

Allan (Burrow) Pilkington

8 February 1900 – March 1961

Allan Pilkington was born on the **8th February 1900** in Bolton. His father was **Henry Lee** Pilkington and his mother **Mary Ada** Pilkington (nee Burrow). He had a sister named **Doris** who was six when he was born. His father was born in Manchester and the rest of the family in Bolton.

The first record of Allan is on the **1901** Census when he was aged 1. The four members of the Pilkington family were living at 44 Mackenzie Street, Sharples, Bolton (close to the Smithills Hall Estate). Living with them was Allan's maternal aunt **Emma** Burrow who was born in Lytham, Lancashire. She was aged 35 years (born circa. 1846) but 10 years later she was shown as 55 years (born circa. 1856) [one of the two ages is recorded on the census incorrectly]. Allan's Father and mother were both 37 years old (born circa. 1864). Doris was 7 years of age (born circa. 1894). Father Henry was working as a 'draper's assistant' as was Emma (they may even have been working in the same establishment!).

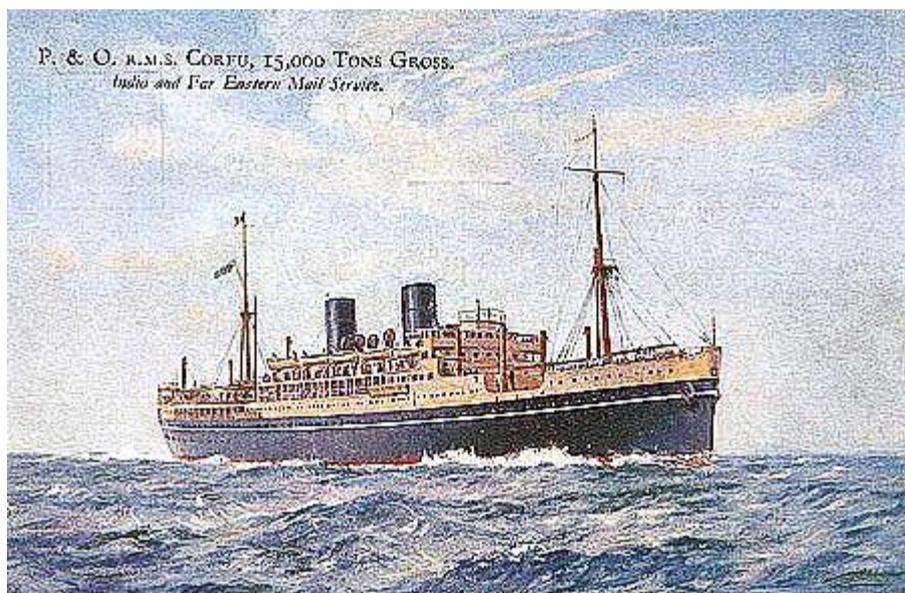
In **1901** the family were now living at Moss Bank Lodge, Smithills, Bolton. The Lodge is situated at the main entrance to the current Moss Bank Park off Moss Bank Way.

Henry was, in 1901, working as a 'shop assistant' and the census describes him working for a 'Co-operative Society'. Ada, aged 17, is a student and Allan is a 'scholar'. Emma Burrows is still living with them and is working as an 'Underclothing Cutter'.

Mother and father have been married for 18 years and had two children.

For service in the **1914-18** War **Allan** was awarded the Merchant Navy Silver Star (ss105655 Sto l¹)

Allan was clearly also in the Merchant Navy during the Second World War **1939-45** as he qualified for medals for this service.



Between April and **June 1943** he married Martha Kenyon in Bolton.

Further evidence of his seagoing career can be seen from his appearance on 4 New York 'Passenger Lists' and on a UK Incoming Passenger List in **1951**. He was living at 11 Woodstock Drive, Bolton (between Halliwell and Doffcocker).

¹ 1914-18 UK Naval Medal & Award Rolls

He was shown as returning to London from Hong Kong on the P & O S N Company ship SS Corfu [see below], where he worked as a Radio Officer on 29 October. He had sailed home via Colombo, Bombay and Suez.

Allan was buried on **18th March 1961** at St Peter, Halliwell aged 61 in grave 142M. He was living at 11 Woodstock Drive, Bolton (off Captains Clough Road). He was buried by W. Ham Vicar.