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"Little America" Antarctica (Konter) Collection

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Air and Space Museum Archives
Title:	"Little America" Antarctica (Konter) Collection
Date:	1928-1930
Identifier:	NASM.1999.0003
Creator:	Gray, Adelaide
Extent:	0.05 Cubic feet ((1 folder))
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Muriel Yarger, gift, 1998, 1999-0003, pending

Restrictions

No restrictions on access

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Biographical / Historical

Richard 'Dick' Konter was a seaman on the 'City of New York,' the ship that carried Admiral Richard Byrd to his 'Little America - Antarctica' expedition. Mr. Konter, known as Ukulele Dick, was the recreation officer for this trip and not only played the ukulele for the rest of the crew during leisure time, but also took records and pinola rolls on the trip for the crew to enjoy.

Scope and Contents

This collection consists of newspaper articles, letters with envelopes, New Zealand postcards, radiograms, and Christmas cards from Konter to his New York Landlady, Mrs. Adelaide Gray (who Konter called 'Ma'), and to Mr. Ed Iovanna. The envelopes and postcards bear the postmarks and stamps of the expedition. There are also three photographs: one of Byrd and Bennett; one of Adelaide Gray; and one of Konter.

General

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Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Aeronautics
America -- Discovery and exploration

Types of Materials:

Clippings
Correspondence
Photographs
Postcards

Names:

Byrd, Richard Evelyn, 1888-1957
Konter, Richard "Dick"

Places:

Arctic regions -- Aerial Exploration
Arctic regions -- Discovery and exploration