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DONCASTER ARCHIVES**DONCASTER COLLEGE OF EDUCATION 1949-1976**

Doncaster College of Education was established in 1949 and occupied the former Melton Park Hall in the village of High Melton. The Hall was substantially rebuilt in the early eighteenth century by John Fountayne, dean of York (a photograph of a portrait of his second, Frances Maria (née Whichcott) wife can be found at 13/13) and his descendants, renaming themselves successively as Wilson and then as Montagu, occupied the High Melton estate until its sale in 1927 (see items 12/1, 12/2 [a photocopy of the sale catalogue of 1927], 12/12 and 12/8 [historical notes on the Hall by two lecturers in history at the College] and 13/1-12, which are copies of photographs of the Hall in the early twentieth century; a newspaper article on the return of F J O Montagu after the Boer War can be found at 14/1).

The following remarks on the history of the College are based on information to be found in the items 12/12, 13, 17 and 18 below. In 1946, the Doncaster County Borough was approached by the Ministry of Education as the possible provider of a Teacher Training College. The council agreed to the proposal and purchased High Melton Hall and 116 acres of its grounds (which included the site of the medieval deserted village of Wildthorpe, for which see 9/3) for £10,300 in December 1948. In the April of that year building work was agreed at a cost of £80,000, subsequently increased by a further £20,000 on account of unforeseen difficulties in the conversion. A further £23,000 was spent on furnishings (see 10/1 for some of the designs).

The poor condition of the premises, after use first by the army and then by prisoners in the War of 1939-1945 and the problems caused by the piecemeal adaptations to the house over several centuries meant that building work was not completed in time for the first intake of students in September 1949. Consequently, students were initially accommodated in Doncaster itself and lectures were held in Elmfield House, which was already in local authority ownership. In April 1949, it was possible to accommodate 50 of the 100 students in the College buildings.

By the time of the official opening in July 1952, work was in progress on a residential block, subsequently named Montagu, so that the entire student population could be housed on site. The work was completed late in 1953 (at a cost of £75,000). Dean's Lodge and Church House were built in the early 1960s.

In 1976, the five further and higher educational colleges, including Doncaster College of Education, in the area of the recently-created Doncaster Metropolitan Borough were amalgamated into the Doncaster Metropolitan Institute of Higher Education (DMIHE),

in response to central government policy announced in the Department of Education and Science circular 7/73 (see 8/10 below). The Principal of the Doncaster College of Education, D C A Bradshaw, was appointed first Principal of DMIHE.

However, in the following year, the Minister of Education decided that the national arrangements for the training of teachers should be revised, and one consequence of this was the termination of teacher-training at the DMIHE.

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1 BOARD OF GOVERNORS

These are the papers of the College Principal.

1/1	Meeting Papers for the Board of Governors	20 Nov 1969
1/2	Meeting Papers for the Board of Governors	27 Feb 1970
1/3	Meeting Papers for the Board of Governors	12 Jun 1970
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1/9	Meeting Papers for the Board of Governors	9 Jun 1972
1/10	Meeting Papers for the Board of Governors	13 Oct 1972
1/11	Meeting Papers for the Board of Governors	28 Nov 1972
1/12	Meeting Papers for the Board of Governors	23 Feb 1973
1/13	Meeting Papers for the Board of Governors	12 Oct 1973
1/14	Meeting Papers for the Board of Governors	27 Nov 1973
1/15	Meeting Papers for the Board of Governors	22 Feb 1974
1/16	Meeting Papers for the Board of Governors	3 Jun 1974
1/17	Meeting Papers for the Board of Governors	11 Oct 1974
1/18	Meeting Papers for the Board of Governors	29 Nov 1974
1/19	Meeting Papers for the Board of Governors	21 Feb 1975
1/20	Meeting Papers for the Board of Governors	1 Jul 1975

1/21	Meeting Papers for the Board of Governors	4 Nov 1975
1/22	Meeting Papers for the Board of Governors	13 Feb 1976

2 STAFF MEETINGS AND COUNCIL

2/1	Copy Minutes of Staff Meetings	Oct 1960-Dec 1965
2/2	Copy Minutes of Staff Meetings	Jan 1966-Nov 1967
2/3	Copy Minutes of Staff Meetings	May 1968-Jul 1969
2/4	Copy Minutes of Staff Council Includes a copy of the constitution of the Staff Council	Dec 1974-May 1976

3 ACADEMIC BOARD MINUTES

The Academic Board superseded the staff meetings following the 'Weaver' Report on government in colleges of education. A copy of the report is to be found amongst the archives of the Scawsby College of Education at SC/1/1/3. These are initially the copy minutes of the College Principal, but from June 1973 they are signed.

3/1	Academic Board Minutes	1967-1968
3/2	Academic Board Minutes	1969
3/3	Academic Board Minutes	1970
3/4	Academic Board Minutes	1971
3/5	Academic Board Minutes	1972
3/6	Academic Board Minutes, signed from June	1973
3/7	Academic Board Minutes, signed	1974
3/8	Academic Board Minutes, signed	1975
3/9	Academic Board Minutes, signed Last meeting was 14 July 1976	1976

4 ACADEMIC BOARD MEETING PAPERS

These are the copies of the College Principal.

4/1	Academic Board Papers formerly in a binder titled 'Enclosure File', with a table of contents	21 Sep 1967- 8 Jul 1968
4/2	Academic Board Papers formerly in a binder titled 'Enclosure File', with a table of contents	20 Nov 1968- 30 Apr 1969
4/3	Academic Board Papers formerly in a binder titled 'Enclosure File', with a table of contents	14 May 1969- 1 Oct 1969
4/4	Academic Board Meeting Papers	1969
4/5	Academic Board Meeting Papers, 44/70-80/70	1970
4/6	Academic Board Meeting Papers, 81/70-138/70	1970
4/7	Academic Board Meeting Papers, 1/71-44/71	1971
4/8	Academic Board Meeting Papers, 45/71-111/71	1971
4/9	Academic Board Meeting Papers, 1/72-60/72	1972
4/10	Academic Board Meeting Papers, 61/72-132/72	1972
4/11	Academic Board Meeting Papers, 1/73-50/73	1973
4/12	Academic Board Meeting Papers, 51/73-100/73	1973
4/13	Academic Board Meeting Papers, 101/73-161/73	1973
4/14	Academic Board Meeting Papers, 1/71-74/74	1974
4/15	Academic Board Meeting Papers, 75/74-145/74	1974
4/16	Academic Board Meeting Papers, 1/75-69/75	1975
4/17	Academic Board Meeting Papers, 70/75-139/75	1975
4/18	Academic Board Meeting Papers, 1/76-50/76	1976
4/19	Academic Board Meeting Papers, 51/76-89/76	1976

5 DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

This committee regulated the activities of students.

5/1 Minutes of the Disciplinary Committee, signed May 1970-Jul 1972

6 COLLEGE PRINCIPAL : INSPECTION, VISITATION AND EXTERNAL EXAMINERS

6/1 Report of HM Inspectors on Doncaster Training College May 1958

6/2 File of the College Principal for the HMI Inspection 1958

6/3 File of the College Principal for the Sheffield University Visitation for the College B Ed Course 1969

6/4 Correspondence File of the College Principal for the Sheffield University Visitation 1969

6/5 Reports of the External Examiners for the Certificate of Education 1975

7 COLLEGE PRINCIPAL : BOARD OF GOVERNORS

7/1 Annual Reports of the Principal to the College to the Board of Governors [5 items] 1965-1969
Note : other annual reports may be found in the meeting papers in section 1 above.

7/2 Instrument and Articles of Government of the Doncaster College of Education made by the Doncaster County Borough Education Committee [2 items] 1969, 1973

7/3 Governing Body : Papers of College Principal on Appeals 1969-1970

7/4 Joint Consultative Committee of Staff, Students and Governors, papers of College Principal 1969-1972

7/5	Joint Consultative Committee of Staff, Students and Governors, papers of College Principal	1973
7/6	Governing Body : General Correspondence of College Principal	1972-1976
8	COLLEGE PRINCIPAL : CHANGE AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE COLLEGE	
8/1	University of Sheffield Institute of Education, Enquiry into Teacher Education [1 of 2 files]	1970-1971
8/2	University of Sheffield Institute of Education, Enquiry into Teacher Education [1 of 2 files]	1970-1971
8/3	Didsbury Conference on New Qualifications in Higher Education	1972
8/4	Doncaster College of Education Consideration of the James Report on Teacher Education and Training	1972
8/5	Joint Academic Planning Group of Doncaster College of Education and Scawsby College of Education	1973
8/6	Local Government Reorganisation :Higher and Further Education	1973
8/7	Doncaster and District Higher Education Planning Group, Papers and Final Report	1973-1974
8/8	Future of the College : Information, Discussion and Planning Papers	1973-1974, 1977
8/9	Miscellaneous Papers relating to Course Planning for New Developments in the College	1973-1975
8/10	Proposed Creation of an Institution of Higher Education in Doncaster following the Department of Education and Science Circular 7/73	1974

9 COLLEGE PRINCIPAL : OTHER SUBJECTS

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| 9/1 | Doncaster College of Education Student Statistics and, at back, a list of total number of students qualifying 1951-1973 | 1967-1975 |
| 9/2 | Report of a Survey of First-Year Students in Higher Education made through Questionnaires to 1,004 holders of West Riding County Council Student Grants | [late 1960s] |
| 9/3 | Correspondence and a Memorandum relating to a Proposed Survey by Sprotbrough WEA Local History Class on the site of Wildthorpe Deserted Village in High Melton Hall Park | 1967 |
| 9/4 | Staff Circular, numbers 1 to 135 | 1970-1974 |
| 9/5 | Staff Circular, numbers 137-199 | 1974-1976 |

10 FURNISHINGS AND GROUNDS

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| 10/1 | Album of Designs for Proposed Furnishings for Doncaster Training College Residential Block by Druce and Co, Baker St., London | [late 1940s] |
| 10/2 | Memorandum of twenty-one trees presented and planted in the College grounds as part of the Silver Jubilee celebrations of 1974
Names donor and type of tree | 3 Mar 1975 |

11 PROSPECTUSES, BROCHURES AND HANDBOOKS

See also 12/3 for a photocopy of a prospectus of 1948.

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| 11/1 | Prospectus | [late 1950s] |
| 11/2 | Prospectus [2 copies] | [about 1968] |
| 11/3 | Prospectus | [about 1970] |

11/4	Prospectus	Aug 1971
11/5	Prospectus [3 copies]	Jul 1973
11/6	Prospectus [3 copies]	Sep 1974
11/7	Prospectus [2 copies]	Sep 1975
11/8	Course Brochures for the Post-Graduate Certificate in Education etc [9 items]	[mid 1970s]
11/9	Staff Handbook	1970
11/10	Staff Handbook	1974-1975
11/11	Staff Handbook	1975-1976
11/12	Student Handbook	1972-1973
11/13	Student Handbook	1974-1975
11/14	Student Handbook	1975-1976

12 COLLEGE HISTORY

The College Principal, DCA Bradshaw, subsequently the first Principal of the Doncaster Metropolitan Institute of Higher Education, was a determined collector of material relating to the history of the college and its buildings. The silver jubilee of the college in 1974 acted as a stimulus to this activity.

12/1	Photocopy from the <i>Chartered Surveyor</i> of a notice of about 1904 outlining the work of the 'Odd Man' at Melton Park Hall [2 copies]	Dec 1973
12/2	Sale Catalogue for the Melton and Barnburgh Estates, including two photographs of the Hall [photocopy; 2 copies]	[1927]
12/3	Doncaster Training College Prospectus [photocopy]	[Nov 1948]

12/4	Doncaster Training College Prospectus [photocopy]	[about 1962]
12/5	Photocopy (made in 1980) of the photograph album of Pat Howarth [later Mrs Humbles] a student at the College from 1949 to 1951	[1949-1951]
12/6	Manuscript of a 'College Magazine' produced by students as a exercise in English and an accompanying letter from D Megginson of Wharram le Street to DCA Bradshaw, 1980	[about 1950]
12/7-10	Items Donated by Alma Wahlen, a student at the College from 1950 to 1952 :	
12/7	School Practice Notes	[1950-1952]
12/8	Physical Education Notes	[1950-1962]
12/9	Stitched Sampler	[1952]
12/10	Letter from the donor to the Principal accompanying items 12/7-9	1974
12/11	Reminiscences of Elsie N Codling of St George's Infant School, Doncaster a student at the College from 1952 to 1954	1972
12/12	Brochure for the Official Opening of the College [6 copies]	2 Jul 1952
12/13	Historical Essay on High Melton Hall, by E M Hurst, senior lecturer in History [typescript, 3 pages] [2 copies]	[n d, about 1965]
12/14	Programmes etc for College Events	1970-1975
12/15	Letters to the Principal relating to the silver jubilee and lists [2] of former members of staff	1974
12/16	Copy of a letter from the Principal to Mrs F Penley of Dursley, Gloucestershire concerning the loan of photographs for copying <i>Note</i> : for the copies, see 13/1-12 below	26 Oct 1977

- 12/17 Some Recollections of the Early Days of
Doncaster Training College, by D E Tong
[lecturer in Biology and Health Education
from 1949] and E M Nugent in consultation
with Dr D M Mowat [first Principal]
Typescript, 13 pages [1978]
- 12/18 E M Nugent, Further Development of
Doncaster College of Education 1956-
1972 [1978]
Typescript, 15 pages
- 12/19 Brief Memorandum on the History of High
Melton Hall by D Byford [lecturer in History
at the College] Jun 1978

13 PHOTOGRAPHS

All photographs, except for 13/28 are black and white.

13/1-12 High Melton Hall as a Private House

The originals of these photographs were loaned to the College Principal for copying by Mrs F Penley of Dursley, Gloucestershire, a relative of the Montagu family [see 12/14 above]. All the copies measure 4 by 6 inches.

- 13/1 Principal Entrance Front [? early 20 cent]
- 13/2 Principal Entrance Front from higher ground
than in 13/1 [? early 20 cent]
- 13/3 East wing, part of the central building and
part of the west wing [about 1925]
- 13/4-5 East wing with the tower of St James' church
behind [2 copies] [about 1925]
- 13/6 East wing and glass houses [about 1925]
- 13/7-8 East wing from the park [2 copies] [about 1925]
- 13/9 East wing from the park [not identical to 11/7] [about 1925]

13/10-11	Drawing Room [2 copies]	[about 1891]
13/12	Road at High Melton Hill	[about 1920]
13/13	Photograph of an Eighteenth-Century portrait, probably of Frances Maria [died 1750] wife of John Fountayne dean of York and the 'builder' of High Melton Hall [for the identification, see 12/13 above] Dimensions : 4.5 by 6 inches	[1950s]
13/14	Group Photograph of Staff and Students [copies printed at reduced size; image is 1 by 7 inches]	1951
13/15	Group Photograph of Staff and Students [copies printed at reduced size; image is 1 by 7 inches]	1952
13/16	Group Photograph of Staff and Students [copies printed at reduced size; image is 1 by 7 inches]	1955
13/17	Group Photograph of Staff and Students [copies printed at reduced size; image is 1 by 7 inches]	1958
13/18	Group Photograph of Staff and Students [copies printed at reduced size; image is 1 by 7 inches]	undated, 1950s
13/19	Group Photograph of Staff and Students [copies printed at reduced size; image is 1 by 7 inches]	undated, 1950s
13/20	Photographic Negatives of 11/14 and 11/17 [1 item]	1970s
13/21	Photographic Negatives of 11/15 and 11/16 [1 item]	1970s
13/22	Photographic Negatives of 11/18 and 11/19 [1 item]	undated, 1950s

13/23	Female Student in College Grounds with Four Children, variously posed Dimensions : 7 at 4.5 by 6.5 inches 2 at 6.25 by 8.25 inches	[1960s]
13/24	Students on the Golf Course Dimensions : 11 at 4.5 by 6.5 inches 1 at 6 by 8 inches	[1960s]
13/25	Students in the Gymnasium Dimensions : 5 at 4.5 by 6.5 inches	[1960s]
13/26	Photographs taken at the Silver Jubilee of the College, with DCA Bradshaw, College Principal and [?] former Principals and groups of former students, unidentified Dimensions : 5 at 8 by 10 inches	1974
13/27	Presentation to Norman Rawlings, chief handyman at High Melton College since 1950 with a group of about 30 onlookers Dimensions : 4.75 by 6.6 inches	22 June 1979
13/28	Aerial View of the Hall and an adjacent building [?Montagu House] [2 copies] Dimensions : 5 by 6.5 inches	[1960s]
13/29	Aerial View of the Hall, adjacent buildings and parish church, colour Dimensions : 3.5 by 5 inches	[1960s]
13/30	Views of the Exterior of New Premises [8 items; maximum dimensions 8 by 10 inches]	[1960s]
13/31	Interior Views : study-bedroom [2], lecture room, table-tennis room and common room Dimensions : 1 at 8 by 10 inches 4 at 6.5 by 8.25 inches	[1960s]
13/32	Interiors of New Kitchens Dimensions : 2 at 6.5 by 8.5 inches	[1960s]
13/33	Photographs of [?] pottery made by students Dimensions : 3 at 4.5 by 6.5 inches	1960s]

14 **NEWSPAPER CUTTINGS AND OTHER PRINTED ITEMS**

14/1	Photocopy of a newspaper report of the return of Lieut F J O Montagu to High Melton Hall after the Boer War	[1902]
14/2	Photocopy of a page of the <i>Doncaster Chronicle</i> on Doncaster College of Education [2 copies]	1 Jul 1954
14/3	Newspaper Cuttings	1967-1981
14/4	Newspaper Cuttings [file]	1969
14/5	Old Student Association Magazine	1970
14/6	Old Student Association Magazine	1974
14/7	Old Student Association Magazine	1975
14/8	University of Sheffield Institute of Education, Examination Papers for the Certificate in Education at Doncaster Training College	1965
14/9	University of Sheffield Institute of Education, Handbook	1973
14/10	University of Sheffield Institute of Education, Handbook	1974
14/11	University of Sheffield Faculty of Educational Studies, Handbook	1974-1975
14/12	University of Sheffield Institute of Education, Regulations for the Certificate in Education at Doncaster College of Education	1975
14/13	University of Sheffield Degree Congregation List	1970
14/14	University of Sheffield Degree Congregation List	1972
14/15	University of Sheffield Degree Congregation List	1973
14/16	University of Sheffield Degree Congregation List	1974

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| 14/17 | University of Sheffield Degree Congregation List | 1981 |
| 14/18 | Department of Education and Science, The Educational System of England and Wales | 1973 |