# U DX288 Records of Marjorie Reed, later Hibbert c.1990-1999

## **Biographical Background:**

Mrs B. Marjorie Reed began teaching before the Second World War and spent the war years as a Billeting Office. She was also an observer in the Juvenile Courts, a member of the National Union of Teachers Reorganisation Committee and a Committee Member of the Headteachers' Association. The volume contains a record of teaching methods over her thirty five year career educating five to eighteen year olds from both deprived and more priveleged backgrounds. Mrs Reed was the first married woman to be appointed as a Headteacher in Hull. Following the death of her husband it is believed that Mrs Reed later remarried and became Mrs Hibbert.

## **Custodial history:**

Donated by Marjorie Hibbert, Sawbridgeworth, 14 January 2002

## **Description:**

Autobiographical account relating to Mrs Reed's experiences during her thirty five year career educating five to eighteen year olds, including her time in Hull and Sawbridgeworth. Two letters from former pupils and nine photographs are also included.

Extent: 1 volume & 11 items

#### **Related material:**

U DX169 Records of Various Schools and Papers Relating to the History of Education

C TED/2/299-311 Records for Fountain Road Girls School. Many of these records contain personal and sensitive information and may not currently be available for public inspection.

#### Access conditions:

Access will be granted to any accredited reader

U DX288/1 'Book 1. Autobiography'

This volume, marked 'Book 1 Autobiography' on the outside is entitled 'Measure of success: autobiography of a teacher', by Marjorie Reed (later Marjorie Hibbert) in the inside cover. There are additions and editing to the typed record. It covers the teaching career and experiences of Marjorie Reed as teacher, Deputy Heamistress and Headmistress in a number of different schools with extensive information on the activities and lessons undertaken. Many of the identifying details have not been included, but references to Fountain Road Girls' School would appear to refer to Hull. Accounts of pupils from this school in 1877 have been taken from the original log books. Mrs Reed's time at Royal Wanstead School, Hyde Hall near Sawbridgeworth, Hertfordshire is also referenced. Some case studies of her pupils have been included. It also contains details of the negative reactions Mrs Reed encountered as a married working woman, the conditions of the pupils and the circumstances in which they lived and the behaviour of teachers that she worked with.

Loose items found in the volume have been removed and can be found at U DX288/2. 1 volume

U DX288/2 Photographs and letters Contains loose items removed from U DX288/1. They comprise two letters addressed to Mrs Hibbert from former pupils reminiscing about being taught by her at Southcoates Lane School, Hull and Fountain Road School, Hull (1999); nine mainly undated photographs which appear to show pupils in a number of school activities, including Fountain Road School, Hull. Many have photographer stamps. [1960s] 11 items c.1990-1999

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