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Introduction

The Typographical Association was a trade union for the printing trades outside London, formed in 1848. At the end of 1963, the Association merged with the London Typographical Society to create the National Graphical Association (operational from 1 January 1964).

The Reading branch was formed in 1898 by a group of local printers, and known as Reading Typographical Society. In 1934 a Maidenhead section was started. In 1946 the society expanded to cover Newbury and Wokingham, and in 1949 to Basingstoke, Hampshire, and Henley on Thames, Oxfordshire.

Employers included the Reading Chronicle, the Reading Standard, the Eastern Press, the Evening Gazette, Bracknell Press, the Newbury Weekly News, the Wokingham Times, the Berkshire Printing Co, Bird Bros, Bradley & Son Ltd, CWS Works, Containers (Thatcham), Croppers (Thatcham), Cusden's (later The Castleden Press), Creative Press (Reading) Ltd, Elsbury & Son, The Fairway Press, Gotelee Press, Greenslade & Co (later Greenslade Ltd), Hawkes, Irvin Bros, Knill & Sons, Lamport Gilbert & Co (later Lamport Gilbert Ltd), Lower Earley Printing Works, Maidenhead Electrical Press, The Merivale Press (Basingstoke), F Newing (Bracknell), Osco Ltd, Philip Palmer Press, Parnells, Petty & Sons (later C Nicholls), Poynder's, Quality Press (Caversham), Reed Cartons Ltd (Thatcham), Rochdale Press, G Simpson & Son, Skipper, East & Co (Basingstoke), Target Press, Valley Press, Valpee Press, Verstage Brothers (later S R Verstage & Sons) (Basingstoke), and Wyman & Sons Ltd (later Cox & Wyman Ltd).

Members were organised in workplace 'chapels'.

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1	Minutes		
1/1	Branch and committee minutes, March 1898-April 1907.	1 vol	1898-1907
1/2	[Number reserved; minutes, 1907-1916, appear to be missing.]		
1/3	Branch and committee minutes, October 1916-November 1918, January 1919.	1 vol	1916-1919
1/4	Branch and committee minutes, December 1918-September 1920. [For one special meeting in January 1919, see D/EX1941/2/3.]	1 vol	1918-1920
1/5	Branch and committee minutes, October 1920-January 1924.	1 vol	1920-1924
1/6	Branch and committee minutes, February 1924-January 1925.	1 vol	1924-1925
1/7	Branch and committee minutes, February 1925-January 1929.	1 vol	1925-1929
1/8	Branch and committee minutes, January 1929-July 1935.	1 vol	1929-1935
1/9	Branch and committee minutes, July 1935-January 1941. (Includes, at front, minutes of special meeting of chapel officers to consider question of relief for sick members, n.d., and Comp[ositors' Wages] Committee, April [1938].)	1 vol	1935-1941
1/10/1-8	Draft minutes of special meeting of chapel representatives to consider compositors' wages, February 1938, and special sub-committee relating to compositors' wages, March 1938. [Not entered into D/EX1941/1/9.]	1 bdl	1938
1/11	Branch and committee minutes, January 1941-January 1949.	1 vol	1941-1949
1/12	Branch and committee minutes, January 1949-June 1953.	1 vol	1949-1953
1/13	Branch and committee minutes, July 1953-March 1957.	1 vol	1953-1957
1/14	Branch and committee minutes, March 1957-September 1960.	1 vol	1957-1960

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1	Minutes (cont.)		
1/15	Branch and committee minutes, September 1960-October 1964.	1 vol	1960-1964
1/16	Branch and committee minutes, October 1964-February 1969.	1 vol	1964-1969
2	Accounts		
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2/1	Treasurer's accounts, June 1937-March 1957. (Includes receipts [of subscriptions] from the secretary and payments (mainly of benefits for unemployed or sick members, none named, and contributions to the Labour Party and to the national association) by the treasurer. Described on front page as 'Treasurer's Book'.)	1 vol	1937-1957
	Annual statements of accounts		
2/2	Annual balance sheets (audited), 1954-1970. (Manuscript.)	1 vol	1955-1971
2/3/1-10	Half-yearly statements of accounts (printed), half-years ending June 1923-December 1927. (Includes names of members in arrears.)	1 bdl	1923-1928
2/4/1-66	Half-yearly statements of accounts (printed), half-years ending June 1928-December 1947, quarter ending March 1948, and half-years ending September 1948-September 1960. (Includes names of members in arrears.)	1 bdl	1928-1960
2/5/1-19	Half-yearly statements of accounts (printed), half-years ending March 1961-March 1970. (Includes names of members in arrears.)	1 bdl	1961-1970
3	Miscellaneous		
3/1	Annotated draft of constitution of Wyman's (Reading) Machine Room Chapel.	1 doc	1937
3/2	Rules of Reading Printing & Kindred Trades Federation.	1 doc	n.d. [c.1920s]