

HOLMAN, MAY, 1893-1939

Mary Alice (May) Holman was born in 1893 in New South Wales and moved with her parents to Western Australia when she was two years old. Holman's mother, Katherine May nee Row, was active in Labor women's organizations and her father, John Barkell Holman, was a Labor member of the Legislative Assembly in 1901-21 and 1923-25.

From 1918 May Holman assisted her father at the Timber Workers' Union in clerical and book-keeping work and arbitration, spending nine months in the Victorian Arbitration Court. She knew much about timber families' lives and, after her father's death in 1925, was briefly acting secretary of the union and won pre-selection for his blue-ribbon seat of Forrest, a predominantly timber electorate. She won the by-election, thereby becoming the first Labor woman parliamentarian in Australia, and retained the seat through four following elections.

She was secretary to the Parliamentary Labor Party and was involved with the Labor Women's Organisation, Perth Labor Women, Labor Women's Central Executive and the Labor Women's Interstate Executive.

Source: Australian Dictionary of Biography (online):

<http://adb.anu.edu.au/biography/holman-mary-alice-may-6711>

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405	1744A	3 cm	1965 & 1968	BA/OM/12/0068	
	2028A	1 cm	August 1971		
	2279A	1 cm	August 1973		
	3387A	1 cm	August 1985		
	6799A	1 certificate	20 November 2006		
	8209A	5 cm			
	10464A	43 cm (1 OSM box)	21 December 2020		

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ACC		CERTIFICATES
ACC 2279A	1925?	Presented to mark May Holman's service in the office of Assistant General Secretary of the Australian Timber Workers' Union, 1918-1925

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ACC 10464A/1 PA 164 (OSM)	1903-1908	<p>June 1903. May Holman. Trinity College London. Pupil's certificate, musical knowledge, preparatory division</p> <p>June 1904. May Alice Holman. Trinity College London. Pupil's certificate, musical knowledge, junior</p> <p>July 1904. Mary Alice Holman. Trinity College London. Pupil's certificate, pianoforte, junior</p> <p>June July 1905. Mary Alice Holman. Trinity College of Music London. Pupil's certificate, pianoforte, intermediate</p> <p>December 1906. May Holman. Trinity College of Music London. Pupil's certificate, musical knowledge, intermediate</p> <p>1906. Mary Holman. University of Adelaide. Primary examination</p> <p>1908. Mary Alice Holman. University of Adelaide. Junior examination</p> <p>August September 1908. Mary Alice Holman. Trinity College of Music London. Pupil's certificate, pianoforte, senior</p>
ACC 10464A/2 PA 164 (OSM)	1909-1918	<p>July [1909?]. Mary Alice Holman. Trinity College London. Pupil's certificate, pianoforte, preparatory</p> <p>December 1909. Mary Alice Holman. Trinity College of Music London. Pupil's certificate, musical knowledge, senior</p> <p>1909. Mary Alice Holman. University of Adelaide. Higher examination</p> <p>1909. Mary Alice Holman. University of Adelaide. Senior examination</p> <p>1910. Mary Alice Holman. University of Adelaide. Senior examination</p> <p>November 1912. Mary Alice Holman. Fremantle Chamber of Commerce. Junior commercial examination for optional subjects</p> <p>1918. Mary Alice Holman. Associated Board of the Royal Academy of Music and the Royal College of Music. Rudiments of music, pass certificate</p>
ACC 10464A/3 PA 164 (OSM)	1920	<p>1920. Mary Alice Holman. Associated Board of the Royal Academy of Music and the Royal College of Music. Licentiate of the Associated Board examination</p>
ACC 10464A/4 PA 164 (OSM)	1920 -1929	<p>December 1920. Mary Alice Holman. Trinity College of Music London. Teachers diploma, pianoforte playing, art of teaching and rudiments of music</p> <p>December 1920. Mary Alice Holman. Trinity College of Music London. Teachers diploma, singing, art of teaching and the rudiments of music. Admitted to position of Associate</p> <p>January 1921. Mary Alice Holman. Trinity College of Music London. Teachers diploma, pianoforte playing</p> <p>January 1921. Mary Alice Holman. Trinity College of Music London. Teachers diploma, singing</p> <p>1 August 1924. John Barkell Holman. Justice of the Peace, W.A.</p> <p>18 September 1925. Mary Alice Holman. Justice of the Peace</p>

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ACC 10464A/5 PA 164 (OSM)	1930-1937; undated	10 September 1930. Mary Alice Holman to be substitute representative...[of the] Assembly of the League of Nations at Geneva October 1934. May Holman M.L.A. City of Brunswick, on the centenary of Victoria 12 July 1935. May Holman M.L.A. Justice of the Peace, Tasmania 6 March 1937. Mary Alice Holman. Justice of the Peace No date. May Holman. League of Child Helpers
ACC 10464A/6 PA 164 (OSM)	1906-1907	J. B. Holman. Chamber of M[anufactures?]. Exhibition of West Australia, services rendered. Torn, half of certificate
ACC 6799A	1907	Life membership certificate presented to John B Holman from the Amalgamated Timber Workers' Union of Western Australia Photographic print and cd copy
		CORRESPONDENCE
ACC 1744A/1	5 August – 14 October 1930	12 Postcards from May Holman to John Holman (brother) whilst overseas
ACC 1744A/2	14 September 1930	Letter from May Holman to family Geneva
ACC 1744A/3		Letters of condolence on death of May Holman 5 letters
ACC 2028A/4	12,13 April 1939	Letters of condolence (3) on death of May Holman from Australian Pensioners League (Perth)
ACC 1744A/4	1 August 1914 – 27 July 1951	Miscellaneous correspondence, Holman family 7 letters
		FILES
ACC 8209A/1	1925-1939	Newspaper cuttings of family and career - letters about her overseas trips to family and friends – letters to Perth Labour women - articles sent to <i>Herald</i> newspaper, Melbourne - newspaper cuttings about her overseas trips. – newspaper obituary notices of her father John B Holman (MLA) and herself
		INVITATIONS
ACC 3387A/1	1930	Invitation to Miss May Holman to meet the Representatives of the Dominions and India at the Imperial Conference, at a reception at Lancaster House, St James, England from the Prime Minister and Miss MacDonald
		MISCELLANEOUS
ACC 3387A/2	1893	Miner's ticket issued to John Barkell Holman. Broken Hill Branch, Barrier Colonial District No, 3 of the Amalgamated Miner's Association of Australasia
ACC 3387A/3	1911	Australian Labor Federation, WA Division, Member's Yearly Ticket. Issued to Mrs J Holman
ACC 1744A/14	1912	Labor Women's Social Club, Officers
ACC 2028A/1	1920-1921	WA Turf Club Members Ticket issued to JB Holman
ACC 1744A/13	1925	Bereavement cards on the death of John Barkell Holman who died on 23 February 1925. 2 cards
ACC 1744A/9	1921, 1929, 1930, 1938	Election cards and pamphlets
ACC 1744A/11	25 July 1930	Passport issued to May Holman

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ACC 1744A/12	6 May 1935	Document accompanying Silver Jubilee Medal issued to Mary Holman
ACC 3387A/4	1939	Election envelope
ACC 3387A/5		Envelope printed for the <i>Labor Daily Paper</i>
ACC 1744A/15 3 RD FLOOR RARE MATERIALS	12 May 1937	George VI Coronation medal, with ribbon and bar.
		PHOTOGRAPHS
4553B PICTORIAL COLLECTION		Transferred to Pictorial Collection
		PROFILES
ACC 3387A/6	1935	Profile (author unknown) on Mary Alice (May) Holman. Contains information on her father, John Barkell Holman. Written in 1935 when May Holman was 42 years of age.
ACC 3387A/7	1939	Profile of Mary Alice (May) Holman after her death on 20 March 1939
		PROGRAMMES
ACC 2028A/5	[1916]	Programme The Amateur Entertainers
ACC 2028A/2	2 October 1925	Programme of Sacred Heart High School Second Annual Sports Meeting
ACC 3387A/8		Programme and ticket for The Entertainers Costume Comedy Company at the Bassendean Town Hall. Ticket No. 491
ACC 2028A/3	27 October 1933	Invitation and programme for the Labor Women's Organisation 21 st Birthday Tea Party
ACC 1744A/8	1912-1965	Invitations and Programmes
		SOUVENIRS
PR6333 EPHEMERA COLLECTION	1933, 1935, 1937	Souvenirs issued by the Labor Women's Central Executive
		SPEECHES
ACC 1744A/10	1924, 1926	23 September 1924. JB Holman, Industrial Arbitration Act Amendment Bill 19 October 1926. Mary Holman, Timber Industry Regulation Bill (Reprints from Hansard)
ACC 3387A/9	16 August 1939	EJ (Ted) Holman, An advocacy of the requirements of the Forrest Electorate and the South-West (Reprint from Hansard)

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