# GB/2134/ B PIC PERSONAL PAPERS WILLIAM PICKLES (1912 to 1998)

# **Admin-biog history**

William Norman Pickles, general practitioner and epidemiologist, was born 6 March 1885 in Leeds, son of John Jagger Pickles, a general practitioner, and Lucy Pickles. Pickles was educated at Leeds Grammar School and afterwards studied medicine at the medical school of the then Yorkshire College. In his third year he proceeded with his clinical studies at the Leeds General Infirmary, where he qualified as a licentiate of the Society of Apothecaries in 1909. After serving as resident obstetric officer at the Infirmary, he began a series of temporary jobs and locums in general practice. In 1910 he graduated MB BS London and became MD in 1918.

His first visit to Aysgarth was as a locum for Dr Hime in 1912. After serving as a ship's doctor on a voyage to Calcutta, he returned to Aysgarth later that year as second assistant to Dr Hime. In 1913 he and the other assistant Dean Dunbar were able to purchase the practice. Pickles served as general practitioner in Aysgarth until he retired in 1964. His only break was when, interrupted by the First World War, he served as surgeon-lieutenant in the Royal Naval Volunteers.

In 1926 Pickles read and was inspired by 'The Principles of Diagnosis and Treatment in Heart Affections' by Sir James Mackenzie, who had made many important contributions to medical knowledge from his general practice in Burnley. An epidemic of catarrhal jaundice broke out in Wensleydale in 1929 affecting two hundred and fifty people out of a population of five thousand seven hundred. Pickles was able to trace the whole epidemic to a girl who he had seen in bed on the morning of a village fete and who he never thought would get up that day. In this enclosed community Pickles was able to trace and to establish the long incubation for this disease of 26 to 35 days. He published an account of the epidemic in the British Medical Journal 24 May 1930. Two years later he published record of an outbreak of Sonne dysentry and in 1933 he recorded in the British Medical Journal the first out break of Bornholm disease (Epidemic Myalgia). His first published medical paper was on Vincent's disease and was published in the Royal Naval Medical Journal in 1918.

In 1935 Pickles described some of his work to the Royal Society of Medicine. After this meeting a leading article in the British Medical Journal stated "It may mark the beginning of a new era in epidemiology". Major Greenwood, an outstanding epidmeiologist of the time, suggested that he should write a book on his observations, which was published in 1939 as 'Epidemiology in Country Practice'. It became a medical classic [and is still in print today], establishing Pickles's reputation. It showed how a country practice could be a field laboratory with unique opportunities for epidemiologists.

Pickles had become famous, and subsequently received many honours. He was Milroy lecturer at the Royal College of Physicians of London (1942) and Cutter lecturer at Harvard (1948). In 1946 he shared the Stewart prize of the BMA with Major Greenwood, in 1953 the Bisset-Hawkins medal of the Royal College of Physicians, and in 1955 he was elected an honorary fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh and was awarded the first James Mackenzie medal. He was honoured with an Honorary Doctorate of Science from Leeds University in 1950, and in 1957 was appointed CBE. He became the first president of the

College of General Practitioners in 1953, a post he held until 1956. He sat on numerous committees including the General Health Services Council and Register General's Advisory Committee and lectured extensively both at home and abroad.

In 1917 he married Gerturde Adelaide, daughter of Harry Tunstill, a wealthy mill owner from Burnley. Pickles died 2 March 1969, his wife died later the same year.

# **Collection Description**

Certificates; patients lists; correspondence; photographs; annotated copies of own work; epidemiological charts; research notes; manuscripts of articles; lectures, addresses and supporting lecture materials; medals; personal notes

Professional papers consisting of patients lists and diary, 1940-1950, manuscripts of articles, lectures and addresses, both paper based and recorded onto compact disc, 1930-1963, supporting lecture materials, research notes and related correspondence, including epidemiological charts, 1929-1962, annotated copy of book and reviews, 1939, correspondence regarding presidentship of RCGP, 1953-1985, correspondence, reports, lectures and speeches in other professional roles, 1934-1968. Biographical material consisting of medals and awards, 1934-1965, the official biography by John Pemberton, 1970, correspondence and letters, photographs, personal reflections, local and genealogical records, obituaries.

#### Name of creator

William Norman Pickles (1885-1969)

# **Associated material**

- Selection of papers were deposited at North Yorkshire County Record Office, Northallerton, by Mrs Patience Clayton, Pickles' daughter, in October 1984. Amongst the papers are commonplace books, Gertrude Pickles' (Pickles' wife) diaries, 4 scrapbooks and photograph albums arranged by Mrs Clayton of events in the life of Will Pickles, and Mrs Clayton's unpublished writings about Pickles.
- Epidemiological charts at London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine;
- Correspondence with Pickles can be found in the W.O. Williams Papers, held in the College archives; GB/2134/B-WO
- Correspondence with Pickles can be found in the Personal Papers of John Hunt, held in the College Archives, GB/2134/B HUN

#### **Publication Note**

'Will Pickles of Wensleydale' (1970; reprinted 1984, RCGP), John Pemberton; 'Epidemiology in Country Practice' (1st edition, 1939; re-issue, 1941; reprinted, 1984, RCGP),

#### **Archival history**

Most of collection donated by Mrs Patience Clayton, daugther of Pickles, October 1969. Photographs of Aysgarth donated by Dr D. Woods, 1983, and photographs taken for Pickles lecture donated by Professor Murray, 1998

# Language

English

#### Accruals

None expected

# Arrangement

Functional. This is to reflect the roles Pickles performed throughout his professional life, for example as a general practitioner and as president of the College of General Practitioners

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National Council on Archives, rules for the construction of Personal, Place and Corporate Names, 1997; ISAD(G), Second Edition, 2000

# **Repro conditions**

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#### Extent

8 Boxes: 7 archival boxes; 1 oversize box; some oversize material in portfolio folder

# **Date created**

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# William Pickles Collection Catalogue

# A - PROFESSIONAL PAPERS

A1 Role as a general practitioner 1940-1965

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A5 Other Professional Roles 1934-1968

#### **B - BIOGRAPHICAL MATERIAL**

B1 Awards 1934-1965

B2 Material About Pickles 1954-1984

B3 Family and Professional Papers 1902-1965

# A. Professional Papers

Material reflecting Pickles' career in the medical profession. He practiced as GP for over fifty years in Aysgarth, Yorkshire, until his retirement in 1964. Throughout this period he conducted extensive research into epidemiology, using the Aysgarth District and its inhabitants he worked tirelessly to investigate epidemiological trends in rural areas. He lectured throughout Britain and worldwide, in America, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa. He was appointed Cutter Lecturer, 1947-48 at Harvard University, America. Pickles was influential in the founding of the College of General Practitioners (later the Royal College of General Practitioners) and held the post of First President, 1953-1956. These papers include patient lists, speeches and correspondence, and a diary relating to Pickles role as GP; articles, lecture notes and accompanying slides, research notes, correspondence and articles by other authors relating to his research work; material relating to his publications, including a personal annotated copy of his book, 'Epidemiology in Country Practice' (1939) and accompanying reviews; letters, addresses and lecture notes for the first James Mackenzie lecture, 1954, and photographs relating to his role as RCGP President; and notes of lectures, speeches, reports and correspondence relating to other his other professional roles, such as Medical Officer of Health for Aysgarth Rural District.

Arrangement: Functional

# A1. Role as General Practitioner, 1940 - 1965

Material relating to Pickles in his role as General Practitioner in Aysgarth, 1912-1964, including a pocket diary, 1940, a thermometer, material relating to 50th anniversary of Pickles as General Practitioner, 1962, and his retirement in 1964

N.B. For details on individual patients see his charts and records of occurrences of epidemic diseases within Aysgarth Rural District, B PIC A 2-4; for details of patients suffering from Bornholm disease (Epidemic Myalgia) see B PIC A 2-6 (i); for material relating to the unveiling of the Pickles memorial plaque in Aysgarth, 1971, see Pickles role as President of the College of General Practitioners (later the Royal College of General Practitioners) B PIC A 4-7

B PIC A 1 - 1 **Diary**Pocket diary for 1940 with notes on visits to and condition of - 1940

patients

Item: names are scored through suggesting that Pickles carried this on his rounds to record the visits made to his patients

#### B PIC A 1 - 2 Instruments

Thermometer used by Pickles, in metal case, made by Reynolds & Branson Ltd., Leeds

Item: broken as bulb at base of thermometer smashed, in metal casing, n.d. c.1940-60

# B PIC A 1 - 3 Tribute Dinner in honour of Dr and Mrs Pickles

1960 - 1960

Speech, correspondence relating to, and menu for tribute dinner for Dr and Mrs. Pickles, 22 October 1960. This dinner was organised by their medical friends, to show their appreciation for all the Pickles had done for the profession in Wensleydale;

- (i) Typed speech of Dr Pickles including toasts from colleagues at the end, 22 October 1960;
- (ii) 4 letters from friends and colleagues, 2 who could not attend the dinner, John Ingram, C.H. Stuart-Harris, and 2 letters regarding the success of the evening from Frank Hellin, Joseph W. Gilbert, 19 October - 1 December 1960;
- (iii) Menu of Tribute Dinner, 22 October 1960
- (iv) Article about the Tribute Dinner [n.d., publication unknown] (located in Pickles' personal copy of his book, B PIC A 3-1) *Item: The menu is endorsed by the quotation, handwritten, that Pickles used to end his speech*

Date details: 19 October 1960 - 1 December 1960.

# B PIC A 1 - 4 **50 years in General Practice** Includes:

1962

- 1962

- (i) Leather bound volume containing list of names of Pickles' patients, presented to him to commemorate 50 years service in Aysgarth;
- (ii) Letters of congratulations on his 50th anniversary from James Mackintosh, Muriel Ritchie, College of General Practitioners [later Royal College of General Practitioners], Margaret Hopper, Sir John McNee, Dr Alex J. Macleod, John L. Cotton, and Alan and Dorothy Burrows

Item: Patients names appear in italics not as signatures Date details: 8 September - 17 September 1962.

### B PIC A 1 - 5 Retirement, October 1964

1964

- 1965

Pickles retired in October 1964, at the age of 79. Contains letters and cards from colleagues, former patients and friends on the occasion of his retirement, many of these were prompted by newspaper articles announcing his retirement. Also contains cards from his patients wishing him well after the amputation of his right leg in 1965

(i) Amongst the letters congratulating him on his retirement are

ones from Lord Cohen of Birkenhead, Dr F.J.W. Miller, Newcastle, and James Mackintosh.

(ii) 4 get well cards from the villages of Aysgarth, Worton, Bainbridge, and Askrigg, signed by former patients, October 1965. Includes three letters from friends, 2 October - 30 December 1965. Date details: 15 October 1964 - 30 December 1965.

# A2. Research Work, 1917 - 1969

Manuscripts of articles, lectures and speeches, both typescript and longhand, and accompanying support material, including slides and a poster advertising a lecture, relating to epidemiological research, particularly based around his book, 'Epidemiology in Country Practice' (1939) [see B PIC A 3-1] 1930-1963; epidemiological charts and drawings, including birthrate charts and plan of the Aysgarth District where Pickles carried out his research; reports, records and correspondence relating to various diseases 1917-1969; and additional articles on infectious disease by other authors, n.d.

[See A CE G 5-4, Research Committee Chairman's Correspondence, for correspondence between Dr R.J.F.H. Pinsent and Pickles, 1953-57]

N.B. Some slides depict more personal images of Pickles and Aysgarth. for photographs of the areas and notes about the Dales, see B/PIC/B/3

#### B PIC A 2 - 1 **Published Articles**

1930 - 1962

Offprints of articles written by Pickles, emanating from his research work, including related correspondence, published in various journals, in chronological order:

- (i) 'Epidemic Catarrhal Jaundice: An Outbreak in Yorkshire', The British Medical Journal, 24 May 1930;
- (ii) 'Sonne Dysentry in a Yorkshire Dale', The Lancet, 2 July 1932 (2 copies);
- (iii) "Bornholm" Disease: Account of a Yorkshire Outbreak', the British Medical Journal, 4 November 1933 (2 copies);
- (iv) 'Opportunities of Country Doctors: Discussion at the Institute on 1st June', from Congress Proceedings of the Royal Institute of Public Health, 1935; Review of paper, the British Medical Journal, 15 June 1935 (located in B PIC A 3-1, Pickles Box 4);
- (v) 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', from the Proceedings of The Royal Society of Medicine, August 1935, vol.XXVIII (3 copies), excerpt referring to paper read by Pickles to the Section of Epidemiology and State Medicine of the Royal Society of Medicine, May 1935, and correspondence with Lord Moynihan supplying him with a copy of the paper, Moynihan congratulates him on his work, 7-9 September 1935;
- (vi) 'Epidemic Catarrhal Jaundice, with special reference to its Epidemiology', the British Journal of Children's Diseases, July-September 1936, vol. XXXIII (2 copies);
- (vii) 'Epidemic Myalgia in Children', the British Journal of Children's Diseases, vol. XXXIV, April-June 1937;

- (viii) 'Epidemic Catarrhal Jaundice', The Lancet, 15 April 1939 (3 copies);
- (ix) 'A Rheumatic Family', The Lancet, 21 August 1943 (3 copies) [see B PIC A 2-4 for chart with diagram];
- (x) 'Epidemic Nausea and Vomiting', published in The Medical Annual, 1944 (photocopy);
- (xi) 'Epidemic Respiratory Infection in a Rural Population with Special Reference to the Influenza A Epidemics of 1933, 1936-7 and 1943-4', by Pickles, F.M. Burnet and Norma McArthur, published in The Journal of Hygiene, vol. 45, no.4, 4 December 1947; attached correspondence between Pickles and The Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Research in Pathology and Medicine, Melbourne Australia, on finalising draft for publication, & 3 author's presentation copies;
- (xii) 'The Country Doctor', The Lancet, 7 February 1948 (4 copies, including 1 photocopy). This was given as the Finlayson lecture, 13 November 1946 [see B PIC A 2-2 (viii) for manuscript of lecture];
- (xiii) 'Research in General Practice, the British Medical Journal, 4 September 1948, vol. II (3 copies);
- (xiv) 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', The New England Journal of Medicine, 16 September 1948. This was given as The Cutter Lecture on Preventive Medicine, Harvard School of Public Health, Boston, USA, 12 April 1948. [See B PIC A 2-2 (xii) for manuscript of lecture; see B PIC A 5-4 for speeches made whilst on USA trip, 1948];
- (xv) 'A General Practitioner's Reflections', Health Bulletin, vol. VIII no. 2, 1950 (3 copies);
- (xvi) 'Trends of General Practice: A Hundred Years in a Yorkshire Dale', The Practitioner, October 1951, vol. 167 (1 copy & 1 photocopy);
- (xvii) 'Epidemiology in General Practice', The Queensland Post-Graduate Medical Journal, vol. I, no. 4, June 1951 'Epidemiology in General Practice: Lecture II', The Queensland Post-Graduate Medical Journal, vol. I, no. 5, December 1951 [see B PIC A 2-2 (xviii) for lecture notes];
- (xviii) 'Then and Now', the University of Leeds Medical Journal, vol. II, no.3, 1953 (2 copies);
- (xix) 'And this was my Path', The University of Leeds Review, vol. III, no.4, 1953 (3 copies);
- (xx) 'Sylvest's Disease (Bornholm Disease), the New England Journal of Medicine, 17 June 1954 (3 copies & 1 photocopy of offprint which had been annotated by Pickles) [see B PIC A 2 -5

for correspondence with Dr Sylvest];

(xxi) 'Epidemiology in the Yorkshire Dales', The Practitioner vol. 174, January 1955. This was given as the Sir James Mackenzie Lecture, 20 November 1954, at the College of General Practitioners [later the Royal College of General Practitioners]. [For material relating to Pickles' role as first President of the College see B PIC A 4-1];

(xxii) 3 contributions to the Bulletin for International Corresponding Club (later the International Epidemiological Association) on his interest in Epidemiology, 1955 (typescript);

(xxiii) 'The General Practitioner and the Laboratory', Zodiac, vol. IV, no.1, January 1957. This was given as a lecture at The Clinical Pathologists Association and at The BMA in 1955 (2 copies) [see B PIC A 2-2 (xx) for lecture notes];

(xxiv) *William Hilary, M.D. (1697-1763)*', Pickles & C.C. Booth, The British Medical Journal vol i, 12 January 1957 (3 copies);

(xxv) 'General Practice in the Country', The Queen's Medical Magazine, Journal of the Birmingham Medical School, vol. 49, no.2, May 1957 (3 copies, including photocopy, & handwritten draft);

(xxvi) Nottingham Meningitis, contribution for Independence Corresponding Club, 1958 (handwritten notes);

(xxvii) 'John Fothergill - A Great Son of a Yorkshire Dale', The New England Journal of Medicine, 31 May 1962 (3 copies) Item: For other published articles which do not specifically stem from Pickles' research work, see B PIC A 3-3 and 4; See B PIC A 2-2 for lectures and speeches that were on the same subject as many of the articles, often the articles emanated from the lectures Date details: 24 May 1930 - 31 May 1962.

# B PIC A 2 - 2 Lectures, Speeches and Related Correspondence

Includes notes, in typescript or longhand, from lectures and speeches given by Pickles on the subject of his research, drawing strongly from his work for his publication, 'Epidemiology in Country Practice' (1939) [see B PIC A 3-1]. Related correspondence and reviews of the lectures accompanies the relevant manuscripts. Also includes a compact disc with seven recordings of speeches given by Pickles and the original reels of two magnetic recording tapes. The file is organised in chronological order of the date when the lecture or speech was given:

- (i) Lecture to Society of Hygiene [untitled], 1 June 1939;
- (ii) Extracts and reviews of The Milroy Lecture, 1942, 'Epidemic Disease in English Village Life in Peace and War', The Medical Officer, 10 October 1942, The Lancet, 19 September 1942, The British Medical Journal, 17 October 1942 (located in B PIC A 3-1,

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- (iii) 'National Health Service', Catterick Camp, July 1943;
- (iv) 'The Country Doctor and the Public Health', Leeds, 28 April 1944; article about the lecture, Public Health, October 1944 (located in B PIC A 3-1, Pickles Box 4);
- (v) 'The General Practitioner and Research', Leeds 1945;
- (vi) 'Research in General Practice', n.d. This lecture was given to South Middlesex Division of the BMA, 18 May 1950?, and was reviewed in the British Medical Journal supplement (located in B PIC A 3-1, Pickles Box 4);
- (vii) 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', Leeds, 1946 [see B PIC A 2-3 (vi) for the poster which advertised this lecture];
- (viii) 'The Country Doctor' The Finlayson Lecture at Royal Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons, Glasgow, 13 November 1946. (For published version of this lecture, The Lancet, 7 February 1948 see B PIC A 2-1 (xii));
- (ix) The National Health Service, lecture given at the Newcastle Branch of the Socialist Medical Association, May 1947;
- (x) Lecture given at International Conference of Physicians, London, September 1947 [untitled]; article about the lecture, [publication unknown] 4 October 1947 (located in B PIC A 3-1, Pickles Box 4)
- (xi) 'The Country Doctor', Oxford University, November 1947?, Cornell University, USA, 1948 (2 drafts);
- (xii) 'Epidemiology in Country Practice' The Cutter Lecture, Harvard School of Public Health, Boston USA, 12 April 1948, including programme for lecture; Letter from President and Fellows of Harvard University informing Pickles of his appointment as Cutter Lecturer, press announcements that Pickles will deliver lecture, the British Medical Journal, 6 March 1948, and article with extracts of lecture, 12 April 1948, by M. Greenwood (located in B PIC A 3-1, Pickles Box 4) (For published version, the New England Journal of Medicine, 16 September 1948, see B PIC A 2-1 (xiv);
- (xiii) 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', Cardiff 1949, Southport 1950, Victoria, Australia 1951;
- (xiv) 'Immunity', Catterick Camp c.1950;
- (xv) Lecture on the specialty of general practice of medicine at Cambridge and Dundee [untitled], 1950;
- (xvi) 'Tuberculosis in the Home' (notes entitled 'Infection in the Private House'), given by Pickles at the 118th AGM of The BMA, under the Section of Child Health, 21 July 1950;

- (xvii) 'Research in General Practice', Australia 1951;
- (xviii) 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', Australia 1951 Lecture 1 & Lecture 2. (For published versions, The Queensland Post-Graduate Medical Journal, June and December 1951, see B PIC A 2-1 (xvii).);
- (xix) 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', Cardiff, 9 December 1952 (digest with extracts from lecture);
- (xx) 'The General Practitioner and the Laboratory', BMA, 1955 (2 drafts). (For published version, Zodiac, January 1957, see B PIC A 2-1 (xxiii).);
- (xxi) Lecture given at Ann Arbor, Michigan USA, [untitled] 1955;
- (xxii) Speech given at Noordwijk, Holland, International Epidemiological Association [untitled], September 1957; recording of this speech was made, located on compact disc, see (xxvii);
- (xxiii) 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', Aysgarth Institute, February 27 1959;
- (xxiv) 'Farmer's Lung', Barnard's Castle, 6 October 1963 (2 drafts)
- (xxv) 'A Happy Alliance', Society of Clincial Pathologists, Harrogate, n.d. [The lecture was given at the BMA meeting in Toronto, Canada and then published by Aberdeen Students Journal, 1957, according to annotation];
- (xxvi) Lecture to the Institute of Hygiene [untitled], n.d.
- (xxvii) Compact Disc and 2 reels of magnetic tape with recordings of Pickles:
  - announcement; speech reflecting on first few years of College of General Practitioners, 1958 (3 mins 26) [see Pickles' role as College of General Practitioners' President, B PIC A 4-3 (ii)];
  - speech (1 min 43) relating stories about the Dales [see material about the Dales, B PIC B 3-5];
  - speech for Aysgarth Institute, 50th anniversary of opening of building at Aigburth, October 1957 (4 mins 30), see Pickles' Other Professional Roles, B PIC A 5-4 (xi);
  - speech given in to the International Epidemiological Association in Noordwijk, September 1957 (15 mins 58), see (xxii) above;
  - speech to Liverpool Medical Institute, November 1955 (12 mins 16), see Pickles' Other Professional Roles, B PIC A 5-4 (viii);
- alternative ending to previous speech (1 min 25) N.B. See B PIC A 4-1 for The Sir James Mackenzie Lecture, BMA, 20 November 1954, and related correspondence between John

Hunt of the BMA and Pickles regarding the giving of the lecture, 18 - 22 June 1954 (For the published version of the lecture, The Practitioner, January 1955, see B PIC A 2-1 (xxi) Date details: 1 June 1939 - 6 October 1963.

#### B PIC A 2 - 3 Supporting Lecture Materials

1939 - 1943

Slides used to illustrate Pickles' lectures (for Pickles' lecture notes see B PIC A 2-2); including portraits and quotations, views of Wensleydale (for photographs of Aysgarth and the surrounding countryside see Pickles biographic material, B PIC B 3-4), x-rays, epidemiological charts and records. Series on original large and small glass slides and reproduced on modern slides (2001). In most cases there is at least one large glass slide and one reproduced slide of each image, and often one small glass slide. Slides are to be found in boxes according to their size; also includes poster to advertise lecture at Leeds, 1946:

#### (i) Portraits and quotations -

Edward Jenner (1749-1823), portrait of, b/w;

John Snow (1813-1858), portrait of, b/w;

'Panum on Measles', b/w, 2 modern - 1 inverted, 2 large glass - 1 inverted;

William Budd (1811-1880), portrait of, b/w;

'William Budd and Tuberculosis', 1856, b/w, 2 large glass - 1 inverted:

William Budd on Typhoid Fever [quotation 1], b/w, inverted;

William Budd on Typhoid Fever [quotation 2] b/w, inverted;

William Budd on Typhoid Fever [quotation 3] b/w, inverted;

Sir James Mackenzie (1853-1925), portrait of, b/w;

'The Beloved Physician: The Life of James Mackenzie of Burnley' quotation, b/w, inverted;

Jane Austen (1775-1817), quotation from, b/w, inverted;

Quotation [unattributed] 'The close analogy between this disease and typhoid...', b/w, 1 inverted;

Quotation [unattributed] 'I had recognised that when the patient...', b/w, inverted:

Quotation from the Wensleydale Register, 1569, b/w, 1 small glass only - inverted

#### (ii) Views of Yorkshire countryside-

Landscape scenes, b/w, 5 images - 4 modern, 5 large glass, 2 small glass [see B PIC A 3 for reproduction of one of these photographs in Pickles' book 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', p.1];

Countryside in the snow, b/w, 2 images;

Views of Aysgarth, b/w, 2 images;

Avsgarth Surgery, b/w:

The George and Dragon Inn, Aysgarth, b/w, 2 images - 1 modern, 2 large glass, 1 small glass;

Lancashire town, b/w;

Large building [unidentified], b/w;

(iii) **X-rays** - xrays of lungs, b/w, 3 images, 2 modern, 2 large glass, 3 small glass;

#### (iv) Epidemiological Charts and Records - 'Record of Infectious

Disease from April 1931 - June 1946, in a Wensleydale Population of 3200', b/w, inverted:

'Record of Infectious Disease from April 1931 - December 1949, in a Wensleydale Population of 3200 - 2600', b/w, 1 inverted; 'Record of Infectious Disease from 1 April 1931 - 31 March 1951, in a Wensleydale Population of 3200 - 2600', b/w, inverted; 'Epidemic Hepatitis in 1929', b/w, 1 inverted;

'Chart I - Village Epidemiologcial Records, January - March 1932', b/w, colour [see B PIC A 3 Pickles' book 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', p.24];

'Chart II - Influenza', b/w, colour [see B PIC A 3 Pickles' book 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', p.26];

Chart II - March - January 1937, showing Influenza, Measles, D & V, Herpes Zoster, b/w;

'Chart III - Measles', b/w, colour;

'Chart IV - Chicken-Pox and Shingles (I)', 2 modern - b/w, colour [see B PIC A 3 Pickles' book 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', p.48];

'Chart V - Chicken-Pox and Shingles (II)', b/w, colour [see B PIC A 3 Pickles' book 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', p.49]; Chart showing instances of Bell's Palsy, Shingles and Chicken-Pox, June - October n.d., b/w, 1 inverted;

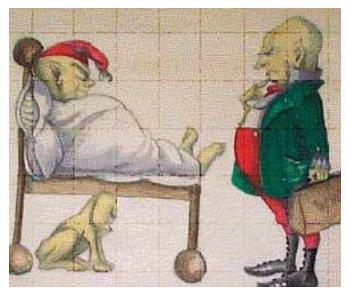
'Chart VIII - Epidemic Catarrhal Jaundice (III)', colour [see B PIC A 3 Pickles' book 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', p.65]; 'Chart IX - Epidemic Catarrhal Jaundice (IV)', colour, b/w - 1 inverted [see B PIC A 3 Pickles' book 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', p.68];

'A Record of Outbreak of Catarrhal Jaundice', b/w, inverted; 'Chart XI - Epidemic Myalgia: The First Outbreak', colour [see B PIC A 3 Pickles' book 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', p.90]; 'Family Tree Showing Rheumatic Members', b/w, 1 inverted; Incidence of Respiratory Infection in Wensleydale by month, 1933-46, b/w;

[untitled] May - December 1938, b/w, 1 inverted [see B PIC A 2-1 (xi) for this chart attached to article];

[untitled] October - December 1943 showing instances of Influenza and Febrile Catarrh, b/w, inverted, [untitled] April - May 1941 showing instances of Measles and German Measles in Thoralby, West Burton, Carperby, b/w

- (v) **Unidentified colour slides**, 5 small glass 2 seaside scenes, 1 landscape, 2 garden
- (vi) Hand-painted poster of cartoon of Pickles attending patient in bed, to advertise 'Epidemiology in Country Practice' lecture at Leeds Medical Society, 29 November 1946 (oversize, located in portfolio folder)



Item: See B PIC A 2-4 for the charts from which many of these slides were taken

N.B. The slides date from c.1939, this date is based on the publishing date of his book and the fact that Pickles lectured with increasing regularity from this date. The data on the slides comes from charts kept from 1929 onwards, see B PIC A 2-4

# B PIC A 2 - 4 Epidemiological Charts, Records and Drawings

1929 - 1962

Compiled during Pickles' research into epidemiology in and around Aysgarth. The charts are in graph format, the names of the villages and their population sizes appear on the left hand side. The villages are Aysgarth, Cubeck and Thornton Rust; Thoralby and Bishopdale; West Burton and Walden; Carperby, Thorseby and Woodhall; Castle Bolton and Redmire; Askrigg, Abbotside, Nappa Scaur and Worton; Bainbridge and Raydaleside; and Swinithwaite and West Witton. The charts show the occurences of each disease, which is colour coded, on a monthly basis. The diseases include Influenza, Measles, Dysentry (Sonne), Varicella, and Herpes Zoster. They were used to illustrate his lectures as well as acting as a research tool. (For manuscripts of lecture notes see B PIC A 2-2) Several of the charts were reproduced in Pickles book, 'Epidemiology in Country Practice' (1939), see B PIC A 3-1. The file consists of volumes and loose charts;

### (i) Volume 1 - April 1931 - March 1947

# (ii) **Volume 2** - 29 Jan 1929 - 31 March 1930; April 1947 - December 1962

The diseases noted include Influenza, Measles, Dysentry (Sonne), Varicella, and Herpes Zoster, Glandular Fever, Tonsillitis, Scarlet Fever, Chicken Pox, Lobar Pneumonia, Bornholm Disease, Whooping Cough, Pertussis, Dendriform Ulcer of Cornea, Diarrhoea and Vomitting (D and V), Epidemical Catarrhal Jaundice, Erythema Multiforme, Epidemic Myalgia, Diptheria, Pityriasis Rosea, Erythema Nodosum, Parotitis, Mumps, Adenitis, Erysipelas, Febrile Catarrh, CSF, Poliomyelitis, Bell's Palsy, Anterior Poliomyelitis, Morbilli, Vincent's Angina, Epidemic

Nausea and Vomiting, Aseptic Meningitis, Facila Palsy, and Roseola Infantum.

In the volumes, in addition to the charts, the names, ages and location of the sufferers is endorsed on the back of each page.

- (iii) Chart showing birth-rate in Aysgarth Rural District, 1900-43
- (iv) **Record of Epidemic Hepatitis in 1929**, with names of patients, when illness began and additional remarks (3 copies, 1 oversize, located in oversize box, [entitled 'Epidemic Jaundice' but otherwise identical])
- (v) Chart showing instances of Epidemic Jaundice, May December, n.d. [1929?] (located in portfolio folder) [see Charts VII and VIII Epidemic Catarrhal Jaundice (II) and (III), from Pickles book, 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', pp.64-65?]
- (vi) **Record of outbreak of Catarrhal Jaundice**, with diagram and description of how disease spread, infection of disease traced from village fete, August 28 [see Chart IX Epidemic Catarrhal Jaundice (IV) in Pickles' book 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', p.68] (located in portfolio folder)
- (vii) **Record of Infectious Disease in Wensleydale** Population of 3200 2600, April 1931 June 1946 (1 typed copy, 1 in oversize box, and 2 rough drafts)
- (viii) Chart showing instances of Influenza, Measles, Dysentry (Sonne), Varicella, and Herpes Zoster, January March 1932 (4 copies 2 oversize, 1 in 4 parts, in portfolio folder, 1 in oversize box) (Chart I Village Epidemiological Records, in Pickles' book, 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', p.24)
- (ix) Chart showing instances of Influenza, Measles, D and V and Herpes Zoster, January March 1937 (Chart II Influenza, in Pickles' book, 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', p.26) (2 copies, 1 draft copy January March 1937, where villages are labelled A-H)
- (x) Chart showing cases of Varicella and Herpes, April August 1937, for Thorton Rust, Thoralby and Askrigg (oversize in 2 parts, located in portfolio folder)
- (xi) Chart showing cases of Epidemic Jaundice, September 1939 March 1940, no specified villages
- (xii) Chart showing cases of Measles and German Measles in Thoralby, West Burton and Carperby, April May 1941 (2 copies oversize, 1 in portfolio box, 1 in oversize box)
- (xiii) Chart showing cases of Influenza and Febrile Catarrh, October - December 1943, in all villages
- (xiv) Chart April June 1961, all villages, no key for diseases

- (xv) **Chart July September 1961**, all villages, no key for diseases
- (xvi) Chart October December 1961, all villages, no key for diseases
- (xvii) **Chart January March 1962**, all villages, no key for diseases
- (xviii) Chart April June 1962, all villages, no key for diseases
- (xix) Chart July September 1962, all villages, no key for diseases
- (xx) Chart October December 1962, all villages, no key for diseases
- (xxi) 'Records of incidence of Infective Hepatitis in Urban and Rural Districts of Barnard Castle', January 1964 February 1965, Table I showing numbers of under 5s, school children, and adults infected on a monthly basis, Table II showing school incidence of the disease on a monthly basis, Table III is a summary of age group incidences of the disease, relating to the centres of population in the District of Barnard's Castle.
- (xxii) Chart showing cases of Bell's Palsy, Shingles and Chicken Pox, for June October, n.d. (oversize, located in portfolio folder) [See B PIC A 2-5 for copies of charts., attached to letter from S.P. Bedson]
- (xxiii) **Drawing of Haemolytic Streptococcus, Plague, Tuberculosis, and Anthrax** (oversize, located in portfolio folder)
- (xxiv) 'Family Tree Showing Rheumatic Members (In Red)' diagram (oversize, located in portfolio folder) [see article 'A Rheumatic Family', B PIC A 2-1]
- (xxv) **Plan of Aysgarth District** (oversize, located in portfolio folder) (Figure 2 Map showing positions of villages referred to in Chart I, in Pickles' book, 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', p.27)
- (xxvi) **Notes of patients, their ages, dates examined and various symptoms**, January 1952 July 1956 in tabular form (7 pages) and rough notes with patient names, ages and symptoms, referring to defining an incubation period, May August 1932 (1 page), May July 1956 (1 page)

Item: Pickles' wife Gerty and then his daughter Patience compiled the charts for Dr Pickles on a regular basis N.B. Some of Pickles' epidemiological charts are held at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine Date details: 29 January 1929 - December 1962.

medical profession on the subject of Pickles' research work. This file is arranged according to the disease that is being discussed, including Epidemic Catarrhal Jaundice, Abortus Fever, Chicken Pox, Herpes Zoster and Bell's Palsy, Diptheria, Cholera, and Scrapie, other than the correspondence with Professor M. Greenwood which is under his name:

#### (i) Epidemic Catarrhal Jaundice, 1917 - 1937:

Includes research notes of Jason Ellwood, Kendal, Cumbria, July 1917; correspondence with M.T. Morgan, Medical Officer of Health for Ministry of Health regarding Pickles' reporting of an outbreak, 12 November 1929; letter from a colleague in Leeds having proof read Pickles' paper on Jaundice epidemic 22 December 1929 [see B PIC A 2-1 (i) for article]; Sir William Wilcox, Physician to St Mary's Hospital London, 13-27 April 1931; G.M. Findlay, The Wellcome Bureau of Scientific Research, 21 October 1936; letter from Professor John A. Ryle, Cambridge, 2 November 1956; letter from A. Landsborough Thomson, Medical Research Council, 29 October 1937; includes an undated note on Epidemic Jaundice regarding Pickles' first encounter with the disease in 1910 n.d. (See Chapter 7 - 'Epidemic Catarrhal Jaundice' of 'Epidemiology in Country Practice' (1939).)

(ii) **Abortus Fever**, letter from Dr George Cockcroft, Middleham, Yorkshire, commenting on an occurrence of Abortus Fever c.1900, 25 May 1934

# (iii) Correspondence with Professor M. Greenwood, then of the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, 31 October 1934 - 11 September 1957:

Letters from Greenwood, 31 October 1934 - 10 September 1937, discussing Pickles' research, the possibility of a collaborative project on epidemiology, 31 October 1934 and Greenwood's encouragement to Pickles to write a book on the natural history of disease in Wensleydale, 28 October 1935 [see B PIC A 3-1, Greenwood wrote the foreword to the book]; also includes his article 'Social Medicine', from the British Medical Journal, 1946, and letter from Royal College of Physicians of London regarding a collection of letters from Greenwood, 11 September 1957.

(iv) Chicken Pox, Herpes Zoster and Bell's Palsy, 1940-1948. Correspondence between Pickles, Dr Nattrass, Newcastle, and Professor Bedson, London, 3 November 1940 - 13 September 1941, Pickles and Nattrass discussing of the relation between Bell's Palsy, Herpes Zoster, and Chicken Pox, 3 November 1940 -14 December 1940; Bedson's carrying out of Zoster complement fixation tests on Pickles' facial Palsy patients, 12 January 1941; includes a letter from Dr Norton, Bacteriologist at City Hospital for Infectious Diseases, Newcastle, instructing Pickles on taking samples of the serum to be sent to Bedson, 13 January 1941; Letter from Nattrass returning of Pickles' charts on Bell's Palsy, Herpes Zoster and Chicken Pox, 10 February 1941 [see B PIC A 2-4 for further epidemiological charts, records and drawings]; Also contains signed article 'Rarer Manifestations of Herpes Zoster: A Report on Three Cases', Thomas Parkinson, British Medical Journal, 3 January 1948.

- (v) **Diptheria immunisations, n.d.,** c. early 1940s, letter to Sir Wilson Jameson, Chief Medical Officer at the Ministry of Health, on observations of innoculating children and adults in Aysgarth.
- (vi) **Scrapie**, February 1962 3 November 1969. Letter from H.B. Parry thanking Pickles for supplying him with information on the disease, attached is a copy of Parry's article 'Scrapie: A Transmissible and Hereditary Disease of Sheep' February 1962, 24 October 1967; Also a note from Pickles' son-in-law Revd. G.O. Clayton explaining Pickles interest in Scrapie, 3 November 1969
- (vii) Offprint of article, **'Farmer's Lung'**, J.V. Williams, The Practitioner, September 1967. the text is marked where the author makes reference to Pickles' naming of the disease 'farmer's lung' in 1944

Item: See B PIC A 2-7 for abstracts of articles on infectious diseases by other authors.

Date details: July 1917 - 3 November 1969.

# B PIC A 2 - 6 Records, Notes and Correspondence on Bornholm disease (Epidemic Myalgia)

Includes signed copy of Ejnar Sylvest's book 'Epidemic Myalgia Bornholm Disease', 1934, with notes and articles attached by Pickles at the back of the volume and loose letters and articles relating to research into Bornholm Disease in Britain and abroad. Pickles research into Bornholm Disease and his contact with Dr Slyvest feature extensively in his book, 'Epidemiology in Country Practice' (1939), see Chapter 8 -'Epidemic Myalgia'. (For a copy of the book see B PIC A 3-1):

(i) Hardback copy of english translation of *'Epidemic Myalgia Bornholm Disease'*, Ejnar Sylvest (1934, Levin and Munksgaard, Copenhagen), signed by Sylvest.

The second half of the book contains articles on the disease from medical journals, 12 July 1924 - September 1950; Notes from The International Office of Public Health's October Session, 1933;

Articles by other authors, 'Epidemic Pleurodynia' by N.L. Crone and E.M. Chapman, New England Journal of Medicine, 16 November 1933, 'Epidemic Myalgia Five Cases in One Household', C.R.G. Howard, British Medical Journal, 10 December 1938, 'Bornholm Disease in The Tropics', W.M. Jamieson and D.M. Prinsley, British Medical Journal, 12 July 1947, 'Epidemic of Benign Dry Pleurisy', D.G.H. Sylvester, British Medical Journal, 16 September 1950, 'Coxsackie Viruses and Bornholm Disease', G.M. Findlay and Elsie M. Howard, British Medical Journal, 27 May 1950;

Pickles' notes on 'The Aysgarth Cases', July-October 1933, outbreak in Wensleydale September 1949;

Pickles' articles '"Bornholm" Disease: Account of a Yorkshire Outbreak' and 'Epidemic Myalgia in Children', British Journal of Children's Diseases, April-June 1937 [see also B PIC A 2-1(iii) and (vii) for further copies of the published articles]

1924

- 1950

(ii) Note from Pickles' daughter Patience Clayton recollecting Pickles' first diagnosis of Bornholm disease, Summer 1933, with attached reprints by Enjar Sylvest, 'En Bornholmsk Epidemi - Myositis Epidemica', 1930, 'Myositis Epidemica', 1930, with some translated notes, and 'En Maelke-Epidemi Af Paradysenteri (Sonne) I Sundbyerne, Juni 1932', 1933;

Loose letters from Dr Alison Glover, Ministry of Health, on Pickles' 'brilliant solution of the problem' when recognising Bornholm disease in a diagnosis, 28 - 29 July 1933 and from Sir William Wilcox, St Mary's Hospital, London, 15 November 1933; Letter of congratulations regarding article on Bornholm disease, from Leeds colleague, 11 October 1933 [copies of the article are to be found in back of Sylvest's book and in published articles, B PIC A 2-1(iii)];

Letter regarding observations of the disease in Sweden from the Statens Bakteriologiska Laboratorium, Stockholm, 28 December 1933;

Letter from Dr Max Telling, Leeds, enclosing letter from Dr Slyvest regarding both Pickles and Slyvest's simunitaneous research in the same field, 7 September 1933, and then enclosing English translation of article by Slyvest, 28 September 1933; Correspondence with Dr Sylvest, 13 September 1933 - 5 January 1948, including mention of a visit to Denmark, discussion of the disease, mention of the effects of rationing in Denmark after the war and the appearance of Bornholm Disease in the tropics, 5 May 1948, and the appointment of Pickles' as Corresponding Member of the Medical Society in Copenhagen, 9 April 1940, letter dated 18 July 1949. The 9 year delay due to German's invasion of Denmark on the day the original letter was sent;

Letters from Dr Alison Glover regarding Pickles' article 'Epidemic Myalgia in Children' [copies of the article are to be found in back of Sylvest's book and in published articles, B PIC A 2-1 (vii)], 16 August 1937, and Professor John Ryle, 18 September 1937; Robert Hutchinson, London, November 1937;

GP in Blandford (N.A. Koll?) refers to a local outbreak in September 1936, 25 November 1937

Item: See Dr W.O. Williams Papers on Bornholm Disease, B WO C 1-1, relating to his MD thesis, 1954-65, includes correspondence with Pickles, 1959, and interview with Pickles in 'Medical News'. 1965

Date details: 12 July 1924 - September 1950.

#### B PIC A 2 - 7 Additional Material on Infectious Diseases by other Authors

Abstracts of articles from the British Medical Journal, made in Pickles' hand [It is possible that Pickles wrote the abstracts for the journal Abstracts of World Medicine, (originally published within the British Medical Journal as the Epitome of World Medicine, the journal then became separate and changed its name) which presented summaries with comments of articles published worldwide];

- (i) 'Immunity in Experimentally Induced Infectious Hepatitis', Walter Paul Havens;
- (ii) 'The Medical Results of the Occupation of France' ('Les

Consequences Sanitaries de l'Occupation en France'), G. Henri;

- (iii) 'The Spread of Infective Hepatitis and Polimyelitis in Egypt', C.E. Van Rooyen;
- (iv) 'The Leukocytic Response of Patients with Experimentally Induced Infectious Hepatitis', Walter P. Havens;
- (v) 'Infectious Hepatitis', Samuel C. Arnett;
- (vi) 'Immune Serum Globulin (Gamma-Globulin) in the Prophylaxis of Mumps Architis', Samuel Candel;
- (vii) 'Acute Myocardial Infarction in Men Below Forty', F. Steigmann and F. Glassner;
- (viii) 'Epidemiology of Infective Hepatitis Among Allied Troops in Italy', P.L. McKinlay and S.C. Truelove;
- (ix) 'Infective Jaundice in Iceland', L.S. Anderson;
- (x) 'Myalgia Acuta Epidemica (Bornholmer Krankheit) und Epidemische Poliomyelitis. (Gemeinsame Zuge ihrer Klinik und Epidemiologie)', B. de Rudder, 1937

Item: Some articles by other authors are amongst B PIC A 2-5, attached to the correspondence about various infectious diseases; articles about Bornholm Disease (Epidemic Myalgia) can be found in B PIC A 2-6 Date details: undated.

# B PIC A 2 - 8 Historical Data relating to Research Work

Contains copies of historical records used by Pickles in his research work, including information on the Plague in Wensleydale in 1563 and the prevention of cholera in the mid nineteenth century:

- (i) Copied excerpt from the Wensley Register regarding the Plague in Wensleydale in 1563, n.d., c.1939. Pickles makes reference to this in Chapter 2 'The Lines of Communication', pp.10-11, 'Epidemiology in Country Practice' (1939), see B PIC A 3-1 (located in oversize box)
- (ii) Copies of letter from William Budd (1811-1880) to Queen Victoria, 26 October 1865 on prevention of cholera with reference to an International Conference to be held in Constantinople; letter from E. Harries, of the Metropolitan Board of Health, New York, 31 August 1866, to Budd on the treatment of Cholera in New York; article on Sir Humphry Davy (1778-1829) and obituary of Thomas Lovell Beddoes (1760-1808), n.d., c.1939. [For picture of William Budd, see B PIC A 2-3 (i).]

# A3. Published Work, 1939 - 1984

Annotated personal copy of 'Epidemiology in Country Practice' (1939) which includes reviews and

correspondence, paperback copy of reprint of book (1984), and paperback Serbo-Croat version, published in Zagreb (1956), and book reviews, in response to the first edition, 1939, and the re-issue, 1949.

# B PIC A 3 - 1 'Epidemiology in Country Practice'

1939

- 1984

Pickles book 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', (1939, John Wright and Sons Ltd., Bristol) with foreward by Major Greenwood [For correspondence with Major Greenwood, see B PIC A 2-5; for correspondence referring to Hunt's writing of the preface see Hunt's Personal Papers, B HUN A 7-2]. This publication was the result of Pickles extensive research into epidemiology whilst working as a GP in Aysgarth, Yorkshire. [For Pickles research notes which were the background to this book, see B PIC A 2.] Episodes on Sonne Dysentery, Influenza, Measles, Varicella and Herpes Zoster studied in 1931/2, two epidemics of Catarrhal Jaundice studied in 1929-1930 and 1935-1936, an outbreak of Epidemic Myalgia, or Bornholm disease, documented in 1933. Includes Pickles' personal copy of the book with reviews from medical journals, see B PIC A 3-2, and articles and letters of importance to him:

- (i) Original hardback copy of 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', W.N. Pickles, (1939, John Wright and Sons Ltd., Bristol) with book reviews from medical journals.
- (ii) Hardback re-issue of 'Epidemiology in Country Practice' (1972, published by The Devonshire Press Ltd.)
- (iii) Paperback copy of 'Epidemiology in Country Practice' (1984, published by The Royal College of General Practitioners), with preface by John H. Hunt
- (iv) 'Epidemiologija U Praksi Seoskog Lijecnika' (1956, Zagreb), translation of book in Serbo-Croat

# B PIC A 3 - 2 **Book Reviews**

1939

- 1951

Reviews of Pickles book, 'Epidemiology in Country Practice' (1939). Most of the reviews are to be found pasted in the back of his personal copy of the book [Also contains articles referring to articles written by, and lectures given by, Pickles, as well as major events including the awarding of an Honorary Degree by Leeds University and the Bisset-Hawkins medal]. Reviews include;

The Medical Officer, 10 June 1939;

The Lancet, 10 June 1939;

The Medical World, 30 June 1939;

The Journal of The Royal Institute of Public Health and Hygiene, July 1939;

Public Health, July 1939 (2 copies, 1 loose);

Journal of The Royal Sanitary Institute, August 1939;

The Practitioner, August 1939;

University of Leeds Medical Magazine, October 1939;

Irish Journal of Medical Science, August 1939;

St Mary's Hospital Gazette, November 1939;

St Bartholomew's Hospital Journal, September 1939;

The Clincial Journal, September 1939;

British Journal of Children's Diseases, July - September 1939;

The British Medical Journal, 27 January 1940 (2 copies, 1 loose); The Journal of The American Medical Profession, February 1940; Journal of the AMA, 9 March 1940: Northwest Medicine, February 1940;

New Orleans Medical and Surgical Journal, February 1940;

Nature (Supplement), 25 May 1940;

Post-graduate Medical Journal, March 1941;

The Lancet, 4 February 1950 [review of 1949 reprint]:

Public Health, February 1950 [review of 1949 reprint];

British Medical Journal 11 March 1950 [review of 1949 reprint]; [publication unknown] 23 February 1950;

Review referring to imminent re-issue [n.d., publication unknown];

Medizinische Kurzberichte (review in German), 27 July 1951 [review of reprint] (loose)

There are also articles which make reference to Pickles' work or to his book, whilst not being solely a detailed review of the book, such as:

'An Epidemic of Chickenpox' by Philip Evans, The Lancet, 14 September 1940;

'Research in General Practice', The Lancet, 1 March 1941;

'Social Medicine', The Medical Officer, 18 July 1942;

The Veterinary Record (n.d. - No.44, vol. 54);

The British Medical Journal, 26 January 1946;

'Medicine, Science and Learning' Harry Platt, The Lancet, 25 October 1947:

'Influenza and the Human Herd', the Lancet, 26 June 1948; 'Field Epidemiology', [publication unknown], 26 June 1948; 'The B.M.A. Section of Preventive Medicine', Public Health, August 1948;

'Better training for the doctor', Yorkshire Post, 26 May 1950; 'The First Thousand' [n.d., publication unknown] Date details: 10 June 1939 - 27 July 1951.

#### B PIC A 3 - 3 **Obituaries**

1949 - 1959

Obituaries written by Pickles of other eminent practitioners:

(i) **Dr George Cockcroft**, of Middleham (1882-1949), The Lancet, 19 March 1949, see B PIC A 2-5 for correspondence with Dr Cockcroft;

- (ii) Dr J.J. Anning (c.1871-1954), the British Medical Journal, 4 September 1954;
- (iii) **Dr Reginald Lawrence**, (c.1873-c.1954), the British Medical Journal, 1954:
- (iv) **Dr F.R. Eddison**, (c.1874-1959), the British Medical Journal, 1959

#### B PIC A 3 - 4 **Book Reviews of Other Publications**

1949

Reviews by Pickles of other works:

- 1949

'Rural Practice in the U.S.A', review of 'Public Health and Medical Care', F.D. Mott and M.I. Roemer (1946, New York, Toronto, London) [publication unknown], 12 March 1949

Item: To be found pasted in Pickles' personal copy of 'Epidemiology in Country Practice' (1939), B PIC A 3-1, Pickles

Box 4

Date details: 12 March 1949.

# A4. College of General Practitioners President, 1953 - 1985

Material relating to Pickles role as President of the College of General Practitioners, 1953-56. (From 1957 the College was known as the Royal College of General Practitioners) Includes James Mackenzie lecture (1954), letters, photograph of 1st Scottish Council (1953-54), Addresses, such as speech made to the Canadian College of GPs (1954). Also includes letters and photographs about the unveiling of the Pickles memorial plaque in Aysgarth (1971).

N.B. [See A CE G 5-4, Research Committee Chairman's Correspondence, for correspondence between Dr R.J.F.H. Pinsent and Pickles, 1953-57]

# B PIC A 4 - 1 Correspondence

1953 - 1954

About Pickles' election to be first President of the College, 1953, including letters from Sir James Spence, Leeds University, and Sir Allen Daley. Includes article referring to Pickles' re-election, 1954-55 [publication unknown, n.d.] (located in B PIC A 3-1, Pickles box 4)

Item: Pickles wrote to John Hunt about the founding of the College in 1951. For article regarding the letter sent from John Hunt and Fraser Rose proposing 'a possible College of General Practice' which was published in The Lancet and the British Medical Journal, 1951, see Journal of the Royal College of General Practitioners, February 1988, p.87. See also John Hunt's personal papers, B HUN

Date details: 16 November 1953 - 9 January 1954.

#### B PIC A 4 - 2

1956

- 1956



# President Badge

Small pin badge, gilt?, engraved with 'President 1953-1956', in lined box, made by Mappin and Webb Ltd., London, c.1956 *N.B. Although this has no date it is likely to have been given to Pickles when his presidency came to an end, c. 1956* 

# B PIC A 4 - 3 Addresses

1954

- 1967

Made by Pickles in his role as President and later as having been a former President, including an address to The College of General Practice of Canada, 1954, and a speech to The North West England Faculty, 1961. Also includes letters regarding engagements which Pickles could not attend due to deteriorating health, 1966-67:

(i) Notes, handwritten and typed, of address to The College of General Practice of Canada, on the occasion of its Inaugural Meeting, June 1954. The speech was recorded and sent to Canada, 20 - 24 May 1954;

- (ii) Speech [untitled] reflecting on the success of first few years of the College of General Practitioners, recorded at Pickles' home, 4 October 1958, located in B PIC A 2-2 (Pickles Box 3), on compact disc;
- (iii) Speech to North West England Faculty, Manchester, 1961;
- (iv) Speech to Royal College of General Practitioners [untitled, n.d., c.1960 - Pickles' refers to having been elected president 'more than six years ago' by the audience he is addressing];
- (v) Letter from Pickles to Mr Slater which refers to the General Purposes Committee and explains that he will not be able to visit the College again, 11 August 1966; Photocopy of letter from Pickles apologizing for not being able to attend the unveiling of the Kennedy plaque at the College, 14 Princes Gate, 1967
- (vi) Draft of a speech [untitled] that Pickles had to record as he was unable to attend in person, due to his health, c.1967 Date details: 20 May 1954 - 1967.

#### B PIC A 4 - 4 Sir James Mackenzie Lecture

1954

- 1954

Lecture notes and correspondence relating to the first James Mackenzie Lecture, given by Pickles, at the Second Annual General Meeting of The College of General Practitioners, November 1954. Includes article about Pickles' delivery of the lecture, British Medical Journal, 27 November 1954 (located in B PIC A 3-1, Pickles Box 4) and correspondence between Pickles and John Hunt, 18 - 22 June 1954. Hunt's letter refers to criteria for membership of the college and the possibility of an examination and an annual subscription

*Item:* See B PIC A 2-2 for other lectures and speeches given by Pickles related to his research work; See B PIC A-1 (xxi) N.B. John Hunt's Papers are also held in the Archives Date details: 18 June - November 1954.

# B PIC A 4 -

# First Scottish Council, 1953-54

1953

- 1954



Large b/w photograph of The First Scottish Council of The College of General Practitioners, with Pickles at the centre. Others pictured are W.W. Fulton; C.S. Sandeman; W.S. Gardner; R.A.B. Rorie; J.G. Munro; G.W. Ireland; D. Peebles Brown; Lowell Lamont; Richard Scott; J.M. Henderson; I.D. Grant; C.M. Fleming N.B. Although undated the photograph is likely to have been taken in 1953-54; This photograph was published in 'Forty Years On: The Story of the First Forty Years of The Royal College of General Practitioners' (1992, Atalink, Ltd., London), as part of the article 'College in Scotland', by Alaistair Donald

#### B PIC A 4 - 6 Social

1959

Dinner Menu of The College of General Practitioners, Annual General Meeting 1959

- 1959

N.B. For menus of other social occasions Pickles attended see B PIC A 5-4

Date details: 20 November 1959.

### B PIC A 4 - 7 Pickles Memorial Plaque, Aysgarth

1971 - 1985

Letters and photographs about the Pickles Memorial Plaque, which was erected on the wall of Aysgarth Institute and was unveiled on 2 May 1971. It was paid for by The Royal College of General Practitioners, and unveiled by the President, Dr G.I. Watson. For Watson's address see the Journal of The Royal College of General Practitioners, vol. 21, 1971, Jan-June, pp.365-66:



- (i) B/w photographs of Dr G.I. Watson, President of The Royal College of General Practitioners and Dr A.U. McKinnon, Provost of The Yorkshire Faculty, and Dr Colin Watson, Secretary, about to unveil the plaque (2 copies); Dr G.I. Watson in front of the unveiled plaque; Close up photograph of the plaque (3 copies); Dr G.I. Watson with the designer and engraver of the plaque (3 copies); Dr Sykes, chairman of the Yorkshire Faculty with Professor John Pemberton, who wrote the official biography of Pickles (3 copies). The photographs were taken by Dr P. Wintersgill, Huddersfield;
- (ii) Letters from Dr P. Wintersgill to The College accompanying the photographs he had taken at the unveiling, 15 May 1971 2 December 1985

Item: More recent photographs of the plaque can be found amongst the photographs of Aysgarth taken for the Pickles Lecture in 1998, under material about the Dales, B PIC B 3-4 Date details: 2 May 1971 - 2 December 1985.

## A5. Other Professional Roles, 1934 - 1968

Contains reports, correspondence, and speeches, relating to Pickles role both as part-time Medical Officer of Health, 1935, and as witness to the Royal Commission on Population, 1944. Also included are a selection of dinner menus from formal occasions which Pickles attended

#### B PIC A 5 - 1 Medical Officer of Health

1934

- 1948

Annual Report to the Aysgarth Rural District Council on the Sanitary Condition of the District, 1936, with annotations for an update for the 1937 report and notes on Aysgarth's water supply, 5 May 1934. Statistics for deaths in Aysgarth District 1939-1948 by sex and age, detailing diagnosis, are attached, includes a table showing types of cancers suffered. It is likely that these statistics would have been used in subsequent reports submitted. Appointed as Medical Officer of Health in 1935, Pickles held the post of for many years.

Date details: 5 May 1934 - 1948.

B PIC A 5 - 2	Witness to Royal Commission on Population Pickles acted as witness to the Commission, contains typed and handwritten memorandum of the report submitted by Pickles to Royal Commission on Population, 1944, and the 'Report of Evidence given in Committee Room 'C', House of Lords, on Friday, 13th October, 1944'  Date details: 13 October 1944.	1944 - 1944
B PIC A 5 - 3	Medical Advisory Council, Nuffield Provincial Hospitals Trust Pickles was a Member of the Council from 1940 until the 1960s. Contains letter from Sir Farquhar Buzzard asking him to serve on the committee, 23 May 1940:  (i) Letter from Pickles to Dr Wells about a draft report of the Council with recommendations for amendments on the subject of postmortem examinations conducted by GPs, 26 October 1940;  (ii) Letter from Wells regarding Pickles' attendance at the Council's first meeting in Oxford, October 1940, 28 September 1940; Constitution and Function of the Committee;  (iii) Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held in Oxford, 4-5 January, 1941  (iv) Letter from Sir James Spence, close friend and fellow member of the Council. He writes in reply to a letter from Pickles, with the knowledge that he has terminal cancer, 1 March 1954. [He died in May 1954] Date details: 23 May 1940 - 1 March 1954.	1940 - 1954
B PIC A 5 - 4	Speeches, Addresses and Related Correspondence Notes of talks, after dinner speeches and toasts, the dinner menus to several of toasts made are attached, made in Pickles' role as an eminent General Practitioner, member of the medical community, and/or as an important member of the local community, including: (i) Talk to Women's Institute on epidemiology, 1944; (ii) Speeches made during USA trip 1948 (5 speeches) [see B PIC A 2-1 for articles and B PIC A 2-2 for lectures given during USA trip]; (iii) Speeches made to The Newcastle upon Tyne and Northern Counties Medical Society, 2 December 1948 (2 drafts), menu and toast list attached; (iv) Toast to Birmingham Medical School, October 1950; (v) Speech to Scarborough Rotary Club, July 1952; (vi) Letter regarding the 62nd Annual Dinner of the 'Past and Present Men Students of the Leeds School of Medicine', where Pickles presided, 28 November 1952 (vii) Toast at dinner at Apothecaries Hall, 18 November 1955; (viii) Toast to Liverpool Medical Institution, 1955, this speech is recorded onto compact disc and is located in B PIC A 2-2, (Pickles Box 3); (ix) Speech to York Medical Society, 1955;	1944 - 1968

- (x) Speech at **St Mary's Hospital Dinner**, 29 September 1956;
- (xi) Speech at **Avsgarth Institute** to mark their 50th anniversary. October 1957, this speech is recorded onto compact disc and is located in B PIC A 2-2, (Pickles Box 3);
- (xii) Toast at **BMA Darlington Division**, 6 November 1958 (2) drafts), menu and toast list attached;
- (xiii) Toast to Kettering and District Medical Society, 15 October 1959, menu and toast list attached:
- (xiv) Speech to Literary Society, Aysgarth, 9 November 1962;
- (xv) Speech to Gisburn Medical Society, October 1963;
- (xvi) Toast to Keighly and District Medical Society, 11 October 1963, menu and toast list attached;
- (xvii) Menu and toast list for the **BMA**, Teeside Branch, dinner, Catterick Bridge, 26 April 1966, where toast was proposed by Pickles; Letter from BMA thanking Pickles for his attendance.

[This was thought to be his last public occasion]

(xiii) Invitation to the centenary birthday party of **The** 

Practitioner, 21 May 1968

(xiv) Talk on childcare to **Women's Institute**, n.d.

Date details: 1944 - 21 May 1968.

# B. Personal Papers William Pickles Biographic Material

Material reflecting the more personal aspect of Pickles' life. Includes medals, prizes and awards presented to Pickles in recognition of his work, and the related certificates and correspondence; material about Pickles created by others, including 'Will Pickles of Wensleydale: The Life of a Country Doctor' (1970) the official biography by John Pemberton; correspondence regarding the painting of Pickles portrait, in 1954, for the College of General Practitioners (later the Royal College of General Practitioners); articles and letters regarding significant events in his life, such as his 80th birthday, and his death, in 1969, and the ensuing obituaries. Also includes family and personal papers, amongst them is material of local, genealogical and personal interest, such as the Pickles family tree dating from c.1825, photographs of Pickles and of Aysgarth, and his personal notes and recollections Arrangement: Functional

# B1. Awards, 1934 - 1965

Includes certificates for the award to Pickles of membership and fellowship of a number of institutions, including The Royal College of Physicians and The Society of Medicine (1934-1965); the awarding of an Honorary Degree of Doctor of Science from Leeds University (1949); medal and certificate for the Commander of The British Empire (CBE) (1957); and prizes, such as the Bisset-Hawkins (1953) and James Mackenzie (1955) medals. Also includes letters of congratulations from friends and colleagues

#### B PIC B 1 - 1 Memberships, Fellowships and Honorary Degrees

1934

- 1965

Contains the certificates relating to Pickles' membership, and election to Fellow of a number of institutions, and the awarding of honorary degree from Leeds University. Related correspondence and articles are attached:

- (i) Letter informing Pickles that he has been elected a Fellow of The Royal Society of Medicine, 18 December 1934;
- (ii) Fellow of The Royal Institute of Public Health and **Hygiene**, 4 November 1938, certificate:
- (iii) Appointed corresponding Member of the Medical Society

**in Copenhagen,** 9 April 1940, certificate. For correspondence with Dr Enjar Sylvest relating to the award see Records and Correspondence on Bornholm Disease, B PIC A 2-6;

- (iv) Elected Member of Royal College of Physicians, London, 1949, certificate;
- (v) Honorary Degree of Doctor of Science, Leeds University. Articles referring to Pickles' being awarded the degree, 'Dales Doctor to Receive Honorary Degree', Yorkshire Post, 22 December 1949; 'Honour for Dr W.N. Pickles, of Aysgarth', n.d. (2 copies), and another [untitled, publication unknown]; Yorkshire Post, 3 February 1950 (located in Pickles' personal copy of his book, see B PIC A 3-1, Pickles Box 4)
- (vi) Elected Honorary Fellow of The Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh, November 1955, certificate; programme of quarterly meeting of College, 1 November 1955, where Pickles was introduced as Honorary Fellow;
- (vii) **Honorary Membership of The Royal Society of Medicine,** Section of General Practice, 17 December 1958, certificate:
- (viii) Honorary Fellow of The Australian College of General Practitioners, 20 March 1959, certificate;
- (ix) Elected Fellow of The Royal College of Physicians, London, April 1963, certificate; Letter from College informing Pickles of the forthcoming award, 13 March 1963; Letters and telegrams from colleagues and friends, both in Britain and abroad, congratulating Pickles on being elected, including letters from Dr Alison Glover, John Hunt, C.C. Booth, and John Pemberton, 17 April 14 August 1963;
- (x) Honorary Fellow of The Royal Society of Medicine, 27 April 1965, certificate
- (xi) **Fellow of BMA**, coloured pin badge, metal and enamel, n.d. *Date details:* 18 *December 1934 27 April 1965*.
- B PIC B 1 2 **Prizes** 1946
  Contains certificates and medals of prizes awarded to Pickles for 1955

Contains certificates and medals of prizes awarded to Pickles for distinguished work in his field, including the Stewart Prize, the Bisset-Hawkins Prize, and James Mackenzie medal:

- (i) Stewart Prize, BMA, awarded 1946, for his research in the field of epidemiology, certificate; 2 articles referring to the awarding of the Stewart Prize to Pickles, 1 British Medical Journal, 13 April 1946, 2 publication unknown, located in B PIC A 3-1 (Pickles Box 4); Letter from BMA notifying Pickles of the award, 8 April 1946, located in Pickles' copy of 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', B PIC A 3-1 (Pickles Box 4)
- (ii) Bisset Hawkins Medal, Royal College of Physicians, 1953,

large engraved, [bronze?] medal in presentation box; Article regarding presentation of the medal to Pickles, 16 October 1954, publication unknown, located in Pickles' copy of 'Epidemiology in Country Practice', B PIC A 3-1 (Pickles Box 4)

(iii) James Mackenzie Medal, 1955, awarded by Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh, large engraved [bronze?] medal in presentation box

Date details: 1946 - 1955.

# B PIC B 1 - 3 Commander of The British Empire (CBE)

1956 - 1957

Pickles was awarded the CBE in 1957, contains the medal, correspondence regarding the awarding of the medal and letters of congratulations:

- (i) CBE medal in presentation box with ribbon attached;
- (ii) Certificate presenting Pickles with CBE, signed by Queen Elizabeth II, 1 January 1957 (oversize, located in oversize box);
- (iii) 'Statutes of The Most Excellent Order of The British Empire 1954', including letter from Central Chancery of the Orders of Knighthood transmitting a Warrant of Appointment;
- (iv) Correspondence between Prime Minister's Office informing Pickles that his name is to be submitted on the forthcoming list of New Year Honours, 1 December 1956, and Pickles' expressing his gratitude;
- (v) Letters of congratulations from colleagues, family and friends, including Dr Max Telling, The Yorkshire Post, College of General Practitioners and Dr Naltrass, 1 January 19 March 1957 Date details: 1 December 1956 19 March 1957.

# **B2. Material About Pickles, 1954 - 1984**

This series includes the biography 'Will Pickles of Wensleydale' (1970) by John Pemberton and related correspondence; articles and letters regarding the portrait painted of him, in 1954, for the College of General Practitioners (later the Royal College of General Practitioners); letters and cards sent on the occasion of his 80th birthday, and his death in March 1969; also the programme for the Memorial Service held in Leeds, and obituaries. For Obituaries in the British Medical Journal, 15 March 1969, pp.719-20 and the Journal of the Royal College of General Practitioners, 1969, 17, pp.199-200, see the Archives obituary file.

# B PIC B 2 - 1 'Will Pickles of Wensleydale: The Life of a Country Doctor', John Pemberton

1962

- 1984

Contains copies of John Pemberton's biography of Pickles, 'Will Pickles of Wensleydale: The Life of a Country Doctor' (1970, Geoffrey Bles Publishers, London) and letters from publishers encouraging Pickles to consider an autobiography, 1962-1965:

(i) Uncorrected proof of 'Will Pickles of Wensleydale: The Life of a Country Doctor', John Pemberton, with annotations and a note to Dr John Hunt from the publishers explaining that the proof is sent to him, on the suggestion of the author, 15 January 1970; Paperback re-issue of the book, published by Royal College of

General Practitioners, 1984, with a foreward by John Hunt;

(ii) Letters from Huges Massie and Co. Ltd., London, asking Pickles if he would consider writing an autobiography, 25 - 31 October 1962. From the second letter it is clear that Pickles has informed them that Pemberton is writing his biography; Letter from MacDonald and Co. (Publishers) Ltd. asking him to consider 'embarking upon a volume of reminiscences', 12 March 1965

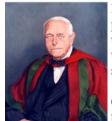
Item: For a photograph of Pemberton see the photographs of the unveiling of The Will Pickles Memorial Plaque in 1971 which he attended. B PIC A 4

Date details: 25 October 1962 - 1984.

# B PIC B 2 - 2

# Correspondence and photographs regarding Portrait

1954 - 1954



Correspondence between The Royal College of General Practitioners, Christopher Sanders, June - October 1954, who painted Pickles' portrait commissioned by the Yorkshire Faculty of the Royal College of General Practitioners, and presented by them to the College, and photographs of the portrait. The portrait can be seen hanging in the College, 14 Princes Gate:

- (i) Letters refer mostly to arrangements for undertaking the portrait, and delivery of the portrait to Aysgarth before it is installed in the College, from Sanders to Pickles, 27 June 21 October 1954.
- (ii) 2 original b/w photographs (8.5 by 6.5 inches and 4.5 by 5.5 inches); 1 colour slide (plastic)

Item: For material relating to Pickles' position as first President of The Royal College Of General Practitioners (then The College of General Practitioners), 1953-56, see B PIC A 3 Date details: 27 June - 21 October 1954.

#### B PIC B 2 - 3 80th Birthday

1965 - 1965

80th birthday, 6 March 1965, from colleagues, former patients and friends, amongst them are letters or cards from The Royal College of General Practitioners, The College of Medical Sciences, University of Minnesota, and Dr Robert Sutherland. Also includes article about his birthday, and his life, 'Yorkshire Dalesman', The New England Journal of Medicine, 4 March 1965

Letters, telegrams and cards sent to Pickles on the occasion of his

Item: Articles about Pickles' 80th birthday can also be found in The British Medical Journal, 1965, 1, p.667 and The Practitioner, 1965, 194, p.320

Date details: 7 February - 13 April 1965.

#### B PIC B 2 - 4

# Death, 2 March 1969

1969 - 1969

Contains letters received by his wife, Gerty, at the time of death. These amount to one third of the total letters received by Mrs Pickles. Also includes programme of the Memorial Service held for Pickles, 23 April 1969, newspaper cuttings about the service, and obituaries:

- (i) Letters and cards from colleagues, former patients, and friends, both in Britain and abroad. Amongst them are The Royal Society of Medicine, The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners, The School of Public Health, University of Michigan, Society of Social Medicine, Royal College of Physicians, The Royal College of General Practitioners, BMA, Dr Max Telling, Dr Naltrass, John Pemberton, Sir Edward Ford, and Dr Robert Sutherland, 3 March 30 May 1969;
- (ii) Order of Service of the Memorial Service for Pickles, with prayers, hymns and psalms. The address was given by John Pemberton. [For Pemberton's biography of Pickles, see B PIC B 2-1] The service was held at Emmanuel Church Leeds, 23 April 1969 (2 copies); Article 'Tributes to man who enhanced medicine', Yorkshire Post, 24 April 1969, about the Memorial Service;
- (iii) Obituaries of Pickles, 'Dr Pickles 'Model G.P.', Dies', The Telegraph, 4 March 1969; 'Dr W.N. Pickles: Distinguished Country Doctor', The Times, 4 March 1969 (2 copies)

  Item: Obituaries can also be found in The British Medical

  Journal, 1969, 1, pp.719-20, 15 March 1969 and The Lancet, 1969, 1, pp.581-82, 15 March 1969

  N.B. [See A FE M 1-4 for Yorkshire Faculty Papers for William Pickles Memorial Dinner menu, 1983]

  Date details: 3 March 30 May 1969.

# **B3. Family and Personal Papers, 1902 - 1965**

Consists of Pickles' certificates of registration (1902-1963); medals awarded to him for his service during the First World War; personal notes and recollections, including favourite quotations and notes of visits made both home and abroad; information accumulated by Pickles about the Yorkshire Dales, which he used in his speeches and lectures [see B PIC A 2-2 and B PIC A 5-4]; photographs of the Dales and of Pickles; and a family tree dating from c. 1825

## B PIC B 3 - 1 Certificates of Qualification

1902 - 1963

Contains the original certificates of the qualifications Pickles obtained:

- (i) Medical Student's Registration Certificate, York College of Medicine, 17 April 1902;
- (ii) Passing the preliminary scientific examination in Faculty of Medicine, University of London, 1903 and 1904, 26 October 1904 (oversize, located in oversize box);
- (iii) Gaining 1st place in examination in Class of Junior Anatomy, 1904-5 (oversize, located in oversize box);
- (iv) Passing Intermediate examination in Faculty of Medicine, University of London, 1906, 24 October 1906 (oversize, located in oversize box);
- (v) Gaining 2nd place in examination in Obstetrics, University of Leeds, 1907 (oversize, located in oversize box);

- (vi) Medical Registration Certificate, License of the Society of Apothecaries, 18 March 1909; Certificate of Diploma for Licentiate in Medicine and surgery from Society of Apothecaries, 11 November 1909 (oversize, located in portfolio);
- (vii) Registration Certificate for Additional Medical Qualification, MB, Bachelor of Surgery, London, 24 October 1910; Certificate for qualifying with MB, 15 June 1910 (oversize, located in oversize box);
- (viii) Certificate of Registration of an Additional Qualification, MD, London 1918, Member of The Royal College of Physicians, 1939, and Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, 1963, 13 June 1963; Certificate for qualifying with MD, 23 October 1918 (oversize, located in oversize box)
- (ix) Registration Certificate for Additional Medical Qualification, Member of The Royal College of Physicians, London, 2 August 1939;

Date details: 17 April 1902 - 13 June 1963.

## B PIC B 3 - 2 Genealogy

Family tree dating from c.1825 to c.1959 of 4 generations tracing Pickles mother and father's lines of descent, Pickles being the 3rd generation *N.B. n.d.* 

#### B PIC B 3 - 3 War medals

1918 - 1919

3 medals awarded to Pickles for his service in The First World War, 1914-1918, on ribbons in presentation box. He served as in the Royal Naval Volunteers as surgeon-lieutenant. *N.B. Although there is no date for when these medals were awarded, it is though to have been c.1918-1919 Date details: 1918-1919.* 

### B PIC B 3 - 4 Material about the Dales

1982 - 1998

Contains notes about, and photographs of, the Dales. [For slides of views of Wensleydale, used by Pickles in his lectures, see B PIC A 2-3] Pickles drew extensively on descriptions of Wensleydale, and the district of Aysgarth in particular where he had his practice, throughout his professional career, in his lecturing and in published articles. [See B PIC A 2-2, for lecture and speech notes, and B PIC A 2-1 for published articles]. Also includes typed copies of the letters of Dr Richard Laycock Routh, one of Pickles' predecessors at Aysgarth. His letters give an impression of what it was like to have been a doctor in Wensleydale in the 1870s:

(i) Handwritten notes on stories of the district in the 1880s, reflecting on the poverty of the area, the social life of the villagers, and recollections of his early days as a doctor; notes which appear to be drafts of speeches, making references to the Dales, particularly the last hundred years of medical practice in a Yorkshire village, including his taking over of the Aysgarth practice in 1913, his voyage to India and then his early years in

Aysgarth, n.d. [See B PIC A 1 for material relating to Pickles roles as a General Practitioner]; Includes recording of material for speeches relaying stories about local life in the Dales (located on B PIC A 2-2 (xxvii) Pickles Box 3);

- (ii) 3 colour Photographs of Aysgarth, taken by Dr D. Woods in 1982; Will Pickles surgery, Aysgarth; View of Pickles bungalow from the village Post Office; Will Pickles memorial plaque, [see B PIC A 4-7 for material relating to the unveiling of the plaque, including b/w photographs];
- (iii) 23 colour photographs of Aysgarth taken by Professor Stuart Murray in connection with the Pickles lecture, 1998; Village scenes, a former patient of Pickles with a signed copy of one of his articles, his surgery, Dr and Mrs Pickles' gravestone, Pickles memorial plaque;
- (iv) Typed copies of 3 letters and 7 excerpts from letters of Dr Richard Laycock Routh, to his aunt and uncle, from various locations including Silford, London, Banbury, Ambleside, 1 October 1863 9 April 1899. [Many are undated, and several have no address; John Pemberton quotes from these letters in his biography of Pickles, 'Will Pickles of Wensleydale: The Life of a Country Doctor', in his chapter, 'The Aysgarth Practice before Will's time', pp.55-64 ]

N.B. It is not known when Pickles wrote his notes about the Dales, it may even have been earlier than the 1960s, if he used the material in his lectures, however, it may have been after his retirement that he started to note his recollections and stories down

Date details: 1960 - 1998.

# B PIC B 3 - 5 Personal Notes and Recollections

Collection of typescript notes recording favourite quotations, recollections of speeches given, including the impressions made on Pickles of the reception of his speeches, and visits abroad, similar to diary entries:

(i) Typed notes, these do appear to be in alphabetical order, numbered pp.1-16, 17-32, 33-52, 53-70, 71-89 [as they were found to be arranged] (2 copies); Typed notes marked pp.1-16, amongst them are quotations from Jane Austin; experience of America, including the giving of the Cutter Lecture, [one further copy of this segment with letter attached from Sir Wilson Jameson with the text of a letter explaining to the American Embassy the need for Gerty, Pickles' wife, to accompany Pickles on his trip to America, 12 April 1955; Also article referring to Dr and Mrs Pickles' trip to America, summer 1955, from the Darlington and Stockton Times, 23 July 1955 (located in the back of Pickles' personal copy of his book, B PIC A 3-1, Pickles Box 4)]; Dr Baker; Birmingham, 1950; Colic (2 copies)

pp.17-32 amongst them are verses by Doggerel; recollections on his partner Dean Dunbar; Thomas Dobson; on the subject of death beds; Dixon Daykin; Dundee; Mrs Denham; his father; Dr Wilson;

1950 - 1960 and Major Greenwood [for correspondence with Greenwood, see B PIC A 2-5];

pp33-52 amongst them are notes on the subject of ghosts; Lord Houghton; Dick Hestletine, landlord of the George and Dragon; The Health Act; his Honorary Degree of Doctor of Science from Leeds University; Infuenza epidemic; his brother Jack; his mother; medical men and students visiting Aysgarth;

pp.53-70 amongst them are notes on the subject of the Post Office; rain; his earliest recollections, such as school and the wedding of Rhoda, his nurse; 'Speech at Wedding'; snobs;

pp.71-89 amongst them are notes on his experiences in the First World War; suicides; snow; Influenza epidemic of 1937; Squire Tomlinson; Thornton Lodge; 'ugly faces'; William Winn; young doctors;

- (ii) Typed notes numbered pp.1-12, quoting Alfred Gough; Sam Beare; recollecting speeches given in Birmingham [n.d.], Bradford, 1953; Canterbury Archbishop Fisher; Thomas Carlyle; Edward Tong; Blood Transfusion Centre, Leeds; St George's; Hamilton Stewart; Vaughan Jones; James Winn; Lord Moynihan; Nero; Porter at Windsor Hotel, Melbourne; Sir James Paget; Dr Scot Skirving; fellow student Thoseby; Ujala a little girl from Bengal (3 copies);
- (iii) Typed notes, numbered pp.1-13, on the subject of William Boghurst; The College of General Practitioners [for material relating to Pickles' roles as President of The College, see B PIC A 4]; John Cockroft; children; the Bisset-Hawkins medal [see B PIC B 1-2 for the medal and related material]; Sir James Paget; Harry Storey (2 copies);
- (iv) Typed notes on Dr and Mrs Pickles trip to Australia and New Zealand, 1951, including Hobart, Armidale, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne Adelaide, with an intervening trip to New Zealand, Wellington, Christchurch, and Auckland, and the voyage home via Colombo, including impressions of the places visited and the excursions taken [excerpts from these notes appear in Pemberton's biography, 'Will Pickles of Wensleydale: The Life of a Country Doctor', pp.156-160, see B PIC B 2-1];
- (v) Typed notes on Dr and Mrs Pickles' trip to South Africa, 1953, including impressions of the places visited and the excursions taken, such as Cape Town, Johannesburg, the Kruger National Park, and Bulawayo. Pickles reflected disappointingly on the scant attendance of his lectures

N.B. It is not know when these notes, spanning Pickles' life, were made, the dates are likely to have been from around the 1950s to the period during his retirement in 1964

# B PIC B 3 - 6 Photographs of Pickles

B/w and colour photographs of Pickles, from the age of 50 to a few years before his death in 1969. [For photographs of Pickles'

surgery, Aysgarth and the surrounding district see B PIC B 3-4];

- (i) Portrait of Pickles aged 50, taken 1935 in Leeds, Nas. Bacon and Sons. [This photograph is reproduced in John Pemberton's biography, 'Will Pickles of Wensleydale: The Life of a Country Doctor', see B PIC B 2-1], 1 original b/w, 8 by 6 inches; 1 reproduction, 6 by 4.5 inches;
- (ii) Pickles at his house in Aysgarth, n.d. c.1950, processed by C.H. Wood, Bradford, original b/w, 3.8 by 5.2 inches;
- (iii) Portrait of Pickles in 1956, aged c.70, in suit and bow-tie, original b/w, 6 by 7.5 inches;
- (iv) 3 colour photographs, Pickles as an elderly man, taken c. 1965; Pickles smiling sat on bench, 6 by 4 inches; Pickles looking at a volume of his epidemiological charts, 6 by 4 inches; a page from the volume of his charts, showing January - March 1950, 5 by 3.5 inches. [For Pickles epidemiological charts see B PIC A 2-4; for slides of his charts see B PIC A 2-3]

Date details: 1935 - c.1965.

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