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THE RALPH O. BROWN PAPERS,
1940-1976

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Descriptive Summary

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Abstract  Flight logs, aerial photographs and negatives of Northern Indiana farms, churches, schools and businesses, clippings, business records, homemade aerial photography equipment and miscellaneous items used in Indiana pilot Ralph Brown’s aerial photography and survey business. Also includes Brown’s personal journal, which contains stories, including, “My First Solo Flight, and “Flying Dangerous or Not?”

Extent  4.75 cubic feet (2 mss boxes, 2 negative boxes, 1 flat box, small artifact box and 2 oversized artifact boxes)

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Persons
Brown, Ralph O., 1911-2000

Organizations
Southside Studio, Huntington, Indiana
Northern Indiana Aerial Photographic and Survey Service
Civil Aeronautics Administration

Topics
Air pilots--Indiana
Aerial photography--Indiana
Pilots (Aeronautics)
Flight Archives at Purdue University

Form and Genre Types
Aerial photographs--Indiana
Aerial photography--Equipment and supplies
Artifacts
Clippings (Information artifacts)
Correspondence
Financial records
Flight logs
Journals (Diaries)
Negatives
Papers

Occupations
Pilots (Aeronautics)
Photographers
Farmers
Biography of Ralph O. Brown

Ralph O. Brown was born on Feb. 1, 1911, in Rock Creek Township in Indiana, to William C.C. and Flora Ethel Day Brown. He was a 1930 graduate of Rock Creek Township High School. Mr. Brown was a farmer and a lifelong resident of Rock Creek Township.

Per a biography written by Toni Mayo, “Photographer pilot, Ralph O. Brown operated Northern Indiana Aerial Photographic and Survey Service, from 1940-1970, in Huntington, Indiana. He flew the plane, photographed the image, developed the film, printed the photograph and sold each print door-to-door. He took more than 30,000 aerial photographs during his career.”

Brown retired in 1968, returning to farming.

Sources:


*<http://www.genlookups.com/in/webbbs_config.pl/read/342>*

*Toni Mayo papers and research files for Defining Flight.*
Collection Description

Scope

The Ralph O. Brown papers (1940-1976; 4.75 cubic feet) document his businesses, Southside Studio, Huntington, Indiana and the Northern Indiana Aerial Photographic and Survey Service. The papers are comprised of Ralph O. Brown’s pilot flight records and log books, which include his remarks and notations and Brown’s journal which contains stories, including, “My First Solo Flight, and “Flying Dangerous or Not?” Also included are business receipts (1950s), business related correspondence, 2 clippings about Brown and other miscellaneous business related items.

Some of the unique features of the papers are the extensive collection of aerial negatives and photographs taken by Brown of Northern Indiana farms, churches, schools and businesses, including airports. Some of the original envelopes which held the negatives have notations about the farms and their occupants. Also included in the papers are Brown’s Department of Commerce, Civil Aeronautics Administration airman, certification/identification card, 1945 mileage ration stamps and his homemade aerial photography equipment.

“Prior to each flight, he cut 50 pieces of 5”x7” undeveloped film and slipped each one into a wooden film holder. Flying 30-40 miles with Huntington as the hub, and just 200-300 feet above the ground, his photos were crystal clear. Just seconds before he snapped the pictures, he let go of the plane’s joy stick to focus on the image below. The plane was unmanned for several seconds.”

“Today the photographs are significant as they depict exactly what the family farm looked like 50 to 70 years ago. From huge groomed gardens, to freshly painted out buildings and out houses, to piles of derelict machinery, to clean clothes waving on a wire, from shocks of corn and wheat in perfect symmetry, to animals grazing in fields, the diverse family farm was captured from above. After looking at the first 100 photographs, it becomes apparent just how unique the family farm was, with no two alike. Brown captured an era that will never again be experienced or seen.”

Types of materials include: aerial photographs, aerial photography equipment, artifacts, clippings (information artifacts), correspondence, business records, flight logs, a journal, negatives and papers. The papers are organized into 5 series:

Arrangement

1. Flight Logs and Journal, 1940-1972 (0.2 cubic feet). This series contains Ralph O. Brown’s pilot flight records and log books, which include his remarks and notations. The flight log books are in chronological order. This series also contains Brown’s journal which contains stories, including, “My First Solo Flight, and “Flying Dangerous or Not?” along with a listing of books he had read.
2. **Business Records, Correspondence, Clippings and Miscellaneous Items, circa 1940s-1970s (0.2 cubic feet).** This series is comprised of some of Brown’s business receipts, business related correspondence, and 2 clippings about him. Also found in this series is Brown’s Department of Commerce, Civil Aeronautics Administration airman, certification/identification card, mileage ration stamps (1945) and other miscellaneous business related items.

3. **Aerial Negatives, 1941-1976 (1 cubic foot).** The aerial negatives series documents the various farms, churches, schools and businesses that Brown photographed during his career. Some of the original envelopes which contained the negatives also had slips of papers with notations about the farms and the families that lived on the farms. Brown had also made other notations, including handwritten maps on the outside of the envelopes.

The negatives were placed in archival negative envelopes for preservation purposes, but the original envelopes have been retained and have been placed in front of the archival envelopes. The slips of paper that have notations about the farms and those who lived on them also appear before their respective negatives. The original order of the negatives has been retained.

4. **Oversized Aerial Photographs, 1951-1976 (0.45 cubic feet).** This series consists of 30, black and white, aerial photographs of varying sizes and a framed map titled, “Brown’s Private Airports.” There is one photograph of a grain elevator, but the remaining photographs are of farms, most unidentified. The photographs have been grouped by size and placed in chronological order.

5. **Artifacts, circa 1940s-1970s (2.90 cubic feet).** The artifacts series consists of Brown’s homemade aerial photography camera and negatives/film box, both in wooden cases. There is also a c-clamp that held the camera in place, business stamps (one wood-cut with Brown and his plane).

**Descriptive Rules**

Describing Archives: A Content Standard

**Processing Information**

The original order of the negatives has been retained, but the other series have been placed in chronological order. All materials have been housed in polyester sleeves, acid-free folders, and acid-free boxes. The clippings have been copied onto archival paper for researcher use, but the originals have been sleeved and retained. Oversized photographs and artifacts have been separated and grouped into individual series for preservation purposes.
DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Series 1. Flight Logs and Journal, 1940-1972
(0.2 cubic feet)

**Box 1** Flight Logs and Journal, 1940-1972

**Folder**
1. Flight log, February 15, 1940 - November 18, 1942
2. Flight log, November 20, 1942 - June 23, 1947
3. Flight log, January 1951 - August 20, 1956
5. Flight log, April 17, 1970 - November 29, 1972
6. Journal (contains stories written by Brown, including: “My First Solo Flight,” and “Flying Dangerous or Not?” along with a listing of books he had read), undated

Series 2. Business Records, Correspondence, Clippings and Miscellaneous Items, circa 1940s-1970s
(0.2 cubic feet)

**Box 2** Business Records, Correspondence, Clippings and Miscellaneous Items, circa 1940s-1970s

**Folder**
1. Receipts, Sunny Schick’s Camera Shop, West Supply Company and Snapshots and miscellaneous receipts, 1952-1953
2. Receipts, Scott Ranch Airport, 1953
3. Receipts, Sunny Schick’s Camera Shop, West Supply Company and Snapshots and miscellaneous receipts, 1953-1954
4. Correspondence (business), 1957-1971
5. Clippings and Miscellaneous Items, circa 1940s-1960s
   **Item**
   1. Airman identification/certification card, Department of Commerce, Civil Aeronautics Administration, circa 1940s
   2. Clippings (2) about Brown, circa 1950s-1960s (one clipping in poor condition)
   3. Business flyer (includes photograph of Brown with plane), circa 1950s
   4. South Side Studio receipt pad and photograph reproduction statement used on Brown’s photographs, circa 1950s-1960s
6. Miscellaneous Items, 1945- circa 1950s
   **Item**
   1. Mileage ration stamps and “Office of Price Administration” envelope with notations, 1945
2. License registration and mileage rationing record, United States, Office of Price Administration, 1945
3. Ledger, spiral bound, 1953-1954
4. Public auction advertisement, Bolinger estate, features Brown’s aerial photograph, circa 1950s
5. Giant post card, Methodist Memorial Home, Warren, Indiana, features Brown’s aerial photograph, 1958
7. Miscellaneous income receipts, notations on back of old photographs, circa 1970s

Series 3. Aerial Negatives, 1941-1976
(1 cubic foot)

Box 3  Aerial Negatives, 1941-1976

Envelope
1. “L. to R. #1,” undated
2. “Bluffton,” undated
3. “H.H. Krause camera, Ft. Wayne, S. Side H.S. area (all Experimental neg.),” September 1, 1949
4. “Air Photos, Pete went along, around Loon Creek Church and Rock Creek,” December 8, 1948
7. “Mt. Etna, Barber,” undated
10. “Little River, V. views 1500 to 1800 ft.,” August 1949
11. “Airphotos #9 S. to Mt. Etna, 3 forms E. of Mt. Etna, Lahr farm also (Johnnie Dairs flew plane), December 1, 1948
13. “Bluffton Club golf course and Building,” undated
15. “Marple From N. to S.,” July 1966

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27. “3-NW Woodburn 2nd Church,” April 1955
28. “Church - Blountsville,” undated
29. “Churches - (Vera ?) modern, (Buckeye) stain glass,” May 3, 1952
30. “(White) church, 4 N-1W Losantville, R-2, Paul Thornburg, Union Chapel Christian Church,” September 28, 1952
31. “County Farm,” April 9, 1949
33. “? Bippus,” (handwritten map), October 19, 1970
34. “S.E. Bippus, W.J. Andersen,” June 9, 1949
35. “Birdseye - Snyder, Markle loading dock,” September 20, 1948
36. “June Mishler & Elevator at Sydney,” April 27, 1948 ? (includes 1 postcard)
38. “Air Photo, Majestic Co.,” October 25, 1948
41. “Weaver (Popcorn),” November 17, 1950
42. “Taylor University, Upland, Ind.,” April 11, 1969
43. “Everett Beaty,” undated
45. “Dutch Mill,” June 7, 1950
46. “Reatys Rollerina ?, (handwritten map),” May 9, 1971
47. “Rest Home, 3-SW, Wabash,” October 7, 1975
48. “Purdue Farm, 2-N & 1-W, Hartford City,” September 28, 1975
49. “Buckeye Church,” August 25, 1951
50. “Hgtn. (Huntington) Packing Co.,” undated
51. “Bud Smyser,” June 6, 1949
52. “Majestic & State St. School, also Markle Furniture, May & Ed Youse Lumber - Ernest Lehman Home,” September 14, 1948
53. “Zanesville, Ossian, (handwritten map),” October 10, 1951
54. “X-mas…includes a detailed handwritten map with Ordnance Plant,” September 29, 1951
55. “Ordnance (includes a detailed handwritten map),” October 1, 1951
57. “Churnbusco - Huntington - Gene Byron Sanatorium,” (includes a detailed map), October 15, 1951
58. “Hoagland - Poe,” (includes a detailed handwritten map), September 17, 1951
59. “Village - Hoagland…,” (includes a detailed handwritten map), September 19, 1951
60. “Columbia City - Churnbusco…,” (includes a detailed handwritten map), October 15, 1951
61. “Ralph R. Mankey, R-1, Decatur, Ind.,” August 10, 1972
62. “Arnold W. Gerke, R-3, Decatur, Ind.,” undated
64. “For Kline on #22 4 E., Frank Kline, Jerry Kline, son,” November 29, 1972
66. “Roanoke, 1 neg. Farm Bldgs.,” November 29, 1972
68. “1/2 S. 2-W. VanBuren, Blimm ?,” undated
70. “Paul Liechty, Berne - R-1,” May 21, 1952
71. “Roy Lohr, ½ N. Ch.,” October 9, 1972
72. “Yost Court ?, 2 NW Decatur, Due N.,” August 10, 1972
73. “Wescoe Farm, 1-SW Lam. ? Village,” December 1, 1948
74. “J. Guilford Wehr, Warren, Ind., ½ E. Jeff H.S.,” June 27, 1972
75. “Jim Williams, 1 ½ W. Roanoke (on N.),” June 27, 1972
76. “Markle Church and Parsonage, N.W. edge,” May 10, 1972
78. “Motel - Ridgeway, VanWert, Ohio, R-4,” (includes 1 postcard), undated
80. “Everett Mason,” August 30, 1949
81. “Marvin Putnam, Lafoutaine, R.2, Salamonia Trailer Ct.,” November 11, 1971
82. “Golf course, S. on #5,” May 10, 1972
83. “Buckeye Church Construction,” July 13, 1951
84. “Clear Creek H.S.,” March 5, 1949
85. “Ditzler-Kelley Lumber Co.,” March 5, 1949
86. “Rockwool, E. Edge of City,” March 7, 1949
87. “Lafoutaine Golf Course,” March 24, 1949
88. “Clear Creek H.S. - close to,” March 7, 1949
89. “Roscoe Cobb,” June 22, undated
90. “Bippus,” April 2, 1949
91. “South-East Bippus,” April 2, 1949
92. “E. on 218/3 or 1 - S.E. Prestous,” July 6, 1970
94. “2 Homes, E. edge - Montpelier,” July 6, 1970
95. “S. on #s - Loon Creek Ch., Roscoe Cobb farm,” October 16, 1970
98. “Canaera,” ? April, 1971
99. “Mrs. Marie Marbach, R. 5, Decatur, Ind.,” (numerous notations on envelope), April 19, 1951
100. “Bluffton Water Works and Electric Co., Beehler’s Trail, Bluffton Superintendents 2 houses,” October 29, 1974
101. “Joan Pasko (Vickery) Policeman’s House on #224 at curve,” October 29, 1974
102. “Parley E. Good, Delphos, Ohio,” 1955
103. “Joan Pasko, Policeman’s Home…,” October 29, 1974
105. "Don's Truck Stop," October 12, 1971
106. "Not printed," undated
108. "?? (28), undated
111. "Upland," September 27, 1968
112. "Chas. Golden, Rockford, also 2 negs. of Markle and N. edge," October 5, 1968
114. "Majenica, Hosler, also Baxters Restaurant and Dean Brown Farm and Max Miller," November 11, 1968
120. "Rockford crusher - Fred's ¼ N. Dutch ch. ?," October 2, 1976
121. "Bayless Seed Corn - Miller Port, also Wilfred Brown son farm, September 12, 1968
122. "Poneto," October 2, 1976
123. "Poneto," October 2, 1976
125. "1/2 E. V. Sparks," October 2, 1976
133. "? Sch.," November 5, 1968
134. "#303 - #124," October 5, 1968
135. "Bluffton - Ezra Kaehr ?," October 25, 1969
137. "Don Metzger's," July 21, 1971
139. "Markle," May 29, 1971
140. "#118 - Warren - Homes (2)," May 30, 1971
141. "Aca Paper ?," July 17, 1971
143. "Ora Mcdurg...", April 7, 1976
144. "1/2 E. Dan Fred's..." April 7, 1976
145. "Craigs, 124 E...", April 7, 1976
146. "Magley - Griffith," October 1, 1976
147. "1/4 N.W. Sumner Sheets - Rex DeHaven," October 2, 1976
149. “Walter Mowrey, Col. City - R-5…,” July 18, 1971
151. “Homes - Ware Baker area - Farms - 2 of them E. on #124, Bluffton…,” November 9, 1954
152. “Home areas just S. of Gerald’s and ¼ mi. S.W. Gerald’s woods,” November 9, 1954
153. “Location ?,” undated
154. “(Large Format),” undated
156. “Homes and Farms E. of Bluffton,” November 9, 1954
157. “? Location farm,” 1954
158. “Trailer Sales and Homes, Decatur,” November 9, 1954
159. “(Decatur) Printed, Fix,” November 9, 1954 ?
160. “(29) Not Printed, #285,” 1954
161. Important photo for early aviation, “Wakefield (Roanoke),” June 22, 1949
162. “Auto Wrecking Yard, N. Manchester, S.E. corner,” undated

Box 4  Aerial Negatives, 1949-1967

Envelope
1. “Roy W. Whitmore, 1 N. 1 ½ E. Mt. Etna,” undated
2. “Geo. C. Powell, 3-E. and 1 S. Bippus…,” September 22, 1949
3. “John W. Smelser,” undated
4. “Miles Jennings,” undated
7. “O.G. Walker, 626 Polk City,” undated
8. “Charles Love…,” October 25, 1949
11. “Charley C. Jones, 3 ½ S. Markle,” undated
12. “Fremont Mahoney,” undated
15. “Harvey Boundy, 1 ½ N. Lancaster,” undated
16. “Arthur R. Richardson, also, Barn Burning,” July 1950 and 1952
17. “Charles Hoover,” undated
18. “Pearl G. Zook,” undated
20. “L. Eldon Stephan, ½ N. - 1 W., Majenica,” undated
22. “Truman Pinkerton, 2 S. Mt. Etna,” undated
23. “Garry Byrd, 3-S.W. City,” undated
25. “Fred Schweikhardt, ½ N - 3 E. Van Buren,” undated
26. “Ed Young, 4 ½ W. Warren,” undated
27. “Charles Henricks, 6 E. City #224,” February 1951
28. “Russel Enyeart, 6 ½ E. City St. R. #224,” February 1951
33. “Gene Thompson, 3 - N.W. Warren,” undated
34. “Maggie Lahr, 3 N - ½ W - Warren,” undated
35. “Barnes, 2 N.W. Bangro,” undated
36. “Herman Stephen, S.E. Warren, ¼ N.,” undated
37. “Mrs. Charles Boxell, 3 ½ S.E. Warren,” undated
38. “Wm. Thorne, 2 ½ S. - Mt. Etna,” undated
40. “Charles Close (Farm - Lizzie Close) 4 S - ½ E. City,” undated
41. “Roy S. Garber, 7 S and ½ W. City,” undated
42. “Wayne Thompson, 2 ½ E - 2 N., Warren,” undated
43. “Charles F. Rhamy, 2 N ½ W, Bangro,” undated
44. “Russell Groff, 1-E, Mt. Etna,” undated
45. “Troy Hite, 7 W. Warren, Taylor Rd.,” undated
46. “Mrs. A.E. Heiney, 1 W - ¼ N. Lancaster,” undated
47. “Wm. Keith, 1 N, 1 W - Warren,” undated
49. “Augustus Karst, 1 - E. Monument City…,” undated
50. “Frank Pasko, ¾ S. ½ E. Simpson,” February 1951
51. “Robert Cavitt, 1 W ¾ S. Markle,” February 1951
52. “Mrs. G.H. Favorite, 3 W. City,” undated
53. “Russell Gerdes, 1 S - 1 E, Majenica,” undated
54. “Mr. and Mrs. William Wiley, 1 S - Lancaster,” undated
55. “Harold Yates (formerly known as the Todd Hawkins farm), 2 E., Mt. Etna,” undated
59. “Otto Walton, 3 ½ S. ½ W., Majenica,” undated
60. “O. C. McBride, ½ S. Andrews,” undated
61. “Elbridge Thompson, 1/2 N. ¾ W. - Majenica,” undated
63. “Michael Hartman, 7 S. City,” undated
64. “Fred Baker, 3 N.W., Lan. H.S. (Lancaster),” undated
65. “Israel Walters, 1-W., Plumtree,” undated
66. “Mrs. Gennie Shideler, 1 S. - 1 E. Majenica,” undated
67. “Hale Harvey, 1 N.E. Andrews,” undated
68. “Issac Ulrich, ¼ S. Lancaster H.S.,” undated
70. “John Smith, 1 ½ N.W. Majenica,” undated
71. “Herman Yates, ¼ S. - Jeff H.S…,” undated
72. “Lester Wilder, 1 min. - N. Troy ? Center H.S., Col. City #6,” undated
73. “Ollie G. Landstoffer, formerly called Haines Farm, 3 ¼ W. Roanoke…,” undated
74. “Bart Benson, City #5, ¼ W. - R.C.H.S.,” undated
76. “Harold Stanton,” undated
77. “Carl Smith,” undated
78. “Vaughn G. Hiffert, 3 - W. of Roanoke,” September 1, 1949
79. “(Nick) Rice, 3 E. Bippus, also Steinburgh,” undated
81. “Geo. Campbell, ½ E. and ¼ S. Union H.S.,” undated
82. “Howard McClurg, E.N. Settlenyer,” undated
84. “Linniger, City, R. #3,” undated
85. “Oliver Lahr,” undated
86. “Hampton Zook, 1st S. L.H.S.” (Lancaster High School), undated
87. “Carl J. Ford, Red Key - R-1, 2 ½ S. - Dunkirk,” undated
89. “Edward Ravas, Albany R-1,1-N.E. house only, avoid upper chicken house,” undated
90. “Chester Sloniker, Red Key, R. 1, 2 S. Dunkirk,” undated
91. “C. E. Darling, Farmland R-1, 2 E. 3 ½ N. - Parker,” undated
92. “John B. Smith, Parker, R-1, 2 E. 2/3 N.,” undated
93. “Glen Ingle Parker, R-1, 3 N. ½ W.,” undated
94. “Rollin O. Swingley, Farmland, R-1, 5 N. - Parker,” undated
95. “White, Benie,” (includes a handwritten map), September 14, 1967
96. “Decatur, Wrecking Yard,” (includes a handwritten map), September 14, 1967
100. Early Aviation Airport - “Miller Airport, Student Flights,” April 29, 1962

Series 4. Aerial Photographs, 1951-1976
(0.45 cubic feet)

Box 5  Aerial Photographs, 1951-1976

Item 1. Aerial photograph, 8" x 10", “Harry Landrum” farm, undated
2. Aerial photograph, 8" x 10", unidentified farm, June 28, 1954
3. Aerial photograph, 8" x 10", unidentified farm, undated
4. Aerial photograph, 8" x 10", unidentified farm, undated
5. Aerial photograph, 11” x 14”, unidentified farm, February 27, 1951
6. Aerial photograph, 11” x 14”, N.W. Preble, March 25, 1951
7. Aerial photograph, 11” x 14”, unidentified farm, May 19, 1951
8. Aerial photograph, 11” x 14”, unidentified farm, October 15, 1951
9. Aerial photograph, 11” x 14”, unidentified farm, August 23, 1952
10. Aerial photograph, 11” x 14”, unidentified farm (includes Christmas card with identical aerial photograph on front), May 3, 1953
11. Aerial photograph, 11” x 14”, “Rome Findling,” May 6, 1954
12. Aerial photograph, 11” x 14”, unidentified farm, May 6, 1954
13. Aerial photograph, 11” x 14”, unidentified farm, May 6, 1954
14. Aerial photograph, 11” x 14”, unidentified farm, May 6, 1954
15. Aerial photograph, 11” x 14”, unidentified farm, October 15, 1964
17. Aerial photograph, 16” x 20”, unidentified farm, July 6, 1972
18. Aerial photograph, 16” x 20”, “S.W. Wabash,” October 1975
19. Aerial photograph, 16” x 20”, “Hoover Egg Farm, 2 N. Urbana ½ E.,” April 5, 1976
20. Aerial photograph, 16” x 20”, “S.E. North Manchester,” April 5, 1976
21. Aerial photograph, 16” x 20”, “N. Magley or S.E. Ossian, May 12, 1976
22. Aerial photograph, 16” x 20”, unidentified farm, undated
23. Aerial photograph, 16” x 20”, unidentified farm, undated
24. Aerial photograph, 16” x 20”, unidentified farm, undated
25. Aerial photograph, 16” x 20”, unidentified farm, undated
26. Aerial photograph, 16” x 20”, unidentified elevator, undated
27. Aerial photograph, 16” x 20”, unidentified farm, undated
28. Aerial photograph, 16” x 20”, unidentified farm, undated
29. Aerial photograph, 16” x 20”, unidentified farm, undated
30. Aerial photograph, 16” x 20”, unidentified farm, undated

**Series 5. Artifacts, circa 1940s-1970s**

(2.90 cubic feet)

**Box 6  C-Clamp and Business Stamps, circa 1940s-1970s**

**Item**
1. C-clamp, to prop up camera, circa 1940s
3. Wood cut - Ralph Brown with his plane, undated

**Box 7  Homemade Camera in Wood Box, circa 1940s**
Item 1. Homemade camera in wood box, circa 1940s

Box 8  Homemade Wooden Negatives/Film Box, circa 1940s

Item 1. Homemade wooden negatives/film box, circa 1940s