

P1030 H.B Reids Pharmacy, Wick

RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT

Reference number: GB1741/P1030

Alternative reference number:

Title: H.B Reids Pharmacy, Wick

Dates of creation: 1924-1966, n.d.

Level of description: Fonds

Extent: 14 volumes, 1 file

Format: Paper, photograph

RECORDS' CONTEXT

Name of creators: Harold B. Reid

Administrative history: Harold Reid was a well-known name in Wick as many inhabitants visited his chemist shop in the High Street in Wick.

Harold Buchan Reid, originally from Invergordon, came to Wick shortly after the first World War and took over the chemist shop in Wick, High Street, in around 1924 from his brother Willaim George Reid. He operated the shop for 20 years before his sudden passing in 1944.

The Chemist was then managed by his wife Isabella Jane (nee Budge) until their only child Harold Campbell became qualified.

Harold's sporting interests included being a regular player for the John O'Groats F.C. in his early years. When his playing days were over he continued to take a keen interest in the club and its welfare.

Harold was also a keen golfer and member of Wick Golf Club. This interest was passed on to his son Harold Campbell who was a regular golfer. The Wick Senior Golfers at Reiss Golf Club now regularly compete for a trophy bearing Harold's name.

Harold's other interests extended into the arts and he was a member of the Wick Operatic Society and Wick Players, being responsible for the make-up of the casts.

Harold in later years became an officer in the Wick Sea Cadet Corps, with the Sea Cadets

providing an escort to the funeral hearse upon his passing.

Harold Campbell featured in a recording by Wick Voices where he speaks about his childhood during World War II and running from machine gun fire.

Custodial history:

Deposited by Harold B. Reid's granddaughter

RECORDS' CONTENT

Description:

Handwritten Ledgers detailing customers names, addresses and ailments along with the respective prescriptions issued.

Receipts and legal documents detailing the sale and lease of the High Street premise, and undated photographs of the outside and inside of the Chemist shop.

Appraisal:

Accruals:

None expected

RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE

Access:

Some Restrictions

Closed until:

Business Ledgers closed for 100 years

Access conditions:

Available within the archive searchroom

Copying:

Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids:

Available in Caithness Archive Service searchroom and online

ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material:

Publication:

Notes:

Date of catalogue:

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Ref.	Description	Dates
P1030	H.B Reids Pharmacy, Wick	1924-1966, n.d.
P1030/1	Business Ledgers [CLOSED for 100 years]	1942-1966
P1030/1/1	Handwritten Ledger detailing customers names, addresses and ailments along with the respective prescriptions issued (1 volume)	12 May 1942- 1 Mar 1945
P1030//1/2	Handwritten Ledger detailing customers names, addresses and ailments along with the respective prescriptions issued (1 volume)	2 Mar 1945- 17 Apr 1947
P1030/1/3	Handwritten Ledger detailing customers names, addresses and ailments along with the respective prescriptions issued (1 volume)	18 Apr 1947- 1 Nov 1948
P1030/1/4	Handwritten Ledger detailing customers names, addresses and ailments along with the respective prescriptions issued (1 volume)	2 Nov 1948- 27 Feb 1950
P1030/1/5	Handwritten Ledger detailing customers names, addresses and ailments along with the respective prescriptions issued (1 volume)	28 Feb 1950- 28 Dec 1951
P1030/1/6	Handwritten Ledger detailing customers names, addresses and ailments along with the respective prescriptions issued (1 volume)	1 Jan 1952- 23 Nov 1953
P1030/1/7	Handwritten Ledger detailing customers names, addresses and ailments along with the respective prescriptions issued (1 volume)	24 Nov 1953- 20 Nov 1955
P1030/1/8	Handwritten Ledger detailing customers names, addresses and ailments along with the respective prescriptions issued (1 volume)	18 Jul 1957- 24 Feb 1959
P1030/1/9	Handwritten Ledger detailing customers names, addresses and ailments along with the respective prescriptions issued (1 volume)	25 Feb 1959- 21 Sep 1960
P1030/1/10	Handwritten Ledger detailing customers names, addresses and ailments along with the respective prescriptions issued (1 volume)	21 Sep 1960- 19 Mar 1962
P1030/1/11	Handwritten Ledger detailing customers names, addresses and ailments along with the respective prescriptions issued (1 volume)	19 Mar 1962- 13 Aug 1963
P1030/1/12	Handwritten Ledger detailing customers names, addresses and ailments along with the respective prescriptions issued (1 volume)	13 Aug 1963- 15 Oct 1964

P1030/1/13	Handwritten Ledger detailing customers names, addresses and ailments along with the respective prescriptions issued (1 volume)	16 Oct 1964- 7 Sep 1965
P1030/1/14	Handwritten Ledger detailing customers names, addresses and ailments along with the respective prescriptions issued (1 volume)	7 Sep 1965- 5 Jul 1966
P1030/2	Administrative and financial records	1924-c.1944
P1030/2/1	Agreement between William George Reid and Harry Reid regarding the selling and purchasing of the stock and fittings for Chemist in High Street, Wick. Conducted by Hector Sutherland and Green Solicitors, Wick (1 item)	19 Mar 1924
P1030/2/2	Account for Mr H.B. Reid, Chemist 116 High Street, Wick to J. Robertson, Solicitor, Wick (1 item)	May 1924
P1030/2/3	Handwritten receipts from W.G. Reid to H.B. Reid acknowledging payments towards purchase of stock and fittings at 116 High Street, Wick (4 items)	1924-1928
P1030/2/4	Minute of Lease between Donald Sutherland and Henry Buchan Reid by J. Robertson, Solicitor, Wick (1 item)	1928
P1030/2/5	Photocopy of Extract of and Entry in a Register of Deaths for Henry Buchan Reid and photocopy of undated newspaper obituary (2 items)	c.1944
P1030/3	Photographs	c.1950-1960, n.d.
P1030/3/1	Black and white photograph postcard of the outside street façade of H.B. Reid Pharmacist and Chemist (1 item)	c.1950
P1030/3/2	Black and white photograph of the outside street façade of H.B. Reid Ltd. Pharmacy, with two ladies standing on the doorstep (1 item)	c.1950
P1030/3/3	Colour photograph of woman standing inside chemist, with perfume and various other female and baby products behind her (1 item)	c.1960
P1030/3/4	Black and white photograph of woman behind chemist counter sorting through an open drawer, handwritten on back in blue ink is 'behind counter didn't know it was being taken' (1 item)	n.d.
P1030/3/5	Black and white photograph of woman leaning against open doorframe, with chemist counter behind her (1 item)	n.d.

P1030/3/6	Black and white photograph of the same woman from previous photos in the same outfit, suggesting photos were all taken on the one occasion, facing camera from behind chemist counter (1 item)	n.d.
P1030/3/7	Black and white photograph of gentleman in suit and tie facing camera from behind chemist counter (1 item)	n.d.