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Minutes D 3642. 1. 1-8

- Minute book: private Board meetings, 1924-60.
- Minute book: directors meetings, 1934 51.
- Minute book: directors and shareholders annual general and extraordinary meetings, 1938 – 51.
- Index of loose leaf minutes commencing 30 November 1951.
- Minute book: Uskside Pension Scheme trustees meeting, 1940-49.
- Uskside Pension Scheme signed minutes, 1940-44, and resolutions re. alteration to rules, 1958-59.
- Minutes of a directors meetings, of Welsh Metal Industries Ltd., 18 December 1963.
- Minutes of directors meetings 5 August 1964, 5 October 1964, 2 February 1965, 30 March 1965.

Legal D3642.2, 1-17

1 November 1889

Agreement

- The Uskside Engineering & Rivet Co. Ltd., of Newport, Mon.
- The Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Co., of the United States of America.
- (1) to supply (2) for a period of five years so many of their 'Stevens Improved Patent Fuel Presses' on terms set forth.
- 6 December 1889

Agreement

- Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Co.
- The Reading Anthracite Pressed Fuel Co.
- The Uskside Engineering and Rivet Co. Ltd., of Newport, Mon.

That (1) transfers to (2) all its right title and interest to the patents, machines and inventions made under agreement with (3) dated 1 Nov. 1889 and that (3) releases (1) from all conditions and covenants in said agreement.

5 January 1891

Agreement

The Uskside Engineering and Rivet Co. Ltd., of Newport, Mon.

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 Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society to effect an insurance against loss by fire to the sum of £13,230.

9 March 1894

Contract

- The Uskside Engineering & Rivet Co., of Newport, Mon.
- The Corporation of Newport, Mon.

for the supply and provision of electric lighting engines and accessories in consideration of the sum of £3,828 and such further monies (if any) paid by (2) to (1).

5. May 1894

Articles of Agreement

- The Uskside Engineering & Rivet Co. Ltd., of Newport, Mon.
- Charles M. Jacobs Civil Engineer of the city of London.
- The Canadian Locomotive and Engine Co. Ltd., of the city of Kingston, Canada.

That (2) agrees to supply (3) with complete working drawings of the various sizes of the Stevens Patent Fuel Presses' and to act as advising engineers.

[also two unsigned drafts of some agreement].

16 October 1896

Agreement

- The Uskside Engineering & Rivet Co. Ltd.
- 2. G. Bailey Toms & Co., Pountney Hill, London.
- (1) agrees to sell iron and steel rivets solely to (2) within a radius of 30 miles of Charing Cross, (2) to purchase solely from (1) and other terms set forth.

7. 27 June 1898

Agreement

- The Uskside Engineering Co., of Newport, Mon.
- The Scottish Employers' Liability & General Insurance Co.

for indemnity for liability for workmen's compensation in consideration of the sum of £56. 3s. 0d.

6 July 1899

Agreement

- 1. The Uskside Engineering Co. Ltd., Newport, Mon.
- The Globe Accident Insurance Co. Ltd.

for indemnity against liability under Employers Liability and Workmen's Compensation Acts. (1880, 1897) in consideration of the sum of £21. 7s. 6d.

D 3642. 2. (cont'd)

3 August 1900

Agreement

- The Uskside Engineering Co. Ltd., Newport, Mon.
- The Lancashire Insurance Co.

for Employers' Liability and Workmen's Compensation Act policy in consideration of the sum of £19. 9s. 6d.

10. 1900

Copy Opinion of Counsel

concerning the objection of preference shareholders to a proposed increase of borrowing powers in respect of Uskside Engineering & Rivet Co. Ltd.

11. 1 January 1902

Agreement

- Uskside Engineering & Rivet Co. Newport, Mon.
- George Bell

that (1) employ (2) for twelve months as foreman over their rivet works at 45/- p.w. subject to bonus payment of 1/- per ton over 55 tons pw and 1/6 per ton on every ton over 280 tons/350 tons per month. (schedule of payments to GB 1902-3 attached).

12. 23 May 1939

Trust Deed

- The Uskside Engineering Co. Ltd.
- Members Trustees.

in connection with the Company's Staff Pension Fund established from 1 February 1939 for the benefit of certain of the employees of the employer.

13. 1 December 1942

Copy Agreements

re. appointment/re-appointment of Harold Ira James Moses and Anthony Howard Ingram managing directors of Uskside Engineering Co.

23 September

Memorandum of new Articles of Association of The Uskside Engineering Co. Ltd.

15. 13 May 1965

Memorandum of Agreement

- The Uskside Engineering Division of Welsh Metal Industries, Ltd.
- The Pacific Steam Navigation Company, Liverpool.

D 3642. 2. 15 (cont'd)

for rates of freight to apply in respect of cargo carried to Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Chile.

26 January 1967

Assignment

- Garringtons Ltd., Darlaston, Staffs.
- Birwelco Ltd., Aston, Birmingham.
- (1) assigns to (2), as an associate company, all the rights granted to Garringtons by Brown Boveri of Baden, Switzerland to use design tests and data for induction and arc melting furnace plants. In consideration of the sum of £1 paid by (2) to (1).

17. 28 April 1972

Articles of Agreement

- Hindustan Brown Boveri, Bombay, India.
- Birwelco Ltd., Aston, Birmingham.
- to collaborate with (2) to acquire technical assistance, design and manufacturing data and the rights to manufacture the products set out in clause one. Agreement subject to the Laws of England.

Reports D 3642. 3. 1-11

[see also D3642 5/9 0032 for copy report of the Machinery User's Association, 6 October 1897]

- Report on the expansion of the forge department of The Uskside Engineering & Rivet Works, Newport, Mon., 24 January 1898, including correspondence and plans of additional lands let to Uskside Works for expansion along Speedwell Street; plans of Tredegar Wharf Estate showing Penmain Wharf and Uskside Works, n.d. [12] (photocopies of above documents and plans).
- The Uskside Engineering & Rivet Co., annual report 1900 (4 copies annotated); report and statement of accounts for the year ending 30 November 1900; report of 16th Annual General Meeting (draft MSS, typescript and press cutting).
- The Uskside Engineering & Rivet Co., annual report and statement of accounts for the year ending 30 November 1901.
- The Uskside Engineering & Rivet Co., annual report and statement of accounts for the year ending 30 November 1902 and report of 18th Annual General Meeting. (draft MSS).
- The Uskside Engineering & Rivet Co., annual report and statement of accounts for the year ending 30 November 1903 (three annotated proof copies).

D 3642. 3. 11 (cont'd)

- The Uskside Engineering & Rivet Co., annual report and statement of accounts for the year ended 31 December 1906. [see items (10) & (11) for 1914 and 1920].
- Uskside Engineering Co., managing directors report on machine tool equipment 15 May 1956 and M.D.'s, observation on Board report covering the six months ended 29 June 1957. [2,2].
- The Uskside Engineering Co. Ltd., building condition report and plan of works, July 1960; plan and report for building alterations and maintenance August 1960; correspondence and extract from Board minutes November 1960 re. development programme.
- The Uskside Engineering Co. Ltd., General Managers report for Board meeting, 5 October 1964. [2].
- The Uskside Engineering Co. Ltd., annual report and statement of accounts for the year ended 31 March 1914. (2 copies annotated).
- The Uskside Engineering Co. Ltd., annual report and statement of accounts for the year ended 31 March 1920.

Financial D 3642. 4. 1-56

Details of finances will also be found among minutes, correspondence and reports.

- Uskside Forge trading account (and estimated revenue for additional forge), and 1897, balance sheets, 1913.
- Revenue account book, 1914-63 (including canteen account 1956-65).
- Register of sales, trading results and assets, 1914-65.
- Transfers ledger (A-N) c. 1914-59 including advertising, bonus payments, directors fees and insurances.
- Transfers ledger (S-Z) c. 1914-59 including salaries, sales, trade expenses, traffic (transport) expenses.
- Valuations of stock to be returned from the Ministry of Munitions following the conclusion of the wartime agreement, 1914-20.
- Inventory of Ministry of Munitions plant transferred to Uskside Engineering Co., October 1919.
- Private cash book, 1924-45 (fees and bonus payments for directors and senior staff).

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- Private cash book, 1945-53.
- Private cash book, 1953-63.
- 11. Trading results and senior staff bonus payments, 1921-51.
- Register of annual returns (required by Companies Act 1948), 1949-57.
- 13. Plant ledger, 1941-43.
- Sales ledger to the National Coal Board, 1949-65.
- Register of directors holdings and interests, 1950-64.
- Cash book income and expenditure, 1960-64.
- 17. Cash book sundry expenditure, 1956-64.
- Cash books sundry expenditure, 1970-74 (5).
- General order book, 1964-66.
- 20. Sales 'allowance' register, 1960-65.
- Sales ledger monthly balances, 1962.
- 22. Monthly analysis of stocks, 1962-65.
- Detailed manufacturing and profit and loss accounts, 1939-42; schedule of profits adjusted for income tax, 1935-41; notes of guidance on profit returns for National Defence Contributions.
- 24. Uskside Engineering trading profits and bonus payments to senior staff, 1939-57 [5 Copies]. Discretionary pensions former staff employees (including directors), extracts of board minutes re. managing directors salaries and staff bonus.
 - C. & A. Fontaine Dock Foundry Newport trading and profit and loss accounts, 1955-57. Balance sheet, 1956 (as at 31 March 1957), rates of pay and list of personnel as at 13 December 1958. Percentage output of C. & A. Fontaine for UEC, 1954-57. Inventory of C. & A. Dock Foundry Newport, 20 February 1958. Quantities of gunmetal and iron castings purchased by UEC from Fontaines and others, 1955-58.
- Expense record for director and senior officials Mr. J. Cowland, general manager, June-December 1960.

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- Analysis of sales, 1954-56.
- Engineering Department monthly cost summary of sales and transfers, Jan-Dec 1957 (Group Companies? GKN).
- Engineering Department monthly cost summary of sales and transfers, Jan-Dec 1959.
- Engineering Department monthly cost summary of sales and transfers, Jan-Dec 1960.
- Engineering Department monthly cost summary of sales and transfers, Jan-Dec 1961.
- 31. Engineering Department monthly cost summary of sales and transfers, Jan-Dec 1962.
- Engineering Department monthly cost summary of sales and transfers, Jan-Dec 1964.
- Uskside Engineering Co., Monthly profit and loss account and trading results submitted to GKN group, Jan-Dec 1962.
- Uskside Engineering Co., requests to GKN for authorisation of capital and special expenditure, 1950-64.
- Trade expenses 1962-64; purchases 1962-65 (rough drafts); summary of sales showing costs against estimates and losses on costs, 1962-65; petty cash, 1962-65.
- Value of orders received file, 1960-65.
- Production, wages and oncost file, 1963-65.
- Calculation of bonus payments/notes on salaries, 1938-55.
- Accountants report to GKN submitted with monthly accounts, 1956-65.
- Annual accounts and reports/profit forecasts, 1963-65 [7 files].
- List of accounts two months or more overdue with groups of companies in the UK, 1964-65.
- Summary of monthly order sheets, 1961-65.
- Trial balance sheets, 1964-65.
- Guest Keen & Nettlefolds Ltd., group information bulletins/press notices/circulars to group secretaries, 1957-64.

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- 45. Reports and notes on GKN secretarial and accounting conference, October 1961 including the capital employed in the GKN group its definition and return thereon, the development of uniform cost accounting and cost procedure with reference to standard cost accounting and budgetary control.
- Welsh Metal Industries Ltd (a subsidiary of GKN), annual accounts and review 1962, 1964, 1965.
- Trading report on the operations of the Uskside Engineering Co. Ltd., 1959-60.

Wages and salaries

- Wages book, April-June 1915 (shop floor-fitters, strikers, boiler-makers, machinists, labourers...).
- Clercial wage rates and junior staff salaries file, 1941-53.
- Staff salary scale agreements/job grouping schedules, 1947-48.
- Staff salary scale agreements/job grouping schedules, 1960-62.
- Schedule of senior staff salaries, 1955-57.
- Pay record sheets (shop floor fitters, welders, smiths, machinists, labourers ...), 1961-64.
- Wages sheets shop floor, March July 1965.
- 55. Wages sheets shop floor, November-December 1967.
- Wages sheets shop floor, 5 January and 27 december 1968.

Correspondence D 3642. 5/1 - 5/25

Abbreviations AJS Arthur James Stevens

MD Managing Director

UEC The Uskside Engineering & Rivet Co. Ltd.

WOP W.O. Price

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1889

June 21, Sept. 17, Oct. 23, Chas. M. Jacobs, civil engineer, Bishopsgate St. London to UEC re contract for Stevens improved patent fuel presses on behalf of Philadelphia & Reading Railroad Co.; Sept. 23 A.J. Stevens [UEC, MD] copy reply. 0001-0004

1889

November 1, Jacobs & Weldon, St Helens Place, London to UEC concerning agreement executed by W. Schlesinger of Philadelphia & Reading Railroad Co. 0005.

D 3642. 5/2

1890

Feb. 22, Chas. M. Jacobs Bishopsgate St., to A.J. Stevens re incineration test for fuel brought over from Amercia. 0001

D 3642. 5/3

1891

March 31, April 3, April 29, April 29, May 5 Chas. M. Jacobs (4), R. Reynolds (1) The Reading Anthracite Pressed Fuel Co., 192 Broadway, New York re contract and agreement with UEC for fuel presses. 0001-0005

D 3642. 5/4

1892

March 8, Chas. M. Jacob civil engineer, 192 Broadway, New York to AJS arrangement of mortgages, debentures; miners strike, 'looks very bad at the moment'. 0001

Aug. 31, Robt Tho. Moore civil & mining engineer, St. Vincent Street, Glasgow, to AJS will grant licence to make pumps on terms set forth. 0002

Dec 1, The County of Gloucester Bank Ltd to UEC account statement. 0003

D 3642. 5/5

1893

June 10, Dec 1, Dec 2, Co. Glos., Bank to UEC, bank account interest/balances. 0001-0003

D 3642. 5/6

1894

Feb 22, copy out letter [UEC, MD] to [?shareholders] outlining various considerations for the expansion of Uskside forge. 0001

D 3642. 5/6 (cont'd)

March 15, Chas. M. Jacobs copy letter to The Canadian Locomotive & Engine Co. Ltd., Kingston re sales of Uskside, 200 ton and 25 ton fuel presses. [pp. 2] 0002

1894 April 14, April 20, Albert A. Newman, Town Clerk, County Borough of Newport contract agreed with UEC for electric lighting engines. 0003-0004

> April 12, April 18, April 19, April 20, April 28, May 5, May 10, June 10, July 9-10, Sept. 29 (11) Co. Glos. Bank correspondence with UEC concerning overdraft limits, account statement. 0005-0012

> May 11, May 12, May 16, May 17, May 18, June 8, July 9, July 10. Vaughan & Hornby solicitors, 44 Dock St., Newport correspondence with UEC re sale of properties in High St. & Speedwell St., Pilgwenlly Newport, Mon. (schedule of owners and rateable values attached). 0013-0020

June 9, London & Provincial Bank Ltd., credit references for ? E.F. & Co. Ltd., 'believed to be good for £500'. 0021

June 20, Alfred Holman, 14 Albert Crescent Penarth to UEC instruction for payment of dividends to Sarah Eliza Holman. 0022

October 4, October 10, Albert A. Newman, Town Clerk, Newport, arrangement for payment of electric lighting engines; A.J. Stevens to Newman re same. 0023-0024

October 5, F.J. Roberts, 5 Skinner St. Newport, house agent & auctioneer, particulars of rents and rates on properties in High St. and Speedwell St. Pillgwenlly. 0025

October 16, A.J.S. to Henry John Davis esq., High St. re acquisition of properties in High St. and Speedwell St. 0026

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1895 Pre July 1895, Whitmore & Binyon to UEC, notes concerning terms of agreement for supply of mining pumps. 0001

May 1, Albert A. Newman to UEC return of promissory note. 0002

May 9, May 10, June 1, July 5, July 8, July 19, Co. Glos. Bank re postponement of repayment of installment of £750/account balance. 0003-0009

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1895 May 21, June 10, Robert Mitchell to UEC claim for compensation for UEC breaking employment agreement. 0010-0011

May 22, R.A. Wheeler, The Merthyr Vulcan Foundry to A.J. Stevens agreement to meet Monday next. 0012

May 24, ?R. Davies, 77 High St., Newport letter of resignation as foreman of UEC. 0013

May 25, R. Laybourne, Isca Foundry Co., Newport to AJS considerations for undertaking ship repairing work and payment of current wage rates. 0014

Aug. 3, Wilson ? Hartwell, Aysgarth, Roundhay, Leeds to UEC re performance and testing of electric lighting engine governors and replacement governor springs. 0015

Nov. 8, Robert Hammond consulting electrical engineer, Ormond Ho., London, re invoices for Newport Electricity Works. 0016

Dec 28, 31 Dec, Hill & Vellacott, chartered accountants, Finsbury Circus, London re depreciation and payment of preference share dividends. 0017-0018

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January 3, January 4, Hill & Vellacott, chartered accountants, to A.J. Stevens concerning scale of depreciation of plant, losses sustained on electric lighting contract, use of 'reserve fund to meet the difficulty'; disagreement of Uskside directors with Vellacotts proposal. 0001-0002

January 4, January 30, February 11, Co. Glos., Bank Ltd., re installment of £750 due May 1895, agreement for temporary overdraft of £1,000, payment of interest on No. 2 a/c. 0003-0005

January 23, January 24, January 29, February 6, June 15 Vaughan & Hornby solicitors/Issit & Co. chartered accountants/Woodcock Ryland & Co. re Uskside Engineering v J.C. Howell electric light and power engineers concerning liquidation of Howell and payment of debt. 0006-0010.

May 12, June 1, July 17, July 6/18, Aug 5, Sept. 16, Sept. 25, Sept 29, Oct. 12, Oct. 13, Oct. 17, Oct. 19, Co. Glos., Bank Ltd., – extending limit of No. 2 a/c to £7,000, a/c statement, A.J. Stevens to W.S. Watson concerning loan, debenture and legal fees, Watson to Stevens reply and new debenture proposal, legal costs for new debenture, No. 1 a/c in excess of limit. 0011-0022

July 14, July 16, July 17, July 21, Oct. 5, Oct. 7, Oct. 14; July 18; July 18; July 18; July 20; July 21; July 22; July 23; Sept. 8, Sept. 8, correspondence with London firms of G. Bailey Toms & Co., W.E. Vaux, (?) Green(s), John McCools, Rich(?) Pyke, A.R. Brown, Masson & Robinson, Julius Harvey & Co. re establishment of London agencies for sale of Uskside Machinery & rivets. 0023-0038

August 12, Dowlais Iron Works accepting price for order and delivery of 12" engines. 0039

August 31, Sept. 23, Sept. 24, J.C. Howell re settlement of debt, appointment of director. 0040-0042

September 1, Sept. 28, S.A. Ingram to A.J. Stevens concerning his sons apprenticeship and wages. 0043-0044

November 2, F. de H. Larpent to Stevens on behalf of A.E. Tavernier requesting amount of commission charged on ? 'Briguette Plant'. 0045

November 7, Co. Glos., Bank Ltd., enclosing draft agreement for debentures [agreement not enclosed]. 0046

November 11, company search information for P.C. Co. ? []. 0047

November 12, Nov. 13, Dec. 7, Dec. 8, A. Newman, Town Clerk, Newport to UEC and, MD copy reply concerning 'imputations' of Electricity Committee of a 'bogus claim' sent in by Uskside Engineering; Robert Hammond [consulting electrical engineer, London] to UEC regretting that the contract with Newport Corporation has been 'marred by a wide difference of opinion'. The crack in No. one cylinder has extended and should be 'replaced ... at once'; arbitration or litigation will lead to a counter claim by the Corporation. 0048-0051

November 12, Nov. 13, J. Moses Esq. J.P. Electricity Cttee., Chairman [Newport Corporation]/A.J. Stevens, Esq., JP [UEC MD] concerning above disagreement, AJS should now have committees report on this. 0052-0053

December 1, Co. Glos., Bank a/c statement. 0054

December 3, Dec. 8, Dec. 17, company search information for J.H.L. & Co. [?Lawrenson & Co.], D.E. Co. [?], S.C. Co. Ltd L. [Sheffield Coal]. 0055-0057

December 12, Llewellyn & Moore solicitors to AJS re draft debentures. 0058

January 12, Albert Newman, Town Clerk, Newport, to A.J. Stevens copy of Council's resolution on Electricity Works Engines, the committee 'cannot entertain' UEC 'claim'. 0001

January 22, company search information for Tho. William & Son, Birmingham. 0002

January 22, Vaughan & Hornby, solicitors, to AJS concerning terms & conditions of debenture issue. 0003

January 27, Feb. 2, Feb. 3, Llewellyn & Moore solicitors to AJS re procedures for execution of debentures. 0004-0006

February 4, J.J. Cordes & Co. Ltd., to UEC credit reference in favour of ? Williams Ltd., Halesowen. 0007

February 8, Lloyds Bank to UEC, T.W. & Son 'thought to be trustworthy for £500'. 0008

February 10, March 5, Co. Glos., Bank receipt for payment; acknowledgement. 0009-0010

March 5, company search information for S.B. & Co. (?Stephen Bruce, Dundalk). 00011

March 6, Mary A.S. Brown, High Barnet, acknowledging receipt of cheque, desires to see shares sold, 'like all other S. Wales holdings their chief product has been regret'. 0012

March 6, contract note for supply of large and small coal, Partridge Jones & Co. Ltd. 0013

March 10, W.S. Watson Co. Glos. Bank to UEC Secretary considers that Uskside Engineering is unsufficiently insured for fire risks. 0014

March 15, F. Hitchings, Secretary, of the Newport of the Branch Smiths & Hammermen Society, notice to Uskside Co., of rates to be paid to casual hands engaged in ship repairing. 0015

April 14, May 4, Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society to AJS protection cover note/receipt. 0016-0017

May 10, May 12 F. Hitchings, Secretary, of the Newport Branch of the Smiths & Hammermen Society to AJS, further request for a 'definite answer' to the application for an increase of wages; AJS copy reply. 0018-0019

May 21, May 25, R. Laybourne, The Isca Foundry Co. to AJS deferring meeting as Mr Marsh is in London, ? of overtime and rates of pay for shiprepairing; advice to pay same as shiprepairers and avoid involving all members of the [Employer's] Association 'no reason that all should give in on his [Stevens] account'. 0020-0021

June 13, Charles M. Jacobs to Uskside Co., concerning issue of cheque to Mrs Jacobs. 0022

July 7, Albert A. Newman, Town Clerk, Newport, acknowledgement of letter. 0023

July 21, company search information for WEW 'the son of Wm. Wilson Esq., banker of Alfreton ... a gentleman of good means and social position'. WEW a manager for Shipley collieries. 0024

August 9, J.C. Howell Electric Light and Power Engineers, Llanelly to AJS will send cheque for £115 and cover balance on 20th. 0025

August 19, company search information for FEYP (F. Echevarria Y. Picavea), Bilboa, mine owners of good standing. 0026

August 26, company search information for G.H. (?G Handy), - fair business, somwhat weak. 0027

October 5, 9 Oct., 15 Oct., 22 Dec, W.O. Coward Lloyd's Bank Ltd., Newport to AJS re debentures and rates charged to a/c. 0028-0031

October 6, copy report by Humphrey-Davies on Uskside Engineering & Rivet Co., for The Machinery Users' Association, Cannon St., London. 0032

October 26, J.W. Shotton, surveyor, 32 Mount Stuart Sq., Cardiff to AJS gratitude for consideration given to his son, hopes that the boy may be placed in the drawing office at some future time. 0033

December 8, J.C. Howell, Electric Light and Power Engineers, Queen Victoria St., London (and at Llanelly), to AJS. Hopes to meet Stevens on Friday to discuss difficulties caused by the failure of a legal action pursued for fraud. Is optimistic that his bankers will take up the case on his behalf and that business will not suffer 'very serious effect'. [pp.3]. 0034

January 5, ?J. Withy Wainbrook Iron Co., Moorfields, near Bristol concerning sale information for a property owned by Mr S. Hankin. 0001

January 5, (?W.P.) Lewis H.M. Inspector of Factories to AJS 'employment of male young persons in the "Forge" ... may provisionally be carried on' pending a definite report to be communicated shortly. 0002

January 6, James Railton jnr., Lutterworth, Leicestershire request for replacement cheque/indemnity note for issue of new cheque. 0003

January 12, H. Oakden Fisher [Ty Mynydd] Radyr near Cardiff to W.O. Price UEC considers report satisfactory regrets unable to attend the meeting [?Board of Directors] due to prior engagement at a course for military instruction in Plymouth. 0004

January 12, Chas M. Jacobs Bishopsgate St. London to W.O. Price UEC considers report 'to be allright' with suggestion for more clarity on dividend payments, agrees to meeting on Tuesday 1st. 0005

January 26, H. Oakden Fisher to W.O. Price regrets unable to attend the meeting on Tuesday 1st due to prior engagement at an artillery course in Devonport. 0006

February 1, Feb. 3, company search information for Charles Richard & Co., (Darlaston) in satisfactory repute locally, doing a good turnover; T.Adams & Son Walsall a 'a fair risk'. 0007-0008.

February 2, M[ark] Mordey [J.P.] Jesmond, [Stow Park, Newport] to [W.O] Price request for details of his Uskside portfolio. 0009

February 12, W.O. Lloyds Bank Ltd., Newport to AJS MD the bank has no objection to the 'proposals to get in the uncalled capital', providing it is used for the 'development of the ... extended area of you works ...'. 0010

February 14, Mark Mordey to W.O. Price request for amount of Directors fees received (amounts entered for 1891-97). 0011

March 1, company search information for Ansley Hall Coal & Iron Co. 0012 [damaged part illegible]

April 19, The Maesteg Merthyr Colliery Co., company search information. Owners – Ebenezer Lewis and James Barrow, payment generally not satisfactory on this a/c, some firms extend moderate credit. 0013

April 20, W.O. Coward, Lloyds Bank – of the opinion that Ebenezer Lewis 'considered good for his engagements'. The Co., is 'at present crippled for want of Capital'. 0014

April 29, George Beith, Fairlawn, Pontypridd, Glam., re completion of order of 6" x 9" pumps. 0015

May 5, - Schlesinger, Boulevard Malesherbes, Paris, concern about Uskside share prices. 0016

May 9, Jn. Moses, Chairman of Newport County Borough Electricity Committee reports the Committees satisfaction with the Uskside engines. 0017

May 9, Jn. Moses Clyde Villas, Gold Tops, Newport does not wish to see AJS deprived of any credit due to him that might otherwise be the consequence of Mr Hammonds comments. 0018

May 10, A. Holman, Penarth to A. Clarke Jones esq., concern at reduction of share value, the Co., has taken an 'unfortunate course' and should 'work the business up to par' before extending the premises. 0019

May 11, Mary A.S. Brown, High Barnet concern at loss of share value, an £8 share now worth only £4. 0020

June 8, W.O. Coward, Lloyds Bank, Newport a/c statement. 0021

June 20, company search information for B & T. Dundee (Browns & Toms). 0022

June 25, Provincial Bank to the Secretary of UEC, desires to discharge liability for the sixteen shares held. 0023

July 1, July 2, July 4, Lloyds Bank and special search information for Insoles Ltd., Cardiff. 0024-0026

July 4, company/special search information for Windsor Steam Coal Co. Cardiff. 0027

July 8, Stubbs Mercantile Offices report on Insoles Ltd., and Windsor Steam Coal Co. 0028

July 9, Aug. 20, Aug. 25, Sept. 5, Sept. 10, George Beith, Fairlawn, Pontypridd, Glam., to AJS re orders and payments for pumping machines at Tylorstown, Dowlais and Llanerch Collieries. 0029-0033

August 4, company search information for Cymmer Glyncorrwg Colliery, Glamorgan. 0034

September 2, Sept. 7, Jenkins Jones Amalgamated Society of Engineers concerning misapprehension of the rule for the, '74 hour time limit'. 0025-0036

September 9, J.C. Howell, Electric Light and Power Engineer, New Dock, Llanelly to AJS sending payment for 'Foxhole pumps'; concern that 'Beith has been playing the fool lately and I have had to bring him to his senses'. 0037

August 28, H. Oakden Fisher, Ty Mynydd, Radyr regrets that he is unable to entertain the Directors but has to attend sporting event 'Feast of St Partridge'. 0038

September 3, company search information for W. Heap & Co. 0039

September 9, company search information for G.D. & Co., (Depledge, Dowes & Barr). 0040

September 15, J.C. Howell Electric Light & Power Engineer, Llanelly to AJS concerning payment for Tylorstown pumps and unprofessional conduct of George Beith who has acted behing his [Howells] back in arranging unauthorised transactions, [pp4]. 0041

September 16, Oct. 5, Oct. 10, company search information for W.S. (Walter Scott), & Co. 0042-0044

September 26, company search information/special search for J.C. Howell Ltd., Electric Light and Power Engineers. Nominal capital, list of shareholders, the 'concern does not appear to be regarded with much confidence locally'. 0045

October 17, contract note for supply of large and small coal. United National Collieries to UEC. 0046

October 18, company search information for K.S. & Co. (Kerr Stuart). 0047

November 11, [?N.W. Lewis] Evan Jones & Co. shipbrokers to AJS promises investigation into apparently incorrect specifications for goods ordered. 0048

November 25/26, AJS to Norwich Union Fire Insurance Co., reply re removal of section of boundary wall for installation of new steam hammer. 0049-0059

November 28, ?____ re meeting with E.C. Fry and arrangement to repair damage to crane. 0051

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November 29, Dec. 3, Dec. 6, Dec. 10, Dec. 10, William Trimmer letters of acceptance, testimonials for position as draughtsman. 0052-0056

December 2, Lloyds Bank Newport, a/c statement. 0057

December 28, Copy agreement for telephonic connection. 0058

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January 5, Jan. 5, Jan 9, United National Collieries Ltd/Partridge Jones, letters, contract note for the supply of large and small coal. 0001-0003

January 10, Albert A. Newman, Town Clerk, Newport, granting planning approval for a new siding for Uskside Works at Castle St. 0004

February 4. The National Telephone Co. Ltd., supplemental agreement for an extension bell. 0005

Feburary 15, Chas. M. Jacobs, New York, Consulting Engineer, to AJS desires to know what progress has been made with the patent drill? also question of payment for Courtney; pleased that prospects for work are increasing at UEC. 0006

March 21, W.E. Vellacott, concerning prospects for the employment of his son at UEC. 0007

March 21, Lloyds Bank Ltd., re financial position of J.C. Howell. 0008

March 24, William H.P. Hambly, application for the vacant post of clerk. 0009

April 15, company search information for C.C. Co. (Clandown Colliery Co.). 0010

April 25, Tho. W. Taylor, Secretary, Newport Branch of the Smith & Hammermen Society. Application for an increase of wages. 0011

April 29, Albert Spicer, 50 Upper Thomas St., London, to AJS, considerations for and against a Bill currently before Parliament. 0012

April 29, J.C. Howell Ltd., Electric Light Engineer, New Dock, Llanelly to AJS contends that UEC have 'not performed their contract properly ... your people are exceedingly peculiar and are treating me in a remarkable fashion', [pp. 2]. 0013

May 1, Tho. Biggart, Joint Secretary, The Engineering Employers Federation to R. Laybourne Esq., Malpas. Copy letter re wage demands made by Hammermen with details of majority rates paid in mid-Lancashire and in marine districts. [pp.2]. 0014

May 3, May 5, May 12. R. Laybourne Isca Foundry, Railway Plant and General Engineers to AJS concerning correspondence with Mr Biggart and disappointment at the delay in his visit. 0015-0017

May. 19, Lloyds bank to AJS concerning arrangement for joint account to include names of Mr Howell and Mr Stevens; advice to take a legal opinion for any greater sum concerned. 0018

May 24, May 26, company search information/credit details for Emlyn Collieries Ltd. 0019-0020

June 3, Jenkin Jones, Amalgamated Society of Engineers, request for an advance of 2/- per week (list of personnel attached). 0021

June 3, Lloyds Bank Ltd., UEC a/c statement. 0022

June 30, Globe Insurance Co. Ltd., policy schedule in respect of Workmen's Compensation Act (incl. estimate of the number of employees in the engineering shop, forge and rivet works, estimated salaries and number of accidents 1896-7). 0023

July 12, Tho. W. Taylor Smiths & Hammermen Society, Newport, Mon., to AJS desiring a response to the application for a wage increase, 'the men are getting impatient and difficult to keep quiet'. 0024

July 12, H. Oakden Fisher, Ty Mynydd Radyr, reports his movements on 25th somewhat uncertain, 'thoroughly enjoyed themselves' at Lowestoft. 0025

July 12, James Rowe. Edw. Finch & Co., thanks AJS for his favour of the 10th/query re membership of Employers Assoc. 0026

August 16, W. Pegler, Cardiff, letter of acceptance for position at UEC at a salary of 30/- p.w. 0027

September 15, Tho. W. Taylor, Smiths & Hammermen Society, Newport, Mon. Branch to UEC renewing application for 'an increase of 2/- per week'. 0028

September 17, R.E. Wormald Brewer, 7 Victoria Place, Newport to AJS seeking his view on the acceptance of another pupil from Faraday House. 0029

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October 12, Powell Duffryn Steam Coal Co., note re Mr Stevens agreement to reduce the price to £2,186 and make delivery by 30 June 1900. 0030

October 13, Partridge Jones & Co. Ltd., Pontypool confirming arrangements made by Mr. Murrow for UEC to rent a shed in addition to other premises at Pill Wharf. 0031

October 29, Oct. 30, Oct. 31, Walter H. Boys, Hants application for the position of temporary draughstmen, AJS copy reply with job particulars. 0032-0034

October 31, Oct. 31, F. Garrett Leiston, Works Suffolk, Manhall & Sons Britannia Iron Works, references for Walter H. Boys. 0035-0036

November 4, AJS to Chas Roberts, Liverpool, declining his services; to Walter H. Boys, Hants offering a 'fair trial' for a month. 0037

November 11, J.W. Shotton to AJS, conveys his appreciation of the opportunity afforded to his son to terminate his apprenticeship at UEC to learn marine engineering at Southampton. 0037

December 2, Lloyds Bank Ltd., a/c statement. 0038

December 13, Crawshay Bros., Cyfarthfa Iron & Steel Works, request to supply reference for James H.L. Trevarrow, draughtsman. 0039

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1900 January 3, Jenkin Jones, Secretary, Amalgamated Society of Engineers, re finishing time for Saturday 'marine' work. 0001

January 8, M. Mordey Esq., to AJS send congratulations for yearly turnover and suggestions for improvement. 0002

January 8, Devon & Cornwall Banking Co., to W.O. Price, conerning questions raised about the accounts by Mr Vellacott. 0003

January 10, Benj. Lawrence, architect, to W.O. Price, offer of building plot at 'Dewsland Park', plan attached. 0004

January 13, receipt for payment of ? 7/10/- made for 'Childrens _____' [?fees].

January 6, Jan. 12, W.E. Vellacott to AJS, suggests improvement to wording of balance sheet, re loose tools revenue notes £480 to carry forward after dividend/directors fees. 0006-0007

January 12, Chas. M. Jacobs to W.O. Price, approves of Directors report, Mr Borringer and himself have purchased shares in the Company. 0008

January 13, Clark Jones telegram: approves of report. 0009

January 17, Devon & Cornwall Banking Ltd., W.E. Vellacott to AJS, notes adoption of his suggestion re loose tools revenue, acknowledges the mistake he made in the carry over figure, through 'Directors are hiding the sin they committed last year of paying away more than they had earned'. Notes re accounting procedure for loose tools and fixed assets. 0010-0011.

January 26, Col. H. Oakden Fisher, to W.O. Price, doctor has ordered them away for a rest, regrets unable to attend Thursday's meeting. 0012

February 2, contract note for small coal. 0013

Chas. M. Jacobs request for dividend cheques. 0014

February 2, Crompton & Co. Ltd., Chelmsford to AJS regret any wrong impression are 'anxious to do business', AJS reply on back. 0015

February 8, AJS to W.O. Price from Torquay, anxious that he has heard nothing from WOP about ? 'Lasler acceptance'. 0016

February 13, W.O. Price, copy letter to W.E. Vellacott, outline of considerations concerning depreciation of plant a machinery. 0017

February 27, A. Clarke Jones to WOP from Glos., considers report most satisfactory, good to see the forge busy and emplying an extra man. News from S. Africa 'most acceptable, Bobs & his Tommy's have wiped a bit off the Majuba Slate'. 0018

February 28, March 1, communication with Isca Foundry and Alexandra Docks & Railway Co., re wage rates paid labourers in the fitting shop. Rates between 18/to 20/-, UEC labourers 'agitating for a rise'. 0019-0020

March 27, United National Collieries re supply of large steam coal. 0021

April 3, Tredegar Wharf Estate, demand for £242. 12. 8 ground rent. 0022

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- April 24, April 26, Tredegar Wharf Estate replies to UEC queries concerning amount of ground rents for Speedwell Street. 0023-0024
- May 2, Registrar of Joint Stock Companies to WOP, stating that duty need not be paid on the £2,000 capital. 0025
- May 11, James Rowe Edw. Finch & Co., Chepstow [iron & steel construction firm] to AJS, request for wage rates paid to platers, rivetters and labourers. Finch pay 35/-, 31/-, 20/-, are facing demands for a 10 per cent rise 'which of course we must resist'. 0026
- May 29, Louis H. Hornby to UEC, communciation concerning alteration to the Articles of Association and the proposed issue of new capital/preference shares. 0027
- June 6, Lloyds Bank/UEC account details. 0028
- June 13, June 14, AJS to WOP considerations re depreciation of plant & machinery; draft letter proposed for circulation concerning new date for Board meeting. 0029-0030
- June 15, M. Mordey, Stow Park, to WOP will be pleased to attend to matters arising during AJS's absence, has been quoted 3/6 for workmen's assurances. 0031
- June 19, R. Smith insurance broker, details of workmens/clerical staff insurance rates. 0032
- June 21, Mon. & S. Wales Employers Association communication re procedures for affiliation. 0033
- June 28, W.A. Madden to WOP re payment of fees for his son, a UEC works pupil. 0034
- July 1, Lancashire Insurance Co., receipt for Workmen's Compensation cover. 0035
- July 2, (June 28), United National Collieries Ltd re order for Risca large coal. 0036
- July 3, A. Clarke Jones, Glos., to WOP re travel arrangements to Llandrindod, will be at the assize at Monmouth tomorrow. 0037
- July 4, AJS to WOP, is feeling much stronger but not altogether yet rid of pain; has booked rooms at the Gwalia for the meeting. 0038

July 3-6, contract notes/qty of coal due on contract to 29 Oct. 1900. 0039.

July 13-16, company search information for Fownes Forge & Engineering, Bewcastle incl. largest shareholders. 0040

July 16, A. Clarke Jones, Glos., expenses claim of £1.1.0 for rail journey to Llandrindod. 0041

July 23, Wm. Powell, Clytha Sq., Newport, to AJS application to place his son in an apprenticeship. 0042

August 1, Lancashire Insurance Co., receipt for Workmen's Compensation Act policies. 0043

August 7-8, company search information for Howard Kyte & Co., Cardiff. 0044

August 8, Lloyds Bank credit information for ? He[n]ry Coles. 0045

August 11, W.A. Madden to WOP, difficulty with meeting the required installments for his sons placement with UEC. 0046

August 16, Stanley Collins, Calcutta, India. Application for his former position at UEC. 0047

August 29, Louis H. Hornby to AJS, letters re copy of counsels' opinion on proposed capital issue. [not herewith] 0048

September 15, Wm. Lloyd, solicitor, to AJS regrets delay in completion of new lease from Lord Tredegar. 0049

September 18, Lloyds Bank Ltd., enquiry re reduction of overdraft to agreed limit of £10,000. 0050

September 19, Davis, Lloyds & Wilson enclosing draft lease from Tredegar estate [not herewith]. 0051

September 11, Sept. 13, Sept. 18, Sept. 24, Oct. 29, notice of an Extraordinary Meeting of Shareholders of UEC to be held, 25 Sept. 1900; letter and draft letters to share holders re issue of new capital and the now completed expansion of the works; proxy voting forms of I.F.S. Troyes, Col. H. Oakden Fisher, Chas. M. Jacobs, M.J. Mordey (7); handbill of UEC Extraordinary Resolution for increase of Preference Share Capital of £7,000 santioned by EGM. 0052

September 27, H. Oakden Fisher to AJS, date mentioned for next meeting is suitable, enquires after health following his 'painful complaint'. 0053

October 4, AJS to WOP hopes to have some information on Wyndham ? manor by wire tomorrow; books arrived safely, hopes 'operation will soon be successfully performed'. 0054

October 10, A. Clarke Jones to WOP approves of the draft circular on preference shares and the form of application. 0055

October 31, M. Mordey to AJS re allocation of preference shares. 0056

November 4, Johan Holst to WOP, re allocation of preference shares. 0057

November 8, T.W. Wailes, Cardiff, re allocation of preference shares. 0058

November 8, Partridge Jones, contract note for supply for coal. 0059

November 10, M.N. Gilmore has decided to place his son at Spencer & Co., Melksham. 0060

November 13, W. Jones, building contractor, re allocation of preference shares. 0061

November 13, W.T. Madden, enclosing fee, £40 for his son as pupil of the works, 0062

November 16, A. Clarke Jones to WOP, re application for shares. 0063

November 17, Geo. Rutherford, Mercantile Pontoon Co., Cardiff, re application for shares. 0064

November 17, Edwin J. Whitley Cardiff, ship & insurance broker, application for shares. 0065

November 17, Chas. H. Bailey, re application for shares. 0066

November 18, H. Oakden Fisher, to AJS agrees with 'policy of getting our business friends to take an interest ...'. 0067

November 19, J. Lowdon, Barry Graving Dock & Engineering Co., re allocation of preference shares. 0068

November 20, George Rutherford Mercantile Pontoon Co., re allocation of preference shares. 0069

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1900 November 20, Edward Jones, re allocation of preference shares. 0070

November 21, John Sheerman & Co., Engineer & Ship Repairers. JS will reply your favour on return. 0071

November 24, Wm. Jones, Channel Pontoon, declining allocation of shares. 0072

November 24, E. Jordan Cardiff, declining allocation of shares, holds UEC in high regard. 0073

November 26, S.E. Pool, [Newport], re allocation of shares. 0074

November 26, Henry Cambridge, consulting engineer, Cardiff re allocation of shares. 0075

November 28, W.J. Frazer, Swansea declining allocation of shares. 0076

December 5, Lloyds Bank Ltd., account statement. 0077

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January 9, Chas. M. Jacobs to WOP, regrets that he could not attend the meeting; finds the report discouraging in tone, second paragraph should be re drafted; the Co., has suffered through the high price of coal. 0001

January 10, W.E. Vellacott to WOP, has approved accounts and balance sheets, also concerning changes required in the presentation of accounts, will bear in mind information on the telephone service. 0002

January 10, Devon & Cornwall Bank to WOP, pleased that the 'figures have gone through and that depreciation settled'. 0003

January 22, Chas. M. Jacobs, note re banking arrangements. 0004

January 25, [UEC] to M. Mordey re draft Agreement for Dewsland Park [pp. 2]. 0005

March 15, H. Parfitt, boilermaker, Merthyr to UEC, re problems of payment with Messrs Jordan & Co. 0006

May 24, Jenkin Jones, Amalgamated Society of Engineers, Cardiff is most annoyed at the report of bad time keeping, will bring the matter before the committee and the members immediately after the holidays. 0007

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June 13, June 15, June 16, June 16, June 17, M. Mordey/W.O. Price/A. Clarke Jones/Chas. M. Jacobs re arrangements for Directors meeting. 0008-0012

June 17, T.B. Thorne, Amalgamated Society of Engineers, machinery 'taken adrift' by labourers and cranemen will not be repaired by ASE members. 0013

June 19, AJS to WOP, re cheques received and due to be signed. 0014

June 19, Tredegar Wharf Estate re ground rents due for Church St/Speedwell St. £518. 8. 0. 0015

July 25, Lancashire Insurance Co., request to fill in wages certificate for Ocean Co. 0016

October 21/25, H.M. Surveyor of Taxes/WOP, re amounts written off for depreciation, 30 Nov ?note re depreciation. 0017

October 28, T.W. Taylor Smiths & Hammermen Society a further request for AJS to state his position on 'the matter at issue'. 0018

October 29, H & T Danks Ltd., to UEC request for credit information on Edwin Parsons Engineer, Newport. 0019

December 2, W.T. Madden to WOP, re payment of sons fees. 0020

December 5, Lloyds Bank, account statement. 0021

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January 15, A. Clarke Jones to WOP, approves of the report. 0001

January 22, registered information for Howard Kyte & Co., Cardiff. 0002

January 30, Feb 15. Feb 20, matters of personal/general concern. H. Jones to WOP, incl. specifications for the order of a Hobart No. 4 bicycle. 0003-0005

February 19, UEC letter to all stock brokers in Newport, Cardiff and Swansea, details of UEC dividends, assets and reserve funds. 0006

March 3, Jenkin Jones, Amalgamated Society of Engineers, the complaint of bad timekeeping is receiving prompt attention (see 24 May 1901). 0007

March 25, March 27, March 27, March 29, company search information for New Cross Hands Collieries; Tirydail Colliery; J.B. Wolstenholm; Pwllbach Colliery Co.; J. Birkenshaw. 0008-0013

April 4, G. Bailey Toms & Co. London to UEC, re prices for sale of rivets under agency agreement. 0014

June 3, Lloyds Bank, account statement. 0015

July 1, July 4, J. Lawrence to AJS, concerning letter from W. Arnold Foster MP and UEC application to be included on the Admiralty list for forgings. 0016-0017

July 9, Lloyds Bank query re lease. 0018

July 17, July 18, The Rivet Bolt & Nut Co., letter, telegram re rivet orders/prices of 3/4", 5/8", 1/2" rivets. 0019-0020

July 18, M. Mordey to AJS is informed by Mordey Carney Co. that £914. 9. 8. is owed them by UEC. 0021

July 25, Lloyds Bank re assets of UEC and borrowing powers. 0022

August 15, Ernest J. Bailey, Newdigate Colliery, Nuneaton will send cheque shortly for haulage/trade at present bad with high underground expenses. 0023

August 26, Sept. 9, A. Clarke Jones enclosure from John Gane, accountants declining loan/services to UEC, 0024-0025

November 10, Lloyds Bank re increase of UEC borrowing powers. 0026

November 5, Companies' Registration office receipt for fees due for increase of nominal capital £30,000-£50,000. 0027

December 4, Lloyds Bank to UEC account details. 0028

December 6, Dec. 18, AJS draft letter re bad timekeeping/alteration to working hours; T.B. Thorne, Amalgamated Society of Engineers, request for names of those involved in bad timekeeping (see also 24/5/01, 3/3/02). 0029-0030

December 22, note re engines running dry. 0031

December 31, New Cwmgorse Colliery Company, search information. 0032

1903 January 3, Lloyds Bank, UEC account statement. 0001

January 8, Jan. 10, Jan. 12, W.E. Vellacott, chartered accountants, re audit/preparation of accounts. 0002-0004.

January 13, H. Oakden Fisher to AJS, agrees 'with what was done at the meeting' due to 'business [being] in a most uncertain condition'. 0005

January 14, W.E. Vallacott, Devon & Cornwall Bank to WOP, re nominal capital and depreciations. 0006

January 18, Austin Gwynn re job application. 0007

January 19, W.E. Vellacott, chartered accountants, London, to AJS desires to meet when AJS next in town. 0008

February 6, Wm Cubitt, The Rhondda Engine Works, query re overtime rates paid at UEC. 0009

March 2, G. Bailey Toms & Co., to UEC, re details of agency agreement for sale of rivets. 0010

March 17, M. Mordey to WOP, requests to receive details of UEC valuations, balance sheets and dividends. 0011

March 25, Tredegar Wharf Estate, terms and conditions for lease of ground formerly part of Richard & Hopkins Foundry. 0012

March 27, Director of Navy Contracts, Admiralty Office, request to UEC for reference for Llewellins & James, Castle Street, Bristol. 0013

March 31, April 2, April 3, Lloyds Bank & M. Mordey, re payments from UEC account to Mordey Carney & Co. 0014-0016

April 18, H. Oakden Fisher to AJS ? of expenditure for purchase of additional machines for making rivets. 0017

May 6/7, Louis H. Hornby to AJS, enclosing copy of letter from Alfred Searle re houses in St Michael Street. 0018

May 23, Louis H. Hornby to AJS, concerning complaint of noise pollution caused by UEC [steam] hammer. 0019

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1903 June 6, W.A. Baker & Co. Ltd., to UEC giving reference for good character of two youths.

June 24, UEC Ltd/Wm. Mordey requesting details of required capital/debentures. 0021

June 29, Wm. Mordey to AJS concerning date of UEC meeting/UEC debentures/Port Talbot Co., reconstruction scheme. 0022

July 3, Lloyds Bank, UEC account details. 0023

September 18, AJS to WOP is 'gratified that a settlement has been so peacefully reached' and that he 'need not return home'. 0024

October 6, W. Wilcox, application for post of junior clerk. 0025

October 20, schedule for income tax and correspondence, Oct. 1901, Jan. 1902. 0026.

October 22, H.M. Surveyor of Taxes, details of net tax assessment. 0027

November 16, Johan Holst, enquiry for details of UEC performance and shares sold. 0028

November 20, James Miller & Co. Ltd., concerning order for 200 tons of rivets to complete prior to Admiralty contract. 0029

November 28, Dec. 1, Admiralty Office, Director of Navy Contracts, acceptance of UEC tender for the supply of 1,000 tons of steel rivets; UEC acknowledgement; conditions of contract and specifications for quality control and dimensions of rivets. (See also 1, 4 July 1902). 0030-0032

December 3, Ebbw Vale, Steel Iron & Coal Co., contract note for supply of 1,000 tons of Siemens Martin steel rivet bars to UEC. 0033

December 3, S.G. Collins, Calcutta, India to WOP has been in Calcutta nearly five years had hoped for a line from WOP, is now getting on very well. 0034

December 8, James Simpson to AJS, concerning letter and conversation regarding the future of Mr. Lords son at UEC who is now prepared to 'abide by any decision' of the firm 'regarding his sons future'. 0035

January 1, Lloyds Bank, UEC account statement. 0001

January 19, Lyndon Moore, solicitors, to AJS concerning opportunity of an apprenticeship in engineering for the son of the late William Gibbs. 0002

January 28, T.B. Thorne (formerly secretary of ASE) to AJS, request for reference. 0003

January 27, Feb. 3, H.M. Inspector of Taxes, details of net tax assessment; query concerning conditions of tenancy for new premises. 0004-0005

February 29, Lloyds Bank reminder of UEC agreement to reduce loan on debentures at the rate of £2,500 per year/current account £1,600 beyond agreed limit. 0006

May 5, V.K. Lewis, application for a clerical position. 0007

July 5, July 6, Lloyds Bank, UEC account statement/? UEC arrangement to reduce overdraft within agreed limit. 0008-0009

July 20, Edw. B. Waun, Whitfield Collieries, reply to AJS' query re financial position of? Fenton (s). 0010

July 22, James Miller & Co. Ltd., re undisclosed request from UEC. 0011

July 30, J.G. Waters, St. Mary's Lodge, Newport re 'copy of the agreement', nomination? Mr Paton to Board of Directors. 0012

August 12, M. Mordey, schedule of six documents received from UEC relating to Port Talbot, Prince of Wales Docks. 0013

August 13, John Paton, Waun Wern, Pontypool apologies for the 'inconvenience & trouble' his 'stupidity' has given. Looks forward to meeting with AJS and 'going over [the] Works'. 0014

August 26, National Provincial Bank Ltd., to AJS re form of guarantee for debentures. 0015

September 5, Lloyds Bank request that UEC, 'carry through their agreement and oblige' in respect of the overdraft. 0016

September 11, AJS to WOP, instruction to send Mr. Jones an IOU and interest note. Is going to ?_____ tomorrow. 0017

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October 7-8, Percy Powell & Henry J. Thomas, stock & share brokers, request for 30-40 prospectuses for UEC debenture issue. 0018-0019

October 9, WOP to H.M. Surveyor of Taxes, with regard to itemisation of plant and machinery, will meet in 'person to discuss valuation and amounts written off'. 0020

October 29, H.M. Surveyor of Taxes, income tax schedules and correspondence. 0021

November 18, Lloyds Bank Ltd., notice of closure of account and debenture account. 0022

December 11, Chas. M. Jacobs, Broadway, New York, to AJS approves of the second proposal for extension of the rivet works in lieu of an independent company. 0023

December 29, W. Wilcox to WOP concerning reference for new employment. 0024

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February 11, John Paton, Waun Wern, Pontypool hopes to meet soon to discuss contents of AJS's communication of the 9th. 0001

February 25, John Paton, Pontypool to AJS looks 'forward with pleasure to meeting you for a chat one day soon'. 0002

March 29, Charlotte White to AJS, concerning husbands infirmity and inability to follow employment; William A. White to AJS, n.d. conveying his 'heartfelt thanks' for the award of 12/6 per week as pension. 0003-0004

May 5, John Paton, Waun Wern, Pontypool, hopes to meet soon to discuss contents of AJS's favour of the 2nd with caveat 'that you must not look to me for finding any fresh money'. 0005

July 1905, income tax return including names of UEC directors/debenture holders and salaries. 0006

October, A. Clarke Jones, receipt for copy of register of debenture. 0007

October 11, Oct. 13, Nov. 4, The Lahmeyer Electrical Co. Ltd., to UEC, re procurement of additional order for haulage gears and pumps; also an undisclosed matter discussed with Mr. Rees of Ferndale Colliery. 0008-0010

December 3, John Paton, Waun Wern, Pontypool, to AJS hopes to meet to 'chat matters over', principally? of him [Paton] joining UEC Board of Directors also? of purchase of debentures for which he has no money at present. 0011

December 6, John Paton, Waun Wern, appreciates the favourable consideration given him to join the Board of Directors and would like to offer his 'very best services'. For the present he 'cannot ... relieve Mr. Jacob of his Guarantee' [? underwriting the debenture] and this 'must be allowed ... to remain an open question'. 0012

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1906

February 8, H. Oakden Fisher to WOP? concerning use of reserve fund. 0001

February 10, Feb. 12, W.E. Vellacott to WOP concerning calculation of depreciation and other accountancy procedures. 0002-0003

March 3, John Paton, Waun Wern, Pontypool, conveys congratulations for the years trading results, and sincere wishes for success if unable to attend next meeting of shareholders. 0004

March 12, March 15, March 20, March 26, Isaac Jenkins, Victoria Hotel & Posting House, to AJS re prospects/arrangement for his son to serve an engineering apprenticeship. 0005-0008

March 22, Tredegar Estate Office to AJS, concerning lease of additional land at Protheroes Row, (plan attached). 0009

April 23, April 24, Hornby Baker Jones, solicitors/A. Searle to AJS re claim for damages to St. Michael Street property from UEC business operations. (see 6, 7, 23 May 1903) 0010-0011

May 4, L. S. Abrahamson, Jewellers to UEC, re revised water charges. 0012

May 17, M. Mordey, copy letter to E. Sully, Cardiff re purchasers for debentures. 0013

June 6, Newport Trading Co., request for reference for H. Whitehead now engaged as bookeeper. 0014

June 7, O. Hulbert to WOP, confirming agreement for position as bookeeper at UEC, at a salary of 30/- per week. 0015

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June 13, John Hutchins, solicitor, Charles St., Newport to AJS concerning accusation made by UEC foreman against his son then in UEC employ. 0016

June 19, H.M. Surveyor of Taxes request for revenue details for 1905 with rough draft attached. Chamber of Commerce circular letter re income tax deductions for depreciation. 0017

July 25, Thomas Evans, Crescent Road, South Norwood to AJS re colliery machinery supplied and catalogue sent to Mr. Boulanger of Swansea. 0018

August 11, Nixons Navigation Co. Ltd., to AJS request for recommendation of draughtsmen for Mountain Ash and death of Mr. Lewis, mechanic, at Merthyr Vale. 0019

August 20, August 23, W. Jones & Son, builders & contractors, Newport, invoice for £500.00 for new building work; AJS memorandum re same stating that it is impossible for UEC to pay him at present. 0021-0022

July – October, H.M. Surveyor of Taxes to WOP, correspondence re amounts written off for depreciation and notice of appeal against assessment to be heard. 30 & 31 October. 0023

November 6, Newport Union request for details of wages of Thomas McCarthy, as his mother is an applicant for outdoor-relief, WOP copy reply stating 29/-. 0024

December 7, Tredegar Estate Office to AJS, regret that Lord Tredegar is unable to take up UEC debentures due to 'very extensive financial obligations in other quarters'. 0025

December 29, UEC copy letter to Alex H. Speirs, offering appointment to position of rivet foreman at £4. 0. 0 per week with bonus on output over 150 tons per week. 0026

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1907

January 19, M. Mordey to AJS concern at lower rate of profit, requests details of price of rivet bars and market price of rivets sold. (see 3 Dec. 1903). 0001

[February 26]. T. Bidgood confirmation of acceptance of position at UEC at 30/-p.w. with 2/6 advance June next. 0002

March 8, Wm. Richards to WOP, grave concern at the poor trading results for 1906, 'if matters go on in the same way the concern will be whittled away to the last penny'. 0003

March 9, Tho. Ross to A.C. Jones, Chairman of UEC Directorate is 'very disappointed with the continued non-success of the Co., dividends now only 1½ per cent compared to 8 per cent in 1901, with none at all for three out of five years'. Includes detail of revenue account, 1899-1906. 0004

March 16, H.M. Surveyor of Taxes to WOP, re assessment for Mr. R.T. Nicholas and previous notices ignored by him. 0005

June 21, June 24, June 26. Alex H. Speirs to AJS, complains bitterly at his treatment at UEC 'as though the Company were putting [him] on a par with a common labourer'. Requires compensation. The output of 150 tons p.w. was impossible to achieve in light of difficulties with the furnace and supply of materials. (see 29 Dec. 1906). 0006-0008

July 4, A.M. Williams to AJS concerning his dismissal from employment in the 'Rivet Office', compains that he has been refused a months wages by Mr. Price, contrary to agreement. 0009

August 19, Jenkin Jones, Amalgamated Society of Engineers, to UEC concerning the willingness of the Company to concede 12 o'clock stopping time on Saturdays. 0010

October 5, National Provincial Bank of England, notice that UEC account overdrawn £14,140 against £12,000 limit; endorsed by WOP 'all is in order'. 0011

October 28, November 7, R. Roberts, Secretary, Newport Branch of the Smith's & Hammermen Society/J.I. Wilkins, Newport Engineers Employers Association. Application for an advance of wages/employers agreement to refuse the advance. 0012-0013

November 14, Nov. 20, R. Roberts, Smiths & Hammermen Society, request for AJS to receive a deputation of the UEC strikers. 0014-0015

November 14. C. Claremont, Southsea application for his son to be placed in an apprenticeship at UEC. 0016

November 27, Nov. 29, Dec. 4, Edwin J. Whitley, ship and insurance broker and coal exporter, to AJS expressing his dissatisfaction as a 'small shareholder that the Co. have proceeded with the sale of the Rivet Dept., without consulting all of the shareholders. 0017-0019

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1908

March 30, A. Clarke Jones to WOP, request for a list of UEC officials and their salaries. 0001

April 22, May 19, May 27, June 4, W.E. Vellacott to WOP/AJS concerning arrangements to examine UEC accounts, acknowledgement of receipt of Rivet Works Realisation Account, outline of a number of points he has difficulty agreeing to. 0004-0007

May 13, H. Oakden Fisher requesting re-arrangement of next Board meeting if it is necessary for him to attend. 0008

June 9, June 20, A. Clarke Jones to WOP pleased that his health is now improving, various considerations concerning accounts and Mr. Vellacotts proposals. 0009-0010

June 13, Arthur J. Hill to AJS acknowledgement of receipt of revenue account and balance sheet. 0011

D 3642, 5/21

1912

September 17, Sept. 23, Sept. 25, Sept. 26, Sept. 28, The Fownes Forge & Engineering Co./English & Scottish Forgemasters' Association to UEC; W. Trimmer [UEC? MD] copy reply concerning proposal that the Uskside Co. become members of the Association, 'the means of preventing wild competition among producers. 0001-0005

D 3642, 5/22

1914

September 21, Oct. 16, Oct. 26, Clarke's Crank & Forge Co., Lincoln, to Wm. Trimmer concerning Forgemasters Association, hardness of trade in Lincoln, hopes the S. African visit was useful and that business not greatly affected by the war, order for crankshaft. 0001-0003

D 3642, 5/23

1933

May 17-October 13, S. Livanos & Co./UEC copy correspondence concerning the repair of S.S. Illissos; Ingledew & Sons, solicitors, Cardiff, 'Observations on behalf of the Uskside Engineering Company' for legal representation concerning same. Final draft and proofs. (5)

D 3642, 5/24

1942-44

Concerning offer by John Lysaght Ltd., to purchase the whole of the issued share captial of UEC including extract of minutes of UEC Board, meeting, 2 Oct. 1942, agreement to acquisition, list of dissenting shareholders.

7 May 1943. Copy of Special Resolution to convert UEC into a Private Company.

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1973

February - March correspondence concerning orders for haulages, drum winders, winches

Personnel: D 3642. 6. 1-12

See also legal and correspondence for contracts, letters concerning employment of personnel.

Pension Sheme

- 1 Completed application forms for Uskside staff pension and assurance scheme, 1936-56.
- 2 Death certificate, schedule of estate and other correspondence re pension of John William Wood managing director of Uskside Engineering Works, 21 February 1960.
- 3 Brochures for pension and life assurance schemes, 1936-38. John Summers & Son Ltd., William Beardmore & Co. Ltd., Guest Keen & Nettlefolds Ltd., Stobbert & Pitt Ltd., London & Scottish Assurance Corporation Ltd., 5; extract from book of rules for pension scheme for staff and foremen, 1936.
- 4 GKN Group notes on administration of male staff pension scheme, notes on mechanised schedules & accounting procedure, 1959.
- 5 Comparison of pension schemes Uskside and Lysaghts works, 10 March 1943.
- 6 Notice of changes to the Uskside pension scheme, December 1943; correspondence with Eagle Star Insurance Co., Foreman & Staff Mutual Benefit Society, John Lysaght Ltd., H.M. Inspector of Taxes, Nov.-Dec. 1947.
- 7 Information leaflets for GKN male staff pension sheme, widows pension after retirement, pension and life assurance schemes for male works employees, Uskside staff pension and assurance scheme, 1956-61.

Employment Law

- 8 H.M. Inspector of Factories, register of young person taken into employment, 1946-61 and register of accidents and dangerous occurances, 1945-48.
- 9 Register of young persons taken into employment, 1964-66.
- 10 Notices of accidents or dangerous occurances, 1956-66.
- 11 Uskside Engineering i) staff rules and conditions of employment ii) works rules and conditions of employment. October 1964.
- 12 Memorandum of agreement between the Engineering and the National Employers' Federation and Unions Affiliated to the Engineering and Shipbuilding Trades Federation/National Federation of General Workers/United Operative Spindle and Flyers Makers Trade and Friendly Society, June 1922.

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Production and technical specifications

- 1 List of engines supplied, 1898-1947, 1898-1949 (2 copies slight variation in dates 1947-49).
- 2 List of pumps supplied, 1900-53.
- 3 List of haulages supplied, 1905-64. (2 vols.).
- 4 List of winders and hoists supplied, 1906-46.
- 5 List of coal cutters supplied, c. 1930-53.
- 6 Order book for haulages, 1923-33.
- 7 Order book for haulages, 1933-42.
- 8 Order book for haulages, 1942-47.
- 9 Uskside Mining and Engineering Plant, catalogues of coal cutters, conveyors, haulages etc., n.d., 5th edn. c. 1930's.
- 10 Price list and drawings for electrically driven winches [drawings inset], 1935.
- 11 A short description of electrically driven and steam driven winders as manufactured by the Uskside Engineering Co. Ltd., n.d., c. 1934.

- 12 The Uskside Engineering Co. Ltd., Uskside Mechanical Coalminer advance information and preliminary details, n.d.
- 13 Maintenance instructions and drawings for Richard Johnson and Nephew stablizing machine [no drawings attached], 1965.
- 14 Method and procedure for erection of 125 h.p. DD electric winder [drawings inset], 1956.
- 15 MSS of technical data for drum shafts on mechanical winders, 1956.
- 16 Index to advertising blocks.
- 17 Technical drawing specifications of pumps, hauling gear, ? 1914.
- 18 Specifications of electric haulages, pumps, ? 1914.

General D 3642, 8, 1-10

Schedules, inventories

- 1 Uskside Engineering & Rivet Co., inventory of deeds etc., in deed box at The National Provincial Bank, taken 14 Nov. 1922.
- 2 Inventory of contents of deed box No's 1 & 2 in Uskside strongroom.
- 3 Uskside Engineering schedule of books, files, cards, records, 17 Aug. 1961.

Printed histories, newspaper extracts etc.

- 4 Outline history for ? publicity brochure 'Historical background to the Uskside Engineering Works' n.d. (pp.1.).
- 5 Photocopy extract from Newport Encyclopedia Coronation Year and Royal Visit Souvenir' (1937), p. 92 containing outline history of The Uskside Engineering Co., photographs of Uskside Works Erecting Shops, A.H. Ingram and H.T. Moses managing directors.
- 6 Newspaper cuttings from S.W. Argus 20 Oct. 1945 re Uskside Engineering Co. 'Newport's oldest works ... made canon for the Crimean war': 30 Nov. 1977, 150th anniversary for GKN Birwelco (Uskside) Ltd.
- 7 The Dowlais story, 1759-1959, compiled by Norman Woodhouse reprinted from the original by Celtic Press Ltd., Dowlais, Glam. n.d.
- 8 Photocopy extracts from 1984, 1985, 1987, 1988 and 1989 annual reports of the Glamorgan Archivist re John Hughes and Hughesovka; Great Britain-USSR Association, No. 22

- (1990), 'Hughesovka's Welsh community'; Association of County Council's Gazette Vol. 83. No. 10. 'Window on Wales, Hughesovka', Glamorgan Archives Hughes News, Hughes News 2, Western Mail feature n.d. re. John Hughes, publicity notice for BBC2 television series. 'Hughesovka and the new Russia'; 29 Sept. 1990, Weekend Telegraph 'Poetic injustice', extract re. poetry of W.H. Davies.
- 9 GKN, Somerset Wire Ltd., Souvenir Programme 9 June 1969 to mark the presentation of the Queen's Award to Industry for technological innovation inc. plan of works and feature on Somerset Wire, in Castle Times (Summer 1969).
- 10 Guest Keen & Nettlefold Ltd'., 'family tree' of UK and overseas companies, January 1944.

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Pictorial

- 1 Photograph of Tredegar Wharves and Dry Dock and Uskside Engineering Ltd., Pillgwenlly, Newport Mon.
- 2 Photographic negative of staff and workers of Uskside National Works, Newport, Mon. 17 Dec. 1918.

See D 3642. 8.5 above for photographs of workshops, A.H. Ingram and H.J. Moses managing directors of Uskside Works, c. 1937, in Newport Encycopedia.