
Hope College
   Papers, 1894-1955. 0.50 linear ft.

Abstract

Hope College class of 1887; Western Theological Seminary (WTS) class of 1891; Reformed Church in America (RCA) missionary to Japan, 1891-1923; Chair in Bible at Hope College, 1923-1926; Dosker-Hulswit Professor of English Bible and Missions at WTS, 1926-1939; Vice-president of General Synod, 1911. Collection includes biographical information and tributes, articles by Pieters, books and course notes, and sermons, correspondence and photographs.

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Biography

Albertus Pieters was born February 5, 1869, at Alto, Wisconsin. His parents were Rev. and Mrs. Reolf Pieters. Hope College awarded him an A.B. degree in 1887 and an A.M. degree in 1890. The Western Theological Seminary awarded Pieters a D.D. degree in 1891.

In that same year, Pieters and his wife, Emma (Hope College, 1887), departed the U.S. as missionaries to Japan. While practicing evangelism in Japan by word and newspaper, the Pieterses had six children, two of whom died, while two more developed debilitating illnesses. Forced by circumstances to return to America in 1923, Pieters accepted the chair in Bible at Hope College (1923-1926), and the Dosker-Hulswit professorship of English Bible and Missions at the Western Theological Seminary (1926-1939). He wrote at least six theological books, and died in 1955.

Scope and Content

The collection contains biographical information, articles by Pieters, sermons, correspondence, and photographs. Pieters’ 1933 book, *The Facts and Mysteries of the Christian Faith*, is included, as are two bound volumes of typed notes from Pieters’ Western Theological Seminary courses, from the library of the Rev. Arnold Dykhuizen.

Container List

   Biographical (3 images), 1923-1925, 1951, n.d.
   Correspondence, 1894, 1918, 1925, 1928, 1948
Course Materials, Western Theological Seminary, Typescript Notes
  On Old Testament History, c. 1931
  On Psalms, Wisdom Literature, Major and Minor Prophets, n.d.
Photograph (1 image), n.d.
Sermons and Speeches, 1935, 1942, n.d.