Mark Campbell Collection
History of Aviation Collection

Biographical Information

Born: Redlands, CA., December 31, 1897

Died: Hollywood, CA., June 21, 1963

Education: Redlands High School (1st year)

Aviation Background	**Date**
Worked as airplane mechanic, maintaining engines and building planes for B.J. Williams at Venice, CA.	1914-16
First solo flight.	1915
Employed by Crawford Aviation Company of Venice, CA.	1916-17
Constructed planes with Glenn-Martin and the Wright-Martin Company of Los Angeles, CA.	1917-18
Spring to end of war: worked for Curtiss Company of Buffalo, NY; during this period or earlier became an experimental flight mechanic Balloon Division, Goodyear Rubber Company, Akron, Ohio until close of filed in 1918.	1918
Teamed up with pilot Ray Goldsworthy as stunt flying team: first man to change from plane to another in mid-air without a rope ladder; first man that successfully changed from a fast-moving train to a plane and return; performed stunts in 2 movies, Go and Get It and Stranger than Fiction.	1919
First man to demonstrate publicly Army/Air Force parachute.	1923-24
Left stunt flying to become briefly a trick automobile driver, but soon began to design and build his own airplanes.	1927
Designed for R.O. Bone Company the Golden Eagle monoplane used by Miss Bobbi Trout to set three world's records for women – endurance, distance, and speed.	1927-29
Joined Lockheed Aircraft Corporation and from 1936-39 was supervisor of final assembly inspections; from 1939-43 became design engineer on Lockheed Ventura (PV-1), forerunner of the PV-2, and in 1944 division	1934-62

engineer for materials and standards.

Received license Designated Manufacturing Inspection Representative 1955
of Civil Aeronautics Administration, United States Department of Commerce.

Received tribute certificate from Air Reserve Forces, United States Air Force 1961

Speaker at first joint meeting of the Cross & Cockade and American 1962
Aviation Historical Society.
December, retired from Lockheed Corporation as quality control officer in
charge of Chicago, Cleveland, and New York offices.

Honors

Co-Founder and for 2 years State President (CA) of Silver Wings Fraternity.
Member OX5 Club of Aviation Pioneers.
Captain in California Wing of the Civil Air Patrol; later named State Supply
Officer for California 1942-46

Provenance

This collection consists of two boxes of materials, one manuscript and one half size, generated by, for, and about Mar. Campbell. The personal papers include original typescript (edited) and handwritten transcripts from oral history tapes of Campbell's life history in aviation. The transcripts appear incomplete, but the collection contains two sets of three 7" reel to reel tapes.

Tape 1, side 1 & 2	19 typed pages
Tape 2, side 1	4 typed pages & 3 handwritten 11x14 sheets of notes
Tape 2, side 2	4 handwritten 11x14 sheets of notes
Tape 3, side 1	2 handwritten 11x14 sheets of notes

The collection contains two letters, one from J.B. Campbell dated October 9, 1934; the other from Captain Edwin Musick dated June 27, 1935. Both letters are enclosed in double-sided encapsulated sheets. Other encapsulated items are listed by number, size, and nature of materials: 1 size 8x10 sheet: 1934 letter and Campbell's official retirement from Lockheed.

1 size 12 ½x 15 sheet: CAA Aviation Safety Representative certificate and tribute certificate of Air Reserve Forces, U.S. Air Force.

9 size 13x17 sheets: newspaper and periodicals clippings with dates and identification about Campbell, memorabilia from stunt-flying,

photographs, printed matter concerning the Golden Eagle monoplane.

A folder labeled "Clipping File" contains a clipping and an article. A photographic album comprises a substantial portion of the collection; the album contains 73 photographs, some being originals, which span Campbell's aviation career. The photographs are divided into print size. The collection contains 68 items excluding the photographs, and slides, and reel to reel tapes.

The oversize materials are kept in Archives Map Case.

Box 1

6 boxes of magnetic tapes titled: The Campbell Story