
Hope College
**H93-1192.5.** Raymond, Bruce M. (1898-1976).  
Papers, 1925-1976.  1.50 linear ft.

**Abstract**

Hope College history professor (1925-1944) and business manager (1946-1949). Born in Nebraska, Raymond received his MA and Ph.D. from the University of Nebraska and then taught two years at a high school in that state. He came to Hope College in 1925. In 1943, Raymond and Earnest C. Brooks went to Washington D.C. to arrange for the Army Special Training Program (A.S.T.P.) for flight trainees at Hope College. From 1944-1946, he was chief of the training staff in the U.S. Veterans Administration. Raymond married Hesper Bell at Lincoln, Nebraska, in 1924 and had two sons, Roderick and Burke. He was a member of Hope Reformed Church and served on the consistory. He also led an active political life, serving as a councilman for the city of Holland in 1940, secretary for U.S. Representatives Robert P. Griffin and Guy Vander Jagt, chairman of Ottawa County Republican committee, as well as a member on numerous state-level boards and committees.

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**Biography**

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