

**MEDICAL CENTER ARCHIVES
OF
NEWYORK-PRESBYTERIAN/WEILL CORNELL**

**1300 York Avenue # 34
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**Finding Aid To
THE AUGUST GROESCHEL, MD (1908-1989) PAPERS**

**Dates of Papers:
1950-1974**

**7.5 Linear Inches
(2 Boxes)**

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PROVENANCE:

The papers were donated by his daughter, Mrs. Margaret Groeschel Anderson, in November 1989.

ADMINISTRATIVE/BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:

Dr. August Groeschel was born in 1908. In 1931, he received a MD degree from Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons. After graduation, he was a medical and surgical resident at French Hospital in New York and an obstetrical intern at New York Nursery and Child's Hospital. He open a private practice in Sussex, NJ, which he operated from 1934-1940.

He decided to go back to school, and in 1947, he received a MS in hospital administration at Columbia University School of Public Health. The last year of his MS program he was an administrative resident at University of Penn Hospital in Philadelphia.

He served with the US Army Medical Corps during WWII from 1941-1945. He continued to serve in the U.S. Army Reserves. He rose to Brigadier General of the 818th Hospital Center from 1961 to 1967.

He was a hospital administrator at New York Hospital. He was assistant director of New York Hospital from 1948-1952, associate director of professional services, 1954-1967, administrator of the hospital, 1967-1970, and vice president of the medical center, a newly created position, 1970-1973. In addition, he was assistant professor of public health at the college. He retired in 1973.

In addition, he was a founder of New York Blood Center.

He died on 04/23/1989.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE:

The papers include biographical information, committees and membership activities, and speeches. The collection is slim and only gives a small glimpse of Dr. Groeschel's work.

Series I: Biographical Information, 1970-1972 (Box 1)

One folder contains articles mostly regarding his appointment as the vice president of the medical center in 1970. An additional folder is on the NYC Office on Aging.

Series II: Committees and Memberships, 1964-1974 (Box 1)

Folders on only a few of his committee and membership activities: includes Herman Biggs Society, New York Academy of Medicine, and Governor Rockefeller Conference on Health Services and Costs.

Series III: Speeches, 1950, 1960, 1971-1972 (Boxes 1-2)

Folders on only a few of his speeches. Material on his book "Law of Hospital, Physician, and Patient."

ACCESS RESTRICTIONS:

ACCESS POINTS:

RELATED MATERIAL:

BOX AND FOLDER LIST:

Box 1: Series I, Biographical Information, 1970, 1972

Folder:	Description:
1	Biographical Information, 1970, 1972
2	NYC Office on Aging, 1970

Box 1: Series II, Committees and Memberships, 1964-1974

Folder:	Description:
3	Herman Biggs Society, Member, 1973-1974
4	New York Academy of Medicine, Committee on Special Studies, 1964-1965
5	NYH-CME, Community Coordination Group, 1966-1969
6	Gov. Rockefeller Conference on Health Services and Costs, 05/14-15/1970

Box 1: Series III, Speeches, 1950, 1960, 1971-1972**Folder: Description:**

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| 7 | Correspondence re: Book: "Law of Hospital, Physician & Patient," 1950-1952 |
| 8 | "Statement of August H. Groeschel, MD" before the US Senate Subcommittee on Anti-trust and Monopoly of the Committee of the Judiciary, 05/11/1960 |
| 9 | "Tribute to Samuel Levine", 04/28/1969 and "Memorial Service", 07/16/1971 |

Box 2: Series III, Speeches, 1950, 1960, 1971-1972**Folder: Description:**

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| 1 | Remarks at the Andrew Air Force Base, 03/26/1971 |
| 2 | "Long Range Planning for NYC-CMC," given at the Cornell University-New York Hospital School of Nursing Alumnae Association Alumnae Day, 04/17/1971 |
| 3 | "The Physician in a Changing World," Commencement Address, University of Texas School of Medicine, Galverston, TX, 06/09/1971 |
| 4 | "The Hospital a Changing Perspective," given at NYAM, Annual Health Conference, 0427-28/1972 |
| 5 | "Development of a HMO for a Community," given at the public hearing for YAI proposing air rights over FDR Drive, 06/05/1972 |
| 6 | "Human Blood in New York City then (1956), New York Academy of Medicine, 1977 |