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THE VOICE OF YOUTH

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February 26th, 1949
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A LIFE WITH A PURPOSE—

An Open Letter by THE EDITOR
to the 18-year-olds signing on for
National Service this Saturday

THIS Saturday you are signing on for National Service. Perhaps you have been affected by Government propaganda and think you are going to learn a trade in the Forces—in fact, any one of forty-three trades—according to the posters and adverts.

If so, you are in for a rude shock. A R.E.M.E. mechanic wrote to *Challenge* recently:

"I wanted to take a long course as a vehicle mechanic, but this was refused me as I was a conscript. So they sent me on a course as an electrician, which lasted fourteen weeks—how skilled can you become in any trade with less than four months' training?"

"O.K.", you may be thinking, "but even if I'm not going to learn a trade, at least I'll have the chance of going abroad."

Quite true. In fact, it's more than a chance.

Now that the Government has broken its pledge and increased the period of conscription from twelve to eighteen months, it is very probable that you will be going overseas. But where to? The *Daily Herald* let the cat out of the bag in its headline: "18 months or Quit Malaya".

There's the harsh truth. Unless the Government is quickly forced to change its policy—or make way for a government that will truly represent the people—you are likely to be sent to Malaya and instructed to fight our great war-time allies, the Malayan people who helped us so much in the fight against Japanese fascism. For whose sake? For big business interests with huge investments in Malaya's tin and rubber.

YET the period of conscription could be valuable.

Not only to learn how to use arms in the defence of Britain's working people. But with better officers, less wasted time, better education and trade training, a year's conscription could be a useful, happy and healthy time in the life of any young man.

Think it over, brother. You are eighteen. You were born in 1931. In that year MacDonald, Labour Prime Minister, went over to the Tories. Terrible suffering followed for the people.

Today, once more right-wing Labour leaders besmirch the fair name of Socialism. They pursue a Tory policy of lining up with big business at home, and selling us to the Yankee millionaires. You can read on page four ("Crazy") how this leads to their chucking overboard all their election promises, together with the housing and education plans on which many had pinned their hopes.

Don't let them get away with it.

Don't let the old gang politicians and the rulers of the old society waste our lives.

You can struggle together with all those who want a better life.

In the Young Communist League you will find the finest comradeship in the world. We fight for Britain and her future.

There's a form inside. Sign on and fight—For Life with a Purpose.

Or a grave in Malaya?



"You smile before they sign on—not afterwards!"



"£760 million on defence! It's not only good-bye to him, but all we voted for."



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Application Form for Membership

I wish to become a member of the Communist Party

Name

Please write in block letters

Address

Fill in and hand to a Steward, or post to Harry Pollitt,
16 King Street, Covent Garden, London, W.C.2

SEE OTHER SIDE FOR ENQUIRY FORM FOR THOSE WANTING TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE COMMUNIST PARTY

Shapurji Saklatvala.

Born March 1874
Photo taken April 1926
w/ wry right.



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grand & useful
meeting. Tom Mann*
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*"Resolved, That Economic Organization is
Sufficient and Political Action Unnecessary
to the Emancipation of the Working Class."*

TOM MANN



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20th Anniversary of the  Soviet Union 1937

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ST. PANCRAS
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Friday, Oct. 29th
at 8 p.m.

to the Gifts to the Soviet Union and to the
Delegates and Visitors to the November
Celebrations in the Soviet Union

Speakers:

WILL LAWTHOR ARTHUR HORNER TOM MANN
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HAMMERSMITH COMMUNIST PARTY SENDS GREETINGS TO 'COMRADES FIGHTING IN SPAIN



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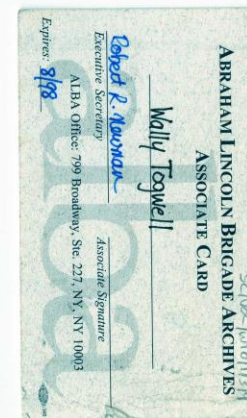
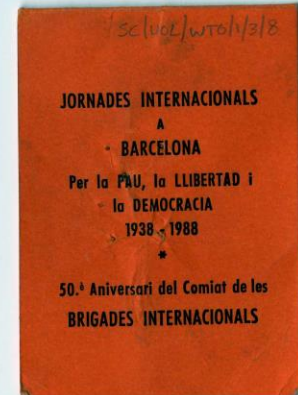
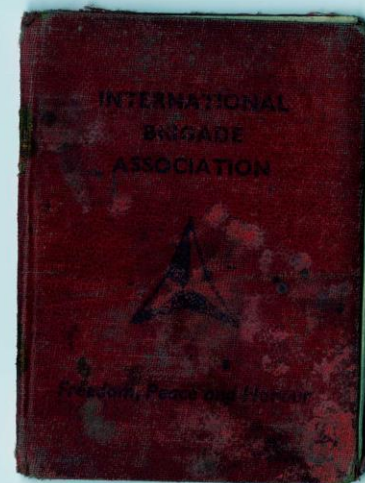
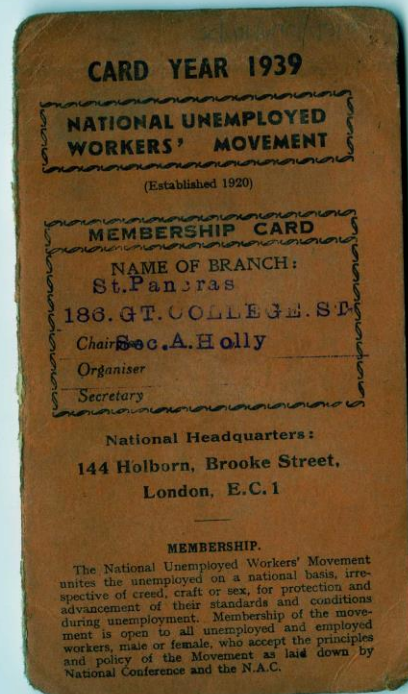
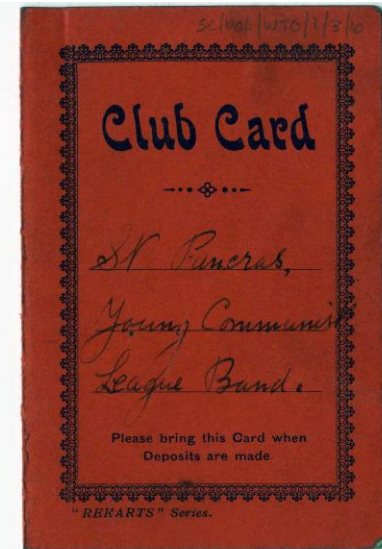
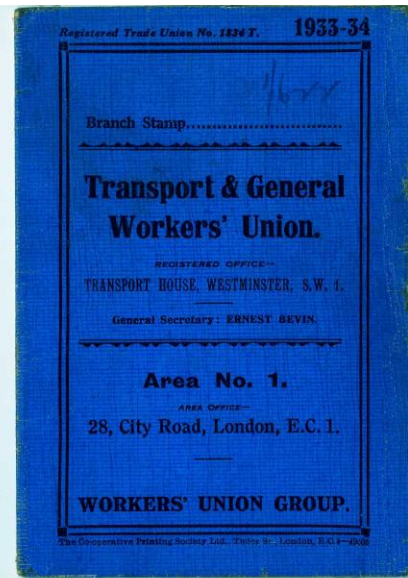
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MEN KILLED IN SPAIN.

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MEMBERS SHOULD READ THE CONSTITUTION AND RULE BOOK OF THE NUWM



Member's Name 12/ Togwell Branch No. 780 Contributions per Week
General 1.00 Sick 0.00 Additional Funeral 0.00

Date of Entry 18.8.1936 A.O. No. 780

ARREARS

1933 Week ending	General	Out-of-Work	Sick	Extra Fun'l	Levies and Fines	Arrears	Signature	1934 Week ending	General	Out-of-Work	Sick	Extra Fun'l	Levies and Fines	Arrears	Signature
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Quarterage..... Political.....

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NOTE—Secretaries must fill in the total Arrears at the beginning of each quarter in the special Square.



5.00

Socorro Rojo Internacional

SECCION ESPAÑA

Nº 24921

Eogwell Walter

Edad 24 años

Profesión carpenter

Domicilio London

Población London

Provincia London

de 1927

V.º B.º

El Presidente.

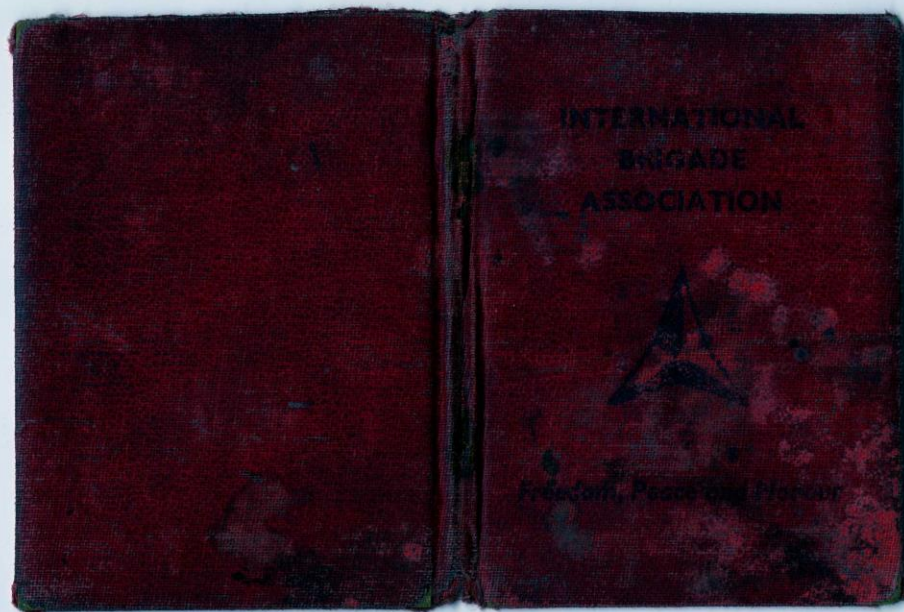
El Secretario.

Contribution 4/- per annum

	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944
1st qtr.	B	B				
2nd qtr.	B	B				
3rd qtr.	B	B				
4th qtr.	B	B				

No 807

Name TARGWELL, Walter
 Address 18, Cantelow Rd.
M.W.I.
 Service in Spain 20 months
 Brigade XV
 Battalion British
 Joined April 1937
 Demobilised December 1938
 Remarks
 Endorsed by Alan L. Gilbert
 Commander



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 "PASIONARIA"

Branch
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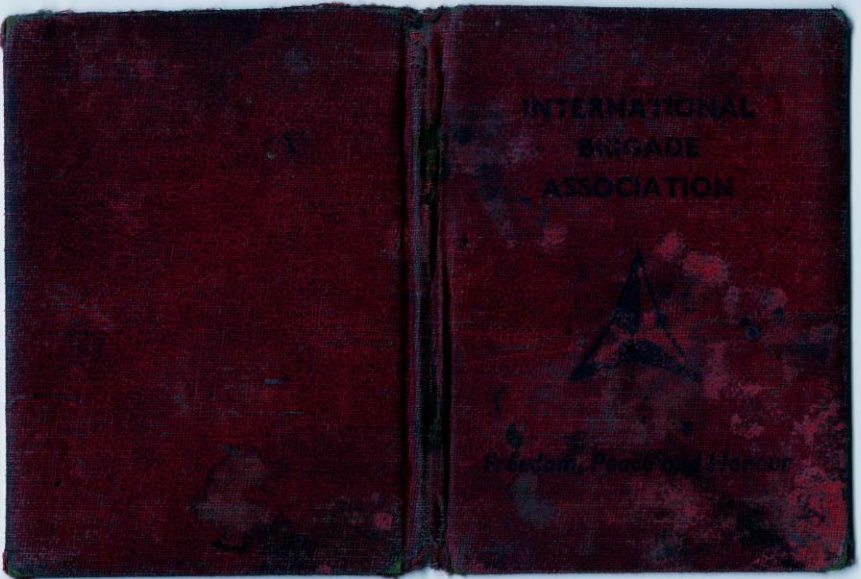
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	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949
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