



THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE ARCHIVES

NAME OF COLLECTION	Tuckfield, William John (1881-1969)
ACCESSION NO	78/112; 98/55
CATEGORY	University, individuals
ACTIVITY	Academics – Dental Science
DATE RANGE	1911-1965
SIZE OF COLLECTION	2 boxes, one film, textiles (0.97 m)

HISTORICAL NOTE	<p>William John TUCKFIELD was born on 15 December 1881 at Belfast (Port Fairy), Victoria. The seventh child of the Rev James William Tuckfield and Ann Tuckfield nee Patterson, he received the Diploma of the Australian College of Dentistry and was registered with the Dental Board of Victoria as a dentist in 1902. In 1911 he married Marcella Mabel Monckton at St Matthew's Anglican Church in Prahran.</p> <p>During World War 1 1915-1918) Tuckfield served with the Australian Medical Corps (Dental Service) becoming honorary captain in July 1917.</p> <p>In 1908 Tuckfield was appointed a member of the Faculty of Dental Science, University of Melbourne and served continuously until his retirement in 1959. He was appointed a lecturer in 1913 and continued his association with teaching until 1953. In 1949 when the Chair of Dental Prosthetics was created Tuckfield became the Acting Professor. He was Dean of the Faculty 1922-23 and acting Dean on many occasions.</p> <p>From 1914 until 1956 Tuckfield edited the Australian Journal of Dentistry and became Editor Emeritus of it's replacement the Australian Dental Journal. Tuckfield was active in professional bodies such as the Odontological Society of Victoria (President 1910), the Alumni Society of the Australian College of Dentistry (President 1921) and the Australian Dental Association (President 1939-41). He was also Chairman and President of the Australian College of Dentistry and the Dental Hospital 1915-16.</p> <p>Tuckfield went to live in Queensland in 1967 and died there on 19 December 1969.</p> <p>See the following for details of Tuckfield's life and activities: <i>Australian Dental Journal</i>, Feb 1970 <i>University of Melbourne Gazette</i>, Vol 26, No 1, March 1970 <i>Australian Dictionary of Biography – Online Edition</i> - http://www.adb.online.anu.edu.au/biogs/A120314b.htm</p>
DATE OF TRANSFER	Received by Archives 14 November 1978; 1998.
ACCESS CONDITIONS	Open
NOTE ON COLLECTIONS	<p>The records in this accession were donated to the University of Melbourne Archives by Mr J.W. Tuckfield in 1978. In 2007 a project was undertaken to upgrade the documentation of the records in this accession. More records by W.J. Tuckfield were discovered in the papers of A.B.P. Amies, which were also re-documented in 2007, and have been placed with the earlier accessions of Tuckfield's papers.</p>
NOTE ON LISTING	This listing has been made possible by a Grant from the School of Dental Science, University of Melbourne.

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	1	Certificates	1944-1965
2	1/1	University of Melbourne Certificate admitting W.J. Tuckfield to the Degree of Doctor of Dental Science, 16 December 1944.	16 Dec 1944
2	1/2	Royal College of Surgeons England Certificate admitting W. J. Tuckfield as a Fellow in Dental Surgery, 29 July 1948.	29 Jul 1948
2	1/3	Australian Dental Association, Victorian Branch Certificate presented to Tuckfield in recognition of 50 years service to Dental Science. 9 November 1965	9 Nov 1965
2	1/4	University of Melbourne Certificate and Citations admitting Tuckfield to Doctor of laws <i>Honoris Causa</i> , 23 May 1963. In red cylindrical case blocked with the University of Melbourne crest in gold.	23 May 1963
2	1/5	Pierre Fauchard Academy Certificate of Membership admitting Tuckfield. Academy founded 1936	Undated
2	1/6	American College of Dentists, Certificate of Fellowship admitting Tuckfield, 13 November 1966 (class of 1924)	13 Nov 1966
2	1/7	Melbourne Dental Students Society address presented to W.J. Tuckfield on the occasion of him relinquishing the Chair of Dental Prosthesis at the University, 19 October 1951. Address bound in brown leather cover with W.J. Tuckfield embossed in gold letters, and tied with a brown ribbon.	19 Oct 1951
2	1/8	Northwestern University, Evanston-Chicago, Certificate conferring the Degree of Doctor of Science <i>Honoris Causa</i> on W.J. Tuckfield, 15 June 1925.	15 Jun 1925
2	1/9	With the Chicago certificate was found a pen and ink drawing by Ralph Fletcher Seymour of unidentified building, inscribed 'from Arthur D. Black, Chicago, October 13, 1930'.	13 Oct 1930
	2	Objects	1911-1965
Film Box	2/1	Film produced by Dr Tuckfield. Subject matter supposed to be scenes of the University grounds and surrounds from the top of the Dental hospital Building includes	c.1941

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		interior of the hospital, sterilizers, dining area. Characteristics: 16 mm, black & white; silent. Edge code: Diamond Diamond (1941)	
2	2/2	Ernest Joske Memorial lecture plaque. Bronze medallion portrait of Ernest Joske executed by A. Meszaros, mounted on polished wool with plate: 'Presented by the Dental Board of Victoria to Dr. W. J. Tuckfield on the occasion of his delivery of the second Ernest Joske Memorial Lecture, 1943'. Plaque has wooden chip at top left corner.	1943
2	2/3	Gold medal. Life membership Australian Dental Association. Inscription engraved on back: 'Honorary Life Member Dr. W.J. Tuckfield, elected 23.10.65'. Design on front incorporates the engraved letters ADA within a raised circle of heraldic shields, surrounded by a wreath of leaves. Made by Angus & Coote Pty Ltd Jeweller, Sydney printed on white satin lining of dark red leather box.	23 Oct 1965
2	2/4	Medallion. On leather strap with metal chain. Medallion in 18 carat gold with intertwined initials W.J.T. enamelled in red, white and blue and dated on back 12.4.1911. Made by Q.C. Royman. On the occasion of his wedding.	12 Apr 1911
S.I Textile Box 1	2/6, 2/7	Black doctoral bonnet (no inscription) and purple and gold hood made by Otrell & Leonard, New York). Presumably these were made for the conferring of the honorary D.Sc. at Chicago in 1925.	1925
	3	Professional articles and teaching materials	1945, 1950s
		This material was discovered in the A.B.P. Amies Collection. As the material was created by Tuckfield it was felt that it should be placed	

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		in the correct provenance.	
1	3/1	“Partial Dentures” 5 th Year (W.J. Tuckfield) Folder of Lecture Notes.	Undated
1	3/2	The Australian College of Dentistry Prosthetic Department: Partial Denture Notes, 5 th Year. Student Notes (2 copies)	c1946
1	3/3	“Dentistry in Victoria. Chronology, W. J. Tuckfield” Notebook	Undated
1	3/4	“Historical facts, W.J. Tuckfield” Notebook	Undated
1	3/5	Photographs of Overseas Dental Schools Possibly collected by Tuckfield during a visit to USA in 1950s. Includes some printed material.	c.1950s
1	3/6	Dentistry in Australia, typescript by W.J. Tuckfield, undated.	Undated
1	3/7	Review of Impression Techniques in Full Denture Prosthesis, draft typescript with handwritten references, by W.J. Tuckfield.	c.1950
1	3/8	Review of Impression Techniques in Full Denture Prosthesis, International Dental Journal Vol 1 No 1, pp 112-130. Two copies: one typescript; one printed copy from the Journal	1950
1	3/9	W.J. Tuckfield, Full Denture Technique, Melbourne, Australian college of Dentistry, 1945. Proof copy of the second edition of this publication; includes index and plates.	1945
	4	Personal Papers	1868 – 1964
2	4/1	The Family Register. Four pages from the register of the family of James William Tuckfield and Mary Ann Patterson showing their marriage on 7 th April 1868, and the births of their children, including the seventh child, William John on 15 th December 1881. Also shows the marriage of William John to Marcella Monckton on 11 th	1868-1929

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		April 1911.	
1	4/2	<p>Documents of events in Tuckfield's life.</p> <p>Includes: Invitation to the XIIIth Australian Dental Congress, Dental Study Club of Brisbane Dinner, 4th June 1953; two copies of the University of Melbourne Citations admitting Tuckfield to Doctor of laws <i>Honoris Causa</i>, 23 May 1963; newscuttings re Tuckfield's life membership of the Australian Dental Association and his retirement as Professor; Obituary, <i>University Gazette</i>, March 1970; University of Melbourne program of the Special Meeting of Council to Commemorate the Opening of the New School of Dental Science and the Seventy-Fifth Anniversary of the Commencement of Dental Education in Victoria, 23 May 1963 – records Tuckfield's Doctor of Laws <i>Honoris Causa</i>; Dental Hospital of Melbourne, the School of Dental Science, University of Melbourne Programme re the Opening of the New Building, 1963 (2 copies); Dunkeld Methodist Church, the First Century, 1964.</p>	
	5	Photographs	c.1964
2	5/1	<p>Photograph album containing photographs of W.J Tuckfield; the new Dental School; country towns visited and RACV car rally, 1964. Some photographs relate to the Olinda area and to Airey's Inlet.</p> <p>These trips were made in the company of Mr. and Mrs. Z. Gizycki, who also appear in some of the photographs. Mr. Gizycki worked as a dentist at the Dental Hospital. Mrs. Gizycki, then Miss Kathie Hindson, was the University's first statistical officer.</p>	c.1964
2	5/2, 5/3	Two boxes of 35 mm slides of Canberra, 1964	
2	5/4	<p>Portrait of W.J. Tuckfield.</p> <p>6 copies of a photograph of an original oil portrait of Tuckfield.</p>	Undated
1	5/5	Photographs, 34, of Tuckfield, colleagues and family. Undated and unidentified.	Undated

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