



**William Charles Owen Papers  
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## William Charles Owen Papers

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**Total size** 0.1 m.

**Consultation** Not restricted

### Biography

Born in Dinapore, India 1854, died in Worthing, Great Britain 1929; anarchist; brought up in England, emigrated to the USA 1882; joined the International Working Men's Association in California; contributed to Burnette G. Haskell's paper *Truth*; editor of *Nationalist Los Angeles and San Francisco*; contributed to *Commonweal*, organ of the Socialist League; one of the founders of the New York Socialist League in 1890; expelled from the League in 1892; contributed to *Freedom* from 1893; returned to California to work as a journalist; involved in the land question, especially related to the Mexican revolution 1910-1916; edited the English section of *Regeneración Los Angeles*; published his own paper *Land and Liberty* 1914-1915; returned to England in 1916; joined the Commonwealth League, wrote for its organ *Commonweal*.

### Content

Papers from the last decade of his life. Letters received from anarchists in Europe including George R. Edwards 1925-1929, Emma Goldman 1922, 1926, Thomas H. Keell 1928-1929, J.W. Graham Peace 1928-1929 and from Americans, including George Edwards 1927-1928, Marcus Graham 1928-1929, Joseph Ishill 1924-1928, Joseph Labadie 1924-1928, W.H. Sikes 1925-1929 and H.J. Stuart 1926-1928; diaries 1925-1926; some other documents; file of Thomas Keell relating to William Owen's final illness and death 1928-1931, 1938, including letters received from Victor B. Neuburg and others, and press clippings.

## LIST

### Correspondence

- 1 Abbott, Leonard D. (New York). 1928. 1 letter  
NB. See also J.W.G. Peace to W.C.O., 1925.
- Bagot, John, Ltd. (*Middleton Guardian*) + encl. letter to the Editor. 1927-1929. 2 letters
- Barnhill, John Basil (Canton, Pa.) + encl. N.d. 1 letter
- Brothers, Tom (Kelso, Washington). 1928-1929. 5 letters
- Brown, William Montgomery. 1923. 1 letter
- Casey, Mary (Brooklyn, N.Y.) 1928. 1 letter
- Cook, S. 1928. 2 letters
- Cooper, Edward G. 1926. 1 letter
- Dreis, Hazel (San Francisco). 1926 and n.d. 8 letters
- Drury, Irene. N.d. 2 letters
- Drury, William. 1929. 1 letter
- Dunn, Norah A. (New York; daughter W.C.O.'s). 1929. 4 letters
- Earle, Vera Denis. N.d. 2 letters
- Edwards, George (Youngstown, Ohio) to A.T Fuller, Gov. of Mass. + encl. G.E. to J.W.G. Peace. 1927-1928. 11 letters
- Edwards, George R. (London). 1925-1929. 10 letters
- Edwards, Joseph (London). 1929. 1 letter
- Everard, Elizabeth (Freedom Group). 1928. 1 letter
- Fernández, Monica (granddaughter W.C.O.'s) (New York). 1928-1929. 4 letters
- Frost, Prosper B. (Gavarnie, Htes. Pyrénées). 1929. 1 letter
- Fulton, Edward H. (Peoria, Ill). 1928. 1 letter

- 2 Goldman, Emma. 1922, 1926. 7 letters  
 Goodman, P. 1929. 1 letter  
 Gorelik, Anatol (Buenos Aires). 1925. 1 letter  
 Graham, Marcus (New York) + encl. 1928-1929. 4 letters  
 Grant, John E. 1928. 1 letter  
 Greig, Cuthbert (editor *Commercial Review*) + copy of reply W.C.O.'s. 1926-1927. 7 letters  
 Grossmann, Rudolf ('Pierre Ramus'). 1925. 2 letters  
 Hadwen, Clare. N.d. (= 1929). 1 letter  
 Ishill, Joseph (Berkeley Heights, N.J.) 1924, 1927-1928. 4 letters  
 Isaac (?), A. 1923. 1 letter  
 Jones, Vernon. N.d. (= 1929). 1 letter  
 Keell, Thomas H. + W.C.O. to T.H.K. (copy) and T.H.K. to Victor Neuburg (W.C.O.) 1928-1929. 17 letters  
 Labadie, Jo (Detroit). 1924, 1926-1928. 6 letters  
 NB. See H.J. Stuart to W.C.O. (1928) + encl. Labadie to H.J. Stuart.  
 Leahy, Charles. 1926. 1 letter  
 Lewis, Fay. 1922. 1 letter  
 Lindon, Louis Brawne. 1928. 1 letter  
 Ludlow, Sadie see *Road to Freedom*.
- 3 Mace, A.B. 1924 and n.d. 2 letters  
 Mainwaring, Sam. 1926. 1 letter  
 Mainwaring, William. 1926. 1 letter  
 Moxon, C. (San Francisco). 1928. 1 letter  
 Neuburg, Kathleen + P.S. Victor N. 1929. 1 letter  
 Neuburg, Victor. 1929. 1 letter  
 Newman, Lettice. 1928-1929. 4 letters  
 Nielsen, Julia A. (Palo Alto, Ca.) + encl. 1925-1928. 4 letters  
 Osgood, Catherine F. (South Hadley, Mass.) 1929. 1 letter  
 Peace, J.W. Graham (+ att. ms.notes by W.C.O. + encl. A.J. Rogers to J.W.G.P. + encl. Leonard D. Abbott to J.W.G.P. + encl. M. Shorter to J.W.G.P.) 1928-1929. 26 letters  
 Platt, Chester C. 1928. 1 letter  
 Richmond, Eric. 1927, 1929. 2 letters  
*Road to Freedom* (New York/S. Ludlow). 1929. 1 letter
- 4 Schumm, Paul B. (New York). 1928. 1 letter  
 Shorter, Millicent. 1929. 1 letter  
 Sikes, W.H. (Leonardville, Kansas) + encl. *The Merchants Journal* (1927) and an obituary of Mrs. W.H. Sikes. 1925-1929. 18 letters  
 Slaiis (?), Hilda. 1929. 1 letter  
 Souchy, Augustin. 1926. 1 letter  
 Sprading, Charles T. 1926. 1 letter  
 Steffens, Lincoln. 1919-1921. 4 letters  
 Stuart, H.J. (Montrose, Alabama) + encl. *The Mutualist Associates* to H.J.S. (H. Cohen, H. Ronner, Cl.L. Swartz) + encl. Jo Labadie to H.J.S. + Edw. H. Fulton to H.J.S. 1926-1928. 10 letters  
 N.B. Back of sheet 2: 'Reflections an Anarchy' by G.R.S.T. (= S.C. Potter); back of sheet 2: *Reformer*, No. 40.350; back of sheet 3: Dr. Viola M. Kimmel to H.J.S. (1927).  
 Warriner, M. 1922, 1928-1929. 4 letters  
 Waterhouse, Bernard. 1926. 1 letter  
 Whitney, Charlotte Anita (Oakland, Cal.) 1927. 1 letter  
 Willner, Erna. 1926. 4 letters

Williams, Brendan. 1929. 1 letter  
 Willis, E.B. 1926-1927. 3 letters  
 Wilshire, Gaylord + 3 cuttings (2 obituaries of G.W.). 1926. 1 letter  
 Winner, Helen (Vanguard Press, N.Y.). 1927. 1 letter  
 Zhook, Doris (Freedom Group). 1928. 3 letters  
 Perales, Pedro (Hobby, Texas) to Blas Lara (copy; with nota de Redacción: Blas Lara). 1925. 1 letter

## Other Materials

- 5 Deposit Account Book Lloyds Bank Ltd. 1924-1927. 1 item
- 6 Diary for 1925 (incl. 2 cuttings). 1925. 1 item
- 7 Diary for 1926 (incl. 2 cuttings). 1926. 1 item
- 8 Cancelled will. 1927. 1 item
- 9 Postcard with quotation. N.d. 1 item  
 British Library Reader's Ticket. 1925. 1 item  
 Receipt/Visitor's Ticket Worthing Public Library. 1926-1927. 1 item

## Correspondence with T.H. Keell

- 10 Bagot, Frederick (*Middleton Guardian*). 1929. 2 letters  
 Drury, William. 1929. 1 letter  
 Dunn, Norah A. (daughter of W.C.O.). 1929. 1 letter  
 Earle, Vera Denis. 1929. 3 letters  
 Fernandez, Monica (granddaughter). 1929. 1 letter  
 Goldman, Emma. 1929. 1 letter  
 Malmad (?), B.M. 1929. 1 letter  
 Neuburg, Kathleen + encl. copy of W.C.O.'s will. 1929. 1 letter  
 Neuburg, Victor B. 1928-1929. 10 letters  
 Peace, J.W. Graham. 1929. 5 letters  
 Richmond, Eric. 1929. 7 letters  
 Smith, W.A. 1929. 1 letter  
 Ward, Bessie (= Elizabeth Everard). 1929. 1 letter  
 Cutting *Middleton Guardian*, July 13, 1929, anon., 'Death of "Senex"'.  
 T.H. Keell, 'Death of Wm. C. Owen ('Senex')', in *Middleton Guardian*, July, 1929 (galley sheets).  
 Cutting *Misl' i Volja*, Nov. 29, 1931 (T.H. Keell, 'Wm. C. Owen').  
 Vera Denis Earle to Lilian Wolfe + encl. (re. papers + books of W.C.O.). 1938. 1 letter