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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Air and Space Museum Archives
Title:	1924 World Flight Glass Slide Collection
Date:	1924
Identifier:	NASM.1999.0061
Extent:	0.58 Cubic feet (2 shoeboxes)
Language:	English .
Summary:	Between 6 April and 28 September 1924 a flight of specially designed Douglas aircraft operated by the United States Army Air Service completed the first aerial circumnavigation of the globe. Two of the four Douglas World Cruisers completed the 27,000 mile trip in 371 hours, 11 minutes flying time. This collection of sixty-nine 3 by 4 inch glass lantern slides appears to be a prepared set chronicling the flight.
Digital Content:	Image(s): 1924 World Flight Glass Slide Collection

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Collections Department, NASM, Transfer, 1999, NASM.1999.0061

Processing Information

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Biographical / Historical

Between 6 April and 28 September 1924 a flight of specially designed Douglas aircraft operated by the United States Army Air Service completed the first aerial circumnavigation of the globe. Two of the four Douglas World Cruisers completed the 27,000 mile trip in 371 hours, 11 minutes flying time.

Scope and Contents

This collection of sixty-nine 3 by 4 inch glass lantern slides appears to be a prepared set chronicling the flight of the Douglas World Cruisers and the first World Flight by the United States Army Air Corps in 1924.

Arrangement

The lantern slides are presented in original order.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Aeronautics
- Aeronautics -- Records
- Aeronautics, Military
- Douglas World Cruiser (DWC)
- Flights around the world

Types of Materials:

- Glass slides
- Lantern slides -- 1900-1950

Names:

- United States. Army. Air Service