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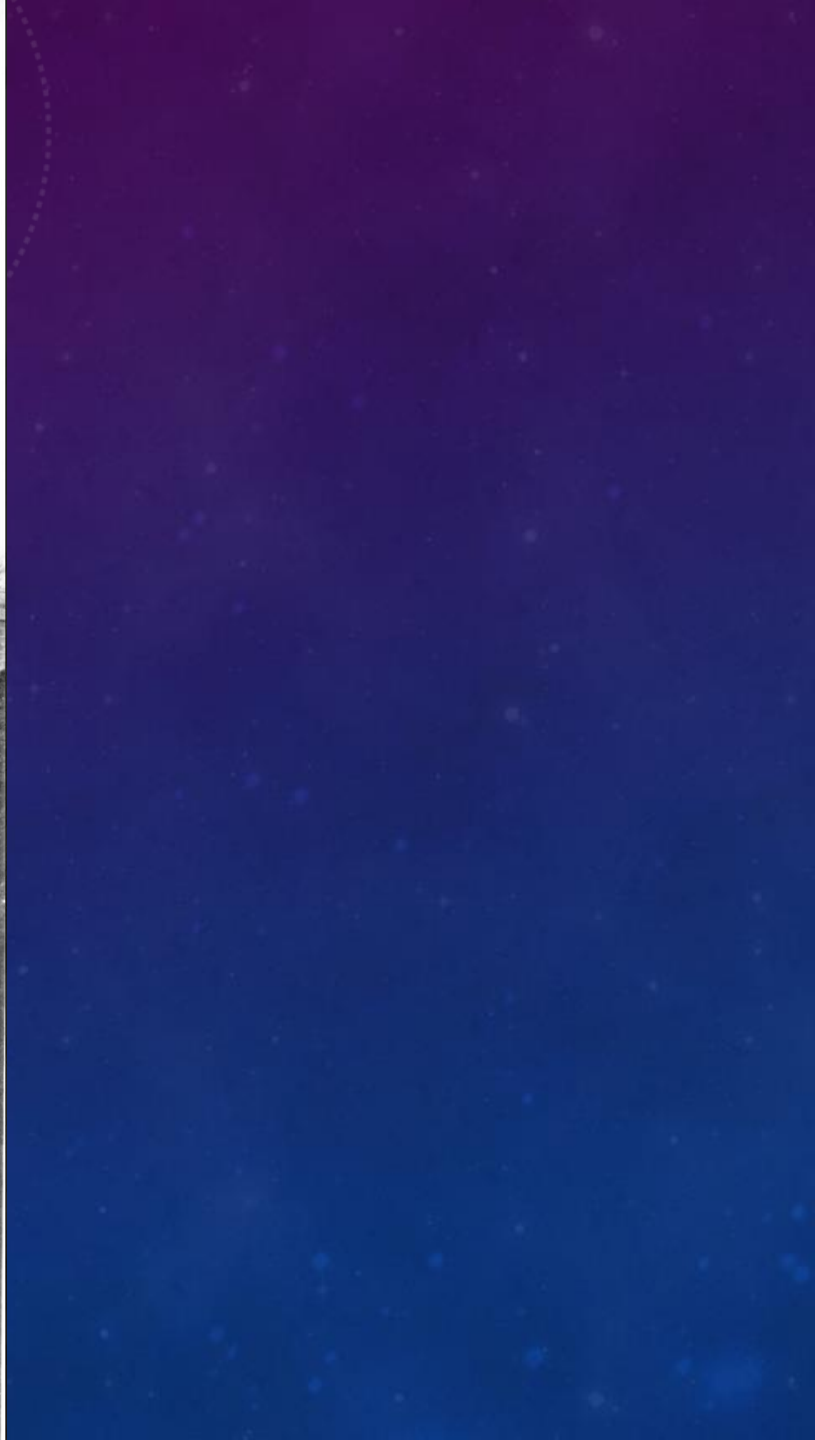
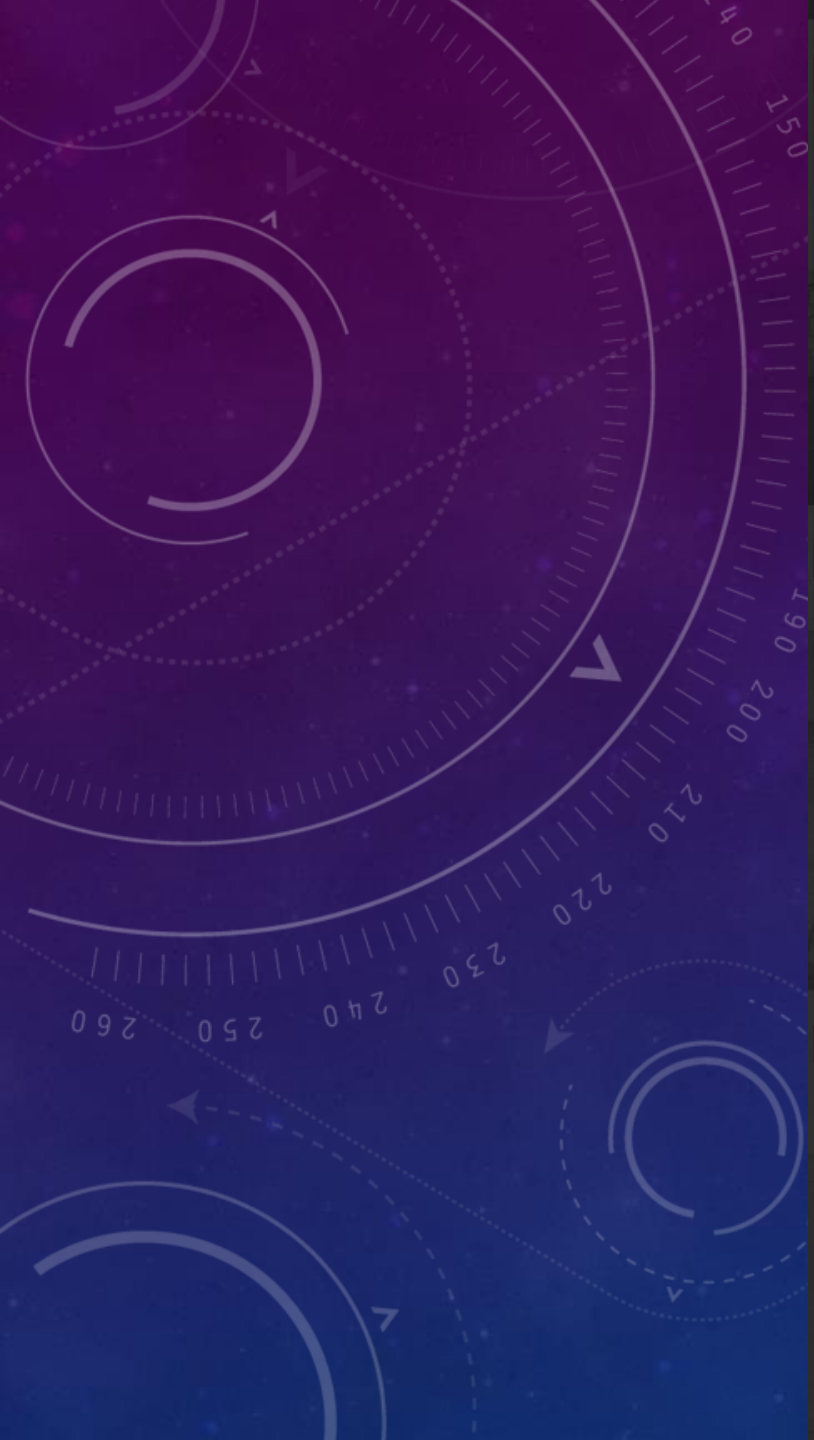
MARGARET BONDFIELD
1873-1953

A LOCAL PIONEER FOR
WORKING PEOPLE



VICTORIAN CHARD





DRAPERY SHOP WORK



The Trials of Shopwork



TAKING THE LAW IN ONE'S OWN HANDS.

Fair but Considerate Customer. "PRAY SIT DOWN. YOU LOOK SO TIRED. I'VE BEEN RIDING ALL THE AFTERNOON IN A CARRIAGE, AND DON'T REQUIRE A CHAIR."

BEATRICE AND SIDNEY WEBB







Cartoon showing Bondfield
addressing a NAUSAWC
recruitment meeting, July 1898



WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

- WSPU – Women's Social and Political Union – “Suffragettes” – Emiline and Christabel Pankhurst, concentrated on one issue “votes for women”, used direct actions to keep the issue in the public eye.
- WLL – Women's Labour League – “Suffragists”- worked to secure equality for women on a range of issues, through the Labour Party. Attracted working-class women.



WOMEN'S RIGHTS

Dedicated to improve equality and conditions for women, working with the Women's Co-operative Guild and Women's Labour League

- Maternity benefits
- Women's working conditions
- Infant mortality and child welfare

NATIONAL PROMINENCE

- Elected to TUC General Council in November 1918 and General Secretary in 1923
- Governing body of Ruskin College, Oxford
- Justice of the Peace
- Travelled to US, Canada, Bern and Russia



POLITICAL CAREER

- Unsuccessfully stood as Labour candidate in general elections of 1920 and 1922
- Elected as the Labour MP for Northampton in 1923 alongside 5 other women
- In 1926 she became MP for Wallsend and was re-elected in 1929



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LATER YEARS



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THE
WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE
STANDS FOR
WORLD DISARMAMENT



OUR TOWNS

A CLOSE-UP

A STUDY MADE DURING 1939-1942

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