

Andrew S. Iddings Wright Brothers Homecoming Collection

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Summary/Abstract: Collection consists of negatives with accompanying contact prints, taken by Andrew S. Iddings, of the June 17-18, 1909 Dayton Homecoming Celebration to honor Orville and Wilbur Wright for their achievements in flight. In addition to members of the Wright family, other notable figures in the photographs are Ohio Governor Judson Harmon, Dayton Mayor Edward E. Burkhardt, General James Allen, and Lt. Frank Lahm.

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Biographical/Historical Note:

Andrew S. Iddings was born on October 18, 1880, in Dayton, Ohio. He was a lawyer by profession, but was also interested in exploration and photography. In 1902, he was given the opportunity to tour the Canadian Northwest as a guest of the Canadian government. Later he traveled to many parts of the world including Mexico, and parts of the Near East, South America, and Africa. During his travels Iddings tried to capture the wonders of these areas with his camera. Working for the Keystone View Company, he took thousands of stereographic photographs that entertained and educated Americans on various cultures of the world. Iddings was always a supporter of Dayton, Ohio. He served on many different civic and cultural boards until his death in 1974 and the age of 93.

Scope and Content

The collection visually documents the two-day Homecoming Celebration which was a salute to the Wrights' accomplishments in aviation. The Wrights had just returned from successful exhibition flights in France, Germany, and Italy where they received accolades from heads of states and gained fame throughout Europe. The event included receptions, parades, concerts, and firework displays all in honor of Dayton's hometown heroes. Daytonians were even given the opportunity to shake hands with Orville and Wilbur at the Dayton YMCA building, then on the corner of Third and Ludlow. On June 18th, at a ceremony at the fairgrounds, Orville and Wilbur received a Congressional Medal, a State of Ohio gold medal presented by Governor Judson Harmon, and a City of Dayton medal from Mayor Edward E. Burkhardt.

Subject Terms:**Persons/Families**

Wright, Wilbur, 1867-1912 -- Photographs

Wright, Orville, 1871-1948 -- Photographs

Wright, Katharine, 1874-1929 -- Photographs

Wright, Milton, 1828-1917 -- Photographs

Wright, Lorin -- Photographs

Wright, Reuchlin -- Photographs

Miller, Ivonette Wright -- Photographs

Allen, James, General, 1849-1933 -- Photographs.

Burkhardt, Edward E. – Photographs
 Lahm, Frank Purdy, 1877-1963 – Photographs
 Harmon, Judson, 1846-1927 – Photographs

Organizations/Corporate Names

Dayton (Ohio) Homecoming Celebration -- 1909

Places

Dayton (Ohio) – History – Pictorial works

Material Types

Photographs
 Negatives

Collection Inventory

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1	1	Wilbur and Orville Wright holding medals with human flag in the background at Montgomery County Fairgrounds, Dayton, Ohio. Ivonette Wright (bow in her hair) is seated behind Wilbur Wright.	1909 June
	2	Ohio Governor Judson Harmon and City of Dayton Mayor Edward E. Burkhardt.	1909 June
	3	Don Carlos Garcia Valez, U.S. Minster from Cuba, in conversation with other guests.	1909 June
	4	Presentation of United States Congressional Medal to Wilbur and Orville Wright by General James Allen, Chief Signal Officer, United States Army. Lt. Frank P. Lahm, with his back to the camera.	1909 June
	5	Mayor Edward E. Burkhardt presenting the City of Dayton Medals to Orville and Wilbur Wright.	1909 June
	6	The arrival of Governor Judson Harmon at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds, Dayton, Ohio.	1909 June
	7	Lt. Frank P. Lahm, Ivonette, Wilbur, Orville, and Bishop Milton Wright on stage.	1909 June
	8	Wilbur Landis, a member of the Ten Dayton Boys, exiting a coach followed by Bishop Milton Wright.	1909 June
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1	9	Profile shot of Don Carlos Garcia Valez, U.S. Minster from Cuba.	1909 June
	10	Governor Judson Harmon arriving at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds, Dayton, Ohio.	1909 June
	11	General James Allen reading presidential and congressional citations preceding presentation of United States Congressional Medal honoring Wilbur and Orville Wright.	1909 June
	12	View of the "Court of Honor," Third and Main Streets, Dayton, Ohio.	1909 June
	13	Lt. Frank P. Lahm, Ivonette Wright, Wilbur Wright, and General James Allen (with back to camera).	1909 June
	14	Bishop Milton Wright and Orville Wright arriving at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds, Dayton, Ohio.	1909 June
	15	A view of the crowd, the human flag, and dignitaries awaiting buglers' call at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds, Dayton, Ohio.	1909 June
	16	Bishop Milton Wright and Orville Wright.	1909 June
	17	Reuchlin, Lorin, Orville and Wilbur Wright.	1909 June
	18	Wilbur and Orville Wright with Governor Judson Harmon.	1909 June
	19	Dayton Fire Department hook and ladder wagon.	1909 June
	20	Governor Judson Harmon riding in an automobile in the parade.	1909 June
	21	Bishop Milton Wright delivering the invocation.	1909 June
	22	Bishop Milton Wright delivering the invocation.	1909 June
	23	Bishop Milton Wright and Orville Wright arriving at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds, Dayton, Ohio.	1909 June
	24	Orville and Wilbur Wright accepting citation in Cooper Park prior to appearing at "Court of Honor."	1909 June
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1	25	Wilbur Wright arriving at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds, Dayton, Ohio.	1909 June
	26	Katharine Wright entering coach.	1909 June
	27	Katharine Wright with Orville and Wilbur Wright (right).	1909 June
	28	Orville Wright standing among the crowd of spectators. Katharine Wright with her back to the camera.	1909 June
	29	Governor Judson Harmon displaying the State of Ohio Medal to the assembly. Wilbur, Orville, and Milton Wright seated on stage. The human flag is in the background.	1909 June
	30	Bishop Wright, Orville and Wilbur Wright seated on stage. A man in costume is in the foreground.	1909 June
	31	Buglers signaling the arrival of the Orville and Wilbur Wright and other dignitaries at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds, Dayton, Ohio.	1909 June
	32	Don Carlos Garcia Valez, U.S. Minister from Cuba, in conversation with other spectators.	1909 June
	33	Don Carlos Garcia Valez, U.S. Minister from Cuba, in conversation with General James Allen	1909 June
	34	Wilbur and Orville Wright holding medals. Ivonette Wright (with bow in hair) is seated behind Wilbur Wright.	1909 June
	35	Orville Wright entering coach preparing to leave Dayton to entrain to Washington, D.C., to demonstrate the Wright 1909 Signal Corp Flyer to the United States Army at Fort Myer, VA.	1909 June
	36	Governor Judson Harmon presenting the State of Ohio Medal to Orville and Wilbur Wright. Ivonette, Leontine, and Katharine Wright are seated behind them.	1909 June
	37	Sprigg McMahon, Master of Ceremony for the Homecoming Celebration entering a coach.	1909 June
	38	Bishop Milton Wright, Lorin, Orville, and Wilbur Wright.	1909 June
	39	Woman riding in sedan chair.	1909 June
	40	Wilbur, Orville (standing), and Bishop Milton Wright. Ivonette, Leontine, and Katharine Wright seated directly behind them.	1909 June
	41	Patterson School boys dressed as colonial soldiers, standing in formation.	1909 June

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1	42	Human flag with Lt. Frank P. Lahm, Ivonette, Leontine, Wilbur, Orville , and Bishop Milton Wright.	1909 June
	43	Lt. Frank P. Lahm with human flag in background.	1909 June
	44	Bishop Milton Wright, Lorin, Orville, and Wilbur Wright.	1909 June
	45	Horse drawn carriages in the parade.	1909 June
	46	Human flag composed of school children, with view of crowd in foreground. Buglers are signaling the arrival of the Orville and Wilbur Wright and other dignitaries at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds, Dayton, Ohio.	1909 June
	47	Governor Judson Harmon presenting the State of Ohio Medal to Wilbur Wright. (Image not available in CORE Scholar)	1909 June
	48	City of Dayton Mayor Edward E. Burkhardt presenting the City of Dayton Medals to Wilbur and Orville Wright. Ivonette, Leontine, and Katharine Wright are seated behind them.	1909 June
	49	Governor Judson Harmon presenting the State of Ohio Medal to Orville Wright. Wilbur and Bishop Milton Wright seated in first row. Ivonette and Leontine Wright are in the second row. (Image not available in CORE Scholar)	1909 June
	50	Slightly different view of #49.	1909 June
	51	Slightly different view of #47.	1909 June
	52	Duplicate of #49.	1909 June
	53	Group shot of Mayor Edward E. Burkhardt (center), Wilbur and Orville Wright, and Bishop Wright.	1909 June
	54	Patterson School boys dressed as colonial soldiers.	1909 June
	55	United States Army Troops.	1909 June
	56	Second Infantry Regiment, United States Army.	1909 June
	57	Native Americans dancing in front of the "Court of Honor."	1909 June
	58	Parade on Main Street with Fire Engine of Dayton Fire Department.	1909 June
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1	59	Pony cart with ladies.	1909 June
	60	View of parade forming on First Street.	1909 June
	61	Airship float in parade.	1909 June
	62	View of one of four artworks displayed at Third and Main Street. Sculptor Joseph A. Hackert, assisted by artist, Henry Kabiersky. The work is a canopied rectangle roof supported by four columns which rest on a 6' x 12' x 6' base, on which a female statue sits supporting the first airplane raised about her head with her right arm, and balancing a globe on her upper left arm with her left hand.	1909 June
	63	United States Army in parade.	1909 June
	64	Reviewing Stand adjacent to the "Court of Honor."	1909 June
	65	Mounted and Unmounted Unit of the United States Army.	1909 June
	66	Marching Military Band.	1909 June
	67	Ohio National Guard soldiers.	1909 June
	68	Members of parade marching to Van Cleve Park for the opening ceremonies.	1909 June
	69	Aerial view of crowd at the "Court of Honor" and north along Main Street.	1909 June
	70	The Covered Wagon (Pittsburgh to Dayton).	1909 June
	71	Katharine Wright with Lt. Frank P. Lahm.	1909 June
	72	City of Dayton Fire Department ladder wagon.	1909 June
	73	City of Dayton Fire Department ladder wagon.	1909 June
	74	Seating area of Reviewing Stand, with flag and oversize photograph of the Wright Brothers in background.	1909 June
	75	Parade route north with spectators spilling on to street after parade had passed.	1909 June
	76	View of the human flag.	1909 June
	77	Float with school children paying court to the Parade Queen, Helen Fishter, holding aloft a model of the first airplane.	1909 June
	78	A view of spectators and the human flag.	1909 June
	79	Lt. Frank P. Lahm, Katharine Wright, and General James Allen.	1909 June
	80	Horse-drawn float featuring small model of a hot air balloon.	1909 June
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1	81	Float featuring a model of a railroad locomotive.	1909 June
	82	Float featuring a model of a river barge.	1909 June
	83	Man dressed as a herald.	1909 June
	84	Ohio National Guard soldiers marching.	1909 June
	85	Mayor Edward E. Burkhardt, Governor Judson Harmon, and General James Allen at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds, Dayton, Ohio.	1909 June
	86	Patterson School students dressed like Colonial soldiers.	1909 June
	87	Christopher Columbus with Jonathan Dayton (on stool).	1909 June
	88	Float featuring the Stephenson Steam Engine.	1909 June
	89	Patterson School boys dressed as colonial soldiers marching in close order drill.	1909 June
	90	An oblique view of the float shown in negative #77.	1909 June
	91	Mayor Edward E. Burkhardt, Governor Judson Harmon, and General James Allen.	1909 June
	92	Looking north on Main Street toward the parade route.	1909 June
	93	City of Dayton Fire Department hose wagon.	1909 June
	94	General James Allen and Lt. Frank P. Lahm (left) on horseback.	1909 June
	95	Katharine Wright.	1909 June
	96	Parade float.	1909 June
	97	Mayor Edward E. Burkhardt and Governor Judson Harmon.	1909 June
	98	Mayor Edward E. Burkhardt and Governor Judson Harmon.	1909 June
	99	Ox cart.	1909 June
	100	Men dressed as pilgrims marching.	1909 June
	101	Airship float.	1909 June
	102	Canal boat float.	1909 June
	103	City of Dayton Fire Department steam pumper.	1909 June
	104	Float with model of the Claremont, the first steamboat.	1909 June
	105	Ohio State Militia passing in review.	1909 June
	106	Man dressed as herald reading a scroll.	1909 June
	107	Equestrian Mounted Unit.	1909 June
	108	Float with model of early locomotive.	1909 June
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1	109	United States Navy Unit.	1909 June
	110	Aerial view of the "Court of Honor," reviewing stand, and north along parade route.	1909 June
	111	Mounted Unit.	1909 June
	112	City of Dayton Fire Department steam pumper.	1909 June
	113	Troops approaching reviewing stand.	1909 June
	114	Boys dressed like Native Americans with a float.	1909 June
	115	City of Dayton Fire Department steam pumper.	1909 June
	116	Mounted and marching soldiers.	1909 June
	117	View of floats on parade route.	1909 June
	118	Scene in Cooper Park prior to Homecoming Celebration, showing Orville Wright seated. Wright was met by Jonathan Dayton (in the person of Webster Kennedy).	1909 June
	119	General view of parade and spectators.	1909 June
	120	View of part of the 75,000 spectators in attendance at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds, Dayton, Ohio.	1909 June
	121	Actors dressed as pilgrims following the ox cart.	1909 June
	122	Globe supporting the Wright Flyer.	1909 June
	123	Wilbur Kennedy portrays Jonathan Dayton, followed by a herald.	1909 June
	124	Military band.	1909 June
	125	Marching group in native dress representing many nationalities.	1909 June
	126	United States Naval Detachment followed The Revolutionary War Unit, and other groups.	1909 June
	127	View of a portion of the parade.	1909 June
	128	View of Soldiers Monument and entrance to "Court of Honor."	1909 June
	129	City of Dayton Fire Department hook and ladder wagon.	1909 June
	130	City of Dayton Fire Department personnel and apparatus on parade.	1909 June
	131	Ohio National Guard Band.	1909 June
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1	132	City of Dayton Fire Department steam pumper passing review stand.	1909 June
	133	Hot air balloon float and airship float.	1909 June
	134	Ivonette Wright in review seats in "Court of Honor."	1909 June
	135	City of Dayton Fire Department steam pumper.	1909 June
	136	Ohio National Guard soldiers.	1909 June
	137	United States Navy Unit.	1909 June
	138	City of Dayton Fire Department aerial water tower.	1909 June
	139	Statuary, "Court of Honor."	1909 June
	140	City of Dayton Fire Department steam pumper.	1909 June
	141	City of Dayton Fire Department steam pumper.	1909 June
	142	Reviewing stands.	1909 June
	143	Model of traction car float.	1909 June
	144	United States Army Band.	1909 June
	145	Fire Department hook and ladder wagon.	1909 June
	146	Floats in parade.	1909 June
	147	Dayton Fire Department personnel marching.	1909 June
	148	(There is no photo # 148.)	1909 June
	149	Double exposed image of Wilbur, Orville, and Bishop Milton Wright on stage.	1909 June
	150	Blurred image of spectators at Montgomery County Fairgrounds.	1909 June
	151	Double-exposed image of Wilbur Wright on stage.	1909 June
	152	Blurred overhead view of crowd on Main Street.	1909 June
	153	Blurred overhead view of crowd on Main Street.	1909 June
	154	Double-exposed image of Dayton Fire Department parade.	1909 June
	155	Double-exposed image of Wilbur Wright arriving at medals ceremony.	1909 June
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