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Abstract

Hope College Class of 1909; instructor in English and Latin, Hope Preparatory School, 1909-1913; professor of History, Hope College, 1913-1925; and President of Hope College, 1931-1945. Materials include photographs, correspondence, student handbook, publications, citations, speeches, clippings, and programs relating to his years as a student, professor, and president at Hope, as well as his work with the State of Michigan, the Reformed Church in America, and Western Michigan University.

Accession No.:	H88-0200
Provenance:	Wynand Wichers
Donors:	William A. Wichers, Willard C. Wichers, George and Dorothy Claver
Photographs:	Box 2 (207 single images, 2 photograph albums containing 134 images, 2 post card albums containing 301 cards) Box 3 (8 single images, 1 post card)
Processed by:	Dorothy (Wichers) Claver Ryan E. Kreider, January, 1994 William Van Dyke, July, 2000

Biography

Wynand Wichers was born on February 15, 1886, in Zeeland, Michigan. He was a 1905 graduate of the Hope Preparatory School and received his BA degree from Hope College in 1909. He was then appointed an instructor in English and Latin at the Preparatory School and in 1913 became Professor of History at Hope College. He received an MA degree from the University of Michigan in the fall of 1918.

In 1925, Wichers resigned from Hope to become cashier of the First State Bank of Holland, but continued his association with the college as a member of its Board of Trustees. During his years at the bank, he also served the City of Holland in many other ways: on the Library Board, Planning Commission, and Board of Education; as a two-term president of the Chamber of Commerce; and as the first chairman of the Zoning Board.

In 1931, he returned to Hope College as its sixth president and received an honorary LL.D. degree. He was elected to the Michigan State Board of Education in 1936 and served for twelve years. Also in 1936, he was made a Knight in the Order of Orange-Nassau of the Netherlands and was given an honorary LHD from Central College in Pella, Iowa.

Elected as President of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America in 1937, Wichers was the first layman to hold this office. In 1940, Rutgers University gave an honorary Litt.D. to him. During 1944, he served as President of the Michigan College Association and was appointed to the Commission on Higher Education of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. He resigned as President of Hope College in June of 1945 and

was given an honorary Ed.D. by the Board of Trustees at commencement exercises that year. In 1946, he became Vice-President and Dean of the Faculty at Western Michigan University where he served until his retirement.

He was a well-known public speaker and writer as well. After his retirement, he was commissioned by Hope College to write its history. This book, *A Century of Hope*, was published in 1969.

Wichers died in Kalamazoo, Michigan, on March 28, 1971. He left his wife, Alyda (De Pree) Wichers; two children, William A. Wichers and Dorothy (Wichers) Claver; and four grandchildren. Mrs. Wichers died January 16, 1975.

Scope and Content

The Wichers collection includes information spanning the years 1848-1980 with the bulk of the material covering 1930-1971. It is divided into four series.

The first series (in Box 1 and part of Box 2) contains written records, correspondence and newspaper clippings, which are arranged alphabetically. Information regarding Wichers' book, *A Century of Hope*, as well as most unbound correspondence is located here. In addition, there is biographical material about Wichers family members, Wichers' publications and speeches, materials on the history of Hope College and Holland, and Wichers' 1931 Inauguration highlights.

The second series (comprising the balance of Box 2) contains photographs in folders, photograph albums, post card albums, and a correspondence scrapbook consisting of letters of tribute sent to Wynand and Alyda Wichers upon leaving the Presidency of Hope College in 1945. It is also formatted with photographs in folders arranged alphabetically followed by photograph albums, post card albums and the correspondence scrapbook.

Oversized documents and photographs comprise the third and fourth series. The third series (in Box 3) consists of smaller oversized items including diplomas, election materials, certificates of recognition, and larger photographs.

The fourth series of large oversized items is located in the Non-Photographic Media drawer for Hope College. They are certificates of either recognition or accomplishment, diplomas and an unfolded copy of a 1935 state Republican campaign flyer. Wichers was a candidate for the state Board of Education that year.

This collection contains many interesting historical documents. These include: an admission pass to the A Century of Progress International Exposition, Chicago (1933), an Ottawa County election ballot from the election of Delegates to the convention on ratification of the 21st amendment to the U. S. Constitution from 1933, campaign materials from Wynand Wichers' campaigns for a seat on the State Board of Education from 1935 and 1941, Tax Anticipation Warrants from the City of Holland issued in 1933, historical materials from three churches: Second Reformed, Kalamazoo; Second Reformed, Zeeland; and Third Reformed, Holland, Wynand Wichers' War Manpower Commission Registration Card from 1941, and Zeeland High School Commencement Programs.

Interesting historical photographs include images of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in 1884, the departure ceremony for G. J. Diekema in 1929, Netherlands Day at the Chicago Worlds Fair in 1933, the Holland High School band and orchestra in the early 1930s, the visit of Princess Juliana in 1941, and the presentation of the Army-Navy "E" award to Western Machine Tool works in 1943. There are also 2 post card albums containing 301 post

cards, mostly ca. 1905-1910, including 52 views of west Michigan locations.

The collection contains many interesting historical documents and photographs from Hope College. Of note is Hope College memorabilia for the period 1897-1910, including Y.M.C.A. Benefit cantata program, Meliphone Literary Society programs, Fraternal Society programs, Michigan Oratorical League program, student recital program, Society Festival program, operetta program with interesting local and Hope College advertising, class day and commencement programs, a Hope College *Student's Handbook 1909-10*. There are two photograph albums containing 134 images of college buildings, student dorm rooms, student groups, student portraits, William De Pree family store in Zeeland, student on-campus and beach parties from the period ca. 1905-1909. Other interesting items include a Hope College student recruitment letter from 1921, Programs from Hope College events such as the inauguration of Wichers as President, the 75th Anniversary celebration and the dedication of Wichers Auditorium.

The strength of this collection is the attention paid to the composite career of Wynand Wichers. The collection's greatest weakness is its lack of details concerning his personal life.

For additional materials from Wynand Wichers' Presidency of Hope College, see these related collections: Military Training Programs H88-0266, Royal Family of the Netherlands H88-0082.1, Science Building Campaign H88-0270.

Container List

Box 1

Awards and Citations, 1945-1971

Hope College, State of Michigan Senate, U. S. Navy, and Western Michigan College

Appreciation for service as member of the Advisory Committee on Paper Technology, Western Michigan College, 1956

Award of Commendation from Michigan Civil War Observance Commission
Dedication from 1954 Western Michigan College *Brown and Gold*

Order of Orange-Nassau

Pi Kappa Delta Honorary Membership card

Recognition by Holland Chamber of Commerce

Recognition by Hope College Board of Trustees upon bestowing the degree of Doctor of Education, June 1945

Recognition by Kalamazoo Chapter, Hope College Alumni Association

Resolution of appreciation, Michigan Historical Commission, 1971

State of Michigan, Senate Resolution No. 51, Memorial for Dr. Wynand Wichers, 1971 (located in Oversized Hope Collections Drawer)

Banks of Holland, research notes, 1871-1912

Biographical

Brothers/Sisters of Wynand Wichers

Claver, Dorothy M. Wichers (1922-1996) (daughter of Wynand Wichers)

Wichers, Alyda De Pree (06/07/1886 - 01/16/1975) (wife)

Wichers, William (1848-1915) (father of Wynand Wichers)

Wichers, William A. (1916-1997) (son of Wynand Wichers)

- Wichers, Wynand (02/15/1886 - 03/28/1971)
- A Century of Progress International Exposition, Chicago, admission pass, 1933
- Correspondence
- Election as President of Hope College, 1930-1931
 - Hope College Student Recruitment Letter, 1921
 - Post-Presidential Years, 1945-1969
 - Pre-Presidential Years to 1930
 - Presidential Years, 1931-1945
 - Donations to Hope College
 - Acknowledgements and Receipts
 - 1930-1931, 1932-1935, 1937 (5 folders)
 - n.d.
 - Federal Tax Status of Hope College
 - Finance and Funding of Hope College
 - Miscellaneous
 - Pyle, H. W., Representative for RCA Colleges
 - Resignation as President
 - Student Matters
 - Tributes to Dr. and Mrs. Wynand Wichers, upon leaving Hope College, 1945 (Scrapbook, Box 2)
 - With Registrar of Hope College, 1933-1934
- Death (correspondence with Alyda and news clippings), 1971
- Degrees and Diplomas (Oversized, Box 3 and Oversized Drawer)
- Election Ballot, Ottawa Co. Michigan, Election of Delegates to Convention on Ratification of the 21st Amendment to the U. S. Constitution, 1933 (Oversized, Box 3)
- Election to State Board of Education, 1935, 1941 (Oversized, Box 3)
- Genealogy (Oversized, Box 3)
- Guest Book from Wichers' summer cottage, 1933-1947 (Box 3)
- History of Education in Michigan*, Michigan Historical Commission Series of Books on, Wynand Wichers, Editor
- Hope College (also see Correspondence, Photographs, Programs, Publications, Speeches, *Students' Handbook*, Wichers Auditorium)
- Alumni Association
 - Resolution of Commendation for work with Hope College, 1945 (Oversized, Box 3)
 - Resolution of Commendation to Dr. Wynand Wichers, May 31, 1969 (Oversized Drawer)
 - Contribution to the Reformed Church, Audio Tape (WHTC broadcast on May 8, 1966 concerning Hope College's contribution to the Reformed Church) (Box 3)
 - Early History (typed research notes)
 - Recognition and Conference of Title of President Emeritus upon Wynand Wichers, June 3, 1963 (Oversized, Box 3)
 - 75th Anniversary
 - Convocation program, June 17, 1941

- Intelligence and Leader* Issue on the Anniversary
Visit of Princess Juliana, Report from Unknown Publication
Inauguration as President of Hope College, 1931, 1 folder including:
 Hope College Commencement Program, June 17, 1931 (Wynand Wichers
 awarded *Legum Doctors*)
 Inaugural Address
 Inauguration Program, Oct. 12, 1931
 Invitation to Inauguration
 Newspaper Clippings
 Wynand Wichers' message from 1931 Homecoming program
"The Interurban," Poem about Wynand Wichers and the Interurban by Warner,
 Donald T. (Hope Class of 1939)
Newspaper Clippings
 Banker, 1925-1930
 Hope College Professor, 1913-1925
 Post-Presidential Years, 1945-1960
 President Elect, 1930-1931
 Presidential Years, 1931-1945 (4 folders)
Photographs (folders and albums are grouped together in Box 2 following document
 folders)
Postcard Albums of Alyda De Pree Wichers (in Box 2)
Programs (most from events at which Wynand Wichers spoke or participated in):
 Hope College
 Relatives of Wynand and Alyda Wichers, 1897-1910, 1 folder including:
 Class day and commencement programs, Hope Prep. 1897,
 1908, Hope College 1904
 Fraternal Society program, 1910
 Student recital program, 1910
 Sorosis Halloween program, 1909
 Student Years of Wynand and Alyda Wichers, 1904-1909 (1 folder
 including student years at Hope College)
 Antitone operetta program, ca. 1904, with interesting local and
 Hope College advertising
 Class day and commencement programs, Hope Prep. 1905,
 Hope College 1909
 Fraternal Society programs 1906, 1908, 1909
 Meliphone Literary Society programs, 1904, 1905
 Michigan Oratorical League program, 1905
 Society Festival program, 1906
 Student recital program, 1905
 Y.M.C.A. Benefit cantata program
 Post-Presidential Years, 1946-1963
 Pre-Presidential Years, 1920-1930
 Presidential Years, 1931-1945
Publication by Alyda De Pree Wichers: "A Thought for Mother's Day," *The
Intelligencer-Leader*, May 7, 1937

Publications by Wynand Wichers (see also Speeches, Published)

Articles, 1909-1964, 1 folder including:

“Autobiography of Jacob Van Zolenburg,” by Jacob Van Zolenburg,
Edited and with an Introduction by Wynand Wichers, *Michigan
History*, December, 1962

Book Review of *Americans from Holland* by Arnold Mulder, *Michigan
History*, June, 1948

“The Church’s Stake in Higher Education,” *Earnest Worker*, April-
May-June, 1959

“Early History of Hope College,” *The Leader*, May 31, 1933

“Holland Academy in the Civil War,” chapter in the book *Michigan
Institutions of Higher Education in the Civil War*, Michigan
Civil War Centennial Observance Commission, 1964

“Life and Ministry of Jacob Van der Meulen,” *The Western Seminary
Bulletin*, March, 1952

“New Occasions Teach New Duties,” (incomplete copy from unknown
publication), May, 1942

“The Pilgrim Principle In Our American Life,” *The Intelligencer-
Leader*, November 21, 1934 (manuscript copy only)

“Separation of Church and State in the United States,” *The Western
Seminary Bulletin*, March 1950

“A Study in Revolution,” *The Anchor*, July, 1909

Book, *A Century of Hope*; Copyright and Correspondence, 1967-1969

Booklets/Pamphlets, 1 folder including:

The Dutch Churches in Michigan During the Civil War, Michigan Civil
War Centennial Observance Commission, 1965

I Like the Christian College, Reformed Church in America, n.d.

The Relationship of Public and Parochial School Education, Reformed
Church in America, October, 1957 (Wynand Wichers was a
member of the committee which produced the publication)

Reformed Church in America, 1 folder including:

Editorial Council of the *Church Herald*, Minutes, June 13, 1945

Letter to the Reformed Church of Spring Lake, May 17, 1938

Men’s Fellowship Clubs of Michigan - Gathering - Program, April 6, 1945

Newspaper Clippings, 1 folder containing clippings on:

History of the RCA

Wynand Wichers Elected President of General Synod, 1937

Report on the State of Religion to the General Synod, by Wynand Wichers,
June, 1938

Second Reformed Church, Kalamazoo, Mich., 1 folder including:

Miscellaneous Bulletins

75th Anniversary Celebration (1960)

Anniversary Dinner Program

Commemorative Booklet

Newspaper Clipping

Second Reformed Church, Zeeland, Mich., 1 folder including:

“By Order of the Consistory, the Following Report is Printed for Distribution among the Members of the Church” (an official history, March, 1920)
40th Anniversary Commemorative Booklet (1944)
Program, the 26th Annual Conference, Woman’s Missionary Union, 1924

Speeches

Prior to becoming President of Hope College, 1909-1930, 1 folder including:

- “The Historian: Scholar and Prophet” (Delivered: March, 1923)
- “Abraham Lincoln,” Published in Holland *Evening Sentinel*, Feb. 1921, (Delivered several times including Feb. 11, 1921, Feb. 12, 1926, Feb. 12, 1934) (Two versions)
- “The Philistine in Society,” (Delivered: March 13, 1924. Subject: Two types of philistines in American society: the Bourgeois type and the Elbert Hubbard type)
- “Pillars of Hercules,” (Delivered several times including: Feb. 18, 1924, Summer, 1924, Feb. 20, 1931, Feb. 21, 1936. Subject: American statesmanship: guarding human liberty and national destiny)
- “A Study in Revolution,” Published in Hope College *Anchor*, July, 1909 (Valedictory Address delivered at Hope College commencement, 1909)

Untitled, (Dated: Century Club, 1920, Subject: the Pilgrims of 1620 and their contributions to American institutions)

“George Washington” (Delivered several times including: Feb., 1922, Feb. 23, 1925, Feb. 23, 1926, Feb. 17, 1930, Feb. 21, 1936)

Published, Delivered While President of Hope College, 1931-1945, 1 folder including:

- “Inaugural Address,” Published in *The Leader*, October 21, 1931 (Delivered: Oct. 12, 1931, Subject: the value and role of the Christian liberal arts college)
- “New Fires at the Altars of the Old,” Published in *The Intelligencer-Leader*, June 3, 1938 (Delivered: June 2, 1938 Subject: the duty and role of the Reformed Church)
- “One Fold and One Shepherd,” Published in *The Intelligencer-Leader*, May 27, 1938 (Delivered: May 22, 1938, Subject: the missionary program of the Reformed Church)
- “The Present Opportunity of the Church in Christian Education,” Published in *Religious Digest*, June, 1939 (Delivered: April 12, 1939)

Untitled Memorial Tribute to W. Curtis Snow, Published in “Hope College News” column in *The Intelligencer-Leader*, Jan. 22, 1936 and in *The Anchor*, Jan. 15, 1936 (Delivered: Jan., 1936)

Published, 1946-1959, 1 folder including:

- “A College of Distinction,” Published in *Hope College Alumni Magazine*, Oct., 1956 (Delivered: Hope College Commencement June 4, 1956, Subject: things which have made Hope a college of distinction)
- “Convention Message (As Presented to the Annual Laymans Convention

in Chicago),” Published in *Reformed Church Brotherhood News Sheet*, Nov.-Dec., 1959 (Delivered: Fall, 1959, Subject: the import roll of laymen in the church and a review of the discussions and conclusions at the convention)

“Prophets of the Present” (an alternate version of “The Pulpit in the Parish”)

“The Pulpit in the Parish,” Published in *The Church Herald*, May 18, 1951 and in *Christian Education*, June, 1951 (Delivered: May 15, 1951, Subject: the role of a Minister in a parish church)

Unpublished, Delivered While President of Hope College, 1931-1945, 1 folder including:

“The Basic Principles of a Democratic Society”

“Contributions of Hope College to Church and World Leadership”

“The Impact of the Apostolic Church,” ca. 1938

“Memorial Service” (Delivered: May 10, 1945, Subject: the Hope College men who paid the supreme sacrifice in World War II)

“The Present Opportunity of the Church in Democracy” (Delivered April 12, 1939, a second longer version is dated Castle Park July 23, 1939)

“Roads to Significant Living” (Delivered: June 9, 1935)

“Thank God and Take Courage”

“Three Hundred Years of Holland-American Education,” ca. 1933

Unpublished, 1946-1959, 1 folder including:

“The Century Against the Hours” (Delivered: April 30, 1947, Sept. 17, 1947, Subject: Calvinism, Van Raalte and the Dutch in Michigan)

“Fifty Years of Higher Education” (Delivered several times: 1950, 1957 and 1959)

“General Education and Vocational Education” (Dated: Leland Mich. June 23, 1947)

“The Movement of a People” (Paper read to the Torch Club, Kalamazoo Mich., Jan. 22, 1957, Subject: the impact of immigration on history and culture with emphasis on Dutch immigration)

“The Relationship Between Vocational and General Education in Michigan” (a mimeographed version of “General Education and Vocational Education”)

“Spiritual Imperatives in Christian Higher Education” (Delivered: Northwestern College, May 26, 1957)

Untitled, (Dated: Third Church, Holland, Feb. 9, 1947, Subject: the settlement of Holland, MI)

Untitled, (Dated: May 20, 1954, Subject: memorial tribute to the men of Western Michigan College who died in the military service)

Untitled, (Dated: Church of Christ, Granby, MA, April 24, 1955, Subject: spiritual values and the roll of the church)

State of Michigan Senate Resolution No. 51, A Resolution as a Memorial for Dr. Wynand Wichers (Oversized Drawer)

Box 2

Student's Handbook 1909-10 (Hope College)
Student Years at Hope College, Teaching Certificate, Academic Record (also see Programs, Hope College, Student Years of Wynand and Alyda)
Tax Anticipation Warrants, City of Holland, 1933
Third Reformed Church, Holland, Mich., 1 folder including:
 Miscellaneous Bulletins, including of special interest:
 Centennial Sunday, 1947
 50th Anniversary Celebration, 1917
 Special Christmas Bulletin, 1918
 Newspaper Clippings, 1919, 1921
 Photographs (6 images)
 75th Anniversary Celebration, 1942, including:
 Fellowship Dinner Program
 75th Anniversary Celebration Worship Services booklet, 1942
 Young people in the Service, Dec. 31, 1944, listing of names and addresses
U.S. Navy Recognition of Wynand Wichers as Honorary Airdale, Jan., 1957
(Oversized, Box 3)
War Manpower Commission Registration Card, 1941
Weddings
 Invitations, Brother/Sister of Alyda, 1901, 1905
 Wynand Wichers to Alyda De Pree, June 25, 1912
 Newspaper Clippings
 Wedding Announcement, Wedding Book
Western Michigan College (now University)
 Honorary Charter Membership Emeritus in the Western Michigan College
 "Coffee-Breaker's Club" (Oversized Drawer)
 Recognition of Wynand as Vice President Emeritus, June, 1956
Wichers Auditorium/Addition to Nykerk Hall of Music, Dedication October, 1970,
1 folder including:
 Correspondence
 Dedicatory Remarks
 Response for the Family by William A. Wichers
 Tribute to Dr. Wynand Wichers by William VanderLugt, Chancellor of
 Hope College
 Hope College News Release
 Invitation to Concert and Dedicatory Service
 Newspaper Clippings
 Photographs (2 images)
 Programs
 Dedication Program
 Homecoming Program
Zeeland High School Commencement Programs, 1898, 1905, 1909, 1926

Photographs (in folders) (see also Third Reformed Church, Wichers Auditorium)

- Chicago World's Fair, Netherlands Day, Aug. 31, 1933 (1 image, Oversized, Box 3)
- Departure Ceremony for G. J. Diekema, Oct., 1929 (3 images)
- Family Homes (2 images, Oversized, Box 3)
Old De Pree Homestead, Zeeland, Mich.
Old Moerdyk Home, Netherlands
- Holland High School Band and Orchestra, Early 1930s (3 images, Oversized, Box 3)
- Hope College Master Plan, 1966, Proposed Cultural and Student Center (1 image, newspaper clipping)
- Photo Sent to Wynand by Dutch Military Officers in Washington D.C., 1943 (1 image)
- Reformed Church in America, General Synod, 1937 (1 image, Oversized, Box 3)
- Visit of Princess Juliana to Hope College, 1941 (16 images)
- Western Machine Tool Works Army-Navy "E" Presentation Ceremonies, June 1943 (3 images, Thank-you letter to Wynand)
- 21, Wichers, Alyda De Pree, Early Portraits (12 images)
- Wichers Memorial Sterilizing Room at New Hope Hospital, Amoy, China, ca. 1915-1920 (1 image, newspaper clipping)
- Wichers, Wynand
As President of Hope College (10 images)
At Ft. Lee, VA., ca. 1951 (4 images, certificate presented to Wynand)
At Mt. Lowe, CA., Oct. 6, 1926 (1 image)
At Naval Air Station, Pensacola, FL., Jan., 1957 (11 images)
At Western Michigan University (4 images)
Early Portraits (11 images)
- Wichers, Wynand's Family
Brothers (11 images)
Children, William and Dorothy, Early Portraits (10 images)
Parents, Grandparents, Aunts (18 images)
Portrait, Family of William and Wilmena Wichers ca. 1900, includes Wynand as a boy (1 image, Oversized, Box 3)
Sisters (12 images)
- Wynand and Alyda Wichers
Aboard the S.S. *United States*, 1953 (6 images)
As Students at Hope (31 images)
As Students at Zeeland Public School (2 images)
European Vacation, 1934 (25 images)
Retirement Years (6 images)
- Unidentified Child Billy 1 mo./Great Grandmother 84 yrs., ca. 1939 (1 image)
- Photograph Albums (2)
Hope College Graduating Class 1909 (31 images, student portraits, groups of students and campus buildings)
Hope College Photographs ca. 1907-1909 (103 images, student dorm rooms, student groups, student portraits, William De Pree family store, on-campus and beach parties)

Postcard Albums of Alyda De Pree Wichers (2 albums, some cards have
correspondence to Alyda, albums contain both photographic cards and art work
greeting cards) (also see Election to State Board of Education in Box 3)
Album 1 (155 postcards, ca. 1907-1910, views of many different locations
including West Michigan: 1 of Castle Park, 3 of Grand Haven, 9 of
Grand Rapids, 1 of Holland, 3 of Hope College, 2 of Kalamazoo, 2
of Macatawa Park, and 2 of Zeeland)
Album 2 (146 postcards, ca. 1907-1910, views of many different locations
including West Michigan: 2 of Coopersville, 1 of Forest Grove, 7
of Grand Haven, 1 of Grand Rapids, 1 of Grandville, 3 of Holland, 1
of Hope College, 1 of Hudsonville, 7 of Kalamazoo, 3 of Macatawa
of Park, and 2 of South Haven)
Correspondence Scrapbook, Tributes to Dr. and Mrs. Wynand Wichers, 1945

Box 3 (Oversized Items and Folders, Book and Audio Tape)

Degrees and Diplomas (also see Oversized Drawer)
Doctor of Humane Letters, Central College, Pella, Iowa, May 27, 1936
Education Doctorate, Hope College, June 8, 1945
Cover
Diploma
Election Ballot, Ottawa Co. Michigan, Election of Delegates to Convention
on Ratification of the 21st Amendment to the U. S. Constitution, 1933
Election to State Board of Education, 1935, 1941, 1 folder including:
Correspondence
Inaugural Ceremonies, poster and pass, 1941
Newspaper Clippings
Post Card of Republican Campaign Billboard (Includes Wynand Wichers)
State Republican Campaign Flyer (Includes Information on Wynand Wichers -
Original and photocopy (Also unfolded photocopy in Oversized Drawer)
Wichers Campaign Flyer
Genealogy
Guest Book from Wichers' summer cottage, 1933-1947
Hope College
Alumni Association Resolution of Commendation for work with Hope College,
1945
Contribution to the Reformed Church, Audio Tape (WHTC broadcast on May 8,
1966 concerning Hope College's contribution to the Reformed Church)
Recognition and Conference of Title of President Emeritus, June 3, 1963
Photographs (Oversized, also see Box 2)
Chicago World's Fair, Netherlands Day, Aug. 31, 1933 (1 image)
Family Homes (2 images)
Old De Pree Homestead, Zeeland, Mich.
Old Moerdyk Home, Netherlands
Holland High School Band and Orchestra, Early 1930s (3 images)
Reformed Church in America, General Synod, 1884 (1 image)

Wichers, Wynand's Family, Portrait, Family of William and Wilmena Wichers
ca. 1895, includes Wynand as a boy (1 image)
U.S. Navy Recognition of Wynand Wichers as Honorary Airdale, Jan., 1957

Oversized Drawer

Degrees and Diplomas (also see Box 3)

Eighth Grade, Zeeland Public Schools, June 21, 1900

Hope College Preparatory Department, June 21, 1905

A.B. degree, Hope College, June 16, 1909

M.A. degree, University of Michigan, Oct. 25, 1918

Legum Doctois degree, Hope College, June 15, 1931

Litterarum Doctoris degree, Rutgers University, June 17, 1940

Honorary Charter Membership Emeritus in the Western Michigan College "Coffee-Breaker's Club"

A Resolution of Commendation to Dr. Wynand Wichers, Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Hope College Alumni Association, May 31, 1969

State of Michigan Senate Resolution No. 51, A Resolution as a Memorial for Dr. Wynand Wichers

State Republican Campaign Flyer, 1935 (includes information on Wynand Wichers, unfolded photocopy, also see Box 3, Election to State Board of Education)