

## Annie Chappell

Annie Chappell was the secretary of the Bristol branch of the No-Conscription Fellowship (NCF), the national organisation campaigning against conscription and supporting COs and their families. Her name and address can be seen on this [NCF membership card](#).

She lived in Bedminster with her husband Bert, and Ernest and Florence Rudman. Bert and Ernest were both imprisoned as COs. Bert & Ernest's names appear in the leaflet [What Every Bristol Man Should Know](#).

Alongside being secretary of the NCF in Bristol, Annie was among those who played key roles in Bristol's Joint Advisory Committee for Conscientious Objectors. She worked closely with Mabel Tothill, who headed the Committee, as well as Annie Townley and Bertha Ayles—all members of the Independent Labour Party. They brought a wealth of experience from varied fields. Some had connected, or been brought closer, through campaigns in Bristol for votes for women and trades union rights. Along with her colleagues, Annie organised support for COs and their families locally.

After the eventual release of most COs, Annie and Bert attended the National Convention of the No-Conscription Fellowship on behalf of the Bristol branch in London in November 1919.

Later the family moved to South Wales where Annie was an organiser for the Communist Party which formed in 1920.

See also the pdfs on this website relating to the *NCF*, *Annie Townley*, *Mabel Tothill* and *The Women Who Ran CO Support Activities in Bristol*.