

U DX168

**Records of Local branches of the
United Society of Boiler Makers
and Iron and Steel Shipbuilders**

1905-1976

Historical Background:

The United Society of Boilermakers and Iron and Steel Shipbuilders, formed from the United Friendly Boilermakers Society in 1852 with the merger of the Scottish Society of Boilermakers and the Amicable and Provident Society of Journeymen Boilermakers of Great Britain. The United Friendly Boilermakers Society had its origins in the formation in 1834 of the Society of Friendly Boilermakers with a membership of fourteen and William Hughes as the first general secretary. In 1852 there were 2000 members. The Society stressed brotherhood and it adhered to strict rules about the age and health of its membership as it paid generous sickness benefits to workers and centralised branch funds aided members during trade depressions. In 1870 the Society affiliated to the Trades Union Council, with a later name change to the United Society of Boilermakers, Shipbuilders and Structural Workers.

The Amalgamated Society of Boilermakers, Shipwrights, Blacksmiths and Structural Workers came into existence in 1963 as a result of the amalgamation of the United Society of Boilermakers, Shipbuilders and Structural Workers with the Associated Blacksmiths, Forge and Smithy Workers Society, and the Shipconstructors and Shipwrights Association. After the amalgamation each society continued to operate independently for trade purposes until full integration took place six years later. In 1971 the membership was around 30,000 and was largely involved in shipbuilding. The Society represented workers involved in shipbuilding engineering trades, for example, welders, riveters and boilermakers.

Custodial history:

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Description:

Miscellaneous records of the United Society of Boiler Makers and Iron and Steel Shipbuilders

Extent: 22 items

Related material:

Other records are at U DX116

Records of the Confederation of Sailmakers/Shipconstructors and Shipwrights Association, Hull Sailmakers Branch [U DP161/47-52]

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U DX168/1	Dispensation to Hessle Branch to open the Invincible Lodge 1 item	3 Feb 1919
U DX168/2	Tyne and Wear Riveters' Piece - Work Price List 1 item	Jun 1915
U DX168/3	Contribution Card of K. Lancaster, Hull No. 4 Branch 1 item	early 20th cent.

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U DX168/4	Apprentice Indenture Card of W. Haughey 1 item	1942
U DX168/5	Rule Book 1 item	1935
U DX168/6	Rule Book 1 item	1952
U DX168/7	Rule Book 1 item	1963
U DX168/8	Funeral Benefit Nomination Book 1 item	1914-1929
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U DX168/9	Apprenticeship Indenture of A.D. Rimmington 1 item	22 May 1941
U DX168/10	Contribution cards of A.D. Rimmington 5 items	1946-1951
U DX168/11	Lloyd's Register of Shipping. Steel Trawlers Rules and Regulations 1 item	1949
U DX168/12	'British Shipbuilding. What next?' A study commissioned by the Amalgamated Society of Boilermakers 1 item	c.1976
U DX168/13	Lloyd's Register of Shipping. Rules and Regulations 1969 for the construction and classification of steel ships 1 item	1969
U DX168/14	Hull and District List of amendments and alterations to 'Shipyard riveters book list of rates for merchant vessels and vessels in the fishing trade' 1 item	21 Sep 1905
U DX168/15	Form of initiation 1 item	pre 1963
U DX168/16	Amalgamated Society of Boilermakers, Shipwrights, Blacksmiths, and Structural Workers. Boilermakers' Section. Port rules 1 item	May 1967
U DX168/17	Amalgamated Society of Boilermakers, Shipwrights, Blacksmiths, and Structural Workers. All sections. Port rules 2 items	Apr 1969