## **Dorset History Centre**

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## MIDDLE FARM, DORCHESTER

The farmer c. 1932-1944 was William J Hooper

1	Day	Books

These give details of individual farm labourers work by day and settling accounts every fortnight when the wages were paid out.

1/1 Day book Sep 1932 - Jun 1934 Rough accounts at the front 1935-1936 (1 vol)

1932-1936

1/2 Day book (1 vol)
Loose papers enclosed in the volume relating
to minimum rates of wages for farm workers
1935-1936 (2 docs)

Jul 1934-Oct 1936

1/3 Day book (1 vol)
Loose papers enclosed in the volume including
a postcard giving details of the delivery of
ducks and a schedule of agricultural wages in
Dorset 1938 (4 docs)

Nov 1936-Feb 1939

1/4 Day book (1 vol)
Loose papers enclosed in the volume including
a newspaper cutting relating to agricultural
wages in Dorset 1940 and details of unemployment
insurance (12 docs)

Feb 1939-Jun 1941

1/5
Day book (1 vol)
Attached to Folio 1: Agricultural wages for 1942 including the Women's Land Army.
Loose papers enclosed in the volume including 2 lists of chickens and pullets killed and sold and a letter from Henry Duke & Son about the purchase of wheat straw (17 docs)

Jun 1941-Feb 1943

- 1/6 Day book (1 vol)
  Loose papers enclosed in the volume including a letter requesting pullets (10 docs)

  May 1944
- 1/7

  Day book (1 vol)

  Attached to front cover: Agricultural wages for 1944.

  Loose papers enclosed in the volume including a letter from the Dorset Farmers Ltd about wheat samples and 2 letters from the War Agricultural Executive Committee about water supplies (9 docs)

May 1944-Jun 1945