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**Abstract**

Hope College graduate (1924); Chemist at E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company; chair of the Science Chapter of the Hope College Alumni Association, 1962-1966. Collection includes correspondence, memorials for other Hope College professors, patents, photographs, and speeches which relate to fund raising efforts for a new science building, the Science Fund Campaign, and chemistry.

**Accession No:** H88-0024.10  
**Provenance:** Martin E. Cupery  
**Donor:** Information Unavailable  
**Photographs:** 6 images  
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**Biography**

Martin E. Cupery graduated from Hope College in 1924 and went to work for E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company. He was awarded two patents in 1959 for copolymer compositions. Cupery was very involved with the Hope College Alumni Association (serving as chair of the Science Chapter) and the New Science Building Campaign (during the 1960s).

**Scope and Content**

The Martin E. Cupery papers include correspondence regarding the New Science Building Campaign and with various alumni, memorials for Clarence Kleis, Gerrit Van Zyl, and J. Harvey Kleinheksel (all Hope College professors), patents for various polymer compositions, photographs, and speeches. The collection is arranged alphabetically by topical heading.

**Container List**

- Correspondence, 1941-1981  
- Hope College Alumni Association, Science Fund Campaign, 1962-1966  
- New Science Building Fund Report, 1941  
- Patents, 1959  
- Photographs, “Doc’s 25th Anniversary,” 1948 (6 images)  
- Speeches, n.d.