

This was a message sent by a war reporter in 1870. The town he was in was blocked off and he would not have been able to send anything by post.

- What method do you think he was using to get this message to its recipient?
- How did it get damaged?
- Who was he trying to communicate with?
- What do you think he might have written on it?

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These are from a photographer reporting during the Irish War of Independence.

- What do you think these objects are made out of?
- What is the relationship between the two objects on the top?
- What are the cases to the left used to hold?
- When were these objects used?

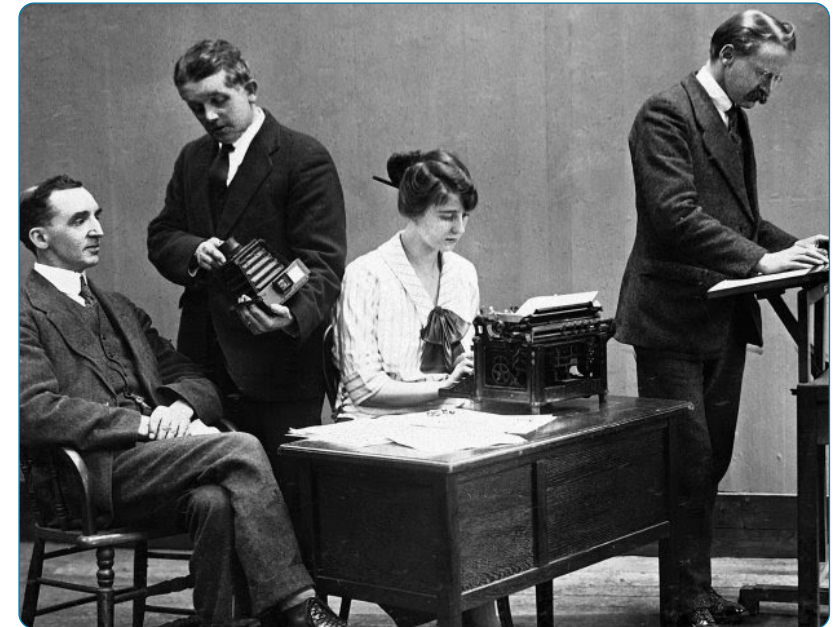
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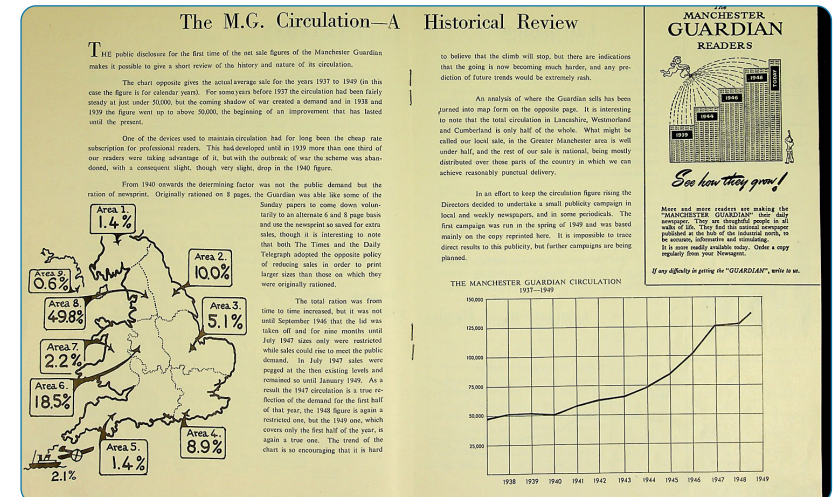
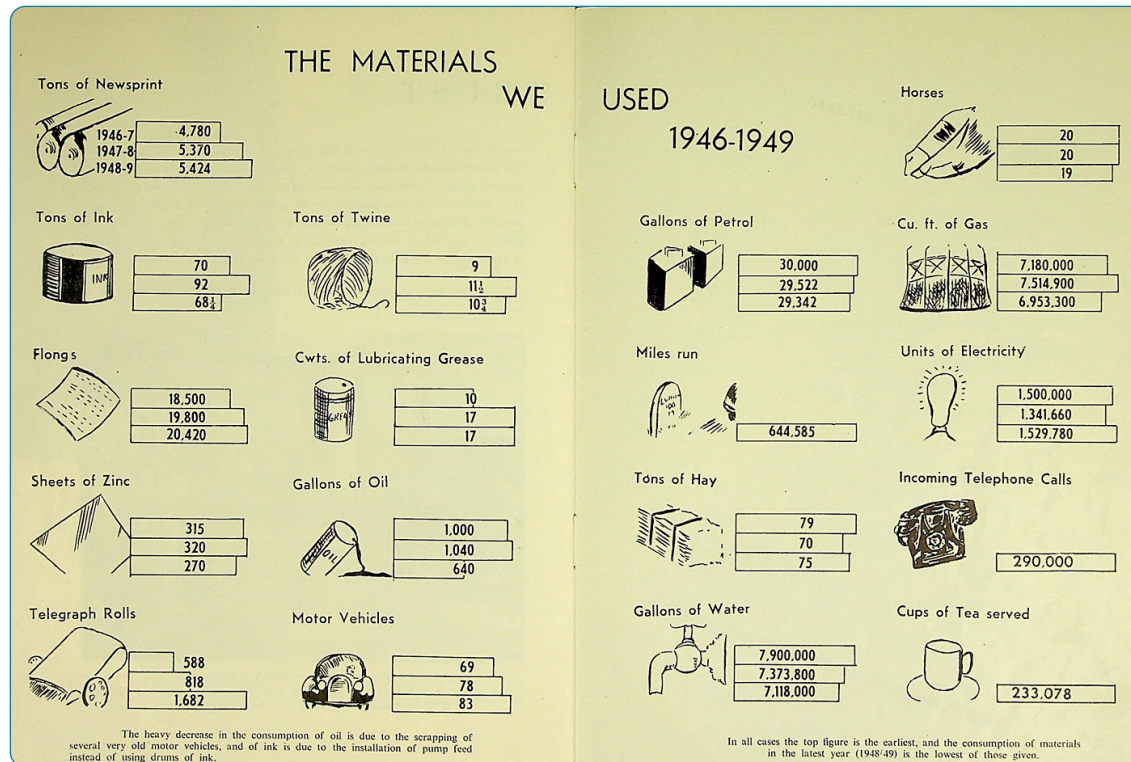
These are images of Guardian staff from an album made for the Guardian's 100th anniversary.

- What guesses can you make about the people?
- Two of the photos have women in them. What was their role?
- Some of the people look about your age. What do you think their jobs were?
- Why do you think the Guardian wanted to make this album?



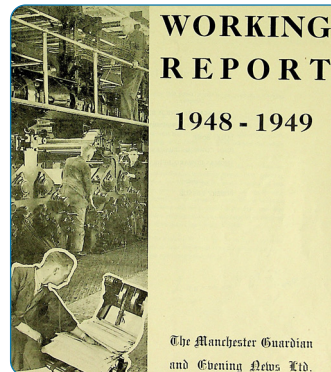
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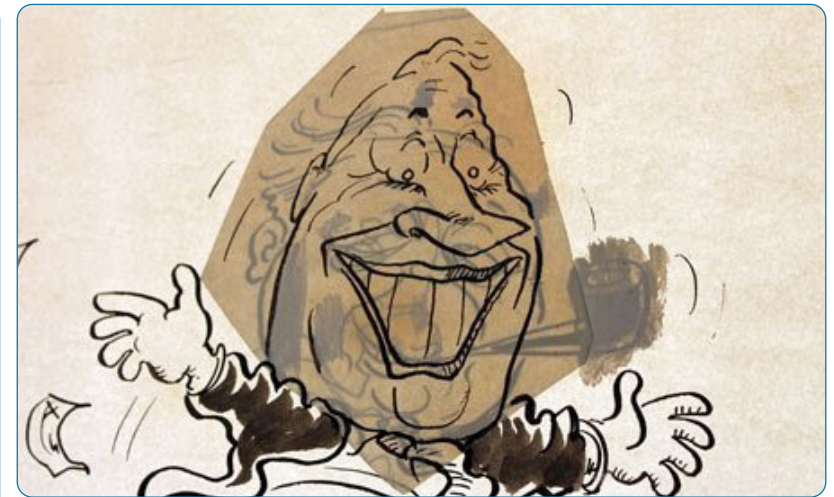
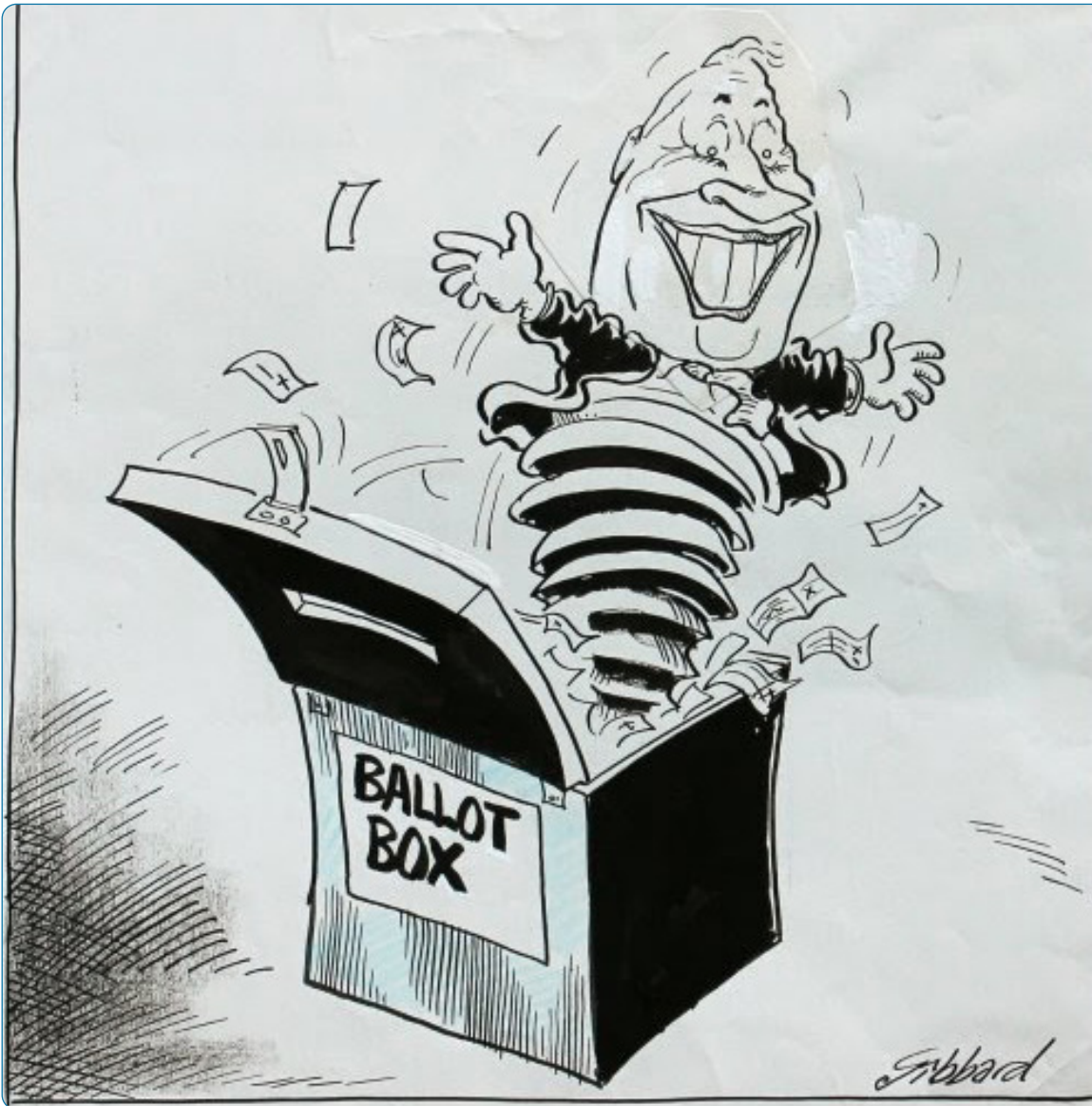
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These images are of working reports from the 1940s.

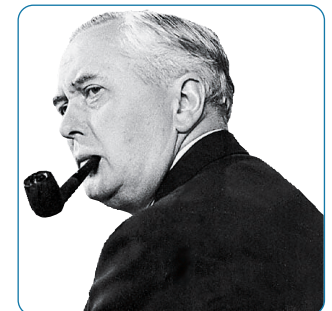
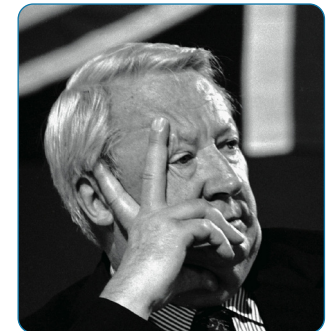
- What information does the graphic above show?
- What does the map to the left show?
- Why were these produced?
- How would they be different today?





This is a cartoon from an election in 1970. Either Ted Heath (above right) or Harold Wilson (below right) would become Prime Minister.

- What do you think the artist is trying to say in his cartoon?
- What does this image above tell you about what happened in the election?
- What does the picture above tell you about the way newspapers were produced in the 1970s?
- How do you think this is different to today?





This item is very heavy and made out of metal.

- What was it used for?
- Who would have used it?
- How big do you think it is?
- When was it from?
- Why do we have it in the Guardian Archive?



This item was used by Guardian reporters reporting from outside of London.

- When do you think it was used?
- What was it used for?
- How did the different parts of it work?
- Why would reporters use this?
- What is an equivalent item that might be used today?