherein Wall sends an outline of her career history and a brief
statement and an outline of the contents of the book – ‘This is a book about culture about Irish women’s culture evolving in a new land….With Irish women making up the largest number of immigrant working women in and around London, a figure that has never been visibly notified and recognised, I think it is something to be treasured and brought out in the open now…..I would really like to see myself not only pushing the books in the local Irish media here, where I have excellent contacts but also the national British media. As a committed Irish feminist I would also bring my natural enthusiasm, wit, good humour and diligence to the job’. Wall sends a chapter synopsis, draft questions for the interviewees, relates her progress, asks about publicity arrangements and payment. Regarding corrections made by Cullen to the book, Wall states ‘Re: Annie Maguire. I have made amendments to her interview on consulting her lawyer because of her forthcoming appeal. I felt the introduction does not help her case as the PETN argument detracts the fabrication of evidence by police detectives which is the main allegation by the defence’. Includes list of contributors; a list of their contact addresses and phone numbers: Detta O’Cathain, Miriam O’Callaghan, Sinead O’Connor, Cherry Smyth, Ruth Dudley Edwards, Anne Maguire, Eileen Pollock, Aine Fawcett-Hennessy and Sr Deirdre Duffy.

c. 20 items

12 items

3.3.6. Alive Alive O! Recollections & Visions of Dublin Women by Máirín Johnston

530 1990 Black and white photographs of women featured in the book: Maureen Potter, Twink, Catherine Donnelly, Clare Boylan, Nuala Ó Faoláin, Eileen Reid, Mary Mooney, Muriel McCarthy, June Levine, Geraldine Murphy, Stella Webb, Elaine Crowley, Cathleen O’Neill, Elizabeth Geraghty, Pauline Cummins, Jean Roche, Evelyn Owens, Tina Byrne, Ellen Kennedy, Lucy Charles Fitzsimons, Joni Crone, Marjorie Hampton and Deirdre Kelly.
25 items
3.3.7. Inventing Women’s Work: The Legacy of Charabanc Theatre Company by Claudia Harris

Correspondence between Claudia Harris and members of Attic Press relating to the possible publication of the book on the Charabanc Theatre Company, which was set up by a group of actresses in Northern Ireland. File includes proposed outlines for the book with a narrative on the theatre company, at the time (1993) celebrating its 10th anniversary, and the Author’s contract. Nóra McNamara in a memo to Róisín Conroy and Maev Kneafsey states ‘that Charabanc has closed down…..when they were on the verge of their greatest success. The book obviously needs to be rethought’. A new proposal for the book and a new title come in October 1995. In another letter from Patricia O’Brien (Attic Press) to Claudia Harris, the former states ‘Our Editorial board has reluctantly decided that we will be unable to go ahead with this project for several reasons, as no outside funding came through and since the projected readership is so small, the project is unviable without
April 1996 – Harris expresses her disappointment ‘especially since the book is eagerly awaited in academic circles in the US and since my university has provided funding for research assistance and the book is now nearly completed’.

2 folders

535 June 1993 Promotional and background information relating to Charabanc Theatre Company, sent by Eleanor Methven; Artistic Director therein to Jo O'Donoghue; Acting Editor with Attic Press. Includes letter (June 1993) from Bridie Rosney; special advisor to President Robinson relating to the success of Charabanc’s 10th anniversary and a letter from Jim Sheridan relating to the première screening of ‘In the Name of the Father’ ‘as an exclusive benefit for Charabanc’. File contains various programmes – ‘The House of Bernarda Alba’ adapted and directed by Lynne Parker, ‘The Illusion Illusion’ by Peter Sheridan, ‘October Song’ by Andy Hinds, ‘Bondagers’ by Sue Glover, ‘Me & My Friend’ by Gillian Plowman, ‘The Hamster Wheel’ by Marie Jones, ‘Somewhere over the Balcony’ by Mary Jones; directed by Peter Sheridan, ‘The Girls in the Big Picture’ by Marie Jones; directed by Andy Hinds, and a programme for the ‘International Workshop Festival’. Includes photocopies of various reviews of plays produced by Charabanc such as ‘Lay up your Ends’ (*The Times*), with other reviews in *Time Out, Boston Globe, Sunday Independent, San Francisco Bay Guardian* with an article by Maria R DiCenzo entitled ‘Charabanc Theatre Company: Placing women Centre Stage in Northern Ireland’ (*Theatre Journal* 45).

48pp

536 *Northern Ireland Review: Summer 93 Omnibus* with an article re the 10th anniversary of Charabanc Theatre Company.

1 item

*Scripts of plays performed by Charabanc Theatre Company* with note ‘the property of Charabanc Theatre Company; Ulster Hall, Linenhall St., Belfast entitled:

537 ‘Lay up Your Ends’ by Martin Lynch and Marie Jones.

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3.3.8. *Delia Murphy’s Story*, by Aidan O’Hara

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| 542  | Aug 1995-Jan 1996 | Letters, faxes and memos between Aidan O’Hara and Róisín Conroy about his manuscript and its possible publication. In one letter O’Hara refers to research he did in writing the book – ‘I got a certain amount of material from Delia’s daughter…but when we came to do the documentary in 1987, she seems to have hesitated...... Blon Kiernan offered nothing at even in the way of memories or recollections’.
|      |            | 8pp                                                                         |
| 543  |            | Draft manuscript.                                                           |
|      |            | 132pp                                                                      |
| 544  |            | Draft manuscript.                                                           |
|      |            | 133pp                                                                      |
3.4. Women in Irish History

3.4.1. Missing Pieces Vol.1

545  Apr-May 1983  Outline for introduction and preface (notes compiled Róisín Conroy and Patricia Kelleher), proposed contract with publishing project groups, production schedule and draft agreement between Women’s Community Press and IFI re women in Irish history project.

8 items.

546  Apr-May 1983  Copy letters from Olive Nugent looking for ‘a brief description and/or possible sources of information on hidden women you may have come across in your research’ to – Dana Hearne, Margaret Ward, Anne Goode (CREW) and to Tony Lennon (Irish Times library) re photos. Includes letter re ISBN forms for three new publications.

7 items

Research and Sources gathered / drafts of text for the book

547  Lists of women, their respective causes and achievements.

39pp

548  Women with political causes eg.nationalism, suffrage, trade unionism and women’s groups(A-D): Louis Bennett, Helen Blackburn, Albinia Broderick, Margaret Buckley, Winnie Carney, Helen Chenevix, Kathleen Clarke, Maire Comerford, Nora Connolly-O’Brien, Helena Concannon, Margaret Cousins, Margaret Anna Cusack (the nun of Kenmare), Charlotte Despard and Anne Devlin.

46pp

549  Women with political causes (F-K): Lucy Franks, Madeleine Ffrench-Mullen, Mary Galway, Louise Gavan Duffy; Maud Gone MacBride, Eva Gore-Booth, Rosie Hackett; Cassandra Hand, Anna
Haslam, Mary Teresa Hayden, Cora Hughes, Marie Johnson, 
Mother Jones and Linda Kearns.

550 Women with political causes (L-P): Delia 
Larkin, Anita Lett, Mary Clare Lynch, 
Kathleen, Mary Macken, Dora Maguire, 
Constance Markievicz, Lily O’Brennan, Kate O’Callaghan, Katie 
O’Connor, Agnes O’Farrelly, Anna Catherine Parnell, Hanna Sheehy- 
Skeffington, Betty Sinclair, Margaret Skinnider, Annie Smithson (MP) and 
Jenny Wyse Power.

551 Women missionaries, medics and midwives: 
Celia Boyce, Dr. Ada English, Teresa 
Kearney, Mother Mary Martin, Kathleen 
O’Rourke, Edel Quinn, and Dorothy Stopford- 
Price.

552 Women educationalists: Louise Gavan Duffy, 
Annie Jellicoe, Mary Clare Lynch, Catherine 
McAuley

553 Women at work and entrepeneurs: 
Geraldine Fitzgerald, Cassandra Hand, 
Maudie Healy, Bridget Lawlor, Róisín Walsh.

554 Women writers, poets, journalists and 
scholars: Mary Laetitia Bell, Elizabeth 
Bowen, Albina Broderick, Sophie Bryant; 
Ethna Carbery, Maeve Curtis, Sinéad De Valera, Agnes Farrelly, Anna 
Maria Fielding, Mary Furlong, Sidney (Czira) Gifford, Lady Gregory, Hazel 
M., Hornsby; Eleanor Hull, Rose Kavanagh, Mary Ann Kelly, Christine 
Longford, Patricia Lynch, Dorothy Macardle, Constantia Maxwell, Ros 
Amanda McKittrick Ross, Alice Milligan, Susan Mitchell, Lily O’Brennan,

90pp

555 Women actresses, musicians, singers and artists: Sarah Allgood, Anne Furey, Catherine Hayes, Bay Jellett Jellet; Mainie Jellet, Sarah Makem, Ria Moloney, Annie W. Patterson, and Sarah Purser Purser.

42pp

556 Women ‘witches’: Biddy Early, Bridget Cleary.

5pp

557 Photographs of women featured in the book: Mary Aikenhead, Molly Allgood, Winnie Carney, Kathleen Clarke, Geraldine Fitzgerald, Louise Gavan Duffy, Eliza Gilbert, Rosie Hackett; Anna Haslam, Prof. Mary Hayden, Mary E. Hayes, Anne Jellicoe, Marie Johnson, Mother Jones, Delia Larkin, Anita Lett, Kathleen Lynn, Catherine MacAuley, Macken, Hayden & Farrelly, Mary Martin, Madeleine Ffrench Mullen, Kathleen O’Rourke, Margaret Skinnider, Anne Smithson MP, Somerville & Ross, Stopford Price. Includes photo of Irish Women’s Workers’ Union building, a group of women making baskets, scene of York St, plaque and seat dedicated to Irish women.

50 items

Editing & Production

558 Biographical details re women in Irish history (in alphabetical order) most of which have been listed above with the exceptions of: Maura Gill (sportswoman), Eliza Gilbert (dancer), Mary Aikenhead (nun), Lily Comerford (dancer), Anna Wheeler (social reformer and writer) and Helena Concannon (social reformer and writer).

67pp.
559 Drafts of introduction, notes with biographical details re Irish women (many of which do not appear to have been used in the book, eg. Mary Agnes Hickson, Ethan Carbery, Alice Milligan and Helen Concannon. Includes list with various women’s names, newscutting entitled ‘New Women and Old Goddesses’ by Anne O’Connor (a review of Women in Irish Legend Life and Literature ed. by S.F. Gallagher) and a booklet re Mother Mary Aikenhead.

13 items

560 Drafts of introduction and biographical summaries of Irish women in alphabetical order.

20pp


108pp

562 ‘Ready for typesetting’ – proofs of preface, introduction, drafts and final bibliographies, page plan and indexes to names and subjects.

c. 90pp


39pp

564 1983 Camera Ready Copy (CRC) of the book.

63pp

565 1983 Letters from various individuals commenting on or seeking copies of Missing Pieces.

9 items
3.4.2. Missing Pieces – Herstory of Irish History Vol.II

566 1983 Outline for introduction, bibliography ie.
sources for women’s history, lists of eminent Irish women and their respective
categories of achievement.

12 items

‘Historical Cuttings’ collected (these consist of obituaries, photocopies from historical journals, and newspaper articles. They have been arranged in alphabetical order and include drafts of entries for the book).

567 A-D: Lily Anderson, Margaret Barrington,
Kate Barry, Margaret Barry, Theckla Beere;
Lady Betty, Anne Bonny (& Mary Reid – women pirates), Rosie Boote,
Agnes Bouicault, Margaret Buckley, Margaret Burke Sheridan, Eleanor
Butler; (& Sarah Ponsonby), Harriet Butler, Maeve Cavanagh Mac Dowell,
Helen Chenevix, Anne Clancy, Catherine Clive, Colum Cobhlaír Móir, Mary
Margaret, St Caolainne, Máire Comerford, May Craig, Mia Cranwill, Eileen
Curran, Sarah Curran, Mary Frances Davidson, Bean Leslie De Barra,
Teresa Deevy, Margaret Sarah Docktrell, Ellen Mary Patrick Downing.

45 items

568 E-H: Maria Edgeworth, Ada English,
Failge, Agnes Farrelly, Elizabeth Francis
Flanagan’ M.E., Muriel Gahan, Beezie Gallagher, Ellen Gordan,
Gunning sisters, Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, Katie Haran, Catherine
Hayes, Francoise Henry, Evie Hone.

16 items

569 I-O: St Ita, Kate Kearney, Linda Kearns,
Mary Anne Kelly (aka Eva of the Nation),
Bridget Kenny, Máire Keohane Sheehan,
Olivia Knight, Delia Larkin, Emily Ledwith, Mary Leigh, Dorothy Lowry-Corry,
Patricia Lynch, Dora Maguire, Sarah Makem, Countess Markievicz,
Catherine McAuley, Esther McGregor, Nora McGuinness, Muriel
McSwiney, Rose Mooney, ?? Murphy; Eibhlin Dhubh Ní Chonaill, Máire
BL/F/AP/

Ni Dhuibh, Máire Bhui Ni Laoghaire, Delia Larkin, Catherine O’Brien, Kate O’Callaghan, Margaret O’Connor.

27 items

570

P-W: Parnell sisters (Annie and Fanny), Sadie Patterson, Nano Reid, Molly Reilly, Shelah Richards, Mary Sheehan, Hannah Sheehy-Skeffington, Maria Simonds-Gooding, Betty Sinclair, Mary Skinnider, Nell Smith, Mary Margaret Smyth, Somerville & Ross, Camille Souter, Nell St John, Margaret Stokes, Alice Stopford Green, Kate Taheny, Mary Tighe, Eibhlin Ui Choisdealbh, Róisin Walsh, Rebecca West, Mary Westby.

33 items

571

Photocopies from journals of Longford authors, Mayo authors and Westmeath authors.

34pp

572

Photocopy from unidentified source with biographical details of Irish artists and writers. Attached is a list of possible entries with comments eg ‘boring’.

40pp

573

File contains list of women with their dates of birth, notes re researching and availability of sources and an article from the ‘Irish Times’ by Benedict Kiely entitled ‘Woman’s Part: An Anthology of Short Fiction by and about Irish Women 1890-1960’ which refers to Amanda McKittrick Ros, Katherine Tynan and Lady Gregory.

5 items

574

File contains ‘bits and pieces’ – presscuttings re history awards, an article re Margaret Mac Curtain, articles re women’s movements eg, ‘The Fenian Women’.

17 items

108

13 items

Black and white photographs of Mary Frances Davidson (senator).

5 items

Drafts of text of biographical entries and draft indexes.

c. 60pp

Proofs

c. 7pp

Printers’ quotes for publication of the book, production details, publishing specifications and marketing approach.

c. 30 items

Camera Ready Copy of the book.

64pp

Photocopy of the publication.

c. 64pp

3.4.3. Missing Pieces Vol III

Correspondence between Róisín Conroy and Kieran Burke; Local History Librarian; Cork City Library regarding
items he deems may be of interest for the third volume of Missing Pieces for which he encloses the following articles – Rewriting History: Anna Parnell’s The Tale of a Great Sham by Dana Hearne, Little Nellie: Would Have been 70 this year God’s Purest Snowdrop by Catherine Herbert, The Trial of Florence Newton for Witchcraft in Cork, 1661 by James F Fuller, Portrait of a Cork Family: The Two James Barrys by Wm L Presly, and James Barry by Mary Kingsley.

9 items

583 Oct 1986 Correspondence between Mary Paul Keane and Albert Siggins regarding Aleen Cust; the first woman veterinary surgeon in Ireland and Britain for which he encloses related articles and copy of sepia photograph.

7 items

584 May-Dec 1990 Correspondence between Ailbhe Smyth; editor with Attic Press and Treasa Brogan; journalist and writer concerning Brogan’s proposal for a book ‘about first Irish females….anyone who has come first across a wide range of disciplines’ for which she includes three profiles (1) Margaret Cousins: 1878-1954 First Woman Magistrate in India, (2) Annie De Martino – first Irish woman to be elected a councillor in the state of Massachusetts and (3) Sarah Cecelia Harrison – first Irish woman elected to Dublin Corporation. Includes some of Brogan’s articles entitled Timeless Victoriana – The Trial of Esther Waters, Exit Critic Stage Front, Rib-Rage re Frank Callaghan’s (District Secretary of Amalgamated Workers Union) comment that women should stay in the home and could not be equal to man because they are ‘made from his rib’, Woman’s Way article on Sydney Owen and Hannah Sheehy-Skeffington and Women in History relating to the establishment of the Women’s Commemorative Committee (WCC).

13 items

585 ‘Biographical women’ – file contains newscuttings and notes re eminent Irish women – Margaret Aylward (b. 1810) who with her Ladies of Charity began ‘the first systematic Catholic opposition to proselytisers’, Margaret Anna Cusack aka ‘the nun of Kenmare’, Kathleen A Brown, Mary Una Giltsoft; the first woman to become a member of the Dublin Stock Exchange and Dame Alice Le Kyteler. Obituaries (mainly from the ‘Irish Times’) re Siobhán McKenna (eminent actress), Phyllis McGhee, Dr Maura O’Dwyer,
Mai Clifford ‘trade union activist since the age of 15’ and Dr Thekla Beere; 1st woman department secretary. Interviews with Geraldine Plunkett Dillon, Brighid Lyons Thornton and Muriel Gahan. Notes on Eliza Lynch from the ‘World’s Wickedest Women’ and Anne Clancy (b. 1798) ‘first known woman to sail around the world and an article on a Mrs Hand’.

18 items

Ancillary publications acquired during the researching of the Missing Pieces series:

586 n.d. Pamphlet entitled Parnell by Séan Ó hÉigeartaigh. 17pp

587 1911 Pamphlet entitled The United Irishwomen: Their Place, Work, Work and Ideals by Horace Plunkett, Ellice Pilkington and George Russes (AE). 27pp

588 1917 Anne Devlin: An Outline of Her Story by Hester Pratt from ‘The Catholic Bulletin’. 8pp


590 1985. Draft entitled Lifting the Lid of Pandora’s Box: Women witches, child murder and Irish Folklore by Anne O’Connor (re series of articles in the ‘Irish Times’). 1 item

591 1991 Fanny & Anna Parnell: Ireland’s Patriot
Sisters by Jane McL. Coté

Erin’s Daughters in America: Irish Immigrant Women in the Nineteenth Century by Hasia R Diner.

3.4.4. Smashing Times: A History of the Irish Women’s Suffrage Movement 1889-1922 by Rosemary Cullen Owens

File contains details of publishing projects for 1984/5, letter of thanks from Mary Paul Keane and Róisín Conroy to Susan Parks for agreeing to read and advise IFI and Attic Press on Rosemary Cullen Owens’ manuscript. A note from Fiona to Gráinne Healy states ‘Rosemary Cullen Owens has written a riveting study of how Irish women broke through massive obstacles and achieved the vote by 1918 she said you can change it around if you want to’. Another letter from Mary Paul Keane refers to changes to be made to the draft introduction, copy letters to various publishing houses with replies concerning permission to use quotes and photographs, notes re typesetting, design brief, draft of back cover ‘blurb’, the bookcover and a newscutting with review of the book.

28 items

Masters thesis of Rosemary Cullen Owens sent to Róisín Conroy entitled ‘Votes for Women: Irishwomen’s Campaign for the vote 1876-1915’;

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3.4.5. *Did Your Granny Have a Hammer??? A History of the Irish Suffrage Movement 1876-1922* by Rosemary Cullen Owens and the Women in Publishing Course group (Suffrage Pack)

604

**CAMPAIGN**

‘Votes for Women: Irishwomen’s Campaign for the vote 1908-14’ - ‘special project submitted to the School of Education Trinity College Dublin’ as part of the H.Dip in education course presented By Rosemary Cullen Owens.

21pp

605

1984-Jan 1985

General correspondence about the pack; such as introductory letter – ‘Pack is designed and produced by a group of trainees on the AnCo funded ‘Women in Community Publishing Course’. It’s function is to document and record in an accessible format the Irish Suffrage Movement from the Irish Suffrage Movement from 1896-1922’. Includes letter from Rosemary Cullen Owens re sources for the pack, a circular letter about the pack and copy letters to Catherine Whitney; Berkley Library, Trinity College Dublin re reproducing an issue of the Irish Citizen incorporating the years 1912-20 with list of articles to be reproduced.

32pp

606

Feb-Mar 1985

Copies of outgoing letters looking for sponsorship for the pack eg to Bórd Fáilte, Youth Employment agency, government education bodies and Bank of Ireland, with some replies. Includes list of potential sponsors and advertisers.

33pp

607

1985

Preparatory stage of pack – ‘Aims and objectives in compiling….documents kit’, suggested questions to be included and points of discussion, content plan, draft introductions, drafts of text for various sections within the pack.

74pp
Draft introduction, suggestions for use, aims and brief about the women in community publishing course.

Sources used or considered for use in compilation of the pack:

609  1912-18   Reproductions of the *The Citizen* newspaper.
3 items

610   Dublin Castle documents re ‘Prison treatment of Ladies convicted of glass breaking’ with photocopy and of eviction form with original IWFL handbills.
5 items

611   Most of the file contains photographs of sources used in the suffrage pack and some postcards: photo of Marguerite B Palmer and of her discharge order from Tullamore Prison, ‘Suffragettes Ordeal in the Phoenix Park’, banner of IWFL, Constance Markievicz, the Somerville brothers and sisters, invitation to IWFL fancy dress dance, Hannah Sheehy Skeffington’s prison order and related letter (written from Mountjoy prison) to Mrs Baker, ‘An Open Letter to the Bishop of Ross’, seat in Stephen’s Green dedicated to the Haslam’s, *The Citizen’s Diary*, ‘Why we oppose pockets for Women’(handbill), Dublin Castle document re ‘Treatment of ladies convicted of glass breaking’, memorial plaque dedicated ‘To the Memory of the Unknown Women Faithful Unnumbered who in every age of Ireland’s long struggle of hunger and hardship have died’, letter re release of Mabel Purser, Mary McSwiney, article from *Irish Independent* (9/5/1914) ‘Suffragette gets a Year: Uproar In Leeds Court’, cartoons from *The Leprechaun*, Delia Larkin, handbill re Sylvia Pankhurst’s speech at Sackville Hall, Thomas & Anna H Haslam, Louie Bennett, Helen Chenevix, Jenny Wyse Power, Edward Carson and Bonar Law and ‘very secret’ letter written to Neville Chamberlain abouta ’plot to shoot the Prime Minister’ – ‘The instigators of the plot are the advanced section of militant suffragettes, postcards with picture of Susan B Anthony & Elizabeth Lady Staunton, Jessie Kenney disguised as a telegraph boy and Eleanor Roosevelt with Amelia Earhart.
45 items

21 items

Colour photographs of items in Stephen’s Green; Dublin dedicated to Suffragettes – seat re Haslams and of sculptor of Constance Markievicz (with negatives).

12 items

Pamphlets entitled *Women in War Jobs* and *Votes for Women: Irish Women’s struggle for the vote*.

2 items

Ancillary sources [which were not used in the pack] which includes a list of important dates in the Irish Women’s Suffrage Movement and a list of articles from the *Irish Citizen*. Sources include: songs/poems entitled ‘Woman This, and and Woman That’, ‘The Redhaired Man’s Wife’, cartoon of *Alice In Wonderland* as a suffragette, copy of letter from Birrell [government minister] to John Dillon ‘Personally I am dead against forcible feeding which always ends with the release of the prisoner long before her time. I want to keep these ladies under lock and key for five years and I am quite willing to feed them with Priest’s
champagne and Michaelmas geese all the time, if it can be done but…
these wretched hags…..are obstinate to the point of death’, an article
re women in Tullamore jail and a list of persons convicted for
suffragette activities; the date of their committal, the offence, sentence
and comments eg force feeding.

12 items

616  1897-1910  Irish Women’s Suffrage & Local
Government Association - photocopies of:
the objects of the association, a letter from
Anna Haslam to Miss Strackey, list of women elected, handbill re
‘Representation of the People Act’, invitation to meeting for Asquith and
Redmond, programme of public meetings (1910), and a report of the
Executive Committee.

c. 20 items

Artwork

617      Artwork re cover for the pack with
cartoons; ‘The Scarem Skirt’ and
‘Nothing for their Panes’.

22 items

618      Cartoons and artwork with Suffragette
theme including torn poster re tally room.

18 items

Pack Production
The files below all contain the various drafts of text for each card with
related sources ie. archival and photographic as listed below.

619  1985  Card 1  ‘Seeds of Unrest – Early Days’ re
Ladies Land League and reproduced
Photographs of Fanny/Anna Parnell,
c.30pp

620  1985  Card 2  ‘Irish Suffrage Movement Begins
1870-1890’; sources therein: report of the
Irish Women Suffrage and Local
Government Association, their objectives, list of unions in Ireland for
which lady Guardians were returned in 1898, list of suffrage associations, suggestions for intending women workers under the local government act, list of committee members 1899, constitution of The Irish Women’s Franchise League, small black and white photo of Anna Haslam, and article from *The Women’s Advocate* (July 1874) entitled ‘Woman-Suffrage versus ‘The Spectator’.

c. 40 items

621 1985 Card 3 ‘The Second Phase: Military Emerges’; sources therein: IWFL Constitution, IWSF handbill, suffrage map of Ireland and directory, photograph of Margaret Cousins and Louie Bennett.

14 items

622 Card 4 ‘Organisation and Network of Suffrage Movements’; sources therein: copy of the *Irish Citizen*, photocopies of advertisements for IWFL dance, and of IWFL meeting and for the *Irish Citizen*.

16 items


c. 20 items

624 Card 6 ‘First Act of Militancy by Suffragettes’; sources therein: IWFL Handbill – ‘Questions for Mr Asquith and Mr Redmond’, invitation to Theatre Royal for Asquith and Redmond, *The Leader* (22/6/1912) and newscutting entitled ‘Suffragette & Constable: Charge of assault against Mrs Emerson’.

18 items

625 Card 7 ‘First Hunger Strike – Mixed reactions’; sources therein: photocopy and original newscutting from *Freeman’s*

24 items

626 Card 8 ‘The Cat & Mouse Act’; sources therein: original newscutting and photocopies of Kathleen Emerson’s letter to the editor of the Evening Herald re forcible feeding, copies of Prisoners (Temporary Discharge for ill-health) Act 1913 and IWFL handbill re great protest meeting against the Cat & Mouse Act.

17 items

627 Card 9 ‘Political & Social Unrest, 1913 Labour/Suffrage’; sources therein: IWFL general review and report for 1913 of executive committee, photocopy of photograph of Delia Larkin feeding ‘some starving children’ in a shop kitchen in Liberty Hall with caption ‘Those who talk least but suffer most in the Dublin strike’.

15 items

628 Card 10 ‘1914-1918 War: Suffragettes Stance’; sources therein: photocopy of photo from Daily Mail of banner with ‘Conscription! No Woman must take a Man’s Job’ (Apr 1918), newscutting from the Irish Citizen entitled ‘Stop the War!: Manifesto by the International Suffrage Alliance’, and a newscutting from Labour Leader re Hannah Sheehy Skeffington’s visit to America ‘where she addressed over 250 meetings, explaining the present Irish situation and pressing the claims of Ireland for consideration at the Peace Conference as a small nation’.

20 items

Card 12 ‘Votes for Women over 30’;
sources therein: photocopy of photograph of
Constance Markievicz in a pageant as Joan
of Arc appearing to woman prisoner, article from the *Evening Herald*
entitled ‘A Revolutionary Reform Act’, article from *Saturday Herald*
entitled ‘Women Vote in Strength & with Enthusiasm’, cartoon from
*The Leprechaun* of woman holding a hammer and leaning on a letter box
with the caption ‘When she gets it, what will she do with it?’,
‘Representation of the People Act 1918’ and article from the *Freeman’s Journal* re women’s votes and candidates (Dec 1918) entitled ‘Our New
Importance’.

20 items

Assimilated text and sources for the various
cards for the pack (original and photocopied).

27pp

Same as above but includes draft
introductions to the pack and copies of the
*Irish Citizen*.

12 items

Drafts of user’s notes and introduction.

10 items

Camera ready copy of pack.

24pp

The pack itself in finished format.

15 items

Cartoon postcards produced by Attic Press
for the pack: of woman smashing a window,
woman and child with policemen, of
policeman with woman holding bag with a hammer in it, and of women at
Dublin Castle. Includes design specification.  c. 60 items

3.4.6. *Around the Banks of Pimlico* by Máirín Johnston

637  Sept 1985  Copy letters from Maria Walsh to Bank of Ireland, Allied Irish Bank and Guinness’ re possible sponsorship for book with one reply.  
            
            3pp

638  File contains lists of illustrations used in the book with respective page numbers in the book, source of photos with comments re checking of copyright, photocopies of some of the pages from the book containing photos. Includes black and white photographs of the author.  
            
            c. 40pp

639  n.d  Photocopy of presscutting of article by Máirín Johnston ‘Going to the Bayno’ which contains photos of Dublin street traders, Iveagh flea market, the Bayno and the Iveagh playcentre in Bull Alley.  
            
            2pp

3.4.7. *Models for Movers: Irish Women’s Emigration to America* – Ide O’Carroll (Irish Studies office, Northeastern University; Boston, USA).

640  Aug 1989-Mar 1991  Correspondence between Attic Press (Ailbhe Smyth and Michelle Cullen) with the author re publication of the book; wherein Smyth gives her comments on the manuscript with other notes re timescale, photographs to be used in the book, outline of its content, American distribution, print-run, sales and author’s contract; which is included. References are made to media interest with faxes to various newspapers and radio stations re possibility of interviewing the author on her visit to
Ireland. Includes article by Bruce McCabe written for the *Boston Globe* entitled ‘Feeling Free but fragile: Irish Women talk of the strain of trying reviews to make it in America’, press releases, book and letter from Patrick O’Sullivan re Ide O’Carroll contributing to *The Irish World Wide: history, heritage, Identity*. Letters from 1991 are mainly to do with distribution of the book on the American market, Conroy writes to O’Carroll ‘like yourself, we were most hopeful about the possibility of a USA publisher taking models and bitterly disappointed when we received no offers’.

c. 70pp

**641** 1990s

Photographs considered for use in the book taken by both Catriona Cooke and Sandy McDade. Their subjects include: Winifred Geary, Margaret Carlson, Curragh races, Rena Cody, Leena Deevy, and of Ide O’Carroll at the first ‘Irish Women in Boston’ conference, Mary Branley, Noirin Ni Riain, Catriona Cooke, Fionnuala McKenna and a harpist. Includes blank pages where photos have fallen off with name of subject and photographer.

21 items

**642** various

Photographs of Nora Joyce and of her sister and her sister’s family (1914), Mary Terry Kelly, Eileen Newell, Fionnuala McKenna, Rena Cody, Irene Mc Kenzie, women at the Curragh races, Margaret Carlson with her daughter and Grand-daughter, Ide O’Carroll with 1920s emigrant Mary Terry Kelly. Includes negatives – most of the photographs were taken by Catriona Cooke.

28 items

**643** various

Negatives of [Nora Joyce], contact sheet for day at the Curragh races, and group of women (possibly at women’s conference – Boston), negatives of photographs by Katherine O’Donnell and note re (photo of Bridie Halpin without related photograph).

6 items

**644** 1947

Photocopies of letter written to Bridie Halpin from Maud Gonne MacBride; Roebuck House, Clonskea, Dublin in which she refers to American aid ‘a lot to do for Ireland in America to help us free our 6 still occupied counties we need all the help our own people abroad can give, and I am glad to see by the papers that the Anti-Partition
League seems going strong’; she then goes on to relate her family news.

645 Camera Ready Copy. 156pp

3.4.8. Against the Grain: The Contemporary Women’s Movement in Northern Ireland by Eileen Evason

646 Sept 1990 Draft manuscript with letter from Eason to Ailbhe Smyth – ‘still some minor amendments and extra bits needed…It’s all got more complex and detailed than I realized it would be’. c. 70pp

647 1990-1 File contains letters and memo relating to costs of producing the book with memo re income and expenditure relating to subsidy grant of £1,000 to Eason from the Northern Ireland Voluntary Trust, Róisín Conroy writes letter to Equal Opportunities Commission concerning the raising of more money for the book, and Eason writes to Conroy re changes to the book. 10pp

648 Dec 1990 Second draft of manuscript with comments by Ailbhe Smyth. c.50pp

649 Jan 1991 Draft of manuscript. File includes photograph of Evason near Trafalgar Square; London and her identity card from Queen’s University P.E. centre. c. 70pp

650 Spring 1991 Drafts of manuscript with editorial comments.
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3.4.10. Women’s Voices: An Oral History of Northern Irish Women’s Health (1900-1990) by Women’s Committee of National Union of Public Employees (NUPE)

656 July 1991-Nov 1992 Letters and faxes between Inez McCormack (NUPE) with Ailbhe Smyth and Gráinne Healy re proposals for publication and Women’s History Project. Includes authors’ contract, biographies of those involved ie. Mary Ferris, Anna McGonigle, Patricia McKeown, Theresa Moriarty and Marie Mulholland, and flipchart entitled ‘Dig Where You Stand’.

c. 20 items

657 various Black and white photographs used in the book with letter to Local History Copyright Department, Ulster Museum, Belfast concerning copyright. Photographs are of the following: Belfast Hospital for Sick Children, women drawing water from outside a water pump, Lisburn Road – Union Infirmary (now City Hospital) pre 1909, Falls Road – Belfast Hospital for Sick Children (1933), Edgar House 14 Brunswick St – interior of laundry room with women using Steam irons, Millfield, Belfast – common privy at end of court, a woman doing her washing, Raphe Street, girls setting seed potatoes and breaking clods with a spade in Glenshesk; co Antrim, Nelson St National School with children outside it (1902), Abbey St (1912), women stripping tobacco leaf at Gallaher’s Ltd, Electricity demonstration given to a group of women at Belfast College of Technology (1932), Springfield National School with crowd of children outside it.

18 items


c. 140pp

3.4.11. A Link in the Chain: The story of the Irish Housewives Association 1942-92 by Eleanor Tweedy
Correspondence concerning the publication of the book in which Gráinne Healy asks Margaret Mac Curtain to write a foreword for the book. Hilda Tweedy’s letter relates to rewrites and indexing. The file includes the foreword, an appendix of government bodies and national councils on which the IHA is represented, the affirmation of Lucy Olive Kingston (IHA member) and the author’s contract with Attic Press.

8 items

Draft chapters with editorial notes on areas to be covered.

c.70pp

Proofs for 12 chapters without editorial changes.

c.100pp

Proofs of book with editorial changes.

143pp

‘Final Proof copy’ of the book.

143pp

Photocopy of the book.

143pp

Camera Ready Copy of the book with artwork to be incorporated for printing.

143pp

3.4.12. *Women, Power and Consciousness in 19th Century Ireland* (Eight Biographical Studies) by Maria Luddy and Mary Cullen

Correspondence between Attic Press and the authors re publication of the book in two volumes wherein Cullen and Luddy sent
their proposal, with list of those to contribute essays on ‘particular women’s thoughts on things rather than being straightforward biographies of the historical women’. Contains queries by Gráinne Healy and notes re proposal eg. re the number of biographies to be covered, their respective length and deadline for submission. Includes copy of letter by Róisín Conroy to Dr Mary O’Dowd (Dept of Modern History; Queen’s University) re women in history and the possibility of an Attic Press author or speaker attending the conference (O’Dowd offers to sponsor Rosemary Cullen Owens). Includes LIP Pamphlet on women’s history and a letter responsibility of Attic Press distributing Mary Dullen’s book *Girls Don’t Do Honours*.  

41pp

667 various File contains plan of photographs to be inserted with summary biographies of those featured in the book. File includes some but not all of these photographs ie. Frances Power Cobb, Anne Mullin (later Anne Jellicoe), Charlotte Grace O’Brien, and Anna Doyle Whelan.  

26 items

668 1995 Camera Ready Copy of the book with two bookcovers.  

306pp

3.4.13. *Fighting Spirit: Sheila Conroy* by Marianne Heron

669 June 1992-Sept 1993 Letters from Marianne Heron to Róisín Conroy and Jo Power regarding publication of a biography on Sheila Conroy (trade unionist, women’s rights activist and former chairwoman of RTE Authority). Heron was approached by Sheila Conroy to write the book, Heron writes – ‘I thought that the project might be of interest to Attic because it involves a contemporary heroine and a great feminist. Mrs Conroy has had the most fascinating life story, has known and crossed swords with most of the political leaders and has been involved in many human rights issues’. Heron sends two of her trial chapters. File includes Attic Press’ comments on her proposal, changes to be made to Heron’s contract and changes to be made to the book which Heron criticizes. Includes tributes to Sheila Conroy from John Carroll; former president of ICTU, Donal Nevin; former president of ITGWU, Michael Woods, Charles Haughey, Bob Collins, Conor Cruise O’Brien, Michael Keating and Ruairi Quinn. Also includes Sheila Conroy’s comments on trade unions, education,
the Labour Party and on RTE.

670 1950s-90s Photographs used in the book with photocopies of: Sheila Conroy with members of the Council for the Status of Women, with President Robinson and Members of the Irish Widows’ Organisation, with Bertie Ahern and the People’s College, of Sheila Conroy and her husband in Russia. Other photographs are of Sheila Conroy at the official opening of RTE (1978), with the ITGWU celebrating Fifty years of Liberty Hall, of her wedding day and at a dance in 1950. Includes press cutting with article re Conroy.

20 items

671 1993 Camera ready copy of the book with bookcover.

155pp

3.4.14. *From Dublin to New Orleans: The Journey of Nora and Alice* by Suellen Hoy and Margaret MacCurtain

672 July 1992 Correspondence, memos and faxes between Suellen Hoy (Indiana; USA) and Gráinne Healy; managing editor of Attic Press re Hoy’s proposal for a book on Irish women who emigrated to become nuns. Includes background material on the phenomenon of Irish women emigrating as nuns (1840-1900) and list of postulants and novices who went from Cabra to New Orleans, with extracts from the diaries of Nora and Alice and a memo re publication plans.

c.90pp

673 Jan 1993-Mar 1994 Correspondence between the authors; Hoy and MacCurtain with Róisín Conroy, Maeve Kneafsey and Gráinne Healy about the book. Includes profile of Suellen Hoy and synopsis of the book re ‘Nora and Alice educated at Cabra (the Dominican’s boarding school in Dublin), left their friends and families (in Castleisland, Co Kerry) to become Dominican nuns in New Orleans. Their diaries describe their journey’. There are also photocopies of proposed and accepted book covers, and a draft of authors’ contract. Includes some correspondence with Clare
Duignan; Group Head Features & Current Affairs at RTE about the possibility of making the book into a television film which refers to the researching of the book. A copy letter (Sept 1993) from Róisín Conroy to Margaret MacCurtain refers to future projects ‘like to talk to you about the possibility of doing, with a revised intro, ‘Women in Irish History’. In other words…a bit blitz of history books from Attic’.

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### 3.4.15. *In their Own Voice: Irish Women & Irish Nationalism* by Margaret Ward

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### 3.4.16. *I Call to the Eye of the Mind: A Memoir* by Sarah Hyland; edited by Maureen Murphy

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<td>Aug 1995-Mar 1996</td>
<td>Letters relating to the publication of Sarah Hyland’s memoir from Maureen Murphy; of Curriculum and Teaching, Hofstra University; New Professor at the Dept.York, to Ruth Burke Kennedy and; Róisín Conroy. The story is about Sarah Hyland an employee in Lily Yeats’ embroidery workshop whose ‘recollections…tell us something of the life of a working class family….Her years with the Yeats sisters offers some insight into daily work life at the Cuala Industries and the contribution the sisters made to providing employment in Irish crafts for</td>
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young women. Her years with the Yeatses also introduced her to literary Dublin’. Includes Readers’ reports given by John Scally and Margaret Ward and Claire Devlin’s opinion is also asked. There are references to text changes and the outline of the book in terms of chapters, an author/book profile, advance information about the book and letters concerning photographs, illustrations, graphics and a design specification form and a copy of a letter from Maureen Murphy to Anne Yeats.

684 1995/6 Proofs of the book with some proofreader’s comments.


686 n.d. Photographs: seven women sewing around a table, three women at work in factory (two at machines, one writing), portrait of Lily Yeats, of coin, plaque for house with Sarah Hyland and Cuala Industries engraved, 9 women by gate of Cuala factory, 3 women (possibly sisters) sitting together in garden.

687 1995/6 Negatives and contact sheet of photographs re cover for the book.

3.4.17. _Lesbian Lives_ by Inez Reider

688 May-Sept 1995 Letters and faxes between Inez Reider, Richmond, California, USA and Ríona MacNamara and Róisín Conroy concerning the publication of her book. Conroy writes ‘We also had problems re speculations (in the absence of evidence) re some women being declared lesbians’. Includes editorial title maps and advance information about the book ‘a fascinating up-put-downable collection of biographies of 78 women, tracing a web of relationships from Europe to America to Africa, between
writers, activists, politicians, First Ladies and more. Arranged not chronologically or alphabetically, but by relationships, it draws the reader in and onwards in a fascinating, gossipy, humorous seduction’.

689  n.d.  Drafts of Reider’s manuscripts.  c.150pp

690  n.d  Drafts of Reider’s manuscripts.  c.200pp

3.5. Titles in Women’s Studies

3.5.1. **Personally Speaking: Women’s Thoughts on Women’s Issue**, by Liz Steiner-Scott

691  Feb 1984-Mar 1985  Closed  File contains correspondence between Liz Steiner-Scott and Attic Press; mainly with Mary Paul Keane relating to changes and corrections. Includes list of contributors with their addresses and contact numbers, a memo of Steiner-Scott’s agreement and contributors declarations re copyright and the originality of their work. File also contains proofreaders’ overall comments. Other correspondents include Robyn Rowland, Andrea Dworkin re editing, and a letter of complaint from Pauline [Jackson]. Includes advance information, a draft and newspaper reviews of the book; *Evening Herald* article entitled ‘Feminist overkill’, *Slush* magazine, an *Irish Times* synopsis of the book and *Cork Examiner* article entitled ‘Book highlights women’s issues’.  45 items

692  Camera Ready Copies of the book in two parts pp.1-192, and pp.193-304.  2 folders
3.5.2. *Feminist Theology*, by Mary Condren

693  Feb 1984-Nov 1986  Correspondence between Mary Paul Keane and Mary Condren re publication of her book on Feminist theology, wherein she sends her proposal, outlines the theme of the book, structure and market and synopses of sections which Keane comments. Róisín Conroy also gives some feedback. A letter (Nov 1986) relates to the termination of Condren’s contract with Attic Press wherein Keane sends copies of letters from various American university press groups who were interested in co-publishing the book with Attic Press.  

Closed  

c.80pp


c. 60pp


c. 150pp


c. 150pp

697  c. 1986  File contains readers’ comments on sections of the manuscript.  

24pp
Related Research Sources:


23 items

699 1979-87 Articles by Mary Condren entitled and published in the following: ‘From Here, There and Everywhere!’ (New Church), introduction to Celtic Theology (Celtic Theology), editorial (Abortion: The Tragic Dilemma), and ‘For the Banished Children Of Eve: An Introduction to Feminist Theology’ (Movement Pamphlet).

5 items
3.5.3. Power, Culture, Society: Essays on Irish Women in the 1990s – A Reader for Irish Women’s Studies edited by Ailbhe Smyth

700  Sept-Dec 1992  File contains proposal for the book – ‘the aim in this collection of essays is to explore the issues relating to women in Irish society in the 1990s. Includes correspondence between Ailbhe Smyth (of WERRC – the Women’s Education Research and Resource Centre) and Gráinne Healy; managing editor with Attic Press.

   c. 20 items

701  Jan-Aug 1993  Gráinne Healy states her queries about the book to Smyth eg. ‘I note that there are no contributors from Limerick/Cork women’s studies centres? Do you think this will affect its attraction as a reader for courses in those colleges?’, list of contents for the book, problems noted (19/4/93) eg. ‘Why has production not got hard copies of these papers? Which should have been marked up by the Editor’, notes re recommendations made at Board Meetings, letters re difficulties eg. problem discs and excess length – Smyth writes (1/5/93) ‘still having problems with Routledge permission and no firm up-date with M MacCurtain (who seems to have gone incommunicado). Am pursuing both’. Includes housestyle queries, agreed style and layout, biographical notes on some contributors and Smyth’s draft with editorial notes, amendments and comments eg. Healy points out ‘Once and for all this error of IWLM. initiated by five women’ must be incorrect – I don’t know what your source is (sisters?)….The ORIGINAL group consisted of 10 not 5 women who were Nell McCafferty, Mairin Johnston, Mary Sheerin, Mary Maher, Mary Kenny (known as 3 Marys), June Levine, Marie McMahon, Mairin de Burca, Margaret Gaj and Finnola O’Connor’. Healy continues to point out inaccuracies re various groups and people.

37 items
3.6. Political & Legal Titles

3.6.1. Nell McCafferty

3.6.1.1. The Best of Nell: A Selection of writings over fourteen years

702 May-Nov 1984 Letters re the publication of the book – some relate to already published articles wherein permission is asked for their reprinting by Attic Press. Mary Paul Keane thanks Eavan Boland for agreeing to write the introduction to the book and suggests they might meet up at the Feminist Book Fair in London. Some drafts are included in the folder, a list of articles shortlisted but not included in the book, a list of various categorized articles and their respective wordcount, a brief to the designer and advance information about the book. 18 items

703 A list of various articles written by Nell McCafferty – the paper or magazine they were published in, the date, the number of words and the category to which they belong within the book ie. ‘Feminist argument’, ‘North’, ‘The Law’, ‘School Days’, ‘The Church and the crimes’, ‘Statutory women’ and the names of articles shortlisted but not included in the book. 7 items

704 1978-84 Lists of articles written by Nell McCafferty, and the category to which they belong in the book. Includes list of articles re ‘Nuclear War’ and ‘Another View’. c.40 items

705 n.d Drafts of manuscript (ie. articles by Nell McCafferty) and notes re inserts. 9 items
Drafts of manuscript (ie. articles by Nell McCafferty) and notes re inserts. c.30pp

Various section of the book on ‘Grips’ – [pastings for printer – 1 grip per folder].

10 folders

Camera Ready working copy of the book with copy of the book. c.160pp

File contains chapter headings, the word count for various sections of the book and the running order of material in the book.

7 items

File contains key headings for the book, photocopies of some articles, lists of articles written by Nell McCafferty and the names of the newspapers/magazines they were written for ie. Irish Press, In Dublin, Sunday News, Kerry’sEye, with the respective date and word count. Includes notes for Sue Russell re research for Attic Press, with copy of a letter from Sue Russell to Nell McCafferty re list of articles collected. Enclosed in a notebook with listed articles is an article by Helen Shaw entitled ‘Who’s looking after this lot?’ extract ‘only four of 27 literary bursaries awarded in the last three years went to women’. Includes the running order of the book.

c. 30 items

Material relates to the reissuing of the book with letters to designers relating to the new book cover and re Irish Press proof. Riona
MacNamara thanks Nell McCafferty for putting her in touch with a researcher. Includes press release re Nell McCafferty and various bookcovers.

7 items

712 Proof of book with some comments – includes bookcover.
c. 20pp

713 Various sections of the book on ‘Grips’ one in loose format [pastings for printer – 1 ‘grip’ per folder].
11 folders

714 Two camera ready copies of the book – (c. 185pp each)

3.6.1.3. Articles by Nell McCafferty

Irish Times

23 items

716 1972 ‘Living Inside Free Derry’, ‘The March That Won’t....Or Will It?’ re Derry Women’s Action Committee, ‘Charlie is my Destiny’ re Fianna Fáil Ardheis, ‘Women Convene Own Dáil would change Constitution’ re Irish House- Wives Association, ‘Stepping it out in the right direction’ re ICA, ‘Things that go bump in the night’, ‘Bringing charity to those forgotten by the inadequate welfare system’, travel features such as ‘A magnificent sight in the vineyard cellars’, ‘Seven
Days in Derry’ (20/5/72), ‘No Gift of Tongues’ re EEC, ‘No great victory
For the world’s best boxer’ re Muhammad Ali, ‘Bogside Returns to the Old
Days, with a fear of worse days’ (1/8/72), ‘Spotlight on rows within
adoption’ an extract of which states ‘Minister for Justice publishes some
letters about the disagreements and three former members, who allege
interference, fill in gaps from their own files’. ‘Tail End of the Short’,
‘Three famous faces fight redundancy’ re RTE continuity announcers –
Nuala Donnelly, Margaret O’Brien and Thelma Mansfield, ‘Banned
Innocence’ re censorship, ‘8 People who brought civil rights to streets’ re
Derry march, ‘and ‘Irish Vegetables’ re Irish horticultural industry and the
EC.

c. 30 items

717 1974

‘Your Mite & You’, ‘In the right place for
the Second Coming’, ‘Does he think we’re
eejits; What was that all about?’ re Bogside
mother’s reaction to the Wilson and Faulkner broadcast on the North’s
crisis, other articles re Derry, and the Church.

c. 30 items

718 1975-9

‘Suitable reading material for total women’
re censorship, ‘Beaten by the system – the tale
of bureaucratic discrimination against a
worker who had the misfortune to be unemployed, sick and female’, ‘All
this violence still done to women’ re International Tribunal on Crimes
against Women in Brussels, ‘Sweat & pay’ re women workers, an article
re Jim Larkin, ITGWU trade disputes such as the Kilmartin industrial siege
and Derry McDermot, Irish Housewives Association and Contraception,
‘the value of the chattel’ and music and arts features.

17 items

719 1980-5

Re Irish Women’s Liberation Movement, UN
Conference for women in Copenhagen
wherein Nell McCafferty raises the issue of
the women in Armagh Prison, an article re women’s health, the Glen
Abbey Pretty Polly ad, New York, ‘Spare Limb’ re health food ads, ‘Old
girls’ network’, ‘Where Motherhood is unsung’, Irish naturists and nude
beaches, ‘A Smile to Third World Mums’, ‘Red faces at the Castle’ re
snubbing of Russian ambassador’s wife at President’s inauguration,
‘How RUC figure in SF progress’, a profile of Justice Ó hUadhaigh, an
article re Europe’s women representatives in the EU Parliament, ‘On why
we make it to old age exhausted, ill and ignored…’ and includes article re
Nell McCafferty ‘EEC experience not ‘mirrored by writers’  

22 items

720 June 1989  
Articles relating to the libel case taken by Niall Andrews; MEP re Nell McCafferty’s article on legalisation of prostitution.  

7 items

721 1972-6  
In the Eyes of the Law – series for Irish Times: ‘Housewives’ independence notions disappear in the courtroom’, ‘To Vote Yes’ re joining EEC, ‘Hallway used for negotiations in broken marriage cases’, ‘Six months for mother of four in case of 10 stolen suits’, ‘Was girl in her right mind when she stole?’, ‘Find a free solicitor or go to the Vincent de Paul’, ‘One Day in the life of a resident magistrate in Derry court’, ‘Over to the nuns or the nuns or the hospital authorities’, ‘There’s no coddling in here, madam’ re mother offering herself as bondswoman for her 17 year old son, ‘a very tired woman asks for a rest in jail’, ‘Appeal bail for fighting sister conviction of waylaying respectable ladies’, ‘Beat wife under ‘terrible provocation’ while squatting on £15 a week.  

22 items

722 1978-85  
Simon Community Booklets with articles by Nell McCafferty – one entitled ‘Apathy and the Law’.  

3 items

Magill magazine

723 1978-85  

7 items

Irish Press

140
The first article in this file is about New York with an annotation by [Róisín Conroy]. ‘Nell could you please start collecting all your articles from March 1984 now on’. Articles re car breakdown in Tallaght, shooting of Lily Doherty by RUC in Derry, Talbot workers, Dallas, the £95,000 government grant given to the Council for the Status of women ‘a cheap price to pay to keep women of Ireland & their official representatives quiet’, ‘Sex & Games Go to War: how pornography, emotion and the language of the playing fields have played their part in the Falkland crisis’, and ‘Grist to the striking mill’ – McCafferty ‘investigates a disturbing aspect of labour relations’.

8 items

‘Politicians – what are they not worth’ extract states: ‘The Defeat of Eileen Lemass in last week’s by-election may yet provide, paradoxically a boost for the women’s movement in Ireland’, ‘Abortion Law Debate: All Should Participate’, article re war in Middle East, ‘Barmaids out in the cold – and no one says why’, ‘Free speech? Well it’s cheap at the price...’, ‘Rape..Most of us do not know what to do or say’ re debt owed to the Rape Crisis Centre, an article re British Royal intrusion, ‘Chronicler of a clan’ re Eileen Doherty from the Bogside, ‘The passion of politics and those security headaches’ re Thatcher and Haughey, ‘Dear Mammy, they mean it when they say Buy Irish’, ‘Fun & Games behind the wire’ re Butlins, ‘Dear Mammy, school was never like this...’. ‘How I went on the Late Late and lived to tell the tale, ‘Politicians please note’ re women’s groups and amendment to Constitution re abortion, ‘Being disconnected while querying the phone bill’, I wish, I wish’ – McCafferty’s New Year’s wishes for the Council for the Status of women, ‘Unity among Dáil women’, and an article wherein Nell McCafferty ‘ponders the prospect of our women politicians uniting on other issues such as illegitimacy, domicile and family planning’.

20 items

District Court, ‘How much better off are Northern women’ – ‘McCafferty challenges the claim made at the forum last week that Northern women have more rights than their Southern sisters’, ‘Where motherhood is unsung’, ‘The Tragedy of Anne Purvis’ and ‘Not so Fond Hearth’.  

21 items

727 June-Dec 1983  
‘Up the Shankill’, ‘Exams: Written Statements to convict us’, ‘RTE’s snub to women’, ‘It’s not easy being a private eye in Greece’, ‘Blackstuff comes to Corduff....or how the social welfare rules keep changing for one woman’, ‘Mary Comber makes her last stand’ re ‘demise of one far-famed social tradition in co Clare’, ‘You’ll never guess who’s decided to run, Mammy’ re Derry women’s city marathon, ‘New faces but no policy’ – by line ‘McCafferty went to the recent conference organised by the Council for the Status of Women and wondered why the Council is so reluctant to act as an outspoken defender of women’s rights.. Nell....ponders the prospect of our women politicians uniting on other issues such as illegitimacy, domicile and family planning. ‘stranger who died on Lone Moore Road’ re death of soldier in Northern Ireland.  

18 items

728 Mar-May 1984  
‘A tale of woe on the B & I’, ‘Even God Supports Job-Sharing’, an article re religious discrimination at the Adelaide hospital, ‘Mrs Ferraro and the gender gap’ – nominated as Vice President of the US’, ‘Burton & Liz & all the rest’ – divorce, ‘The priests, the people....and Nell’re Lahinch Merriman summer School, ‘Praise the Lord and pass the nappies’ an article re the financial consequences for women if divorce was introduced, ‘Operation Lionheart & WW3’ re Irish Women for Disarmanent protest on Greenham Common V Nato mock war, ‘Smocking Damages your Boss’ re co Kildare women who went on strike after their boss refused to let them smoke in the toilet, an article re Raymond Gilmore – supergrass, ‘Me Jane equal to you Tarzan....?’ re equal pay issue and Cork factory women, ‘Why Nancy & her baby face eviction in Athlone’ re eviction of single mother from Athlone council house, ‘From the gift and horse mouth...’ re money Bernadette Devlin brought back from US in 1969, ‘Gizz-a-job & a promotion’ re working women, ‘Why Angela’s on her own’ re eviction of a single mother, ‘The grip of male control – WPA annual get together’, ‘Marie Murray – why she wants to be a mother’ (Murray and her husband both serving life sentences for the murder of Garda Michael Reynolds).  

36 items
Mar-May 1985

‘A weekly excursion up north’ re Longkesh, ‘How a stolen cheque led to a strip search for Sheena – extract: ‘The management of Ballyfree say, there was absolutely no connection between her sacking and the fact that she helped to unionise the workforce some days earlier’, ‘They shook the world’ re Dunnes stores workers, ‘How a caged woman put the ad men in a tight corner’ re Glen Abbey tights ad, ‘The opinions of mighty medical men’ re Kerry Babies Tribunal and related article ‘How much misery is enough’.

7 items

Oct-Dec 1985

Hanrahan family of Ballycurkeen; co Tipperary V Merck, Sharp & Dohme
‘Shocking new thoughts to play with’ re Derry, ‘Women waiting too long in the dark’ re NI women with husbands in jail ‘for alleged offences that were directly connected with politics’, article re Dallas book, ‘Minister in Conflict with Rape Centre’ re Nuala Fennell, an article re child sexual abuse and Derry City FC.

9 items

Jan-Mar 1986

Various articles re Kay Murphy – a single mother cut off by the ESB and council, an article re Nancy O’ Donnell, London Irish Women’s Centre, female engineers, Annual Women’s Congress of trade unions and Dunnes Stores workers.

7 items

Apr-July 1986


12 items

Apr-July 1986

‘Pictures of a hidden story’ re Anglo, Irish agreement an article re Greenham Common anti-nuclear protest, ‘Sisterhood in the
Catholic Church’, ‘Mary, men & money – Mary McAleese has raised some questions about men and money’ – Nell McCafferty answers her, ‘Women through the eyes of Mr Andrews, MEP re legalizing brothels for women in Ireland, ‘Schoolbooks are yuck: The role marked out for the female of the species is a crock of rubbish’, ‘In Defence of Working Women’ re report of the status of the paid working woman.

8 items

734 Oct-Dec 1986 ‘SPUC and the Centres in Court’ – abortion referral centres, ‘Sisters stream from the bunkers re SPUC, well woman centres, Greenham Common protest, Mary Nelis’ creche – the first ever creche set up in the bogside, ‘Women at a standstill in FG’ re Fine Gael women TD’s and ‘Sinn Féin turn back’ re Women’s Political Association refusing to support SF candidate Pamela Kane, ‘After Saudi, we’re in the pink’ – compares Saudi women’s situation with that of Irish women, ‘You against the union, Lord?’ re Shelbourne Hotel dispute, an article re Christmas bazaar, ‘Sisters mean business’ re women in business, an article re poverty and article re women workers of Lissadell Towers in Ardee; Co Louth.

13 items

735 Jan-May 1987 ‘An Irish solution’ re SPUC and wellwoman clinics, ‘Me Jane equal to you Tarzan’, an article re Prince Edward, ‘Missus Mop goes for a clean sweep’ re Employment equality act and the VEC, ‘Gemma Says’ how ‘Gemma Hussey has put the clock forward for young women seeking trade apprenticeships’.

10 items

736 June-Nov 1987 ‘More questions about rape case conduct’, an article re the death of Mary Norris and her four daughters in a fire in their home in Clondalkin. Includes article ‘Enniskillen: My Fault’

3 items

737 July 1994 ‘Acting the part in Greek Comedy’

1 item
In Dublin

738 1982-3     Articles re RTE, the All Priests Show, Michael O’Leary’s election campaign, abortion amendment Referendum, LIFE, and an article re the anti-nuclear Protest on Greenham Common.

c.28 items

739 1984     ‘The Death of Ann Lovett, situation of women in the EEC, an article re pregnancies outside marriage looking at the cases of Eileen Flynn and Anne Lovett; includes a second article on Eileen Flynn, New York trip, child sexual abuse, female altar girls, church and medicinal masturbation, *Dallas*, Church, SPUC, Armagh jail and the strip searching of a six week old baby, the murder of Frank Hand, ‘Furtive Lechery’ re priests, Bridget Bond and the Civil Rights Movement – ‘she’s an example of women being written out of history’. American election issue – abortion, assassination of Indira Gandhi and an article re marriage.

22 items


24 items

741 1986-7     Northern Ireland, the new PD’s, church and sex, Cory Aquino, the Pope’s 1979 visit to Ireland, Garret Fitzgerald – extract ‘He was due to propose a watershed in Irish political, social and religious life, the ultimate separation of Church and State, his wish that people would introduce divorce’, Chernobyl, divorce, royal weddings, Rose of Tralee festival, ‘Women prevent Well Woman Centre and Open Line Counselling advising women on how to procure abortions in Britain’, Anne O’Donnell – publicity director of the Rape Crisis Centre – ‘She is the happiest feminist in Ireland, and the very sight of her brings happiness to feminist souls’, supergrass system in Northern Ireland, Bishop Casey and Sexuality, an article re campaign to defend the clinics – ‘The clinics have ended their
pregnancy counselling services and the battle has begun’.

27 items

*Out magazine*

742 Jan-May 1985 ‘Have things changed’ for gays in Ireland re the advantages of being gay, an article re summer ‘That’s the sure sign of an Irish summer’ – a fully clothed colleen, make up, Christmas, Rock Hudson, play by Larry Kramer *The Normal Heart*, AIDS, Kerry Babies case, the Pope, Irish bishops and the book *Lesbian Nuns, Breaking Silence*.

11 items

*Sunday News*

743 Jan-July 1986 Articles re Alex Higgins, Barry McGuigan and fatherhood, London Irish Women’s centre. ‘The woman gets saddled with work’ re Eileen Evason’s survey of Ulster situation in terms of women, children and poverty, Dutch holiday, Epithets that miss the mark, women trade unionists, ‘Does John’s S in SDLP mean sexist?’, other articles re John Hume and feminism ‘Politics of sex and the great divide’ and an article re his promoting divorce in the South, ‘Spicy times when sex is on the agenda’ re Inez McCormack and NUPE, an article re Northern and Southern artists, women writers, Northern Unionists, women in the church, Greenham Common, Garret Fitzgerald calling for a referendum on divorce, Chernobyl ‘what’s glowing in the wind?’, Cannes Film Festival, holiday in Turkey, Self-Aid concert, women and the damage done by the Dalkon Shield intrauterine device, pregnant men, and the Orangemen and Garvaghy Road.

29 items

744 Aug-Dec 1986 Monsignor James Horan, Japanese women and train toilets, women and third level education, Iris Robinson-wife of Peter Robinson, Short Brothers, Working Class Heroes for women, The Joan Kennedy Story, Anglo Irish Agreement, Saudi women, Ballylumford and Tessie Gallagher of the bogside, feminism and Sinn Féin, sex scandals and the Tory party, Patrick Cooney, ‘Republic of Ireland’s new Minister for Education, is a man of forthright views and pricniples’, housing conditions, the SDLP and it’s ‘first ever discussion of women’s affairs’ during an annual conference, Kathleen Kennedy Townsend’s address at the Women’s Political Association conference, Cardinal O’Fiach, AIDS, and Christmas themes.

24 items
Kerry’s Eye

745 Mar-Aug 1986

Kay Murphy ‘the single mother at the centre of a marathon housing row in Athlone, has been told to move on’, ‘The First Shot’ re incident of policeman shooting at Irish public on O’Connell Street, President Reagan, ‘Dick Spring Contraception Divorce and John Hume’, AGM’s of political parties, Queen’s 60th Birthday and the royal wedding, ‘The Rocky Road to Emigration’, ‘Dallas Darlin – Upsets Dáil Debate on divorce’ and various other articles re divorce. ‘There was no need to roar at me’ re Kerry’s no divorce majority vote, Orange march on Portadown, Dunne Stores strikers, summer schools, ‘The Loyalists have come south’, ‘Sisterhood is Powerful’ re An Post’s decision to issue a set of stamps celebrating the contribution of women to Irish society’ extract: ‘whatever made them think that Irishwomen would be content to receive a lick and a thump on the face and vicarious travel on the front of an envelope’.

23 items

746 Aug-Dec 1986

CIE, Ringaskiddy development, Wolfe Tone and Bloody Sunday, compares Civil Rights struggle with March of the unemployed at Jarrow 15 years previously, Section 31 of Broadcasting Act, living in Bangladesh, ‘Martin McGuinness: The Making of a Priest’, ‘Remembrance Day: Does anybody really care?’, ‘No sex please – we’re Irish’ re Bishop Casey and Eamonn Kelly.

16 items

747 1987


12 items

Hot Press

748

Topics include: personal anecdotes, John Matthews – charged in London for blowing up a taxi, Hello magazine, ‘The New Catechism and the Terrible truth about family planning’, Winnie Mandela, IRA, South Africa, Northern Ireland, Gerry Adams, Mary Harney and football.

15 items
Other publications

749 1986-90


23 items

Unidentifiable publications

750 n.d.


11 items

3.6.1.4. A Woman to Blame by Nell McCafferty

See Also 1367ff

751 July-Nov 1985

Correspondence between Attic Press and Nell McCafferty re publication of her book. Róisín Conroy writes – ‘I have only just finished your MS and must say that I find it gripping’, Nell’s reply ends with ‘I am lonely, disturbed, unhappy and gone very old altogether. I hope you’re the fucking same. Love Nell’. Another letter from Attic Press states – ‘We are very upset at your letter of last night – at your upset and also at the level of anger that is being directed towards us...’ wherein references are made to the difficulties and frustrations involved in the publishing of A Woman to Blame. Includes discussion brief about the book with suggested chapter headings.

c.20pp
Correspondence between Róisín Conroy and Mary Paul Keane with solicitors and proof readers re potentially libelous statements in the book. File includes copies of letters to Michael Hoban; Easons re their decision not to handle the book and an *Irish Times* article by Helen Shaw – ‘Journalist Nell McCafferty…..did not have an easy morning yesterday launching her book on the Kerry Babies case…Easons had confirmed they were not prepared to distribute it after taking legal advice’.

44pp

File contains press releases – one re Nell McCafferty’s response to the publication of Judge Lynch’s report of the Tribunal of Inquiry, a press statement from Tralee women’s group outside the Dept of Justice against ‘power and pomp of our legal institutions – ‘Women especially undergo a rigourous line of questioning not adopted towards men, the extent of which is designed to denigrate them and destroy their credibility, blaming them for their own misfortunes’. File also includes a press release re the opening of the London Irish women’s centre, McCafferty’s itinerary for her Australia trip, a list of media contacts for London and advance information re *A Woman to Blame* book which states ‘The treatment of Joanne Hayes, who stood accused of no crime, was a paradigm for Irish male attitutes to women, and the Tribunal of Inquiry into the behaviour of the policemen became a trial of Irish womanhood’. Includes request forms for reviewing the book.

c. 40pp

Drafts with corrections and changes to be made, resumé of facts and notes.

16 items

Notes and draft sent to Nell McCafferty (while in Australia) re additional quotes from Tribunal Report which Attic Press are going to add.

3 items

Galley copies re Kerry Babies Tribunal with corrections and changes to be made either
for editorial or legal reasons.  

39pp

757  n.d.  Galley copies re Kerry Babies Tribunal with editorial changes to be made.  
Closed  
c. 70pp

758  n.d.  Proof with very few changes made and bookcovers.  
Closed  
c. 80pp


45pp


130pp

761  1985  Newscuttings re Nell McCafferty and her book entitled ‘No soap opera just a sad story’, ‘McCrapperty!’ re her performance on *Late Late Show*, ‘Big Nell’ – an article by her sister – Carmel McCallion re their childhood, ‘The Pride, and the Passion’ a profile by Fintan O’Toole and ‘Sorry Saga’ – a review by Mary Leland re two books on the Kerry babies case.  

5 items

Ancillary material and sources used or considered for use in the book

762  Jan-Feb 1985  Photocopies of letters of support written to Joanne Hayes – extracts from some as follows – ‘I just read that report of the questioning by that awful brutal Kennedy man. It was the lowest, cruelest I have ever heard – I cried as I read it’, another writes – ‘I would like to congratulate those people of Abbeydorney who stand by you. There are countless people all over Ireland, and the world, who are on your side’, a press release from Labour Women’s National Council states ‘extremely concerned by the effects of the Tribunal procedures in Tralee on Joanne Hayes and her family. It is indicative of the attitude of the paternalistic court system which feels that private lives of women is the public concern’, and –
‘The lines of questioning pursued by some of the solicitors are so personal, sexually explicit and laden with innuendo that we have felt really pained for you......we have been led to ask ‘which of our lives could stand up to such close public scrutiny’. Most of the letters criticise the legal system and questioning of Joanne Hayes.

c. 150pp

763 Jan-Sept 1985  Letters to Nell McCafferty of support – a man [possibly Paul Durcan; the poet] who writes - ‘The brutal theatre of what’s going on in Tralee has left me, as I write to you, with a suicidal (as well as murderous)depression.....I have never before felt so certain that men have made Irish society (& so many other societies) a truly appalling place to live in’. Another man writes ‘Thank God for the Irish Press....that’s trying to take Ireland out of the stone age’. Includes flyer re march for women only with the theme ‘Irishwomen on Trial – Women are Angry’ – ‘various events over the past year eg. The death of Anne Lovett and her child, the threatened eviction of Nancy O’Donnell in Athlone, the treatment of Joanne Hayes in Tralee – have brought home to women everywhere in Ireland the prejudices which are held so strongly against us’.

8 items

764 Jan-Feb 1985  Photocopy of transcript of Tribunal re proceedings interrogation of Joanne Hayes’ mother re inconsistent accounts of events given by family members, including the statement of Bridget Fuller and a memo of an interview between a Garda and Joanne Hayes.

4 items


69pp
Photographs - mainly black and white.

766 1985 List of photographs used in the book with corresponding page number – caption and photographer. Includes letters requesting permission to reproduce photographs for the book. 9 items

767 1985 Hayes family, Louise McKenna outside the Tribunal of Inquiry, Bridie Fuller in a wheelchair, Joanne Hayes with her sister and two other women, Joanne Hayes with her sister and members of the tribunal in a field, a map of Co. Kerry, photograph of Sr. Mechtilde with the caption ‘There was no hush-up’, Joanne Hayes with the caption ‘she has been sucked into a Black Hole....’, and of Martina Rohan, Joanne Hayes and Mary O’Riordan laughing. 16 items

768 1985 Photographs taken by Kennelly (Strand St, Co. Kerry) many contain captions: ‘Joanne buys her ticket to head for the first sessions, of the Tribunal in Dublin’ ‘angry female protesters chant ‘who’s on trial outside Tralee Garda Barracks’, ‘Judge Lynch being escorted through women protesters by Gardai’, of Joanne’s daughter Yvonne resting on her uncle’s shoulders, ‘Hayes family and neighbour leave Tralee Court after being released on continuing bail by Judge Humphreys Kelleher’, ‘Mudslinging? – Kevin Lynch on the Hayes farm with Michael Buckley and Christy Hogarty’, ‘Women’s protest at Tribunal: Judge Lynch is escorted from angry mob by Gardai – includes Sheeley, Callaghan and O’Callaghan’, ‘Joanne Hayes sister’, photograph of a dead baby with bruising on its back, crowd scene at Bridie Fuller’s grave, in funeral home, ‘A light moment as Joanne finishes her time in the witness box she manages a little smile’, ‘Bridie Fuller’s first appearance before the Inquiry at Tralee General Hospital – wheeled in by Sr. Brenda – Matron, ‘sneak photo....taken as reporters spoke to Mary Hayes and Bridie Fuller with neighbour’, Joanne Hayes amidst photographers, Sr. Aquinas with two other nuns, Abbeydorney church with ‘Men Only’ section at the back of it, protesters with placards, Joanne Hayes with family ‘Joanne on her second appearance at Tralee Courthouse escorted by a prison officer and ban garda’ windows of the Granada Prison car as Joanne with large crowd of onlookers peering through the tinted set off for Limerick. 25 items
Photographs taken by Ronan Quinlan of protesters in support of Joanne Hayes with placards outside Tralee courthouse, and of Hayes family in their kitchen.

4 items

Photographs taken by Ray Cullen and Pat Keegan of *Irish Press* of Joanne Hayes, one (humourous) where she is in a quasi-squatting stance raising herself up from a chair at the Tribunal, of Abbeydorney church with men only section, of four women one of whom is May Cullen, of three nuns leaving courthouse and of Jeremiah Locke.

14 items

Photographs of Joan Hayes, Joanne Hayes with two other women, of Tribunal men in field by the sea with Joanne and her sister, of men sitting at tribunal protesters of support, Joanne and her sisters with flowers, Bridie Fuller’s grave, Joanne and Sr Aquina at B Fuller’s funeral, and photocopies of pictures of Kevin Lynch, Martin Kennedy and Dermot McCarthy.

10 items

Photograph of the map of co Kerry.

1 item

3.6.1.5. Media Coverage of Kerry Babies Case

*Magill* magazines and *In Dublin* re Kerry Babies Case.

6 items

*Irish Times* article entitled ‘Study of sedative abuse urged’.

1 item
Newscuttings (mainly photocopies with some originals) from various newspapers (abbreviated in brackets eg. The Irish Times and Sunday Tribune except where the source is unidentifiable) – titles listed:

**775** July-Dec 1984


14 items

**776** Jan-Feb 1985


20 items

**777** Mar-May 1985

connected to case – judge’, ‘Harbison is certain that cord was cut’, ‘Knife’
not used with force’, ‘Locke was a ‘prime suspect for murder’’, ‘Joanne
‘seemed to display no remorse’, ‘Her love ruled out other man’, ‘A
‘Watergate type’ cover-up by Garda is claimed’ and Judge seeks names
list’, ‘If there is no plot – why am I here: judge’, ‘Keep out’ stance alleged’,
‘Garda ‘part’ in confessions’, ‘Joanne – how much misery is enough?’,
‘Baby Books’ (Magill), ‘On Trial….Ireland’s sexual revolution’ (The Times),
‘Lake baby hunt provokes priest’s appeal’ – a similar case with related
article ‘Local girls are quizzed by gardai’.

19 items


10 items


1 item

780   1-4 Oct 1985  Irish Times articles entitled ‘Funeral of Bridie Fuller’, ‘Not just a simple country girl’.

3 items


2 items

782   4-6 Oct 1985  Irish Press articles entitled: ‘’After the report – the ordeal for Joanne goes on’, ‘Mrs Locke speaks out: Treatment of Joanne ‘was harsh’, ‘Let this sad,botched affair die – Spring’, ‘Lynch Law and Joanne
Hayes’ and ‘Protest mars speech by Fennell’.

783 4-6 Oct 1985 *Irish Independent* articles entitled: ‘Joanne’s shame: Gardaí slipshod but exonerated’, ‘I never, ever thought I’d end up as the victim’, ‘Can Justice be left to chance?’, and ‘Two kinds of ‘truth’ at the Tribunal’.

784 5-7 Oct 1985 *Irish Times* articles entitled: ‘News of pregnancies left the Abbeydorney lovers estranged’, and ‘Women’s forum votes no confidence in legal system’ re Kerry Babies tribunal and its report.


788 8-10 Oct 1985 *Irish Press* with article entitled: ‘The amazing conclusions of Judge Kevin Lynch’.

789 8-10 Oct 1985 *Irish Times* articles entitled: ‘Noonan to
defer comment on Kerry babies report’ and ‘Book criticises Hayes report’.

3 items


1 item


1 item

792 19-25 Oct 1985 Irish Independent articles entitled: ‘Now, a time for our judges’, other articles re judge’s report and Late Late show appearance.

3 items


2 items


15 items
Various presscuttings with articles entitled: ‘Why it matters where the baby was born’ by Nell McCafferty, ‘Treatment of Joanne was harsh’ by Isabel Conway, ‘Blaming the messenger for the message’ (New Hibernia), ‘Interview with journalist re Michael Hayes, ‘Pub chat to a journalist prompted statements’ also re Michael Hayes, ‘Test on cutting cord’, ‘Open verdict on baby’, ‘Baby found in toilet was ‘stillborn’’, ‘Abbeydorney parish church’ – programme for Da by Hugh Leonard performed by Abbeydorney dramatic society.

Presscuttings of photographs – ‘Joan Fuller neatly dressed’’, ‘The Hayes family’, and of Mrs Mary Hayes ‘flowers in hand....helped down the steps of the Town Hall’.

3.6.1.6. Peggy Deery: A Family at War by Nell McCafferty

Letters from those in Attic Press generally relating to the publication of the book file contains task sheet relating to editorial and production, list of printers, printers specifications form, and advance information about the book which states ‘the only woman to be wounded on Bloody Sunday, 1972, when thirteen men were killed’. Includes letters from Róisín Conroy to American publishers.

File contains newscuttings/newsletter with following articles – ‘McCafferty, McGeever….What can we do about Section 31?’ which relates to the exclusion of Nell McCafferty from RTE – ‘Some confusion appeared to exist – was she banned at all, or was she simply banned from live broadcasting on political issues’ (The Dublin Freelance) extract ‘Some confusion appeared to exist – was she banned at all, or was she simply banned from live broadcasting on political issues’, ‘Book sellers show fear of taking a risk’ by Gene Kerrigan (Sunday Tribune), a quote from the Irish Times ‘This Week They Said’ Handle from Michael Hoban of Eason’s ‘which has refused to Nell McCafferty’s new book’, a bestseller’s list which includes the Peggy Deery book and an article by Henry Kelly (Sunday Tribune) re interview
with Nell McCafferty – ‘Still the cheerful if sardonic Nell launching her book, Peggy Deery. Virago Press in London has published it and Nell’s main gripe seems to be the difficulty she had in having her book reviewed in Ireland and even, I was astonished to hear, having it distributed’.

5 items

799  Aug-Sept 1988  Letters between Attic Press and various solicitors such as William Keane (Attic Press’ legal advisor) who writes (10/8/1988) re potential libel implications of the book. In a letter to the Jean Marie Finley; editor of the book Keane outlines ‘Attic’s position and your position re any possible conflict of interests between legal advisors and the author. In the past my experience has been that Nell is usually right on facts, but if the legal people refuse to budge there will have to be a compromise around wording to avoid any possibility of libel action. you must remember that Eason’s legal team will be going through this MS, after our legal people have screened the book, before they give any commitment to selling Peggy Deery’.

66pp

800  n.d  Two proofs of the book in practically one copy has amendments re changes to page numbers and finished form – some typesetting corrections.

143pp each


142pp

3.6.2. Lyn: A Story of Prostitution by June Levine and Lyn Madden

802  Dec 1983  Magill magazine with article by June Levine entitled ‘A Woman in Gangland: The Story They Tried to Stop’.

1 item
803 June 1987 Artwork re design for book cover, the eventual bookcover and related letter. 4 items

804 July 1987-95 Letters from Wm J Keane; Solicitors, Listowel, Co. Kerry to Róisín Conroy concerning the legal implications of the book Lyn – ‘the basic concept I have adopted is one of extreme caution’. He advises on names to be changed and other sensitive areas – ‘The question of Censorship of Publications act…..In my opinion the book will not be censored as it is well written and any reference to sexual acts etc…..are strictly within the context of the book… (July 1987). File also includes notes to setter and a letter from actress Geraldine Alexander who wants to make the book into a play, and other letters along the same line, an article from the Guardian entitled ‘The Yuppie Hooker’ about Lizzie Borden’s play about prostitution – Working Girls and a profile of June Levine in Attic Press catalogue. 10 items

805 n.d Drafts of ms.; chapters 1-3. 59pp

806 n.d Drafts of ms; chapters 6-15. 110pp

807 n.d Drafts of ms; chapters 16-27. 132pp

808 Aug 1987 Drafts with editorial corrections and notes re rewrites; chapters 1-20. c.150pp

809 Aug 1987 Drafts with editorial corrections and rewrites; chapters 21-27. c. 90pp

810 Aug 1987 Rewrites for preface and chapter six.
Includes notes by June Levine on name changes in the book and facts to be checked. She writes – ‘I know this book is shocking, but….I have made it as ‘acceptable’ as possible and agonised over several bits. The point is that it has all been lived, by women in prostitution which I see as a concentration camp without wire and I want it to offend without being gross’.

24pp


Closed 139pp


Closed c.100pp

3.6.3. Mairead Farrell: A Political Life by Bríona McDermott

813 Feb 1987-Feb 1989 Revised outlines of Mairead Farrell biography, minute relating to meeting of Attic with Bríona McDermott which states – ‘was intended that this book explain the reasons and give insight into Mairéad Farrell’s political life and activity as well as background to her involvement in the northern struggle from a woman’s perspective’. Includes editorial evaluation (Sept 1988) and proposals for a rewrite with revised chapter outline.

28pp

814 Jan-June 1988 Letters to printers looking for quotes regarding the printing of the book, notes re print run and costs and specification form for printer.

c.20pp

815 n.d. Unedited version of ms – chapters 1-12.

158pp
816  n.d.  Unedited version of ms – chapters 1-16.  
c.200pp

817  June-July 1988  Drafts for various chapters – possibly rewrites.  
194pp

818  various  Photographs (mainly black and white) of Mairead Farrell in a prison cell, with evidence of a dirty protest in the background, of Farrell receiving or giving an award, of the outside of Armagh jail, of mourners at her funeral, mourners carrying her coffin from outside her home, of mourners diving for cover under loyalist attack on people at the graveside, one colour photograph entitled ‘Armagh women’ of a group of friends with a bride. Includes negatives (possibly re wedding or some other social occasion).

15 items


4 items

3.6.4. Emily O’Reilly

3.6.4.1. Candidate: The Truth Behind the Presidential Campaign

820  1990-1  Correspondence between Attic Press and Emily O’Reilly, and between Attic and Eoghan Corry (Irish Press) re projected time scale for researching and writing the book. In a letter to Corry, Conroy states ‘no extract or mention of this book (either editorially or by advertisement)
will be made by any newspaper in The Irish Press Group, or on behalf of The Irish Press Group BEFORE next Tuesday 5 February. I cannot over-emphasise the importance of this point and the damage that would ensue. Our competitor needs only 72 hours notice to pip the post….No member of the media, in fact NOBODY outside Attic Press, will see a copy of this book….before noon…6 March’. File includes a sales report re the Candidate, a runlist and press release. A letter to Róisín Conroy from Stephen Ryan of Sunday Business Post states ‘I had penned a scurrilous piece for the Last Post reporting on the growing strains between publisher and author of the Candidate. Tired and emotional publisher harangues harrassed hubbie etc….There is now a rather large hole on the page. Oh well, there’s always The Phoenix, Best wishes and mature recollections’. 

c.20pp


Closed  5 items

822  15 Feb 1991  ‘3rd Proof’ of the book – with very few changes to be made – seems to relate mainly to text for indexing.

Closed  c. 160pp

823  n.d.  Camera ready copy with bookcover.

Closed  c.160pp


Closed  4 items

3.6.4.2. Masterminds of the Right
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<td>May 1990-May 1992</td>
<td>Correspondence between Attic Press and Emily O'Reilly re publication of her book Masterminds of the Right. File contains: author’s contract, a note about the author which states ‘Discussed with RC &amp; AS prior to her doing ‘Candidate’ original plan was her idea for book on Right (very)-wing in Ireland’, Attic Press list the areas which concern them about the book eg. ‘we must be careful not to overload or bore the reader with legalese....The key interest among readers will be finding out who exactly the people behind the scenes are, giving names and events. These must be new discoveries/new names, not those which have already appeared in various media’. A memo from R Conroy to G Healy re submission of manuscript – ‘She wanted to talk re list of Knights she wants included…I have a whole lot material on the Knights which Emily wants us to look at and mind very carefully’ (see below). Healy gives O’Reilly feedback on manuscript. File Includes a letter from R Conroy to Eleanor Ashe [proofreader], some notes re changes to be made to copy and some corrections of text. Includes timescale for the project. 21 items</td>
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<td>826</td>
<td>1982-1993</td>
<td>Knights of St Columbanus – minutes of meetings, reports, Supreme Knights remarks, lists of Knights elected (ie names, addresses and telephone numbers), pyramid list of members, council of directors, names listed in respective rank, addresses and phone numbers of Supreme Executive, report of Order Trustee with valuation of the estate, contact lists of officers, personal profile of officers, profile of Supreme Knight elect, particulars re nominee for Supreme office and offices held in Order, Journals and paper for Supreme Council meeting. 4 folders</td>
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<td>827</td>
<td>1992</td>
<td>Letter from one politician to another re the X case with note ‘Emily, Private &amp; Confidential –not for direct quotation or attribution’. 3 items</td>
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<td>828</td>
<td>Mar 1992-Apr 1993</td>
<td>Correspondence between R Conroy and John King; of Ivor Fitzpatrick, Solicitors, re potential libel which might result from publication of O’Reilly’s book, copy letter from John King to J McMenamin; Law Library, Four Courts, Dublin 7, asking him to read the book and ‘advise as to whether its publication could lead to an action for defamation being brought against our clients’. Includes three copies of the</td>
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opinion of counsel – John McMenamin who comments on potential areas of
defamation and libel outlines potential trouble spots with [Conroy’s] notes
on one of the copies on what to keep in or take out.

6 items

829 Apr-May 1992 File contains letters to various publishing
companies’ requesting permission to re-use
quotes and to reproduce extracts. Includes
notes re editorial change.

20 items

830 n.d. Photograph used in the book of Emily
O’Reilly and barcode for it.

2 items

831 n.d Artwork for book cover.

3 items

832 1991 Drafts with corrections added.
Closed

3 folders

833 Apr 1991 Proof ‘copy for meeting’ with some; though
Closed
not very many changes.
c. 170pp

834 1 May 1992 Proof ‘Newly formatted version’ with lots of
Closed
changes to be made.
c. 170pp

835 1 May 1992 Proof with small number of changes with
Closed
annotations such as - ‘NB Maastricht...’,
‘Permissions to go in’, ‘Legal Changes Copy’.
156pp

836 1 May 1992 Proof with notes re references, permissions,
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‘omit small names’, ‘NB check members of
the Knights, check all quotes, copy of house
styles’.
155pp
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<td>Various drafts of index, bibliography and references, and notes re changes, corrections and technical changes. 2 folders</td>
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<td>1992</td>
<td>Proofs with very little changes, cover ‘blurb’ and bookcover. 2 folders</td>
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<td>842</td>
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<td>843</td>
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3.6.4.3. Research notes and articles

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| 844  | 1968-78| Notes which basically give an overview of how family planning and contraception became a public issue. Begins with family planning study circle of 1968, to Archbishop John Charles McQuaid’s statement of 1971, notes re bills which failed, court cases such as Mrs. Mary McGee’s action against the High Court for ‘damages arising out of the seizure of a contraceptive device....by the customs authorities:
references are made to various organisations in support or against the legalisation of contraception, role played by certain politicians, media and religious figures. Notes end with John Bonnar’s Billings method.

845  1973-6  Scrapbook containing newscuttings and some reports re contraception – eg. ‘Report from International Planned Parenthood Federation Europe – Regional Bulletin Vol 2 ; No.3 – extract from meeting held at Turku, Finland (June 1973), ‘Amendment of Irish Laws relating to contraception’ by Dr J.T. Loughran; Chairman Family Planning Clinic; Mountjoy Sq Dublin, some of the articles (not all due to the volume of material are listed by headline: ‘Govt Must Not Condone Legalised Murder’, ‘Family Planning’ (Hibernia Vol 33 No.8), ‘Cluskey Favours Change in Contraceptive Laws: Views stated at midwives conference’ (I.T), ‘Dublin Mother appeals contraceptive case decision – claims high court ruling wrong in Law’ re Mary McGee, a letter to the Irish Times editor’s page from Maire Mullarney – ‘Conscience and Contraception’, ‘State counsel questioned aboutcompetence to legislate to prevent use of contraceptives’, ‘Supreme Court reserves judgement in contraceptive case appeal’, ‘Charges against two family planning groups dismissed: Contraceptives were neither sold nor advocated, district judge finds’, ‘State of Morality’ by David Nowlan, ‘Proposed Limit of two per family’ by John Cooney in Bucharest, magazine cover (People) with photograph of two little girls in torn clothing with two other [siblings] covered in twin pushchair (Dublin 1971), ‘Levels of debate on Pill evoked music hall image’ by Dr David Nowlan, ‘Health Boards should give family planning advice’ (Munster Express), ‘Waldhaim attacks apathy on population challenge: politicians must act together to find solution’ by John Cooney in Bucharest, ‘Vatican to discuss policy on family planning’ ‘Family planning supported in context of economic change’ by John Cooney at the Population Tribune’s seminar in Bucharest,’Contraceptive guidelines’ by Patricia Hargan (The Irish People), ‘World target date deleted in contraception proposal’, ‘Irish opportunity sacrificed to governmental convenience’, ‘Child care seminar in Galway’, ‘Irish Girls flock to Britain for Abortion’,‘Sex is the real problem’ by Maire Mullarney, ‘Third World group angered by plea for smaller families’, ‘More Women at risk from birth control devices’, ‘Too many people’, ‘Stormy Passions at First Family Planning Meeting’ (Galway Advertiser), ‘Family Planning ‘Boom’Clinic’, letters to the editor of the Irish Times re the Tuckey St family planning clinic; Cork, ‘The episcopal sledge-hammer’, ‘Birth control Bill goes to Senate’, ‘Visits to clinics up’, ‘Availability of Contraceptives’ (I.T.), ‘New contraception guide’ (I.T.), ‘Quibbling about Statistics while babies are battered’ (I.T.), ‘Department doubts that 100 babies were Battered’ (I.T.), ‘10,000 Irish women have legal abortions in Britain’ by David Nowlan

c. 30pp

**846**

1976-80

Newscuttings and pamphlets re family planning –mainly from the *Irish Times*, *The Irish Catholic*, *Irish Family Planning Association* and *Hibernia*. Some of the titles include: ‘PA responses to opposition to planned parenthood in Ireland’, ‘Is Mr Haughey’s Bill constitutional?’; ‘Fighting the ‘lobby’ – Maire Crowe interviews Mary Kennedy of the Irish Planning League, and ‘Catholic Chemists call on birth law’.

19 items

**847**

1983-9


25 items

**848**

Letter from John O’Reilly of Irish Planning Closed Association with added note from Olive to Christine ‘Yes….this is the man who took the booklet case against us. He usually uses his Irish name:…….’

1 item
Press cuttings re abortion (only a selected number of titles listed)


Newspapers with articles re abortion referendum (some files include Press cuttings)

| 850 | 22 July 1983 | Kilkenny People – article re rape case. | 1 item |

<p>| 851 | 22 July 1983 | Wicklow People – see letters to editor re abortion referendum and article re SPUC meeting. | 1 item |</p>
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<td>22 July 1983</td>
<td><em>Donegal Democrat</em> – article entitled ‘Donegal welcomes referendum date’ re abortion referendum.</td>
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<td>19-22 Feb 1992</td>
<td>‘PDs call for new referendum’. ‘Women TDs speak out’, ‘Church’s lawyers query judgement: Hierarchy told travel ban not necessary or correct’.</td>
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<td>24-26 Feb 1992</td>
<td>‘Abortion case likely to be held in camera’, ‘International protest over girl’s case intensifies’, and ‘Letters to the editor’ re abortion travel ruling.</td>
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<td>27 Feb-3 Mar 1992</td>
<td>‘Mother’s right to life believed central to lifting of injunction’, ‘McCreevy is attacked for comments on abortion’, ‘The Abortion Debate: Confusion over effect of Maastricht protocol’, ‘TD’s criticise archbishop on abortion’ and ‘O’Rourke criticised over abortion’.</td>
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<td>5-16 Mar 1992</td>
<td>‘Split expected in abortion judgement: Mother’s right believed to be central’ and ‘Letters to Editor re abortion ruling’.</td>
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Other national newspapers re abortion

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<td>16 Feb - 5 Mar 1992</td>
<td><em>Sunday Tribune</em> articles entitled – ‘Rape: a young girl and abortion’, ‘Whose Life is it anyway?’, ‘Abortion: The foetus and the right to Life’, a profile on Mary Robinson in which she refers to the abortion issue, and an undated article entitled ‘Gardaí may now have to report abortion attempts’.</td>
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Other publicity ie. press releases.

863 n.d. Pamphlets re abortion from LIFE, SPUC and Irish Housewives’ Union. 15 items

864 Feb 1992 Press releases from political parties and personal statements re High Court ruling re 8th Amendment from the following: Monica Barnes, Prionsias de Rossa, Cllr Niamh Breathnach, John Bruton, Nora Owen and Dick Spring. Includes statement issued by the Attorney General and pamphlet ‘How MP’s vote on abortion’. 12 items

Press cuttings and newspapers re divorce:

865 1984-9 Pamphlet entitled ‘Understanding The Divorce Amendment – some Questions & Answers’, ‘New Pressure group formed to defend ‘family values’’ by Maurice Walsh (I.T.), ‘Archbishop McNamara’s Solidarity Band…’ by Colman Cassidy, ‘The faces behind the anti-divorce campaign’ by Caroline Walsh (I.T.), ‘The bishops have been moderate, as flocks consult their consciences’ by Kevin Dawson, ‘A bunch of amateurs and the Holy Ghost’ by Kevin Dawson and Emily O’Reilly (The Sunday Tribune), ‘Union determined to resist intimidation on Life skills’ (I.T.), ‘‘Invisible’ army mobilises’ by Mike Milotte (Sunday Tribune). 11 items

866 16 Feb & 22 Mar 1992 Sunday Business Post article entitled – ‘European Union tops Kitt agenda’ re divorce referendum and Tom Kitt; Minister of State for European Affairs, Arts and Culture. 2 items
3.6.5. *Web of Punishment: an Investigation* by Carol Coulter
(original suggested title *Caught in the Web of Punishment: The Impact of Imprisonment on the relatives of Irish political prisoners.*)

867 Apr 1991 Run list and page grids with the book in loose leaf format.
   c. 170pp

   c. 160pp


869 June-Sept 1992 File contains letters, memos and faxes between contributors to the book and Attic Press staff such as Róisín Conroy and Gráinne Healy relating to contributors’ contracts and fees. Includes notes on possible contents of the book, drafts for two chapters biographical details of contributors and a letter from Bill Rolston; University of Ulster permitting the reproduction of his pamphlet *Why we need the 1967 Abortion Act* for the book.
   42 items

870 Aug-Sept 1992 File contains memos and faxes between Róisín Conroy, Gráinne Healy and Maire Cotter with queries concerning the book eg. why one contributor’s contract is different to the rest. Includes blank contracts for contributors, a content list of the book with details of size, market, price and problem points, with memo to staff regarding meetings to discuss a review of responsibilities, systems and operations.
   12 items

871 c.Sept 1992 Draft chapters for the book with editorial changes to be made with corrections to contributor’s page and their respective biographical details with proofed index. Includes a proofreader’s comments.
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### 3.6.7. Crimes Worse than Death by Kate Shanahan

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<td>876</td>
<td>Aug 1992</td>
<td>Proposal for the book which is about violence against women, a memo from Gráinne Healy to Róisín Conroy re agenda for the book and brief about the author eg. ‘Use current rape issue to articulate anger of women in Ireland about the failure of the system to protect women and children’ – this memo also states ‘Kate Shanahan is very interested to do the book. Loves the idea thinks the outline of what we want is great’. Includes Shanahan’s proposal for the book and her objectives in writing it.</td>
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<td>877</td>
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<td>Drafts of prologue and chapters with editorial changes to be made to chapters 2, 4-6 and to the bibliography annotated with notes on what the introduction should encompass. Includes comments for second draft of the book.</td>
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3.7. Handbooks – dealing with social issues and citizen’s advice


879 Mar-May 1985 File contains draft proposal for the book and its purpose – ‘contains fact and figures and explanations on how structures are organized and controlled in our society’. Includes a profile of the book and an article about it from the *Independent* (May 1985), a copy letter from R Conroy to the editor of the *Irish Times* asking permission to publish parts of ‘The Criminal Justice Act’ and ‘Your rights with the Gardai’. Ancillary articles enclosed include – ‘Women in Ireland’ by Eileen Evasone, ‘Suicide’ by Ann Gatti of *In Dublin* and articles with surveys for example re the advantages and disadvantages of investing in Ireland as Regards pay and tax.

880 n.d Camera Ready Copy of the book (pages on grids with plastic parts) for pp.1-68 and pp. 69-160.

3.7.2. *Lifting the Lid: Handbook of Facts and Information on Ireland* by Ursula Barry

881 Jan-Feb 1986 File contains general comments about the handbook, criticisms and points agreed on at meeting with Ursula Barry, outline of the theme and tasks of the book. A circular letter by Mary Paul Keane relates to references from *Who Owns Ireland Who Owns You* appearing in *Lifting* 175
the Lid. Keane informs researchers that they will be credited for it. File also contains samples of cover with humorous note from the designer therein, a design brief and contact numbers to be appended.

17 items

882 n.d. Draft ms of the handbook. 42pp

883 c. 1986 Pastings for the book on large sheets (45cm x 63.5cm). 18 sheets

3.7.3. Singled Out published by Cherish and Women’s Community Press

884 May 1983 Proposal for book ‘a 48 page booklet for Cherish, the organisation for single parents’, a summary of contents, and notes on costings and print run ‘of 1,000 and optional run-on of a further 1,000’. Includes minute re meeting to discuss the publication and possible support from the Health Education Bureau’. 3pp

885 n.d. Camera ready copy of the booklet. 52pp

3.7.4. Women and Poverty by Mary Daly

886 July 1987-Feb 1988 Correspondence between Mary Paul Keane and Róisín Conroy with the Combat Poverty Agency; Charlemont St., Dublin 2 – in particular with Mary Daly – head of research therein. The form sent two proposals for grant aid for setting up and development of a specialised database and network for the purpose of disseminating ‘Information in the pursuit of social change; to assist action based groups with particular reference to the promotion of change and the alleviation of poverty and social injustice experienced by marginalised groups’ with description, purpose and cost of the database project. The second proposal is for three
research projects under the heading ‘Movements for Change’ relating to the Women’s Movement, separation and child abuse, with an outline of the objectives and priorities. Includes an invitation to the Poverty Forum with a list of those attending and the groups they represent, an outline of the objectives and priorities, and an outline and commentary on ‘The Programme for National Recovery’ by the CPA. Mary Daly writes regarding the IFI proposal for publication on women and poverty – ‘the data does not exist to do the kind of publication you suggest within the time-scale you have in mind….Given the importance of the ESRI study, any publication on….poverty cannot afford to ignore it’. Daly gives an outline of what the book should contain and a chapter by chapter plan.

8 items


7 items

888 n.d. File contains various versions of a diagram entitled ‘Benefits of Local Education Projects’ to be dealt with by graphic designer for chapter 7 of the book.

11pp

889 n.d. The book itself in loose leaf format.

2 folders

2nd edition of the book

890 Oct 1989 Press cuttings (mainly photocopies with some originals and multiple copies) regarding women and poverty entitled – ‘Women in huge poverty’ by Bairbre Power (*I.I.*), ‘Quarter million women ‘live in
poverty’ also by Bairbre Power, ‘Women are caught most by poverty’ 
(E.P.), ‘Women on breadline’ (I.P.), ‘And while I’m at it’ (I.T.), ‘Law has
done little for poorer women’s lot’ (S.T.), ‘Lust is the least of our problems’
by Nuala O’Faolain (I.T.), ‘Unemployment – seedbed of disease’ by
Kathryn Holmquist (I.T.), ‘Discovering Women’s Poverty’ by Mary Daly
(Alpha), ‘Women worldwide bear burden of poverty’ by Pauline Eccles
(Alpha), ‘Women’s slow struggle for change’ (Alpha), ‘Women Trapped in
Poverty’ (An Phoblacht), ‘The ‘Feminisation’ of Poverty’ (Evening Echo),
‘Hundreds Protest outside Four Courts during SPUC hearing’ (I.T.), ‘A
Woman’s Place…..’ (Galway Observer), ‘Lock up your Daughters’ by Nell
McCafferty (In Dublin) with review of the book Women and Poverty (in
Poverty Today).

31 items

891  1995  Correspondence between Maeve Kneafsey
and the Combat Poverty Agency re the
possibility of reprinting the Women in
Poverty book. A draft letter to Mary Daly states ‘The stock is at this stage
getting quite low and we wanted to look at reprinting’. File includes
costings outline, sales figures of the first edition, a copy of the author’s
contract (1989) and an editorial title map.

17pp

3.7.5. From the Personal to the Political: A Women’s Education Workbook
(Written by Aontas, The National Association of Adult Education group – members therein
include:Aileen Ryan, Maureen Bassett, Eilish McDonnell, Joanna McMinn, Margaret
Martin, and Mairéad Wynn.)

892  Nov 1990-Feb 1991  Correspondence between Michelle Cullen;
managing editor of Attic Press with
Margaret Martin and Aileen Ryan outlining
the details of authors’ contracts and royalties.

7 items

893  May 1991  Illustrations by Pauline McGrath with
related letter to Michelle Cullen.

23 items

894  May 1991  ‘Sample pages and printer notes for
Personal to Political’.

c. 90pp

178
3.7.6. Divorce?: Facing the Issues of Marital Breakdown edited by Mags O’Brien

896  Feb 1993-Apr 1995  Correspondence between Gráinne Healy and Ríona MacNamara with the editor Mags O’Brien re publication of the book containing a memo re potential contributors and their respective areas of expertise, a list of sample contents and a draft outline of chapters. Includes Healy’s comments for Róisín Conroy to Ríona MacNamara re chapters. Includes letters re design for bookcover, the backcover ‘blurb’ and notes on the book with comments re various chapters. Includes the Matrimonial Home Bill 1993: Explanatory Memorandum and a bibliography of Michele Dillon’s Debating Divorce: Moral Conflict In Ireland.

897  1995  File contains drafts of chapters with very little changes annotated for the following sections: acknowledgements, biographies of contributors, 1986 referendum, social welfare and taxation, separating and coping alone or in a second relationship, societal role of marriage and gender stereotyping, details of groups that offer advice, and creating space for debate: the Catholic Church’s Contribution.

898  Feb 1995  Drafts of chapters with very little changes annotated for following sections: the history of divorce in Ireland, reasons for marital instability and separation, marital breakdown and divorce – the psychological consequences for adults and their children, and the area of custody.

File contains author and book profile, correspondence between the author and Maeve Kneafsey and letters to various editors of newspapers and publicity manager at Storylines re publicity. Other material includes the Child and Family Directory (of organisations and services for Children and their families), a photocopy of a photo of Elizabeth Quinn, Treasa Ni Mhairtín, Tony Egan, Vivette O’Donnell, Minister Michael Woods, Betty Manning, Ron Corbett (AMEV) at leaflet launch of National Association for Parent Support (NAPS), with exhibitors fact sheet and flyer re information day 1995 re Irish Association for Counselling and therapy with delegates’ participation list.

27 items

3.8. Fiction Titles

Correspondence relating to the publication of The Between People (originally entitled [The Half People]) between members of Attic Press; Ailbhe Smyth and Patricia O’Connor with the author; Kitty Manning. Manning sends synopsis of the story for the book. In one letter Manning outlines her previous writing experience ie. articles for the Evening Press and a list of suggested titles. Includes letters to Manning from other publishers – Carol Smith; London and Virago Press.

11 items
change for final draft. Includes copy of letter from Ailbhe Smyth to Barbara Grier; USA re US rights to Cullen’s novel *The Kiss* and a letter from Cullen to Smyth (Nov 1990) – ‘I saw *Whispers in the Wind* on the *Irish Times* Bestseller list. Good stuff – well done…I believe you were on the box again? A good year for Attic? I hope so.’

18 items

904  Jan 1990-Sept 1991  **Feminist Fairytales** – file contains various drafts with letters from contributors – these include: Mia Woods, Mary O’Donnell, Elaine Crowley, Eithne Strong, Liz McManus, Claire O’Connor, Jo Slade, Mia Gallagher, Margaret Faherty, Deirdre Brennan with note attached which states ‘to shorten this story…hold for next Volume?’, Alison Dye, Ivy Bannister, Anne Le Marquand Hartigan, Sarah Berkeley, Trudy Hayes with letters of refusal from those who cannot contribute – Maeve Binchy, Linda Anderson and Mary Beckett – ‘I fear I am never iconoclastic or subversive and can manage to be funny or witty in only short spurts’. Includes a letter from Róisín Sheerin re her draft which might have been returned by Attic Press. Includes suggested titles for the book by Joni Crone and a letter thanking Patricia Boyle for her draft which is not included in the file.

c. 120pp

905  Nov 1990-Mar 1992  **Heredity** by Heather Ingram – file contains her c.v. and biographical details, letters from her husband; agent – Ferdinand von Prondzynski; University of Dublin re synopsis of her book, Gráinne Healy gives feedback about the book, correspondence between Gráinne Healy and Ingram re queries about the book and re the possibility of Ingram going on *Nighthawks* (t.v. programme) with a letter to her husband (and agent) re the possibility of *The Quest* working as a TV serial.

c. 40pp

906  Nov 1990-Nov 1992  **The Long Way Home** by Moya Roddy. File contains Roddy’s correspondence with Gráinne Healy, a letter of thanks re giving of her to Caroline Walsh of the *Irish Times* who’s going to print one of her stories. Other letters relate to the reworking of sections of the book with Roddy’s queries and letters re publicity.

c. 20 items
Baby Please Stop Crying by Caroline Walsh (features editor with the TheIrish Times). File contains her correspondence with Attic Press re this book of short stories, notes from meeting, various letters to literary agents re reproducing works by authors such as Mary Morrisey’s Divided Attention, and Moy McCrory’s work. Includes letter to Moya Roddy re amending ‘to allow us sell the work abroad for a specified number (20) of years’, and includes suggested list of contributors. There are various manuscripts within the file by M Woods, Angela Bourke (Deep Down), Ivy Bannister (Seduced), Mary Morrisey (Divided Attention), and two articles from the Irish Times summer fiction section ie. The Custardy Case by Maeve Binchy and Lift Home by Mary Dorcey.

3.8.1. Teenage Fiction

3.8.1.1. Daisy Chain War by Joan O’Neill

Memo and press release re Special Merit Award given to Joan O’Neill; author of Daisy Chain War by the Reading Association of Ireland.

Letters from teachers of Sacred Heart Convent; Mount Anvil Rd; Dublin and from principal of Our Lady’s School; Templeogue; Dublin to Attic Press and to chairperson of the Reading Association of Ireland criticising the ‘explicit description of sexual intercourse on page 224….something which many a mature adult would find offensive and unnecessary even in an adult novel’. Includes a letter to Joan O’Neill from Susay Cotton (Letterbox Library) congratulating her on her book.

Fourth edition of the book in loose leaf format.
3.8.1.2. Bright Sparks Fan Club

915 1993-96 ‘Coupons’ from teenage readers giving their comments on books they have read in the teenage fiction series.

12 folders (c. 100 items per folder)

3.9. Anthologies

916 Jan 1988-Nov 1989 Wildish Things: Anthology of New Irish Women’s Writing edited by Aibhe Smyth. File contains material re Cothú – an organisation which ‘receives requests from the business community for information on arts projects that are available for sponsorship’ wherein Attic Press apply for two projects, outline and proposal for book with list of contributors and their fees, copy letters by Smyth to the various contributors, and copy letters from R Conroy to Deirdre McDavitt; Bórd na Gaeilge and to Ursula Ní Dhaluigh of Bórd na Leabhar Gaeilge re the possibility of the latter assisting in the publication of the Anthology – ‘This is a project that Attic Press nearly lost to a British Publishing House’ Pandora which
canvassed the Editor, promising larger advances for contributors if she would consider switching to them. In addition the Press has received two requests…from two American Presses’. Other letters seeking sponsorship with some replies to: Michael Longley; Literature Officer, Northern Ireland Arts Council, Sean Donlon; Irish Aerospace, and Barry O’Kelly; Public Affairs Department; Bank of Ireland. Also includes bookcover and press release.

49 items

917 1990-2 

c. 50 items

918 1993 
*Unveiling Treasures – Guide to Irish Women Writers* by Anne Owens Weeke – part two File contains letter to Anne McCafferty; one of the Irish writers to be included in the guide wherein she sends her biography, a list of some writers to be added to the guide, queries re corrections, a letter to Edna Longley; Queen’s University re checking list of entries in guide. Includes draft bibliography, index of names, and a press release. Sheila Pym writes to Attic re the possibility of selling the rights of her book, Pauline Hall and Orla Melling also write to Ailbhe Smyth as to why their books have not been included in the guide. File also contains articles re Miriam Gallagher’s play *Fancy Footwork,* and *Irish Times* articles re Victoria White and Emma Donoghue.

c. 150pp

3.10. Poetry

919  Sept 1988-Jan 1991 
*The Love Riddle* by Eithne Strong. File contains biographical notes sent from Strong to R Conroy, a reader’s report
and comments on the manuscript, correspondence between Strong and Ailbhe Smyth; where Smyth refers to writing a fairytale and to Constant Lovers book. Includes two book reviews of Strong’s Patterns, a draft of Flesh with a copy of the book first published in 1980 by Runa Press – Monkstown with pasted inserts and annotations and draft illustrations for the book.

9 items

920 Aug 1989-Feb 1990  

Farewell/ Beir Beannacht – poems in English and Irish by Rita Kelly.

Correspondence between Ailbhe Smyth and Rita Kelly, in one letter (24/12/89) Kelly writes about her contract – ‘after due consideration I find that it is unacceptable to me. I find that within the terms of this contract Attic Press becomes my ‘literary agent’ by default, this neither my wish or intention. I have grave difficulties with the idea of sharing anthology rights at 50% with Attic’, letters following this one relate to production of the manuscript with related details. Includes letters to Sean de Freine; chairman of Bórd na Gaeilge re possibility of sponsorship, and a review of Kelly’s book The Whispering Arch and other stories from the Evening Herald (Apr 1986).

11 items

3.11. Other Titles

921 May 1990-Feb 1991  

Tasty Food for Hasty Folk (cookbook) by Lorna Reynolds. File contains draft introduction with corrections, preface with amendments, a runlist, a copy of a letter to Jackie Onassis; senior editor of Doubleday which states ‘We feel that there may be a market in the U.S. for this book’, the reply from Onassis’ editorial assistant; Deborah Harty is ‘we did not feel it was right for the list we are developing at present’, a letter of thanks for preface by Dr Maribel Foley; UCD, letters from Karen Armstrong; marketing and sales to Butlers Handmade Chocolates and Bewleys re the possibility of a joint launch promoting the book and their products, and correspondence between Michelle Cullen and Lorna Reynolds re article in Irish Times re the cookbook ie. that very few booksellers had even heard of the book.

c. 50 items

922 1993-4  

Luke Kelly: A Memoir by Des Geraghty (MEP) ‘a Dubliner from the Liberties, a traditional musician and trade unionist, with
Democratic Left party. File contains letters to Róisín Conroy from Mary Maher – ‘I have found it really difficult putting any shape on the tide of words flowing my way on tape. The attached is what I have come up with. All of this is Des’ voice, interspliced with newscuttings, biog. material, quotes and so forth from other sources, and perhaps where relevant a few bars of a song’, notes from Jo to Róisín – ‘I think there should be much less Des Geraghty/ much less social history and much more Luke Kelly/ Crack/Anecdotes/ funny stories/ songs…’. In another letter to Jo, Mary Maher writes re delay – ‘many of the musical celebrities who were to give their little tributes failed to turn up trumps on time, and much frenetic searching couldn’t wreath them over the weekend….The good news is that Jim Sheridan wants to do the introduction’. Includes chapter synopses, possible publicity quotes, and diagrams of page book layout and copy of the book in loose format. (published by Basement Press).

c. 50 items

3.11.1. The Cities of David: The Life of David Norris by Victoria Freedman

923 Feb-Nov 1995  Faxes and letters between Róisín Conroy, Ríona MacNamara and Ruth Burke Kennedy with the author, Victoria Freedman, about the book with comments on chapters and changes to be made to drafts. Includes copy letter from David Norris to Joseph Hurley; New York about the arts and theatre in which Norris refers to Declan Kiberd and Séamus Heaney’s interest in post-colonialism. Includes a letter from Norris to R Conroy – ‘I am happy that you will do what you can in the circumstances about changing the photo, but if you do manage to pull it off I insist on paying half the cost. It could be put in the accounts as a voluntary contribution to a group which I do genuinely admire’; Norris also refers to additional inserts. File also contains outline of the book, an editorial title map and advance information about the book.

24 items

924 c. July 1995  Drafts of chapters 1-7 sent to Ruth Burke Kennedy.

C. 120pp

925 July-Aug 1995  Drafts of manuscript faxed to Ríona Mac Namara with comments.

C. 80pp
926  Final proof of CRC with some faxed inserts.
c. 200pp

927  Final proof of CRC with corrections possibly sent to [Edna Longley].
c. 200pp

928  Oct 1995 Final proof of CRC sent to Deirdre McQuillan. Includes notes re changes.
c. 200pp

929  [Final proof] of CRC sent to Tony Hanrahan.
c. 200pp

930  various Black and white photographs of David Norris – many of which were used for the book – shots include: Norris in the Historical centre (1979), at an ITGWU picket on O’Connell St. (1979), as a Senator (1988), at a gay pride march, at home (1995), and of President Mary Robinson and David Norris with a copy of the book in Áras an Uachtaráin. Other persons unidentified. Most of these photographs taken by Derek Speirs; 40 Upper Gardiner St, Dublin 1.
15 items

931  n.d. Material relates to the photographs to be used in the book with photocopies of many of them and layouts with directions. Includes book covers.
c. 40pp

5 items
Material relates to the proposed publicity campaign and general promotion of the book.

11 items

3.11.2. 1996 Gay Diary & Handbook

Material relates to advertisements and listings for 1995.

40 items

Editorial title map and artwork re bookcover.

15 items

Readers’ comments on the diary.

17pp


File contains a large number of invoices re diary and other publications.

45 items

General task schedules re a number of Attic Press titles.

3 items

Printers specifications and quotes relating to the following titles:

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953 n.d. Bird’s Nest Soup. 1pp

954 n.d. Eavesdrop 1pp

955 various Artwork for various book covers – many by Angela Clarke particularly for fiction titles in the Bright Sparks series eg. A Very Good Reason, Escape to the West, Goodbye Summer. Other titles for which there is artwork includes: Rapunzel’s Revenge, Cinderella on the Ball, Alive Alive O, My Head is Opening, Lyn, Bird’s Nest Soup, Sugar and Spice, One in Every Family, Sailors and Boys will be Boys.

44 items


C. 40 items

Collected catalogues for the following:

957 1981&1982 Irish Book Centre. 2 items

**BL/F/AP/**

*re The Virago Bookshop.*

c. 30 items

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4. FEMINIST BOOKFAIRS

4.1. 1st International Feminist Bookfair

961 Mar-July 1984  
1st International Feminist Bookfair  
(London) - organised by a group of women in the publishing trade in Britain – ‘Thousands of books by women, from more than 200 publishing houses all over the world, will be on display and for sale...accompanied by a full programme of events....Bookshops will carry special window and in-shop displays on women’s books. File contains material relating to Attic Press commissioning a poster design for the event – such as a list of designs received from various artists and a poster of the final selected design. Sponsorship is sought from Coras Trachtala, the Dept of Foreign Affairs, the Arts Council and the Equality Employment Agency re commission by Irish Artist to be used for the promotion of art, writers and books at the bookfair – ‘IFI’s objectives in going to London were primarily to announce the launch of its new feminist imprint Attic Press to explore the possibility of selling rights to its forthcoming titles and to assess the potential of purchasing the Irish rights of other feminist press titles’. A first draft of a letter to the artists explaining the withdrawal of the award due to the fact that the ‘overall standard and presentation was low’. Includes list of publishers, distributors and bookclubs, estimated income and expenditure accounts, an introductory booklet about the bookfair and press cuttings about the bookfair from The Bookseller, Guardian and Irish Times.

51 items

962 984 Artwork of entries re poster competition for the 1st Feminist Bookfair.

32 items

4.2. 2nd International Feminist Bookfair

963 June 1984-June 1986  
2nd International Feminist bookfair (Oslo)  
File contains stand reservation form sent by Mary Paul Keane – ‘This is to be a joint stand between 3 Irish feminist publishing houses, between all of us we publish less than twenty titles a year’, a list of exhibitors and instructions re
selling of books from stands, a list of Attic Press books to be listed in the bookfair catalogue, stock lists, order forms, sales report from bookfair re income and expenditure, a catalogue of Norwegian fiction, Feminist book, fortnight '86 a grant application form for Córas Tráchtála and an invite from Onlywomen Press re meeting of independent lesbian publishers.

33 items

964 1986  2\textsuperscript{nd} International Feminist bookfair -
Items most likely acquired at the bookfair:
Letterbox Newsletter, Menses, Economic and Political Weekly, Giovanni's Room: Women's Wholesale Catalogue, and Journal of World Education (Jan 1986) celebrating the World Congress in Denmark.

9 items

965 1986-88  File contains a large amount of catalogues from women’s publishing houses, a contact list of publishing houses and various copies of letters sent to various foreign rights editors re selling rights of Attic Press titles. Most of this material was acquired or collated at feminist bookfairs.

41 items

4.3. 3\textsuperscript{rd} International Feminist Bookfair

966 1986  3\textsuperscript{rd} International Feminist bookfair (Montreal). File contains a letter from Róisín Conroy and Mary Paul Keane to the Organising Committee of the bookfair in which they suggest the fair covers discussions surrounding the ‘ideas of small independent publishing houses and how they can survive the multinationals.....also think the issue of marketing and censorship should be discussed. Attic Press would very much like to introduce Nell McCafferty, June Levine, Evelyn Conlon and Leland Bardwell, as and in particular Mairin Johnson to an international audience’. There is correspondence with Diane Bronson (Organizing committee) about funding, Róisín Conroy and Mary Paul Keane’s copy letter to Bronson states they ‘expect that...writers’ (McCafferty and Levine) ‘will be given priority prominence in all publicity material and...will be scheduled...at prime times to give readings from their work and also to lead discussion’. Levine is later unable to attend. Grants are received from Córas Tráchtála and the Dept of Foreign Affairs and a copy report sent to the former outlining objectives and results from the bookfair.
Bronson sends a letter re the Congress of Black Women of Concordia’s boycott of the bookfair – ‘we are unequivocally opposed to a boycott, a strategy which would give our enemies great satisfaction by once again silencing women who are critical of all forms of oppression’. Includes a list of authors expected to attend, a programme of events, invoices for material sent to the fair, and an article from *The Women’s Review of Books*. Includes correspondence with Marlene Wilderman (Montreal) re the bookfair and personal matters.

40 items

967  July 1988  General information about the bookfair, programmes of events and a *Feminist Bookstore News*.  
31 items

968  Aug 1988  ‘Attic Press Controversy’ – press cuttings relating to the controversy surrounding grants given to authors – Nell McCafferty and June Levine - to attend feminist bookfair in Montreal. A by-line from the *Evening Press* states ‘Women’s Rights activist Nell McCafferty dismissed allegations by Progressive Democrat Mary Harney TD that the National Lottery money she was paid to attend a feminist book fair in Montreal would have been more usefully spent on battered wives’ (*Evening Press*). A draft of a statement from Attic Press states that ‘at no stage did Attic Press and certainly not June Levine or Nell McCafferty apply for National Lottery funding’.

8 items

**4.4. 4th International Feminist Bookfair**

969  Apr 1990-Jan 1991  4th International Feminist Bookfair (Barcelona). File contains ‘Editorial’ (c.50pp) about the bookfair. Includes a programme, shipping and customs information, correspondence re the shipping of books to the fair, and invoices (with details of books sent, quantity and costs).

10 items
4.5. 5th International Feminist Bookfair

970 June 1991-June 1992  
5th International Feminist Bookfair (Amsterdam). File contains invoices and correspondence re travelling to and exhibiting books at the bookfair. Most of the faxes relate to the shipping of books to the fair and accommodation arrangements. Includes general information about the fair, information for publishers and programme of events, a memo from Róisín Conroy proposing members of Attic Press to participate in panels and discussions and travel grant application form to CTT. 

32 items

971 June 1992  
Expenses incurred at the bookfair, plane tickets, invoices for accommodation, shipping and handling of books, and rough notes re income and expenditure. 

10 items

4.6. 6th International Feminist Bookfair

972 July 1994  

2 items
5. INTERNATIONAL INTERDISCIPLINARY CONGRESSES

5.1. Women’s Worlds Festival & 3rd International Interdisciplinary Congress On Women (Dublin)

5.1.1. Organisation of the Festival

973 July 1985-Apr 1987 Organising Committee: file contains notes for chairpersons re reading events, a list of chairholders and other organisers. Includes a letter from Caroline McCamley (on Organising Committee) to Róisín Conroy inviting ‘members of the National Advisory Board to meet with us…at the Council for the Status of Women…We would like to take the opportunity to tell you about our arrangements for the Congress and provide you with information which you can pass to your own contacts…we are seeking your ideas – for workshop themes or keynote speakers, additional names for our mailing list, and any funding sources you might know’. In a copy letter from Róisín Conroy to members of the organisng committee re breakdown in communications concerning the organising of fringe events. Includes suggested panel discussions and letter of resignation from both Ailbhe Smyth and Caroline McCamley.

22 items

974 Oct 1986-July 1987 Re Congress bookfair and bookselling exhibition – ‘An International bookfair and exhibition for women, the first to be held in Ireland, is being organised in conjunction with the Congress’ – file contains general information about the bookfair and exhibition, a press fact sheet, agenda, details of exhibition fees, letters from various publishing houses re participating at the exhibition and a contact list of publishers.

21 items

975 Mar-June 1987 Publicity Co-ordinating Committee – and agenda re the committee, a draft programme re press relations, and draft press releases re visual arts, women’s congress, theatre and music. Includes a letter from Thomas M Doyle (In Dublin magazine) re publishing a timetable of the conference events, and a letter to Medb Ruane from the manager of the Kilkenny Design Shop re window displays with women’s theme for the congress.

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<td>Drafts of literary events, various copies of timetables and events, a programme booklet, and venue details. Most of the letters within relate to organising venues and booking related events.</td>
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list of captions to be used.  

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5.1.2. Participants

984 1987 List of potential Irish participants with their addresses and home telephone numbers.  

4 items

985 1987 Mailing list of potential international participants.  

2 items

986 Apr 1987 Copies of outgoing letters from Róisín Conroy, Mary Paul Keane and Evelyn Conlon to various writers asking them to contribute to the series of readings on politics, culture and literature.  

7 items

987 May 1987 Copies of outgoing letters from Róisín Conroy, Keane and Conlon to various writers asking them to participate in the Women’s World Festival.  

9 items

988 May-June 1987 Copies of outgoing letters to various writers speakers thanking them for agreeing to participate in the women’s worlds festival.  

31 items

989 May-June 1987 Correspondence between Róisín Conroy and Mairín de Burca in which de Burca thanks Conroy for being invited to speak at the festival but cannot as ‘for some time I have made it a practice to refuse any speaking engagements, partly because I have little to say that cannot be said much better by someone else and partly because you grow out of the
habit and what once came easily enough becomes a bothersome chore...a second reason...is because I suspect that I am being set up. You must be aware that in the group you have got together I stand alone politically. My suspicions were first aroused by the fulsome flattery of your phone call...I have always believed that the break up of the Liberation Movement into smaller more specialized groups, and this includes Irishwomen United, was a good thing. I may be out of sympathy with radical lesbianism but I am not particulary sympathetic to say the Women’s Political Association....We cannot have too many women’s groups’. Mary Paul Keane replies ‘sorry to learn that you feel you are unable to participate in the evening discussion on ‘Personal reflections of the Irish Women’s Movement…We can assure you that you have clearly misinterpreted the conversation between yourself and Róisín’.

990 June 1987  List with names and addresses of those giving readings in poetry and prose.  12pp

991 30 June 1987  Copies of outgoing letters to potential participants at the festival inviting them to a discussion on reflections of the Irish Women’s Movement – ‘we are writing to as many women as we know of who were actively involved....It is important that Irish Women now begin the task of recording those years so that the analysis necessary for forward political development for women can begin to take place’.  3 items

992 2 July 1987  Copies of outgoing letters to various participants asking them to confirm their acceptance to chair reading events.  11pp

993 1986-7  Letters of acceptance and refusal from various academics and writers re participating at the festival: some of whom send c.v.’s of their work eg. Rose Kevany, Julie O’Callaghan and Valerie Miner.  46 items
### 5.1.3. The Congress itself and aftermath

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<td>Participants – lists of participants. File includes booklet about the conference, lists: of sponsors, members of the organising committee, International advisory boards, provisional programme, publications, invited keynote speakers, details of events, the bookfair, arts festival and art exhibition.</td>
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<td>Welcome letters to confirm participation of those giving readings – ‘Hopefully the culture shock on landing on Irish soil, the land of ‘no divorce, no abortion, church control and censorship’, will not effect you too much and you will enjoy your stay and participation at the Congress and Festival’.</td>
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<td>Address by Monica Barnes; TD at the plenary session on women in Ireland, summary keynote speech by Senator Mary Robinson entitled ‘Women and Law in Ireland’, speech by Ursula Barry re women in Ireland and a photocopy of an article entitled ‘Women in Ireland’ published in <em>Off Our Backs</em> (which is based on her speech at the Congress).</td>
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Correspondence (mainly copy letters) between Audrey Dickson (Organising and Mary Cullen (Organising Committee) with Mary Paul Keane and Róisín Conroy in which they are thanked for their contribution to the success of the Women’s World week’. Conroy thanks Cullen for her organisation and involvement – ‘We hope that its effects will cause more than the necessary ripples to bring about change for women in Ireland’ and refers to setting up meeting to discuss Attic Press’ interest in publishing a book of papers given at the Conference’.

Material relates to book proposal with correspondence between Mary Paul Keane and Róisín Conroy with Audrey Dickson (Organizing Committee). The former write – ‘We feel it extremely important that an Irish based, and in particular a woman owned and controlled publishing house has the option of responding to this exciting publishing challenge’. File contains proposal and notes, lists of authors, their respective areas of interest, list of papers and speakers, a provisional list of contents and a copy of the defamation act. The provisional title of the book is *The Gift of The Gab: Gender & Power in Discourse Analysis* edited by Barbara Bradby and Jo Murphy-Lawless; Dept of Sociology, Trinity College Dublin. The argument of the book is outlined – ‘All the papers….highlight the issue of Gender. A few are theoretical, but the strength…lies in the wealth of empirical studies of women and language…The actual empirical topics covered range from medical and obstetric discourse through to the language of women in film, soap opera and popular music.

Correspondence between Ailbhe Smyth and Robyn Rowland (Australian and Asian editor of Women’s Studies International Forum), and also with the Organizing Committee re the issue of a women’s studies journal on feminism in Ireland. Smyth asks Mary Paul Keane and Róisín Conroy to contribute an article about the Festival – its activities and an assessment of its significance and impact on the context of feminism in Ireland.
Various drafts about the festival – how it evolved, it’s highlights, what was learned and the mistakes made.

Miscellaneous items found among conference material – invites to openings of art galleries, Mary Paul Keane’s name tag, and flyers re Dublin Lesbian Night, ‘Reclaim the night’ and ‘Why we need the 1967 Abortion Act’.

5.2. Visions and Voices: A Symposium – Irish Women’s Art & Literature (San Francisco State University)

Those writers, artists and academics speaking at the conference include Nell McCafferty, Ailbhe Smyth, Nuala Ní Dhomhnaill, Alice Maher, and Louise Walsh. File contains letters re grants; one for £400 from the Minister for Foreign Affairs, programmes re symposium, participants itinerary, and two newspaper articles – one re Alice Maher entitled ‘Irish Artist subverts Imagery’, and one re Nell McCafferty – ‘Banned Irish journalist addresses women’s issues: others discuss censorship in feminist bookfair’. This article also contains photograph of the Irish group.

See also audio tapes for (1) talk given by Nell McCafferty and (2) talk given by Ailbhe Smyth.

5.3. 4th International Interdisciplinary Congress on Women entitled ‘Women’s Worlds: Realities and Choices’ held at Hunter College, The City University of New York.

File contains a memo entitled ‘Purpose/idea’ which explains Attic Press’ aim in attending – ‘To maximise publicity and sales of Wildish Things, There we have it, spring novels and Rita’s poetry’. Carol Sejay from San Francisco’s Feminist bookstore writes to R Conroy – ‘We ran some of the information Ailbhe, et al, joining the Attic staff.'
I’m amazed at your production…twenty books in a year and plans for thirty-five…I’m a bit confused, though, about how, and which of your books to promote here, now that you’re giving priority to selling rights here rather than actual books…’ (Dec 1989). In a copy letter to Felice Newman to Cleis Press, San Francisco refers to a plan to launch *Wildish* new *Things* and ‘some of our fiction….to coincide with Hunter College event’ (Dec 1989). A copy letter to Carol Sejay states ‘we have sold the USA and Canadian rights of *Peggy Deery* and *Night Train to Mother* to Cleis Press. In turn we purchased the European Rights to *The One you call Sister* from Cleis’. Other material relates to exhibition space and advertising, many copy letters to American publishing companies such as David Wilks Inland Book Co re shipping orders, advice, contacts and reserving space in book catalogues.Various publishers are asked for names of key people – media, publishers, booksellers, librarians, individuals from world of politics, literature and entertainment, to be invited to New York launch of Attic Press titles. Includes list of titles for US market, meeting schedule for distribution and sales, and minutes from meeting of Women’s Worlds Committee held in the offices for the Council for the Status of Women.
image of Attic Press at this crucial point in our development’. Other faxes in the file relate to reservations for accommodation at Hunter College.

54 items
6. WOMEN’S GROUPS AND ASSOCIATED ORGANISATIONS

6.1. Irish Women’s Liberation Movement

6.1.1. Development – conferences and seminars

1110 1971-2 ‘Outline of Conflict in the Irishwomen’s Movement 1971’ – which details the internal difficulties concerning contraception and political leanings; and a list of the activists involved. Includes a copy of Succumbus published by the Sutton branch of the Women’s Liberation Movement and a poster advertising the first ‘Public Meeting’ of IWLM in the Mansion House (14Apr 1971). Includes the Fownes Street Journal (Vol 1 No 6)

6 items


3 items

1112 June 1977 ‘Papers from the Feminism and Ireland Workshop’ organized by the Women and Ireland Group entitled: ‘Irish Women at War’ and ‘Women and the National Question’. Includes a suggested reading list and a press cuttings re Noel Browne and Republicanism.

4 items

1113 Oct 1977 Notes re Irish Women’s Liberation Conference held at Queen’s University, Belfast.

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<td>Original file title – ‘Women’s Political Association Seminar’ (WPA); a seminar organised by the Association re revolutionary feminism and sterilisation. Includes programme for the WPA’s seminar – ‘Focus on Women’, a copy of the address given by Mary Scott; OBE former women’s editor of the <em>Guardian</em>, a report from <em>The Irish Times</em> re a WPA meeting and the speeches made by Nuala Fennell and Monica Barnes therein, copy of an address by Sheila Jeffreys entitled <em>The Need for Revolutionary Feminism</em> and press cutting on the High Court’s decision in England regarding the sterilisation of women.</td>
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<td>Notes and programme re Women’s Aid seminar to be held at La Touche Hotel, Greystones, Co Wicklow.</td>
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<td>Leaflet re Women’s Conference on Lesbianism to be held in Trinity College, Dublin.</td>
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<td>1117</td>
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<td>Circular letters, timetables and agendas relating to the first and second National Women’s Liberation Conferences held in Trinity College with notes re forming a feminist federation. Includes some material relating to the UCD Women’s Group and press cuttings on the conference.</td>
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<td>Seminar in Belfast entitled ‘Changing Experiences of Women in Ireland’ –</td>
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Programme of workshops, questionnaire and general information. 4 items

1120 Apr 1984 Irish Women’s Conference – originally entitled: ‘National Women’s Conference: Fighting the Backlash and Defending the Gains’ – contains poster, proposed workshops and themes, details of workshops and circular letters about the conference. 18 items

1121 [c. 1980s] Directory of the Women’s Conference. 1 item

1122 n.d Poster catalogue, stickers, flyer and feminist songsheets concerned with the IWLM. One flyer states ‘I am a woman and if I live I fight and if I fight I contribute to the liberation of all women and so victory is born even in the darkest hours’. Includes agenda for Feminist Alliance Seminar. 9 items

6.1.2. Photographs

1123 1976 Black and white photograph of women in government office at table with [ministers] or civil servants. One woman stands by the door with banner ‘Equal Pay Now’. 1 item

1124 (2)1978/9 Black and white photograph taken by [Róisín Conroy] of women with placards at Amien St Station; Dublin with an IWLM banner and placards reading ‘Arrest me I’m on The Pill’, ‘Welcome Home Criminals’, and ‘Women are Only Machines Baby Machines’. 1 item
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<td>Black and white photograph of [Evelyn Owens].</td>
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<td>Black and white photograph of group of women with banner ‘Women &amp; Education’. Includes negatives.</td>
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<td>Black and white photographs of Ballymun playgroup and scenes in the Liberties. Includes negatives.</td>
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6.1.3. Research re Women in Ireland

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<td>File of documents relating to women’s issues. Includes ‘The Economic Dependence...”</td>
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7 items

1133 14 May 1979 Information relating to research seminar conducted by Dearbhál Ní Charthaigh entitled - ‘Social Inquiry into sex-role stereotyping’. Contains bibliography and a list of useful addresses’.

8pp

1134 n.d. Document entitled ‘Women and the National Question’. The document seeks to examine the three current theories on the National Question and the relationship of these theories to the development of the Women’s Movement in Ireland. To show ‘what if any relationship has the struggle of women against their oppression got with groups engaged in agitation on the national question’.

15pp

1135 n.d Two copies of a publication entitled Women in Ireland published by the National Committee, Sinn Féin The Workers’ Party.

14pp

6.1.4. History of the Irish Women’s Movement

1136 n.d. Transcript draft of an essay on the Women’s Liberation movement by Róisín Conroy re the origins of the movement, its organisation, the formulation of a women’s charter, the role of the groups involved, the difficulties facing the movement and the media image of the movement as a whole.

9pp


7pp
Feminism Versus Nationalism: Women’s Liberation Ireland 1971-1973 by Mary Flynn with note from Flynn attached which states – ‘All reports of meetings of the Irish Liberation Movement are taken from the actual signed minutes of these meetings for the seminars no minutes were taken, so the author had to rely on her own memory and those of other members’.

34pp


35 items (2 folders)

File contains notes by [Patricia Kelleher] re IWLM and programme of action, notes re the Contraceptive train (May 1971) and a photograph of Colette O’Neill making her statement ‘after disembarking from train at Amiens St’, programme of IWLM conference (Feb 1972), circular letter re Steering Committee’s campaign for a women’s centre (1978), photocopies of articles, and periodicals relating to women’s liberation, the family, equality in the workplace, women in America and information literature re feminist publishers, bookshops, and Irish publishers. Notes from such books as Women’s Estate by Juliet Mitchell and Sexual Politics by Kate Millett and a transcript of address ‘Freedom of Women and Overall Pattern of Society’ by Professor Renee.

42 items
1141  Feb 1974-May 1981  File contains notes, newspaper cuttings and photocopies of articles relating to women’s issues affecting women eg. Women in management, family planning, abortion and payment of housewives. Includes first report from the Dublin Rape Crisis Centre (1979), a report on ‘Family Violence’ by Women’s Aid, statement by the Minister for Health; Michael Woods re regulations made under the 1979 Health (Family Planning) Act, photocopy of an article by Gemma Hussey from Irish Broadcast Review entitled ‘Women reject the t.v. stereotype, a review of Mary Kenny’s book Why Christianity Works, press cutting re Nuala Fennell’s imposition as Fine Gael candidate in the Dublin South constituency (1980) and notes (some in shorthand) relating to the IWLM and some of its members eg. Máirín de Burca.

12 items

1142  c. 1975  File contains notes re structure of women’s movement, articles entitled ‘The Tyranny of Structurelessness’, ‘The Need for Structure’, ‘Women – A Statistical Profile’, material re socialist women’s groups – ‘History behind Bread and Roses: Women’s Lib. UCD 1976’, ‘Resolutions of the functions, aims and structures of the federation’ (ie. Feminist Federation), proposals and perspectives for the feminist federation, campaign literature such as re equal pay, the women’s centre, report from editorial committee on Banshee, notes re female strikes, Irishwomen United, and a leaflet from IWU re Marie McMahon and her arrest (re Spare Rib posters).

30 items


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<td>Mar 1984</td>
<td>Correspondence between Gaudin and Róisín Conroy re IFT’s publication of her thesis on ‘Women in the Development of Contemporary Society in the Republic of Ireland’ – summary of contents therein, brief descriptions of chapters and a ‘rough translation’ by Patsy McCarthy. 8 items</td>
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<td>1146</td>
<td>Aug 1984</td>
<td>Photocopy of press cutting from <em>Irish Press</em> re interview by Maire Crowe of Eavan Boland re Boland’s involvement with the feminist movement – ‘ended in 1971’ because after a while certain elements surfaced. There was a strain between the radicals and the more middle-class. I was a misfit. I had nothing to contribute in any way’. 1p</td>
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<td>1147</td>
<td>Jan-Apr 1985</td>
<td>Women’s Conference on History of Irish Women’s Liberation Movement – file contains minutes from meeting about the conference – ‘what is the purpose...by and large it was felt that because Northern women’s history was so radically different from our own it would only cause confusion to add them to our brief’. Includes draft format of conference, a list of organisations to be invited to the conference, notes on administrative issues, notes re feasibility study, list of speakers eg IWLM – Mary Kenny, Mairin Johnston, Colette O’Neill, Northern women – Madge Davidson and Bernadette McAlliskey. Minutes re meeting state – ‘The main problem seems to be getting material out of RTE.’ Her suggestions for contacts therein being Nuala Ó’ Faoláin and Martin McCluain. Reference is made to the <em>Late Late Show</em> (Nov 1970) and a film on the Pill Train (Mar 1978). Other items therein – provisional timetable, list of people in Irish Women United, a paper outlining the conflict within the movement, notes re conflicting groups and interests and a draft brief on the history of the IWLM, a registration form and ballot sheet. 45 items</td>
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<td>1148</td>
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<td><em>The Honest Ulsterman</em> – contains an article by Ailbhe Smyth and Margaret Ward entitled ‘Critical Forum: Feminism North and South’; 15 Years On’. 110pp</td>
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1149 Jan 1987-July 1988 Notes re meeting with Ursula Barry re her proposal for a book on the history of the Irish Women’s Movement wherein she sends drafts of the outline of various chapters and paper ‘Women in Ireland’ given at the Third Interdisciplinary Congress on Women’s Worlds: Visions and Revisions. Includes letter (July 1987) from Mary Paul Keane which refers to the project being taken over by Róisín Conroy.

7 items

1150 July 1987-Mar 1988 Correspondence between Attic Press and Ailbhe Smyth re her proposal for a book on the history of the Irish Women’s Movement wherein she sends a draft outline and structure and copies of her paper – ‘Liberating Visions: The Emergence and Development of the contemporary Women’s Movement in Ireland’ given at the Women’s World’s Conference. Includes a letter from Smyth to Joan Burton outlining her reasons for not publishing her book – ‘I understood from our conversation that Attic solicited, and received a proposal for another book dealing with the movement. The distinction between the two is not clear to me, and I am concerned about the overlap’, with Joan Burton’s reply.

c. 50pp

1151 Oct 1987 Thesis entitled ‘The Origins and Development of Feminist Groups in Northern Ireland’ by Maria Christina Loughran (Queen’s University; Belfast).

302pp

1152 July-Oct 1988 Correspondence between Attic Press and Christina Loughran re possibility of publishing her thesis. Loughran writes – ‘As I have closed the thesis I would appreciate it if you would inform me of anyone else who may wish to read it’. Includes a reader’s report.

4 items

1153 Apr 1992 ‘Engaging the Mainstream: The Irish Women’s Movement From Self-Help to Strasbourg – a paper to the Political Studies association’ by Ruth Riddick.

10pp
Letter from Margaret Ward to [Patricia Kelleher] re student’s proposal for a book on the contemporary Irish women’s movement in which the student’s writing is criticised adding – ‘It certainly sounds as if it might have potential, but I don’t think any new author can seriously expect a contract on the basis of this short proposal’.

1p

6.2. Council and for the Status of Women & Commission for the Status of Women

6.2.1. Council for the Status of Women

‘Council for the Status of Women Seminar’- file contains a programme for the seminar and information leaflets issued by women’s organizations involved in the seminar. Includes ‘Programme for International Women’s Year 1975’ which includes details of the activities planned by women’s groups affiliated to the Council for the Status of Women to celebrate International Women’s Year with a ‘Brief History’ of the Council for the Status of Women.

14 items

File contains material relating to the organisation of a national forum, a series of workshops and discussions relating to the U.N. plan of action for women drawn up in Copenhagen – ‘You are asked to participate in the drawing up of a National plan of action to be presented to the Irish Government’. The Forum is organised by the Council for the Status of Women. Includes a breakdown of the costings for a report on the National Forum

13 items

File of reports detailing the issues raised at various workshops held by the Council for the Status of Women 1980. These workshops include Women in Prison introduced by Sue Richardson; (an ex-prisoner) entitled ‘Armagh Women’s Prison: Is it a feminist issue?’, ‘Women in
conflict in South Africa’, and ‘Women and the Law – Divorce and Education’.  

5 items

1158 1980-81 File contains brochures and press releases, a submission to the government on tax reform, and copy of the address made by Brendan Daly; Minister of State of the Department of Labour at the official opening of the new offices for the Council for the Status of Women October 1980.  

8 items

1159 c. 1981 Rough notes regarding an article written on the resignation of Monica Barnes from the [CSW].  

1p

1160 May 1981-3 File contains material relating to an agreement between The Forum Planning Committee and the Council for the Status of Women where by all rights to *Irish Women Speak Out – A Plan of Action From the National Women’s Forum* are transferred to the council. The Forum was convened as a follow up to the U.N. Conference on women held in Copenhagen on November 1980 – ‘This book is unique in that it is the first documentation of official report on any Irish Women’s Conference. It is an accurate account of what took place at the forum’. Includes a letter from Mary Curtin, Patsy Colgan and Mairin de Burca stating that they were ‘deeply concerned about the way in which the workshop on ‘Armagh Women’s Prison – Is it a Feminist Issue? was organized and reported on at the Women’s Forum’. Also contains copy of a Circular letter sent from the Planning Committee for the Irish National Women’s Forum under the auspices of the Council for the Status of Women. Includes brochure re EEC Seminar (Oct 1983).  

12 items

1161 June 1984 ‘Women in Ireland: A Compilation of Data and Information Relating to Women In Irish Society’ by Jean Tansey; Women’s Studies Centre; The Irish Foundation for Human Development for the Council for the Status of Women’.  

363pp

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40pp


31pp

1164  Dec 1994   Copies of correspondence between Maria José Aubet; President of Lasal Fira, and the Council for the Status of Women sent to Róisín Conroy. The letters refer to the council’s decision not to endorse a provisional text on the political culture and institutions of Ireland. The Council ‘is not satisfied with the portrayal of contemporary Irish Society in the text’.

3 items

6.2.2. Commission for the Status of Women


1 item


3pp
1167 Jan 1980  Fact sheet issues by the Department of Foreign Affairs in relation to the status of Women in Ireland prepared by Senator Gemma Hussey.  5pp

1168 Mar-Apr 1983  File of newspaper cuttings relating to the Minister for Women’s Affairs, Nuala Fennell.  8 items

1169 1991  Publication entitled ‘First Statement to the Government’ from the Commission on the Status of Women.  19pp


1171 Apr 1994  ‘New Opportunities for Women’. Report on a seminar on women in science, technology and engineering in third-level education.  24pp

6.3. Irish Women United

1172 11 Dec 1975  File relating to a conference held on abortion at UCD. The file includes papers delivered by Monica Adams, Anne Connelly, and Anne Speed.  7 items

1173 1975  File relating to the IWU’s Welfare Rights Committee. The committees activities are concerned with a campaign to secure equal
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<td>File of publications from IWU. Includes Scarlet Women broadsheet No.1; editorial reports and notes on the distribution of Banshee, and the IWU newsletter No.2. Also Charter of Irish Women United.</td>
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<td>1175</td>
<td>1975</td>
<td>Minutes of meetings of Irish Women United. Mainly concerned with the organisation of campaigns, rallies, and workshops relating to women’s issues.</td>
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<td>1177</td>
<td>1975-1976</td>
<td>File related to the IWU contraception group as well as the Contraception Action Programme. Includes minutes of meetings, copy circulars, and documentation relating to the work of the committee. 44 items</td>
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<td>1178</td>
<td>1975-1976</td>
<td>File of discussion papers for Teach In of IWU. The titles of the papers are ‘How to build a women’s movement’, ‘Dual [Union] Membership’, and ‘Feminism and Socialism’. 7 items</td>
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| 1179        | c1975-1976 | File of miscellaneous material relating to IWU. Includes a submission by the group to The Law Reform Commission on the Law of
the Domicile. And a paper entitled
‘Christianity and Women’.

10 items

| 1180 | 1975-76 | File related to the IWU campaign for
|       |         | Equal Pay. Includes a speech
|       |         | delivered by Ms. Catherine Whitney
|       |         | at the IWU forum on Equal Pay. Also a letter from the Federated Union of
|       |         | Employers regarding a request from IWU regarding FUE policy on Equal
|       |         | Pay.
|       |         | 8 items

| 1181 | 16 May [1976] | Circular letter detailing the results of a
|       |         | conference to form an all-Ireland feminist
|       |         | federation. ‘We are very much aware that
|       |         | the voice of the feminist movement has been considerably weakened…since
|       |         | the folding up of Irish Women United…Organisations like the WPA…fall
|       |         | far short of a feminist perspective on Women’.
|       |         | 1p

| 1182 | [c1976-1980] | File relating to IWU’s distribution of
|       |         | ‘Banshee’, after a decision was made by the
|       |         | censors board to ban the feminist
|       |         | publication. Includes two reports from the editorial board, a list of
|       |         | individuals on the distribution panel, invoices, and a breakdown of sales of
|       |         | Banshee by newsagents.
|       |         | 23 items

| 1183 | nd | File of addresses of subscribers to Banshee,
|       |   | and TD’s in the Dublin constituencies.
|       |   | 4 items

6.4. Irish Council for Civil Liberties

| 1184 | 1976-1981 | File containing a number of reports
|       |         | compiled by the ICCL. Includes an critique
|       |         | of The Emergency Powers Act 1976; a
|       |         | report on Contempt of Court and the Law; Children’s Rights under the
|       |         | constitution; Interim Proposals on Procedures for Detention and Complaints,
|       |         | and a report on the Mental Health Bill, submitted to the Minister for Health;
and Proposals for a Freedom of Information Act and an Open Meetings (Public Bodies) Act 1980.

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<td>1186</td>
<td>1981</td>
<td>File relating to ICCL opposition to a constitutional amendment ‘recognising the absolute right to life of every unborn child from conception’. Includes draft and copy press releases, as well as statistics on ‘problem pregnancies’ provided by the Irish Pregnancy Counselling Centre. 7 items</td>
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<td>1188</td>
<td>1982</td>
<td>Pamphlet entitled Death on the Streets of Derry’, by Tony Gifford Q.C. Published by the National Council for Civil Liberties. The pamphlet discusses the deaths of three men, questions the ‘minimum force’ policy of the security forces in Northern Ireland, the use of lethal weapons and the investigation and judicial process involved in the cases. 22pp</td>
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<td>1189</td>
<td>c1982</td>
<td>File relating to sexual harassment in the workplace. Includes an outline proposal for a pilot study of the sexual Harassment of women in the workplace in Ireland, to be carried out by the ICCL Women’s Group. 18 items</td>
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<td>1190</td>
<td>1982, 1984</td>
<td>Lists of active members of the ICCL Women’s Group during 1982 and 1984. 2 items</td>
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File containing a brief outline of I.C.C.L policy development since 1976. The policies relate to abortion, academic freedom, aliens and deportation, censorship, children’s rights, the constitution, contraception, criminal law, divorce, and others. Also includes media relations guidelines for ICCL executive members and correspondents, ‘to ensure that the ICCL can play to the full its role of raising public awareness on civil liberty questions’.

2 items

File of material relating to the publication of Women’s Rights in Ireland, by Ailbhe Smyth for ICCL, and the subsequent High Court Action taken by Smyth against John Feeney of the Evening Press. ‘I was deeply distressed by what I considered to be the gratuitous virulence of the tone and terminology of the article’.

34 items

Letters from various sources to ICCL highlighting areas of discrimination and providing information of interest to the council, as well as seeking information from the council itself.

23 items

Correspondence between ICCL Women’s Group and the Minister of State, Ms Nuala Fennell relating to ICCL comments on proposed legislation on illegitimacy. ‘[The Minister] is gratified to note that your organisation is in agreement with the decisions in principle which the government has made on the proposals for change in the law in this area’.

5 items

Notification of meetings and agenda of the Women’s Group of the ICCL.

11 items
1196  22 March 1984  Copy of the ICCL Women’s Group comments on the proposed amendment to the Health (Family Planning) Act 1979, sent to the Minister for Health, Mr. Barry Desmond.

2 items

1197  June-July 1984  File of letters concerned with representations made by Ailbhe Smith to the Department of Labour and to the Department of Public Service, on behalf of the ICCL. The letters relate to upper age limits on recruitment for appointments to positions in the Civil Service.

6 items

1198  1984  File containing various submissions made by the ICCL Women’s Group to the Government. Includes a submission to The Joint Oireachtas Committee on Women’s Rights and an Outline submission to the Commission on Social Welfare.

15 items

1199  1984  File containing information relating to the ICCL women’s group. Includes copies of letters sent to building societies regarding women and finance; a letter sent to the newspapers regarding Galway Regional Hospital’s refusal to deal with rape case victims in the casualty department; and a list of actions taken in the period 1083-1984 by the ICCL.

7 items

1200  1984-1985  File detailing applications for affiliation to ICCL. Includes application forms as well as letters to Ailbhe Smith regarding her application.

7 items

1201  March 1997  Copy of a brochure and application form for an ICCL conference on human rights completed by RC. Also includes a letter from the conference ICCL Conference Committee (which included Melissa Murray and Ursula Barry etc) informing her that the conference has been
booked out and that her application had been received after the deadline. Róisín makes amendments to the letter relating how IFI/Attic Press had not received an application form even though ‘AP published many books related to C. Liberties’ and that her application had been couriered over the day of the deadline.

5 items

**6.5. Irish Countrywoman’s Association (ICA)**

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<td>1202</td>
<td>1980</td>
<td>Paper delivered by Patricia O’Hara at the Annual Course for Farm Home Management Advisors. The title of the paper is ‘A discussion on the role of the Farm Management Advisory Service in Rural Ireland’ [Incomplete].</td>
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<td>1203</td>
<td>1980-81</td>
<td>File of material containing various letters to, and press releases from Mrs Olive Nugent, Press Officer with the ICA. Includes an address by the National President at the Autumn Council Meeting 1980, and an address by Dr. Noel Nowlan on the subject of Nuclear Energy.</td>
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<td>1204</td>
<td>Nov 1981</td>
<td>Copy of a speech delivered by An Taoiseach Dr. Garret Fitzgerald at the official opening of a new extension to the ICA’s Horticultural College at Termonfeckin. Includes a prospectus and guidebook (1970) for the college produced by the ICA.</td>
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<td>1205</td>
<td>Jan-Dec 1983</td>
<td>1983 Programme for An Grianan, a residential Adult Education College run by the ICA.</td>
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7. CAMPAIGNS AND WOMEN’S ISSUES

7.1. Employment Equality

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<td>1207</td>
<td>1973-76</td>
<td>File relating to a protest made by the Promotion for Equal Pay Ad Hoc Committee at the government’s postponement of the introduction of equal pay legislation for women. Includes a petition signed by prominent Irish women, copies of which were delivered to John Kelly, Parliamentary Secretary. Contains letters of support from politicians including Ben Briscoe and Gemma Hussey. Also from Ruaidhri Roberts, General Secretary of the ICTU. Also a circular letter and questionnaire sent by RC to the personnel officers of Irish Industrial Companies seeking information on equal pay in relation to a survey being conducted.</td>
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<td>1208</td>
<td>1974-87</td>
<td>Press cuttings related to women at work. Includes equal pay, tax, statistics, maternity leave, childcare and discrimination.</td>
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<td>1209</td>
<td>c.1975-85</td>
<td>File containing a resolution, a directive and an action programme for equal pay and opportunities for women from the Commission of European Communities.</td>
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<td>1210</td>
<td>1976</td>
<td>Notice related to a government petition organised by the Equal Pay Add Hoc Committee ‘to collect as many signatures’</td>
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…from all supporters of equal pay’. Includes a letter to RC from Anne O’Donnell, Irish Women United, regarding a public meeting being organised on the issue of equal pay. Also a press release detailing the deputation which collected over 35,000 signatories…Collectors in Dublin and elsewhere reported that people felt that an economic recession was no time to make the worse off among workers suffer even more and that women workers should not be asked to face the stresses of depression from a less equal position’.

4 items

1211  1976  Photographs of RC, Catherine McGuinness, Mary Maher, Aideen Ní Caomh, Gemma Hussey, Maureen Black, and John Kelly TD. The photographs appeared in the Evening Press and The Irish Press and depicted the collection and handing over of a petition on Equal pay to the Government. Also includes a photograph of a meeting of the Irish Women’s Liberation Movement.

4 items

1212  1976-78  Newspaper cutting relating to equal pay. Includes a photocopy of an article from The Irish Times entitled ‘How to turn equal pay law into an inspired way of robbing brand new groups of workers’ (1978). Also letters to the Irish Times regarding women at work from Sylvia Meehan, RC, Anne Speed and others.

13 items

1213  1977  Explanatory booklet entitled Employment Equality Act, issued by The Department of Labour.

28pp


6pp
Article entitled ‘A Better Deal for Women?’ by Hilary Land.


Two rulings from The Labour Court in relation to Mrs Josephine O’Brien, Complainant (represented by Local Government and the Public Services Union) and the Corporation of Drogheda, Respondent; and in relation to Coras Iompar Eireann and Joan Doran. The Labour Court finds in favour of O’Brien and against Joan Doran respectively.


**7.2. Women’s Resource Centres**

**7.2.1. Resource Centre**

File related to the establishment and operation of a resource centre in Dublin which would provide ‘a stable meeting place, postal address, and facilities for groups, movements, organizations and individuals committed to radical non-violent social change in Ireland’. The file details proposals to form a limited company to manage the centre and attempts to relocated and purchase a premises on Buckingham Street. The file also details the provision of facilities for women’s groups at the centre.
7.2.2. Well Woman Centre

1220 [c.Feb 1976] File of rough draft material relating to the setting up of a women’s health centre in Ireland.

2 items

1221 [1980] Material provided by the Well Woman Clinic relating to unplanned pregnancy, Contraception, pre-menstrual syndrome, and sensible eating.

11 items

1222 Oct 1982 Memorandum from RC and Noreen O’Sullivan to Anne Connolly relating to the identification of information requirements and the provision of an Information System for the Well Woman Centre.

1p

1223 Nov 1982 Copies of letters from RC to Paul Cullen of the Employment Equality Agency, and to Anne Connolly of the Well Woman Centre. The file relates to the ‘designing and developing of an information system catering for the specialist needs of the agency’ in which she outlines the various stages of the proposed project. File includes The Uniterm method of filing and finding information.

11 items

1224 [nd] Copies and drafts of various information system categories.

200pp

1225 [nd] Leaflet advertising a National Conference organised by the Defend the Clinics Campaign in Trinity College Dublin.

1p
7.2.3. Campaign to establish a Woman’s Centre in Dublin

1226  1976-82  Letters from women’s centre in Ireland, England, and America and women’s organisations such as the Fawcett Society, London and the Women’s International Information and Communication Service, Rome concerning the establishment of a women’s centre and offering advice on funding, services provided and the acquisition of premises. Includes a covering letter from Martita Midence of the International Women’s Tribune Centre, New York to the Steering Committee for a Women’s Centre, enclosing a brochure and several newsletters produced by the centre. Also a letter from Marillee Karl regarding the inclusion of an article on the Women’s Centre in the next issue of the ISIS Bulletin and asking for assistance in coordinating the International Feminist Network in Ireland.

45 items (2 folders)

1227  July-Sept 1978  Details of a Current Account of the Steering Collective for a Women’s Centre in the AIB bank, Dublin. Includes a lodgement book with one entry with a note on the reverse of the stub ‘Proceeds of Collection at meeting July 22 ATGWU Hall lo[d]ged by Colette Cullen’, and a current account bank statement with postal address of RC.

4 items

1228  [1978]  Material relating to the setting up of a reading room/reference library in the Women’s Centre. The file contains a suggested list of books which were needed, as well as a document detailing the contents of the Fawcett Library. Also includes a draft and final policy document of the Women’s Centre’s central resource unit, and a list of contacts for the working group.

27 items

1229  [nd]  Two copybooks containing rough draft material relating to the distinction between companies limited, with and without guarantee, and co-operatives. Also notes relating to the women’s centre, and a weekly cleaning and shopping schedules.

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<td>1230</td>
<td>1978-79</td>
<td>Material sent to RC relating to co-operatives. Includes a report for the development of small co-operatives provided by the workshop at Glencree Reconciliation Centre, a ‘Grapevine’ programme, and notes related to the Co-Operative Development Society. Also ‘Essentials for success in a Co-Operative Women’s Centre.</td>
<td>14 items</td>
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<td>1231</td>
<td>1978-79</td>
<td>File of rough draft material and minutes of meetings relating to the work of the Steering Committee for the setting up of a Women’s Centre. The material relates to the funding of the campaign and the search for a premises, and the provision of resources in the centre.</td>
<td>37 items</td>
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<td>1232</td>
<td>1978-79</td>
<td>File containing ‘Guiding Principles for the establishment of a Women’s Centre for Ireland’; ‘Aims and Structure of a Woman’s Centre: Contribution Towards a Discussion’; and the Memorandum and Article of Association of the Women’s Centre.</td>
<td>12 items</td>
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<td>1233</td>
<td>1978-79</td>
<td>File of campaign material published by the Steering Collective. Includes circular letters seeking support, both practical and financial, for the campaign as well as ideas and suggestions for the structure of the centre.</td>
<td>28 items</td>
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<td>1234</td>
<td>1978-79</td>
<td>Letters from researchers looking for information and reading lists relating to and provided by the Women’s Centre.</td>
<td>3 items</td>
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<td>1235</td>
<td>1979</td>
<td>Fliers advertising the Women’s Festival 1979 based at the Project Arts Centre. ‘Films, Music, Theatre, Fine Arts,</td>
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Literature, Community Arts and Workshops of all kinds bringing in women from other countries as well as Ireland. Ideas, Help, Contacts needed now. In aid of the Women’s Centre’,

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<td>1236</td>
<td>Jan-Feb 1979</td>
<td>File relating to a proposal made by Joni Sheerin that Róisín Conroy be suspended from the Steering Committee for a period of three months. Sheerin accuses Conroy of acting on a number of occasions on behalf of the collective without consulting the collective, of withholding information, of overriding collective decisions and of lying to the collective. The file includes manuscript notes by RC detailing her actions and her reactions to charges made at a meeting held in Joni Sheerin’s house. Also a copy of a Press Statement detailing the publishing of the Women’s Calendar, which features The Campaign for a Women’s Centre letterhead and RC’s address.</td>
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<td>1237</td>
<td>1979-82</td>
<td>File of newspaper cuttings related to the setting up of a Women’s Centre in Dublin.</td>
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<td>1238</td>
<td>1981</td>
<td>Information relating to American Feminist and Women’s Centres.</td>
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**7.2.4. Rape Crisis Centre**

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<td>[c.1977]</td>
<td>File relating to the workings of the Rape Crisis Centre Group. Includes a resume of policy and membership of the group. Also</td>
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documentation relating to the necessity of adequate record keeping and the ‘tentative’ extraction of information from victims.

3 items

1241 Feb 1978-June 1980 File of material relating to the publication and distribution of the First report of the Dublin Rape Crisis Centre. Includes accounts relating to IFI distribution of the publication, detailing the organizations which ordered the report, income and expenditure. Also includes letters to IFI requesting copies of the report, invoices and copies of the report itself.

11 items

1242 1979-81 First and second reports of the Dublin Rape Crisis Centre.

3 items

1243 c.1981 A submission for funding for the Dublin Rape Crisis Centre. The submission details the work and aims of the centre as well as an estimate of expenditure for the year 1981.

8pp

7.3. Women and Health

7.3.1. General


6 items

1245 1974 Dissecting Doctor Medi-Corpse, cartoons by Balul, published by Arachne Publications, USA. The publication is a cartoon book
which looks ‘humorously at sexism, racism, ageism and class prejudice in the American medical system’.


1247  1976  Macrobiotics
File detailing the application of macrobiotics in our daily lives and the nutritional value of organic foods and traditionally baked breads. Includes a typescript leaflet by Paul Holden on macrobiotics, and the visit of Mr.Kushi (an authors of many books on the subject) to Dublin.


1251  Oct 1982  Agenda for a National Training Conference held in Kilkenny on ‘Women’s Health in a Changing Society’.
1252 [c1982] Selected list of publications and documentation from the World Health Organisation related to the area of Family Health. The list includes publications prepared from 1975-1982, ‘and those considered to be of broad interest’.

7pp


2 items

1254 1985 Information booklet entitled ‘1985 Women’s Health Directory for Northern Ireland’, by Joanna McMinn and Hilary Frazer. Includes names and addresses of people and organisations concerned with various aspects of women’s health, such as advice and counselling, alternative health and women’s centres.

16pp

1255 [nd] File relating to a community based education course entitled ‘Health Choices’, provided by The Open University in association with the Health Education Council and the Scottish Health Education Unit.

2 items

1256 [nd] Typescript document entitled ‘Mental Handicap and Genetics’.

3pp

1257 [nd] Typescript notes relating to health issues including child-care, self-examination, anorexia nervosa, and drugs.

4pp
### 7.3.2. Gynaecology

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<td>[c1978]</td>
<td>File relating to women and childbirth. The file is mainly concerned with proposals for research into the area of birthing mothers and their treatment while in medical care.</td>
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<td>1260</td>
<td>[nd]</td>
<td>Photocopy of an article entitled ‘Overbreathing’ which relates to the effects of overbreathing in childbirth.</td>
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<td>1261</td>
<td>1985-86</td>
<td>Reproductive Technology File relating various to reproductive technologies including In-Vitro Fertilisation. Includes information on international conferences and a workshop held at UCD. Also newspaper cuttings and a statement on In-Vitro Fertilisation by the Bishops Doctrinal Commission.</td>
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7.3.3. Drug Abuse and the Drugs Industry


1265 1976-80  File relating to the drug industry in Ireland. Includes a review carried out by the Department of Industry and Commerce (1976); a talk delivered by Anne Ryan entitled ‘Foreign Investment in Ireland’ (1979); The basic principles of drug use and the reason for the increase in drug use, as well as what your doctor doesn’t tell you about drugs; A research outline of The Pharmaceutical Industry in Ireland, and a list of drug companies in Ireland.  38 items

1266 [c1980]  File relating to drug abuse. Includes a letter from the Health Education Bureau to RC relating to publications requested; copies of articles taken from the Irish Medical Times relating to drug abuse; and extracts from an unspecified study of drug abusers.  4 items

1267 [nd]  Corrected and amended draft article concerned with heroin addiction and women, written by Mary Raftery.  4pp

1268 [c1980]  Dangerous Chemicals and Industrial Wastes File relating to the use of chemicals in industry as well as the management of waste in relation to women working in the field.  13 items
7.3.4. Health Education Bureau (HEB)

1269  1976-80  Copy letter from RC to Anna May Harkin, of the Health Education Bureau requesting the 1979 returns for the General Medical Scheme. ‘As I am presently compiling information for the 1981 Diary’; also inquires about the figures for the costs of drugs, dispensing fees for pharmacists and information relating to the private sector. Includes an account of ‘Where your money goes on the GMS’ (1974-79), and a Report from the working party on prescribing and dispensing in the GMS (Apr 1976)

7pp

1270  Dec 1980-May 1981  Copy letters from Anne O'Donnell, Education and Information Officer with the Rape Crisis Centre, to officers of the HEB. O'Donnell submits an outline proposal for research funding. ‘One area we have not yet adequately explored is that of detailed research into the effects of sexual violence and the manner in which victims of such violence are treated’. The proposal also outlines the work and aims of the Rape Crisis Centre and a breakdown of proposed expenditure.

20pp

1271  1980-81  Draft framework proposal to the HEB from the Council for the Status of Women regarding a weekend workshop on Women and Health-Mind and Body. The file also includes notes from board meeting of the HEB relating to a national study on smoking and drinking behaviour and attitudes.

2 items

1272  12-24 June 1981  Paper entitled ‘Sharing Health facts- The Organisation of an Information Network’ by RC delivered at a women’s health seminar organised by the HEB and the Council for the Status of Women. The aim of the seminar was to ‘investigate the role of voluntary organisations in prompting information on women’s health’. The paper covers the definition of health, the UN World Conference on Women, new dangers - chemicals and technology, a brief outline of health services in Ireland, international health organisations and links between statutory and voluntary groups.
Includes comments from various discussion groups, an introduction by Margaret Erraught, and a paper by Mary Cullen entitled ‘Health Education and Women - Historical Perspectives’.

1273 Sept-Dec 1981 Minutes and reports of the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee, relating to the HEB and women’s Health recommendations for research, draft position paper and revised draft proposal which states the ‘aim of the project is to assist the HEB in establishing a priority list of areas for further research in relation to women and health’.

15 items

1274 1981-82 Women’s Health Information Network Contains minutes of network meetings detailing aims and objectives and a summary of discussions held. Includes lists of individuals interested in women’s health, community centres, Eastern Health Board centres, occupational health nurses, community care areas, contacts, books and media lists.

28 items

7.3.5. Health Services in Ireland

1275 Oct 1979 List of registered community information centres under the jurisdiction of the eight health board regions.

8pp

1276 1981 File relating to the health system in Ireland particularly the General Medical Service (GMS), as presented in the Irish Women’s Diary 1981. Includes notes on the origins of health boards and the GMS; statistics relating to persons covered by medical cards under the GMS, as well as numbers of doctors registered under the scheme and information relating to costs and pharmacists. Also a publication by Marxists in Medicine entitled ‘Quality, Inequality and Health Care’.

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<td>1277</td>
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<td>Transcript list of Irish associations, organisations and groups, including members of the Medical Council of Ireland. 7pp</td>
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<td>1278</td>
<td>Jan 1972-Nov 1991</td>
<td>File of press cuttings relating to the dissolution of marriage. 2 folders</td>
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<td>1280</td>
<td>1981-86</td>
<td>File of material relating to the Divorce Action Group’s (DAG) campaign to legalize divorce in Ireland. Includes press releases, campaign flyers from both the pro and anti divorce campaigns, a DAG newsletter, questionnaires put to members of the Oireachtas on their attitude to divorce, an ICCL submission to The Joint Committee on Marriage Breakdown, a DAG submission to the New Ireland Forum, and Labour party campaign flyers supporting the introduction of divorce legislation. 35 items (2 folders)</td>
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<td>1282</td>
<td>1975-84</td>
<td>File of papers relating to the abortion debate in Ireland. Includes ‘The deadly Solution to an Irish Problem – Backstreet Abortion’, written by Pauline Jackson and published by the Women’s Right to Choose Campaign; ‘The Politics of the 1983 Abortion Referendum debate in the Republic of Ireland’, by J.P. O’Carroll, University College Cork; ‘Outside the Jurisdiction – Irish Women Seeking Abortion’, a paper written by Pauline Jackson and delivered to the Sociological Association of Ireland Conference on Gender, Feb 1984; papers delivered by Monica Adams and Anne Speed at a symposium held in UCD, 1975; draft material relating to a paper entitled ‘Guidelines for Abortion’, by Róisín Conroy; and a photocopy of a pamphlet entitled ‘Abortion: The Tragic Dilemma’ published by the Student Christian Movement with which is included a critique by Róisín Conroy.</td>
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<td>1283</td>
<td>1976-77</td>
<td>Press cuttings concerned with the abortion and family planning debate in Ireland, Italy, Germany and India.</td>
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<td>1284</td>
<td>1977-84</td>
<td>File of pamphlets and circular material relating to the pro-abortion campaign. Includes material from The anti-amendment campaign, the Woman’s Right to Choose Campaign, The National Abortion Campaign, London, and Publishers against the Amendment.</td>
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<td>1285</td>
<td>1982-1984</td>
<td>File of material relating to the work of the steering committee of the Anti-Abortion Amendment Campaign. Contains a list of committee members, a letter of resignation from Ailbhe Smyth from the committee, press releases, minutes of meetings, and press cuttings. Also a number of papers delivered at the Sociological Association of Ireland Annual Conference 1984, including ‘Ideology in Crisis: The Anti-Abortion Amendment’, by Ursula Barry; ‘Outside the Jurisdiction – Irish Women Seeking Abortion’, by Pauline Jackson; and ‘The Politics of the 1983 Abortion Referendum Debate’, by J.P O’Carroll.</td>
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1286  1985-87  File of material relating to the Right to
Know Campaign which was formed after a
1986 High Court Judgement which prohibited
the Well Women Centre and Open Line Counselling from providing
information about the availability of abortion in Britain. The judgement was
a result of an action taken by the Society for the Protection of the Unborn
Child.

5 items

1287  1991-92  File of material relating to a High Court
decision to prevent a 14 year old rape victim
from leaving the country to have an
abortion, and the subsequent campaign to have the 8th Amendment to the
Constitution repealed which outlawed the provision of abortion in Ireland.
The file includes letters of protest and press releases from various
organizations and a statement by Proinsias De Rossa TD on same. Also a
Submission made by the Irish Council for Civil Liberties on the Right of
Women to Reproductive Choice and Reproductive Health Services and the
Proposed Referendum on the Right to Travel and the Right to Information
(Sept 1992).

28 items

1288  June 1992-Jan 1993  File of material related to the introduction of
freedom of information legislation in Ireland
to allow the availability of information on
crisis pregnancy. Includes promotional material relating to an Attic Press
publication entitled *Choices in Crisis Pregnancy*, by Noreen Byrne, and a
conference on censorship, secrecy and democracy entitled ‘Let in the Light’
to be held in Trinity College, (June 1993). Also includes information
relating to the rights and restrictions of international journalism, and an
article entitled ‘Freemasongate’ relating to the supervision of Irish, British
and USA democratic institutions by the Freemason secret society.

11 items

1289  1994  Publication entitled *Abortion: A Tabulation
of Available Data on the Frequency and
Morality of Unsafe Abortion*, published by the
World Health Organisation.

114pp
7.6. Contraception


1p

1291  1974-1979  File relating to the Contraception Action Programme (CAP) and the Irish Women United (IWU) campaign for legalized contraception. Includes a Press Statement from CAP detailing the launch of the organization with a list of their aims. Also minutes of a CAP meeting detailing the organization of the contraception campaign, those who attended, and the organizations they represented. Includes circular letter asking individuals to support IWU by writing to their TD and Senator telling them to support the Family Planning Bill introduced to the Senate by Mary Robinson. Also a press cutting from the letters page of *The Irish Times* from the Students Union of the Royal College of Surgeons giving support to the IWU campaign for free legal contraceptives. Includes a photocopy of the Irish ‘Family Planning Association Newsletter’ which examines the proposals of the Health (Family Planning) Bill 1978, and includes ‘A Feminist Opinion’, by RC (Jan 1979), and a speech made by the Minister for Justice, Mr. Patrick Cooney, entitled ‘Making contraceptives freely available in this country would be detrimental to the general good of the population’ (30 Mar 1979). Also an article entitled ‘The Knights of the Long Knives Against Abortion’, by Brain Trench.

3 items

1292  1974-1979  Manuscript research notes by [Patricia Kelleher] relating to contraception in Ireland. Includes bibliographical references from newspapers on family planning and family planning clinics, the debate on the Family Planning Bill 1974, and the views of the medical profession, the clergy, and politicians on the issue. Includes a list of organizations represented on the Council for the Status of Women, and a list of women’s organizations in Ireland with the names and addresses of their senior officers.

10 items
1293  Jan 1975-May 1987  Press cutting from various newspapers including *The Irish Times*, *The Guardian*, *The Irish Press*, *The Irish Independent*, and *The Cork Examiner*. The cuttings relate to various aspects of family planning including the introduction of family planning legislation in Ireland, England and Spain, forms of contraception, censorship of family planning legislation in Ireland, attitudes of politicians and the clergy, pro family planning organizations such as CAP as well as organizations and individuals opposing the sale of contraceptives.

C.117 items

1294  1977-1979  File relating to the opposition of the Irish Family Planning Association, the Contraception Action Programme, the Labour Women’s National Council, and the International Planned Parenthood Federation to the Health (Family Planning) Bill 1978-78. Includes a submission on Contraception made by Robert Cochran of Family Planning Services Ltd, Dublin (June 1977); a typescript text of ‘Health (Family Planning) Bill 1978, Second Reading Speech’; Publicity material for a march and rally organized by CAP; and material relating to International Planned Parenthood Federation including a publications list, and list of their library holdings.

18 items

1295  [1978]  File detailing the historical development of the contraception debate. Includes a copy of ‘Rebel Women’, being one of ‘a series of article, interviews and counter-information on contraception, population control, clinics and Haughey’s Bill’.

4 items

1296  1981  Information booklet from the International Contraception, Abortion and Sterilisation Campaign detailing the organization of an international day of action on the 16 May 1981.

10pp


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### 7.7. Gay Rights

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| 1298 | Dec 1974-Feb 1976 | Union of Sexual Freedom in Ireland  
File of material related to the Union of Sexual Freedom in Ireland. Includes a transcript constitution of the union; newsletters, circular letters from Joseph Lecky, Secretary of the Union; Information leaflets relating to union activities and the campaign for homosexual law reform by CHE (Campaign for Homosexual Equality, Manchester), SMG (Scottish Minorities Group, Edinburgh), and USFI (Union for Sexual Freedoms in Ireland, Co Down). Also includes newspaper articles, and two articles entitled ‘Belfast Universities Society for Perversion’, and ‘The case against Joseph Lecky’ (7 Oct 1975).  
37 items |
36pp |
| 1300 | [c1980]    | File relating to gay rights in Ireland. Includes a programme of women’s poetry organized by the Gay Sweatshop, a flyer for a lesbian custody conference to be held in Sheffield; articles entitled ‘Feminism and Lesbianism’, and ‘The Rights of Lesbian Women and Gay Men’; and a publicity sheet from David Norris relating to The Campaign for Homosexual Law Reform.  
11 items |
64pp |

### 7.8. One Parent Families

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<td>[Mar 1975-June 1987]</td>
<td>Newspaper cuttings mainly from The Irish Times, Irish Independent, The Irish Press,</td>
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50 items

1303  [c1976-87]  Material relating to Cherish, an association of single (unmarried) parents, established to provide mutual help, support and encouragement for other persons in similar situations. ‘We are...delighted to hear from any single pregnant women, or single parent who needs information relevant to their situation’.

7 items

1304  1979  Newsletter and information sheet from Gingerbread Ireland, The Association for One Parent Families in Ireland.

2 items

**7.9. Prisoners Rights**

1305  July 1975-Mar 1980  Press release entitled ‘The return of the Heavy Gang; published by the Prisoners Rights Organization and relating to the treatment of Michael Joe Kavanagh in Garda custody by named Detective Gardai. Also press cuttings from *The Irish Times* relating to the support by Prisoners’ Rights Organization for Karl Crawley, a prisoner incarcerated in Mountjoy Prison, Dublin. Also includes a poem written by Sue Richardson while in Mountjoy Jail entitled ‘The Silent Scream’.

5 items

1306  [1978]  Leaflet produced by the Women’s Committee of the Communist Party of Ireland, calling for support for Armagh Women Prisoners.

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<td>1308</td>
<td>[c.1981]</td>
<td>Document explaining the origins, aims, progress, activities and publications of the Prisoners Rights Organization. Includes a membership form. Also a document examining prisons in Ireland. 2 items</td>
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<td>1309</td>
<td>1982</td>
<td>Published speech entitled ‘Freedom only comes if you take it’, delivered by Bernadette Devlin McAliskey in New York, at a rally for Irish political prisoners sponsored by the New York H-Block/Armagh Committee. 23pp</td>
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<td>1310</td>
<td>1988</td>
<td>Waiting for Justice? One Woman’s Story’, by Martina Shanahan. Published by Calvert’s Press Workers’ Co-operative. 65pp (2 copies)</td>
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<td>[nd]</td>
<td>‘Alternatives to Holloway’, by Radical Alternatives to Prison (Holloway Campaign Group). 71pp</td>
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### 7.10 The Campaign for a United Social Welfare Code

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Correspondence between RC and Brian M. Gallagher. RC seeks to proceed with a legal action against the state regarding her inability to qualify for Unemployment Assistance under current legislation. ‘As mentioned to you…my first choice for council is Mary Robinson and I look forward to the outcome of such an approach to her’. (N/B for more details regarding this case please refer to the Introduction to this list.)

File of material relating to legal action between the State (at the prosecution of Róisín Conroy) and the Minister for Social Welfare, Ireland and the Attorney General. Includes a Conditional Order from Justice Finlay of The High Court, directing an Order Of Certiorari be issued for the purpose of being quashed by the High Court on the grounds that the decision of the original Deciding Officer was unconstitutional; copies of affidavits and supplementary affidavits by Róisín Conroy; and a notice from the state showing cause against the Conditional Order issued. The file also contains two copy indentures of the separation agreement between Róisín Conroy and Colin Conroy (16 Dec 1977), which forms part of the states attempt to show cause.

File of press cuttings detailing Róisín Conroy’s appearance in court pursuing her challenge against the state.
Report on the public response to an advertising campaign about discrimination against married women in relation to certain social security benefits entitled ‘Behind Closed Doors’. Published by the Equal Opportunities Commission, Manchester.

File of Correspondence between Róisín Conroy and the Department of Social Welfare and the Eastern Health Board in regard to an application for Unemployment Assistance. The letters detail Conroy’s inability to obtain a Qualification Certificate on the grounds that she is a married woman without a dependant.

Letter to Róisín Conroy from Ronan [Wilmot], Newcastle, with regard to her legal action against the state. ‘I am right with you and I know you will beat the fuckers. Keep up the good work girl.’

Letter from the Campaign for a United Social Welfare Code to the co-coordinators and secretaries of women’s groups around the country. The letter details the ‘Conroy Case’, explaining the basis for her challenge, and calls for funding to aid in the funding of the action.

Receipt for a Qualification Certificate lodged at Victoria St. Employment Exchange, and made out in the name of Róisín Conroy.

Minutes of the meetings of the Women’s Campaign for Unified Social Welfare Code.
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<td>22 Aug 1982</td>
<td>Letter from Noreen O'Donoghue, Information coordinator with the Campaign to Dr. Michael Woods, Minister for Health and Social Welfare nominating Sylvia Meehan to the newly established National Community Development Agency. 1p</td>
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<td>1982</td>
<td>File containing press releases and circulars sent to various individuals and the media. 17 items</td>
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<td>1983</td>
<td>Pamphlet entitled ‘Rates of payment from the Department of Social Welfare’, published by the Information Section of the Department of Social Welfare, Dublin. 31pp</td>
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<td>Document detailing social grade classifications in Ireland. 2pp</td>
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**7.11. Violence Against Women**

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<td>1975-80</td>
<td>Campaign for the introduction of new legislation on rape in Ireland with reference to the Council for the Status of Women, Campaign Against Rape group, Violence Against Women Against Violence march in Dublin (1978) the crime of rape in other European countries, establishment and progress of rape crisis centers in Ireland, Britain and in America and research projects and notes on the crime of rape; On the campaign for the introduction of new legislation on rape in Ireland, includes both the ‘Draft Submission’ and ‘Submission on Rape in Ireland’ by the Council for the Status of Women [Oct 1978] and press cutting from The Cork Examiner on the Minister for Justice, Mr. Gerard Collins acceptance of their submission on rape.(19 Oct 1978); Newspaper cuttings including a two day discussion in The Irish Press on the crime of rape in Ireland and the need for new legislation and a change in public attitudes towards rape.(27 – 28 Nov 1978); In relation to the Campaign Against Rape group, includes notice of meeting and agenda (16 Aug 1977) and minutes of meeting (9 Aug 1977) and copy of an open letter from Evelyn Conlon and Anne O’Donnell, 248</td>
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Campaign Against Rape, to all national newspapers expressing their concern that no woman is on the jury for the rape and murder of Mary Duffy and discuss its implication for future rape and other trials. In regard to the Violence Against Women Against Violence march includes press cuttings from *The Irish Independent*, (14 Oct 1978) *The Irish Press* (16 Oct 1978) and *United Irishmen* (Nov 1978); On rape crisis centers, includes a copy of ‘Press Statement’ from Dublin Rape Crisis Centre relating to the setting up of the center and its function and services (1979); First annual report of the Rape Counseling and Research project in London (Mar 1977) and press cuttings from *The Irish Times* on the new rape crisis center in Dublin and those in London and in America (23 Feb 1979). Drafts of a letter from R.C. to the Editor of the *Cork Examiner*, *Irish Times* and *Irish Independent* concerning her support for the proposed ‘Rape Bill’ and the work of the Rape Crisis Centre, Dublin (11 June 1980); In regard to research projects and notes on rape, includes research proposal on rape by Patricia Kelleher, addressed to the Rape Crisis Group, [T.C.D.] (18 Oct 1977); Photocopy of ‘Rape: The Controversy’ by Anna Coote and Tess Gill published by the National Council for Civil Liberties, London (1975); Photocopy of ‘Behavioral Types of Rape’ by T.C.N. Gibbens, C. Way and K.L. Soothill, British Journal of Psychiatry (Jan 1977).

27 items

1329 1975-91  Newspaper articles mainly from *The Guardian*, *The Irish Times*, *The Irish Independent*, *The Irish Press* and the *Cork Examiner* mainly relating to battered wives, violence against women and the family in Ireland and England; Newspaper articles on the work of various women's groups such as the AIM, Women's Aid, Adapt, The Irish Family League, Rape Crisis Centre, Dublin and the Central Mission of the Methodist Church, Dublin; Other issues covered include The International Tribunal on Crimes Against Women, Brussels, (March 1976) and International Sociological Association Conference at Trinity College, Dublin. (July 1977); Includes reports on Forum for Five Women in the Mansion House, Dublin organized by AIM in The Irish Press. (1 June 1976); Paper entitled 'Dependency in a Women's Aid Refuge: Section One by Bernadette Barry, Section Two by Brian Horgan. (1978). Includes articles relating to prostitution and pornography.

c.100 items

1330 1976-84  The organization and press coverage of the march in Dublin on ‘Women Against Violence Against Women’ (Oct 13 1978)

Includes ts copy letter of a statement from Anne Connolly, [Organizer of the march] for ‘Letters to the Editor ‘ discussing the forthcoming march and
reasons for the march’. Also lists names of women who support the statement and the march. (5 Oct 1978); Ts information leaflet on the march,(13 Oct 1978) and transcript ‘Press Statement’ by the [organizers] of the march.(13 Oct 1978); Newspaper articles from *The Irish Times*, *Irish Independent* and *Sunday World* on the march. Ms notes by R.C. on the march. Also ts circular letter from ICSDW concerning ‘Tenth ICSDW Conference Vancouver’ including details of proposal for resolutions by the Austrian Socialist Women on violence. (Oct 10 1978)

80 items

1331  May 1978  Lecture entitled ‘Marital Violence, delivered by Jalna Hanmer, University of Bradford, at a women’s aid seminar held in Greystones, Co. Wicklow.

19pp (2 copies)

1332  1982  Press release and registration form pertaining to a National Women’s Conference entitled ‘Pornography is Violence against Women’, to be held in Oxford on 25-26 September.

2pp

1333  [nd]  Details of a Women against Violence against Women’s campaign to picket Rainbow’s End, a retail store in Dublin trading in items which contribute to ‘the blatant sexism and exploitation in society’. Includes photographs taken of the picket, as well as appended photographs taken of a gay rights demonstration.

2 items

1334  [nd]  Document entitled ‘No Radical Change: Notes on the Rape Debate’. [Incomplete]

7pp


2 items
7.12. Murray Defence Committee

1337  21 May-30 July 1976  Newspaper cuttings from *The Irish Times*, *Evening Herald*, and *The Hibernian* relating to the trial and conviction of Noel and Marie Murray for the murder of Garda Michael Reynolds, their subsequent appeal against the conviction and sentence of death imposed by the Special Criminal Court.

10 items

7.13 Marie MacMahon Support Group

1339  Aug 1976-Mar1980  Campaign by the Ad Hoc Committee of which Róisín Conroy was a member against the jailing of Marie MacMahon for failing to sign a bond to keep the peace after being charged with a posterising offence in 1977 and a soliciting offence in 1978. Includes copy of press release which includes Róisín Conroy as a contact name, and includes reference to the reasons for the imprisonment of Marie MacMahon, outlines history of the charge and also profiles MacMahon’s involvement with civil rights and feminist issues. (11 Mar 1980); Copy of demands of the Ad Hoc Committee in support of Marie MacMahon (11 Mar 1980); Copies of publicity leaflet for a public protest outside Mountjoy Prison, in support against the ‘antiquated censorship laws and the jailing of Marie MacMahon.; Ms notes by R.C. for [Press Release and demands by the Ad Hoc Committee] and other ms notes relating to the organization of the campaign in support of MacMahon.; In relation to the prostitution charge, includes copy of press release issued on behalf of the Coordinating support group, and draft and list of people supporting the statement who are concerned with the outcome of
the case. Also included on press release naming Róisín Conroy as one of the
support group contacts, ms notes by Róisín Conroy ‘Press Coverage’ listing
the groups strategy in relation to press coverage. Leaflet explaining the
reasons for the picket outside the Dublin District Court. Also ms lists of
names supporting the group’s statement. (N/B RC attributes her activities
in this matter as one of the reasons for a raid on her house by the Special
branch on Good Friday 1980 at 7.45 am.)

1340 [Sept 1977]-Oct 1978 File relating to the arrest and subsequent
acquittal of feminist Marie Mac Mahon on a
charge of prostitution and the use of obscene
language and the campaign by the support group against the charges.
Includes newspaper cuttings from Evening Herald, Evening Press, Irish
Times, Cork Examiner, In Dublin and an article by Mairin de Burca in

7.14 Sexism in Education

1341 [c.1977] Two papers entitled “Why educate a
Woman?” by Nuala Fennell, and ‘Women in
the Normal Irish Education System’, by
Grainne O’Flynn.

1342 1977-84 File of booklets and articles relating to sex
stereotyping in educational publications.
Includes ‘Must we be Divided for Life?
Sexism in Irish Education’, by the Teachers’ Action Alliance, ‘Non-Sexist
Code of Practice for Book Publishing’, by the National Union of Journalists,
‘Education widens the gap between the sexes’, ‘Racism and Sexism in
Children’s Books’.

1343 1979 ‘Taking Liberties: A Teaching Pack for Boys
and Girls on Equal Rights’, by Jean Coussins.
Published by Virago Limited, London.

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<td>File containing a report of a visit by Misses Donohue and Gleeson to the Equal Opportunities Commission, Manchester (July 1979); letters related to ‘Aspects of Equality of Opportunity Course’; an article entitled ‘Girls into Science and Technology’; and a speech by Mr. John Boland at the opening of a course organised jointly by the Department of Education and the Employment Equality Agency.</td>
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<td>1345</td>
<td>c.1980</td>
<td>Samples of school publications and book catalogues published by Gill and Macmillan.</td>
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<td>1346</td>
<td>3 July 1984</td>
<td>Letter from the Cork Rape Crisis Service to RC regarding a proposal for a schools information pack.</td>
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<td>1347</td>
<td>1984</td>
<td>Copies of speeches and addresses delivered by Gemma Hussey, Minister for Education, to the Association of Secondary School Teachers; at the opening of a seminar on Equality in Education, at St. Patrick’s College, Drumcondra; and at the launching of Equality of Opportunity in Irish Schools.</td>
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<td>1348</td>
<td>1984</td>
<td>File relating to the publication of a booklet entitled ‘Sexism in Education’. Contains a proof copy of the volume as well as information relating to the printing of the text.</td>
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<td>1349</td>
<td>1994</td>
<td>Submission to the [NCCA] on behalf of Attic Press relating to gender imbalance in the new draft English syllabus for the Leaving Certificate.</td>
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1351 [14 Nov nd] Document relating to a residential workshop for Guidance Councillors. Includes details of the factors effecting guidance programmes and transcript annotations relating to the role of councillors in society.  

3 items

7.15 STATUS Conference and Women’s Ad Hoc Election Committee

1352 1981 File of material relating to the organization of a conference entitled ‘Canvassing for Change’, sponsored by Status Magazine. Includes a conference programme, proposed demands for a charter, guidelines for facilitators, information relating to content and participation, and a paper entitled ‘Family Planning Demand’. ‘The purpose of the conference is to create an understanding and awareness of the ability of women to influence society collectively and individually…It is hoped to find a basis of agreement across the board from all women present on a charter that would give a unified front to women all around the country over the next year and running up to the general election’. Also includes a newsheet from Red Women opposing the involvement of Status magazine in the Conference. Includes photographs of Marian Finucane, Editor of Status Magazine. (N/B RC worked with Marian Finucane when she was editor of Status Magazine and later on ‘Women Today’ RTE. )  

50 items

1353 [nd] Draft copy of an article for WICCA magazine, entitled ‘Strategies For Action – Reform or Revolution’. The article is written by RC, organizer of the Status Conference, and is an attempt to set out the objectives of the conference and to evaluate its achievements.  

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<td>1981</td>
<td>Copy of a circular letter and questionnaire sent by <em>Status Magazine</em> to candidates in the General Election, relating to their views on issues relevant to women.</td>
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<td>1355</td>
<td>May-June 1981</td>
<td>Completed questionnaire returned to <em>Status Magazine</em> by election candidates. The questionnaire was an attempt to evaluate candidates attitudes to a women’s charter formulated at a Status conference in November 1980.</td>
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<td>May-June 1981</td>
<td>Information correlation sheets relating to completed questionnaires returned by election candidates to <em>Status Magazine</em>.</td>
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<td>1357</td>
<td>8 June 1981</td>
<td>Press Release entitled ‘Women’s Issues and the General Election’. The release highlights demands of Limerick, Wexford, Galway and Cork Women’s Groups, as well as the Dublin Ad Hoc Women’s Election Committee.</td>
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<td>1358</td>
<td>1981</td>
<td>File relating to the activities of the Women’s Ad Hoc Election Committee, ‘a group which has come together to identify the issues relevant to Irish women in the forthcoming general election campaign and to access the policies of the parties and the candidates on these issues’. The file contains lists of candidates, press releases, instructions regarding methods of gaining information from candidates, and newspaper cuttings. The file also contains circulars from STATUS enclosing questionnaires. ‘By utilising the enclosed questionnaires as a base, they have suggested that women’s groups adopt their own questionnaires by either deleting questions or by making additions relevant to their own particular constituency’.</td>
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according to industrial groups (9 April 1982); age-by-duration analysis of the register for October 1981; number at local employment offices on 25 June 1982; and analysis according to area of residence (20 Feb, 20 Nov 1981).

7.16 Anti-Nuclear Campaign


    4pp


    2 items

7.17 Other

1362  1977  Derby Lodge Squatters


    2 items

1363  Jan-Nov 1978  Inshore Fishery Sector

    ‘Proposals to be put before the Meeting of Inshore Fishermen in Galway’, by the Ad-Hoc Committee for the organization of Inshore Fishery Sector (18 Nov 1978).

    2 items

1364  1982  Sean O’Corra Appeal Committee

    File containing details of an industrial dispute at J & C. McLoughlin over the
redundancy of Sean O’Corra. Includes a request for confidential support and financial aid from the Sean O’Corra Appeal Committee, as well as from the Dublin Unemployment Action Group who have put O’Corra forward as an unemployment candidate in the forthcoming election.

2 items

1365 17, 21 May 1984  Ballymun Housing Scheme
Letter and enclosed report circulated to the members of An Coisde Teaghachais from the members of the Flat Sub Committee of the Housing Department. The report is entitled ‘Preliminary Outline Report for Betterment of Ballymun Housing Scheme’.

8pp

1366 July 1984  Greenham Common Peace Camp
Promotional material relating to a call for Irish women to travel to Greenham Common as a protest action against the development of cruise missiles.

4 items

1367 8 June 1985  Campaign Against Kerry Tribunal Report
See Also /751 ff Circular letter detailing the convening of a meeting to launch the campaign. The Kerry Babies Tribunal was set up to examine at length the circumstances in which Joanne Hayes and members of her family confessed at length and in detail to a murder they did not commit... The Tribunal however addresses itself to the sexual life of Joanne Hayes and by extension to the women of this country’. Also notice of a jumble sale to be held in Crow Street in aid of the Campaign Against the Kerry Tribunal Report.

2 items

1368 Sept 1987  Dublin Travelers Education Group
Circular letter from the Dublin Travelers Education and Development Group. The letter seeks support for a march to highlight issues affecting the traveller community in Ireland.

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1369 1987  National Social Service Board Support Group
File relating to the National Social Service
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<td>Campaign Against Pornography and Censorship Material relating to the Campaign Against Pornography and Censorship. Includes an advertisement for a one-day international conference, press releases and a campaign policy statement.</td>
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6 items

4 items
8. UN CONFERENCES


15 items


9pp

1373 July 1980 ‘Address by Brendan Daly; TD, Minister of State at the Department of Labour to the ‘World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women’.

7pp

1374 14-30 July 1980 Lists of participants at the conference and the organisations they represent, and a roll call.

70pp

1375 1980 National Paper submitted by Ireland; refers
to literacy, civic education, travellers, adult education, agricultural colleges, welfare services, women in politics and public life. 46pp

1376 June 1980 Report prepared for the office of women in development, United States Agency for International Development’ by Elsa M Chaney; Ph D. 8pp

1377 1980 Newsletter re literacy and development and the Information Exchange Service on non-formal education, produced by Michigan State University Institute for International Studies in Education. 23pp

1378 Oct 1980 Report to the Health Education Bureau from Róisín Conroy on the conference at Copenhagen, the sub-themes therein being health, education and employment. 34pp

1379 1980 Notice re the ‘Alternative International Women’s Conference’ from the Danish Women’s publishing group ‘Kyndertryk’ and seminar they are holding on women’s publishing and other cultural events for women who are unable to participate as ‘The women participants in this conference will be representatives of governments and establishment organisations’. 2pp

Press Coverage of the Conference:


1381 14-30 July 1980 Series of newsletters entitled ‘Forum 80’ which contains articles about the conference
and lists of talks and speakers. 13 items

1382 July 1980 The Longest Revolution: News and Views of Progressive Feminism – San Diego, California, with articles about the conference. 16pp

1383 July 1980 ‘Special Women’s Conference Issue’ on newsletter entitled International Wages for Housework Campaign Bulletin. 4pp

1384 July 1980 Press cuttings from the Irish Times. 2 items

1385 July 1980 Danish newspaper Eskstra Bladet with picture on front page of ‘a scuffle at conference’. 36pp

1386 1980 Newsletters about the Conference entitled International Women’s Tribune Centre; Contents therein give background on the Decade for women, NGO Mid-Decade forum and UN information about the conference. The Copenhagen Experience with articles re women and health, employment, and a bibliography of reading material. 3 items

8.2. 1985 World Conference of the UN Decade for Women – Nairobi

8.2.1. UN Literature

1387 1982-5 File contains bulletins and newsletters re UN Decade for women, NGO News, Decade News, Decade Updates, Backgrounder re 261
convention on the elimination of all forms of discrimination against women, includes guidelines, background information, and workshop programme re 85 Forum (Nairobi). (N/B MPK travelled with Mary Doran to Nairobi also Marian Hendron and Mary Flanagan).

19 items

1388  1983-4  UN briefs from Department of Public Information entitled ‘Preparatory Body for 1985 Nairobi Women’s Conference agrees on Arrangements for Organization and Documentation’, and a statement from Mrs Leticia R Shahani; Secretary-General to the third committee of the general assembly.

2 items

1389  July 1983-July 1985  IWTC (International Women’s Tribune Centre) literature re Forum ’85 – newsletters, a workbook of International conventions relating to women’s issues, and an activities list.

6 items


10 items


9 items
8.2.2. Ireland’s Role at the Conference

1394 Feb-June 1985 Correspondence between the Council for the Status of Women with Mary Paul Keane re arrangements for Keane and Mary Doran attending Nairobi conference for which she encloses activity request form, registration form and statement of accounts for Irish Group Travel. Includes material such as a booklet re conference in Ireland re ‘The UN Decade for women: Where Do We Go From Here?’.

12 items

1395 Feb-June 1985 Letters to Róisín Conroy from Laura J Lederer, Program Officer with the L.J.Skaggs and Mary C Skaggs Foundation re grant of $1,000 from their International Women’s Decade Fund to be used for travel expenses to NGO Forum in Kenya.

8 items

1396 Mar-May 1985 Copy letters sent by Róisín Conroy to various organizations such as the Bureau of International Organization Affairs requesting information re official US participation at the conference; similar letter to Branch for the Advancement of Women (Vienna International Centre). Includes letter to Mary Paul Keane from NGO Planning Committee ‘unable to include your proposed activity in the NGO Forum’ as it failed to meet the closing date.

9 items
Documentation sent to Women’s Community Press from Audrey Dickson; Chairperson with the Council for the Status of Women, which contains a list of participants from Ireland attending the NGO Forum in Nairobi – WCP representatives being Marian Hendron and Mary Flanagan. Material sent includes articles from *The New Statesman* re ‘Equality Laws’, ‘Backgrounder’, practical information and information re the underlying themes of Forum ’85, ‘Special Report: Women, Public Policy, and Development’ and a paper entitled ‘Programme of action for the Second Half of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace’ produced by the UN Division for Economic and Social Information’s Dept of Public Information.

10 items

File contains national Report of Ireland for the end-of-Decade Conference, Nairobi, Kenya (c. 80pp), and a publication produced by the Irish Commission for Justice and Peace entitled ‘A Wealth of Women – How Ireland Can Support Women in Developing Countries’ by Pauline Eccles (38pp), with a letter to Mary Paul Keane from Eccles and Jerome Connolly re complimentary copy sent for the Nairobi conference.

3 items

8.2.3. Collected publications therein

File contains catalogue of Attic Press books, stock lists and order forms, notes by Mary Paul Keane re feminist theory and a notebook of Keane’s with notes re workshops and speakers. Includes diary commemorating the decade for women entitled ‘Women of Southern Africa: Struggles and Achievements’, a pamphlet re a Kenyan Women Authors book exhibition, and a postcard from Mary Paul Keane to Róisín Conroy from the conference.

16 items

Small notebook with names and addresses of Irish contacts.

1 item

Pamphlets re Women’s Rights, a report by
the National Liaison Council of the Local
Women’s Societies of the 10 Major Cities
of Japan, statement by the co-ordinating board of Jewish Organizations, The
International Council of Jewish Women and the National Zionist
Organisation, and World Jewish Congress, Report of the UN Secretary-
General – ‘Mission to inspect civilian areas in Iran which have been subject
to military attack, newspaper and magazines re women’s issues and
directory of media women in Kenya.

16 items

1402 1985
Publications and reports: ‘International
Council of Women: Highlights of the
Decade’, The Weekly Review, Asian Women
Decade for Women, ‘Appropriate Technology: The Guyana Experience’
produced by the Women’s Revolutionary Socialist Movement’, Manushi:
A Journal about Women and Society, Bringing the Global Home: Feminism
in the ’80s – Book III by Charlotte Bunch, Women on the Move by Els van
der Wal ‘Based on a study by Corrine Oudijk, and Development: Seeds of

10 items

1403 1985
Pamphlets and booklets re Iraqi, Iranian,
Ukrainian and Russian women eg. Soviet
Women’s World and Islam’s Verdict on
Iran’s Aggression

39 items

1404 1975-80
Found among Nairobi files – ‘Declaration of
Mexico 1975 on the Equality of Women and
their contribution to Development & Peace
(with annotation - ‘for Nairobi’). Includes other papers: ‘Women Headed
Households: The ignored factor in development planning’ (report
submitted to AID-Agency for International Development’, report
‘Declaration of Principles – Integration of Women in Rural Development
(for World Conference on agrarian reform and rural development),
‘Summary Women in Forestry for Local Community Development’
by Marilyn W Hoskins, AID booklet and pamphlet and paper entitled
‘Jobs for Women in rural industry and services’. Includes literature re
solidarity movements and notes re development studies.

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<td>1406</td>
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<td>An independent report produced by the National Women’s Council for Ireland.</td>
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**8.3. 4th UN World Conference for Women: Beijing & Beyond**
9. WOMEN’S STUDIES AND FEMINISM

9.1. Development of forum and courses in Irish Women’s Studies

1407  Feb-Nov 1978  File contains a programme of talks for a Women’s Studies Workshop to be held in Maynooth College, a circular letter from Ann Wickham (Sociology Dept, Trinity College, Dublin) who is trying to ‘establish how many people would be interested in a working group for the discussion of research that has been, or is being, undertaken around women’s’ issues. Notes entitled ‘A proposal for work on women in Ireland’ and ‘Brainstorming session on women’s studies’ and two copies of a letter from Mary Cullen; Women’s Studies Unit, James St, Dublin to Róisín Conroy re one day seminar discussing the objectives of the Irish Women’s Movement.

6 items

1408  1981-5  Correspondence between Ailbhe Smyth and others relating to information requested by Smyth re feminist issues in Ireland. Includes material concerning her subscription to the National Women’s Studies Association; an organization founded to ‘further the education, political and professional development of women’s studies’ with related information leaflet.

16 items

1409  Jan 1982  Letter from Mary Evans to Ailbhe Smyth; UCD with enclosure detailing a Women’s Studies Conference held in London.

2 items

1410  Jan-Apr 1982  Women’s Studies Centre – material relates to research by Mary Cullen who was ‘commissioned to prepare a register of women’s groups and organisations. As well as listing names and addresses it will include a brief summary of the origin, development, activities and objectives of each group…The purpose of the Centre is to make a contribution to the development of women’s studies in Ireland…. Róisín Conroy and Jean Tansey will be working with me on this project’;
the project being funded by the Health Education Bureau which plans to publish the register. File includes returned questionnaires from following groups – Limerick Family Planning Clinic, Reach to Recovery, Irish Farmers’ Association and Federation of Services for Unmarried Parents and their Children. Includes various lists of women’s groups and organisations and a list of health boards.

| 1411 | Apr 1982 | Copies of letters from Róisín Conroy to Mary Cullen re invoice for work carried out by Conroy on register of women’s groups and organisations, and possible organisational ideas. |

See also sound recording entitled ‘Dual Conversations’ re seminar at San Francisco State University wherein Ailbhe Smyth and Deborah Rosenfelt compare how their women’s studies courses came about, with questions from the audience re feminism and lesbianism in Ireland.

| 1413 | 1984-5 | Documents detailing the activities of the UCD Women Studies Forum. |
| 1414 | 1985-6 | American Committee for Irish Studies – file |
relating to Ailbhe Smyth’s membership of the American Committee for Irish Studies (ACIS), and her proposal to contribute both to the 1986 ACIS conference held at Boston College, and the 1987 ACIS conference to be held in Dublin. Includes a copy of Smyth’s paper entitled ‘The Emergence and Development of the Women’s Movement in Ireland’.

29 items

1415 1985 Advertisement and registration for W.I.L. (Women in Learning), Women Centred Studies: ‘WIL see themselves as a women Studies group working in co-ordination with other groups and sharing Resources and ideas in an effort to widen the web of learning, providing a Women centred, women valued and women organized learning situation’.

1p

1416 Mar 1987 Copy letter from Ailbhe Smyth to Women’s Review, London, congratulating them on including a review of an Irish book – ‘have you considered doing an Irish issue…I enclose a piece on feminist publishings in the south’.

1p

1417 1987 Information sent to Ailbhe Smyth in relation to fellowships available in Women’s Studies at the Mary Ingraham Bunting Institute of Radcliffe College, and at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey.

6 items

9.2 Studies on Irish Women

1418 1937-75 Research notes on the portrayal of women in Literature, Irish History and the Church. Contains photocopies of excerpts with annotations from Ibsen’s A Doll’s House and Fish for Friday by Frank O’Connor, and on works of Dorris Lessing and Virginia Woolf, photocopies of articles re women in Irish history and re women and the church.

8 items
1419 [1970-84] File contains material relating to the women’s movement, feminists and the work of women portrayed in the media including RTE, film, newspapers and magazines. Includes leaflets relating to various campaigns eg. Campaign Against Sexual Exploitation and material relating to the Status Conference and Status magazine eg. re formation of a ‘charter of women’s demands at the conference’. Includes papers given eg. re contraception and abortion and a study of ‘Letterkenny attitudes towards women: facts and opinions’.

87 items


58 items

1421 10-13 Jan 1974 Copy of a paper entitled ‘Women in Society’ delivered by Libby Moore at the Sixteenth Annual Congress of the Union of Students in Ireland.

2pp

1422 1976-92 File contains press cuttings re women in Ireland and issues concerning them particularly in the area of education.

26 items

1423 Feb 1980 Bibliography and notes compiled by Róisín Conroy re ‘Images of Women in Ireland’. Sources divided into various categories, such as; work, arts, communications crimes against women, education, health, herstory, law, sexuality, society and work.

45pp

1424 1980-1 File contains material relating to the image of women in the media and of women working within the broadcasting industry. Includes a Working Party in Broadcasting Report to RTE, and article
entitled ‘The dilemma of the broadcaster in a two-standard society’, and
‘Images of Women in the Media’ by Women’s Studies group in
Birmingham.

1425 Apr-May 1981 Letters from Sarah Sherman; Head of the
Women’s Collection Northwestern
University Library; Evaston, Illinois to
IFI seeking recommendations with regard to Irish feminist publications –
‘Our holdings for Ireland are nil’. Includes a copy invoice sent by IFI for
Sexism in Irish Education, Equality for Women ITGWU, The Crane Bag
and Moving On.

1426 5 Dec 1983 Transcript of an RTE programme entitled
Women Today on the subject of sexually
transmitted diseases, presented by Hilary
Orphen. The interviewer in the piece is Róisín Conroy.

1427 Feb-Apr 1984 Material relates to the ‘Sociological
Association of Ireland Conference on
Gender’ and IFI’s plans to publish the
papers presented at the conference. Includes photocopies of some of the
papers presented such as ‘Gender Differences in Treated Mental Illness in
the Republic of Ireland’ by Aileen O’Hare and Aideen O’Connor. Also
contains material relating to Pauline Jackson’s commission to translate
Elizabeth Gaudin’s thesis and ms notes on ‘Some themes and guidelines
for M. Condron’s book on Feminist Theology.

1428 Oct 1985 Transcript of a programme for an RTE
production entitled The Women’s
Programme. The programme content is
dedicated to the Kerry Babies Tribunal, Mr Justice Lynch’s findings, and
the findings of programmers in researching the area of unmarried mothers
in Ireland.

1429 Mar-Apr 1987 Booklet entitled A World of Difference:
Women’s Studies by Dearbhal Ni Charthaigh
and Evelyn Mahon published by RTE. The booklet owes its origin to a series of radio programmes of the same name, which emanated from the Educational Programmes Department – ‘The purpose of these notes is to give some background detail to the issues examined in the programmes, and to provide the listener with pointers should she/he decide to pursue further studies’.

2 items

1430 May 1992-June 1993 ‘The History of Women’ – twenty first Irish Conference of Historians; Queen’s University, Belfast. File contains programmes, correspondence and information relating to the seminars and courses organized by the Women’s Education Research and Resource Centre, Adult Education Office, and Women’s History Archive. Includes list of publications by Attic Press on Irish/Women’s Studies, names of members on the Women’s Commemoration and Celebration Committee explaining their reasons and efforts in establishing a Women’s History Archive. A copy letter from Róisín Conroy to Inez McCormack; NUPE apologizing for not attending the NUPE launch in which she refers to her forthcoming visit to Belfast to attend the conference – ‘I will only be able to take so much of the ‘University’ and ‘academics’ and will need a little fun and grounding’. Also contains an article ‘Confidantes, Advisers, Activists’ relating to titled English women who became leading members of the Whig and Tory parties.

14 items


1 item

1432 n.d. Draft with editorial changes of article possibly by Mary Flanagan entitled ‘Women and the Media: In Whose Image?’.

3pp


335pp
9.3. Studies of Women - General

1434  n.d.  Rough draft bibliography of writings related to women’s issues.  10pp

1435  n.d.  Typescript entitled ‘Feminism and Cinema’.  4pp

1436  n.d.  Fragment of annotated document detailing the necessity of liberalizing societal hierarchies and domination including the relationship between ecology and society, as well as the relationship between men and women in marriage.  1p

1437  n.d.  Copy of an article taken from a publication entitled ‘Major Concepts in Psychology’. The article compares the male brain with that of the female.  16 items

1438  1974  Article from Women & Religion ed. Judith Plaskow and Joan Arnold Romeo entitled ‘Beyond Male Morality’ by Janice Raymond and Andorer-Newton.  1 item

1439  1976  Booklet entitled Role Your Own: A Book about Women’s Liberation for fourth form students by Jenny Pausacker.  31pp

1440  1976-7  Two copy reports entitled Men and Women in Europe: A Comparison of attitudes to problems facing society and The European Community and Work for Women. Undertaken by the Commission of the European Communities.  2 items
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<td>Copy of an article entitled ‘The Language of Madwomen in Shakespeare and his Fellow Dramatists’ by Maurice and Hanna Charney from the <em>Journal of Women and Society</em> (vol.3, no.2). 4pp</td>
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<td>Literature from the Women’s History Research Centre Library; California, giving a description of its origins and seeking financial support for its activities. Also contains an advertisement for a special women’s law project available on microfilm. 2 items</td>
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<td>1443</td>
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<td>Pamphlet entitled ‘Women Organising the Office’ by the Women’s Work Project; published by Women in Distribution; Washington DC. Content relates to the growing importance of clerical work, problems facing clerical workers and the actions taken to assert the value of office work through the organisation of employee unions. 72pp</td>
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<td>1444</td>
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<td>Document entitled ‘Prostitution – The Oldest Male Crime?’ by Ita Gannon and Jack Gannon. Includes an annotation stating that this document is a draft and not for publication. 32pp</td>
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<td>1445</td>
<td>1979-82</td>
<td>Articles and other material examining the position of women in the work force. 6 items</td>
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| 1446| 3 June 1983 | Press releases – one details the publication of *Nothing Local about it. London’s Local Radio* by LRW; Black Women’s Radio Group etc. The report details the poverty of local radio output and suggests the reasons for this. Other press release from the Irish Radio Users Group formed ‘by a common concern at the degree to which the
needs of London’s largest ethnic group have been ignored by the BBC and ILR radio stations’.

3 items


64pp


47pp

1449 n.d. Document entitled ‘All the Black Sheep’ by Honor Lynch. The document examines the negative relationship between women and the Catholic Church.

1p

9.4 Feminist Thought


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<td>Research notes including photocopies of articles and chapters from books relating to feminism, women’s rights and women’s liberation entitled ‘The Traffic in Women’ by Gayle Rubin, ‘Going for What We Want’ by Kathie Sarachild from <em>Feminist Revolution</em> and ‘Towards Feminist History’ by Linda Gordon. 5 items</td>
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<td>1454</td>
<td>April 1974</td>
<td>British &amp; Irish Communist Organisation Policy Statement Number Seven entitled <em>Women’s Liberation in Britain &amp; Ireland</em>. 12pp</td>
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<td>1975-9</td>
<td>File of material relating to feminist theory and the Women’s Liberation Movement. Includes papers on feminism and cinema, feminism and lesbianism, feminism and socialism, and feminism and anarchy. 2 folders</td>
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<td>File originally titled ‘Feminism in General’- consists of press cuttings and photocopies of articles and Irish feminist publications eg from Rebel and Markievicz Women’s Movement magazine and some campaign literature eg. from Contraception Action Programme.</td>
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<td>1458</td>
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<td>Copy article entitled ‘Feminist Movement in Germany 1894-1933’. Includes a request form noting that the article was obtained through an inter-library loan between the British and the AnCo libraries.</td>
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<td>1459</td>
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<td>Research notes including ms notes, articles and photocopies of articles from journals and magazines relating to the ‘History of Women’s Struggle &amp; Organisations’, and feminist history. Includes Shoulder to Shoulder Radio Times Special published by the B.B.C. (1974) and photocopy of it, with Observer magazine with feature entitled ‘Feminists In the firing line’.</td>
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<td>1460</td>
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<td>Photocopies of articles entitled ‘Ten Years of Women’s Lib’ from The Sunday Times Magazine; ‘Fashion: A Feminist View’ from The Observer Magazine with other articles re feminists and socialism.</td>
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1463 Feb 1982 Letter and typescript article from Caroline Ruyper to Róisín Conroy. The article is entitled *The Patriarchal Psycho-Social Order* by Micheal Tobin; is described by Ruyper as ‘dealing specifically and in depth with patriarchy. An understanding of this is vital as it provides insight in what direction the Women’s Movement has to take’.

1464 c. 1982-5 International Feminism – a newsletter entitled *Women’s World*, a notification that the Simone de Beauvoir Institute will be offering a new course; and information sheets from *The Bellagio Plan of Action*, and *The Network against Female Sexual Slavery*.

1465 1988-90 Material re Kali For Women (Publishers New Delhi) – covering letter from Ritu, Kali for Women; New Delhi, India to Róisín Conroy and Ailbhe Smyth, with booklet *Some Questions on Feminism and its Relevance in South Asia* by Kamla Bhasin and Nighat said Khan, that they wanted to see at the Barcelona Book Fair. Refers to how much she enjoyed the Book Fair and to seeing both of them again. Also refers to currently publishing another booklet on ‘Violence Against Women’, The letter includes a note by [Róisín Conroy] – ‘Not-Suitable for Young children only a beginners bribe to...R’]. Booklet includes note (author unknown) and comment ‘I am not really happy about KALI pamphlet’. Includes other comments by other people.
9.5 International Feminist Information Networks

1467 [1980] Information leaflet on the work and aims of the Women’s Network on Global Corporations; 80 Prospect Avenue, San Francisco.

1 item

1468 1980 International Women’s Tribune Centre An information kit produced by the IWTC. The kit contains information on Women’s International Information Networks, International journals, periodicals, newsletters by, for and about women, development publications, media materials and publications available at the Tribune Centre, International list of films, film scripts, slide/tape sets, training materials related to women and development issues, and IWTC newsletters.

9 items

1469 1981 Circulars from various women’s networks including one from the Women’s Liberation Movement alerting recipients to the fact that the Women’s House in Copenhagen is in danger of being closed down and asking for support.

17 items


8pp

1471 1982-6 Reports from CREW (Centre for Research on European Women), and a working document which relate
to women’s representation at European Level. Other reports entitled ‘European Parliament: debate on the report by the ad hoc committee on Women’s Rights – Everything including the kitchen sink?’, ‘UK’s National Council of Civil Liberties – What we need is positive action’, and ‘Third World, First Time ‘Aid’ from EEC for Birth Control’.

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<td>Two copies of Network for European (NEW) Newsletter.</td>
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<td>1474</td>
<td>22 Aug 1985</td>
<td>Discussion paper on women’s self-employment by Sara K Gould, Jing Lyman and Judith Sutphen. Published by The Hub Programme for Women’s Enterprise.</td>
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<td>1475</td>
<td>1985-7</td>
<td>File of material relating to the London’s Irish Women’s Centre. Includes annual reports and circular letters to IFI detailing activities and concerns of Irish women in London. Also includes black and white photograph of the opening of the centre.</td>
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9.6. Celebrations of Women

9.6.1. International Women’ Day

1476  1978-9  File contains list of groups on the advisory Committee, press cutting – ‘Cause for Celebration’ re International Women’s Day Committee in Ireland and history behind the day, ‘points for discussion at meeting’ re festival activities, letter from Liz McManus of the Bray Women’s Group re their exhibition on ‘Womens’ Rights in Ireland’ on March 8th, and draft letter re festival for the day. 7 items

1477  1980-6  File contains material eg. programmes of events held during Trinity Women’s Week, generally held around International Women’s day. 4 items

1478  1981  Flyers for 1981 March and events at Liberty Hall. 5 items

1479  1982  Flyer for 1982 celebrations re events at Liberty Hall. 1 item

1480  1983  Press releases and other material re Women in Arts Festival organized by the Wexford Arts Centre with details of events – ‘The Festival was initiated…as an idea to celebrate the role of women artists through an exhibition quickly grew into a week long event with contributions from all the arts fields’. 10pp

1481  1984  Programme proposals for festival ‘Make Your Mark’ with details of events, and programme of events
organized by the International Women’s Day Committee.

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<td>1483</td>
<td>Mar 1986 Two black and white contact sheets with Photographs taken at Irish celebrations of International Women’s Day. On verso note states – ‘Joanne O’Brien via Olga’. Includes poster, a programme of events and circular letter with list of committee members.</td>
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<td>1484</td>
<td>1976-86 Re women in theatre – file contains press cutting re <em>Coming Home</em> by Harold Pinter, programme for <em>As Time Goes By</em> presented by the Gay Sweatshop, promotional leaflet re <em>Aurore Boreale</em> programme for <em>Scum</em>, poster for <em>Grania</em> reading, programme for <em>It’s Not A Tragedy</em> by Joni Crone, a letter to Róisín Conroy from Shane Connaughton re Half Moon Theatre, leaflet re <em>Hag – Sounding</em> by Jackie</td>
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Jackie Aherne (exhibition at Project Gallery) and photocopy of the memorandum and articles of association of the Project Arts Centre. Includes flyer for women’s festival to be held in the last two weeks of August at the Project Arts Centre.

11 items

1485 1977-8 General information re Patchwork Artists Guild of Ireland, Women’s Art Alliance, a list of graphic by Constance Short being exhibited at the Peacock Theatre with price list.

5 items

1486 1982-3 Black and white photographs of a woman at a carpentry workshop, of Lynne Connolly’s driving licence (open with photo of Connolly smiling), and of two women sitting in sleepy posture - eyes closed with one holding a cigarette on the bonnet of a car after music festival on Séan McDermott Street with young teenage boy behind them eating a lollipop.

3 items

1487 1983-4 Women and Film – file contains informational material sent by Bernadette Moloney re the Sheffield Film Co-op. Includes promotional leaflet by a collection of women film workers entitled ‘Cinema of Women’ (catalogue of films by women), list of tapes sent to IFI from Patsy Murphy; Communications Dept, College of Commerce; Rathmines, promotional pack re Anne Devlin film by Pat Murphy (Aug 1984) and related press cutting, and an article from In Dublin entitled ‘Hush Hush’ – the by-line being ‘RTE has invested money in six films. It has shown none of them. Is the British Channel 4 more interested in Irish film-making than RTE is?’ by Donald Hounam.

8 items

1488 1985-9 Programme and poster re Kate O’Brien Weekend. File includes invitations sent to Attic Press celebrating 15 years of Virago Press and invitation to Salon (both undated). Includes leaflet re Tallaght Writers Seminar.

6 items

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10. ANCILLARY PUBLICATIONS AND PRESS CUTTINGS

10.1. Feminism


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<td>The Women’s Political Association and Newsletter. No 21, 22, 25, 27. 5 items</td>
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<td>Bulletins of the Department of Foreign Affairs relating to the economy, transfer of residence to Ireland, English language schools, Education, The national flag, emblem and anthem, the judicial system, the Irish language; the status of women; and results of the general election Nov 1982.</td>
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10.4. Socialism

9 items

2 items

7 items

1531  1987-88  ‘Irish Socialist Worker’, Vol. 6, nos. 3-4.  
2 items

10.5 Other

1532  c.1961-91  File of miscellaneous publications. Includes ‘Favorite Humorous Songs’, No. 3,  
Nugents’s Favorite Songsters; ‘Behaviour’,  
31 items

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Collected uncut newspapers. Includes the 
Clare Champion, The Irish Independent, The 
Sunday Independent, The Sunday Tribune, 
Irish Voice, The Kerryman, Sunday Business 
Post and The Irish Times.

47 items
11. SOUND ARCHIVES

11.1 Women’s Histories

1549 Tape originally entitled ‘Olive Maher’ but contains an interview by Pat Kenny of Hilda Tweedy; founder of the Irish Housewives’ Association. She talks about her life and her upbringing, involvement with Hannah and later Andrée Sheehy Skeffington, with reference made to the Marabone Lane Fund, Dr Robert Collis and Judge Wylie’s goodwill restaurants. Pat Kenny asks her what her plans are now that the I.H.A. ‘is no more’. Tweedy states she still has an interest in the status of women and the international alliance for women. (c. 15 mins.) Tape continues with Marianne Finucane interviewing Aileen Cashman about her book *Money Matters For Women*. This is followed by a short gap in the recording and the *Arts Show* with Mike Murphy who discusses Evelyn Conlon’s first novel, asking her if it bothers her that Attic Press have launched books concurrently by two other writers ie. Ronit Lentin and Leland Bardwell. Mary Leland gives her opinion on the three novels Tape includes Paddy O’Gorman interview with Dervla Browne about her book *Separation Divorce Matters for Women* (c. 15 mins). [The sound on this tape is not of a very good quality].

1550 Women’s history: interview with a 63 year old traveller woman; Christina Moore by ‘Maria’ and ‘Dorothy’ while researching for *Missing Pieces*. Moore recalls her childhood – how she lived in a tent until the age of 12 and looked after her siblings ‘secondhand clothes all me life…and a bit of rough to eat’. Her father; an ex-World War I soldier was wounded during the war. Her husband died a few days before her ninth child was born – ‘I begged, borrowed and stole to rear them…no widow’s pension’ or state assistance ‘There was a lot of caravans but they never gave me anything….nobody wanted me when me husband died’. Wishes she was born ‘in this time…I don’t think I’d ever get married…I never had a good time in my life’. Asked how her family became travellers she goes into her family history and that of some of her neighbours. When asked what she would like other people to do for her and travellers, she says ‘what I never had…I never miss..not much time left’.

  c. 45 mins.

1551 n.d. [c. 1980s] ‘Prisons’ (2 copies) – Róisín Conroy

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interviews two women prisoners (former smack addicts) who talk about conditions in Mountjoy and Limerick women’s prisons, heroin addiction, methadone programmes within the prison, health care, the visiting committee, their daily routine, conditions of cells, prison work, classes, and their children.

2 tapes (c. 90 mins each).

See also recording of Margaret MacCurtain’s lecture to Women in Community Publishing Course.

11.2 Publication promotions

1552 May 1985 Personally Speaking: Women’s thoughts on Women’s Issues—John Bowman interviews Liz Steiner Scott about her book. Tape continues with recording of a meeting re the Fleet St premises with references made to a person on the Women’s Community Publishing course who has presented difficulties. Other references are made to the Women’s Diary, it’s launch and Nell McCafferty.


1555 Pat Kenny interview Joan O’Neill about her book Daisy Chain War, the research she did for it and the ‘talk about it going back on the school curriculum’.

1556 Title ‘Mary Ryan –Attic Press’ – author of Your Good Health: A Woman’s A-Z
interviewed on The Morning Show and answers callers’ questions. Later on in the tape Mary Ryan is interviewed on Radio Kilkenny about her book *Glenallen.*

c. 20 mins.

1557  n.d.  Radio programme – the Gay Byrne Show – interview with Yvonne Ward (psychologist and addiction counsellor) about her book *Hooked: Young People Drugs and Alcohol.* She talks about young people’s drinking and drug taking habits, the consequences and the warning signs for parents.

c. 15 mins.

1558  n.d.  Untitled tape – contains phone messages received at the Attic Press office and is followed by the Gay Byrne Show where Joe Duffy talks to Vivette O’Donnell about her book *Bullying.* Callers ring in and talk about their children’s experiences.

c. 20 mins.

1559  Out for Ourselves – Liveline radio programme presented by Marian Finnucane who interviews the authors Clodagh Boyd and Maura Molloy about and the book which documents the lives of Irish gays and lesbians with reference to attitudes to homosexuality in Irish society. Callers comments are referred to – one calls them ‘dirty sluts’ and ‘why does Marian have these people on who are spreading AIDS all over the world’. Reference is also made by the interviewees about the lack of coverage in the media about gay and lesbian issues. [Tape continues with a recording of a photo shoot.]

c. 30 mins.

1560  19 June 1992  ‘Bookshelf’ – radio begins in Brighton Square where James Joyce lived and Peter Costello (Joyce biographer), Clare Boylan and John Banville talk about Joyce with the interviewer in Davy Byrne’s pub. Later in the programme the presenter visits Attic Press and talks with Róisín Conroy and how the publishing house came about. Conroy refers to the LIP pamphlets and adds that ‘as long as women are denied information…there is a need for Attic Press’. Reference is made to the recent controversy over the large exclusion of women writers from the *Field Day Anthology.* Eavan Boland reads her poem ‘Night Feed’.

c. 45 mins.
(Side one): ‘Imprint’ (radio programme) – presented by Theo Dorgan; who with Frank Delaney and Ailbhe Smyth reviews the books shortlisted for the Booker Prize and refer to the tokenism of only one woman writer being nominated ie. Carol Shiels for *The Stone Diaries*.

(Side 2) ‘Arts Show’ presented by Séamus Hosey who interviews Ann Owens Weekes about her directory on Irish women writers (18th-20th century) *Unveiling Treasures: the Attic Press guide to published works by Irish women writers*. Ita Daly and Niall McMonagle review the book; of which McMonagle is quite critical. Reference is made to the prejudice against women in the publishing world and the *Field Day Anthology* in which Ita Daly’s work was included in. Hosey asks ‘are we not beyond this special pleading, is there not only good writing and bad writing?’ Daly though she agrees with the prejudice, thinks ‘women do whine’ and that there are ‘only good and bad writers’. Some of the entries in the guide are discussed eg. Elizabeth Bowen, Amanda McKittrick Ross and MJ Donoghue.

c. 60 mins.

Radio interviews with Robert C Coyle who talks about his book *The Gráinne Journals*. Coyle talks about how he got into writing with the CLEAR writing group he joined in Kilbarrack a few years ago as therapy for the depression he’s suffered from since the age of eighteen. The interviews have been recorded from Anna Livia, Radio One and Clare FM.

3 items

c.15 mins each.

Radio interviews with Kathleen Sheehan O’Connor who discusses her life, how she started writing and her romantic novels *Hold Back the Tide, Silver Harvest* and *Son of a Nobody*.

4 tapes (interviews range from 5-15 minutes).

11.3 Conferences

July 1980

Title: ‘International Women’s Tribune Copenhagen Forum’. Talk begins with history behind the United Nations dedication to 1975 as International Women’s Year with reference to the two
conferences held in New Mexico and the plan of action therein. Includes excerpt from the song ‘We Shall not be Moved’.

Title: ‘Mary Daly at Liberty Hall’ – Nell Cafferty introduces her as ‘a shocking woman…a terrible hag…whose company I am very happy to be in’. Daly talks about her past views on theology and the ideas behind her books *Gyn/Ecology* and *Pure Lust* – giving examples of the ritual atrocities acted out on women in history and the archaic meanings of words such as lust, lechery, race, afterlife, spinster, weird, dyke, and ‘plug ugly’. Tape titled ‘Side 3’ contains the question and answer session of the audience wherein Daly states she will only take questions from men because she is not interested in raising men’s conciousness. ‘Mary Daly in Cork’ tape contains the same speech as that of Liberty Hall.

3 tapes (c. 45 mins each).

Visons & Voices conference held at San Francisco State University – Nell Cafferty gives two talks – ‘Exploration Of Cultural Identity’ and ‘History of the Feminist Movement’ wherein she talks about her experience of Bloody Sunday, her difference as a Northerner, her experiences in the South and general fragmentation among the women’s movement. She also refers to her banning from radio and television following her admission that she supported the IRA. Ailbhe Smith gives a lecture entitled ‘Dual Conversations’ where she discusses the UCD women’s studies forum and course.

3 tapes (c. 90 mins each).

Catherine [McConville] and Mary McPharland perform a number of feminist songs eg. ‘Reclaim the Night’.

C. 30 mins.

11.4 Other radio programmes recorded

Tape re pornography – Clodagh Corcoran talks to Gerry Ryan about her book *Pornography: The New Terrorism* (published by Attic Press) which Ryan ‘heartily recommends’. Reference is made to Ireland’s attitude to sex, censorship in Ireland,
studies on the connection between sexual violence and pornography with statistics on sales of pornography in Ireland. Callers give their views on pornography Includes talk given by [Bob Orr] re publishing, distributors and censorship in the U.K.

c. 20 mins.

1569 Mar 1991 Maureen Gaffney talks to Gay Byrne about marriage and how it can make women unequal. She refers to women’s bargaining power and methods and how they differ to men in such approaches.

c. 20 mins.

1570 Mar 1993 Noreen Byrne on the Gay Byrne Show talks about her book on abortion. Byrne was approached by Attic Press before the abortion referendum. Byrne worked with the Well Woman centre in the eighties and later with the Lone Parent Centre in Coolock. Tape continues with an interview with Yvonne Ward (psychologist) with the Rutland Centre. The interview is about her book on women and alcoholism. A recovering alcoholic talks about her experience.

11.5 Women in Community Publishing Course Lectures

1571 n.d. Margaret MacCurtain discusses sources for women’s history eg. Eccles St library, the Franciscan archives in Killiney and refers to helpful contacts and Edel Quinn; an African missionary. Discusses also other prominent historians.

2 tapes - c. 30 mins each

1572 n.d. Maeve Binchy talks about how to write a novel, collecting ideas and plot and character development with humourous anecdotes.

c.45 mins.

1573 n.d. ‘Luke Gibbons’ gives a talk about film and censorship [the recording is of very poor quality ie. barely audible].
‘Darlis 1’ & ‘Darlis 2’ re the production process in publishing eg re typesetting.

2 tapes (c. 90 mins each).

11.6 Commercial recordings found in the collection

‘The Silenced Majority’ series narrated by Arlene Francis. Part 1: Liberation Now (11:20 mins), Part 4: This Ad Insults Women’ (9:35 mins) re protests by American feminists against magazine editors, Miss America pageant and Playboy.

3 items

Ita Daly reading a selection of her work – Released by Irish Audio Arts; Galway as part of their ‘Signature Series’.

Nell McCafferty reading a selection of her work - Released by Irish Audio Arts

Benedict Kiely reading a selection of his work

Perspectives II: Divided Ireland – readings from The Great Hunger written by Cecil Woodham-Smith, and from articles by various journalists: Fintan O’Toole, Nell McCafferty, Jenny McGeever and writer Dervla Murphy with music by Sam Carson, Paul Brady, Planxty and the Dubliners.

‘Chantal Chawaf – Rétable lu par l’auteur’. [this tape is in French].
### 12. MEMORABILIA

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<td>Banner displaying the words ‘Women Outsize Against Violence’, carried at a Reclaim the Night March organized by Women Against Violence Against Women Campaign.</td>
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<td>1585</td>
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<td>Two tee-shirts advertising the Second International Bookfair (Oslo, 1986), and a Women’s World Conference (Dublin, 1987).</td>
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<td>File of Cartoons used by Attic Press to illustrate <em>Alice in Thunderland</em>, <em>Fairytales for Feminists</em>, and the Diary. Includes cartoons by both Arja Kajermo, and bülbül.</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous lapel badges relating to feminism, the Anti-Nuclear Campaign, the Anti-Abortion Amendment Campaign, and Equal Pay. Also includes promotional material provided by ‘adbadge’, a badge manufacturer.</td>
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**12.1 Posters**

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<td>Completed Task Sheets entitled ‘Things to do today’. c.40pp</td>
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