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Summary Information

Repository:	Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special Collections Department
Title:	Mouw family papers
ID:	Collection 334
Date [inclusive]:	1907-1945
Physical Description:	3.8 Linear Feet Five boxes
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The William Mouw family lived in Grand Rapids, Michigan in the early 1900s. The family included three sons: Andrew, John and Cornelius. The family papers relate primarily to the son's involvement in World War I and to Andrew's work with youth and newsboys bands, such as the Grand Rapids News Jackies and the Drum & Bugle Corp. Also included is documentation of College M. Mouw (daughter of Andrew) as editor on the staff of the Wayne University College of Medicine.

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Biographical / Historical

Colette M. Mouw was editor on the staff of the Wayne University College of Medicine, and assisted with the preparation of the Norris publication found in this collection.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Grand Rapids (Mich.) -- History
- World War, 1914-1918
- Paperboys -- Michigan -- Grand Rapids
- family papers

Collection Inventory

Series I. Military

Scope and Contents

Includes items related to World War I, World War II, and Andrew Mouw's time in the navy. Items related to Mouw's service in the navy focus heavily on the Great White Fleet and the fleet's stops in various ports around the world.

Panoramic Rolled Photographs

Title/Description	Instances
32nd. Michigan Infantry, Col. L.C. Covell, Commanding. Camp Cotton, El Paso, Tex., 1916. J.U. Medley & L. Schulman. El Paso, Tex. (photographers)	Box 5
Co. I. 126 Infantry. Grayling, Mich. 1922. Spenser & Wyckoff, Detroit, Mich.	Box 5
126 HQ, Grayling, Mich. 1927. Wonderful clarity on this photo! To bad their hats cover their faces.	Box 5
H.G. Co. 126 Inf. Camp Grayling, 1924. Wasson photo. WWI? "Roy Rigdon"—pencil on verso.	Box 5
Unidentified photo, soldiers, 2 in front with flags.	Box 4 Folder 7

WWI

Title/Description	Instances	
How Grand Rapids Celebrated Peace : a collection of pictures that tells the story ... G.R. : Carr-Hutchins-Anderson Co. Photographs of Armistice Celebration.	Box 1	Folder 1
Newspaper Clipping. "Report Private Mouw Missing : GR member of 114th infantry was in Battle on Oct. 2" John H. Mouw, son of Mr. & Mrs. William Mouw. 24 yr. Old. ... Private Casey Mouw, a brother, is also in France. Andy Mouw, director of the Grand Rapids News Jackies, is another brother.	Box 2	
Newspaper Clipping. "Parents Proud of Youths Who Soon Leave for Border. Image: Mr. & Mrs. William Mouw. Andy, Corneil and John ...	Box 2	
Note		
Listed on envelop:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GR Press, Nov. 11, 1918 • GR Herald, April 14, 1918 • GR Press News, Nov. 11, 1918 • GR Herald, Nov. 28, 1918 		

General

Listed on envelop:

- 1 GR Press, Nov. 11, 1918
- 2 GR Herald, April 14, 1918
- 3 GR Press News, Nov. 11, 1918
- 4 GR Herald, Nov. 28, 1918

The Fleet / Navy**Ship Photographs / Misc. Navy Items**

Title/Description	Instances	
"The San Joaquin Valley of California." Southern Pacific Publications, San Francisco, California. Southern Pacific Railroad Co., circa 1908.	Box 1	Folder 2
Biographical / Historical		
Item lists Fresno as "36 years old" and Fresno was founded in 1872. This is the source of the date used.		
Navy Guide to Cavite and Manila : a practical guide and beautiful souvenir. For Free Distribution in the Fleet, circa 1900.	Box 1	Folder 3
Manila : the Pearl of the Orient.	Box 1	Folder 3

White envelop with fragile clippings of above article.

	Box 4	Folder 6
6 b/w identified photos including Andrew Mouw	Box 1	Folder 8
Photograph. U.S.S. Alabama (BB-8), pictured with crew, circa 1900.	Box 4	Folder 2
Biographical / Historical		
Andrew Mouw served aboard the U.S.S. Alabama. See the Grand Rapids Press, April 1, 1908, page 8 for a list of West Michigan men and the ships they served on.		
Photograph. U.S.S. Alabama (BB-8), in drydock with yardworkers aboard, circa 1900.	Box 4	Folder 2
Photograph. U.S.S. Kansas (BB-21), pictured with crew, circa 1907.	Box 4	Folder 1
Newspaper Clipping. Grand Rapids Press. "Admiral Bob Evans Tells Press Readers of Christmas Day with the Great Fleet," 1907-12-25.	Box 4	Folder 6
Newspaper Clipping. Grand Rapids Press. Gives list of names, including Andrews Mouw / Alabama & Frank Mouw / Rhode Island, and several others from Grand Rapids, 1908-04-01.	Box 4	Folder 6
Photocopy of broadside. "Welcome American Sailors. Moving Pictures. Cinematographe Avenida, Central Avenue N. 155 ...	Box 1	Folder 13

South & Central American Visit, 1908

Title/Description	Instances	
Lembraca de Sao Paulo [commercial photo album]	Box 1	Folder 11
Map of Mexico / compliments of W.G. Walz Co.	Box 1	Folder 11
Welcome American Seaman, Rio De Janeiro, Jannary, 1908	Box 1	Folder 11
Racilities for American Seamen, on shore leave in Rio de Janeiro, Jan. 1908.	Box 1	Folder 11

Admiral Evans Fleet & SW US Visit

Title/Description	Instances	
Santa Barbara Flower Festival, Apr. 25-30, 1908	Box 1	Folder 14
San Francisco : A vistor's Guide. [folding]	Box 1	Folder 14
A Little Journal to Ancient YSLETA : Rio Grande Valley Traction Co. [folded]	Box 1	Folder 14
Official Program. ... Evans Fleet Celebration. San Diego, Calif. Apr. 14-18, 1908	Box 1	Folder 14
Entertainment Program. 14,000 enlisted men of Admiral Evans' Fleet. Los Angeles, Calif. 1908 (2 copies)	Box 1	Folder 14

Australia / New Zealand Visit

Title/Description	Instances	
Franco-British Exhibition, London, 1908. Rural New South Wales. Australia.	Box 1	Folder 15
Official Programm : visit of the American Fleet to New Zealand, Auckland, Aug. 1908.	Box 1	Folder 15
Souvenir of the Visit of the American Fleet to New Zealand, Auckland, Aug. 1908.	Box 1	Folder 15
The Rotomahana Round Trip. Issued by the New Zealand Government Dept. of Tourist & Health Resorts. 1907.	Box 1	Folder 15
A Welcome to New South Wales, Australia, for the United State Fleet, Aug. 1908.	Box 1	Folder 15
Visit of the Fleet of the United State of American : Programme for Sydney, 20-27 August, 1907 / Issued by the Commonwealth Government. [Nice Art Nouvean usage on cover]	Box 1	Folder 15
Making a Home in New Zealand : the Story of a Successful Emigrant (2 copies)	Box 1	Folder 15

Postcards

Title/Description	Instances	
Postcards. Images of American Pre-Dreadnoughts / Armored Cruisers at sea.	Box 1	Folder 12

Programs/Menus for Events, 1907-1908

Title/Description	Instances	
Farewell Reception by the Crew of U.S.S. Vermont, July 4, 1908, San Francisco, Calif.	Box 1	Folder 9
Banquet to the United States of American Fleet, Sydney Town Hall, 23rd August, 1908. Cover loose.	Box 1	Folder 9
Grand Rehearsal by Vandeville Performers of the U.S.S. Alabama, Apr. 8, 1908 at Magdalena Bay, Mexico (2)	Box 1	Folder 9
Thanksgiving. U.S.S. Alabama, Flagship, 1907.	Box 1	Folder 9
Enlisted Men of the Atlantic Fleet. Attention ... Cooke & Christiance, Printers, 1148 2nd St.	Box 1	Folder 10

Asia Visit

Title/Description	Instances	
Official Program for the Reception of the American Fleet at Yokohama and Tokya. [Tokyo] Oct. 17-24, 1908 / issued by the Japanese Reception Committee, 1908-10-17 - 1908-10-24.	Box 1	Folder 7

The Naval Y.M.C.A. Welcomes the Battleship Fleet to Manila. [flyer], n.d.	Box 1	Folder 7
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Our Mascot. Navy [serial]

Title/Description	Instances	
v. 1, no. 3, Mar. 1908	Box 1	Folder 5
v. 1, no. 1, Jan. 1908	Box 1	Folder 5

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Series II. (Newsboys) GR News Jackies, Drum & Bugle Corp.

Clippings

Title/Description	Instances	
Andy / Andrew Mouw clippings & photocopies of clippings	Box 1	Folder 16

Scrapbooks

Title/Description	Instances	
Ideal Scrapbook with loose cover. Includes clippings, numerous photos, flimsy folded newsprint sign for camp, oversized broadside / folded, Saramac broadside, ephemera, loose items, correspondence, RE GR News Drum & Bugle Corps, GR News Jackies, newsboys. WWI fundraising.	Box 3	
Tall Ideal Scrapbook with loose covers. Clippings, photos, ephemera, broadsides, tickets, programs, correspondence, Michigan Kiwanian, GR Press, GR Herald Zouaves Bugle Corp. 1920's. Many loose items, including photos in a rusty paperclip.	Box 3	
Unprocessed Newsboy / Herald Photos & Ephemera	Box 3	

Photographs

Title/Description	Instances	
Photograph. Drum & Bugle Corps/Boyscouts, Andy Mouw center, n.d.	Box 4	Folder 4
Photograph. Drum & Bugle Corps/Boyscouts, Andy Mouw top left, n.d.	Box 4	Folder 4
Photograph. Drum & Bugle Corps/Boyscouts, n.d.	Box 4	Folder 4
Photograph. News Jackies, the Drum & Bugle Corps of the Grand Rapids News, on parade, Andrew Mouw conducting, 1919-05-30.	Box 4	Folder 5

Photograph. News Jackies, the Drum & Bugle Corps of the Grand Rapids News, group photo, Andrew Mouw conducting, 1919-05-30.	Box 4	Folder 5
Photograph. "School Days," Cast on Stage. Michigan Soldiers' Home, North Park, Grand Rapids, Michigan, circa 1913.	Box 4	Folder 5
Photograph. News Jackies, the Drum & Bugle Corps of the Grand Rapids News, Andy Mouw third row, farthest right, n.d.	Box 4	Folder 5
Photo Postcards, military camp life / Newsboys. WWI Era.	Box 1	Folder 17
Newsboys/Military. Photo Postcards, circa 1910.	Box 1	Folder 18
Photographs. National Guard and Navy Photographs. 12 Images.	Box 1	Folder 19
Photographs. News Jackies on parade / "Grand Rapids News" Band at Shelby, 4th Liberty Loan.	Box 1	Folder 21
Photograph. Large oversized photo on board of GR News Jackies, Drum & bugle	Box 4	Folder 3
Photographs. Miscellaneous Travel Photos, 1916	Box 1	Folder 22
Photograph. Oversized on board. The On To Washington Bunch, 1913-03-02.	Box 2	

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Series III. Family

Andy Mouw

Title/Description	Instances	
3 civilian photos, upholsters, including Andy Mouw	Box 1	Folder 20

Church related

Title/Description	Instances	
The Voice of the Lord in the Garden / by Agnes E. Weston. Royal Sailor's Rests. Portsmouth and Devonport. Sept. 1907 [From YMCA]	Box 1	Folder 6
Epworth Methodist Episopal Church, South. Norfolk, Virginia. [Service program]	Box 1	Folder 6

Collette Mouw

Title/Description	Instances	
The Medical Science Center of Wayne University / by Edgar Hughes Norris. Detroit, Mi., 1943-07-07.	Box 6	

General

Inscribed to Colette Mouw by Norris Colette Mouw was editor, Wayne Univ. College of Medicine, who assisted with the manuscript.

The Detroit Medical Newsboys / Weekly by the Wayne Co. Medical Society. v. 35, no. 1, Aug. 30, 1943. Has article: "The Medical Science Center" / abstract of a "Prospectus" by Coletta M. Mouw, editor ...

Box 6

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