Walter H. and Olive Ann Beech Collection

Collection Summary

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Content Note

The Walter H. and Olive Ann Beech Collection extends from 1919 through 1993, and it includes correspondence, scrapbooks, financial documentation, photographs, clippings, publications, reports, memos, certificates and plaques. The majority of the collection concerns the life and career of Olive Ann Beech. Of particular interest in this collection is the scrapbook collection which contains information concerning Walter H. Beech, Olive Ann Beech, Beech Aircraft Corporation and early aviation history.

Biography

Born on a farm near Pulaski, Tennessee, on January 30, 1891, Walter H. Beech's dreams of flight began at an early age. At the age of eleven, Walter attempted to build a glider using his mother's new bed sheet. Although the experiment was a failure it didn't deter him from his dream. His first aviation experience in a plane came when the young Beech and a friend rebuilt a wrecked Curtiss biplane,
and on July 11, 1914, Beech made his first solo flight.

In 1917, when the U.S. entered World War I, Beech enlisted in the Air Corps. For three years he served as an Army pilot, flight instructor and engineer. Following the war, he began barnstorming and exhibition flying to focus attention on aviation.

Beech first came to Wichita, Kansas, in 1923 to work for the Swallow Airplane Corporation as a designer, test pilot and salesman. In order to prove the reliability of the company's products and to increase sales, Beech entered and won numerous races. In less than two years he became general manager of the company.

Beech resigned from Swallow in 1924, and started his own company Travel Air Manufacturing Company for which he was both president and general manager.

As business began to grow, Beech hired a young secretary by the name of Olive Ann Mellor. She was born on September 25, 1903 in Waverly, Kansas. Her father, a building contractor, soon moved his family to Paola, Kansas, where Olive Ann attended school. In 1917, the family moved to Wichita where Olive Ann attended the American Secretarial and Business College. At 18, she left Wichita and moved to Augusta, Kansas where she was employed as a bookkeeper and office manager for an electrical appliance and contracting firm. In 1924, Olive Ann returned to Wichita where she was hired as a secretary for Travel Air.

At Travel Air, Olive Ann learned the airplane manufacturing business from the ground up, handling the correspondence, maintaining the books, conducting the banking business and managing the office. Displaying financial and business insight, she soon was promoted to office manager and secretary to Walter Beech.

By 1929, Travel Air was the world's largest commercial aircraft manufacturer, and it looked like the aviation industry was firmly established in Wichita. Unfortunately, the stock market crash of 1929 forced hard times on the industry. Faced with dwindling sales, Walter merged his company with Curtiss-Wright Corporation, a large aviation conglomerate. He served as president of Curtiss-Wright Airplane Company and directed operation of the Wichita and St. Louis plants. He eventually became the vice-president of sales when the company was forced to close the Wichita plant.

Walter Beech and Olive Ann Mellor married in 1930, and they moved to New York so that he could carry out his Curtiss-Wright responsibilities. Two years later during the darkest days of the Depression, Walter and Olive Ann returned to Wichita to found the Beech Aircraft Company with Walter as president, and Olive Ann as secretary-treasurer.

Renting a small factory, Walter, Olive Ann and a small group of employees set out to build the first Beechcraft plane. The first Beechcraft was the classic Model 17 single-engine Staggerwing biplane. The Staggerwing continued in production through 1948 and was produced in 20 commercial and military versions. In 1934 in order to handle the growing production, the company was moved to the old Travel Air facilities on East Central which became Beechcraft's permanent home.

During her years as secretary-treasurer, Olive Ann was particularly close to the financial side of the company and played a key role in major company decisions. She convinced Walter that winning a 1936 Bendix coast-to-coast speed dash would be even more impressive if the aircraft, a Staggerwing C17R were flown by a woman. Louise Thaden and Blanche Noyes flashed across the Los Angeles finish line to win the Bendix trophy in a record 14 hours and 44 minutes after departing from New York.

In 1936, the company issued common stock and changed its name to Beech Aircraft Corporation. A year later it introduced the Model 18 twin-engine Beechcraft. The plane was an immediate success as
a corporate transport. During World War II, more than 90 percent of all United States bombardiers and navigators learned their skills in military configurations of the Beechcraft Model 18. The company continued to manufacture the Model 18 for 32 years and in 1969 the final deliveries of the plane were made.

As the company grew, so did the Beech family. Walter and Olive Ann Beech's daughters, Suzanne and Mary Lynn, were born in 1937 and 1940 respectively, and Olive Ann filled the dual role of businesswoman and mother.

By 1938, the company had survived the lean years of the Depression and reached sales in excess of $1 million dollars for the first time. Yet the turmoil in Europe was soon to take its toll on the aviation industry, and in 1940, all commercial production was suspended as the company geared up for defense manufacturing. Demand for the military versions of the Beechcraft Model 17 and Model 18 caused backlogs in order of $22 million in 1940 and $82 million in 1941. Employment at the company jumped from 235 in 1939 to well over 4,000 by 1942.

Illness struck Walter in 1940 and left him hospitalized for nearly a year and the responsibility of overseeing the company fell to Olive Ann. Relying on her 15 years of working closely with Walter, Olive Ann stepped into the leadership role without hesitation and steered the company through the turbulent year. On of her first fiscal actions was to arrange millions of dollars in loans to finance the company's changeover to military production. Employment reached 14,000 during the war years resulting in manufacturing of more than 7,400 military Beechcrafts and thousands of assemblies for other major aircraft firms under subcontract. During this period, the company received five Army-Navy "E" Awards for efficiency.

When the war ended Walter and Olive Ann were ready to go forward with post-war operations. The commercial version Model 18 was certified by the FAA and was ready for production. The single-engine, V-tail Beechcraft Bonanza, introduced in 1946 became a leader in its field. Pent-up demand during the war years resulted in hundreds of new orders for general aviation planes. Nearly 1,000 aircraft were delivered during an eight-month period in 1947. The Model 18 was followed in 1949 by the rugged Beechcraft Twin-Bonanza and in 1954 by the advanced Super 18.

With the beginning of hostilities in Korea, there again was the emergency demand from the military forces for aviation support. Faced with a mountain of defense orders, Olive Ann arranged for a $10 million loan to procure material, purchase parts and meet a payroll that jumped from 2,500 employees in 1950 to more than 13,000 in two years.

Unfortunately, 1950 also brought tragedy to the Beech family. On November 29, 1950, Walter Beech's career ended suddenly with a fatal heart attack. His friends in the aviation industry called him one of America's greatest aircraft designers and industrialists.

Following Walter's death, Olive Ann was elected president and chairman of the board and took over the reins of the company. She held these position until 1968 when she named Frank E. Hedrick president of the company, while she remained chairman and chief executive officer.

Under Olive Ann's guidance, Beechcraft continued its growth through deliberate, planned policies of expansion and diversification, and by an early entry into the nation's space program. It also developed a line of missile targets for training and acquired a wide variety of subcontracts from other major aerospace manufacturers.

To meet the increased demand from business and industry, commercial airplane models were increased from three in 1951 to nine in 1964. These new models included the Travel Air, Queen Air, Debonair, Baron, Musketeer and King Air, the first of the series which was to lead the world in corporate jet propulsion production.
Pursuing diversification of manufacturing, Beechcraft teamed with other major aircraft firms to produce assemblies for the jet fighters, transports and helicopters of McDonnell, Lockheed, Convair, Republic, Martin and Bell Helicopter.

Throughout the years, Olive Ann's leadership brought continued growth and expansion to the company. In February 1980, the decision was made to merge Beech Aircraft Corporation with the Raytheon company, and Olive Ann was elected to the Board of Directors of Raytheon. Two years after the merger, Olive Ann retired and was elected Chairman Emeritus of the company she and Walter had co-founded. While retired from the day-to-day business activities in which she was involved for five decades, Olive Ann continued her long devotion to aviation and the company.

Olive Ann received virtually every award the aviation industry could bestow, including the prestigious Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy. Both Walter and Olive Ann were inducted into the National Aviation Hall of Fame in Dayton, Ohio, one of only two couples in aviation history to be accorded this honor. She was affectionately known as "The First Lady of Aviation."

In addition to being known for guiding her company to success, Olive Ann was equally known for her enthusiastic support of cultural, religious, economic and educational programs in her community, state and country. She was a strong supporter of the Wichita Symphony, and she helped organize the Music Theatre of Wichita and the Wichita Center for the Arts. Throughout her life she supported education with scholarship programs for Wichita State University, Southwestern College and the Kansas Foundation for Private Colleges.

On July 6, 1993, at the age of 89, Olive Ann Beech died at her home in Wichita. The imagination and pioneering spirit of Walter H. and Olive Ann Beech are an inspiration to the aviation industry and to the nation, and their lives will continue to influence future generations.

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<td>Scrapbooks. This series contains correspondence, photographs, clippings, certificates, publications, announcements, invitations, programs, telegrams, press releases and newsletters. The original title of the scrapbooks are included in the file descriptions. These materials are in their original binders and should be handled with care. Each of the subseries was arranged in chronological order according to the materials in the scrapbook and not the date on the title of the scrapbook. The number in parentheses, following the file descriptions, are the original inventory numbers assigned to each of the scrapbook by the Beech family.</td>
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### Series 8 Box 33 Memorabilia
This box contains stationery, cards, notepads, pins, key chains, stickers, paperweights, commemorative coins, patches, plaques and flag.

### Series 9 Box 34-Box 37 Oversized Photographs
This series contains oversized photographs and are maintained in the same order as Series 6, Photographs (Box 29).

### Series 10 Box 38 Oversized Posters and Art Work
This series contains posters and art work used in Beechcraft promotions and advertising.

### Series 11 Box 39 Oversized Miscellaneous Materials
Contains oversized materials described in the collection.

### Series 12 Box 40-Box 54 Plaques, Certificates and Awards
This series contains plaques and certificates.

#### Series 12.1 Box 40-Box 45 Paper Certificates and Awards
In alphabetical order.

#### Series 12.2 Box 46-Box 53 Plaques
In alphabetical order.

#### Series 12.3 Box 54 Oversized Certificates, Plaques and Awards.

### Series 13 Box 55 Oversized Display Items.

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**Box and Folder Listing**

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<td>Walter H. Beech Pilots Log. Contains original pilot log for 1930-1941.</td>
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<td>FF 5</td>
<td>Contains Walter H. Beech's passport issued November 26, 1940.</td>
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Box 1 FF 6 Contains a 1920 letter from James B. Kelsey to Sergeant Walter H. Beech concerning his discharge and a certificate from the Army of The U.S. to Walter H. Beech appointing him Sergeant, Air Service Flying School Detachment of the regular army. This material was originally located in the front of the Rich Field Flyer book.

Box 1 FF 7 Rich Field Flyer. Contains a bond copy of Rich Field Flyer newsletters for 1919-1920 concerning activities and personnel at Rich Field in Waco, Texas.

Series 2 -- Scrapbooks

Series 2.1 -- Walter H. Beech

Box 2 FF 1 Scrapbook of Walter H. Beech from 1919 to April 1, 1932. Contains correspondence, certificates, clippings and photographs concerning the early flying days of Walter Beech, his time in the Army at Rich Field and his racing career. Also included in this scrapbook are articles concerning Mr. Beech's affiliation with Curtiss-Wright Flying Service and articles concerning Travel Air. (119)

Box 2 FF 2 Walter H. Beech 1891-1950. Contains photographs, certificates and clippings concerning Mr. Beech and aviation. The majority of the photographs in this scrapbook were given to Mr. Beech by other prominent individuals. Included are photographs of the following: Bill Walker, Cheyenne, Wyoming; Actor Robert Taylor; Will Rogers and Wiley Post at Fairbanks, Alaska, August 1935; Ennis C. Whitehead; Gary A. Hammill; Col. Ed Ramsey; Bill Lear; Rob Starratt; Hap Hazard; and Actor Dick Powell. Also included in this scrapbook are 3 photographs of "Beach's Machine the A Ironwood" on the ground and after it crash. These photographs are from the State of Oklahoma Department of Public Safety, dated at approximately 1920. (25)

Box 3 FF 1 Walter H. Beech 1926 Ford Reliability Tour. Contains clippings and photographs concerning Walter Beech's racing career, aviation career and his involvement with the Ford Reliability Tour. Also contains articles concerning Lloyd Stearman and aviation in Wichita, KS. (12)

Box 3 FF 2 Walter Beech. 1923-1950 photographs of Walter Beech. Includes photographs with Olive Ann Beech, family and other prominent people including actors Robert Taylor, Walter Berry and Tyrone Powers. (22)
Box 3  FF 3  Walter H. Beech 1891-1950  Volume 1. (1923-1939) Contains photographs, clippings and a report concerning the career of Walter Beech. Included in this scrapbook are photographs of Walter Beech with Wallace Berry (actor), Colonel Charles Lindberg, and photographs of Beech with various airplanes. This file also contains a biography of Beech entitled "Walter H. Beech---Air Pioneer."  (4)

Box 3  FF 4  Walter H. Beech 1891-1950  Volume 2. (1940-1946) This scrapbook contains photographs of Walter Beech and photographs of Beech with Olive Ann Beech, daughters Mary Lynn and Suzanne, Colonel Roscoe Turner and various Beechcraft planes. (5)


Box 3  FF 6  Walter H. Beech 1921-February 1941. Contains photographs, clippings and reports concerning Beech's aviation career, Beechcraft and the history of Wichita. Included in this file is a report by John T. Nevill, entitled "The Story of Wichita" (1930) and 1922-23 photographs of Beech with friends and his plane, the Laird Swallow. (19)

Box 3  FF 7  Walter H. Beech  March 1941 - Sept. 1943. Contains photographs, clippings and publications concerning Walter Beech, Olive Ann Beech, Beechcraft, World War II aircraft production by Beechcraft and Walter Beech's 29 year anniversary in aviation. Also included in this scrapbook is a July 16, 1943 copy of the Beech Log concerning Walter Beech's 29 years in aviation. (3)

Box 3  FF 8  Walter H. Beech  Sept. 1943 - Dec. 1945. Contains photographs, clippings, reports and publications concerning Walter Beech, Beechcraft's involvement with World War II production, the Walter Beech Safety Drive (Nov. 1, 1943 - Oct 31, 1944), visit to Beechcraft by General William S. Knudsen in February 1944, Army-Navy Production Award for Beechcraft (1944), and other Beechcraft activities. (20)

Box 3  FF 9  Walter H. Beech Jan. 1946 - Dec. 1946. Contains photographs, publications and clippings concerning Walter Beech, Olive Ann Beech, the Beechcraft Corporation, a visit to Beechcraft by Dutch representatives (January 4, 1946), a visit to Beechcraft by Major General Eduardo Gomes of Brazil, Beech's trip to Holland and Europe, a visit to Beechcraft by the Swedish firm A.B. Hans Osterman, and a visit to Beechcraft by the U.S. Navy Band. (9)
Box 4 FF 1  Walter H. Beech  Jan. 1947 - Dec. 1947. Contains photographs, clippings, publications and telegrams concerning Walter Beech, Beechcraft, Beechcraft Bonanza, 10 year service award for Beechcraft, and visit by Walter Beech to South America. Also included in this file are photographs and clippings concerning Governor Sigler of Michigan and Marcellus Murdock, publisher of *Wichita Beacon*, purchasing new Beechcraft Bonanza. (11)

Box 4 FF 2  Walter H. Beech  Jan. 1948 - Dec. 1948. Contains photographs, clippings and publications concerning Walter Beech, Olive Ann Beech, Beechcraft, Beech Wind Tunnel at the University of Wichita (now W.S.U.), Beechcraft Bonanza and Beech tour of Latin America. Also included in this scrapbook are photographs of Walter and Olive Ann Beech with Governor Frank Carlson of Kansas. (18)

Box 4 FF 3  Walter H. Beech  Jan. 1949 - June 1949. Contains photographs, clippings and publications concerning Walter and Olive Ann Beech, Beechcraft, visit to Beechcraft by Chilean Air Force, world records held by Beechcraft planes including the setting of a new world record by the Beech Bonanza for light plane long-distance flying, visit to Beechcraft by Indian Air Force representatives, the Beechcraft Mentor and the delivery of the 2,000th Beechcraft Bonanza. Also included in this file are photographs of Mrs. Cornelius Beech, mother of Walter H. Beech, on her 84th birthday. (8)

Box 4 FF 4  Walter H. Beech  July 1949 - December 1949. Contains photographs, clippings and publications concerning Walter Beech, Beechcraft, Walter Beech's trip to Alaska, Walter Beech's penetration into the North Frigid Zone on Alaska trip (certificate included), the crash and death of Bill Odom (pilot), Beechcraft Bonanza and the death of Walter Beech's mother, Mrs. Cornelius Beech. Also included in this scrapbook is a hand-drawn cartoon concerning Marcellus Murdock. (7)

Box 4 FF 5  Walter H. Beech  January 1950 - November 1950. Photographs, clippings and publications concerning Walter Beech, daughters Mary Lynn and Suzanne, Beechcraft, Beechcraft 1950 Bonanza model, Walter Beech's bout with pneumonia in February, visit to Beechcraft by Brigadier General Chaudhuri of the Indian Air Force, Beechcraft's sponsorship of Inter-Collegiate Air Meet, Seibel Helicopter, visit by Venezuelan Armed Forces to Beechcraft. (10)

Box 4 FF 6  Walter H. Beech  1950. Clippings, photographs, reports, cartoons and publications concerning the and death of Walter Beech in November 1950, and his funeral and memorial service. Also included in this scrapbook is information concerning Olive Ann Beech, Walter Beech's aviation career, the dedication of the Walter H. Beech Memorial Wind Tunnel at the University of Wichita (now W.S.U.) and the dedication of the Walter H. Beech Memorial at Beechcraft by the Beechcraft employees and the speech by Lieutenant General James H. Doolittle at the dedication. (14a)
Box 4   FF 7  Walter H. Beech  1891-1950. Contains clippings, telegrams and correspondence concerning the death of Walter Beech and his funeral. Included in this file is a telegram from Tyrone Powers and correspondence from Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle; James K. Lochead, President of American Trust Company; John Snyder, Secretary of the Treasury; and Ennis C. Whitehead, Commanding General of Air Defense. (14b)

Box 4   FF 8  Walter H. Beech  1891-1950. Contains correspondence to Olive Ann Beech and clippings concerning the death of Walter Beech. Included in this file is correspondence from Brig. Gen. M. L. Stockton, Jr., and correspondence from numerous aviation companies throughout the world expressing sympathy at the loss of Walter Beech. (118)

Box 5   FF 1  Walter H. Beech Hangar Dedication  Staggerwing Museum 1975. Contains photographs, clippings, announcements, correspondence and publications concerning the dedication ceremony of the Walter H. Beech Hangar at the Staggerwing Museum in Tullahoma, Tennessee. (49)

Box 5   FF 2  Walter H. Beech Enshrinement - Aviation Hall of Fame 7-23-77. Contains photographs of Olive Ann Beech and others at the ceremony. (no number)

Box 5   FF 3  Walter H. Beech Aviation Hall of Fame  1977 Vol.1. Contains photographs, correspondence and publications concerning Walter Beech's enshrinement in the Aviation Hall of Fame in Dayton, Ohio. Also included in this file is a program for the ceremony, a copy of the presentation speech given by Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle, a copy of the Aviation Hall of Fame newsletter for the first quarter of 1977, a press release from the Aviation Hall of Fame on the enshrinement of five aviation pioneers and literature on the Aviation Hall of Fame. (23b)

Box 5   FF 4  Walter H. Beech Aviation Hall of Fame  1977 Vol. 2. Contains photographs, publications, clippings and correspondence concerning Walter Beech's enshrinement into the Aviation Hall of Fame. (23d)

Box 5   FF 5  1977 Enshrinement Ceremonies. Contains photographs, invitation, program and publications concerning the enshrinement of Walter Beech into the Aviation Hall of Fame. (23a)

Series 2.2 -- Olive Ann Beech

Box 6   FF 1  Book #1. Contains 1920-1961 photographs of Olive Ann Beech, including photographs with Walter Beech, Bob Hope and Col. Roscoe Turner. Also included in this file is clippings concerning World War II airplane production at Beechcraft. (57)
Box 6 FF 2 Contains 1929-1980 photographs of Olive Ann Beech. Included in this file are photographs of Olive Ann Beech with Walter Beech; Robert Taylor; Caesar Romero; Tyrone Powers; Dwane Wallace of Cessna; Frank Hedrick of Beechcraft; Danny Kaye; Bruce Jenner, Olympian; and Nancy Kassabaum, U.S. Senator from Kansas. (39)

Box 6 FF 3 Olive Ann Beech Dec. 10th 1941. Contains clippings, correspondence, telegrams, photographs and publications concerning Olive Ann Beech's recognition by the Soroptimist Club of Wichita as an outstanding female leader. Also included in this file is information concerning Woman's Aero Club, Soroptimist Club of Wichita, aviation, World War II, Beechcraft's Army-Navy Presentation, Beechcraft publication concerning the 20th anniversary of Beechcraft, and photographs of Suzanne and Mary Lynn Beech. (38)

Box 6 FF 4 Contains sympathy cards and correspondence to Olive Ann Beech at the death of Walter Beech. Also included in this file are loose clippings concerning Walter Beech's death and two copies of the December 22, 1950 Beechcrafter concerning Walter Beech death and the election of Olive Ann Beech as president of Beechcraft. (no number)

Box 6 FF 5 Contains telegrams expressing sympathy to Olive Ann Beech at the death of Walter Beech. (no number)

Box 7 FF 1 OAB Apr. - Dec. 1955. Contains photographs and clippings concerning Olive Ann Beech, visit by First National City Bank of New York to Beechcraft, Olive Ann Beech's luncheon with President Eisenhower, presentation of Freedom Foundation Award, retirement of Capt. Kemper from Beechcraft, the City of Wichita, Southwestern College and Beechcraft. Also included in this file are photographs of Olive Ann Beech with the Walter H. Beech Scholarship Candidates for 1955; Alice Catherine Mills, Director of Woman's Activities for the National Safety Council; Assistant Secretary of Navy, The Honorable James H. Smith Jr.; Brig. Gen. Charles J. Bondley; Blanche Noyes; Senator Frank Carlson; and Marcellus Murdock. (59)

Box 7 FF 2 Contains 1955-56 clippings, photographs, publications and correspondence concerning February 25, 1956 article published in Business Week, Junior Achievement of Wichita, Olive Ann Beech, Wichita Girl Scouts, the City of Wichita, Beech T-34 and First Methodist Church of Wichita. Also included in this file are Beechcraft publications: Welcome To Beechcraft, a publication for new employees concerning the Beechcraft company; Beechcraft brochure concerning the Beechcraft Super 18, the Twin-Bonanza, the Bonanza, the Mentor and the Jet Mentor; and a copy of the March 29, 1956 Beechcrafter. (42)

Box 7 FF 3 Presented by Business Week. Contains February 25, 1956 copy of Business Week concerning Olive Ann Beech's career and Beechcraft. Also included in this file are photographs of Olive Ann Beech at work and at home taken by Business Week. (41)
Box 7  FF 4 Contains correspondence, clippings and publications concerning the August 8, 1959 article in the *Saturday Evening Post*, entitled "Danger: Boss Lady at Work" about Olive Ann Beech. (no number)

Box 7  FF 5 Contains 1959 correspondence, telegrams, clippings and photographs concerning Olive Ann Beech's appointment by President Eisenhower to the International Development Advisory Board. (no number)

Box 7  FF 6 Contains clippings, correspondence, publications and photographs concerning Olive Ann Beech's receiving the "Man-(Woman)-of-the-Month" award for September 1959 from the National Aviation Club. Also included in this file are clippings concerning a state dinner speech given by President Eisenhower and the reply by Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev in the *Washington Evening Star*, and loose in the scrapbook September 20, 1953 and September 24, 1953 clippings concerning aviation and the city of Wichita. (108)

Box 7  FF 7 Olive Ann Beech Gallery Dedication April 11, 1969. Contains invitation, program, copy of invocation, clippings, photographs and correspondence concerning the dedication and opening of the Olive Ann Beech Gallery at Beechcraft. (no number)

Box 7  FF 8 Olive Ann Beech - NBAA AWARD - A September 24, 1969. Contains correspondence, clippings, publications, photographs and press releases by Beechcraft and National Business Aircraft Association concerning the presentation of the NBAA Meritorious Award to Olive Ann Beech by the National Business Aircraft Association, Inc. (58a)

Box 8  FF 1 Olive Ann Beech - NBAA AWARD - B September 24, 1969. Contains correspondence, clippings and photographs concerning the presentation of the NBAA Meritorious Award to Olive Ann Beech by the National Business Aircraft Association, Inc. Included in this file are correspondence from President Richard Nixon, Former President Lyndon B. Johnson, Marcellus M. Murdock, Nestor R. Weigand Jr. and U.S. Senator Margaret Chase Smith. (58b)

Box 8  FF 2 Olive Ann Beech Chair Southwestern College 9-25-69. Contains correspondence, clippings, press releases and photographs concerning a $100,000 donation by the Beech Aircraft Foundation to Southwestern College to found the "Olive Ann Beech Chair of Business Administration." (60)

Box 8  FF 3 Anchor Poll Award - Outstanding Women in Business March 18, 1971. Contains correspondence, clippings and press releases concerning Olive Ann Beech's nomination as one of the top 10 Successful Women in Business by the second annual conference on "Women and Money" sponsored by Anchor Corporation. Included in this file is correspondence from Bob Dole (copy in file, original letter located MS 92-14). (61)
Box 8 FF 4  ADMA AWARD OF MERIT  11-18-71. Contains correspondence, photographs and publications concerning the presentation of the Aviation Distributors and Manufacturers Association Award of Merit to Olive Ann Beech, and the 58th meeting of the Aviation Distributors and Manufacturers Association on November 15-18, 1971. (no number)

Box 8 FF 5  Kansas University and Alumni Association Citation for Distinguished Service to Mrs. Olive Ann Beech May 20, 1974. Contains correspondence, clippings, photographs, press releases and commencement ceremony program concerning the presentation the University of Kansas Citation for Distinguished Service awarded to Olive Ann Beech. (no number)

Box 8 FF 6  Contains 1976-78 clippings, correspondence, photographs and publications concerning Olive Ann Beech and her role as an executive, her attendance at the Women's Aeronautical Association Golden Jubilee, and her involvement with the International Forest of Friendship by the Soroptimist International. (no number)

Box 8 FF 7  Olive Ann Beech Naval Aviation Schools Command NASA Pensacola, Florida  27 April 1979. Contains photographs concerning Olive Ann Beech's visit to the Naval Aviation Schools Command. (no number)

Box 8 FF 8  Contains 1979 correspondence, publications, photographs and clippings concerning Olive Ann Beech's visit to the Naval Aviation Schools Command and her participation in the graduation and commissioning ceremonies of Aviation Officer Candidates Class 2-79. Also contained in this file is information concerning Olive Ann Beech's visit to Beech Aerospace Services Inc., and her inspection of the T-34C operations at Whiting Field in Pensacola, Florida. (no number)

Box 8 FF 9  Sands of Time Award  December 5, 1980. Contains photographs, clippings, publications and press releases concerning the presentation to Olive Ann Beech of the 1980 "Sands of Time" Kitty Hawk Civilian Award sponsored by the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce and commemorating the 77th anniversary of powered flight. (54)

Box 9 FF 1  Sands of Time Award  Vol. I. Contains photographs and publications concerning the presentation of the "Sands of Time" Kitty Hawk Civilian Award to Olive Ann Beech on December 5, 1980. (35)

Box 9 FF 2  Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy Award  Washington, D.C. Vol. II. Contains photographs, correspondence and publications concerning the presentation of the Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy by the National Aeronautic Association to Olive Ann Beech on December 12, 1980. Included in this file is a chronology of past winners of the trophy. (36)
| Box 9 FF 3 | Cards & Letter of Congratulations Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy Award Vol. IV. Contains correspondence, clippings and publications concerning the presentation of the Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy to Olive Ann Beech. (37) |
| Box 9 FF 4 | Wichita Aeronautical Historical Assn. /Y.W.C.A. 75th Anniversary Dinner 11-9-81. Contains photographs, clippings, publications and correspondence concerning the celebration of the 77th Anniversary of the Wright Brothers Flight Honoring Beech, Boeing, Cessna and Gates Learjet on December 17, 1980 at the Beech Activity Center, the celebration of the 78th Anniversary of the Wright Brothers Flight honoring Col. Joe Engle and Capt. Ronald Evans on December 17, 1981 at the Beech Activity Center and the honoring of Olive Ann Beech at the 75th Anniversary Dinner of the Y.W.C.A. on November 9, 1981 at the Beech Activity Center. (43) |
| Box 9 FF 5 | O.A. Beech Gallery & Chapel Dedication Tullahoma, Tennessee Vol. 1. Contains photographs and publications concerning the dedication of the O.A. Beech Gallery and Chapel at the Staggerwing Museum in Tullahoma, Tenn. The dedication was made at the Staggerwing/Travel Air International Convention, June 10-15, 1981. (28a) |
| Box 10 FF 1 | O.A. Beech Gallery & Chapel Dedication Tullahoma, Tennessee Vol. II. Contains publications, correspondence and clippings concerning the dedication of the O.A. Beech Gallery and Chapel at the Staggerwing Museum. (28b) |
| Box 10 FF 2 | Aviation Hall of Fame Enshrinement Vol. I. Contains photographs and publications concerning Olive Ann Beech's enshrinement into the Aviation Hall of Fame in Dayton, Ohio on July 25, 1981. Included in this file are photographs of Olive Ann Beech with actor Cliff Robertson, master of ceremonies at the ceremony. (29) |
| Box 10 FF 3 | Aviation Hall of Fame Enshrinement Vol. II. Contains photographs, publications and press releases concerning the enshrinement of Olive Ann Beech into the Aviation Hall of Fame. (30) |
| Box 10 FF 4 | Aviation Hall of Fame Enshrinement Vol. III. Contains correspondence, photographs, clippings and publications concerning the enshrinement of Olive Ann Beech into the Aviation Hall of Fame. (31) |
| Box 10 FF 5 | The Wings Club 1981 Distinguished Achievement Award New York City 10-20-81. Contains photographs, correspondence, publications and press releases concerning the presentation of the 1981 Wings Club Distinguished Achievement Award to Olive Ann Beech. (34) |
| Box 11 FF 1 | Principals Meeting May 1, 1982. Contains photographs concerning the 35th Anniversary of the Beech Bonanza V35B, the 50th anniversary medallion award presentation at Beechcraft and the presentation of the 50th anniversary gifts to Olive Ann Beech from Beechcraft and Raytheon. (56) |
Box 11 FF 2  Honorary Doctorate Degree of Business Administration from Wichita State University  May 16, 1982  Vol I.  Contains photographs, correspondence, publications, guest list, clippings and press release concerning Olive Ann Beech receiving an honorary doctoral degree in business administration from Wichita State University.  (32)

Box 11 FF 3  Honorary Doctorate Degree of Business Administration from Wichita State University  May 16, 1982  Vol. 2.  Contains correspondence concerning the honorary doctorate degree that Olive Ann Beech received from Wichita State University.  (33)

Box 11 FF 4  Contains correspondence, clippings, press releases, publications and photographs concerning the retirement of Olive Ann Beech, Frank E. Hedrick and Edward C. Burns from Beechcraft. Also contained in this file are clippings concerning Raytheon, the history of Beechcraft, Olive Ann Beech, Walter Beech and biographies of Olive Ann Beech, Frank E. Hedrick, Edward C. Burns and Linden Stanley Blue. This file also contains a copy of a state proclamation from John Carlin, Governor of the State of Kansas, appointing Olive Ann Beech as State Director of the Kansas Commission for the 125th, issued on July 12, 1985.  (27)

Box 11 FF 5  Junior Achievement National Business Hall of Fame  March 17, 1983.  Contains correspondence, clippings, photographs and publications concerning Olive Ann Beech’s election to the Junior Achievement National Business Hall of Fame. Also contained in this file is information concerning the Junior Achievement National Business Hall of Fame and the ninth annual Junior Achievement National Business Leadership Conference on March 17, 1983 in Dallas, Texas.  (72)

Box 12 FF 1  Contains clippings, correspondence, photographs, publications and press releases concerning the election of Olive Ann Beech into the Wichita Business Hall of Fame, sponsored by Junior Achievement, Inc., on October 30, 1986, and her election to the Kansas Aviation Hall of Fame on November 14, 1986.  (72)

Box 12 FF 2  Kansas Aviation Hall of Fame.  Contains correspondence, clippings, photographs, publications and press releases concerning Olive Ann Beech as the first inductee into the Kansas Aviation Hall of Fame on November 14, 1986.  (75)
Box 13    FF 1 Citations and Winners  Book 1. Contains 1950-1978 clippings, photographs, correspondence certificates, resolutions and proclamations concerning a variety of honors bestowed on Olive Ann Beech, including a citation from the Salvation Army (1951), a certificate from the Brazilian Ministry of Aviation (1953), a diploma from Southwestern College for Olive Ann Beech's Honorary Doctorate Degree in Business Administration (1954), the National Aviation Club's presentation of the Woman of the Year award to Olive Ann Beech, a proclamation from President Dwight D. Eisenhower appointing Olive Ann Beech to a two-year term as a member of the International Development Advisory Board (copy - original located in MS 92-14), a certificate from the Department of Defense for the United States appointing Olive Ann Beech as a member of the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (1963), the Patriotic Civilian Service award to Olive Ann Beech from the U.S. Army, and various other certificates and awards. (65)

Box 13    FF 2 Citations and Winners  Book 2. Contains 1964-1971 photographs, clippings, publications, correspondence and certificates concerning a variety of honors bestowed on Olive Ann Beech. Included in this file are awards and certificates from the State of Kansas; National Aviation Hall of Fame; "Who's Who of American Women"; President Lyndon B. Johnson, appointing Olive Ann Beech as a member of the Presidents Commission on White House Fellowships; Kansas Press Women; Y.M.C.A.; President Richard Nixon appointing Olive Ann Beech as a member of the Advisory Board of the National Air and Space Museum, Smithsonian; and other various certificates.

Box 13    FF 3 Citations and Winners  Book 3. Contains 1971-1981 correspondence, photographs, clippings, publications and certificates concerning a variety of honors bestowed on Olive Ann Beech. Included in this file are awards from the following organizations: President Richard Nixon - a certificate of appreciation; Easter Seals Foundation; the U.S. Army; the University of Kansas; U.S. Senator Bob Dole; Life Magazine's Remarkable American Women; U.S. Senatorial Business Advisory Board; Wichita State University; and the State of Kansas. (67)

Box 13    FF 4 Citation and Winners  Book 4. Contains 1981-1983 photographs, correspondence, publications and certificates concerning honors bestowed on Olive Ann Beech by Staggerwing Museum, Aviation Hall of Fame, Y.W.C.A., the Wings Club, Inc., the Arab Organization for Industrialization of the Kader Factory and the Egyptian Air Force Academy, the Kansas Independent College Fund, and from a variety of others. (no number)

Box 13    FF 5 Citation and Winners  Book 1. Contains 1986 correspondence, publications and certificates concerning honors bestowed on Olive Ann Beech by the Kansas Independent College Fund, the Security and Intelligence Foundation, the Republication Senatorial Inner Circle and the Kansas Aviation Hall of Fame. (68)
Box 14 FF 1  Walter H. Beech. Contains photographs of 1926-1936 Air Racing Trophies and planes, certificates of record for Will B. Odom from the National Aeronautic Association; a citation from the National Aviation Hall of Fame certifying Beech Aircraft Corporation as a charter member; and a brief history written by the National Aviation Hall of Fame on 1962-63 inductees Benjamin Delahauf Foulois, Frank Purdy Lahm, Samuel Pierpont Langley, Octave Chanute, Orville Wright and Wilber Wright. Also included in this file are photographs of President Dwight D. Eisenhower with Joey Lewis and Beechcraft plane. (26)

Box 14 FF 2  Aviation History. Contains 1929-1964 photographs, clippings and publications concerning Walter H. Beech; Olive Ann Beech; Travel Air; Beechcraft; Pancho Barnes, famous female pilot; woman's aviation in 1929; Beech Wind Tunnel; and aviation history. Also included at the back of this scrapbook are a series of publications:"KFAR:Midnight Sun Broadcast Company," Fairbanks, Alaska; September, 1964 National Aeronautics; March 1958 American Airman; "Prelude to Kitty Hawk" - a report on early aviation; "Aviation Center of the West" - a report on aviation history; a 1964 publication by Beechcraft on the history of aviation; and a publication written in German concerning aviation.


Box 14 FF 4  Travel Air 1924-1929. Contains 1924-1931 photographs of planes produced by Travel Air, 1927-1929 photographs of the Travel Air factory, and photographs, correspondence and photographs concerning the moving of the Travel Air/Beechcraft water tower from Wichita to Holcomb, Kansas. Also included at the back of this scrapbook are the following publications: May-June, 1949 The Beech Log concerning the Beechcraft Bonanza and other Beechcraft activities; The Story of Travel Air, a 1929 publication concerning the manufacturing of Travel Air planes and a brief history of the company; a September, 1927 article in Aero Digest concerning the Dole Pacific Race and Art Goebel the winner of the race; and an October 10, 1927 article in Aviation concerning the history of Travel Air and the Travel Air transport monoplane. (2)
Box 14 FF 5  Travel Air 1925-1932 - Beechcraft. Contains photographs, clippings and business documentation concerning Travel Air, Travel Air planes and factories, the 1929 Women's Air Derby, early aviation history, aviation racing and Walter Beech. Located in the back of this scrapbook are the following publications: Wings Over Kansas: A Program of Aviation Education for Kansas Schools, a 1946 publication by the Kansas Commission on Aviation Education for the Department of Public Instruction for the State of Kansas; and 1947 publication entitled, Wichita the Air Capital, concerning the history of aviation in Wichita, Cessna Aircraft, Travel Air, Stearman Factory and Airport, the Swift Aircraft Corp., other aviation firms, and the University of Wichita. In the back of the scrapbook is a sleeve that contains handwritten notes about Travel Air and personal Christmas cards. (1)

Box 14 FF 6  Travel Air 1926-1931 General Publicity. Contains clippings concerning Travel Air, early aviation racing, Walter Beech, Lloyd Stearman, the City of Wichita and Col. Charles Lindberg's visit to Wichita in 1929. (13)

Box 14 FF 7  Travel Air Pictures from Mrs. Lippiatt. Contains (1926-1931) photographs and publications concerning Travel Air plane and factory. (16)

Box 15 FF 1  Travel Air Picture History. Contains a May 1975 pictorial history of Travel Air for the Staggerwing Museum. Photographs in this collection are of Travel Air planes for 1924-1931. Also included in this file are photographs of Walter Beech with actor Wallace Berry, and correspondence and publications concerning the Staggerwing Museum. At the back of this scrapbook is a loose correspondence and publication concerning the Harold Neumann Commemorative Fly-In on June 2-4, 1978 in Atchison, Kansas. (21b)

Box 15 FF 2  Travel Air. Contains 1924-31, 1976-79 photographs and clippings concerning Travel Air. (24)

Box 15 FF 3  Commercial History of Travel Air and Beechcraft. Contains 1924-1962 photographs and publications concerning Travel Air and Beechcraft planes. (17)

Box 15 FF 4  Travel Air & Beechcrafts. Contains 1924-1953 photographs of Travel Air and Beechcraft planes. (21a)

Box 15 FF 5  Contains photographs and publications concerning the 50th anniversary of Beechcraft (1932-1982) and photographs of Beechcraft planes, Beechcraft missiles and the space shuttle. (71)

Box 15 FF 6  Contains 1972 photographs and publications concerning the 40th anniversary of Beechcraft. (64)

Box 15 FF 6A  20th Anniversary Beechcraft - Boulder Division - 1955-1975. Contains photographs and publications. (63)
Box 15 FF 6B "Gunship" Presented to Mrs. Olive Ann Beech Chairman of the Board - Beech Aircraft Corporation 11-2-78. Contains correspondence and a publication concerning the "XA-38 Grizzly" produced by Beech Aircraft Co. (no number)

Box 15 FF 7 Beechcraft Raytheon Merger 1979. Contains publications, correspondence, press release, clippings and photographs concerning the Beechcraft - Raytheon merger. (77)

Box 15 FF 8 Latourrette & Parini S.A.C. - Asunción - Paraguay 1981. Contains photographs of Beechcraft facilities and photographs of unknown individuals.

Box 16 FF 1 Naval Aviation Museum Foundation, Inc. Pensacola Florida Recognition Ceremony October 7, 1980. Contains photographs and correspondence concerning the recognition of Beech Aircraft Corporation by the Naval Aviation Museum on October 7, 1980. (48)

Box 16 FF 2 Beechcraft Raytheon Merger 1980. Contains correspondence, photographs, clippings, press releases and business documentation concerning the merger of Beechcraft and Raytheon. (78)

Box 16 FF 3 Contains c. 1980s photographs of the Board of Directors for the Raytheon Company. (62)

Box 16 FF 4 Beech Clippings from Feb., 1985 thru Dec., 1986. Contains clippings concerning Olive Ann Beech, Beechcraft, Raytheon, aviation, the Beech Starship and the City of Wichita. (69)

Box 16 FF 5 Beechcraft Starship - OAB. Contains photographs concerning the commemorative first flight of Beech Starship 1 on February 24, 1986. (53)

Box 16 FF 6 Commemorative First Flight - February 24, 1986. Contains photographs, clippings and publications concerning the Beech Starship 1. (74)

Box 16 FF 7 Beech Clippings from Jan., 87. Contains clippings concerning Beechcraft, Raytheon, Frank Hedrick, and aviation. (70)

Box 17 FF 1 Travel Air History . . Aviation Aero Digest - The Story of Wichita . . Nevill Contains publications and a report concerning the following: the history of Travel Air, published in Aviation, October 10, 1927; a September 6, 1926 article in Aviation magazine concerning the Ford Reliability Tour; a September 1927 article in Aero Digest concerning the Woolaroc and the Dole Pacific Race; an August 1927 article in Aero Digest magazine concerning the Smith-Bronte Hawaiian flight; and a 1930 report by John T. Nevill, Detroit Editor of Aviation, entitled "The Story of Wichita." (15)
The Story of Wichita 1930 by Nevill. This file contains a report by John T. Nevill, Detroit Editor of Aviation, entitled "The Story of Wichita." Also included in this file is a clipping from the Suburban Pilot, Feb. 1976, entitled "The Glory Birds"; a brochure on the dedication of the Walter H. Beech Hangar by the Staggerwing Museum Foundation, Inc. on June 14, 1975; a publication by the Newcomen Society entitled "Pageantry of Flight: The Story of Beech Aircraft Corporation," by Frank E. Hedrick; a c.1930 publication entitled "Wichita: The Air Capital," and a 1924 souvenir program from the National Air Congress. (no number)

Series 2.4 -- Early Aviation and Wichita

1938 Colonel Eisenhower - 1941 General Eisenhower - 1952 President Eisenhower - 1969. Contains photographs, correspondence, clippings, publications and press releases concerning the career of Dwight D. Eisenhower, his inauguration as President of the United States, and his visit to Wichita and with Olive Ann Beech. Also contained in this file is a publication by the Freedom Foundation at Valley Forge entitled "General Dwight D. Eisenhower." (Two 1938 original letters were removed from the scrapbook and placed in MS 92-14.) (40)

This file contains pictures, reports and financial documents concerning Travel Air. Also contained in this file is a 1929 photograph of Olive Ann Beech, a Beechcraft report on the Beechcraft-Raytheon merger, and a copy of a speech by Jim Yarnell at the presentation of the Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy to Olive Ann Beech. Loose in the back of the scrapbook is a February 1930 article from Fortune magazine concerning aviation advertisements. (no number)

Contains loose scrapbook materials concerning aviation, Beechcraft and Travel Air. Also contained in this file are photographs and a certificate of Olive Ann Beech's pilgrimage to the Holy Land. (no number)

Series 3 -- Olive Ann Beech Personal Correspondence and Documentation

Series 3.1 -- Olive Ann Beech
Box 18 FF 1  Admiration File. Contains correspondence, clippings and publications concerning an April 1973 article in *Fortune* magazine concerning Olive Ann Beech's nomination by the magazine as one of the "Ten Highest-Ranking Women in Big Business." Also contained in this file is information concerning the rededication of Love Field in Dallas, Texas; a brochure entitled "A Historical Portrait of Christ Church in Boston," a brochure concerning the 1980 Opsail Boston; and information concerning the National Education Program.

Box 18 FF 2  Africa/S. America Trip . . April 1971.Contains correspondence and information concerning trips that Olive Ann Beech took to Africa and South America in 1972, her trip to Farnborough Air Show in 1972, her trip to Colorado in June 1972 and July 1973, her trip to California in May 1972 and November 1972, her trip to England in July 1972, her trip to New York in 1972, her trip to Washington D.C. in 1971 and 1972, her trip to Naples in 1971, her trip to the East Coast in November 1971 and her trip to Dallas for the Service City Invitational Awards in May 1971. Also contained in this file is a trip index of the trips that Olive Ann Beech took from 1948 to 1970.

Box 18 FF 3  Air Space Museum. Contains correspondence, clippings, publications concerning the Kansas Aviation Museum, the 8th Annual Wright Brothers celebration by the Wichita Historical Aviation Museum, and Olive Ann Beech's nomination to the Kansas Aviation Hall of Fame. Also included in this file is legal documentation, reports and correspondence concerning the Beech-Wallace Foundation, an organization devoted solely to the Wichita Air and Space Museum and the feasibility of an Air Museum in Wichita.

Box 18 FF 4  Anniversary - 50th - LTRS. & Wires pertaining to - OAB. Contains correspondence, invitations, mailing lists and publications concerning the celebration of the 50th anniversary of Beech Aircraft Corporation. Included in this file are letters from U.S. Congressmen Pat Roberts and Bob Whittaker, Governor John Carlin of Kansas, and U.S. Senator Nancy Kassebaum of Kansas.

Box 18 FF 5  AR - AZ. Contains correspondence and clippings.

Box 18 FF 6  Art Objects - Peacock Photos - Lcart. Photographs, correspondence and publications concerning various art works, including information concerning the Louis Icart collection.

Box 18 FF 7  Aviation Hall of Fame. Contains correspondence, clippings and newsletters concerning the Aviation Hall of Fame and death of James McDonnell, chairman of McDonnell Douglas Corporation.

Box 18 FF 8  Aviation Hall of Fame - OAB Election. Contains correspondence, invoices, mailing lists, clippings, press releases, newsletters and invitations concerning the Aviation Hall of Fame and Olive Ann Beech's enshrinement. Also included in this file is a copy of the speech given by George Haddaway at Olive Ann Beech's enshrinement.
| Box 18 FF 9 | Aviation Hall of Fame - Mrs. Beech - Printed Materials. Contains clippings, newsletters, invitations, publications, inspirational messages, photographs and guest list concerning Olive Ann Beech's enshrinement into the Aviation Hall of Fame. Also included in this file is information concerning Walter Beech's enshrinement into the Aviation Hall of Fame. |
| Box 18 FF 10 | Awards. Contains 1974-76 publications and correspondence concerning the special recognition and incentive awards presented to Beech Aircraft employees. Also contained in this file is a copy of a poem entitled "The Day Before Christmas at Beech," and a 1975 Beechcraft report entitled "The Shape of the New General Aviation Airplanes." |
| Box 18 FF 11 | Awards 1987. Contains correspondence and publications concerning the Tribute to Women in International Industry presented by the Y.W.C.A., and information concerning women in the workplace. Also included in this file is a 1986 report from the Kansas Aviation Honors Award Committee, an invitation to the Wright Memorial Dinner honoring Joseph F. Sutter, and an invitation to the presentation of the Robert J. Collier Trophy presented by the National Aviation Club. |
| Box 18 FF 12 | Awards - OAB. Contains correspondence, newsletters, press releases, certificates and publications concerning Beechcraft, Olive Ann Beech, Olive Ann Beech's induction into the Aviation Hall of Fame, Republican Senatorial Inner Circle, Wesley Medical Center and Southwestern College |
| Box 18 FF 13 | BA - BAQ. Contains 1969-1978 correspondence. |
| Box 18 FF 14 | Bank IV. Contains 1989 correspondence and 1975 publication concerning Olive Ann Beech on the Board of Directors for Bank IV. |
| Box 18 FF 15 | BAR - BAZ. Contains 1973-77 correspondence. |
| Box 18 FF 16 | Beech - (Articles Written by Beech Children). Reports. |
| Box 18 FF 17 | Beech Biog Material - - OAB & WHB. Contains 1948 correspondence and legal documentation concerning the purchase by Walter H. Beech of the vessel called the Alusin from the U.S. Government. Also included in this file is a 1984 biographical sketch of Olive Ann Beech, a copy of the O.A. Beech guest editorial for *Building Progress* magazine and correspondence concerning the International Women's Air & Space Museum. |
| Box 18 FF 19 | Beech, O.A. - Misc. Data 1982. Contains correspondence and publications concerning the free enterprise system. Also included in this file is correspondence and financial statements concerning Beech Aircraft (1932 and 1975-76). |
Box 18 FF 20  Beech, O.A. - Biog Extra Misc. - clippings. Contains clippings and reports concerning Olive Ann Beech, the non-corporate offices she held, and the honors, awards, special appointments and memberships that she as received.

Box 18 FF 21  Beech, Olive Ann - Personal and Misc. Contains 1972-1980 correspondence, clippings, publications concerning Olive Ann Beech, Walter Beech, Beechcraft, Beechcraft/Raytheon merger, Olive Ann Beech being named one of the top ten "Best Chief Executives" for companies under $1 billion in sales, and Frank Hedrick. Also contained in the file is a 1982 Beechcraft Marketing report, and a brief résumé for Olive Ann Beech.


Box 18 FF 23  Contain 1980-83 correspondence and publications concerning Beechcraft 50th Anniversary, Maxie Anderson and Olive Ann Beech.

Box 18 FF 24  Contains 1977-78 correspondence, clippings, press releases, reports and publications concerning Olive Ann Beech, Beechcraft and General Dynamics/Beechcraft merger talks.

Box 18 FF 25  Contains invitation and program concerning the dedication of the Olive Ann Beech Gallery at Beechcraft, 1969.

Box 18 FF 26  Contains 1982-84 correspondence, publications and inspirational messages concerning Olive Ann Beech.

Box 18 FF 27  Walter H. Beech Elementary School. Contains correspondence, clippings and programs of the 1985 dedication and open house of Beech Elementary School.

Box 18 FF 28  Walter H. Beech Hall - McConnell AFB. Contains 1988 correspondence, program, invitation and guest list concerning the dedication ceremony of the Walter H. Beech Dormitory at McConnell Air Force Base in Wichita, Kansas.


Box 19 FF 2  BI - BN. Contains 1978-1982 correspondence.

Box 19 FF 4 Contains 1971-1974 clippings and correspondence with Dick Brown.

Box 19 FF 5 Contains biography of Harry A. Bruno.

Box 19 FF 6 BU - BZ. Contains 1976-83 correspondence.

Box 19 FF 7 Miscellaneous "B". Contains 1975-82 correspondence and clippings.

Box 19 FF 8 CA - CD. Contains 1971-83 correspondence.

Box 19 FF 9 Cl. Contains 1972 correspondence.

Box 19 FF 10 Clippings - OAB. Contains 1981-84 correspondence and clippings concerning Sheldon Coleman

Box 19 FF 11 CO - COL. Contains 1972-76 correspondence and clippings.

Box 19 FF 12 Robert J. Collier Trophy. Contains 1982 publications and press releases from Beechcraft, The Aviation Hall of Fame and the National Aeronautic Association concerning the awarding of the Collier Trophy and its recipients. Also included in this file are December 22, 1972 and December 19, 1974 copies of the Beechcrafter.

Box 19 FF 13 Congratulations '82. Contains 1972 and 1982 correspondence.

Box 19 FF 14 CR. Contains 1960, 1970-76 correspondence.

Box 19 FF 15 DACOWITS (Defense Advisory Committee On Women in the Service - 1963-. Contains 1963-1980 correspondence, clippings, newsletters and membership list concerning Olive Ann Beech's appointment and membership on the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Service. Also contained in this file is an article concerning the appointment of Elizabeth Dole as Secretary of Transportation, an article concerning Olive Ann Beech's Distinguished Service Citation from the University of Kansas, and a list of business definitions.

Box 19 FF 16 DE. Contains 1971-1976 correspondence.

Box 19 FF 17 DO. Contain 1971-1976 correspondence. Also included in this file are copies of correspondence with U.S. Senator Bob Dole. (Originals are located in MS 92-14.)

Box 19 FF 18 Contains 1980-1988 correspondence with Elizabeth Dole and U.S. Senator Bob Dole. (Original letter located in MS 92-14.)

Box 19 FF 19 DR - DZ. Contains 1951, 1975-1982 correspondence and invoices.

Box 19 FF 21  EA - EK. Contains 1967-1973 correspondence. Also included in this file is information concerning The Early Birds of Aviation, Inc., an organization of pioneers in aeronautics who flew solo before December 1916.

Box 19 FF 22  EA - EN. Contains 1976-1982 correspondence.

Box 19 FF 23  Easter Seal - Kansas Society for Crippled Children 4-5-72 - Susan Oliver visit. Contains correspondence, clippings, photographs and information concerning Olive Ann Beech's association with Easter Seals and the Kansas Society for Crippled Children.

Box 19 FF 24  Eisenhower, Dwight D. Contains 1938-1961 correspondence to and from Dwight D. Eisenhower and Olive Ann and Walter Beech, and clippings and publications concerning the Eisenhower's visit to Wichita, his career, his involvement with Russian Premier Khrushchev, and his death. Also included in this file is information concerning the Dwight D. Eisenhower Library, and a personal letter from Mamie Eisenhower to Olive Ann Beech. (Original letters are located in MS 92-14.) * Note to researcher - Located in Box 17 FF 3 is a scrapbook concerning Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Box 19 FF 25  Eisenhower - Foundation Library 1958 to-date. Contains correspondence, clippings, publications, brochures and photographs concerning the Dwight D. Eisenhower Library in Abilene, Kansas, the Eisenhower Foundation and Mamie Eisenhower.

Box 19 FF 26  EL - EZ. Contains 1968-74 correspondence.

Box 19 FF 27  FL - FQ. Contains correspondence, clippings and publications concerning Olive Ann Beech, an article in Fortune magazine (1973) on Olive Ann Beech and top female executives; Beechcraft, and former President Ford's visit to Wichita and Beechcraft.


Box 19 FF 29  Contains a copy of the Fourth Financial Corporation by-laws.

Box 19 FF 30  Contains correspondence and inspirational messages concerning the Freedom Foundation at Valley Forge.

Box 19 FF 31  GA - GH. Contains 1972-1982 correspondence, clippings and publications concerning Olive Ann Beech; her role as chief executive of Beechcraft and a July 18, 1977 article in Newsweek entitled "Will Olive Ann Marry?,," concerning the possible merger of Beechcraft and General Dynamics.

Box 19 FF 33  Contains 1983 correspondence with James C. Gorman, President of Gorman-Rupp Company. Also contained in the file are publications concerning early aviation.

Box 19 FF 34  Haddaway, George. Contains 1962-82 correspondence, clippings and publications concerning George Haddaway, aviation, and the History of Aviation Collection located in Eugene McDermott Library at the University of Texas at Dallas.

Box 19 FF 35  HAA - HAQ. Contains 1972-76 correspondence.

Box 19 FF 36  HAR - HD. Contains 1970-1982 correspondence and clippings. Also contained in the file is information concerning Willis Hartman of Wichita, Kansas, and correspondence with Hap Hazard.

Box 19 FF 37  Hawker Siddeley Aviation. Contains 1972-74 correspondence, invoices and publications concerning Olive Ann Beech, Hawker Siddeley Aviation, and Beechcraft.

Box 19 FF 38  HE - HH. Contains 1977-82 correspondence.


Box 19 FF 40  History. Contains 1977-80 correspondence and clippings concerning Olive Ann Beech and the history of Beechcraft. Contained in this file are numerous requests from individuals requesting information about Olive Ann Beech and Beechcraft, and personal letters from stockholders.

Box 19 FF 41  History - Save all of these Items - per OAB - Jan. 1985. This file contains the following: publications concerning aviation, Beechcraft and Cessna; correspondence, photographs and newsletter from Sergeant Pilot's about Walter Beech and Waco Field; a copy of Walter Beech's discharge from the U.S. Army and his service record; correspondence and newsletters from the Charles Lindberg Fund; personal correspondence; a January 4, 1981 copy of the Midway section from the Topeka Capital-Journal concerning U.S. Senator Bob Dole; and a August 9, 1942 copy of the Wichita Sunday Beacon concerning World War II.

Box 19 FF 42  History 1982-83-1984. Contains correspondence, clippings, publications, press releases and brochures concerning Olive Ann Beech, Beech Aircraft Corporation, aviation, the Aviation Hall of Fame, Raytheon and Beech Starship 1. Also included in this file is a copy of the remarks made by D. Brainerd Holmes, President of Raytheon, at the Starship rollout on January 3, 1986.
Box 20 FF 1 History. Contains 1985-87 correspondence, clippings, financial documents, publications and press releases concerning Olive Ann Beech, the Kansas Aviation Hall of Fame, Beechcraft, the Starship, the sale of Beechcraft to Raytheon, the City of Wichita, Beech Elementary School, and aviation.

Box 20 FF 2 History - Beechcraft. Contains 1981 correspondence, clippings, publications and press releases concerning Beechcraft, Olive Ann Beech, aviation, the space shuttle, Beechcraft/Raytheon merger and visit to Beechcraft by former President Ford.

Box 20 FF 3 History - Beechcraft. Contains 1981-82 correspondence, clippings, publications, press releases, photographs, inspirational messages, financial statements and newsletters concerning Olive Ann Beech, Beechcraft, Beechcraft-Raytheon merger, the OX5 Club of Kansas, Olive Ann Beech's enshrinement in the Aviation Hall of Fame, the "Spirit of Wichita" Award, Walter H. Beech, and the retirement of Olive Ann Beech from Beechcraft.

Box 20 FF 4 History - Beechcraft. Contains 1981-82 correspondence, clippings, publications, reports, financial statements and press releases concerning Olive Ann Beech, Beechcraft, Raytheon, aviation, the state of Kansas, Grumman Aerospace Corporation, and Beechcraft liability suit.

Box 20 FF 5 History - Beechcraft. Contain 1953-1954 monthly calendar, a 1932-1952 card concerning Beechcraft, information concerning the 1964 wedding of Suzanne Beech, and inspirational messages.

Box 20 FF 6 History - Beechcraft. Contains 1993 correspondence, reports, publications and memorial service programs concerning the death of Olive Ann Beech. Also contained in this file is information concerning the life and career of Olive Ann Beech.

Box 20 FF 7 Hovey, Chandler, Jr. ("Buss"). Contains 1969-1987 correspondence.


Box 20 FF 9 Interesting Articles - 1968 -. Contains 1968-1982 correspondence, clippings, articles, publications and press releases concerning Olive Ann Beech, aviation, the Wright Brothers Trophy, National Aeronautic Association, the city of Wichita, Beechcraft, Wesley Medical Center, Mamie Eisenhower, Bing Crosby, Beechcraft, Walter H. Beech, the Mellor family tree, the Beech family tree, the American Mothers Committee, the State of Kansas, and the United States of America.

Box 20 FF 10 International Aerospace Hall of Fame. Contains 1982 correspondence, publications, programs and photographs concerning Walter H. Beech's enshrinement into the International Aerospace Hall of Fame and the ceremony.
Box 20  FF 11  International Development Advisory Board - 1959. Contains 1959-60 correspondence.

Box 20  FF 12  International Forest of Friendship Memory Lane. Contains 1978-81 correspondence and clippings concerning Soroptimist International and the International Forest of Friendship. Also included in this file is an article concerning the dedication of a statue to Amelia Earhart in Atchison, Kansas.

Box 20  FF 13  Johnson, Lyndon B. Contains 1963-1969 correspondence and clippings concerning President Lyndon B. Johnson and Mrs. Johnson.

Box 20  FF 14  Junior Achievement Award. Contains 1982-1990 correspondence, clippings, photographs, publications and brochures concerning Junior Achievement, the Junior Achievement Award presented to Olive Ann Beech, the Wichita Business Hall of Fame sponsored by Junior Achievement, and the Junior Achievement National Conferences.

Box 20  FF 15  Junior Achievement Award - OAB - March 17,1983. Contains photographs and clippings concerning Olive Ann Beech's enshrinement into the Business Hall of Fame sponsored by Junior Achievement.

Box 20  FF 16  KA - KH. Contains 1978-84 correspondence. Included in this file is correspondence with U.S. Senator Nancy Kassebaum.

Box 20  FF 17  Kansas 125th Birthday. Contains 1985-87 correspondence and publications concerning Kansas' 125th anniversary and Olive Ann Beech's appointment as State Director of the Kansas Commission for the 125th anniversary.

Box 21  FF 1  Kansas Aviation Hall of Fame. Contains 1985-89 correspondence, photographs, publications and brochures concerning the Kansas Hall of Fame, Walter H. Beech's enshrinement, Frank Hedrick's nomination into the National Aviation Hall of Fame, the Wright Brothers' celebration, National Aviation Hall of Fame and Olive Ann Beech's enshrinement into the Kansas Aviation Hall of Fame.

Box 21  FF 2  Contains a quitclaim deed for the Kansas Aviation Museum, (not dated).

Box 21  FF 3  Kansas Health Museum - Dr. E. Koeneke, Halstead, Kansas (Hertzler Foundation). Contains 1962-69 correspondence, clippings and publications concerning the Kansas Health Museum.

Box 21  FF 4  Contains publications and photocopies of posters concerning famous Kansans from the Kansas State Historical Society. (Photocopies placed here to retain original order. Oversized posters are located in Box 39.)

Box 21 FF 6 Contains a 1983 letter from U.S. Senator Nancy Kassebaum and a copy of January 1983 Kansas Alumni Magazine which contains an article on Nancy Kassebaum.

Box 21 FF 7 Kentucky Colonels. Contains 1960-70 correspondence and invitations concerning the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels.

Box 21 FF 8 Khan, Aga. Contains 1964-67 correspondence and clippings concerning His Highness Prince Karim, the Aga Khan, and his visit to Beechcraft in 1964.

Box 21 FF 9 KI - KQ. Contains 1976-1982 correspondence

Box 21 FF 10 Koeneke, Dr. Irene A. Contains 1951-1971 correspondence.

Box 21 FF 11 KR - KZ. Contains 1979 correspondence.

Box 21 FF 12 LA - LD. Contains 1976-81 correspondence. Also contained in this file is a transcript of an interview (no date) with actor, Christopher Reeves by Johnny Carson on the "Tonight Show."

Box 21 FF 13 LE - LH. Contains 1975-1981 correspondence. Included in this file is correspondence with Moya Lear, Chairman of the Board for LearAvia Corp.

Box 21 FF 14 LI - LZ. Contains 1976-82 correspondence.

Box 21 FF 15 Link, Marilyn. Contains 1964-72 correspondence, publications and clippings concerning the Link Foundation. Also included in this file is a report entitled "An Analysis of Anxiety As It Affects Flight Training" by Milton W. Horowitz at Queens College of The City University of New York.

Box 21 FF 16 Lippiatt, Mary. Contains 1949-1968 correspondence.

Box 21 FF 17 MA - MB. Contains 1977 correspondence.

Box 21 FF 18 MC & Mac. Contains 1976-82 correspondence.


Box 21 FF 20 Mac Donald, Angus. Contains 1974-81 correspondence.

Box 21 FF 21 McEwen, Pat. Contains 1970-81 correspondence and clippings concerning Pat McEwen who was considered Wichita's reigning first lady of aviation.

Box 21 FF 22 ME - MN. Contains 1977-81 correspondence.

Box 21 FF 23 Metropolitan Wichita Council. Contains 1968-85 correspondence, membership lists, copy of charter and by-laws and minutes of meetings concerning the Metropolitan Wichita Council. Also contained in this file is information concerning K-96 Freeway.
Box 21 FF 24 Milestones 1979-81. Contains clippings, publications, press releases and photographs concerning Staggerwing Museum, Aviation Hall of Fame, Beechcraft, Super King Air B200, Space Shuttle, Raytheon and Beechcraft-Raytheon merger.

Box 21 FF 25 MO - MX. Contains 1978-82 correspondence.

Box 21 FF 26 Murdock, Marcellus. Contains 1963-70 correspondence, clippings, photographs and publications concerning the life and career of Marcellus M. Murdock, President of the Wichita Eagle. Also included in this file is a biography of Murdock.

Box 21 FF 27 NA - NN. Contains 1979-84 correspondence.

Box 21 FF 28 Contains 1965, 1976, 1980 publications of the National Aeronautic Association. Also contained in these publications is information concerning Olive Ann Beech as the recipient of the 1980 Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy.


Box 21 FF 30 Contains official souvenir program for the National Air Congress event held on October 10-11, 1924 and sponsored by the Wichita Chapter of the National Aeronautic Association.


Box 21 FF 32 Contains 1958 information concerning the Native Sons and Daughters of Kansas.

Box 21 FF 33 National Aviation Museum Foundation - Special Persons Award. Contains 1979-81 publications, reports and correspondence concerning the National Aviation Museum Foundation in Pensacola, Florida, and information concerning Olive Ann Beech's visit of the Naval Aviation School commissioning exercises in April 1979.

Box 21 FF 34 Contains 1967, 1983 publications from the Newcomen Society and the American Society of Civil Engineers. Also included in this file are two publications: "Why We Need Our Brooklyn Bridges," by John H. Wiedeman; and "Pageantry of Flight: The Story of Beech Aircraft Corporation," by Frank E. Hedrick.

Box 21 FF 35 Newsweek - Award OAB. Contains 1975-80 correspondence.


Box 21 FF 37 Contains 1968 letter from Olive Ann Beech to President-elect Richard M. Nixon.

Box 21 FF 38 OX5 Club of America. Contains 1957-81 correspondence, publications and clippings.
Box 22 FF 1 Parish, John & Charlotte OAB. Contains 1975-82 correspondence and correspondence from the Staggerwing Museum Foundation.

Box 22 FF 2 Paul Revere Foundation. Contains 1981 correspondence, publications, brochures and photographs concerning the Paul Revere Foundation and a luncheon by that organization which featured former President Gerald Ford.

Box 22 FF 3 Peale, Norman Vincent. Contains 1971-81 correspondence, clippings and publications. Also included in this file is a publication by Norman Vincent Peale entitled "Try Faith and Watch What Happens," published by the Foundation for Christian Living.

Box 22 FF 4 Pictures. Contains 1951 correspondence and photographs of Olive Ann Beech. Also included in this file is a postcard and a negative of the postcard of Christopher Columbus.

Box 22 FF 5 President's Commission on White House Fellows (2-22-67). Contains 1967-74 correspondence, publications and clippings concerning the White House Fellowships and Olive Ann Beech's appointment and role as a member of the President's Commission on White House Fellowships.

Box 22 FF 6 President's Commission on White House Fellows. Contains 1979-80 publications.

Box 22 FF 7 Priest, Ivy Baker. Contains 1952-71 correspondence, clippings and publications concerning Ivy Baker Priest who served as treasurer of the U.S under President Eisenhower and served as treasurer of the state of California.

Box 22 FF 8 Reagan, Ronald, President. Contains 1980-81 correspondence, clippings and photographs. Included in this file is correspondence concerning the nation's budget and the assassination attempt on President Reagan.

Box 22 FF 9 Retirement Ltrs. - OAB. Contains 1982 correspondence and clippings concerning the retirement of Olive Ann Beech from Beechcraft.

Box 22 FF 10 Robinson, Dr. Forrest J. Contains 1974-80 correspondence and clippings concerning Dr. Forrest Robinson, the former Kansas Secretary of Aging and President of Southwestern College in Kansas.


Box 22 FF 12 SA - SCG. Contains 1981-82 correspondence.

Box 22 FF 13 SCH - SD. Contains 1976, 1979 correspondence.

Box 22 FF 14 SE - SHD. Contains 1974-81 correspondence.

Box 22 FF 15 Service Award - OAB Fifty Year Pin. Contains 1982 correspondence and photographs concerning Olive Ann Beech's receipt of the Beechcraft fifty year pin.
Box 22 FF 16 SHE - SHZ. Contains 1981 correspondence.
Box 22 FF 17 SI - SN. Contains 1968, 1977-81 correspondence.
Box 22 FF 18 Smith. Ins. - Nat'l Air & Space Advisory Board. Contains 1968-82 correspondence, clippings, publications and photographs concerning the Smithsonian Institution, the National Air and Space Museum, and Olive Ann Beech's role on the National Air and Space Museum Advisory Board.
Box 22 FF 19 Smithsonian Institution Correspondence 1977-1978-. Contains 1977-81 correspondence and publications.
Box 22 FF 20 SO - SS. Contains 1976-82 correspondence.
Box 22 FF 22 St. Mary of the Plains College. Contains 1988 correspondence, clippings and photographs of the conferral of honorary degrees to Olive Ann Beech's, Frank E. Hedrick and Harriet E. Hedrick.
Box 22 FF 23 STA - STH. Contains 1977, 1980-81 correspondence.
Box 22 FF 26 Staggerwing Club - Extra Copies. Contains correspondence, clippings, publications and financial statements concerning the Staggerwing Museum.
Box 23 FF 1 STI - STZ. Contains 1976-82 correspondence. Included in this file is information concerning the W. Clement Stone "Endow a Dream" Award.
Box 23 FF 2 SU - SZ. Contains 1975-81 correspondence.
Box 23 FF 3 TA - TN. Contains 1974-82 correspondence.
Box 23 FF 4 Thaden, Louise 1966-77. Contains correspondence and clippings concerning Louise Thaden, female aviator and partner in Thaden Engineering Co.
Box 23 FF 5 Thank you - for 50th Anniv. Medallion. Contains 1982 correspondence concerning the presentation of the Beechcraft 50th anniversary medallion.
Box 23 FF 8 TO - TZ. Contains 1975-82 correspondence.
Box 23 FF 9 Todd, E. (Washington Office) OAB. Contains 1980-81 correspondence.

Box 23 FF 10 Contains two c. 1930s copies of the publication, "The Story of Travel Air," and paper entitled "Trophies Won By H.C. Lippiatt in a Travel Air."


Box 23 FF 13 U. Contains 1976, 1981 correspondence. Also included in this file are 1976-1980 correspondence and clippings concerning the "Uncommon Citizen Award" of the Wichita Area Chamber of Commerce.

Box 23 FF 14 Contains 1971 correspondence and copy of speech concerning the presentation by G. B. Van Dusen to Olive Ann Beech of the Aviation Distributors and Manufacturers Association award.

Box 23 FF 15 WA - WD. Contains 1978-81 correspondence. Also included in this file is information concerning the life and career of Dwight S. Wallace.

Box 23 FF 16 Wallace, Dwane - Wright Bros. Trophy. Contains 1982 clippings and publications concerning the presentation of the Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy to Dwane Wallace by the Aero Club of Washington.


Box 23 FF 18 WH. Contains 1977-81 correspondence. Also included in this file is a copy of Olive Ann Beech's biographical form for Who's Who in Kansas and correspondence with Who's Who in Technology Today.


Box 23 FF 20 Contains 1992 report concerning the life and career of aviation pioneer Edna Gardner Whyte.

Box 23 FF 21 Contains two copies of a c. 1930 report entitled "The Story of Wichita" by John T. Nevill, the Detroit editor of Aviation. Also included in this file is a memo and publications located in the middle of the above reports concerning Beechcraft, Walter Beech, Raytheon, and aviation.

Box 23 FF 22 Contains 1976 clipping, press release, photographs and information concerning the presentation of the "Uncommon Citizen" award to Olive Ann Beech by the Wichita Chamber of Commerce.
Box 23 FF 23 Contains report entitled "Wichita City's Flag," photographs and information concerning the Wichita Art Gallery, and a copy of July-August 1975 Wichita magazine.

Box 23 FF 24 Wichita Aeronautical Historical Ass'n. Contains 1981-82 correspondence and invitations.

Box 23 FF 25 Wichita Air Museum. Contains 1978-86 correspondence, clippings, reports, publications, resolution, feasibility study and legal documents concerning the establishment of the Wichita Air Museum. Also included in this file is a publication entitled "United States Air Force Museum."

Box 23 FF 26 Contains 1983 invitation to Wichita Art Association event.

Box 23 FF 27 Wichita Historical Museum. Contains 1966-81 clippings, correspondence and publications.

Box 23 FF 28 Wichita Press Women. Contains 1972-80 correspondence, clippings and news letters.

Box 23 FF 29 Wichita State University - OAB - Honorary Doctorate Degree. Contains 1982 clippings, correspondence, programs and publications.

Box 24 FF 1 WIM - WN. Contains 1975-82 correspondence.

Box 24 FF 2 Wings Club. Contains 1973-82 correspondence and publications.

Box 24 FF 3 Wings Club Distinguished Achievement Award. Contains 1981 correspondence, clippings, publications, invitations, reports and programs concerning the presentation of the 1981 Distinguished Achievement Award to Olive Ann Beech by the Wings Club. Also contained in this file is information concerning Katharine Meyer Graham, the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of the Washington Post Company.

Box 24 FF 4 WE - WG. Contains 1978-82 correspondence.

Box 24 FF 5 WIA - WIL. Contains 1977-80 correspondence.

Box 24 FF 6 WO - WZ. Contains 1981 correspondence.

Box 24 FF 7 Woman's Aeronautical Assoc. - Corres. Contains 1983 correspondence and 1972 inventory list of Beechcraft models.

Box 24 FF 8 Women's Hall of Fame. Contains 1973 clipping.

Box 24 FF 9 Contains 1987 publications and correspondence concerning the Tribute to Women in International Industry by the Y.W.C.A.

Box 24 FF 10 Women's National Aeronautical Ass'n. Contains a 1975 summary of awards given to major air races for women and various photographs of the Olive Ann Beech Trophy.

Box 24 FF 11 Women - Special - or Famous (other than Av.). Contains clippings and publications about famous women.
Box 24 FF 12 Wright Brothers - Business & Important Papers. Contains 1980-81 correspondence, invitation, publications and clippings concerning the presentation of the Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy to Olive Ann Beech.

Box 24 FF 13 Wright Bros. Civilian Kitty Hawk Sands of Time Award - Copy of Album & Extra cys. Contains 1980-81 correspondence, photographs and publications.

Box 24 FF 14 Wright Brothers - Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce. Contains 1980 correspondence, clippings, publications and program. Also included in this file is a report concerning the Mellor and Beech family trees.

Box 24 FF 15 Wright Brothers - News Articles. Contains clippings, publications and news releases.

Box 24 FF 16 Wright Brothers - Personal Letters of Congratulation. Contains 1980-81 correspondence.

Box 24 FF 17 Wright Brothers Trophy - Wash. D.C. - Extra Cys. Contains clippings, publications and correspondence.

Box 24 FF 18 Z. Contains 1968-69, 1979-82 correspondence.

Box 24 FF 19 Z. Contains 1977-82 correspondence.

**Series 3.2 -- Inspirational Messages**

Box 25 FF 1 Index. Contains a October 29, 1970 index of the inspirational messages in the box.


Box 25 FF 3 John Adams. Contains a Thanksgiving card sent by Coufal X-Ray Co., Inc which contains an inspirational message written by John Adams.

Box 25 FF 4 B. Contains "Beyond Death There is Life" by Norman Vincent Peale; "Bellflower," a collection of poems by Claude E. Harris; "Between Heaven and Earth"; "Beech Bonanza"; "Bless this House"; and other inspirational messages.

Box 25 FF 5 C. Contains "Competition," "It Is Not The Critic Who Counts" and other inspirational messages.


Box 25 FF 7 Creeds. Contains copies of "My Creed" written by various authors and other inspirational messages.
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Box 25 FF 31 O. Contains "Of Time and the River" by Thomas Wolff and other inspirational messages.


Box 25 FF 33 Grandfather's Quaker Dozen.

Box 25 FF 34 Poetry. Contains inspirational poems.

Box 25 FF 35 Prayers.

Box 25 FF 36 Pride in Kansas.

Box 25 FF 37 Q. Contains various inspirational messages.

Box 25 FF 38 Quotations - Misc.


Box 25 FF 40 Quotations We Like.

Box 25 FF 41 R. Contains "The Rose," "Retiree's Lament," "Remember When," and other inspirational messages.

Box 25 FF 42 Secretary. Contains various inspirational messages.


Box 25 FF 44 Twenty-Third Psalm.

Box 25 FF 45 V. "The Legend of the Violet," "The Veteran," and "The Veterinarian's Creed."

Box 25 FF 46 W. Contains "What Are Fathers Made Of?", "What Kind of Nut is He?", "Work," "Words of Wisdom," and other inspirational messages.

Box 25 FF 47 What is a Girl? What is a Boy?

Box 25 FF 48 Words to Live By. Contains various inspirational messages.

Box 25 FF 49 XYZ. Contains "So They Hog-Tied Zeke The Zebra" and other inspirational messages.

Series 4 -- Business Correspondence and Documentation
| Box 26 FF 1 | Beech. Contains c.1930-36 correspondence, publications, reports, photographs and financial statements concerning Beechcraft, Travel Air, and Walter H. Beech. Also included in this file is a c.1932 prospectus for the Beech Aircraft Corporation. |
| Box 26 FF 6 | Beech. Contains 1978-86 correspondence, newsletters, publications and financial statements concerning Beechcraft, Raytheon and information concerning the possible merger of Beechcraft with an unidentified company. Also contained in the file are 1968 invitations concerning the announcement of Frank Hedrick as president of Beechcraft, flow charts for engineering and experimental department of Beechcraft, and a 1959 inter-office memo containing a list of the honorees named by the National Aviation Club as "Man-of-the-Month." |
| Box 26 FF 7 | O.A. Beech. Contains 1981-82 correspondence, clippings, press releases, publications and reports concerning Beechcraft; the election of Frank Hedrick as Vice Chair of the Board for Beechcraft; the retirement of Olive Ann Beech, Frank Hedrick, and Ed Burns; and the election of Linden S. Blue as President and Chief Executive Officer of Beechcraft. Also contained in this file are biographies on Olive Ann Beech, Frank E. Hedrick and Linden Stanley Blue, and a 1982 report concerning the plan for dealing with the retirement of the senior management from Beechcraft. |
| Box 26 FF 8 | O.A. Beech - Legal Data. Contains a 1984 flow chart of the corporate organization of Beechcraft. |
| Box 26 FF 9 | Beechcraft. Contains a 1932-1971 report concerning the number of planes produced for each fiscal year, separated by model. |
| Box 26 FF 10 | Beechcraft. Contains 1979 photographs, clippings and publications concerning the visit to Wichita and Beechcraft by the Mystery S produced by Travel Air in 1929. |
| Box 26 FF 11 | Contains a 1980 program concerning the celebration honoring Beech, Boeing, Cessna and Gates Learjet. |
Box 26 FF 12 Contains a list of Beech Aircraft Corp. presidents.

Box 26 FF 13 Contains a 1979 financial study of Beech Aircraft Corp. by Loeb, Rhoades, Hornblower & Co. Also contained in the file is a consolidated statement of income - five year forecast for Beechcraft.

Box 26 FF 14 Contains a 1980 report by Shearson Loeb Rhoades Inc., entitled "Due Diligence on Raytheon Company" produced for Beechcraft. Also contained in this file is 1980 correspondence, minutes, interoffice memos, clippings, press releases and reports concerning the financial report produced by Shearson. Also contained in the file is correspondence and reports concerning the Internal Revenue Service private revenue ruling covering the reorganization of Beech; the merger with Raytheon, and a 1979 10-K annual report from the Securities and Exchange Commission concerning Beechcraft.

Box 26 FF 15 Birthdates - Officers and E.M.’s. Contains a list of the birth dates, ages and employment dates of Beech Aircraft Corp. officers and directors. Also contained in this file are correspondence, publications and lists of the officers and directors of Beechcraft and a 1979 list of female employees.

Box 26 FF 16 Edward C. Burns - President. Contains 1971-82 correspondence, publications, resumes, inter-office memos and clippings concerning Edward Burns and Beechcraft. Also contained in this file is a 1979 article in Nation's Business on Sheldon Coleman.

Box 26 FF 17 Diamond II Jet Program (LLG). Contains 1985 correspondence, publications, reports, financial documentation, sales manuals and warranty policy concerning the Diamond II program and the Beechjet produced by Beechcraft, a Raytheon Company.

Box 26 FF 18 Finance Committee 1979-80. Contains publications, correspondence, clippings, financial documentation and press releases concerning the merger of Beechcraft with Raytheon, Beechcraft and Edward C. Burns.

Box 26 FF 19 Frank Hedrick. Contains biographical information concerning Frank Hedrick, correspondence and announcements concerning the death of Frank Hedrick, and copy of the June 25, 1987 Beechcrafter containing an article on Frank E. Hedrick.


Box 26 FF 21 Holmes, D. Brainerd (Raytheon). Contains 1980-85 personal and business correspondence, press releases and publications concerning Brainerd Holmes who was elected to the Board of Directors for Beechcraft in 1980 and became Chairman of the Board in 1982.

Box 26  FF 23  Phillips, Thomas L. (Raytheon). Contains 1980-82 correspondence and publications concerning Thomas Phillips, the Chairman of the Board for Raytheon. Also included in this file is correspondence and clippings concerning the Wichita Leadership Prayer Breakfast, and correspondence with Charles H. Resnick of Raytheon.


Box 26  FF 25  Raytheon - Data 1989. Contains clippings, publications and 1988-89 quarterly reports concerning Raytheon and Beechcraft. Also included in this file is a March 1990 press release concerning the delivery of the first Beech Super King Air 350.


Box 26  FF 27  Contains 1982 press releases and manuscripts of minutes concerning the retirement of Olive Ann Beech, Frank Hedrick and Edward Burns.

Series 4.2 -- Beechcraft and Raytheon Publications

Box 27  FF 1  Contains publications concerning the history of Beech Aircraft Corp. entitled Pageantry of Flight: The Story of Beech Aircraft Corporation by Frank E. Hedrick, two copies of Fifty Years for Beechcraft commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of Beechcraft, and The Story of Beechcraft, published in c.1969.

Box 27  FF 2  Contains 1961 holiday issue of Beechcrafter newsletter which contains articles concerning the opening of the Beechcraft Activity Center, and other articles concerning Beechcraft and aviation.

Box 27  FF 3  Contains August 8, 1973 issue of Beechcrafter newsletter which contains articles concerning Beechcraft, a possible merger with Grumman, union activities, aviation and commercial aircraft orders.

Box 27  FF 4  Contains January 15, 1975 and May 21, 1975 issues of Beechcrafter newsletter which contains articles concerning Beechcraft, aviation, sales records, Frank Hedrick's receipt of an honorary degree from Southwestern College, Olive Ann Beech, Bonanza payment plan, and the sale of Beech aircraft to the Republic of Indonesia.
Contains November 17, 1976 issue of Beochondrafter newsletter which contains articles concerning the presentation of the "Uncommon Citizen" award to Olive Ann Beech, army contracts, Beechcraft and aviation.

Contains June 8, 1977 and August 4, 1977 issues of Beochondrafter newsletter which contains articles concerning Model 76, training of Navy pilots in T-44A simulator, Staggerwing homecoming, the enshrinement of Walter Beech in the Aviation Hall of Fame, the exploration of the Egyptian desert by a Beochondrafter Super King Air equipped with specialized equipment for natural resources exploration and Beechcraft.

Contains April 20, 1978, June 14, 1978 and December 7, 1978 issues of Beochondrafter newsletter which contains articles concerning Olive Ann Beech, record sales, a lawsuit alleging procurement irregularities, the delivery of the 15,000 PT6 gas turbine engine to Beech by Pratt & Whitney, and the election of Frank Hedrick to the National Association of Manufacturers Board of Directors.

Contains October 5, 1979 and November 28, 1979 issues of the Beochondrafter which contains articles concerning the Raytheon / Beechcraft merger, the golden rule campaign, the order of C-90s by the Federal Aviation Administration, Louise Thaden and Beechcraft.

Contains 1980 issues of the Beochondrafter newsletter which contains articles concerning Beechcraft, Raytheon, the Beech / Raytheon merger, the joint effort of Beech and Grumman Aerospace Corp. to compete for the U.S. Navy's proposed VTXTS jet trainer aircraft program, the announcement of the newly created office of president, the replacement of the old landmark control tower, the presentation of the Beech Aircraft Foundation Scholarship recipients, the presentation of the Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy to Olive Ann Beech, the election of Olive Ann Beech and Frank Hedrick to the board of directors of Raytheon and the delivery of Super King Airs to the Uruguayan Navy.

Contains 1981 issues of the Beochondrafter newsletter which contains articles concerning Beechcraft, Raytheon, the presentation of the Wright Brothers Trophy to Olive Ann Beech, the awarding of contract for aerial missile targets from the Republic of China, Beech's involvement with the space shuttle, the visit by former President Gerald Ford to Beechcraft, the enshrinement of Olive Ann Beech in the Aviation Hall of Fame, the establishment of the Hedrick Scholarship fund, the dedication of the Beech Gallery and Chapel at the Staggerwing Museum, the promotion of a Beechcraft Skipper at a Tahoe, Nevada casino, the flight of the Beechcraft Sundowner which is powered by liquid methane, the presentation of the Wings Club Distinguished Achievement award to Olive Ann Beech, and the Beech Foundation scholarship recipients.
Box 27 FF 11 Contains 1982 issues of the *Beechcrafter* which contains articles concerning Beechcraft, Raytheon, the visit by Space Shuttle Commander Joe Engle, the delivery of the 1,000th Super King Air, the awarding of a contract to Beech from the United Arab Emirates, the awarding of a contract to Beech from the U.S. Navy for the production of Beechcraft T-34C jetprop trainers, and the retirement of Olive Ann Beech, Frank Hedrick and Ed Burns, and the naming of Linden S. Blue as president and chief executive officer.

Box 27 FF 12 Contains October 6, 1983 issue of the *Beechcrafter* which contains articles concerning Beechcraft, the unveiling of the Beech Starship 1, and the awarding of a contract from the U.S. Air Force for lease and support of 40 Beechcraft Super King Air B200C aircraft.

Box 27 FF 13 Contains September 14, 1984 and December 19, 1984 issues of the *Beechcrafter* which contains articles concerning Beechcraft, the Starship, the election of James S. Walsh as president of Beech, and the awarding of a contract from the Naval Air Systems Command for 56 AQM-37C supersonic missile targets.

Box 27 FF 14 Contains January 25, 1985 and February 21, 1985 issues of the *Beechcrafter* which contain articles concerning Beechcraft, Raytheon and the retirement of Beechcraft employees.

Box 27 FF 15 Contains January 14, 1986, February 1986, and April 25, 1986 issues of the *Beechcrafter* which contain articles concerning the Beechcraft, Raytheon, the Starship 1, Beechjet, product liability legislation, the awarding of a contract for six C-12J turboprop aircraft for the Air National Guard, and the awarding of a contract from the U.S. Army for production of 92 MQM-107D missile targets.

Box 27 FF 16 Contains a June 25, 1987 issue of the *Beechcrafter* which contains articles concerning Beechcraft, the Starship at the Paris Air Show, the naming of Max Bleck as president, the death of Frank Hedrick, and the awarding of a subcontract to build the composite winglets for the U.S. Air Force C-17 transport aircraft.

Box 27 FF 17 Contains May and September, 1988 issues of the *Beechcrafter*.

Box 27 FF 18 Contains March 1989, September 20, 1989 and October 2, 1989 issues of the *Beechcrafter* which contains articles concerning Beechcraft, Raytheon, the Starship, the Golden Rule Campaign and the introduction of the new King Air 350 at the National Business Aircraft Association convention in Atlanta.

Box 27 FF 19 Contains July 6, 1993 special edition of the *Beechcrafter* concerning the death of Olive Ann Beech.
Box 27 FF 20 Contains 1976, 1979-80, 1982, 1986 and 1988-90 news releases by the public relations department concerning the naming of Olive Ann Beech as one of America's top corporate women by Business Week, Beechcraft record sales, the promotion of Beechcraft executives, the merger of Beech and Raytheon, the creation of the office of President at Beechcraft, the building of an Emergency Medical Service facility on Beech property, the evaluation of Beech missile target systems by the U.S. Air Force, the induction of Olive Ann Beech into the Kansas Aviation Hall of Fame, the manufacturing of Beechjet, the Starship, the subcontract of the C-17 landing gear doors, the display of the Beech 1900D at the Singapore Air Show, the Beechjet 400A certification program, and the Beech Super King Air 350.

Box 27 FF 21 Contains 1966, 1967, 1974, 1977, 1980-82 Beechcraft marketing reports concerning the activities of the distributors, dealers, salesmen and marketing division for Beechcraft and containing articles concerning Beechcraft, Beechcraft employees, the Beechcraft King Air, King Air service in Canada, sales records, the Twin Model 60, the turbo Baron 56TC, the Super King Air, awarding of franchises to Metro Beechcraft of Evansville, Indiana and Fischer Aviation of Teterboro, New Jersey, the enshrinement of Walter Beech into the Aviation Hall of Fame, Beech aircraft at the Reading Air Show, the Beechcraft West Van Nuys air show at Bermuda Dunes and the Hanover Air Show in Hanover, West Germany, the Beechcraft Baron 58 and its use as a special air ambulance, the delivery of the 3,000th King Air, the dedication of the O. A. Beech Gallery and Chapel at Staggerwing Museum, the 1982 International Sales Conference, the Starship, the Beechjet, the naming of Linden Blue as Beech president, and the retirement of Olive Ann Beech, Frank Hedrick and E.C. Burns.

Box 27 FF 22 Contains two copies of a c. 1937 marketing publication entitled "General Catalog: Beechcraft" concerning Beechcraft, the Beechcraft SD17D seaplane, Models D17R and D17S, safety of Beechcraft planes, interior and features of planes, the testing of planes and Model F17D.

Box 27 FF 23 Contains a photocopy of a c. 1945 Beechcraft marketing publication entitled "The Grizzly," concerning the design and presentation by Beech Aircraft of the XA 38 attack airplane. (Photocopy placed here to retain original order. Oversized item is located in Box 38.)

Box 27 FF 24 Contains 1954 marketing brochures for the Super 18 Beech aircraft. Also contained in this file are photocopies of oversized images of the interior and exterior of the plane. (Photocopies placed here to retain original order. Oversized images are located in Box 39.)

Box 27 FF 25 Contains 1982-84 marketing folder which includes press releases, clippings, publications and photographs concerning the growth and future of Beechcraft and the unveiling of the Starship 1.
Box 27 FF 26 Contains two copies of a 1982 marketing folder entitled "Beech Aircraft 50th Anniversary and Staggerwing Homecoming '82" which contains photographs and press releases.

Box 27 FF 27 Contains 1984 marketing folder which includes photographs and news releases concerning the 37th Annual NBAA conference in Atlanta, Georgia and information on the Starship, the Beechcraft King Air, the Super King Air 300, the Super King Air B200, the King Air F90-1, the King Air C90A, the Beechcraft 1900 Airliner, and the Baron 58P.

Box 27 FF 28 Contains 1984 marketing folder for the media entitled "1984 Commercial Aircraft Products" which includes photographs and news releases concerning the Super King Air, the Starship, the Super King Air B200, the King Air F90-1, the King Air C90A, the Beechcraft Lightning 38P, the Baron models, the Bonanza models, the Beech Aero center, and 1984 suggested selling prices for Beech aircraft.

Box 27 FF 29 Contains 1986 marketing publications and the Starship 1 Progress newsletter concerning the Beech Starship 1.

Box 27 FF 30 Contains 1968, 1975-80 annual reports for Beech Aircraft Corporation.

Box 27 FF 31 This file contains other publications produced by Beechcraft and includes a photocopy of the front of a 1967 Beechcraft calendar (photocopy placed here to retain original order -- oversized calendar is located in Box 39), a brochure entitled "Flying: An Introduction to Learning Primary and Advanced Flying Skills," a booklet that describes the furniture and decor of the private business suite and dining room of Olive Ann Beech, a new employees brochure entitled "Welcome to the Home of Beechcraft...," a June 7, 1982 publication entitled 'Service Award Presentation Honorees Completing 25 Years Service,' a June 15, 1977 publication entitled 'Service Award Presentation: Honoring Employees Completing 30, 35, 40 & 45 years,' a Christmas greeting card for Olive Ann Beech from the Beechcraft employees, a January 10, 1978 publication entitled "Remarks at the Annual Stockholders' Meeting" by Frank Hedrick, a brochure concerning the history of Travel Air and Beechcraft, a marketing brochure entitled "A Tradition of Excellence," and a marketing brochure entitled "The Beechcraft Tradition."

Box 27 FF 32 Contains 1978-82 and 1988 annual reports for Raytheon.

Box 27 FF 33 Contains various publications by the Raytheon Corporation. Included in this file are two brochures entitled "Raytheon: Board of Directors," two brochures entitled "Products and Plants," a May 23, 1979 stockholders' meeting report, a publication entitled "Raytheon Company: An Overview," a Raytheon marketing publication, and a Winter 1981 copy of Raytheon magazine.
Box 28  FF 1  Clippings - Beech. Contains 1970, 1985-87 clippings from the Wichita Eagle-Beacon concerning the Fourth National Bank, Beechcraft, aviation, union activities, alterations in the v-tail Bonanza airplanes, Olive Ann Beech, the Starship, Frank E. Hedrick, Raytheon, Beech contracts, Learjet, layoffs, the Beechjet, missile contracts, Linden Blue, and various other topics. Also included in this file is a June 1986 clipping in Professional Pilot concerning product liability legislation, a September 1985 clipping from Electricity magazine concerning a cocktail party attended by Olive Ann Beech and featuring the ballet dancer Mikhail Baryshnikov, and a May 26, 1986 clipping from Business Week magazine concerning the retirement of D. Brainerd Holmes and the naming of Tom Phillips as president of Raytheon.

Box 28  FF 2  Cessna Clippings. Contains 1986-87 clippings from the Wichita Eagle-Beacon concerning the activities of Cessna Aircraft Corporation.

Box 28  FF 3  Gates - Learjet Clippings. Contains 1985-86 clippings from the Wichita Eagle-Beacon concerning Gates Learjet Corporation. Also included in this file is a February 1986 article in Flight Lines concerning the Beechjet.

Box 28  FF 4  Miscellaneous Clippings. Contains 1985-87 articles concerning the City of Wichita, the State of Kansas, aviation, Ross Perot, the U.S. government, the Machinist Union, Southwestern College, Raytheon, Boeing, Wichita State University, and other various topics.


Box 28  FF 6  Selma Division & Extra Aviation Clippings. Contains 1978-79 clippings from the Selma (Alabama) Journal, clippings from the 1984-85 Wichita Eagle Beacon and new releases concerning Beechcraft, aviation, Governor George Wallace of Alabama, Beechcraft's leasing of Selma, Alabama facility, the space age, Amelia Earhart, early aviation and other various topics.

Box 28  FF 7  Contains 1973-93 clippings concerning Olive Ann Beech, the City of Wichita, Beechcraft, aviation, Raytheon, the Starship, the state of Kansas, Dwane Wallace, early aviation, and various other topics.

Box 28  FF 9  Contains 1980, 1982, 1984-86, 1988-89 clippings concerning Olive Ann Beech, James McDonnell, Beechcraft, aviation, the flight of the Voyager, the Starship, the Coleman brothers, early aviation, Raytheon, and other various topics. Also included in this file is a August 1980 clipping from Financier magazine which contains information concerning the Federal Government and regulatory agencies.

Box 28  FF 10  Contains a February 1942 copy of Aero Digest. Starting on page 81 is an article entitled "Wichita's 25 Years in Aviation Manufacturing" which includes information on Travel Air, Beechcraft, Walter Beech, Olive Ann Beech and the City of Wichita.

Box 28  FF 11  Contains a 1972 copy of Air Force magazine which contains data on Beechcraft's weapon systems.

Box 28  FF 11A  Contains a clipping from a December, 1963 issue of American Aviation magazine concerning Olive Ann Beech.

Box 28  FF 12  Contains a March/April 1979 issue of Aviation Space which contains information concerning aviation education. Also included in this file is a November/December 1980 issue of Aviation Space which includes an article on page 42 concerning Olive Ann Beech and her selection as the 1980 Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy recipient.

Box 28  FF 13  Contains a September 1976 issue of Building Progress magazine. Starting on page 2 is an article by Olive Ann Beech entitled "The Bicentennial: Challenge and Opportunity."

Box 28  FF 14  Contains a May 31, 1982 issue of Business Aviation weekly publication which contains an article on the retirement of Olive Ann Beech, Frank Hedrick and E.C. Burns, and the naming of Linden Blue as president of Beechcraft.

Box 28  FF 15  Contains a June 21, 1976 issue of Business Week magazine. Starting on page 56 is an article entitled "100 Top Corporate Women." Olive Ann Beech is included in this article under manufacturing corporations.

Box 28  FF 16  Contains a October 1980 issue of Executive's Digest, a newsletter written by Frank E. Hedrick which contains articles of special interest to business men and women.

Box 28  FF 17  Contains a July 1977 issue of Flying magazine which contains an article concerning the Beech Staggerwing biplane. Also included in this file is a September 1977 issue of Flying magazine entitled "Aviation: Past, Present, and Future." Included in this issue is an advertising layout for Beech Aircraft Corporation and numerous articles on the history of aviation.

Contains a January 6, 1976 issue of *The Gallagher Presidents’ Report*. This issue contains a listing entitled "1975 Best Corporate Chief Executives of Achievement" in which Olive Ann Beech is listed under the category of medium, small business (under $1 billion sales).

Contains a 1979 edition of *General Aviation Statistical Databook*.

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Contains a photocopy of an oversized 1976 special report issue of *Life* magazine entitled "Remarkable American Women 1776-1976." Included in this issue is an article on page 27 concerning Olive Ann Beech. (Photocopy placed here to retain original order. Oversized issue is located in Box 39.)

Contains a May 1961 issue of the *Michigan Business Review*, published by the School of Business Administration at the University of Michigan, which contains an article entitled "The Woman Executive: Olive Ann Beech."

Contains two copies of a February, 1969 issue of *Midwest Industry* magazine which contains an article concerning Olive Ann Beech as Chairman of the Board of Beech Aircraft Corporation.

Contains a June 1964 issue of *National Aeronautics* magazine which contains an article entitled "As I See The Future of Business Aviation" by Olive Ann Beech.

Contains a March 1981 issue of the *National Geographic* magazine which includes an article concerning the space shuttle.

Contains a 1979 annual report for the New York Life Corporation. Included in this annual report is an article on lifestyles which contains information concerning Olive Ann Beech.

Contains two copies of a special supplement to *Pacific*, a California business magazine published by the California State Chamber of Commerce. This issue contains an article entitled "The Forgotten American."
Box 28 FF 30 Contains an April 1929 issue of *Popular Aviation and Aeronautics* magazine, which contains an advertisement for Travel Air and articles concerning the history of aviation.

Box 28 FF 31 Contains two 1964 issues of *Sperryscope* magazine which contains an article entitled "A Look at 'General Aviation" by Mrs. O. A. Beech.

Box 28 FF 32 Contains a July 18, 1977 issue of *Time* magazine which contains an article on Olive Ann Beech.

Box 28 FF 33 Contains a November 6, 1986 issue of *USA Today* newspaper which includes information on the presidential election and other various topics.

Box 28 FF 34 Contains a September/October 1982 issue of *Western Bonanza Society* magazine which contains an article concerning the enshrinement of Walter H. Beech into the International Aerospace Hall of Fame.

Box 28 FF 35 Contains a July-August 1975 issue of *Wichita* magazine published by the Wichita Area Chamber of Commerce which contains an article concerning the artist Bruce Moore and contains a photograph of Olive Ann Beech.

Box 28 FF 36 Contains a 1929 (reprint) issue of "Wichita: The Air Capital" which contains an advertisement for Travel Air. Also included in this issue is information concerning aviation in Wichita.

Box 28 FF 37 Contains a c. 1966 issue of the *Wichita Art Association* magazine which contains a letter in the foreword by Olive Ann Beech and an article concerning Olive Ann Beech.

Box 28 FF 38 Contains two copies of a June 4, 1982 advertising section of the *Wichita Eagle-Beacon* entitled "Beechcraft turns 50: A Golden Anniversary for the Air Capital."

Box 28 FF 39 Contains a photocopy of the front cover of a March 1987 issue of the *Wichita Business Journal*. This contains a collection of the Top 25 lists for businesses in Wichita in various categories. (Photocopy placed here to retain original order. Oversized issue is located in Box 39.)

**Series 6 -- Photographs**

**Series 6.1 -- Photographs of Walter H. Beech, Olive Ann Beech and Beech Family**

Box 29 FF 1 Contains 1920-1950 photographs of Walter Beech.

Box 29 FF 3 Contains 1972 photograph of Olive Ann Beech and Mrs. Frank Hedrick.

Box 29 FF 4 Contains 1976 photograph of Olive Ann Beech and Frank Hedrick.

Box 29 FF 5 Contains 1920-1942 photographs of Olive Ann and Walter Beech.

Box 29 FF 6 Contains 1940-1950 photographs of the Beech family, including Olive Ann, Walter, Suzanne and Mary Lynn.

Box 29 FF 7 Contains 1950-1980 group photographs of Olive Ann Beech at special events.

Box 29 FF 8 Contains 1980 group photographs of Olive Ann Beech, U.S. Senator Robert Dole and others at the Wright Brothers Memorial dinner.

Box 29 FF 8A Contains c. 1980s photograph of Suzanne Beech receiving an award at the International Aviation Hall of Fame in San Diego, California.

Series 6.2 -- Beech Aircraft Corporation Photographs

Box 29 FF 9 Contains 1963 photograph of Beech executives, including Olive Ann Beech and Frank Hedrick.

Box 29 FF 10 Contains 1967 photographs of Beech executives holding a "E" flag, including Olive Ann Beech and Frank Hedrick.

Box 29 FF 11 Contains 1972 photograph of Beech executives.


Box 29 FF 13 Contains c. 1970s photographs of Beechcraft wall. The wall which is located inside of the Beechcraft plant, and contains company emblems from the various companies that Beechcraft has worked with.


Series 6.3 -- Airplane Photographs

Box 29 FF 14A Contains c. 1980s photographs of unknown individuals with Beechcraft planes.

Box 29 FF 15 Contains c. 1930s photograph of airplane.
| Box 29 | FF 16 | Contains c. 1940s photograph of Beechcraft plane and unknown individuals used by Straratt Airway of Canada. |
| Box 29 | FF 17 | Contains 1952 photographs of Beechcraft model YL-23, a prototype of the military version of the Beechcraft Twin-Bonanza produced for the U.S. Army. |
| Box 29 | FF 18 | Contains 1954 photograph of Beechcraft Mentor Model T-34B, the official trainer plane used by the U.S. Navy. |
| Box 29 | FF 19 | Contains 1966 photograph of Beechcraft Red Baron owned by Robert Cannon. |
| Box 29 | FF 20 | Contains c. 1970s photograph of Beechcraft planes on tarmac at Beech plant. |
| Box 29 | FF 21 | Contains 1986 photographs of Beechjet. |

**Series 6.4 -- Presidential and Congressional Photographs**

| Box 29 | FF 22 | Contains c. 1950s photographs of Dwight D. and Mamie Eisenhower |
| Box 29 | FF 23 | Contains 1972 photograph of Lyndon B. Johnson, "Lady Bird" Johnson, Olive Ann Beech and others. |
| Box 29 | FF 24 | Contains 1972 photograph of Lyndon B. Johnson, "Lady Bird" Johnson, Olive Ann Beech and others. |

**Series 6.5 -- Photographs of Famous People**

| Box 29 | FF 26 | Contains 1933 photograph of Capt. Frank Hawke and unknown person in front of the Beechcraft Mystery S plane. |
| Box 29 | FF 27 | Contains c. 1958 photograph of Roscoe Turner. |
| Box 29 | FF 28 | Contains 1961 photograph of Merill Meigs. |
| Box 29 | FF 29 | Contains 1964 photograph of His Highness Prince Karim, the Aga Khan and Olive Ann Beech. |
| Box 29 | FF 30 | Contains 1964 photograph of Jackie Cochran. On the back of the photograph is a copy of a 1964 press release describing the world records held by Jackie Cochran and a dedication at the Smithsonian Institution of her portrait. |
Box 29 FF 32 Contains 1967 photograph of Arthur Godfrey, Olive Ann Beech and others.

Box 29 FF 33 Contains 1976 photograph of Arthur Godfrey.

Box 29 FF 34 Contains 1970 photograph of James Arness.

Box 29 FF 35 Contains c. 1970 photograph of Astronaut L. Gordon Cooper.

Box 29 FF 36 Contains 1979 photograph of George Kennedy.

Series 7 -- Audio-Visual Materials

Box 30 FF 1 Beech Trip to Wichita with Tom Warner, E. Tom Sharp by Jack Davis. VHS tape.

Box 30 FF 2 Galloway Gala. VHS tape.


Box 30 FF 4 Marge Setter - Beech Profile. 2 VHS tapes.

Box 30 FF 5 Movie: Olive Ann Beech 48 Mission Road Wichita, Kansas 67207. Beta tape.

Box 30 FF 6 NBLC Promo - Ed Swartley, Jr. Achievement, Inc. National Headquarters. VHS tape. Also contained in this file is a letter concerning the tape.

Box 30 FF 7 National Business Today. VHS tape.

Box 30 FF 8 "An Oral History of Aviation in Wichita." VHS tape.

Box 30 FF 9 Practical Parenting Communications. VHS tape.

Box 30 FF 10 Starship News Feb. 24, 1986. VHS tape.

Box 30 FF 11 Television coverage BEECHJET ROLLOUT May 19, 1986. VHS tape.

Box 31 FF 1 "Wichita During the War Years" Ch. 10 Series. VHS tape.

Box 31 FF 2 Woolaroc Airplane Reception Tape. VHS tape.

Box 31 FF 3 Beechcraft Aircraft Corporation Presents - STARFLIGHT. Audio tape.


Box 31 FF 5 Thaden - 1936 Harmon Trophy Bendex Race. Audio tape.

Box 31 FF 6 Wright Memorial Dinner Sheraton - Washington Hotel Dec. 12, 1980. Audio tape.

Box 31 FF 7 "You're One of a Kind." 2 Audio tapes.
Box 31  FF 8  Contains unidentified Audio tape.

Box 32  FF 1  Beech Aircraft Corporation - Arthur Godfrey Radio Broadcast. 45 rpm album.

Box 32  FF 2  Camera Three presents: "Conversations with Editors" - James MacAndrew, Host, Gerard Piel, Publisher - WCBS-TV July 4, 1965. 33 rpm album.

Box 32  FF 3  Box 1. Contains 35 mm slides of historical sites in the Middle East.

Box 32  FF 4  Japan - Purchased Slides - Box 2. 35 mm slides.

Box 32  FF 5  Box 3. Contains 35 mm slides of historical sites in Greece and slides of Olive Ann Beech's trip to Egypt.

Box 32  FF 6  Japan - Box 4. Contains 35 mm slides of Olive Ann Beech's trip.

Box 32  FF 7  Departure - Hawaii & Hong Kong - Box 5. Contains 35 mm slides of Olive Ann Beech's trip.

Series 8 -- Memorabilia

Box 33  This box contains Beechcraft memorabilia and Olive Ann Beech's personal memorabilia. Included in this box is Beechcraft stationery, cards, notepads, pins, key chains, stickers, paperweights, a distinguished service award coin, a coin commemorating the 50th anniversary of Beechcraft, patches with the Beech crest, plaques with the Beech crest and a Beechcraft flag. Located in the oversize materials (Box 39) is a needlepoint of the Beechcraft logo.

Series 9 -- Oversized Photographs

Box 34  FF 1  Contains c. 1940s group photograph of Beech plant employees. Included in this photo is Walter Beech.

Box 34  FF 2  Contains c. 1940s aerial photographs of Beechcraft plant.

Box 34  FF 3  Contains c. 1930s photograph of air race trophies.

Box 34  FF 4  Contains c. 1950s photograph of Walter Beech Memorial plaque.

Box 34  FF 5  Contains c. 1960s photograph of Walter Beech Memorial plaque.

Box 34  FF 5A  Contains 1961 photograph of Olive Ann Beech and Frank Hedrick at the opening day of the Beechcrafters' Activity Center.

Box 34  FF 6  Contains 1967 photograph of E flag flying over Beechcraft plant. The "E" flag is given by U.S. government to a leading company for progressive foreign sales policy.
Box 34 FF 7 Contains c. 1970s sketch of Beechcraft plant. The view is on Central Avenue.

Box 34 FF 8 Contains 1980 photograph of Beechcraft executives, including Olive Ann Beech, Frank Hedrick, and E. C. Burns.

Box 34 FF 9 Contains c. 1980s aerial photograph of Beechcraft plant, located at Central Avenue and Webb Street in Wichita.

Box 35 FF 1 Contains 1925 photographs of Travel Air Biplane Model 2000.

Box 35 FF 2 Contains 1926 photographs of Travel Air Biplane Model 4000.

Box 35 FF 3 Contains 1927 photographs of Travel Air Monoplane Model 5000.

Box 35 FF 4 Contains 1927 photographs of Travel Air Model 5000 "Woolaroc."

Box 35 FF 5 Contains 1927 photograph of Travel Air Monoplane Model 6000.

Box 35 FF 6 Contains 1929 photographs of Travel Air "Mystery S."

Box 35 FF 7 Contains c. 1930 photograph of Travel Air "Woolaroc."

Box 35 FF 8 Contains c. 1930s photograph of Travel Air factory.

Box 35 FF 9 Contains 1932 photographs of Beechcraft Staggerwing Biplane Model 17R.

Box 35 FF 10 Contains 1944 photograph of experimental Beechcraft AT-10-V.

Box 35 FF 11 Contains 1944 photograph of Beechcraft XA-38 "Grizzly."

Box 35 FF 12 Contains c. 1944 photograph of Beechcraft controllable pitch propellers Model R-002, on balancing stand.

Box 35 FF 13 Contains c. 1940s photograph of (unknown) military aircraft item.

Box 35 FF 14 Contains 1945 photograph of Beechcraft Bonanza Model 35.

Box 35 FF 15 Contains 1951 photograph of Beechcraft rocket model XKD2B-1. First powered flight on May 31, 1961.

Box 35 FF 16 Contains c. 1960s photographs of Beechcraft plane.

Box 35 FF 17 Contains 1966 photograph of Beechcraft Baron that set round the world flight record. Included in the photograph are the pilots of the plane, Bob and Joan Wallick.

Box 35 FF 18 Contains 1967 display photograph of airplane models produced by Beechcraft from 1932 to 1967.

Box 35 FF 19 Contains c. 1970s photograph of Beechcraft planes on tarmac.

Box 35 FF 20 Contains c. 1970s photograph of Beechcraft King Air.

Box 36 FF 1 Contains 1967 photographs of President Lyndon B. Johnson with Olive Ann Beech and other individuals.

Box 36 FF 2 Contains c. 1970s photograph of President Gerald R. Ford.

Box 36 FF 3 Contains c. 1980s photograph of President Ronald Reagan.
Box 36 FF 4 Contains c. 1988 photograph of President George Bush.
Box 36 FF 5 Contains 1980s photograph of the Republican Senatorial Inner Circle.
Box 36 FF 6 Contains 1990s photograph of the Republican Senatorial Inner Circle.
Box 37 FF 1 Contains 1930 photograph of Carl Lienesch of Union Oil Co.
Box 37 FF 2 Contains 1941 photograph of actor Tyrone Powers.
Box 37 FF 3 Contains 1962 photograph of actor Danny Kaye.
Box 37 FF 4 Contains 1971 photograph of Malaysian government officials in front of a Beech plane.
Box 37 FF 5 Contains 1973 photograph of Olive Ann Beech and Melvin Laird with an unknown woman.
Box 37 FF 6 Contains a photograph of Rear Admiral Arthuro Calisto of the Peruvian Navy in front of a Beechcraft T-34C.
Box 37 FF 7 Contains c. 1980s photographs of Arthur Godfrey.
Box 37 FF 8 Contains c. 1980s sketch of James Harold Doolittle.
Box 37 FF 9 Contains c. 1940s photographs of unknown woman. (possibly Louise Thaden)
Box 37 FF 10 Contains 1979 photograph of pilots of all ages who fly Beechcraft planes.
Box 37 FF 11 Contains c. 1980s photograph of Fourth Financial Corporation Board of Directors.

Series 10 -- Oversized Posters and Art Work

Box 38 Contains oversized posters and art work used in Beechcraft promotions and advertising. Included in this material are posters of Beechcraft planes from 1932-1990. Also included in this box is a 1932-82 genealogy poster of the planes produced by Beechcraft. Contains c. 1945 Beechcraft marketing publication entitled "The Grizzly," concerning the design and presentation by Beech Aircraft of the XA 38 attack airplane

Series 11 -- Oversized Materials
Box 39 Contains oversized posters concerning famous Kansans from the Kansas State Historical Society; oversized images of the interior and exterior of the Super 18 Beech aircraft (1954); oversized Beechcraft calendar for 1967; oversized 1976 special report issue of *Life* magazine, "Remarkable American Women 1776-1976," which includes article about Olive Ann Beech; oversized issue of the *Wichita Business Journal* for March 1987; oversized needlepoint of Beechcraft logo.

### Series 12 -- Plaques, Certificates and Awards

### Series 12.1 -- Paper Certificates and Awards

| Box 40 FF 1 | Air Force Association. Beech Aircraft Corporation. |
| Box 40 FF 2 | American Bonanza Society. Olive Ann Beech |
| Box 40 FF 3 | American Mothers Committee, Inc. Olive Ann Beech |
| Box 40 FF 4 | Aviation Hall of Fame. Olive Ann Beech. |
| Box 40 FF 5 | Federation Aeronautique Internationale. *Diplome de Record* for records set in Beechcraft plane. |
| Box 40 FF 6 | International Aerospace Hall of Fame. Walter H. Beech. (23c) |
| Box 40 FF 7 | National Aeronautic Association. Beech Aircraft Corporation. |
| Box 40 FF 9 | National Aeronautic Association. Certificate of Record to Miss Louise Sacchi. |
| Box 40 FF 13 | Solalitas Alumnorum Campi Volandi Rooseveltiani Salutem dicit pluriman: Walter H. Beech |
| Box 40 FF 14 | Society of Automotive Engineers. Olive Ann Beech. |
| Box 40 FF 15 | United Way and Sedgwick County. Olive Ann Beech. |
| Box 40 FF 16 | University Aviation Association. Olive Ann Beech. |
| Box 40 FF 17 | University of Kansas. Olive Ann Beech. |
| Box 40 FF 18 | Wichita Aeronautical Historical Association, Inc. Olive Ann Beech. |
| Box 40 FF 19 | Wichita State University. Olive Ann Beech. (33a) |
| Box 40 FF 20 | Young Women's Christian Association. Olive Ann Beech. |
| Box 41 FF 1 | American Legion. No date. Walter H. Beech. (91) |
| Box 41 FF 6 | Aviation Hall of Fame. 1977. Olive Ann Beech. |
| Box 41 FF 9 | Beechcraft International Sales Conference. 1981. |
| Box 42 FF 1 | Beechcraft Model 17 - Prototype. No date. |
| Box 42 FF 10 | Guyana Defence Force. No date. |
Box 43  FF 7  Contains 1967 framed letter from Mark McClure (age 7), a Beech Aircraft stock holder, to Olive Ann Beech.
Box 43  FF 10  National Aeronautic Association. 1936 Certificate of Record for Louise Thaden and Blanche Noyes. Established a female east-to-west transcontinental record for airplanes between Floyd Bennett Field, Brooklyn, New York and the Los Angeles Municipal Airport, Los Angeles, California in a Beechcraft airplane on September 4, 1936. (95)
Box 44    FF 14  University of Kansas. No date. Olive Ann Beech.
Box 44    FF 15  Uruguayan Navy. 1980. Beech Aircraft Corp.
Box 45    FF 2   The City of Wichita. 1989 Aviation Pioneer Award. Olive Ann Beech. (93)
Box 45    FF 4   Wichita/Sedgwick County Arts and Humanities Council. 1990. Olive Ann Beech.
Box 45    FF 5   Wichita State University. 1975. Olive Ann Beech.
Box 45    FF 6   The Wings Club. 1981 Distinguished Achievement Award to Olive Ann Beech.
Box 45    FF 7   The Wings Club. No Date. Olive Ann Beech.
Box 45    FF 8   Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy presented by the National Aeronautic Association and the Aero Club. 1980. Olive Ann Beech. (photograph)
Box 45    FF 11  Women's National Aeronautical Association of the U. S. A. Inc. 1951. Olive Ann Beech. (94)

Series 12.2 -- Plaques

Box 46    FF 1   American Legion. 1959. Olive Ann Beech.
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Series 12.3 -- Oversized Certificates, Plaques and Awards

Box 54 Contains 3-D awards and certificates. Included in this box is a 1953 statue from the Girl Scouts to Olive Ann Beech; two scrolled Beechcraft resolutions concerning Olive Ann Beech and Frank Hedrick; a statue of Washington at prayer in Valley Forge given to Olive Ann Beech by the Freedom Foundation at Valley Forge; a 1971 paperweight given to Beech Aircraft Corporation from United Aircraft of Canada Limited; a 1990 plate entitled "Strategic Air Command given to Olive Ann Beech by Gen. Phillip J. Ford; a 1981 shadowbox given to Olive Ann Beech by the YWCA; a 1977 clock given to Olive Ann Beech by the Wichita State University College of Business Administration - "Gold Key Award"; and a 1982 penholder given to Olive Ann Beech from the First National Bank in Wichita.

Series 13 -- Oversized Display Items

Box 55 Oversized display items. These items were used in a display and were either removed from their original location within the collection and encapsulated, or created solely for display purposes. The box includes copies of early photographs of Walter and Olive Ann Beech, clipping from 1932 issue of *Wichita Evening Eagle* discussing Walter Beech [removed from Box 2 FF 1], a printed Travel Air logo, clippings from 1980 *Wichita Eagle Beacon* discussing the Beech-Raytheon merger, and biographical text panels for Walter and Olive Ann Beech.

Series 14 -- Corporate and Other Publications

Box 56 FF 1 Beech Publications - 1940s.
Box 56 FF 2 Beech Publications - 1950s.
Box 56 FF 3 Beech Publications - 1960s.
Box 56 FF 4 Beech Publications - date unknown.
Box 56  FF 5  Miscellaneous Publications. This folder contains miscellaneous publications on topics such as the aircraft industry, self-confidence, and socialism. The folder also includes *Newsweek*, February 27, 1956, with an article about women and work including Olive Ann Beech.


**Series 15 -- Miscellaneous Artifacts and Microfilm**

Box 56  FF 7  Flag: Original Flag "Chamber of Commerce Over the Years."

Box 57  Microfilm. Stock information on 16mm microfilm, Vols. 1 - 16. Artifacts: (6) wood printing blocks featuring women in aviation.

**Series 16 -- Miscellaneous Oversized Items**

Oversized storage  Contains a woven replica of seal of the President of the United States from chair in Beechcraft Queen Air 80, LD 140; 1957 certificate to Olive Ann Beech commemorating the 25th anniversary of Beechcraft; printed copy of the April 4, 1972 remarks delivered by former President Lyndon B. Johnson during his visit to Beech Aircraft Corporation; aerial photograph of Beechcraft operations in Wichita.

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