ELMER TAFLINGER
PAPERS, 1890-1980

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ACCESSION NUMBERS: 1992.0726x; 1997.0487


BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Elmer Edward Taflinger (1891-1981), a native of Indianapolis, was the son of Thomas Jefferson Taflinger (b. 1863?) and Clemence T. (Clark/Clarke-marriage license) Taflinger (1867?-1954). He had one sister, Coral Oleva. He attended Manual Training High School, where he studied art under Otto Stark (1859-1926, see also: Visual Collections for Stark drawing). During his youth Taflinger worked as a stagehand at the Murat Theatre and at English’s Opera House (see also: M 451, English Theatre Records). He studied art at the New York Art Students’ League for six years before being hired by stage producer David Belasco (1853-1931). Taflinger worked in various capacities, including art director and stage manager, under Belasco from 1914 to 1922. His duties included designing costumes, sets, and lighting, scouting plays, and casting. After leaving Belasco, Taflinger traveled in Europe for a short time. He returned to New York City and re-entered the Art Student’s League, where he studied under George B. Bridgeman (1864-1943), a well-known teacher of the human figure. Taflinger’s drawings would later be included in an anatomy textbook by Bridgeman. Taflinger divided his time between his work and studies in New York and studies in Florence, Italy. Before beginning a position at the Minneapolis School of Art in 1925, Taflinger contracted diphtheria while on one of his trips to Italy. During his first year at the art school, Taflinger suffered from progressive paralysis, a result of the disease, but still taught his classes. At the end of the academic year, Taflinger's health had improved and he returned to Florence, Italy, to continue his studies. He returned to the United States in 1927 and moved to Indianapolis a year later, where he worked in the studio of printmakers George Jo and Gordon B. Mess (see also: OM 372, George Jo Mess Scrapbook) and taught at the Circle Art Academy. In 1934, he established a studio in a two-story carriage house at 158 East 14th Street. Taflinger taught life-drawing courses at this location for a number of years. He also taught at the Indianapolis Art League (now the Indianapolis Art Center) until 1965. His most enduring works of art include the mural Apotheosis of Science (1938), the fresco The Triumph of the Ideal (1940), a wedding present to his sister, and The Ruins, located in Holliday Park (see also: SC 2585, Karl Bitter Statuary Papers). The Ruins are part of Constitution Mall, an area of the park designed by Taflinger. Taflinger’s work in the project was part of a twenty year controversy involving the funding and design of the project. It was eventually dedicated in 1978. Taflinger was no stranger to controversy. In 1933, he petitioned to change his place of birth in protest of a commission for the 1934 Chicago World’s Fair given to non-resident Thomas Hart Benton by Indiana’s world’s fair committee. Taflinger was a strong vocal force in the Indianapolis arts community throughout much of his later life. In his later years, he focused on completing his autobiography, "Revolting Hoosier, A Modest Autobiography," which he worked on periodically for over 30 years.

Coral Oleva (Taflinger) Black (1894-1978) was the sister of Elmer Taflinger. She graduated from Manual Training High School and received bachelor’s and master’s degrees from Columbia University Teacher’s College. She married Robert Lovell Black and was a lifelong resident of Indianapolis. Coral worked for Indianapolis Public Schools for 51 years as a history teacher at Manual and as principal at School #15; she retired in 1964. Like her brother, Coral was interested in art. She received many awards at Indiana State Fair competitions and was the first recipient of the Taflinger Award given by the Indianapolis Art League Foundation.

Sources: Materials in the collection
The Indianapolis Star. 9 January 1933, p. 1; 4 April 1976, sec. 5, p. 1; 7 August 1978, p. 27
This collection consists of the correspondence and personal papers of Indianapolis artist Elmer Taflinger. It also includes manuscripts, teaching files, and photographs, as well as correspondence and papers relating to members of his family. Material is arranged chronologically within each format. Student files are arranged alphabetically.

The correspondence (1900-1979, n.d.) contains many letters written by Taflinger to his family. They trace his life from 1910, when he left Indianapolis, to his return in 1928. They detail his art studies, work with David Belasco, teaching, and his relationship with his long-time girlfriend, Jessica Daube (d. 1965). The majority of the later correspondence is of a general nature. Typescripts of correspondence (1900-1928, n.d.) include letters from Taflinger to his family, letters between Taflinger and Jessica Daube, and letters from "Marcelle" and Mary Ellis. The groups were bound in separate binders; they have been kept in their original grouping. A small amount of miscellaneous correspondence in also present, including letters of reference from George Bridgeman and a short note written by Indiana artist Otto Stark.

Personal papers include school compositions, invitations and programs, receipts and financial papers, passports, and membership cards. A large number of newspaper clippings (1941-1980, n.d.) center on Taflinger's involvement in the Indianapolis arts community, especially his work at Holliday Park. Following the clippings is material from Taflinger's subject files on David Belasco, John Holliday, Holliday Park and Karl Bitter. Much of it is photocopies of books, articles and newspaper clippings. There are five architectural drawings, which may have been for a house Taflinger and Daube began building in Cuernavaca, Mexico in the mid-1960's. Miscellaneous material includes postcards, Taflinger's military registration documents, satirical verses regarding George Bridgeman, and a 1980 program for John Muir Day.

Teaching and student files (1930-1956) include lectures and classroom registers. The student files are for veterans who took part in a training or education program (1946-1951). Taflinger apparently kept files for each student, along with separate files for transcripts, class schedules, and receipts. The files are organized alphabetically within each format. Also present are general receipts for this time period. Miscellaneous teaching material includes lists of students, financial accounts, correspondence and documents from the United States Veteran’s Administration, an announcement for the opening of Taflinger’s classes (1954-55), and a course of study for his studio.

The collection also contains drafts of Taflinger’s autobiography, "Revolting Hoosier, A Modest Autobiography." The work was written over a thirty-year span and many of the drafts are undated. However, an attempt was made during the arrangement of the collection to organize the drafts to reflect the various stages of the autobiography. It is believed that this organization represents a general timeline for Taflinger’s writing of the book. The majority of the drafts are for the first three sections only. A final draft of "Revolting Hoosier" (incomplete) and notes for the work are included. These are followed by other writings by Taflinger, including drafts and notes for stories and plays.

A small number of exhibition catalogues featuring Taflinger’s work are present. Publications and printed material includes The Mirror, Manual Training High School’s literary magazine, which features contributions by Elmer and Coral Taflinger. Other items contain information about Taflinger or involve art-related matters. Two small pamphlets by Robert L. Black describe Taflinger’s mural, "The Apotheosis of Science."

The printed items are followed by postcards (ca. 1939-1959) received by Taflinger from fellow HAM radio operators and blank copies of his own operator's postcard. There are also seven reel-to-reel tapes recorded by Taflinger. The tapes were transferred onto two cassette tapes; an archival copy and a user copy were made of each.

The family papers include correspondence and material relating mostly to Taflinger’s parents and sister. The majority of the correspondence (1907-1965, n.d.) was written by Coral Taflinger to her parents while she was in college or while she and her husband were traveling. A notebook that could not be assigned to a specific family member, a marriage license, invitations and programs and Clemence Taflinger’s scrapbook follow. Material relating to Coral (Taflinger) Black includes school items, a scrapbook kept by her and her husband, and another scrapbook, probably owned by the Blacks also. An autograph book and items regarding the estate of Martha L. Springer (d. 1937), a friend of the Taflinger family, are present.

Visual materials include many photographs of members of the Taflinger and Clark families. A number of snapshots, ca. 1960’s-1970’s, (Box 22, Folders 26-29, Box 23) were included with the Taflinger material, but little documentation was provided. They are mostly of sites and events in Indianapolis and unidentified individuals.
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3 Correspondence--1911, May-Dec.
4 Correspondence--1912, Jan.-Oct.
5 Correspondence--1912, Nov.-Dec.
6 Correspondence--1913, Jan.-Feb.
7 Correspondence--1913, Mar.-May
8 Correspondence--1913, June-Dec.
9 Correspondence--1914, Jan.-Mar.
10 Correspondence--1914, Apr.-June
11 Correspondence--1914, July-Dec.
12 Correspondence--1915, Jan.-June
13 Correspondence--1915, July-Dec.
14 Correspondence--1916, Jan.-May
15 Correspondence--1916, June-Dec.
16 Correspondence--1917
17 Correspondence--1918, Jan.-June
18 Correspondence--1918, July-Dec.
19 Correspondence--1919, Jan.-June
20 Correspondence--1919, July-Oct.
21 Correspondence--1919, Nov.-Dec.
22 David Belasco Cablegrams (Typescripts)--1920-1922
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11 Correspondence--1940-1959
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13 Correspondence--n.d.
14 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1900
15 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1910
16 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1911
17 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1912
18 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1913, Jan.-May
19 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1913, June-Dec.
20 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1914
21 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1915
22 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1916
23 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1917
24 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1918
25 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1919
26 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1920-1921
27 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1922
28 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1923
29 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1924, Jan.-May
30 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1924, June-Dec.
31 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1925

BOX 4: Correspondence Typescripts, 1926-1928, n.d.; Miscellaneous Correspondence, 1904-1926; Personal
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2 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1926, Aug.-Dec.
3 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1927
4 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1923 (Jessica Daube)
5 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1924 (Jessica Daube)
6 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1925 (Jessica Daube)
7 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1926 (Jessica Daube)
8 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1927, Jan.-Feb. (Jessica Daube)
9 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1927, Mar.-Dec. (Jessica Daube)
10 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1928, n.d. (Jessica Daube)
11 Correspondence--Typescripts, 1926 ("Marcelle"), n.d. (Mary Ellis)
12 Miscellaneous Correspondence, 1904-1926 (See also: OMB 69, Box 1, Folder 1)
13 High School Compositions, 1906
14 Invitations and Programs, 1903-1908
15 Passports, 1920-1926
16 Receipt Book, 1910-1911
17 Receipts, 1927-1968, n.d.
18 Hotel Receipts and Tourist Material, 1931
19 Financial Papers, 1966-1967
20 List of Taflinger Drawings; "Data Concerning Mural Painting in the Home of Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Black"; "The Apotheosis of Science" Table of Contents (See also: OMB 69, Box 1, Folder 2)
21 Membership Cards, 1930-1979, n.d.
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23 Addresses and Address Lists
24 Address Books

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1 Newspaper Clippings, 1941-1969 (See also: OMB 69, Box 1, Folder 3)
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4 Notes and Proofs for *Indianapolis Star* article (Apr. 4, 1976) re: Holliday Park
5 Notes and Proofs for *Indianapolis Star* article (Apr. 4, 1976) re: Elmer Taflinger
6 Newspaper Clippings, 1978-1980
7 Newspaper Clippings, n.d.
8 Re: Belasco Productions (folder 1)
9 Re: Belasco Productions (folder 2)
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4 Lectures, 1935 (folder 2)
5 Lectures, 1935 (folder 3)
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8 Classroom Registers--1936-37, 1937-38
9 Classroom Registers--1938-39, 1939-40
10 Classroom Registers--1940-41, 1941-42
11 Classroom Registers--1942-43, 1943-44
12 Classroom Registers--1944-45, 1945-46
13 Material from 1944-45 Register
14 Classroom Registers--1946-47, 1947-48
15 Classroom Registers--1948-49, 1949-50
16 Classroom Registers--1950-51, 1951-52
17 Classroom Registers--1952-53, 1953-54
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19 Material from 1955-56 Register
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6 Student Files--1946-48, G
7 Student Files--1946-48, Ha-Ht
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14 Student Files--1946-48, U-V
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16 Student Files--1946-51, Transcripts, A-E
17 Student Files--1946-51, Transcripts, F-L
18 Student Files--1946-51, Transcripts, M-Z
19 Student Files--Schedules
20 Student Files--Receipts
21 Receipts, 1944-June 1946
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25 Miscellaneous Teaching Files, ca. 1945-1947


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10 Partial Draft (folder 3)

11 Partial Draft (folder 4)

12 Partial Draft (folder 5)

13 Partial Draft (folder 6)

14 Partial Draft (folder 7)

15 Partial Draft (folder 8)

16 Partial Draft (folder 9)

17 Partial Draft (folder 10)

18 Partial Draft (folder 11)

19 Partial Draft (folder 12)

20 Draft 1 (folder 1)

21 Draft 1 (folder 2)

22 Draft 1 (folder 3)

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8 Draft 6 (folder 1) ca. 1964-1965?
9 Draft 6 (folder 2) ca. 1964-1965?
10 Draft 6 (folder 3) ca. 1964-1965?
11 Draft 6 (folder 4) ca. 1964-1965?
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7 "Black Pearl, Jade and Old Iron" notes and drafts

8 "The Indy 500" notes and drafts (folder 1)

9 "The Indy 500" notes and drafts (folder 2)

10 "I Wish It Had Happened To Me" (folder 1)

11 "I Wish It Had Happened To Me" (folder 2)
12 "Mad, Mad, and Madder" notes
13 "The Other Man’s Game"
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15 "Three Steps Down From the Curb" drafts
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17 "Those--‘Wholly’...Women" (folder 1)
18 "Those--‘Wholly’...Women" (folder 2)
19 "Those--‘Wholly’...Women" (folder 3)
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21 Untitled Play--notes and drafts (folder 2)
22 Untitled Play--notes and drafts (folder 3)
23 Untitled Play--notes and drafts (folder 4)
24 Miscellaneous Play Drafts and Notes
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13 *The Mirror*, May 1908

14 *The Mirror*, June 1908

15 *The Mirror*, Oct. 1908

16 *The Mirror*, Nov. 1908; Dec. 1908

17 *The Mirror*, Feb. 1909; Apr. 1909

18 *Ona B. Talbot’s Concerts*, 1908-09; English’s Opera House Program, 1909-10

19 *The Fakir Catalogue*, 1910

20 Art Assoc. of Indpls./ John Herron Art Institute--Annual Report, 1913-14

21 *Manual Training High School Alumni Register*, 1915

**BOX 17: Publications/Printed Material**

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3 *Mirage* (DePauw University Yearbook), 1945

4 *Inprint*, 1980

5 "The Apotheosis of Science"; "The Apotheosis of Science: Detailed Description of the Center Panel of the Mural", n.d.


7 Theatre Programs, 1915; 1978

**BOX 18: HAM Radio Operator Postcards, ca. 1939-1959**

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Use restricted to user copy of cassette tapes only. See relocation sheet in Box 19 for contents of tapes.

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11 Family Correspondence--1935-1949
12 Family Correspondence--1950-59
13 Family Correspondence--1960-1965, n.d.
14 Notebook, 1917
15 Thomas J. Taflinger and Clemence T. Clarke Marriage License, 1890 (See also: OMB 69, Box 1, Folder 7)
16 Clemence Taflinger--Invitations and Programs, 1897-1922
17 (OMB 69) Clemence Taflinger--Scrapbook (See OMB 69, Box 2)
18 Clemence Taflinger--Material Removed from Scrapbook (See also: OMB 69, Box 1, Folder 8)
19 (ART) Coral (Taflinger) Black--Graduation Ribbon, ca. 1906 (See R1854)
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7 Coral (Taflinger) Black, n.d.
8 (OVB) Coral (Taflinger) Black, M.T.H.S Class Photographs (?), n.d.
9 Coral (Taflinger) Black, M.T.H.S. Theatrical Productions (?), n.d.
10 Coral (Taflinger) Black with M.T.H.S History Dept. n.d.
11 Robert Lovell Black, n.d.
12 Thomas J. Taflinger with Indianapolis Street Railway Co. and Indianapolis Fire Department, n.d.
13 Taflinger Family Members
14 Taflinger Family Members
15 Clark Family Members
16 Clark Family Members
17 Clark Family Members
18 (VC) Clark Family Home? (See Glass Storage Area)
19 Charles Emil Emmerich
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23 Indianapolis Public School #15 (Thomas D. Gregg School)
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25 Indianapolis Parade, ca. 1918
26 Unidentified Location
27 Unidentified Locations
28 Unidentified Individuals; Richard Lugar (see also negatives)
29 Unidentified Individuals and Groups (see also negatives)

**BOX 23: Color Photographs** (See Visual Collections: Color Storage)

**FOLDER CONTENTS**

1 Mrs. John D. and Tracy Tucker (see also negatives)
2 Unidentified Woman at Propylaeum (see also negatives)
3 Elmer Taflinger at Holliday Park; John Love’s Gravestone; Unidentified Individuals (see also negatives)
4 Ballet Studio (see also negatives)
5 Elmer Taflinger; Parade in Indianapolis; Unidentified Individuals (see also negatives)
6 Unidentified Individuals (see also negatives)
7 Television Program
8 Television Programs
9 Flowers; Unidentified Painting and Individuals; Indianapolis Museum of Art
10 Elmer Taflinger at Holliday Park (see negative)

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**CATALOGUING INFORMATION**

**MAIN ENTRY:** Taflinger, Elmer E. (Elmer Edward), 1891-1981

**SUBJECT ENTRIES:** Taflinger, Elmer E. (Elmer Edward), 1891-1981--Photographs
Black, Coral Taflinger, 1894-1978
Black, Robert L. (Robert Lovell)
Taflinger, Clemence Clark, 1867?-1954
Belasco, David, 1853-1931
Bitter, Karl Theodore Francis, 1867-1915
Holliday, John H. (John Hampden), 1846-1921
Daube, Jessica, d. 1965
Stark, Otto, 1859-1926
Springer, Martha L., d. 1937--Estate

Taflinger family--Photographs

Clark family--Photographs

Manual Training High School (Indianapolis, Ind.)--Photographs

Artists--Indiana--Indianapolis

Art--Indiana--Indianapolis

Art--Study and teaching--Indiana--Indianapolis

Art--Study and teaching--New York--New York

Art students--Indiana--Indianapolis

Mural painting and decoration--Indiana--Indianapolis

Veterans--Indiana--Indianapolis

Ruins (Indianapolis, Ind.)

Holliday Park (Indianapolis, Ind.)

ADDED ENTRIES: Bridgeman, George B., 1864-1940

Revolting hoosier

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