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**Abstract:** George Hardie worked for the United States Postal Service (USPS) until his retirement. He collected a good deal of material, mainly periodicals and publications, relating to the Postal Service and the unions representing the employees. Aviation history was his passion, and he collected numerous photos and other material related to Milwaukee County.

**Scope and Content:** The George Hardie Jr. collection consists primarily of photographs documenting Milwaukee County's aviation history, including images of notable aircraft, famous aviators who visited Milwaukee County, developments in air-mail delivery, Wisconsin Air National Guard units, as well as the history of airfields in Milwaukee County, most specifically the development of the original Milwaukee County Airfield into General Mitchell International Airport. In addition to the photographs, the collection contains aviation related correspondence, aircraft specifications, aircraft pamphlets and publications, article and presentations by George Hardie, and newspaper clippings related to the Mitchell family, aviation and general history. The collection also contains material related to the United States Postal Service (USPS). The manuscript components of the collection comprise boxes 1 and 2. Photographs are contained in boxes 3 and 4.

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**Also Note:** Many of the photographs and aerial views are not identified throughout the collection. See Box 4, Folder 21 and Box 4, various negatives to assist in identification.

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**Oversize Photos:** See MV, F32. 61 Toepfer aerial views of various industrial buildings and cityscapes (several duplicates) and three aircraft photos.