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Gordon R. "Parky" Parkinson (1908-1997) Papers

1929-1988

1/3 cubic foot + oversize

Papers of Trans World Airlines (TWA) Flight Superintendent. Includes histories of TWA, speeches and manuscripts by employees, policy and procedure information, clippings and photographs.

BIOGRAPHY:

Gordon R. Parkinson was an employee of Transcontinental Air Transport, Western Air Express in 1929, when they merged to become TWA. Early in his career, Parkinson was a weatherman and Flight Dispatcher. He became a Flight Superintendent. Parkinson served as president of the TWA Seniors Club.

PROVENANCE:

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DESCRIPTION:

The collection includes histories of TWA, speeches and manuscripts by employees of TWA, policy and procedure information, clippings and photographs

INVENTORY:

BOX 001

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| Folder 1 | Early TWA history 1948-1980 |
| Folder 2 | Policies and procedures-Dispatch and Flight operations 1940-1953 |
| Folder 3 | Flight Engineer requirements, handwritten notes re: systems examinations, booklet: Cable Splicing 1935, Steward Bloomfield items 1945, 1977 |
| Folder 4 | Correspondence 1929-1977 |
| Folder 5 | Speech: Jack Ebbert, KC District Traffic manager to American Association of University Women, March 16 (during WWII) |
| Folder 6 | Speech: Wayne Parrish 1950 |
| Folder 7 | Speech: Carter Burgess 1986, before Active Retired Pilots Association of T.W.A. |
| Folder 8 | Manuscript: TWA's Flight Thru Time 1925-1952, presented by the Airport (Municipal) Operations Department Management members |
| Folder 9 | Tape transcript: Captain Clifford Abbot, retired TWA captain 1970. Miscellaneous reports, Beginnings of TARPA, Albuquerque incident, August 5, 1935 |
| Folder 10 | Manuscript: Memories of Kansas City and TWA days 1930-1938 by Wes Bunker: mentions Rockne crash, Gordon "Parky" Parkinson (weather man and flight dispatcher) and various other individuals |
| Folder 11 | Manuscript: Rediscovering the part of TWA's historic 1929 inaugural air service from coast to coast by Alan K. Hogenauer |
| Folder 12 | Manuscript: The Richter file: copy of October 21, 1944 Agreement between TWA and pilots (1of 2) |

- Folder 13 Manuscript: The Richter file: "The Truth about Pilot's Pay"
January 25, 1933; History of TWA 1940 by Civil Aeronautics
Authority (2 of 2)
- Folder 14 Clippings, articles, photocopies 1929-1988
- Folder 15 *TAT Plane Talk* July 1929; News from TWA 40th Anniversary of
First Round-the-clock Flying 1972
- Folder 16 Photographs and organizations 1947-1982

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- Folder 1 Airway Map of the United States, December 1, 1937, U.S.
Department of Commerce, Bureau of Air commerce
- Folder 2 Memory Book: 1939 Fiesta Vallejo Ranch, September 14-18
Conquistadores del Cielo (TWA hosted event includes among
others: Jack Frye, Lou Holland)