

## Maitland B. Bleecker Collection

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#### **Collection Overview**

**Repository:** National Air and Space Museum Archives

Title: Maitland B. Bleecker Collection

**Date:** 1926-1937

Identifier: NASM.1991.0029

Creator: Bleecker, Maitland B., 1903-

**Extent:** 0.65 Cubic feet ((1 legal document box) (1 oversized scrapbook))

0.42 Linear feet

Language: English .

#### **Administrative Information**

**Acquisition Information** 

Maitland B. Bleecker, gift, 1991, 1991-0029

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### **Biographical / Historical**

Maitland B. Bleecker (b. 1903), inventor for Curtiss-Wright, developed the Curtiss-Bleecker Helicopter for which trials were held in 1930.

### **Scope and Contents**

This collection includes a scrapbook of newspaper clippings on the helicopter, before the trials; drawings of the helicopter; and prints of paintings of pioneering flights. It also includes reports written by Bleecker, "A Proposal for the Construction of an Experimental Helicopter" (1926); "A Study of Assisted Take-off" (1937); three mimeographed pamphlets detailing engine operations under the pseudonym "Si Klohn;" photographs of model helicopters used in wind tunnel tests; and 100 photographs of the Curtiss-Bleecker Helicopter.

#### Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

### Subjects:

Aeronautics

Curtiss Bleecker Helicopter

Helicopters

### Types of Materials:

Drawings Scrapbooks

#### Names:

Bleecker, Maitland B., 1903-Curtiss-Wright Corporation