

New Cities To Get Commuter Service

The flights over Segment 7 will enable a passenger from an intermediate city to go to Chicago or Detroit in the morning and return home the same day. By the same token, a passenger from Chicago or Detroit will be able to fly to an intermediate city, transact a full day's business, and return home the same evening.

These flights will also provide convenient connections with other North Central Airlines and trunkline flights at the terminal points.

Flights on the new route have been assigned the 800 series with even numbers southbound (in the direction of Chicago) and odd numbers northbound (to Detroit).

Here's the May flight schedule for Segment 7:

SOUTHBOUND

FLT. 800 to CHICAGO
Lv. DETROIT 8:30 a.m.
Lv. Jackson 8:57
Lv. Battle Ck. 9:22
Lv. Kalamazoo 9:35
Lv. So. Bend 10:04
Ar. CHICAGO 10:40 a.m.

FLT. 802 to CHICAGO
Lv. DETROIT 1:30 p.m.
Lv. Jackson 1:57
Lv. Battle Ck. 2:22
Lv. Kalamazoo 2:35
Lv. So. Bend 3:04
Ar. CHICAGO 3:40 p.m.

FLT. 804 to CHICAGO
Lv. DETROIT 4:45 p.m.
Lv. Jackson 5:12
Lv. Battle Ck. 5:37
Lv. Kalamazoo 5:50
Lv. So. Bend 6:19
Ar. CHICAGO 6:55 p.m.

NORTHBOUND

FLT. 801 to DETROIT
Lv. CHICAGO 9:00 a.m.
Lv. So. Bend 9:38
Lv. Kalamazoo 10:06
Lv. Battle Ck. 10:17
Lv. Jackson 10:41
Ar. DETROIT 11:04 a.m.

FLT. 803 to DETROIT
Lv. CHICAGO 1:00 p.m.
Lv. So. Bend 1:38
Lv. Kalamazoo 2:06
Lv. Battle Ck. 2:17
Lv. Jackson 2:41
Ar. DETROIT 3:04 p.m.

FLT. 805 to DETROIT
Lv. CHICAGO 6:00 p.m.
Lv. So. Bend 6:38
Lv. Kalamazoo 7:06
Lv. Battle Ck. 7:17
Lv. Jackson 7:41
Ar. DETROIT 8:04 p.m.

Detroit's City Airport Returns To Air Map

Now—after eight years—air travelers can again enjoy regularly scheduled airline service in and out of Detroit's City airport on the northeast side of town.

North Central Airlines June 1 inaugurates eight-flight-daily service between Detroit City airport and Willow Run, the airport used since 1947 by all scheduled airlines serving Detroit.

North Central will be the only scheduled carrier operating between the two airports.

Operation into Detroit City airport will provide through service (no transfer at Detroit's Willow Run airport) on three flights over the airline's Upper Michigan peninsula route and four over the Chicago route.

An initial schedule of four round-trip flights daily will be operated as extensions of present Chicago and Upper Michigan flights to and from Willow Run.

Willow Run is located 32 miles southwest of Detroit, and the City airport is about six miles northeast of downtown. North Central has served Detroit via Willow Run since April, 1953, when the airline inaugurated service between Michigan's lake-divided peninsulas. Cities on the inter-peninsular route are Lansing and Grand Rapids, Green Bay, Marinette-Menominee, Escanaba, Iron Mountain, Marquette and Hancock-Houghton.

North Central's service between Detroit and Chicago was started May 1 with six flights daily. Intermediate cities on the route are Jackson, Battle Creek, Kalamazoo, and South Bend.

Besides offering its passengers through service to and from Detroit City airport on both routes, the new operation also provides convenient "shuttle" service for passengers from Detroit City airport transferring to and from trunk airline flights at Willow Run.

Here's the inter-airport flight schedule:

Grouse Guards Home Against Villain DC-3

A sharp-tailed grouse is threatening to usurp North Central's landing facilities in Hibbing.

Charlie Cox, station manager, reports that for the past few weeks the bird has been chasing every plane in and out of Hibbing. It seems he's keeping a watchful eye on his better half, a hen sharp-tail who's tending to four eggs in a nest along the runway. Every effort has been made by the grouse to show his disapproval of any silver bird (DC-3 Northliner) cutting in on his territory.

Every morning when flight 608 starts revving up, the bird defiantly stomps down the runway right up to the plane. He swells up his brownish-grey chest until the orange blotches on his plumage swell up the size of a fist and stomps his feet and screeches at the aircraft.

Not being content with flying along and pecking at the wings, Capt. Bob Ceronky reports that one day the grouse stood in the middle of the runway and defied the plane to land.

It's this reporter's opinion that the Air Defense Command should commission Mr. Grouse as an interceptor for that area.

TO DETROIT CITY AIRPORT

FLIGHT NO.	Arrive Willow Run (Originates)	Leave Willow Run	Arrive Detroit City
809		7:00 a.m.	7:18 a.m.
801 from Chicago route	10:15 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	10:48 a.m.
390 from Upper Mich.	11:59 a.m.	12:15 p.m.	12:33 p.m.
803 from Chicago route	3:15 p.m.	3:30 p.m.	3:48 p.m.

FROM DETROIT CITY AIRPORT

FLIGHT NO.	Leave Detroit City	Arrive Willow Run	Leave Willow Run
343 to Upper Michigan	7:25 a.m.	7:44 a.m.	8:00 a.m.
395 to Upper Michigan	11:00 a.m.	11:19 a.m.	11:35 a.m.
802 to Chicago route	12:55 p.m.	1:14 p.m.	1:30 p.m.
804 to Chicago route	4:10 p.m.	4:29 p.m.	4:45 p.m.

The service will be conducted on an experimental basis for six months to determine whether or not passenger traffic will be sufficient to justify continuation of scheduled airline service between the two airports, says H. N. Carr, North Central's president.