**Title:** General Mitchell International Airport

Call Number: Mss-1327

**Inclusive Dates:** 1926 – 1975

**Bulk:**.3.2 cu. ft.

**Location:** GV, Sh. 007 & 022A

MV, F1 (0.2 cu. ft.) OS LG "M" (1 item) OS SM "M" (3 items)

**Historical Note:** Originally named Hamilton Field, it was purchased from propeller manufacturer Thomas F. Hamilton in 1926. It was renamed Milwaukee County Airport on January 7, 1927 as improvements to the property began. It was then renamed General Mitchell Field on March 17, 1941 in honor of Alexander Mitchell's grandson, General Billy Mitchell.

**Abstract:** The collection consists of correspondence and documents pertaining to the operation, business and entertainment aspects of Mitchell Field. Miscellaneous financial documents comprise the second box, which has a sampling of each document originally donated. Also included are items that were removed from the cornerstone of General Mitchell Field Terminal.

**Administrative Note:** The collection was processed in 1993 by Steve Daily. It was reprocessed in 2006 by Mike Reuter. Material was added to the collection in 2011 and processed by Amanda Wynne.

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| <ul> <li>Airport Plan, March 1945 (Horner &amp; Shifrin Report)</li> </ul>         |           |    |
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| <ul> <li>Recommendations of Milwaukee Citizens Committee on</li> </ul>             |           |    |
| Aviation on Horner and Shifrin Report, May 1945                                    |           |    |
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