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Abstract

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Accession No.: H88-0046
Provenance: Adelaide and Geraldine Dykhuizen
Donor: Geraldine Dykhuizen
Photographs: 45 images (Box 1), scrapbook (Box 2)
Processed by: Laura M. Bachelder, April 1991
Leon Witteveen, November 1993

Biography

Adelaide Dykhuizen and her twin, Geraldine, were born in 1905 in Chicago where they attended Austin High School. After the death of their father, their uncle Edward D. Dimment took the family into his home. The children's mother became his hostess for Hope College events.

The twins and their younger brother Harold all attended Hope College. Adelaide and Geraldine were members of the Delphi Sorority. During the spring of their senior year, Geraldine was president and Adelaide vice-president of the society. Both girls received degrees in Modern Language-English and graduated in June of 1926. By this time, Harold had started his college years at Hope and in 1930 he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree.

Adelaide and Geraldine each taught school for many years. Adelaide spent nine years at Hope Preparatory and thirty-three years at E. E. Fell Junior High School teaching English, French, and History. Geraldine taught English at the Grand Haven Public Schools for over thirty years.

In addition to teaching, both women were active members of Hope Church and involved in the Second Century Club, Holland Garden Club, Holland League of Women Voters, and the American Auxiliary of University Women. Adelaide was also influential in the Holland Teacher's Organization. Geraldine participated in the Meals on Wheels program, and the Holland Historical Society as well.

Adelaide died in 1973 and Geraldine in 1988.

Scope and Content

The collection, spanning the years between 1868 and 1986, contains materials related to Hope College and Edward D. Dimment. In addition to tax bills and clippings of Dimment's, it also includes numerous photographs of Dimment Memorial Chapel and documents concerning its

construction. Also included is Adelaide Dykhuizen's college scrapbook.

The collection is arranged alphabetically by topical headings with the exception of the scrapbook which has been placed at the end of the collection due to its fragile condition.

Container List

Box 1

Centennial Homecoming Committee, Minutes, 1966
Chapel Talks on Christian Symbols, by Paul E. Hinkamp, 1955
Council of Hope College, Annual reports, 1915-1917
Dimnent, Daniel, Naturalization Record, 1868
Dimnent, Edward D., 1925-1959
 Clippings, 1946, 1956, 1959
 Tax Bills, 1925-1937
Dimnent Memorial Chapel, n.d., 1929-1955
 Correspondence, Legal and Financial Documents, 1929-1955
 Photographs, n.d. (28 images)
Dykhuizen, Adelaide, Teaching Contracts, 1931-1968
Photographs and Postcards, n.d., 1926 (17 images)
Prayers, n.d.
Programs, 1918-1986
 Alumni Day, 1964, 1986
 Build Hope Fund, 1976
 Commencement, 1930
 General, 1918, 1947, 1971
Promotional Material, n.d., 1919
 Local Businesses, n.d., 1919
 "Spera in Deo," n.d.
 Talking Points on the Christian College: Hope College, Holland, Michigan, n.d.
Tercentenary Pageant of the Reformed Church in America, 1928
Warranty Deeds, 1891-1931

Box 2

Hope College Memory Book, 1922-1930 (includes photographs of 1922 and 1923 Pull)