

#### Ireland and the Irish in Interwar England

To what extent did the Irish disappear from English politics, life, and consciousness following the Anglo-Irish War? Mo Moulton offers a new perspective on this question through an analysis of the process by which Ireland and the Irish were redefined in English culture as a feature of personal life and civil society rather than a political threat. Considering the Irish as the first postcolonial minority, she argues that the Irish case demonstrates an English solution to the larger problem of the collapse of multi-ethnic empires in the twentieth century. Drawing on an array of new archival evidence, Moulton discusses the many varieties of Irishness present in England during the 1920s and 1930s, including working-class republicans, relocated southern loyalists, and Irish enthusiasts. The Irish connection was sometimes repressed, but it was never truly forgotten; this book recovers it in settings as diverse as literary societies, sabotage campaigns, drinking clubs, and demonstrations.

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### Abbreviations

AIB Archive of the Irish in Britain, Irish Studies Centre, London

Metropolitan University (London)

BC Boston College Burns Library (Boston, Mass.)

BL British Library (London)

BMH Bureau of Military History (located at National Archives of

Ireland, Dublin)

BPL Boston Public Library (Boston, Mass.)
CUL Cambridge University Library (Cambridge)

IWM Imperial War Museum (London)

JRUL John Rylands University Library (Manchester)

LHA Labour History Archive and Study Centre (Manchester)

Liverpool LSRO Liverpool Local Studies and Record Office LMA London Metropolitan Archive (London) LSE London School of Economics (London)

NA National Archives (Kew)

NAI National Archives of Ireland (Dublin) NLI National Library of Ireland (Dublin)

TCD Trinity College (Dublin)
UCD University College Dublin

WCML Working Class Movement Library (Salford)

WL Women's Library, London Metropolitan University

(London)

WYAS West Yorkshire Archive Service (Kirklees)

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