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Anarchos
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Black Star
ca.1976 Apr
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Breakthrough
1987
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Communities
1997
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25th Anniversary issue.

Cultural Correspondence
1977-1978
Box 3
A City for People
1974
Box 7

Published by the Montreal Citizens Movement.

Dateline
1991 Sep-Nov
Box 3

Also includes a pamphlet, "Nonviolence International."

The Defenestrator
2009
Box 3
Extra!
1991-1993
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Extra!
1995
Box 8
Extra! Update
1994-1995
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Fifth Estate
1975-1976

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Frontline
1991-1992
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Future Survey
1987 May
Box 8
Future Survey
1988-1991
Box 8
Future Survey
1992 Feb-Jun
Box 8
Graswurzel Revolution
1985 Nov
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Green Revolution
1978
Box 3
Growing Without Schooling
1994-1998
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The How-To-Start Folder for Self-Managed Businesses
ca.1977
Box 5
In Common
1975-1976
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In These Times
1981 Sep
Box 3
John Holt's Bookstore Catalog
1993-1995
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John Holt's Bookstore Catalog
1997 Jun
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Just Economics
1973-1976
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Left Green Notes
1991 Feb-Mar
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Liberation
1967 Sep-Oct
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Liberation
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Liberation
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Lies Of Our Times
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The Match!
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Monthly Review
1958 Jul-Aug
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More Than A Paycheck
1995
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Moving On
1977 Sep
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Ms.
1982 Aug
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Ms.
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New American Movement
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New American Movement - Moving On
1975 Jan-Feb
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Non-Offensive Defense
1985-1989
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The Nonviolent Activist
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The Nonviolent Activist
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The Nonviolent Activist
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The Nonviolent Activist
1997-2001
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The Nuclear Resister
1990-1991
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The Nuclear Resister
2003 Apr
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1987-1990
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Off Our Backs
1977-1978
Box 4
Off Our Backs
1982-1985
Box 4
Off Our Backs
1987-1988
Box 4
Off Our Backs
1990 Jun-Sep
Box 4
Off Our Backs
1994-1996
Box 4
Open Road
1976-1977
Box 3
Organizing Notes

1979 Jan-Feb
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Our Generation
1966 Nov
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Our Generation
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Our Generation
1985
Box 7
Our Generation
1988-1990
Box 7
Our Generation
1992-1994
Box 7
Peace Calendar
1968-1970
Box 8
Peace Calendar
1972-1979
Box 8
Peace News for Nonviolent Revolution
1976 Jun
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Peace News for Nonviolent Revolution
1993 Apr
Box 3
Peace Review
1990-1992
Box 3
Peace Work
1977-1978
Box 8
Peace Work
1980-1983
Box 8
Peace Work
1985-1990
Box 8
Peace Work
1993-1999
Box 8
Peace Work
2003-2004
Box 8
Peace Work - Correspondence & Indexes
1985-1986
Box 8

Four documents related to Peace Work: A Comprehensive Peacework Index from 1972-1984; two copies of a special edition of Peacework with essay compilations from Fall 1996; and a reminder for subscribers to renew their subscriptions from March 1989.

Peace Work - Correspondance & Indexes
1989 Mar
Box 8
Plain
ca.1973
Box 3
Racism and Busing in Boston
ca.1973
Box 7

Published by Radical America.

Radical America
1970-1985
Box 5
Radical America
1987 Dec
Box 5
Radical America
1970-1974
Box 7
Radical America
1977-1979
Box 7
Radical America
1983, 1987
Box 7
The Red Menace
1976 Feb
Box 3
Root & Branch
ca.1973, 1979, 1982
Box 3
Science for the People
1982
Box 3
The Second Wave
ca.1973
Box 3
Association for Self Management Newsletter
1973-1976
Box 5
Self Management
1977-1980
Box 5
Self Management Misc.
1974 Jan-Feb
Box 5
Workplace Democracy
1981
Box 5

Workplace Democracy is Self-Management under a new name. The magazine seemingly renamed itself between the summer of 1980 and Spring of 1981.

Self Management - miscellaneous
1974 Jan-Feb
Box 5

Documents pertaining to the "First Annual Conference of People for Self-Management."

Seven Days A Weekly Newsmagazine
1976
Box 4
Seven Days Misc.
ca.1979
Box 4
Seven Days
1975-1979
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Social Inventions
1989 Jun-Jul
Box 3
Socialism and Democracy
1985-1987
Box 7
Socialist Review
1970
Box 5
Socialist Review
1972-1982

Box 5
Socialist Review
1987-1988
Box 5
Socialist Revolution
1977-1988
Box 5

In December 1977 Socialist Review Changed its name to Socialist Revolution.

Soil of Liberty
ca.1975-1976
Box 3
Sojourner
2002 Jan
Box 3
Solidarity for Social Revolution
1978
Box 3
Solidarity for Workers' Power
1975 May
Box 3
The Storm!
1980
Box 3
Synthesis
1979
Box 3
Telos
1968-1983
Box 6
Trivia
1982
Box 5
Toward Freedom/Euro File
1990 May
Box 3
Towards a Revolutionary Party
1976 Jun
Box 3
Turbulence
2009 Dec
Box 3
Urgent Tasks
1977, 1980
Box 3
URPE
1976 Dec
Box 3
War Resistance
1976
Box 3
What Is Class Consciousness?
1971 Oct
Box 3
Win
1973-1977
Box 4
Win
1981-1982
Box 4
Win
2006
Box 4
Win
2008-2015
Box 4
Win
1972-1983

Box 2
Win
1971-1978
Box 1
Win
1980-1982
Box 1
Win Indexes
1978, 1980-1982
Box 4
Win Special Supplement
ca.1967 Feb
Box 1

Published to memorialize A.J. Muste, who died 1967-02-11.

Win Miscellaneous
ca.1973-1987
Box 4
Working Paper/Arbejdspapier
1985-1987
Box 7
WRL News
1980-1981
Box 3
The Yankee Radical
2008 Sep
Box 3
Yes!
1988
Box 8
Yes!
2000-2002
Box 8
Yes!
2014-2018
Box 8
Z Magazine
1992
Box 8
IRWIN, ROBERT A.

Building a Peace System, Irwin, Robert A., Washington, D.C.: ExPro Press (Exploratory Project on the Conditions of Peace.)

1989
Box 3
Mobilizing Democracy, Bates, Greg, ed., Monroe, ME: Common Courage Press, 1991.
1991
Box 3

Includes Irwin's 20 page essay, "Beyond Crisis Response - Building a Peace System", a condensation of the above book.

Why Nonviolence?, Irwin, Bob, and Gordon Faison.
ca.1982
Box 3

Special Dandelion Issue, issued by Movement for a New Society.

Unidentified Photographs
ca.1975
Box 3
Organizing Social Movements - miscellaneous
ca.1969-1980
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