

C DI 4 Papers and photographs relating to the 1939-c.1960s
Newton household of Park Avenue, Hull

Accession number: 25/12

Historical Background:

The author of the main part of this collection, Florence Winifred Newton also known as Win lived on Park Avenue with her father, Charles Butterworth Newton, sister Elsie Frances Newton and pet dog. Also in the household was Alice Parker, the housemaid. Win was a single lady who, at the outbreak of the Second World War, aged 50 began writing a diary which she titled 'The Banshee' after the noise of the air raid sirens. She wrote almost every day, covering daily life, the bombings in Hull, progress of the war and various social matters.

Custodial history:

This collection was given to Alice Parker, the Newton household's housemaid by the author Win Newton. It was passed to the History Centre by her descendants.

Description:

The collection consists of a diary, covering 1939-1945, including notes on the Zeppelin Raids during the First World War, an extract from a newspaper and photographs of members of the household.

Extent: 1 vol, 5 photographs

Access conditions: Access will be granted to any accredited reader

C DI 4/1	'The Banshee', a wartime diary by Florence Winifred Newton A first hand account by Win Newton of the experiences of a civilian living in Hull during the Second World War. Page 1, the cover page, was not with the collection when it arrived at the History Centre. A precis written by the depositor provides some background. The account contains descriptions of the many air raids on Hull, the devastation it caused, the progress of the war as well as family and social matters. Also in the account are notes on the Zeppelin raids on Hull during the First World War and an excerpt from The Daily Telegraph and Morning Post, titled Phoenix Cities, 30 Jul 1943. 1 vol	03 Sep 1939-19 Sep 1945
C DI 4/2	Papers stamped Fire Guard One related to the duties of the the Sector Captain and Message Clerk and the other contains	c.1939-1945

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decriptions of the various types of bomb that may be encountered and how to deal with them
2 items

C DI 4/3	Photographs relating to the Newton household of Park Avenue, Hull Five photographs of members of the Newton household	c. 1940s-c.1950s
C DI 4/3/1	Photograph of Elsie Francis Newton and her pet dog Flash 1 item	c.1960s
C DI 4/3/2	Photograph of Elsie Francis Newton and her pet dog Flash on a walk 1 item	c.1960s
C DI 4/3/3	Photograph of Elsie Francis Newton and her pet dog Flash stood next to a car 1 item	c.1960s
C DI 4/3/4	Photograph of Charles Butterworth Newton at Scarborough 1 item	c.1950
C DI 4/3/5	Photograph of Alice Parker and the Newton family dog 1 item	c. 1940s