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Finding Aid for the  
Thomas E. Walsh Papers  
Collection # 075

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Abstract

Thomas Walsh, an Irish immigrant and orphan at age eight, served as a soldier in the 32nd Infantry (Red Arrow) Division when he was sixteen. From his World War I combat service he received the Purple Heart and the Crois de Guerre. Album 1 in this collection contains images from his war experience, including those from the VA hospital at Maywood, Illinois in 1922 where he spent some time as a patient. The papers relate mainly to Walsh's position as Kent County Airport manager from 1930 to 1957. During these years he played a leading role in transforming Kent County's airport from its amateur, underdeveloped condition into a professionally managed and commercially successful operation. Other topics detailed in the papers include World War I and the 32nd Infantry Division, the American Legion, suspected communists in Kent County (1930s and 1950s), the 1956 tornado disaster in the Grand Rapids area, and charitable and religious organizations to which Walsh belonged. The papers include biographical records, correspondence, speeches, Kent County Board of Supervisors and Board of Control minutes, Kent County Airport annual reports, reports and studies, Michigan Aeronautics Commission records, general subject file, newspaper clippings, memorabilia, aviation publications, tape recordings and photographs. The letters include those of such prominent people as Gerald R. Ford, Arthur Vandenberg, several Michigan governors, George Welsh, Eddie Rickenbacker and Bill Lear.

Collection #: 75

Accession #: 1985.045

Donor: Thomas E. Walsh

Span dates: 1910-1985

Processor: William Cunningham, Richard Harms (photographs), 1985, 1988. Box Summary, Marcella Beck, Sept.5,2000.

Size: 17.9 linear ft. (214.5 in.)

Restrictions: Box 33, folder 22

Related Collections

Additional information on Tom Walsh can be found in several other GRPL archival collections, including:

Coll. 125, Robinson Studio Collection series.

Coll. 164, Grand Rapids Public Library Oral History Collection.

Coll. 166, Grand Rapids Press Monday Night Guest Oral Histories.

Coll. 175, Grand Rapids Public Library Archives. Moving Image Collection. See "Wings Over Grand Rapids"

Coll. 263, Grand Rapids Public Library Small Manuscript Collection, for a Citizen's biography.

Box Summary

Box No.	Description of Contents	Box Description
Box Inventory September 2009		
1	bio records/correspondence	standard
2	corr./speeches/app't.books	standard
3	minutes/reports	standard
4	reports & studies	standard
5	Mich Bd. Of Aeronautics	standard
6	Mich Bd. Of Aeronautics	standard
7	General Subject file	standard
8	General subject file	standard
9	General Subject File	standard
10	General Subject File	standard
11	General Subject File	standard
12	General Subject File	standard
13	General Subject File	standard
14	General Subject File	standard
15	General Subject File	standard
16	General Subject File	standard
17	General Subject File	standard
18	General Subject File	standard
19	memorabilia	standard
20	publications	standard
21	publications	standard
22	publications	standard
23	publications	slim
24	publications	standard
25	publications	standard
26	publications	standard
27	publications	standard
28	tape recordings	gray full lid 3x10x13
29	scrapbook #1	gray lid/w 3.5x11.5x17.5
30	scrapbooks #2 & 3	1.5x16x10 print box
30.5	scrapbooks #4 &5	3.5x16x20 print box

Boxes 30 & 30.5 changed to new boxes for better size and access. Scrapbooks 2 & 3 previously disbound and pages now in a proper fitting folder. 2/26/2008

Box Summary

Box No.	Description of Contents	Box Description
31.5	Photo album 1 [was in 31]	clam 3x9.5x13 in.
35.5	Loose photos	
Moved to better fitting box 2/2008. Another folder of loose photos, closer to the period of the scrapbook contents, are in a folder in the bottom of Box 31.5		
32.5	Album 2 [was box 31]	folio clam
32.5	Album 3 [was box 31] now in boxes 32.5	folio clam
35.5	Album 3	
31	Album 4	gray full lid 3x17x21
Reboxed to squarish microfilm master box 2/25/2008		
35.5	Album 4 Loose standard	slim
32.5	Album 5	folio clam
32	Album 6	
35.5	Album 6 loose standard	
32	photo albums 7, 8, 9 [was 5-11]	3" gray drop front print
(was cream lid/w 3.5x16x20) Reboxed 2/19/2008, now includes albums 7,8 & 9 only		
32.5	Album 10	folio clam
32.5	Album 11	folio clam
32.5	Miscellaneous oversized, including photos	folio clam.
33	photographs	standard
Box lid tearing off due to frequent handling & too much content.		
First item inventory of materials, 2/19/2008		
33.5	photographs	slim
Added 2/21/2008		
34	photographs	standard
35	photographs	slim
35.5	Loose Photographs from Albumss	slim
1, 3, 4 & 6+		
Added 2/25/2008		
36	Unprocessed	Standard legal
37	Unprocessed	Standard legal

Processing note:

Album/scrapbook pages are loose and crumbling. Pages need to be numbered in pencil, disbound and photocopied for original order and then foldered in oversized sleeves.

Feb. 2008, a project was done on the photos, albums and most scrapbooks to move these to more protective housing, add location information to the images, do inventory & count recording, additional descriptive information in order to better protect and access these materials. Not all of these work is finally complete, as there are still several photos which need location markings. 2/26/2008 Sufficient work is done for the present to move the finding aid to the Web. The two standard boxes of unprocessed materials remain unprocessed.

During the 2/2008 project several items were found in the wrong location and processed, found incorrectly housed though marked correctly and move to the correct location, and at least one item from a separate collection was found and returned to Coll. 043. At least one item is missing.

Additional biographical information was added to the collection, 2/26/2008.

Oversized & other unprocessed, temporarily housed in Box 32 during the move era, moved to more permanent housing, 2/22/2008

- 1 st. folder of negatives.- Moved to 35.5
- 1 large acid free envelop of mug shots of criminals- Moved to 35.5
- 1 ove photo of Northern Air Service moved to 32.5
- 1 ove photo of Hugh Blacklock, sheriff moved to 32.5
- Oversized photostats (2) remain in Box 32
- 2 Conference signs, handmade, oversized. These were probably used for packing, and are torn with other invasions of the information. "Western Mich. 1<sup>st</sup> Conference on the Education of the Gifted & Talented" ... 32.5
- A Presentation of Facts and Figures to the United States Air Force – oversized publ. with spiral binding. Moved to 32.5-15 2/25/2008.

Oversized photos found in Box 32, labeled 31, moved to Box 32.5 2/25/2008, except for a couple of images which were standard, and are now housed at

### Scope and Content

The papers document the development of aviation and the airport in Kent County, Michigan. The largest part of the collection dates from 1930 to 1957 when Walsh was Kent County Airport Manager at the former airport site along Eastern Avenue, south of 32nd Street, in Southeast Grand Rapids. Walsh was quick to understand the commercial and military potential of aviation and has often been credited with being the driving force behind efforts in Kent County to advance aviation beyond the era of hobbyists, barnstormers, and poorly maintained airfields to the modern age of professionally managed and commercially successful operations. After his retirement, Walsh maintained his interest in aviation and occasionally worked as a consultant for the Kent County Airport. He continued to collect newspaper clippings, photographs and other papers for many years.

The collection also includes a few papers related to Walsh's service in the 32nd Infantry (Red Arrow) Division during World War I, the 1956 tornado in the Grand Rapids area, the American Legion and lists of suspected Communists in Kent County (1930s and 1950s) which probably related to his position as head of the American Legion's Committee to Combat Communism, as well as various charitable and church organizations to which Walsh belonged.

The following record series are included in the papers: 1) biographical records, 2) correspondence, 3) speeches, 4) appointment books, 5) general subject files, 6) newspaper clippings, 7) Kent County Supervisors Airport Committee minutes, 8) Kent County Board of Control minutes, 9) Kent County Airport Annual Reports, 10) reports and studies, 11) Michigan Board of Aeronautics/Michigan Aeronautics Commission records, 12) memorabilia, 13) miscellaneous papers, 14) publications, 15) tape recordings, and 16) photographs.

## Biography

Thomas E. Walsh, born in Ballycastle, County Mayo, Ireland on 17 November 1900, was the son of Thomas Walsh and Bridget Winters Walsh. Because of the father's involvement in the Irish Revolution, the family was forced to emigrate to the United States where they settled in West Michigan. Walsh's mother died when he was seven, and his father died a year later. Walsh was placed in St. John's Orphanage in Grand Rapids and lived there for several years. At age twelve he was apprenticed to a farmer near Parnell, Michigan, but ran away and began living on his own. He worked for Watson Higgins Milling Company and the Pere Marquette Railroad before enlisting in the U.S. Army in April 1917. While serving with the famed 32nd Infantry (Red Arrow) Division in France, Walsh was severely wounded and won the Purple Heart and Croix de Guerre.

From his World War I combat service he received the Purple Heart and the Croix de Guerre. Album 1 in this collection contains images from his war experience, including those from the VA hospital at Maywood, Illinois in 1922 where he spent some time as a patient. From 1923 to 1928 he was president of Lane and Walsh Real Estate Company and later owner of Walsh Insurance and Real Estate from 1928 to 1932. Walsh is best known for his role in promoting aviation and developing the airport in Kent County, Michigan, although he also contributed to the growth of aeronautics at the state and national levels. He was Manager of the Kent County Airport from 1930 to 1957, a member of the Michigan Aeronautics Board from 1932 to 1944, and its Director from 1941 to 1944. He served on the Michigan Aviation Commission from 1944 to 1953 and was Director from 1944 to 1945. He was Chairman of the American Legion Aeronautics Committee from 1931 to 1952, a member of the National Aeronautics Committee of the American Legion from 1938 to 1953, and Chairman in 1940. From 1941 to 1953 he was a member of the American Legion's National Security Commission and for twenty years, was head of the American Legion's Committee to Combat Communism.

In addition to his contributions to aviation, Walsh was known for his leadership in charitable and civic organizations. He was National President of the Polio Foundation in 1933, State Chairman of the Michigan Cancer Drive in 1952, and during his tenure as Civil Defense Director for Kent County, was cited for his response to the tornado disaster in 1956.

Walsh married Beatrice Norton in 1923; they had three daughters--Barbara, Helena and Mary. Walsh died in Grand Rapids on 17 May 1988.

Series Descriptions

**Series I. Biographical Records, c.1941-1980.**

Includes several biographical sketches of Thomas Walsh that appeared in various publications. Arranged chronologically.

**Series II. Correspondence, 1922-1976.**

Consists of incoming letters and copies of outgoing correspondence and is divided into three subseries--personal, political and general correspondence. Walsh, himself, had designated some of his correspondence "personal" and "political" but other letters were uncategorized. The general correspondence subseries was created during processing to accommodate arrangement of unlabeled correspondence or correspondence that did not seem to fit into the other two subseries. Users of the material should be aware, however, that the distinction between personal, political and general correspondence is not always clear. Some letters were scattered loosely throughout the donation and were filed by the processor in the category considered most appropriate. Personal correspondents include: Gerald R. Ford and White House staff (5 letters), Chicago Mayor Richard Daley (1 letter), Bill Lear (1 letter), and Walsh's children and grandchildren. Political correspondents include: Senator Arthur Vandenberg, Michigan Governors Wilbur Bruckner, William Comstock, and G. Mennen Williams, and Grand Rapids Mayor George Welsh. The general correspondence includes letters from Floyd Evans, Director of the Michigan Department of Aeronautics, United States Representative Carl Mapes, and Eddie Rickenbacker (1 letter). Each subseries is arranged chronologically.

**Series III. Speeches, 1940-1978, n.d.**

Consists mainly of speeches related to aviation and national defense. Includes one folder of typewritten texts of speeches and two folders of handwritten, undated speech notes. Arranged chronologically.

**Series IV. Appointment Books, 1931, 1936, 1941.**

Brief notes on meeting appointments. Arranged chronologically.

**Series V. Kent County Board of Supervisors Airport Committee Minutes, 1928-1945.**

Records of airport policies and administrative procedures as recommended by the Airport Committee. The minutes were photocopied onto acid-free paper because of the poor condition of the originals. Arranged chronologically.

**Series VI. Kent County Airport Board of Control Minutes, 1956-1959.**

A summary of official discussions and resolutions concerning the administration of the airport. Arranged chronologically.

**Series VII. Kent County Airport Annual Reports, 1930-45, 1947, 1957, 1963, 1966, 1969.**

Annual reports submitted by the Airport Manager to the Kent County Board of Supervisors summarizing airport development, public programs, and other airport activities for each year. Arranged chronologically.

**Series VIII. Reports and Studies, 1930-1960.**

Includes the following reports and studies: "Airport Drainage and Surfacing," 1930; "Proposal to Take Bids for a Regional Survey and Preparation of Regional Airport Plans for the Metropolitan Area Centering at Detroit," 1944; "Final Report of the Airport Study Committee to the City Council of Grand Haven, Michigan," 1944; "Potential, Larger Industrial Sites in Grand Rapids, Michigan," 1945; "Subdivision Regulations," 1945.

**Series IX. Michigan Board of Aeronautics/Michigan Aeronautics Commission, 1932-53.**

The Board's name change occurred on 19 October 1945. This series of records is divided into three subseries--minutes, reports, and investigations. The minutes (1932-53) are summaries of airport policy discussions and resolutions adopted by the Board. The reports (1937-52) are closely related to the minutes and include financial statements and reports from various divisions or committees of the Commission, such as licensing and registration, education, safety, and inspections. Reports were submitted to members of the Commission by its director. The investigation subseries (1944-50) consists of records related to an investigation into the lack of progress of the Federal Aid Airport Program in Michigan. Each subseries is arranged chronologically.

**Series X. General Subject File, 1930-75.**

Most of this material dates from 1930 to 1956 when Walsh was airport Manager and covers a wide range of topics related to airport administration (see container list for folder titles), Also included are a few records related to organizations in which Walsh was involved and his personal interests such as the American Legion, 32nd Infantry Division Veterans Association, American Cancer Society, Beaver Island, and the campaign to have the Civic Auditorium's name changed to Welsh Auditorium. Arranged alphabetically by subject.

**Series XI. Newspaper Clippings, 1928-85, n.d.**

Most of the clippings relate to aviation and the Kent County Airport between 1930 and 1956 when Walsh was airport Manager. Walsh, however, maintained his interests in airport topics into his retirements and continued to collect articles up to the 1980s. Other topics represented include charitable and veterans organizations. Loose clippings were photocopied onto acid-free paper and the deteriorating originals were destroyed. Other clippings were maintained by Walsh in scrapbooks and many of them do not include newspaper names, or dates. Within each scrapbook, clippings are not necessarily arranged in a logical order. Scrapbook 1 (c.1938-40) includes clippings about WPA projects at Kent County Airport, military aviation, and a few humorous poems and other non-clipping items. Scrapbook 2 (c.1942-46) contains clippings related to aviation during World War II. Also are included are a few letters, certificates and membership cards. Scrapbook 3 (c.1949-50) consists of newspaper articles expressing opinions both for and against expansion of the airport site along Eastern Avenue. Scrapbook 4 consists of clippings about civil defense matters and the 1956 tornado that hit the Grand Rapids area. Scrapbook 5 (1948, 1955, 1956) includes clippings about Beaver Island, Michigan, which interested Walsh because of its Irish population. Also included are clippings which relate to Walsh's service as head of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. The photocopied clippings are arranged chronologically.

**Series XII. Memorabilia, 1921-77, n.d.**

Consists of certificates, membership cards, banquet menus and dedication programs.

**Series XIII. Miscellaneous Papers, 1927-82, n.d.**

Includes papers on various subjects. These items were scattered throughout the donation and filed together by the processor because they did not belong with other record series.

**Series XIV. Publications, 1911-76.**

Consists of books and magazines related mainly to aviation. Although there are a few articles about Walsh and the Kent County Airport, the great majority of publications are unrelated to aviation in Kent County. Many of the books are signed by the authors (container list has titles). Periodicals are arranged by title and thereunder chronologically. Books are arranged alphabetically by title.

**Series XV. Tape Recordings, 1956, 1980s.**

Includes one reel-to-reel taped interview with Walsh talking about the 4 April 1956 tornado disaster in the Grand Rapids area. This audio was reformatted to a digital format in March 2006. Also includes one video cassette recording interview with Walsh titled "Wings over Grand Rapids."

**Series XVI. Photographs, 1910-1970s.**

Includes approximately 1,400 black and white photographs depicting the early days of aviation in Kent County, the development of the Kent County Airport, aviators, airport administrators, airplanes, and airline companies that operated at Kent County Airport. Walsh enjoyed collecting photographs of aviators, politicians and military personnel (Many of the photographs are autographed.) Included are photographs of Gerald R. Ford, Harry Truman, Franklin D. Roosevelt, William Milliken, George Romney, George Welch, Jimmy Doolittle, and other people, many of whom are not identified. Photograph album #2 consists of photographs of Charles Lindbergh's visit to Grand Rapids in the "Spirit of St. Louis" shortly after his solo flight across the Atlantic. Although most photographs relate to aviation and the Kent County Airport, there are other subjects represented. For example, album 2 includes images of Walsh as a soldier during World War I and his hospital convalescence after the war. The album also provides a glimpse of Walsh's personal life showing him with friends, family and his wife. Other subjects include the 1956 tornado damage in the Grand Rapids area, and charitable and religious organizations to which Walsh belonged. The photographs are arranged alphabetically by subject headings.

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<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Description</u>
		<b>Series I. Biographical Records</b>
1	1	ca. 1941-1980
1	1.5	Ancestry Census prints.
1	1.6	“Tom Walsh's Airport Office a Gallery of Flying Greats” Peninsular Club Magazine, Dec. 1952, pg. 102-103. See the photograph used in the article oat 075-34-18
		<b>Series II. Correspondence, 1917-1976, n.d.</b>
1	2-10	Personal, 1917-1975, n.d.
1	11-12	Political, 1930-1948, n.d.
2	1-5	General, 1922, 1927-1936, 1939-1975, n.d.
		<b>Series III. Speeches.</b>
2	6-8	Speeches, 1940-1978, n.d.
		<b>Series IV. Appointment Books</b>
2	9	1931, 1936, 1941.
		<b>Series V. Kent County Board of Supervisors</b>
3	1	Airport Committee Minutes, 1928-1945.
		<b>Series VI. Kent County Board of Control.</b>
3	2-4	Minutes, 1956-1959.
		<b>Series VII. Kent County Airport</b>
3	5-6	Annual Reports, 1930-1945, 1947, 1957, 1963, 1966, 1969.
		<b>Series VIII. Reports and Studies</b>
3	7-9	1930, 1944-1945, 1946, 1948.
4	1-4	1949-1960.
		<b>Series IX. Michigan Board of Aeronautics/Michigan Aeronautics Commission, 1932-1953.</b>
4	5-9	Minutes, 7 Apr 1932 - 10 Jun 1948.
5	1-5	Minutes, 8 Jul 1948 - 24 Sept. 1953.
5	6-9	Reports, 1937-1948.
6	1-8	Reports, 1948-1952.
7	1-3	Investigation, 1944-1950.

**Series X. General Subject Files, 1927-1965, n.d.**

7	4	Accident Reports & Investigations, 1930-1950.
7	5	Administration Building Furniture Fixtures, 1939,
7	6	Air Force Association, 1953-1954.
7	7	Air Transportation Growth, 1938-1956.
7	8	Airlines, 1933, 1934, 1951, 1952.
7	9-13	Airport Committee, 1929-1954, n.d.
7	14	Airport Data, 1930-1935, n.d.
8	1	Airport Design Information, 1930, 1932, 1941, 1944.
8	2	Airport Expansion, 1939-1950.
8	3	Airport Improvements, 1930-1935, n.d.
8	4	Airport Inquiries, 1930-1943.
8	5	Airport Insurance, 1934-1941.
		Airport Land Purchases
8	6	1937-1942, n.d.
8	7	Notes, c.1930.
8	8	Title Abstracts, Contracts, Tax Histories, c.1927-1941.
8	9	Plats, c.1926-1940.
8	10	Airport Leases, 1916-1939.
8	11	Airport Management--Civil Aeronautics Administration, 1941-1942, n.d.
8	12-13	Airport Planning, 1942-1949, n.d.
8	14	Airport Post Office and Restaurant Building, 1940.
8	15	Airport Survey, 1949.
8	16	Airport Vote Information Committee, 1960.
8	17	Airports--Muskegon, Beaver Island, Newaygo.
8	18	American Association of Airport Executives, 1941, 1955.
9	1	American Cancer Society Fund Drive, 1952.
		American Legion
9	2	1930-1955, n.d.
9	3-4	Aeronautics Committee, 1931-1933, 1944-1956, n.d.
9	5	Michigan Air Tours, 1932.
9	6-8	Luncheon Clubs & Societies, 1939-1946, n.d.
9	9	Miscellaneous Papers, 1932-1947, n.d.
9	10	National Security, 1947, 1951-1952.
9	11	Anderson, Bruce, 1945-1946.
9	12	Approach Hazards, 1933-1940.
9	13	Army and Navy Reserves, 1949.

**Series X. General Subject Files, 1927-1965, n.d.**

10	1	Auxiliary Fields, 1941-1949, n.d.
10	2	Aviation and Food Merchandising, c.1944.
10	3	Aviation Cadet School, 1942.
10	4	Beaver Island, 1938, 1954, 1955, 1965.
10	5	B.B.T. Lighting Corp. of America, 1927-1940.
10	6	B.D. Coats Company--Airport Concessions Agreements, 1930-1935.
10	7	Budgets and Financial Reports, 1930-1936.
10	8	Building Costs, 1941.
10	9	Building Permits, 1940-1941.
10	10	Cadillac and Traverse City Airports, 1939-1946.
10	11	Capital Airlines, 1943, 1944, 1949, 1954.
10	12	Carbonneau, Gordon--Opposition to Airport Site, 1959.
10	13	Central Air Service, 1933-1937,
10	14	Chamber of Commerce, 1930-1938, 1940-1944, n.d.
10	15	Chester J. Clark & Associates, Consulting Engineers, 1946-1953, n.d.
10	16	Civic Auditorium--Petition to change name to Welsh Auditorium, 1974-1975.

**Civil Aeronautics Administration**

10	17	1940-1952.
10	18	Civilian Pilot Training, 1939-1942.
10	19	Inspectors, 1939-1942, n.d.
10	20	Neely, Harold, 1940-1943.
10	21	Private Flying, 1940.
10	22	Regulations and bulletins, 1938-1943.
11	1	Traffic Control, 1939-1942, n.d.
11	2	War Training Service, 1943.
11	3	Weather and Radio, 1930-1939, n.d.
11	4	Questionnaires, 1937-1942. Civil Air Patrol
11	5-6	1941-1946, 1952.
11	7-10	Intelligence, 1941-1944.
11	11	Civil Air Regulations, 1937-1942.
11	12-13	Civil Defense, 1941-1942, 1953-1956.

**Series X. General Subject Files, 1927-1965, n.d.**

12	1	Civil Defense--Tornado, 1956.
12	2	Civil Works Administration, 1932-1935.
12	3	Clubs, Lodges, etc., 1931-1956.
12	4	Commerce Department, 1927, 1930-1933, n.d.
12	5	Communist Activity in Kent County, 1932-1935, 1940, c.1951.
12	6	Complaints, 1930-1944, n.d.
12	7	"Confidential Papers," 1945-1951.
12	8	Consumers Power Company, 1931, 1941.
12	9	Controller's Reports, 1952, 1954, 1958.
12	10	Crell, John--Lease, 1936.
12	11	Daverman Company--Architects, 1945-1949.
12	12	Daverman Company--Construction Progress Report for Kent County Airport, 1951.
12	13	Detroit Metropolitan Airport Plan, 1945-1947.
12	14	Employment Applications, 1940-1942, n.d.
12	15	Federal Airport Programs, 1938.
12	16	Feeder Airlines, 1944-1945.
12	17	Flight Clearances--Northern, 1942.
12	18	Flight Patterns, n.d.
12	19	Flottorp Propeller Company, 1944, 1948.
13	1	Flying Cadets, 1940.
13	2	Flying League of America, 1940-1945, n.d.
13	3	Francis Engineering Company, 1945, n.d.
13	4	Furniture Capital Air Service, n.d.
13	5	Great Lakes Airlines, 1945.
13	6	Greenville/Lowell Airport Site, 1945.
13	7	Ground Servicemen Training, 1941.
13	8	Gulf Oil Company, 1938-1943.
13	9	Hangars, 1941-1946, n.d.
13	10	Helicopters, 1942-1945, n.d.
13	11	Insurance, 1947.
13	12	Inventions, 1940.

**Series X. General Subject Files, 1927-1965, n.d.**

13	13	Jack Bryne, Inc., 1930-1936.
13	14	Junior Association of Commerce, 1930, 1941.
13	15	Kent County Airport--Easements for Airport and Airway Improvements, 1949.
13	16	Kent County Airport History, 1938-1974, n.d.
13	17	Kent County Road Commission, 1929-1933.
14	1	Kent Flying Club, Inc., 1930-1948, n.d.
14	2	Kohler Aviation Corp., 1931-1935.
14	3	Lea Bill on Airport Regulation, 1943-1944, n.d.
14	4	Leases and Agreements, 1930-1948.
14	5	Legislative Program, 1950-1951.
14	6	Maps & Charts, 1922, 1935-1941, n.d.
14	7	Medical Disqualification of Eugene Rackett, 1944.
14	8	Michigan Aeronautics Commission, 1934-1955, n.d.
14	9	Michigan Air Tours, 1930-1932, 1936-1937.
15	1-2	Miscellaneous Subjects, 1940-1957, n.d.
15	3	National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics--Nomenclature for Aeronautics, 1928.
15	4	National Aeronautic Association, 1938-1942.
15	5	National Defense, 1940-1941.
15	6	National Defense Industry, 1941.
15	7-8	National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis--Kent County Chapter, Thomas Walsh Chairman, 1946, 1953-1955.
15	9	National Guard Proposal for Michigan, 1946.
15	10	National Security Commission, 1950-1953.
15	11	National Youth Administration, 1940-1941.
15	12	Naval Cadet Site, 1941-1942.
15	13	Northern Air Service, 1937-1948, 1952.
15	14	Pass Records, 1941-1942, n.d.
15	15	Pennsylvania Central Airlines, 1935-1940.

**Series X. General Subject Files, 1927-1965, n.d.**

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| 16   | 1  | Pennsylvania Central Airlines, 1941-1947, n.d.   |
| 16   | 2  | Pennsylvania Central Airlines-- J.J. O'Donovan, 1940.  |
| 16   | 3  | Pilots Recertified and Finger printed, c.1942.   |
| 16   | 4  | Planning and Appeals Board, 1945.  |
| 16   | 5  | Political Patronage, 1929-1949, n.d.   |
| 16   | 6  | Post Office, 1931, 1938-1946.  |
| 16   | 7  | Project, 1955.   |
| 16   | 8  | Proposals, 1930-1932, 1935, n.d.   |
| 16   | 9  | Queen Juliana of the Netherlands--Visit to Grand Rapids, 1952.   |
| 16   | 10 | Radio Control Power, 1940-1947, n.d.   |
| 16   | 11 | Radio Stations, 1941.  |
| 16   | 12 | Restaurant, 1941.  |
| 16   | 13 | Runway Extension, 1955.  |
| 16   | 14 | Runway Obstructions, 1935-1946.  |
| 16   | 15 | Sault Ste. Marie, 1940-1941.   |
| 32.5 | 14 | Signs. Fragments. Western michi. 1 <sup>st</sup> Conference on the Education of Gifted & Talented.<br>Note: probably used a scrap to house photos. |
| 17   | 1  | Telegrams, 1930-1935, n.d.   |
| 17   | 2  | 32nd Infantry Division, 1949-1978, n.d.  |
| 17   | 3  | Timber Engineering for Hangers, 1940-1941.   |
| 17   | 4  | Traffic Control, 1940-1942, 1947-1949, n.d.  |
| 17   | 5  | TransAmerica Airlines Corp. (Thompson Aeronautical Corp.), 1930-1932.  |
| 17   | 6  | Turner, Roscoe, 1947.  |
| 17   | 7  | United Fund and Community Service Honorary Member Award, 1973.   |
| 17   | 8  | United States Air Academy Proposal, 1953.  |
| 17   | 9  | United States Air Corps, 1931-1935, 1941, n.d.   |
| 17   | 10 | Universal Military Training, 1950.   |
| 17   | 11 | Veterans Counseling, 1945-1947.  |
| 17   | 12 | Violations of Aviation Regulations and Complaints, 1941-1946.  |
| 17   | 13 | Wings Club, Inc., 1943-1945.   |
| 17   | 14 | Works Project Administration--Correspondence, 1936-1943, n.d.  |
| 17   | 15 | Works Project Administration--Forms and Reports, 1936-1942.  |

**Series XI. Newspaper Clippings, 1928-1985, n.d.**

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| 18   | 1-10 | Photocopied clippings, 1928-1985, n.d.  |
| 29   | x    | Scrapbook 1, c.1938-1940.   |
| 30   |      | Scrapbooks 2 & 3, c.1942-1950.  |
|      | 1-4  | Scrapbook 2. Disbound, covers discarded. Pages numbered top right. ca. 1942-1946. Primarily newspaper clippings, but with some ephemera, such as certificates or membership cards. Includes pg. 91 the Ray Barnes caricature for Walsh, May 9, 1943. Some clippings provide identification information for photographs in Walsh collection, but most clipping photos are not in the Walsh collection.                                   |
| 30   | 5    | Scrapbook 3. Disbound, covers discarded. Only 10 sheets, 19 pages found, 2/26/2008. Pages are numbered top right. Newspaper clippings only, 1950's, on flight in general, and local airport expansion.  |
|      |      | Scrapbooks 4 & 5  |
| 30.5 | x    | Scrapbook 4. Primarily Civil Defense, Mostly the 1956 Tornado. Includes primarily newspaper clippings, many of which are coming loose due to dried adhesive. Needs to be copied and disbound. Many published images with Walsh in the clippings, not found in this collection. One clipping shows Jerry Ford with two men, RE relief from the aftermath of the tornado. Also a few clippings from other publications and a few letters. |
| 30.5 | x    | Scrapbook 5. ca. 1950's<br>Primarily newspaper clippings, with several providing printed images and identifications for photographs in Walsh collection. Some travel including Beaver Island. Polio, Osteopathic Hospital, and other miscellaneous.   |

**Series XII. Memorabilia**

19 1-2 1921-1984, n.d.

**Series XIII. Miscellaneous Papers**

19 3-5 1921-1984, n.d.

**Series XIV. Publications, 1911-1978.**

**Periodicals**

19 6 Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce News, Jun 1964.  
19 7 Grand Rapids (Bicentennial Souvenir Edition), Jun 1976.  
19 8-9 Peninsular Club Magazine. Aug 1951, Dec 1952.

20 1-5 Aero: America's Aviation Weekly, 25 Feb 1911-29 Jun 1912.  
20 6-7 Aero and Hydro, 6 Jul - 28 Dec 1912.  
21 1-6 Aero and Hydro, 4 Jan 1913 - 31 Oct 1914.

22 1 Airway Bulletin, 1930.  
22 2 Michigan Aviation News, Jun, Aug 1946.  
22 3 Michigan Aviation, 1965-1978.  
22 4 Michigan Aviation Digest, 1948-1952 (with gaps).  
22 5-6 Michigan Aviation Directory, 1951, 1953, 1956.  
22 7 National Air Races Directory, 1951.  
22 8 Read it and Weep (American Association of Airport Executives), Jul 1955  
- Sep 1961.  
22 9 Miscellaneous publications, 1945-66.

23 1-2 Aerial Age Weekly, 27 Nov 1916 - 29 Jan 1917.  
23 3 Aircraft, Apr., Sept. 1911 - Oct 1912.  
23 4 Aviation and Aeronautical Engineering, Aug 1918.  
23 5 Fly: The National Aeronautics Weekly, Aug 1911, Feb, May 1912.

**Series XIV. Publications, 1911-1978.**

**Books**

- 24                    Air Transport at War, Reginold M. Cleveland.  
American Legion in Michigan, Mills Van Valkenburch.  
Flying, James E. Fechet.  
High Horizons, Frank J. Taylor.  
History of the American Legion, Richard Seelye Jones.
- 25                    Joe Foss, Flying Marine, as told to Walter Simmons.  
North to the Orient, Anne Morrow Lindbergh.  
"Paddy" Finucane: A Memoir, James Reynolds.  
Pioneering the Helicopter, C.L. Morris, Forward by Igor Sikorsky.  
Proceedings of the First National Clinic of Domestic Aviation Planning,  
1943.
- 26                    Psychological Warfare, Paul M.A. Linebarger.  
A Short History of the Airplane, Frank A. Cerruti.  
Stepchild Pilot, Joseph Doerflinger.  
Taking Flight, Furniture Capital Air Service.  
Visibility Unlimited, Dick Grace.  
We, Charles Lindbergh.
- 27                    Win Your Wings, I & II, Roscoe Turner and Jean H. Dubuque.  
Who's Who in Michigan, 1936.
- 32.5    15                A Presentation of Facts and Figures to the United States Air Force –  
oversized publ. with spiral binding.

**Series XV. Tape Recordings, 1956, 1980s.**

- 28 1 "Dateline Defense" Mutual. Grand Rapids Tornado. Broadcast, Apr. 17, 1956.  
Length: 14:30  
Interview to about 12:30
- Label: Interview had with Tom Walsh last afternoon of Apr. 4, 1956, on Standale, Comstock Park, etc. tornado disaster. This recording was later broadcast under sponsorship of Federal Civil Defense Administration, over all Mutual Network stations. We also had this over WGRD in Grand Rapids. Dan R. Waters.
- 28 1 Original Version: Reel to Reel magnetic audio tape. 1/4" x 1200 ft. reel.  
28 x Reformatted Version: Digital to CD.  
Interview of Tom Walsh, Director, Kent County Civil Defense, by Terry Kennedy, for the Mutual Network.  
Provides general information of the history of Civil Defense in Kent County, and general information on the preparations for the event, with some information on the actual April 3, 1956 tornado.  
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**Series XVI. Photographs**

- 33 1 Air Ambulance (2 2/19/2008)
- 33 2 Aircraft Assembly Plant (2 2/19/2008)
- 33 3 Airplane Crashes (4 2/19/2008)
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- 31 Album 3 Airplane Crashes
- 32 Album 7 Airplane Crashes
- 32 Album 9 Airplane Crashes
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- 33 4 Airplane. Interiors (4 2/19/2008)
- 2 identical views facing a cockpit instrument panel, one annotated with names of dials.
  - 1 view of pilot with headphones on in cockpit
  - 1 view of rear seat
- 33 5 Airplanes (39 2/19/2008 20 are 8x10 and 19 are smaller; 1 8x10 is color)  
See also airplanes in numerous other folders and albums.
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- 31.5 Album 1 Airplanes
- 31 Album 3 Airplanes
- 31 Album 4 Airplanes
- 32 Album 7 Airplanes
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- 33 6 Airport Committee (7 2/19/2008)
- 33 7 Airport Oak (2 1/19/2008)
- Two of same view showing sign protesting the airport. One is original , and identifies the man on the ladder as Walsh, the parachutist .... The second is a copy photo.
- 33 8 Airport Restaurant (2 2/19/2008)
- Group of men in suits standing with the tables set for a meal. Aeronca sign on the wall left.
  - Exterior view of a single story building with an awning, with numerous signatures on the face of the photo, some no longer legible. "The Dunkers Club".
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- 31 Album 3 Airport Restaurant
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- 33 9 Airport Terminal Design (1 2/19/2008)
- Winkler & Greene proposal rendering.
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- 33 10 American Airlines(2 2/19/2008)
- View of plane from the tail with people standing around, and truck parked backed up to the plain for cargo.
  - View of plane from the nose with people standing around.

**Series XVI. Photographs**

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| 31 | Album 4 | American Legion  |
| 33 | 11      | Amphibian Airplanes (4 2/19/2008) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Three small photos from same shoot</li><li>● View of plan on water with tall buildings behind. Stamp on verso: MacGregor and Company, 5326-2, Detroit, Mi.</li></ul>                                     |
| 31 | Album 3 | Amphibian Airplanes  |
| 31 | Album 4 | Amphibian Airplanes  |
| 32 | Album 7 | Amphibian Airplanes  |
| 33 | 12      | Atlas Products Airplane (1 2/19/2008) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Robinson Studio Photo at Kent County Airport of plane with “Atlas” vertically on the tail, and the “Standard” oil symbol/logo. People around.</li></ul>  |
| 33 | 13      | Billboard (1 2/19/2008) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Homer Ferguson, United States Senator, Donald S. Leonard, Governor. Two men looking at the billboard, with the man on the left identified as Walsh, and the other man in a work cap and white coveralls.</li></ul> |
| 33 | 14      | Blood Donation (1 2/19/2008) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Man on the table with others in uniform standing in a group behind. Medical personnel include two nurses and one man seated in white presumed to be a doctor.</li></ul>                                       |
| 33 | 15      | Cadet School, Kalamazoo (Mich.) (31, 2/19/2008)  |
| 33 | 15.1    | + 8 negatives of Cadet School [12/11/99]   |

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**Series XVI. Photographs**

Capitol Airlines (18 2/19/2008)

- 1.-2. Two small photos of loading cargo near the front of the "Capitaliner Rhron, 417".
3. Small photo of two men working near/above an engine.
4. Capitaliner Pittsburgh 426 note near the Administration Building at the airport with a group looking on.
5. Worm's eye view of Capitaliner Pittsburgh with nose facing left.
6. March 16, 1948 Robinson Studio Photo. Two men standing on a platform in front of an engine, with mail packages in hand, and three men in overcoats standing on the ground reaching to packages.
7. Dec. 16, 1948. "Early Bird" "Sinnie" Sinclair on way to Washington, D.C. For the 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of flight and presentation of the Wright Kitty hawk airplane to the Smithsonian. Includes Howard Tischler, Janice Mann, Larry Schroeder, Sinnie Sinclair, Edwin J. Quick.
8. Another view of Sinclair boarding with Quick shaking his hand.
9. Capital 426. A group of men and a hostess standing near the entrance stairs to the plane.
10. Capitaliner Winston-Salem #229. Group of men on the ramp into the airplane with three others on the ground. Robinson Studio Photo, May 1, 1948.
- 11.-14. Two sets of two views each of loading of the Capitaliner Cheboygan, 228. Chuck Clark in ship, Superintendent for Operations for Pennsylvania Central Airlines. Robinson Studio Photos Jan. 30, 1950.
15. Capitaliner Memphis, 221-B. Inside a hangar with men on ladders working on the engine, etc.
16. Capital Fleet, Capital Ship Detroit. Standing in front of the Administration Building, Grand Rapids. ca. 1950's.
17. Capital Fleet, Capital Ship, Grand Rapids. Worm's eye view under the nose, with five men standing in the foreground, two wear regular suits and three wear uniforms. Others working behind.
18. Worm's eye view under a Capital Fleet plane gleaming in the sunlight, with the motors running.

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Chicago (Ill.)

**Series XVI. Photographs**

- 33 18 Civil Air Patrol (5 2/19/2008)
1. Ca. 1942 CAP. Four men standing in front of a single engine plane. L-R: Fritz Mueller, Wally Hook, Chuck Kindel, Tom Walsh
  2. Two men in foreground. Left man in uniform with CAP letters on lapel, right man in suit. Men in background in uniform or plain clothes.
  3. Interior view. Cadet program, Kent Co. Airport. WWII. Ward C. Morgan photo, Kalamazoo. Shows a man standing in front of a heat stove talking to men seated in classroom chairs.
  4. Group of man in uniform standing at attention for the camera near a large unidentified building.
  5. Unidentified event at Belknap Lookout field with card and people ringing the field, and group standing in formal lines on the field.
- 31 Album 4 Civil Air Patrol
- 33 19 Continental Motors (1 2/19/2008)
1. Three men standing at a display booth behind a Continental Red Sash? Engine. L-R, Unknown, Roscoe Turner, Jack Reese. Stamp for W.C. Runder Photo Co., St. Louis, Mo.
- 35.5 23 Criminals, Mug Shots (11 2/26/2008)
- Note: The purpose of these images in Walsh Collection is unknown.  
Oscar Anderson / Howard Baker / Ray Briggs / Giacoma Desimona / Gerald Hendershot / Elmer Matthews / Joseph Ricker / Garrett Rosema / Arthur Schallhorn / Jacob Wierda / George Williams
- 33 20 Deer Hunting (2 2/19/2008)
- 1-2. Two views of Charlie Clark with his deer kill and bows and arrows.
- 32 Album 8 Deer Hunting
- 33 21 Dirigibles (3 2/19/2008)
- Three snapshots. One has ID” Goodyear blimp “Puritan” on visit, Kent co. Airport, ca. 1930's.
- 33 22 Downing Murder (7 3/25/2008)
- Also Safety Access restricted. No reproduction allowed. (5 3/25/2008)  
See Archivist or Department Head for these items, 1/26/2009

**Series XVI. Photographs**

- 33 23 Fire Fighting Equipment (8 2/19/2008)
- Two views of engine putting out vehicle view with photo nos. 14-673-R.
  - Spray from nossle. 14-676-R
  - Distant view of spray from nossle on top of fire vehicle. 14-681-R
  - Side view of vehicle with ID “286” “Boeing Airplane Company, Fire Department” American LaFrance Foamite logo at bottom
  - View vehicle with ID S.A.F.D. Airport. With American ALFCO LaFrance logo at bottom
  - Fire vehicle with ID “P2278, U.S. Air Force” in front of a hanger, with American laFrance Foamite logo at bottom
  - Bird's eye view of fire vehicle from the rear, ladder on far side, no ID visible.
- 33 24 Fishing (1 2/19/2008)
- 33 25 Fox Hunting (1 2/19/2008)
- 33 26 Gliders (1 2/19/2008)
- Gliders assembled at Kent County Airport, ca. WWII. Has stamp: Gazette Photo, Ken Brouse, Reporter.
- 32 Album 9 Gliders
- 32 Album 9 Grand Rapids Views
- 33 27 Helicopters (7 2/20/2008)
- Three snapshots of the skeletal version of a plane or helicopter, dated April 17, 1944. “Alfred Jackson” (pilot or designer or what?)
  - Three original Spielmarcher photos, and a copy photo of one. ca. 1940's? See possible articles at GR Press, May 26, 1945 & GR Herald May 27, 1945.
    - One image shows copy “345379” in the air near the Pennsylvania Central Airlines and Central Air Service hangars with onlookers.
    - Pilot & man in suit inside the helicopter and another man in a suit on the ground reaching for/with an item with the man in the helicopter.
    - Near side view of helicopter cockpit on the ground, with two men in the cockpit, and the man in the suit from above standing outside the helicopter.

**Series XVI. Photographs**

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|----|---------|---|
| 31 | Album 3 | Helicopters   |
| 32 | Album 9 | Helicopters   |
| 33 | 28      | Houses (4 + 6 in packet 2/20/2008) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● 4 small snapshots. Three of unidentified house in rural setting. Fourth of an dark unclear view of a portion of a structure.</li><li>● Set of six snapshots with serated edges still attached in a packet. Images in two snow scenes with no buildings in the scene, a view of a man standing on the sitewalk in a snowy residential neighborhood, three men in the foreground of a snowy scene with a partial view of a cabin or house real left, two views of an unidentified house.</li></ul> |
| 33 | 29      | Kent Aviation Service [Known missing since Nov. 26, 1999, 2/20/2008]  |

**Series XVI. Photographs**

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| 33 | 30      | Kent County Airport   |
|    |         | 1.-3. Three aerial views, two stamped on the back with "The Camera Shop, two stores ..."  |
|    |         | 4. Aerial view of the Kent County Airport and runways. Back shows evidence of previous mounting in an album.  |
|    |         | 5. The Beginning of the Grand Rapids Airport, Nov. 26, 1919, at old Kent County Work Farm & Old Fairgrounds. Images ID includes names of men in the image. Image shows a group of men standing in front of an old building, old autos and an old plane, with one man (Dudley Waters?) seated on a tractor front left in the group. Accompanied by three sheets of blue inter-office memo paper with historical notes. |
|    |         | 6. Copy print of "First Flight to Milwaukee" photo. Group of men standing in front of a plane and hangars.  |
|    |         | 7. Interior view of a group of people standing near the Capital Airlines desk. "Bernie" photo.  |
|    |         | 8.-9. Original and copy print of distant view of airport structures, including the Furniture Capital Air Service building and others. ca. 1935-1936, with historical notes on verso.  |
|    |         | 10. Furniture Capital Air Service, Grand Rapids, Mich. Logo   |
|    |         | 11. Snapshot of distant view of planes parked near a runway, with airport structures in the background.   |
|    |         | 12. Snapshot of airplane labeled Detroit-Grand Rapids Airline, with young men and others standing near or in the background.  |
|    |         | 13. Central Air Service building, image number lower right "236"  |
|    |         | 14. Partial view of Furniture Capital Air Service building. Snapshot.   |
| 31 | Album 3 | Kent County Airport   |
| 31 | Album 4 | Kent County Airport   |
|    | 1?      | Kent County Airport   |
| 32 | Album 7 | Kent County Airport   |
| 32 | Album 9 | Kent County Airport   |

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- 32.5 5 Kent County Airport Administration Building. Men, women & children seen behind the fence. Jaqua photo.  
Verso note: Front. Album 9. Walsh.  
OVERSIZED
- 32.5 5 Aerial view of Kent County Airport, showing various buildings including the Central Air Service with "Storage Gas" written on the roof, and Pennsylvania Central Airlines to the right. Parking in the lots, but also along the road, perhaps an event in progress. Houses and factories in the background. n.d. Spielmacher photo (2 copies, only one stamped)  
OVERSIZED
- 33 31 Kent County Airport. Construction (13 2/21/2008)  
1. Copy photo of 33-30-5  
2. Copy photo of man on a tractor  
3. Copy photo of heavy equipment for land development  
4. Copy photo of men work the snowy land with wheelbarrows, a Kohler Aviation hanger behind them.  
5. Original snapshot of above, the a Michigan Works Progress Administration, Bureau of Photography & Printing, Detroit, ID slip accompanying. Photo no. 20, Dec. 21 & 23, 1935. J. Tyson, photographer. Grading field of Grand Rapids Airport.  
6.-13. Set of eight photos ca. April 1951 for equipment, landscape and fencing to prepare the land for the runway of the airport. One of these images appears to be the original of 33-31-3 above.
- 32 Album 9 Kent County Airport. Construction

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**Series XVI. Photographs**

Kent County Airport. Dedication (25 2/21/2008)

Note: May also be a ceremony honoring Walsh.

Universal Studio photographs

1.-2. Bill Robertson, FAA, left and Jeet Halaby, right, standing in a hallway, in front of the Kent County Airport wall plaque and a portrait of Thomas E. Walsh, Airport Manager, 1930-1957. 2 copies, one signed by the men in the photo.

3.-4. Two different photos of the man on the right above (Jeet Halaby). In one image he points at a plaque for "The County of Kent", which is on the left side of the Walsh portrait. In the second image he is standing between this plaque and the Walsh portrait.

Bernie photographs

5.-6. Bob Ross speaking at a podium, outside. Podium has the seal for the Kent County Dept. of Aeronautics. Ross wears a badge which appears to read: Kent County Airport Air Fair Judge? 1964. Two copies of same photo. One is a copy photo w/o Bernie stamp. Both show Ross signature and inscription on the front of the photo.

7. Unidentified man speaking at the podium with an African American policeman in sunglasses standing in profile behind him left. Man has a badge reading: Kent County Airport Dedication. Official Guest.

8.-9. Group of speakers and guests seated with the podium to the left, and Jeet Halaby speaking. Walsh portrait is on a stand at the right. Jerry Ford is in the center of the front row, with Walsh at his right. Two copies, one original and one copy photo of same.

10. Tom Walsh standing to the left of his portrait, with a young man at the right, who may be his relative.

11.-14. Four color snapshots, dated June 1964, of the ceremony.

11. Bird's eye from upper outside level at airport of a runway and field full of aircraft and people, with people on the upper viewing deck.

12. View from behind audience toward speakers, with Jerry Ford at the podium.

13. View from behind audience toward speakers, with Ross at the podium.

14. Nearer view of the Walsh portrait with Ford seated speaking to the man on his right.

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- 33.5 32 Kent County Airport. Dedication continued ... (25 2/21/2008)  
15. b/w 8x10 view of man in jacket & cap, with pipe, standing at the outer upper level, looking at aircraft and people on the airfield.
- 16.-17. Two dark night time views of the Administration Building and tower.
18. Robinson Studio Photo of two men looking at an aerial model displayed vertically.
- Aerials
19. Aerial view with embossed ID stamp lower right corner: Negative by A-B-C Airline Corp., Lansing, Mich. Annotated with green lines near the center right.
20. Airport runways and structures from the air. Robinson Studio Photo, 1940's?
21. Airport structures, with numerous people and cars, and views to area residences.
- 22.-23. Two views showing a large bald patch of land, with runways in the lower right corner.
24. Aerial view of rural landscape showing two ponds/lakes
25. Aerial view by photographer C.C. Wortman, Inc.
- 32.5 4 Legal sized linen backed aerial from Abrams Aerial Survey Corp., Lansing, Mich. Has label attached to verso: Aerial Survey Map, Grand Rapids Airport, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Kent County Road Commission, Engineers, March 18, 1930. Also has ink stamp about reproduction rights ... A-B-C- Airline Corporation, Lansing, Michigan. Formerly located at 075-33-32.
- 33.5 33 Kent County Board of Supervisors (1 2/21/2008)  
1. Interior view of a group of men seated on the lower level of an auditorium space. Verso ID: Kent County Board of Supervisors. Universal Studio photo.

- Series XVI. Photographs**
- 33.5 34 Kohler Aviation (10 2/21/2008)  
Camera Shop photos  
1.-2. #29838 airplane with a “fin” extension under the motor, probably for water landings. Two men in the cockpit, with a man standing at the front of the plane, a hangar behind the plane has “FCAS” logo on building. Original and copy photo.  
3. #29839 Same or similar plane as above, with Furniture Capital Air Service on tail section, and two men in coveralls standing at front of plane.  
4. #29836. Same or similar plane as above, with a group of eight men in overalls or suits standing in front of the plane.
5. Same or similar plane, with a different group of men standing in front and the hangar behind. No photographer ID.  
6. Interior view in hangar with a plane being loaded or unloaded. Plane has the Kohler Aviation Corporation logo on the side. A truck in the hangar, full of boxes has “Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.” sign on the side.  
7. Exterior view of Kohler plane NC-139-H with a men standing near at the front. The plane stands in front of a brick building with has signs for Kohler, but may not be in Grand Rapids.  
8. View of a Kohler plane on a dirty field near a train station, with tall city buildings behind, probably Detroit. “MCP. 5314”.  
9.-10. View of a brick building with an elevated crane behind, aircraft, and an old truck. “16984”. Photographers stamp on verso: Spencer & Wyckoff, Detroit. Handwritten ID: Kohler ramp on Detroit river near the Ambassador Bridge. Loening amphibians. ca. 1935-1936. Two copies, one b/w & one sepia, both with photographers stamp.
- 31 Album 3 Kohler Aviation  
31 Album 4 Kohler Aviation
- 33.5 35 Lake Michigan Ice (3 2/21/2008)  
These photos have a copyright stamp for the Milwaukee Journal. Patrons should seek usage permission from this newspaper.
- 33.5 36 Lake Michigan Ship (2 2/21/2008)  
1. Aerial of ship with large cranes, and other smaller boats.  
2. Snapshot labeled Lake Michigan, 1936, showing a ship in icy waters.
- 31 Album 2 Lindbergh’s visit to Grand Rapids, including views of the flyer and his plane the “Spirit of St. Louis”, and other unidentified local dignitaries.

**Series XVI. Photographs**

- 33 37 March of Dimes Kickoff (1 2/21/2008)  
1. Group seated on a platform outside in front of downtown buildings, with one man speaking into a microphone. Verso note has ID's of some people seated L-R, Bob Runyan, Wood TV; Paul Bagley, Univ. of Michigan; Paul Goebel, Mayor; Fred Barr, Manager.
- 32 Album 8 March of Dimes
- 33.5 38 Michigan Air Tour (1 2/21/2008)  
1. Michigan Air Tour, Sault Saint Marie, Michigan, July 1934. Images shows a group standing in front of a plane. A drum has the ID: Little German Band, Adrian, Mich.
- 33.5 39 Military Airplanes (19 2/21/2008)  
Note: Most views in this folder are of planes in the air.  
1. Service at the field with plane "32", crowd, speakers, band. Copy photo.  
2. Curtiss P-40  
3. Seversky P35's  
4. Seversky XP-41  
5. Spitfire Fighter command England. Central Press Photo stamp.  
6. Lockheed XP-38  
7. Unidentified field, plane and group. Gazette photo, Ken Brouse.  
8. Large plane 492043  
9. Plane coming down in the dark. Bell Aircraft Corporation photo, Buffalo, N.Y.
- 32 Album 9 Military Airplanes
- 34 1 Milwaukee (Wisc.) (7 2/21/2008)
- 35.5 24 Negatives (9 2/26/2008)  
Note: Negatives are the exception in this collection where most images are documented through photographic prints.  
1 aerial  
8 U.S. Military related views, in the air, on the ground and at sea

**Series XVI. Photographs**

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| 31   | Album 2  | Northern Air Service  |
|      | Album 3  | Northern Air Service  |
| 32   | Album 7  | Northern Air Service  |
|      | Album 10 | Northern Air Service  |
|      | Album 11 | Northern Air Service  |
| 32.5 | 5        | Man standing on the wheel behind the entrance door to the cockpit of an airplane. Two men shaking hands, the man at right is O.C. Hall of Northern Air Service. The lettering for the Northern Air Service building is seen on their building behind the plane. Spielmacher photo.<br>OVERSIZED                   |
| 32.5 | 6        | View of the Northern Air Service, airplanes in front of the building, building with the airport tower building to the right. Spielmacher photo.<br>OVERSIZED  |
| 34   | 2        | Parachutist (1 2/21/2008)   |
| 34   | 3        | Parades (3 2/21/2008)<br>1. GAR Convention Parade, Sept. 5, 1927. Bird's eye snapshot<br>2. Masonics? Men in uniform with swords, standing in Campau Square in front of Grants & Woolworth's, ca. 1950's.<br>3. Parade marchers, perhaps on Fulton Street near the park. Robinson Studio Photo, n.d., ca. 1950's. |
| 34   | 4        | Paratroopers (3 2/21/2008)<br>In the air or group photo on the ground   |

- Series XVI. Photographs**
- 34 5 People. (9 2/21/2008)
- Austen, George
  - Babcock, Allen J., Bishop of Grand Rapids
  - Baker, Ray H.
  - Barkley, L.
  - Baudon, Allen
  - Becker, A.
  - Berns, Ernest Camera Shop photo #282272
  - Betts, Frank
  - Blum, Bill 1935, standing in front of airplane propeller
- 34 5 Blacklock, Hugh M. [Where? 1/28/2002, not in Box 33, Folder 5 or Box 4, Folder 5] This may actually be the oversized image below, incorrectly documented for location in the past.
- 32.5 1 Hugh M. Blacklog, Sheriff. Oversized portrait photo, Kendale Studios.  
OVERSIZED
- 34 6 Boris, A. (Philip Morris “Johnny”)
1. Display with “Johnny” standing in front. “Philip Morris, America's Finest Cigarette”
  2. Spielmacher photo of Johnny with others Ercoupe
  - 3.-4. Two views of Johnny with a single man and an Ercoupe
  - 5.-9. Five views of Johnny in or near a plane
  10. Johnny with unknown man
  11. Johnny with two men. The man on the right is O.C. Hall of Northern Air Service.
- 32 Album 5 Boris, A.

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- 34 7 People. Bradley – Foote (18 2/21/2008)  
Bradley, Fred 1939  
Brucker, Wilbur M.  
Budeson, Ed
- 32 OVE Cassard, Daniel Waters  
35.5 x Daniel Waters Cassard. Copy photo.
- 34 7 Cady, Marie (Note. This image may be misplaced here since it was not  
previously listed. See her Coll. 215)  
Cassleman, Harry R. (3, including an original & copy photo from Wallace  
Studios, San Angelo, Texas)  
Clearly, Pat  
Davis, Pat Dec. 1942, From John E. Reed (photographer) Hollywood  
Derill, Joe W.  
Doerflinger, Joe (2)  
1. Camera Shop #301281  
2. Younger image. ID has: Chief Pilot for Kohler Aviation Co. and  
German Air Force Ace of WWI.  
Doherty, Harold A. Brigadier General Harold A. Doherty, brother in law  
of Tom Walsh (married to Florence Walsh), Adjutant General of the  
Indiana National Guard, standing left, with Governor George Craig of  
Indiana, seated. (found misplaced in another folder 2/22/2008)
- WHERE? Oversize 1 Doolittle, Jimmy (Missing 2/26/2008)  
34 7 DuBuque, Jean H.  
Elliott, Eugene B. July 25, 1940  
Evans, Floyd E. (2 both in uniform)  
Ferguson, Homer  
Foote, Mr. (colorized. Versluis, photographer)
- 32.5 2 Feauberlingly(?) Moved from 75-35-2. Name inscription difficult to read.  
Some damage to image  
OVERSIZED

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**Series XVI. Photographs**

Ford, Gerald R. (8 2/21/2008)

1. Ford right, with Walsh next to him and unidentified man on other side of Walsh.
2. Ford with his back to the camera, with Walsh holding an umbrella over him, and Lyman Parks to Ford's left. Others in the crowd, including Richard VanderVeen, partially hidden by Ford.
3. Ford, Walsh, Unknown, Unknown. Interior.
4. Walsh shaking hands with unknown man left, with Ford looking on at right.
5. Ford, Walsh, and unknown man right
6. Unknown woman left, Walsh, Ford, unknown man right.
7. Ford and Walsh in the center, with a woman left and man right. Inscribed to the Walsh's by Ford. Woman is perhaps Mrs. Walsh.
8. Color photo. Jerry Ford at Podium, Republican National Convention, 1968. AGNEW signs in the foregrounds. Unidentified men behind Ford. Ford with big gavel in his right hand.

- 34 9 **Series XVI. Photographs**  
Funit – Leonard (25 2/21/2008)
- Funit, Conmi Robinson Studio. Two men in uniform standing with various flags. Last name may be incorrect here.
  - Greene, Parry W. Perry W. Greene, seated at desk
  - Gregory, Carl
  - Greenawalt(?), Sam Image shows two men presenting Walsh award from Air Force Association.
  - Halaby, Jack Universal Studio photo. See also the folder at 33-x-x of the Airport Dedication in 1964.
  - Hall, Bob
  - Hamies, Raymond G. Robinson Studio Photo, man in uniform at a microphone.
  - Heffron, Philip, Sheriff (Note, May be misplaced as not previously list with these photos)
  - Higgins, John H. 1939.
  - Hill, Milton
  - Hough, Cass Chairman of Michigan Aeronautics Commission during late 1940's & early 1950's. President of Daisy Air Rifle Co.
  - Houghton, Lewis H.
  - Howlett, Robert Robinson Studio
  - Hughes, M. 1941.
  - Jacobs, Lou PR photo of this world famous clown
  - Jensen, Jack Olan Mills Portrait Studio
  - Jones, John Paul In Grand Rapids 355<sup>th</sup> uniform
  - Kelly, Harry T. (name may be incorrect)
  - Kennedy, Don Jan. 30, 1930
  - Kenney, George C.
  - Kenyon, Burt F. (2, original & copy photo)
  - Kindel, Charles (by elimination, but signature could just as easily read Robert Purdel!)
  - Lathrop, Harry (Henry)
  - Leonard, Donald Head, Michigan State Police
- 32.5 5 Hurlock, Claude (Name may be incorrect) OVERSIZED
- 32 Album 9 People, Jackson, Alfred. Image of plane or helicopter, skeletal structure only. Apr. 17, 1944. Don't know if Jackson is the pilot, photographer or other role.
- 32.5 5 People. Leonard, Jack or Jack Lenkard, Gulf Refining. Man in a suit standing next to an airplane. An ID label on the propeller is printed backwards. OVERSIZED  
Formerly Box 31-1, now Box 32.5 2/25/2008

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Anne Morrow Lindbergh seated in plane with Charles Lindbergh standing beside the plane, both in flight caps. At Grand Rapids Airport, ca. 1929. See also scrapbooks images of Lindbergh's visit.

Charles Lindbergh Photos from Visit to Grand Rapids, See also

- Series XVI. Photographs**
- 34 11 Lockley – Reynolds (18 2/21/2008)  
Note: Currently includes a photo of Pantlind, a copy photo referencing the FMA, Furniture Manufacturers Association, which was not previously listed in this folder, and may be misplaced in this collection.
- Lockley, Lew
  - Lowe, Allen Manager, Rowe Hotel. Bloom, Chicago, photographer
  - Mack, Charlie
  - Mayo, W.B. 1941
  - McCarty, William
  - McNaughton, K.P.
  - Milliken, William Governor shaking hands with Walsh
  - Moore, Charles May 8, 1949
  - Muller, Frederick H. 1942, man seated with pipe
  - Murphy, Red Camera Shop photo #281549. Bio info. On verso.
  - O'Brien, Pat movie star. Verso note: The “Culprits”, on the occasion of the first landing and take-off from the new, enlarged Kent County Airport, June 30, 1952.
  - O'Downer, Guy
  - Oldham, Fred
  - Orttenson, Pat
  - Phillips, Burke Robinson Studio
  - Pierson, Harold Camera Shop photo # 29275. Furniture Capitol Air Service, standing by one of their planes.
  - Ray, Wesley. Very small photo, perhaps clipping from a larger image. Shows a man standing in a WWI type uniform. Probably from Album I.
  - Reynolds, Foote Photo Service Shop?
- 34 12 Romney, George (1 2/22/2008) Romney in middle, women at left may be Mrs. Romney, Walsh at right, with a portrait of Arthur Vandenberg behind them on the wall.
- 34 13 Roosevelt, Franklin D. (1 2/22/2008)  
Roosevelt and others standing outside at the end of a Pullman train car, for the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, with a crowd waving, two men on a utility pole in the background left. No date or event information.
- 34 14 Ross, Robert (1 2/22/2008)

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- 34 15 Royer – Susemill (12 2/22/2008)  
Royer, Ralph  
Sigler, Kim Governor  
Joe & Tony Siglio Spielmacher photo. 2 young men in uniform.  
Skelly, Harold Standing in front of a plane labeled “Visit the Copper  
Country ...”  
Sligh, Charles  
Sorenson, Al Standing by a plane, wearing Switlik equipment  
Steers, Buck (4 photos. 2/22/2008)  
● 2 photos, both in uniform, one with his hat on and one with his hat off  
● Steers with Walsh(?) left)  
● seated in a plane, signed S.B. Steers.  
Susemill, C.H.  
Susemill, R.J.
- 34 16 Truman, Harry S. Robinson Studio photo showing Truman right, holding  
a mail bag with another man wearing a beret, at the entrance to a vehicle,  
in front of a downtown building, with a crowd looking on.
- 34 17 Van Wolvlear – Walsh (9 2/22/2008)  
Note: Several photos of Tom Walsh were removed from this folder to 75-  
34-18  
Van Wolvlear, J.H. “Campbell H. Steketee” on verso (photographer?)  
Vander Bunte, Jay  
Vican, Phil Robinson Studio photo  
Vinkemulder, Jerry (4)  
● Original & copy photo, Nov. 5, 1943 image of Vinkemulder in  
uniform with CAP on his lapel  
● Image as young man in flight clothing  
● View standing next to a small plane with the engine elevated behind  
the cockpit, with autos and buildings behind. Robinson Studio photo
- 34 17 Walsh, Jack Jr. (1)
- 34 16 Walsh, Leo W.? (1) Inscription unknown. Not Tom Walsh, but another  
area Walsh, seated at a desk, with what appears to be a Ray Barnes  
caricature hanging on the wall. May 1953.

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**Series XVI. Photographs**

Walsh, Thomas (36 9/28/2009) Still need to correct folder location information on these.

- March 21, 1922. Walsh in jacket and cap standing near a rail outside.
- Young man Walsh in a flight suit standing near a plan. Verso: Beginning of Air Tour, ca. 1934-1935.
- Walsh in a flight suit from same era as above, standing near a garage and auto.
- Young man Walsh in a suit with glasses portrait photo + a copy photo of same. (2) Neg. 1649?
- Older Walsh in a flight suit standing at the front of a plane with his hand on the propeller. May 17, 1940.
- Walsh in a jacket and hat standing outside near a wall, with a row of flood lights behind a fence. A sign on the wall has: Parachute ... Central Air Service.
- Small photo of middle aged Walsh, portrait photo.
- Three copies of portrait photo of Walsh (3)
- Original & copy photo of Walsh seated at his desk, with pipe in hand, and calendar partially visible upper right. Neg. #1583 (2)
- Two Robinson Studio photos, August 1952, showing Walsh looking at a signed photo, with others on the wall. This image was used in an article "Tom Walsh's Airport Office a Gallery of Flying Greats" published the Peninsular Club Magazine, Dec. 1952, pg. 102-103. See copy at 075-1-1.6 (2)
- Walsh seated in his office with a long pipe(?) in his hands and photos on the wall behind him.
- Priest Light(?) left, with Walsh right, Walsh with the pipe in hand.
- Walsh leaving State Aeronautics Board after fight with G. Mennen Williams ca. 1955. Shows him packing boxes from file cabinets, with a pipe in his mouth, and various views and objects behind. (Found at 078-34-17)
- Robinson Studio photo, June 28, 1968 of Phil Veesri(?) left and Walsh right, interior view, both with glasses in hand.
- Walsh left and unidentified man right, standing on the wing of a small plane. Colorama Studio photo.
- Walsh standing center with the County of Kent Michigan seal on the wall behind him. Men standing and seated in desk behind Walsh. A name plaque on one of the desks, lower right, has "George R. Cook, Civil Counsel". Colorama Studio photo.
- Unidentified woman pinning a shamrock on Walsh's lapel, at the steps to a train.

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**Series XVI. Photographs**

Walsh, Thomas (36 9/28/2009) Still need to correct folder location information on these.

- Bob Ross and Walsh looking at a plaque attached to a rock or building “This Airport is dedicated to the memory of Daniel Waters Cassard ...”
- Walsh with a miniature United Airlines airplane in hand, presented by a pilot of other flight personnel in a uniform. Behind them is a photographer standing on “United” mobile stairs, and behind that is an airplane with “Jet Mainliner City of Grand Rapids” printed on the side.
- Two copies of a photo of Walsh with a UFCS plaque, standing next to Mrs. Walsh who is holding a bouquet. (2)
- Another photo from the same shoot, with an unidentified priest standing left and Mr. & Mrs. Walsh to the right.
- Robinson Studio photo, May 13, 1969 of an unidentified woman and man standing with Mrs. Walsh and Walsh at the right. Interior.
- Two copies of small portrait photo of Walsh seated, with pipe in right hand, talking and gesturing with his left hand. (2)
- Near view of Walsh, wearing the same suit & tie (same shoot).
- Snapshot and larger copy photo of Walsh left, with Spielmacher. Interior view with “Aviation ... of Grand Rapids sign behind them. (2) Neg. #1608
- Walsh leaning over unidentified ill(?) African American youth. Jay C. Abbott photo for the Grand Rapids Press, n.d. Sunday Mag, pg. 5
- Walsh wearing a medical collar, and with a cane, talking into a microphone, with a group and stairs behind him.
- Snaps shot moved from 075-35-2, which appears to be Walsh perhaps turning a propeller at the front of a plane.

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- 34      19      People. "w" (Walsh-
- Walsh, Dan. Brother of Tom Walsh. Moved from 75-35-2, 2/22/2008
  - Waters, Dudley (Copy photo, not previously listed in this folder, probably from another collection)
  - Weber, Spencer Sept. 25, 1937
  - Weil, Lewis Man seated at desk with dark windows behind.
  - Welsh, George W. Damage photo, March 27, 1939
  - Weyant, Marion Jane in flight cap
  - Whegge, Tom (2) 1) Seated in uniform. 2) Portrait photo in suit, Mar. 27, 1942.
  - White, George R. in uniform
  - Williams, Al 1942, in suit
  - Williams, G. Mennen "Snuffy McGill" photographs. Williams in a bow tie.
  - Wilson, Bob right with Lyle Foote left. Cameramem Incorporated, Washington, D.C.
- 32      Album 8      Welsh, George W.

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**Series XVI. Photographs**

Groups including Walsh, early (24 2/22/2008)

See also 075-35-5

- Four men standing outside, ca. 1930's. L-R: Sophus Johnson, City Manager, Frank Goebel, Director of Public Works, Tom Walsh, Wes Ramey.
- Group of about 16 men standing in front of an airplane NR-105-W. Walsh is in the front row standing to the left of the man with the patch on his eye. Pritchard's Photographs, no. 3309142. ID's on the verso include:
  - Jerry Vinkemulder, 5<sup>th</sup> left, President of National Aeronautics Administration.
  - Less Lowing, 6<sup>th</sup> from left
  - Tom Walsh, 7<sup>th</sup> from left
  - Wiley Post with eye patch
  - John Kohler, extreme right, President of Kohler Air Lines
  - John Kosten, 2<sup>nd</sup> from right, member, Airport Committees
  - Lon Feringa, 3<sup>rd</sup> from right
- Camera Shop photo, Oct. 15, 1936, of Walsh right in jacket & cap and man left standing in front of a plane. Man is Goerge W. ? man.
- Original & copy photo of three men standing in front of a plane. Walsh is at the left with Gene Tunney center and jess Willard(?) right. ca. Late 1930's.
- Walsh in the center with two women left and woman and unidentified man right, probably inside the airport restaurant. n.d. Woman to the left of Walsh may be Barbara Walsh.
- Walsh in uniform with three other men. L-R: V.J. Coles, Lt. N.L. Chamberlain, Walsh, Ed Loop.
- Robinson Studio Photo. Banquet setting, Walsh, second from right, in uniform. Man standing in uniform, and man at far right in uniform. Man on Walsh right with a cigar in suit.
- Robinson Studion Photo. Walsh seated to man in uniform and young women far right, looking at photos?
- Banquet setting. Walsh at left handing or receiving something from man seated at table who may be Policeman Mallory (check), with George Welsh at far right.
- Two copies of Spielmacher photo of unidentified man speaking with a piano in the background. Three men seated behind the speaker, and Walsh is believed to be the one in the center.
- Walsh seated at a desk with his nameplate on it, with four other men seated or standing, L-R: Edward A. Borgman, John D. Whегge, Irving Pennington, ?

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**Series XVI. Photographs**

Groups including Walsh, early (24 2/22/2008) continued ...

- Robinson Studio Photo, Banquet setting, with flag in background. Walsh second from right, with four other men in the image.
- Robinson Studio Photo. Walsh far right next to an unidentified woman. Two unidentified men are left in the group.
- Walsh, far right, in his office with four other men. Man next to Walsh is Whegge. The three men at the left are all in uniforms and unidentified. Photo is damaged.
- Walsh and Whegge(?) with Irish Air Lines log and pendant with shamrock in an office.
- March 17, 1947(?) (previous called 1937, but Walsh looks much older) with a group at Ottawa Ave., in front of the Norris Building, with flags. Verso: Flag presentation by Irish Consul Jereme Cleary to Tom Walsh, President, Grand Rapids Chapter Friendly Sons of St. Patrick. Man second from left in bow tie may be G. Mennen Williams
- Banquet setting, Walsh at the podium looking at the man seated left, with a woman and man visible
- Three men standing, Walsh right, receiving(?) award from Stan McWhinney(?) with unidentified man center.
- U.S. Army Photo. Department of Defense. Permission info. Note stamped on verso. Four men, with Walsh at far right. Also, L-R: Gen. "Nuts" Macauliffe, Cecil Simmons, John W. Simpler, Secretary of Treasury under Truman.
- Exterior view of group standing in the snow in front of a plane. Two men wear Saladin caps, and another in Masonic garb, Two women and a girl in front, Walsh at the far right
- Two different exterior photos, ca. 1950's, with unidentified house behind. One photo has six men. The second photo has three men from the first group. Walsh is second from the left in the group of six, and at the far right in the group of three.
- Five men standing at or on the entrance steps to a Lake Central Airlines plane. Photo stamp from J.& G. Daverman Co. L-R, Tom Walsh, Bill Robertson, Unidentified man, Garrett Gritter (?), and Herb Daverman.

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**Series XVI. Photographs**

Groups including Walsh, later life (9 2/22/2008)

- Walsh speaking at Kent County Airport podium, with Lyman Parks in the background right with two other men, and two men background left.
- Worm's eye view of Walsh right and unidentified man left, with a damaged building behind.
- Walsh second from right in a group of five men outside with a decorative flag by a flag pole.
- Three men with a plaque with the image of Michigan. L-R: Mario Fontana, Chris Hough center and Tom Walsh right.
- Group outside in the rain. Man in the center with back to camera is identified elsewhere as Gerald R. Ford, talking with Tom Walsh holding an umbrella. Lyman Parks is at Fords left. Others in the group unidentified. March 1974.
- Group of five elderly men. The two seated in the center toasting glasses are Tom Walsh left and George Welsh right. Charles B. Pearson stands behind and between them Photographer stamp of Leon Borucki, Jr.
- Three rows of men, seated and standing, including priests. Tom Walsh is third from the left on the front row.
- 355 military unit veterans. Four men standing in an office. Tom Walsh at far right. Note on verso indicates use in a Sunday paper.
- Two men in military gab on the floor with an automatic rifle. Tom Walsh left with Edgar M. Foster, August 1973. Convention of Veterans of the 32<sup>nd</sup> Red Arrow Division in Grand Rapids. See. GR Press, Aug. 26, 1973, pg. 15A

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**Series XVI. Photographs**

Groups, identified (

- Two young women in uniform. Barbara Walsh right and Jane Friske left. See a photo of Walsh in a group with three young women in 075-35-1, which may show Barbara Walsh standing to the left of Walsh in that image.
- Sepia colored photo postcard of group of men in exterior setting Alexander G. Bell on the ground with William F. Bedwin and G.H. Curtiss behind them. Standing: Thomas S. Baldwin, F.W. Baldwin, Dr. J. Newton Williams, J.A. D. McCurdy and Lt. T.E. Selfridge.
- Army & Navy Club, 1926, perhaps near a golf course building. Walsh may be in the image at the far left or not at all.
- Group of men standing in front of an airplane & hangars at airport. Camera Shop photo #31765. Inaugural flight from Grand Rapids to Milwaukee, 1931?
- Three men at a wishing well pond in a mall? Bob Ross at the right standing in the water in bare feet with a tool to rack the coins. Walter Kasper crouching on an "island" with a planter behind him. Unidentified man standing in the water with bare feet with coins in this hands and displayed on the island.
- Perhaps a group from the Kalamazoo flight school. Verso stamp: Ward C. Morgan Studio, Kalamazoo, Mich. Name ID's on the photo for all of the men in uniform crouching or standing near a plane.
- Lansing, mich. April 21, 1938. Group of nine men standing in front of an airplane. Name ID's for all on the photo, including S.B. Steers at the far right.
- Group of six men in a banquet setting, one receiving a trophe, Air Force banner behind them. Verso: Floyd Evans, seonc from left, receiving the Airability Award from the Air Force Association.
- Group of five men near the steps to a Red Arrow airplane. Verso note: L-R, John Kohler, President of Kohler Air Lines, Pop Mayo, Father Patrick Dunnigan, General Wilson, and unidentified man holding a flag at far right. Loening Amphibian named for Red Arrow Division, ca. Late 1930s.
- Group of three people near a plane, perhaps in 1920's. Verso note: Ford Plane. Mr. Charles Gilson, Mrs. William Carr, Bill Carr, all of Sparta.
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### Series XVI. Photographs

#### Groups, unidentified

- Bar interior with man in sleeveless T-shirt and woman in sun dress.
- Robinson photo of two men in uniform with multiple flags. See 075-34-9 for another copy of same photo
- Two photos of banquet setting. One of a group of seven men at a table, and another with four men, including George Welsh, standing at a microphone.
- Robinson Studio photo, June 12, 1952. Shows eight men standing on the steps of a house/building with "25 in the address number. Six of the men wear medical type clothing, and two men on either end of the back row wear suits. The man in the back row left is also seen at 075-34-17.
- Group of seven men seated or standing in front of a plain background. Some men in uniform.
- Two Robinson Studio photos at the airport.
  - Two men center, one left with a microphone, talking with O.C. Hall at right. Men behind unidentified.
  - Man with microphone talking to a talk man with curly hair, also seen in photo above. O.C. Hall is standing to the right of the curly haired man. Man to the left of the man with microphone is also seen in the photo above. Other people in the background.
- Robinson Studio photo. Group of three men and one woman at a Norther Air Service airplane. One man is standing behind the door inside the plane. A 5<sup>th</sup> man is hidden seated behind him in the cockpit. I woman is reaching up to the man. A tall man behind her may be the same may with the microphone in the images above. O.C. Hall is standing at the right.
- Robinson Studio photo Aug. 22, 1951 of four clerical figures at ground breaking ceremony. See also Album 8, box 32 of this collection.
- Young man, and two women, with another man inside plane. Robinson Studio photo, Aug. 23, 1948.
- Color photo of four girls on the group near a pond, with ducks. St. Stephens Green, Feb. 1963.
- Two snapshots of a man in flight gear with a plane that may read Third Annual Michigan Air Tour. One photo shows him seated atop the plane. The other photo shows him standing with another man. Verso ID has Buck Bouland

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**Series XVI. Photographs**

People. Unidentified (20 2/22/2008)

Note: Some items with ID information moved to other folders above.

- Two small snapshots of guys clowning in the woods. One is in uniform and has an ax. The other image has three men, probably with Walsh at the left, pretending to saw the middle guys back. The auto in the background suggests 1950's.
- Tiny snapshot of five men near an airplane
- Small snapshot of two men looking left, near an airplane
- Three men standing in front of a Capitol Air Service plan with buildings in the background
- Two Aug. 1960 b/w snapshots. One shows two kids in a road. The other shows two women on a beach.
- Tintype of an unidentified man with a beard. 19<sup>th</sup> century.
- Photo postcard of a doughboy. WWI era
- Another possible WWI (or WWII) era of a young man in uniform seated in a photographers background, with cap in hands. Believed to be Walsh.
- Portrait photo of unidentified woman, probably early 20<sup>th</sup> century
- Portrait photo of a kid with freckles, wearing a cap with three pens attached, one of which is a train engine.
- Young sailor. Photo Service Shop stamp
- QAC-(A). Young man modeling(?) a parachute
- Robinson Studio of a man in uniform, ca. WWII?
- Portrait photo of a young man in flight gear
- Portrait photo of an unidentified man in glasses, suit
- Photo of a man in shorts with his hands on his hips, wearing a high, glasses, standing in front of a garage door.
- Unidentified young man in suit
- Unidentified older man in suit

**Series XVI. Photographs**

- 35 3 Radios (4 2/22/2008)
- Two copies of same photo of three men with equipment in front of them, interior setting. Man at right is identified as Walter Gernt(?), CAP
  - Man standing at a counter with a schedule blackboard behind him, talking into a microphone with a phone receiver over his shoulder.
  - Group of four men lifting grates near hangars. Crates marked as multichannel transmitters. Verso note RE: Airport Expansion.
- 31 Album 4 Red Arrow Division
- 35 4 Selfridge Air Force Base (Mich.) (1 2/22/2008)
- 35 5 Sheriff's Air Patrol (1 2/22/2008)
- Five men standing near a plane labeled "Aerial Cruiser, no. 7, Sheriff's Dept., Kent County, Mi. Verso has, l-r: Perry Green, "Fat" Paul Miller, Tom Walsh, Hugh Blacklog, Sheriff of Kent Co., making Tom a Deputy Sheriff, John Paul Jones, ca. 1930's.
- 35 6 Sled, motorized (4 2/22/2008)  
Four snapshots in a residential setting, ca. 1950's.
- 35 7 Snow Plows (3 2/22/2008)
- 35 8 Snow Tractor (1 2/22/2008)
- Near view in residential setting with two men inside. Bird house on a pole behind the tractor.
- 35 9 "Spirit of St. Louis" (see also Lindbergh Visit to Grand Rapids) (3 2/22/2008)  
Note: A fourth photo found here belongs to the Morris Collection and has been returned there, 2/22/2008
- Three copies of 8x10 photo with Tom Walsh speaking from a podium and the plan behind him, other people around. Two of the prints have a stamped for Grand Rapids Press Photo, ... not for reproduction unless authorized by M. Laninga, photo director. One print has stamp: Henry F. Zeman, Grand Rapid Press.
- 35 10 Terminal Building (2, 2/22/2008)  
Daytime or night views
- 32 Album 8 Tornado
- 32 Album 8 Tornado Damage

- Series XVI. Photographs**
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| 35   | 11      | Troop Ship (5, 2/22/2008)<br>Five small snapshots showing men and environment.   |
| 35   | 12      | West Michigan Fairgrounds (1 2/22/2008) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Winter aerial view, including the river and a road over a bridge spanning the river.</li></ul> |
| 31.5 | Album 1 | World War I  |
| 32   | Album 8 | World War I  |

**Series XVI. Photographs**

**Album Summaries**

- 31.5 Album 1 World War I era, ca. 1916-including early personal photos. Small sized album.
- 1 Loose Album Pages (5 2/26/2008)  
Note: 5 pages completely loose from the rest of the album placed in standard folder. There is also one loose photo in this folder, which is an aerial view showing airplanes below. 1 loose page has a photo of three men in WWI uniforms, with Tom Walsh the far right of the three. The photo to the right of this is also seen in one of the folders, unidentified. There are other loose pages inside the album. Album cover missing.
- 35.5 1 Loose standard photos (10 2/26/2008)  
Note: Numerous other loose photographs from later time periods found tucked in this album and placed in an acid free folder at 075-x-x. Loose postcards from the European war have been left in the album.
- Two men in flight suits, Walsh on the right, and a child behind him right.
  - Truck & people in snow, perhaps hunting group
  - Group of 7 men, with windows with Venetian blinds behind.
  - Interior. Unidentified military man.
  - Buck Steers standing in front of a building with sign "Tour Headquarters"
  - 5 snapshots dated August 1960, family vacation/recreational photos.
- 35.5 2 Loose standard copy photos (2 2/26/2008)
- Daniel Waters Cassard WWI soldier
  - Two men with walky-talkys lower right, on the air field with planes in the air & on the ground. The man left of the two is probably Walsh

**Series XVI. Photographs**

**Album Summaries**

32.5 3

Album 2. Charles Lindbergh visit, Aug. 12, 1927.

Loose pages.

1. Charles Lindbergh with an older unidentified man
2. Album sheet with 6 images on one side & one on the other.
  - Side A. 1. Worm's eye view of Lindbergh at podium microphone
  - Side A. 2. Another smaller view of image above.
  - Side A. 3. Aerial view of field.
  - Side A. 4. Worm's eye view of Lindbergh at podium microphone
  - Side A. 5. Unidentified house
  - Side A. 6. Unidentified man in flight suit.

Side B. Group of 9 young men standing outside a building with one man looking on from inside.

3. Album sheet with 6 images on one side & one on the other.
  - Side A. 1. Lindbergh right seated next to old woman (perhaps his mother who was known to be at the event).
  - Side A. 2. Lindbergh left with unidentified old man as in 1. above.
  - Side A. 3. Lindbergh shaking hand with unidentified man, standing next to "Spirit of St. Louis"
  - Side A. 4. "Spirit of St. Louise" with crowd in the background.
  - Side A. 5. Worm's eye view of Lindbergh
  - Side A. 6. Worm's eye view of Lindbergh at microphones, with face partial obstructed.

Side B. Two men holding a man on a stretcher between and ambulance left and an airplane right.

**Series XVI. Photographs**

**Album Summaries**

32.5 3

Album 2. Charles Lindbergh visit, Aug. 12, 1927. Continued ...  
Loose pages.

4. Album sheet with 4 images on one side and one on the other.  
Side A. 1. Spirit of St. Louis, taking off or landing  
Side A. 2. Spirit of St. Louis, coming out of a hangar.  
Side A. 3. Crowd at airport  
Side A. 4. Lindbergh.

Side B. View from behind a band play (Star Spangled Banner), as people on podium stand to salute the flag on the pole. Men visible on top of a building center right.

5. Album sheet with 4 images on one side and one on the other.  
Side A. 1. Lindbergh seen through window of cockpit  
Side A. 2. "Spirit of St. Louis" with men pushing the plane  
Side A. 3. Lindbergh talking to older man.  
Side A. 4. Lindbergh talking to woman in hat seated at his left.  
Side B. Military unit with rifle on the back side of an Aeronca, No. 8.

5. Cut sheet of album page with two images on one side and one on the other

Side A. 1. Spirit of St. Louise in hangar with unidentified man in light colored suit standing near the nose.

Side A. 2. Lindbergh(?) standing in an automobile talking to a man in a light uniform, another man in uniform (police?) standing on the near side of the car, and another figure lower left.

Side B. Interior. Group of men and women seated at dinner. "Post -208" stamped on the back of the folding chairs in use.

6. Cut sheet of album page with two images on one side and one on the other.

Side A. 1. Miniature Lindbergh figure and miniature "Spirit of St. Louis" being held by two unidentified hands.

Side A. 2. "Spirit of St. Louise" view near nose.

Side B. Interior. Group photo of young men in uniform, probably in the same facility at "Side B. in 5. above. "Post 208" stamped on a folding chair.

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**Album Summaries**

- 32.5 Album 3 Black covered album. Disbound.  
Most of the items were loose or pasted or taped to loose pages. So, the entire album was disbound. The bulk of the scrapbook is now at 32.5, with the photos still attached to the oversized sleeves, 25 sheets in 5 acid free folders.
- 32.5 Album 3 Loose oversized images or pages.  
Sheets are numbered within the oversized set, with most of these pages following sequentially in the later pages of the album.
- 6 Thomas Rood(?) Sept. 10, 1940. Man standing in front of books with pipe in hand. OVERSIZED
- 7 OVE 1-7
1. 2 photos of Walsh with Major General Hoyt S. Vandenberg, nephew of Senator Arthur Vandenberg, ca. 1940. One image includes a second unidentified man.
  2. Unidentified group photo with seven men seated or standing at the front of a stage. Walsh is far left in front row standing.
  3. Unidentified elderly woman being assisted from a plane by a young man and a stewardess.
  4. 7 snapshots of Johnson Flying Service, Furniture Capital Air, and other + 1 8x10 Bird's eye view of onlookers at Gate 2 small building, with bicycles behind and two helicopters on the field.
  5. 4 snapshots: military? With tents & equipment, men, aerial & 1 8x10. Mostly military in uniform standing near a hangar(?) with a speaker attached at the roof line.
  6. 4 snapshots of men talking in groups, some in uniform + 8x10 three men in the center foreground, one talking on a walky-talky, with the airport Administration Building far right, and planes in the background or in the air.
  7. 4 snapshots, aerials, not yet confirmed as Grand Rapids, but including a river, bridges & buildings. + 8x10 of women in uniform in front of a building similar to 5 above.

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**Album Summaries**

- 32.5 Album 3 Black covered album. Disbound. Continued ...  
Loose oversized images or pages.
- 32.5 8 OVE 8-13
8. 5 photos, some associated with Furniture Capital Airlines + 8x10 with man speaking at WLAV podium ...
  9. 5 photos, including
    - Ramp on Detroit River, inaugurating Detroit to Grand Rapids service, Kohler Aviation Service, 1934-1935. Amphibious plane talking off the end of the pier as men watch.
    - A brick building in construction with a crane behind.
    - Three snapshots which may all be of Clara Kutchinski, first woman to solo, 1930.
  - Verso has 1 8x10 photo of a crash, Stanfield photo, Rockford, Mi.
  10. Another 8x10 photo of crash above, Stanfield photo, with people looking at the wreck + 5 photos, including a men standing by a plane at a microphone with a trophy; numerous people & autos at an event; two views of an amphibious plane; a man seated on the top of a plane.
  11. 5 photos, including an aerial above Grand Rapids Airport; people and band with planes on the field for an event; three snapshots of a crash. + x10 of a man speaking at a podium with a grand piano in the background an men seated behind him.
  12. Five photos, including
    - Two men near Kohler Aviation plane
    - Man in flight gear
    - Worm's eye view of man(?) on tower
    - Old Airport buildings, ca. 1929-1930, including the Restaurant building left, and a two story building with a fireplace right.
    - Verso: 8x10 of Five men standing on the roof of Wurzburgs (helicopter pad), including Walsh in the center and O.C. Hall 4<sup>th</sup> from left.
  13. 8x10 of nine men on the roof of Wurzburg's Department Store, helicopter Pad. Tom Walsh is 5<sup>th</sup> from left. Chet Hall (O.C. Hall, is 3<sup>rd</sup> from left pointing with his right hand. View to street and buildings behind men. + 5 photos of planes, airport buildings, bank of lights, etc.

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- 32.5 Album 3 Black covered album. Disbound. Continued ...  
Loose oversized images or pages.
- 32.5 9 Photos 14-20
14. 8x10 of a plane being lifted by crane on top of the Wurzburg Building.  
A man standing in the street below gives directions with onlookers at the windows, plus another photo of a Navy plan lying upside down on a landing strip. + Verso: 10 snapshots, including at least 6 related to U.S. Coast Guard retrieval showing a body lying face down.
15. 5 photos
- 5 people standing beside a plane. A woman is in the center, two men at the left are in flight suits, Walsh is far right
  - Woman in flight gear seated on a plane looking at the camera, with another man in the plane talking to a man behind the plan.
  - Crash
  - structure in progress?
  - Crash?
  - Verso 8x10 inside the restaurant of six men. Of the two seated, Walsh is at the left, and the man right has a "Dawn Patrol" ribbon on his shirt. Men standing, L-R: L.M. Lockly, F.E. Evans, O.C. Hall, unknown
16. 8x10 inside restaurant, men & women, possibly the Dawn Patrol.  
Verso images include:
- Construction, probably of an amphibious pier, perhaps in Detroit, with an overhead trestle construction as well.
  - View of the construction from the water
  - plane headon
  - Three people beside a plane
  - Crash?
17. Six photos + 1 8x10, including
- Group of men
  - plane in the air
  - construction of a runway
  - crash
  - Group standing by a plane, including foreign visitors
  - Two women seated in front of a small building
  - Verso 8x10 of military with camouflaged airplanes

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**Album Summaries**

- 32.5 Album 3 Black covered album. Disbound. Continued ...  
Loose oversized images or pages.
- 32.5 9 Photos 14-20 continued
18. six photos + 1 8x10, including:
- Two photos of an airport terminal building with covered side porches either side, location unknown
  - Men with barrels and equipment
  - Two unknown aerials
  - Central Air Service building
  - Verso: Group of 15 men standing near an airplane. Walsh is 3<sup>rd</sup> from the right in the standing back row.
19. 8x10 + 4 aerials verso. The 8x10 is of a group of men & boys in front of a plane being loaded, probably from the same shoot as 18 above.
20. 8x10 + 5 aerials. The 8x10 appears to be another photos from the same group as in 18 & 19 above, with the same plane, fewer people, and more mail bags. Some of the aerials on the other size are icy water and a ship in the ice.

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**Album Summaries**

- 32.5 Album 3 Black covered album. Disbound. Continued ...  
Loose oversized images or pages.
- 32.5 10 Sheets 21-24
21. Three photos + 1 8x10, including:
- Two men in front of a plane. Inauguration of Grand Rapids to Milwaukee Airmail, late 1930's. John Kohler left, Aaron Davis, Grand Rapids Postmaster, right.
  - Plane 72, winter National Air Races, ... on the ground with three men.
  - Plane in the air near a water tank
  - Verso: 8x10 of unidentified event, with a group of men in front of an airplane. Two men in the center shake hands including George Welsh on the right and Fiorella La Guardia left. Microphones in the foreground.
22. 8x10 + 8 photos verso, including:
- Another view of Fiorella La Guardia, shaking hands with unknown man right, with George Welsh in the center. Other men & plane behind, and microphones in front.
  - Verso has various views of people with planes, a couple of aerial views, and a photo of Pat Van Wagoner.
23. 8x10 + 6 portrait photos of men in flight gear, including:
- 8x10 of Floyd E. Evans left shaking hands with L.M. Lackely, right, with a woman standing at the front of an Ercoupe, and buildings in the background.
  - The flyers on the verso are unidentified, are seated in a plane or standing beside.
24. 8x10 + 4 photos verso, including:
- 8x10 of Vandenberg nephew, part of shoot in "1." in above. Group of six men with Vandenberg second from the right, Walsh 3<sup>rd</sup> from the right.
  - Verso includes two aerials, another of a plane in flight, and also a photo of a man standing next to a plane labeled: Official Pathfinder, Pilot Ted Abrams, Abrams Aerial Survey Corp.

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**Album Summaries**

Album 3      Black covered album. Disbound. Continued ...  
Loose Photos.

- 35.5    3      Loose photos from Album 3. (11 2/25/2008)  
Loose photographs are housed in plastic sleeves in acid free folders.  
The bulk of the loose photos are from the earlier pages of the original album.
- 1.-2. Two photos of a group of men, standing on crouching to the ground looking at maps or plans. One man leans on the nose of an airplane right, the Northern Air Service hangar is behind. Spielmacher photos.
  3. Robinson Studio Photo. Group of seven men, standing near a fire truck? Labeled "Department Public Safety" near the airport Administration Building.
  4. "Johnny" inside an airplane
  5. Spielmacher photo. Group of men and women, most with name identifications on front of photo. O.C. Hall is standing right in the center row.
  6. "Pictures that tell a story. Joe Clark, photographer, ... Detroit." Interior with two men talking. Left, Bill Waddell, right, Adrian?, Dawn Patrol.
  7. View from behind pilots in cockpit.
  8. Two men seated at a banquet table. Camera Shop, Inc., Muskegon Heights, Mich.
  9. Exterior, group looking up, perhaps at a neighboring plane. Mostly boys in the group, but also several men and a air hostess in uniform, pointing up, talking to a man.
  10. Same air hostess as seen in 9. now standing on boarding steps with others, for the Twentieth Year ... "Special" United Airlines". GR Airport Administration Building behind.
  11. TAT, Trancontinental Air Transport, Inc. plane on a runway. "6451-5-28-29". "Ford" on the tail.

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**Album Summaries**

- 32.5 Album 3 Black covered album. Disbound. Continued ...  
Loose Photos.
- 35.5 Album 3 photos, removed from album sheet corner holdings.  
Folder for each sheet.
- 35.5 4 Sheet [1] 4 snapshots
- 35.5 5 Sheet [2a] 5
- 35.5 6 Sheet [2b] 6
- 35.5 7 Sheet [3a] 6
- 35.5 8 Sheet [3b] 8
- 35.5 9 Sheet [4a] 6
- 35.5 10 Sheet [4b] 3 numbered military + 1 model airplanes
- 35.5 11 Sheet [5] 3. One has Thomas E. Walsh, Notary Republic embossed  
stamp on the photo.
- 35.5 12 Sheet [6a & 6b] 8 photo postcards RE August 1911 meet
- 35.5 13 Sheet [7a] 4, three with military numbers
- 35.5 14 Sheet [7b] 6
- 35.5 15 Sheet [8a] 4, one has Camera Shop stamp
- 35.5 16 Sheet [8b] 4 photos + 3 photo postcards. One photo postcard has  
composite images for Bud Averill's Airport, 674 So. Vermont St.  
[unknown city], but mailed from Los Angeles.
- 35.5 17 Sheet [9a] 3 photo postcards, at least 2 similar to those at [6a & 6b]
- 35.5 18 Sheet [9b, 10a & 10b] = 11 aerials. Camera Shop stamp on verso.
- 35.5 19 Sheet [11] 1 8x10 photo of 10 people standing beside a plane with a  
building in the background, two story with a fireplace.  
ID note attached to album page has: Air Tour Days, American Legion  
sponsored, ca. 1935.  
4<sup>th</sup> from left, George Welsh  
5<sup>th</sup> from left, Bea Walsh (wife of Tom Walsh)  
6<sup>th</sup> from left, Fred Schreiber (of 1<sup>st</sup> airport committee)  
7<sup>th</sup> from left, Clark Wibur, Legion politician  
8<sup>th</sup> from left, Pat Walsh (Tom's brother?)  
9<sup>th</sup> from left unknown  
10<sup>th</sup> from left, Tom Walsh.

Album Identification note: Two Album "4"s were found during the 2/2008 work. The album below had an ID flag for Album 4. This album had not flag, but a scratched "4" on the cover. This album is now being called Album 3, since all other albums are already accounted for. Per the general notes above, Album 3 & 4 have similar contents overall.

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- 31 Album 4 Black covered album, includes primarily earlier years of Airport activities, plus Red Arrow Division, Kohler Aviation, American Legion, Civil Air Patrol, "Spirit of South High" airplane (ca. WWII)
- Several images are identified, and may provide identifications for duplicate copies located in the photo folders.
- 35.5 Loose items removed from Album 4.  
Note: Many are duplicated of those already in other folders above.
- 20 Graphics, non-photographs  
Included in those removed are two images that are not actual photographs:
- a pencil sketch of D.V. Addy by A.S. Thomas(?), 1936
  - a published photo on plain paper of Eugene B. Elliott.
- 21 Album 4 loose photos (12, 2 262008), including:
- a family photo outside of a house, with a body climbing a farm windmill support. A photo of the windmill is still in the album opposite the page where the family photo was previously located. Unknown if this is Walsh family in Ireland.
  - Kohler Airlines Chicky Candy Bar Wrappers flight & sign
  - First Legal Beer in the State of Michigan, 1933, flown in from Milwaukee. Camera Shop #33179.
  - A couple of Furniture Capital Airlines photos from the Camera Shop, #281891 & 282273
- 32.5 11 Album 5. Aerials (7 photos 2/26/2007)  
Note: The photos are mounted on the back side of black boards with a plastic spiral binding.

- 32 Album 6 Loose pages only, and only a few pages, found 2/25/2008  
Oversized.
- Sheet 1 [a] Three men looking at a county map with feathers(?) stuck in it. Walsh is in the center.
  - Sheet 1 [b] Interior office. Meeting of a group of 8 men and one woman seated around a table. An architectural drawing is on the table in the foreground. Clockwise: Fontana, Walsh, Ziegler, ?, Armstrong (?) Van (woman), Jour(?), Leonard, Anderson.
  - Sheet 2 [a] Two men standing, Walsh left, Roscoe Turner right.
  - Sheet 2 [b] Helicopter pad on roof of Wurzburg Store. Dupl. Of photo seen elsewhere.
  - Sheet 3 [a] Three men. Man at left in uniform is unknown, Walsh center, Roscoe Turner right.
  - Sheet 3 [b] Unidentified man in flight gear climbing a ladder to a balcony, perhaps in a ballroom.
  - Sheet 4 [a] Group of eight men and one woman seated or standing at a table, looking at papers on the table, and some making faces. Walsh is seated left.
  - Sheet 4 [b] Three men standing in Walsh office. Maitland left, Walsh center, VandeBunte(?) right. Photos on wall behind.
  - Sheet 5 [a] Group of men and women, perhaps in a hotel meeting room, with signs for Capital Airlines.
  - Sheet 5 [b] Small photo of Unidentified man, perhaps Hugh Blacklock.
- 35.5 22 Album 6, Loose photos (2 2/26/2008)
1. Copy photo. First legal beer in Grand Rapids. See also 075-35.5 for original.
  2. Four men standing on the ramp to a PCA plane, two in uniform.

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32 Album 7

Most images all labeled on mounted sheet with white pencil. 1940's images (31 loose album pages)

- Republic Aviation Seabee airplanes, factory facilities (Farmingdale), personnel (designer, distributors..)
- Northern Air Service Stinson Voyager 150
- Dawn Patrol, 1946. Airport restaurant interior & members.
- "Johnnie" advertising figure
- Mr. & Mrs. O.C. Hall, owners, Northern Air Service
- Aerial winter views of airport runways, 1946
- Aerial view of Lear facilities, 1945.
- Ray & Henry Susemihl and Mr. Hall with instrument display, Northern Air Service
- Helen Walsh, daughter of Tom Walsh, 3<sup>rd</sup> from left in group image after she did her solo flight. Photographic images on the wall behind her.
  
- Images believed to be Earl E. Spielmacher photos, and two images of men posing near a plane including a man with a camera identified as Spielmacher.
- Aeroncas on floats in the Grand River, summer 1945. Mr. Hall, unidentified man, Mr. & Mrs. Irving Woodhams, Mrs. Eloise Smith

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32 Album 8

Various time periods and peoples.

Airport

- Sign attached to tree with opposition to airport, 1940's. Fear of accidents, naming Godwin School ...

Family, unidentified.

Kentucky Derby images, 1925, 1926

Miscellaneous

- Four men standing beside and auto with 1931 Michigan licence palte no. M-109. Two men left in uniform, two men right in suits. Middle pair shaking hands. Image in front of Union Station.
- Two men at the top of a telephone pole

Religious

- Man, Nun, Priest. Ground breaking, Aug. 22, 1957 (1951).
- Group photos of attendees of Laymen's Retreat, Notre Dame University, Aug. 1937 & Aug. 1940

1956 Tornado

World War I, 1918-1920 and later veterans activities.

Individual portrait photos for veterans of Grand Rapids 355th

Candid photos, identified and unidentified.

- Guy Sellars
- June 14, 1919 unit marching down a residential street.
- Unit in street near Sparta State Bank. List of last names of soldiers written on photo, including 1 Walsh, carrying the flag.
- Unidentified military funeral services, men in uniform and with flags carrying a draped coffin.
- Man in uniform, John A. Collins reading from a paper, swearing in an unidentified member of the clergy at right. n.d.

Korea

- Harry Castleman, 1951
- James Delaney

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- 32 Album 9 Aerial photos of downtown, unidentified residential, of the airport.  
Also, airplane crashes, runway paving and other equipment, helicopters,
- 32.5 5 Kent County Airport Administration Building. Men, women & children  
seen behind the fence. Jaqua photo. OVERSIZED  
Verso note: Front. Album 9. Walsh.
- 32.5 12 Album 10  
“Selling Flying by Ercoupe”. Accompanied by a letter, Aug. 23, 1946 to  
O.C. Hall from E. Theodore Stern, Engineering & Research Corp., N.Y.C.  
Includes images of “Johnnie” from the Philip Morris radio show
- 32.5 13 Album 11  
“Northern Air Service presents the West Michigan Market for Personal  
Planes” includes several printed pages, an aerial view of the Northern  
facilities and the airport, plus several interior images. About 7 photos,  
including on Grand rapids Herald, July 7, 1946 page on photographic  
paper. Several pages no loose due to dried adhesive.

**Added Entry Index**

Airport - Kent County Airport  
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Johnny of Philip Morris - People. Boris A.  
Philip Morris Bellboy - People. Boris A.