

North American Rockwell (Harrison Storms) Film Collection

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Collection Overview

Repository: National Air and Space Museum Archives

Title: North American Rockwell (Harrison Storms) Film Collection

Date: [ca. 1950s-1980s]

(bulk [ca. 1960s])

Identifier: NASM.1999.0021

Creator: Storms, Harrison A., Jr., 1915-1992

Extent: 3 Cubic feet ((25 film cans))

Language: English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Phyllis Storms, gift, 1999, 1999-0021, North American Rockwell?

Restrictions

No restrictions on access

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Biographical / Historical

Harrison A. Storms, Jr., (1915-1992) helped design Apollo spacecraft and many other aerospace vehicles. A former executive of Rockwell International and its predecessor company, North American Aviation, Storms made contributions to over 40 aircraft and space vehicles. Storms received his bachelor and masters degrees in mechanical engineering from Northwestern University, and an aeronautical engineering degree from the California Institute of Technology. Storms was then employed as an aeronautical researcher at North American Aviation in 1941 and during World War II contributed to the advancement of jet propulsion technology. After World War II, Storms served as Chief Engineer of the X-15 program, and also helped design the F-51 Mustang, F-86 Sabre Jet, F-100 Super Sabre and the XB-70. Storms went on to become the President of North American's Space and Information Systems Division which won contracts for both the Saturn second stage launch vehicle and the Apollo command and service modules for the successful lunar landing program. Storms was the recipient of many honors and awards and a member of several professional organizations, including the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics.

Scope and Contents

This collection consists of fifty-three films made by North American Rockwell during Storms' association with the corporation. This collection also consists of a folder of biographical information on Storms and 213 slides, which include the following topics: Apollo projects; Soviet spacecraft at an unknown Soviet museum; and images of the Bell 47G helicopter.

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
Aeronautics, Military
Aircraft industry
Aircraft industry -- United States
Bell 47G (helicopter)
North American F-100 Super Sabre (Sabre 45) Family
North American F-86 Sabre Family
North American P-51 Mustang Family
North American X-15
North American XB-70A (RS-70) Valkyrie

Types of Materials:

Motion pictures (visual works)

Names:

North American Aviation, Inc. North American Rockwell Corp Project Apollo (U.S.) Rockwell International Storms, Harrison A., Jr., 1915-1992