DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY

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Abstract:

Urologist and professor, James W. Merricks, 1908-1999, was born in West Virginia in 1908. He graduated from West Virginia University, earning a B.A. in 1930, and a B.S. the following year. He then moved to Chicago, Ill., to attend Rush Medical College, from which he graduated in 1934. In 1936, he joined the staff of Presbyterian Hospital and the faculty of urology at Rush Medical College. After Rush Medical College closed its doors to new students in 1942, Merricks continued teaching at the University of Illinois at Chicago. He became founder and chief officer of Merri-Med Cine Productions, which produced more than a dozen urologic and surgical films which Merricks termed medical cinema. In 1956, with R. Kennedy Gilchrist, he developed a substitute bladder and urethra. This topic became the subject of one of many medical films produced by Merricks. In 1970, the newly-formed Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center appointed him to the urology faculty, of which he served as an emeritus member from 1971 until his death in 1999. Merricks served as head of the Section of Urology at Highland Park Hospital, 1970-1982, in Highland Park, Ill., the town in which Merricks had made his residence. Merricks was also a prolific amateur photography. Merricks was married to Virginia White Merricks. Merricks died 31 July 1999.

Urologist and professor James W. Merricks's papers consist of biographical information, correspondence, writings by Merricks and others, school material, professional material, awards and certificates, film production material, patient material, pictures, audiovisual material, and artifacts. Biographical information includes Merricks's curriculum vitae, bibliographies, obituaries, and clippings. Correspondence includes letters to and from Merrick mostly concerning medical matters. Writings by Merricks and others include articles, papers, and presentations mostly concerning urology. School material includes mostly papers and notes written by Merrick while he was a student at West Virginia University. Professional material includes items related to professional and medical organizations and conferences with which Merricks was involved. Awards and certificates include awards, certificates, and licenses awarded to Merricks, mostly related

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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Merricks, James W., 1908-1999
Merricks, Virginia White, d. 1998
Motion pictures in medicine
Presbyterian Hospital of the City of Chicago
Rush Medical College
Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center
Rush University Medical Center—History, 20th century
Surgery education.
University of Illinois at Chicago. College of Medicine.
West Virginia University. School of Medicine. 1920s-1930s
Urology. History. 20th century.

RELATED COLLECTIONS:

Gilchrist, R. Kennedy, 1904-1994.
Merricks photos of Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn., [1935-1937?], were sent to that institution.
Pictures in RG 044000.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:

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cinema. Most of these films were distributed through the American College of Surgeons Film Library. "Gilchrist-Merricks Substitute Bladder" received the Gold Medal of recognition at the International Medical Film Exhibit held by the 1958 Brussels World's Fair. Merricks served as Secretary-Treasurer or President of the Rush Medical College Alumni Association throughout the 1960s. In 1970, the newly-formed Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center appointed him to the urology faculty, of which he served as an emeritus member from 1971 until his death in 1999. Merricks served as head of the Section of Urology at Highland Park Hospital, 1970-1982, in Highland Park, Ill., the town in which Merricks had made his residence. Merricks was also a prolific amateur photography. Merricks died 31 July 1999 in Highland Park, Ill.

Merricks's wife, Virginia White Merricks, nee Virginia A. White, graduated from the St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing in 1930. Since 1945, she was a life member of the former Presbyterian Hospital Women's Board, serving on the standing committee of its Gift Shop in the late 1940s and early 1950s. She went on to become a sustaining member of the Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center Woman's Board. She died in May 1998.

COLLECTION OVERVIEW:

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ARRANGEMENT OF SERIES:

1. Biographical Information, 1950s-1999
2. Correspondence, 1935-1980s
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4. School Material, 1928-1931
5. Professional Material, 1939-1982
6. Awards and Certificates, 1929-1997
7. Film Production Material, 1955-1975
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9. Patient Material, 1930-1987
10. Pictures, 1930s-1980s
11. Audiovisual Material, 1940s-1970s
12. Artifacts, 1940, 1985, and undated

ITEMS SEPARATED:

Pictures, including photographs, negatives, glass lantern slides, and 35mm slides.
Audiovisual material, including 16mm film and VHS videocassettes.
Artifacts, including camera and related material and medals.
Oversized papers.
Oversized pictures.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION:

Series 1. Biographical Information, 1950s-1999

About 10 items
Scope Content: Biographical information includes Merricks's curriculum vitae, bibliographies, obituaries, and clippings.

BOX 1

Curriculum vitae, 1963; "Who's Who in the Midwest" entry, 1984; Obituaries, 1999
Bibliographies
Clippings Related to Virginia White Merricks, 1950s

Series 2. Correspondence, 1935-1980s

About 60 items
Arrangement: chronological
Scope Content: Correspondence includes letters to and from Merrick mostly concerning medical matters.

BOX 1 (continued)

Correspondence: 1935, 1953, 1959

[**In BOX 11:** Acknowledgement of Resignation from the Abraham Lincoln School of Medicine, UIC, 1971]

Lake Forest Hospital and Highland Park Hospital, 1970s
Correspondence with Physicians, 1970s
1970s
Correspondence with Lowell R. King, Head of Pediatric Urology, Duke University Medical Center, 1980s
1980s

Series 3. Writings, 1937-1987

About 100 items
Arrangement: chronological
Scope Content: Writings by Merricks and others include articles, papers, and presentations mostly concerning urology. Researchers should note that Merricks's original spelling of medical conditions and other terms have been retained and the accepted spelling or terminology may have changed over time. Merricks's writings are listed chronologically, followed by the writings of others.

BOX 1 (continued)

"Clinical and Radiologic Data Associated With Congenital and Acquired Single Kidney" with William F. Braasch, Read at Forty-Ninth Annual Meeting of the American Association of Genito-Urinary Surgeons, 1937.
"A Selected Group of Minor Surgical Urological Conditions," with Robert H. Herbst, 1938

[**In BOX 10:** "Congenital Unilateral Renal Agenesia; Summary of the Study of the Psoas Shadow," includes Research Notes, [1938?] RESTRICTED]

"Skin Tests in the Diagnosis of Gonorrhea," Draft, [1938?]
"Visualization and Treatment of Seminal Vesic Ulitis By Catheterization and Dilation of the Ejaculatory Ducts" with Robert H. Herbst, from _The Journal of Urology_, vol. 41, no. 5., 1939
"Elusive Ulcer (Hunner) of the Bladder with an Experimental Study of the Etiology," Draft and Research Notes, 1939
"The Modern Conception of the Diagnosis and Treatment of Infections of the Seminal Vesicles", Reprinted From _International Clinics_, vol. II, Series 3, 1940
"Transurethral Approach To The Diagnosis and Treatment of Infections of the Seminal Vesicles" with Robert H. Herbst, Presented Before Section on Surgery, Illinois Medical Society, 1940
"Clinics of Drs. Herbst and James W. Merricks: Chronic Primary Diseases of the Lower Female Urinary Tract," from _Medical Clinics of North America_, 1941

"Transurethral Drainage of the Seminal Vesicles in Seminal Vesiculitis" with Robert H. Herbst, Reprinted from _Illinois Medical Journal_, vol. 86, no. 4, 1944
"Staphylococcus Albus Septicemia Following Nephrolithotomy" with Robert H. Herbst, _The Journal of the American Medical Association_, vol. 127, 1945
"The Prostatic Patient Today" with Robert H. Herbst, _Clinics_, vol. IV, no. 5. and related material, 1933-1951

[**In BOX 10:** "The Prostatic Patient Today," Research Notes, 1946 RESTRICTED]

"Studies on the Relation of the pH of the Urine to Visualization with Neo-iopax in excretory urography" with Ross Haeger, _The Proceedings of the Institute of Medicine of Chicago_, vol. 17, 1948
"Angioma of Kidney With Prolonged Hematuria: Report of Two Cases," Draft, [1948?]
"Transthoracic Approach to Tumors of the Right Adrenal" with John M. Dorsey and Frederick Hiss, _The Proceedings of the Institute of Medicine of Chicago_, vol. 17, no. 12, 1949
"The Use of Anticoagulants Following Transurethral Prostatic Resection" with John H. Olwin and Frank B. Papierniak, _The Journal of Urology_, vol. 63, no. 2, 1950
"Surgical Renal Disease" with Robert H. Herbst, _Geriatric Medicine_, 2nd Edition, 1949

BOX 2

"Treatment of Hydrocele," Draft and Notes, 1942-1951
"Transurethral Fulguration of Cancer in Vesical Diverticula," Draft and Notes, 1944-1951
"Construction of a substitute bladder and urethra" with Richard K. Gilchrist, Howard Hamlin, and L. T. Rieger, _The Proceedings of the Institute of Medicine of Chicago_, vol. 18, no. 2, 1950-1951
Hydatid Disease, comments by Merricks, 1950
Studies of Parasacral Air Injection, with Thomas L. C. Cotrell, [1950?]
"Treatment of Ureterocele in Adults" with Robert H. Herbst, _The Journal of Urology_, vol. 64, no. 5, 1950
Artificial Bladder, related articles, 1950-1953

[**In BOX 10:** Case Report of Man with Fracture of the Sacrum, 1951 RESTRICTED]

"Robert Harry Herbst," Obituary by James W. Merricks , M.D., _The Proceedings of the Institute of Medicine of Chicago_, vol. 18, no. 17, 1951
"Case Report of Unusual Hematuria" with I. Taylor Rieger, [1951?]
Description of Case involving Construction of an Artificial Bladder, 1952
"Erythroplasia of Queyrat" with Thomas L.C. Cottrell, 1952-1953

[**In BOX 10:** "Clinical Study of Electrolytes Reabsorption," Draft and Notes, [1953?] RESTRICTED]

“The Ileocecal Segment as a Substitute Bladder: A Review of 18 Cases,” with R. K. Gilchrist, 1954
"Surgical Renal Disease" with Frank B. Papierniak, M.D., Chapter 38 of _Geriatric Medicine_, pp. 591-603, 3rd Edition, J. B. Lippincott Co., 1954
"Repair of the Abdominal Wall and Penis in Extrophy of the Bladder" with Clarence W. Monroe, [1955?]
"Construction of a Substitute Bladder and Urethra" with R. K. Gilchrist, _The Surgical Clinics of North America_, vol. 36, no. 4, 1956

Writings by Others

“Elusive Ulcer (Hunner) of the Bladder with an Experimental Study of the Etiology,” by Robert H. Herbst, George O. Baumrucker, and Kempton L. German, 1937
Readings on Vaginal Fistula and Female Urethral Diverticula, various authors, 1938-1951

BOX 3

Transactions of the new England Branch of the American Urological Association, 1939
“Uses and Misuses of Androgens,” by W. O. Thompson, 1950
“Peritoneal Dialysis in the Treatment of Uremia,” by Budd Clark Corbus, related material, 1950
Urology Articles, 1950-1970
“Mechanism of Electrolyte Imbalance Following Ureterosigmoid Transplantation,” by Jack Papides, 1951
“An Experimental Study on the Reduction of Ureteral Reflux,” by I. T. Rieger and Jackson Harris, 1953
“Pre-Operative and Post-Operative Care in Elderly People,” by E. Lee Strohl, 1953
“Further Experimental Studies and Observations on Ureteral Reflux and Urinary Diversion,” I. T. Rieger, 1953
“The Substitute Bladder,” by Graham Godfrey, 1954
Cleveland Clinic Quarterly, 1957
“Masochism and Interstitial Cystitis,” by John E. Bowers, Berthold E. Schwarz, and Maurice J. Leon, 1958
Acid/Base Ratio Reporting System, related material, 1967-1968
“Zinc: A Key Urological Element,” by Irving M. Bush et al, [1971?]
“Ball Repair of Vesicovaginal Fistula,” by George O. Baumrucker, 1974
“Urography: Part 1,” by James F. Glenn et al, 1977
Articles by Richard W. Gray, 1977-1981
“Current Status of the Ileal Reservoir for Continent Urinary Diversion,” by Nils G. Kock et al, 1985
“M. D. Mountaineers,” about John V. Ambler and Henry A. Buchtel, [undated]

Series 4. School Material, 1928-1931, 1965

About 20 items
Arrangement: alphabetical by subject
Scope Content: School material includes papers and notes written by Merrick while he was a student at West Virginia University. This material is arranged alphabetically by class subject. Also included is a 1965 copy of the university's alumni newsletter, *Growth*.

BOX 3 (continued)

Student Papers, 1929-1930
Biochemistry, Student Papers, [1930?]

BOX 4

Clinical Pathology, Student Papers, [1930?]
Histology, "Laboratory Directions in Histology," text, 1928
Hygiene Class, Student Notes, [1930?]
Materia Medica and Therapeutics, Student Papers, 1931
Neuro-Anatomy Class, Notebook, 1930
Neurology, Laboratory Notebook, 1930
Pathology, Student Papers, [1930?]
Pathology, Student Papers, 1932
Physiology and Histology Classes, Student Papers, 1929-1930

BOX 5

Physiology, Student Papers, 1930
Tumor Pathology, [1930?]
Zoology, Laboratory Notebook, 1929-1930
West Virginia University, Alumni Newsletter, _Growth_, 1965

<u>Series 5. Professional Material, 1939-1982</u>

About 15 items
Arrangement: alphabetical by organization
Scope Content: Professional material includes items related to professional and medical organizations and conferences with which Merricks was involved. This material is organized alphabetically by organization.

BOX 5 (continued)

American College of Surgeons, _Bulletin_, Vol. 58, No. 4, 1973
American Medical Association Annual Convention, American Physicians Art Association, 1975
American Urological Association, Candidate Evaluations for Membership, 1950

American Urological Association, Case Histories of Candidates for Active Membership, 1952

BOX 6

American Urological Association, Convention Programs, 1954, 1960-1962
American Urological Association, Annual Meeting, Exhibit Booklet, 1971
American Urological Association, Committee for the Registry of Genito-Urinary Pathology, Minutes, 1971-1973
American Urological Association Newsletter, 1975-1977
Chicago Urological Society, Programs and Other Material, 1939-1945
Chicago Urological Society, Correspondence and Programs, 1974-1977
Midwest Clinical Conference, Program, 1975
Rush Medical College Alumni Association, Minutes and Annual Reports, 1959-1961
Rush Medical College Alumni Association, Luncheon Ticket, 1965
Rush University Faculty Wives Club Membership, Roster/Directory, 1981-1982
Urologists' Correspondence Club, 1949-1983
Western Surgical Association, Constitution, [1975?]

Series 6. Awards and Certificates, 1929-1997

About 30 items
Scope Content: Awards and Certificates includes awards, certificates, and licenses awarded to Merricks, mostly related to his medical career. Also included is Virginia A. White's diploma from St. Luke's School of Nursing, 1930.

BOX 6 (continued)

Diploma, St. Luke's School of Nursing, Virginia A. White, 1930
American College of Surgeons, Certificate admitting Merricks as a Fellow, 1954

[In Oversized Papers Folder 1 (OP-4703-1)] Membership Certificate, 1938

Membership Certificates, 1942-1977 and undated

[**In BOX 11:** Membership Certificate, 1973]
[**In BOX 11:** Membership Certificate, 1984]

Awards, 1944-1958

BOX 7

[**In BOX 11:** Certificate of Competency, 1941]
[**In BOX 11:** Certificate of Participation, 1967]
[**In BOX 11:** Certificate of Participation, 1975]

Certificates of Recognition and Tribute, 1967-1976
Certificates of Recognition and Tribute, 1980, 1982
Certificates of Recognition and Tribute, 1992, 1997

[In Oversized Papers Folder 2 (OP-4703-2)] Exhibit Award, 1950

Licenses, 1961-1976

Series 7. Film Production Material, 1955-1975

About 20 items
Arrangement: chronological by film
Scope Content: Film production material includes material mostly related to medical films made and produced by Merricks or his film production company Merri-Med Cine Productions. This material includes narrative scripts, illustrations, and correspondence related to the films. Also included are reviews by Merricks on other medical films, receipts, and notes. Merricks's films included "Stone in Healed Vesico-Vaginal Fistula," "Surgical Treatment of Peyronie's Disease," and "Ileocystoplasty for Contracted Bladder: An Experimental Study in the Dog."

Researchers should note that Series 11. Audiovisual Material includes copies of these films along with other medical films and home movies in 35 mm film and VHS videocassette formats.

BOX 7 (continued)

Film on Ileocecal Substitute Bladder, Illustrations, [1955?]

[**In BOX 11:** "Substitute Bladder," Watercolor Paintings and Air Brush Illustrations, [1956?]]

"Stone in Healed Vesico-Vaginal Fistula," Narration Notes, [1965?]

[**In BOX 10:** "Peyronie's Disease," Diagnosis and Operative Report for Patient, 1973 RESTRICTED]

"Surgical Treatment of Peyronie's Disease," related articles by Charles E. Horton and Charles J. Devine, 1973-1974
"Surgical Treatment of Peyronie's Disease," Script for Narration, 1974
"Surgical Treatment of Peyronie's Disease," Text and Instructions for Photography, 1974
"Surgical Treatment of Peyronie's Disease," Illustrations, 1974
"Surgical Treatment of Peyronie's Disease," Correspondence, 1975
"Surgical Treatment of Peyronie's Disease," Correspondence regarding showing of film at American Urological Association conference and American College of Surgeons, 1975
"Ileocystoplasty for Contracted Bladder: An Experimental Study in the Dog," Draft of Film Text, [undated]

Reviews by Merricks, Related Correspondence, Receipts, Notes, 1972-1974

Series 8. Other Material, 1931-1988

About 40 items
Scope Content: Other material includes miscellaneous medical and personal items that do not fit within other series. Other medical material includes cartoons related to Merricks or doctors and information on other doctors for whom Merricks wrote obituaries. Other personal material includes an album for collecting stamps and a church membership directory.

BOX 7 (continued)

Medical

Exams Written by Heaney, Bauer, and Ormsby, Rush Medical College, 1931
Dr. Herbst's Urological Service, Instructions, [1933?]
Presbyterian Hospital Notice to Interns, "Diseases to be reported to the Health Department," 1935
Presbyterian Hospital, Urology Cartoon, 1940
Surgery of Kidney, Statistics on Surgery Types, 1951
List of Approved Residencies and Fellowships in Urology, from the _Journal of the American Medical Association_, 1953
Material on Charles Huggins, M.D., 1966 Nobel Laureate, 1957-1969

BOX 8

Portrait of William F. Braasch, M.D., 1957

[In Oversized Papers Folder 3 (OP-4703-3)] Highland Park Clinic Blueprint, 1959

Testimony of Merricks in Cook County, Ill., Court Case, 1962
Diagrams and Tax Estimates for 1800 Pleasant Ave. Medical Clinic, 1965
Obituary and Curriculum Vitae for Norris J. Heckel, M.D., 1966
"From Nine to Five" Cartoon by Jo Fischer, dedicated to Merricks, 1968
Eli Lilly and Company, List of Fellow Interns, 1970
Material Related to Office Space, 480 Elm Place, Highland Park, Ill., 1970, 1977
Responses to Survey regarding Necessity of Circumsizing Male Infants, 1973
Cartoon of Herbst, Merricks, and Papierniak, by Frederick W. Onasch, [undated]

Personal

Stamp Album, 1960

[In Oversized Papers Folder 4 (OP-4703-4)] Plat of Survey of Property on Riparin Road, Highland Park, 1957

[In Oversized Papers Folder 5 (OP-4703-5)] Blueprints, Floor plans, Architectural Drawings for house on Riparin Road, Highland Park, [1973]

Subpoena for Deposition, Patricia Robb vs. Ernest Solmon, 1977

[**In BOX 10:** 1978 Income Tax Return List of Dividend Income, 1978 RESTRICTED]

First Christian Church, Charleston, W.V., Membership Directory, 1988

Series 9. Patient Material, 1930-1987

About 40 items
Arrangement: chronological
Restrictions to Access: Material containing patient identification is CLOSED to researchers. [Researchers must submit to an IRB review before being granted access.]
Scope Content: Patient material includes research notes, case summaries, correspondence, and a day book that relate to Merricks's and other doctors' patients. This material identifies patients, and is therefore restricted until further notice.

BOX 9 RESTRICTED

Patient of Robert H. Herbst, 1930-1934
Patient Case Summaries, by Merricks, Presbyterian Hospital, 1936-1937
Diagnosis of Small Capillary Hemangioma of a Pyramid of the Upper Pole of the Surgically Removed Kidney, Robert H. Herbst, 1942
Surgical Summary/Patient Charts for Merricks Patient, 1943
Angioma of Right Kidney in Presbyterian Hospital Patient, 1946
Information on Cases of Construction of an Artificial Bladder, 1947-1952
Report of Case of Patient who Underwent Substitute Bladder Surgery, 1953
Merricks Patient who Received Operation for Ileocecal Substitute Bladder, 1954-1960
Patients of Merricks, 1954-1971
Notes on Abacterial Cystitis, by Merricks, 1970
Merricks's Day Book, May-December 1970

BOX 10 RESTRICTED

Patient Cases, Correspondence, 1972
Phone Message Pad, 1972-1973
Medical Case, 1976
Patient Records, 1970s
Correspondence regarding Patient Records, 1987

BOX 10: Other RESTRICTED material separated from other series

From Series 3. Writings

“The Prostatic Patient Today,” Research Notes, 1946
“Congenital Unilateral Renal Agenesia; Summary of the Study of the Psoas Shadow,” includes Research Notes, [1938?]
“Clinical Study of Electrolytes Reabsorption,” Draft and Notes, [1953?]
Case Report of Man with Fracture of the Sacrum, 1951

From Series 7. Film Production Material
“Peyronie’s Disease,” Diagnosis and Operative Report for Patient, 1973

From Series 8. Other Material
1978 Income Tax Return List of Dividend Income, 1978

BOX 11: OVERSIZED PAPERS

From Series 2. Correspondence
Acknowledgement of Resignation from the Abraham Lincoln School of Medicine, UIC, 1971

From Series 6. Awards and Certificates
Membership Certificate, 1973
Membership Certificate, 1984
Certificate of Competency, 1941
Certificate of Participation, 1967
Certificate of Participation, 1975

From Series 7. Film Production Material
“Substitute Bladder,” Watercolor Paintings and Air Brush Illustrations, [1956?]

Series 10. Pictures, 1930s-1980s

About 700 items
Restrictions to Access: Pictures in Picture Box 6 are RESTRICTED because of patient identification.
Usage Restrictions: Glass lantern slides, 35mm slides, and negatives may require special equipment to be viewed.
Scope Content: Pictures include photographs, negatives, and slides related to Merrick. Pictures include pictures of Merrick and his wife, family, and friends; Presbyterian Hospital and Highland Park; medical pictures; and professional meetings. Pictures also include artistic photographs taken by Merricks. 35mm slides cover the same topics as well as Merricks’s vacations. Glass lantern slides are all medical in nature, from patient cases and medical research. Some pictures and negatives have not been processed and therefore have not been organized or described.

Pictures, especially unprocessed material, glass lantern slides, and any pictures related to medical subjects should be checked for restrictions before researchers can access them.

A detailed guide of Series 10 has been printed out and placed in the first folder of Picture Box 1.

PICTURE BOX 1: Merricks; Family; Friends

PICTURE BOX 2: Friends; Presbyterian Hospital

PICTURE BOX 3: Presbyterian Hospital; Highland Park; Medical Pictures

PICTURE BOX 4: Medical Pictures; Professional Meetings; Art

PICTURE BOX 5: Unprocessed pictures

PICTURE BOX 6: RESTRICTED pictures

PICTURE BOX 7: Negatives of Merricks; Family; Friends

PICTURE BOX 8: Negatives of Friends

PICTURE BOX 9: Negatives of Friends; Presbyterian Hospital; Highland Park; Medical Pictures

PICTURE BOX 10: Negatives of Medical Pictures; Professional Meetings; Art; and Unprocessed Negatives

PICTURE BOX 11: Unprocessed Negatives

PICTURE BOX 12: 35 mm slides of Vacations, Friends and Family, Artistic Pictures, Medical Pictures

PICTURE BOX 13: Unprocessed 35mm slides

PICTURE BOX 14: Glass Lantern Slides, 1927-1957

PICTURE BOX 15: Glass Lantern Slides, 1958-1972 and undated

PICTURE BOX 16: LARGE PICTURES
From Series 10. Pictures
Presbyterian Hospital, 60th Anniversary Celebration, Herrick and Graham, 1943
"Driftwood," February [1963?]
Merricks in doctor's coat covered in name tags and ribbons, using a stethoscope on a doll. A briefcase at his feet reads "Ye Olde Timer's C. M. E." [1980s?]
Photograph of Child Statue in Snow with Bird on Head in Yard of House at Riparian Road, Highland Park, probably sculpted by Sylvia Shaw, title unknown, [undated]

OVERSIZED PICTURE BOX 1:

From Series 10. Pictures
"Backwoods Viking," 1942
"The Patriot," 1944
"Future America's Cup Defenders," [1963?]
"Rainy Monday," [1972?]

Series 11. Audiovisual Material, 1940s-1970s

61 items
Usage Restrictions: Special equipment or the production of viewing copies are needed to view the audiovisual material in this series.
Scope Content: Audiovisual material includes home movies and medical films in 16mm film and VHS videocassette formats. Most of the medical films were produced by Merricks's film production company, Merri-Med Cine Productions. Films are of varying lengths, from 100 ft reels to 1600 ft reels. Films include unedited material, final versions, and footage not directly related to titled films. Titles were taken from the material itself or from accompanying notes.

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Videocassettes:
"The Gilchrist-Merricks Substitute Bladder, Gold Medal Winner, Medical Films, Brussels World's Fair, 1958," #634, #635, #1054, #1055 (4 VHS videocassettes transferred from film)

Audiovisual Box 1: Home Movies, 1940s-1950s,
16mm, 100 Ft. (#1056-1071)

1056: "White, Virginia, and Friend on Beach," [1942?]
1057: "The Petersons: Vicki (newborn), Mary-Ann, Margaret and Cat," 1943
1058: "The Herbsts," 1943
1059: "Merricks and Friends, Christmas" 25 December 1943
1060: "Home Folks in Charleston, W.V.," 1943
1061: "Lil' John Tysell and Family," [1945?]
1062: "World War II Headlines," [1945?]
1063: "Merricks Gardening and Showing off his Flowers," Spring 1947
1064: "Christmas-The Merricks at Home," 25 December 1947
1065: "Ann (Merricks's Niece)," [1949]
1066: "Ravine Lane Home and Turkey Run State Park," Spring/Summer 1951
1067: "Merricks Washing his Car and with his Roses. Also, Ross Spencer and Chuck Martin," Summer 1953
1068: "Merricks Setting up a Shot. Very short," 1955
1069: "Drawing of Chicago Water Tower," 1 April 1966
1070: "Brussels 1958 Gold Medal," 1966

1071: "Original Footage of Brussels World's Fair Gold Medal to Splice in to Gilchrist-Merricks Substitute Bladder Film," 1966

Audiovisual Box 2: Home Movies and Medical Shorts, 1950s-1970s,
16mm, 100 Ft. (#1072-1079)

1072: "Triplets Born at Highland Park Hospital and Footage of Brussels World's Fair Gold Medal," 1966
1073: "Brussels World's Fair Gold Medal-Animated," 1966
1074: "Merricks, James W. – 'Bent Spike Syndrome,'" 3 November 1976
1075: "Merricks, James W. – 'Bent Spike Syndrome,'" 3 November 1976
1076: "Merricks, James W. – 'Bent Spike Syndrome,'" 3 November 1976
1077: "Enlarging Stoma," [1953?]
1078: "Merricks, James W., with Patient, Showing the Emptying of a Substitute Bladder," 1965
1079: "Merricks, James W., in Operating Room Garb. Very short," [undated]

Audiovisual Box 3: Home Movies, 1940s
16mm, 400 Ft. (#1080-1082)

1080: "White, Virginia and Family. Ends with 'Merri-Med Productions' Logo," [1943?]
1081: "The Grays," [1945?]
1082: "The Grays, Tysells, Merricks, Red Cross, etc.," 1947

Audiovisual Box 4: Medical Movies, 1950s
(#1083-1088)

1083: "Slim Budget Film Showing Taping of Various Scenes for Merri-Med Movies; Merricks at Home; Friends; Differs from Other Slim Budget Reel in that Scenes Showing Film Splicing Methods are Added," [1953?] (16mm, 1200 Ft.)
1084: " Slim Budget Film, Shows Filming of Scenes for Merri-Med Films; Merricks at Home; Friends," [1953?] (16mm, 1200 Ft.)
1085: "'Vesicoureterovaginal Fistula,' by C. Paul Hodgkinson and M. A. Ayers. Not clearly marked as a Merri-Med Production, but is narrated by Merricks. From the Department of Gynecology, Henry Ford Hospital. Optical sound copy," 1957 (16mm, 800 Ft.)
1086: "'The Gilchrist-Merricks Substitute Bladder,' from the Departments of Urology, Surgery and Medical Illustration, Presbyterian Hospital, and the University of Illinois College of Medicine. A Merri-Med Production. Optical sound," 1956 (16mm, 1600 Ft.) (Copy 1 of 3)
1087: "'The Gilchrist-Merricks Substitute Bladder,' Optical sound," 1956 (16mm, 1600 Ft.) (Copy 2 of 3)
1088: "'The Gilchrist-Merricks Substitute Bladder,' Optical sound," 1956 (16mm, 1600 Ft.) (Copy 3 of 3)

Audiovisual Box 5: Medical Movies, 1950s-1960s

16mm, 800 Ft. (#1089-1101)

1089: "'Stone in Healed Vesico Vaginal Fistula,' by Merricks, Frank B. Papierniak, and Stanley R. Levine. Production supported by the Department of Urology and Medical Communications, Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital, and by the University of Illinois College of Medicine. A Merri-med Production. Optical sound," 1963 (Copy 1)
1090: "'Stone in Healed Vesico Vaginal Fistula.' Optical sound, answer print," 1963 (Copy 2)
1091: "'Stone in Healed Vesico Vaginal Fistula.' No sound," 1963 (Copy 3)
1092: "'Stone in Healed Vesico Vaginal Fistula.' No sound," 1963 (Copy 4)
1093: "'Life with a Substitute Bladder,' by Merricks, and R. K. Gilchrist. From the Departments of Urology and Surgery, Presbyterian Hospital. A Merri-Med Production. Optical sound," 1956 (Copy 1)
1094: "'Life with a Substitute Bladder,' Optical sound, feeds poorly," 1956 (Copy 2)
1095: "'Life with a Substitute Bladder,' Optical sound, good copy" 1956 (Copy 3)
1096: "'Life with a Substitute Bladder,' Optical sound," 1956 (Copy 4)
1097: "'Vaginal Repair of a Urethrovaginal Fistula,' by Merricks, Burnell V. Reaney, Clarence C. Close, and Frank B. Papierniak. From the Departments of Gynecology and Surgery, Highland Park Foundation and the Highland Park Hospital Foundation. Also by the University of Illinois College of Medicine. Optical sound," 1957 (Copy 1)
1098: "'Vaginal Repair of a Urethrovaginal Fistula,' Optical sound," 1957 (Copy 2)
1099: "'Vaginal Repair of a Urethrovaginal Fistula,' Optical sound," 1957 (Copy 3)
1100: "'Vaginal Repair of a Urethrovaginal Fistula,' Optical sound," 1957 (Copy 4)
1101: "'Vaginal Repair of a Urethrovaginal Fistula,' No sound," 1957 (16mm, 1600 Ft.) (Copy 5)

Audiovisual Box 6: Medical Movies, 1950s-1970s

1102: "Film showing diagnosis of right ileopyelostomy, left nephoureterectomy-transabdominal. Filmed by Merricks, surgery performed by R. K. Gilchrist. No sound," [1964?] (16mm, 600 Ft.) (Copy 1 of 2)
1103: "Film showing diagnosis of right ileopyelostomy, left nephoureterectomy-transabdominal. No sound," [1964?] (16mm, 600 Ft.) (Copy 2 of 2)
1104: "'Surgical Treatment of Peyronie's Disease' by Merricks, Vernon Z. Hutchins, Richard P. Martino, and Clarence C. Close. From Highland Park Hospital and Rush Medical College. Peyronie's Disease is also known as 'Bent Spike Syndrome.' A Merri-Med Production. Optical sound," 1973
1105: "'Hypospadias,' Original print, optical sound," [1944?] (16mm, 800 Ft.) (Copy 1 of 2)
1106: "'Hypospadias,' No sound," [1944?] (16mm, 800 Ft.) (Copy 2 of 2)
1107: RESTRICTED: "Film showing diagnosis of a. v. fistula in the scrotum. Surgery performed at Evanston Hospital by Dr. Olin, Dr. J. D'Silva, et al. No sound," 1963 (16mm, 800 Ft.) (Copy 1 of 2)
1108: RESTRICTED: "Film of operation on a. v. fistula in the scrotum. No sound," 1963 (16mm, 800 Ft.) (Copy 2 of 2)

1109: "'Surgical Treatment of Urethral Diverticulum,' by Merricks and Lowell F. Peterson. From the Department of Urology and Gynecology and the University of Illinois School of Medicine. Frank Papierniak and Ernest M. Solomon, Highland Park Hospital, Associate Producers. A Merri-Med Production. Optical sound," 1955 (16mm, 800 Ft.) (Copy 1 of 3)
1110: "'Surgical Treatment of Urethral Diverticulum,' No sound," 1955 (16mm, 800 Ft.) (Copy 2 of 3)
1111: "'Surgical Treatment of Urethral Diverticulum,' Optical sound," 1955 (16mm, 1000 Ft.) (Copy 3 of 3)
1112: 'Ileocytoplasty: An Experimental Study in the Dog,' by Merricks, Joseph J. Carrol and R. K. Gilchrist. Assisted by Frank B. Papierniak, and Walter L. Barker. Supported by a grant from the A. D. Thompson Urological Fund, Presbyterian Hospital and by the University of Illinois College of Medicine. A Merri-Med Production. Magnetic sound," 1955 (16mm, 1000 Ft.) (Copy 1 of 2)
1113: 'Ileocytoplasty: An Experimental Study in the Dog,' No sound, spliced," 1955 (16mm, 1000 Ft.) (Copy 2 of 2)
1114: "The Gilchrist-Merricks Substitute Bladder' Optical sound copy, does not show Brussels World Fair medal at beginning," 1956 (16mm, 1000 Ft.)

Series 12. Artifacts, 1940, 1985, and undated

About 25 items
Scope Content: Artifacts include photography equipment and medals. Photography equipment includes camera parts, filters, lenses, and manuals. Presumably this equipment was used by Merricks in his photography hobby. Medals include medals awarded to Merricks in 1940, 1985, and an undated medal.

Artifact Box 1: Photography equipment
Artifact Box 2: Photography equipment and medals
Illinois State Medical Society, Scientific Exhibit, R. H. Herbst and J. W. Merricks, 1940
Frank Billings Medal, Rush Medical College, undated
Rush Medical College Medal, 1985
Artifact Box 3: Needlepoint of the caduceus, symbol of the medical profession, with Merricks's name underneath. It was given to Merricks by Jo Hansen, 6 July 1981.