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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Air and Space Museum Archives
Title:	Curtiss-Wright Photography [Tucker]
Date:	[ca. 1930s-1940s]
Identifier:	NASM.2000.0033
Creator:	Tucker, Cecil
Extent:	0.25 Cubic feet ((5 folders))
Language:	English .
Summary:	This collection consists of 125 black and white photographs that Cecil Tucker collected during his tenure at the Curtiss-Wright Corporation. The photographs include the following Curtiss-Wright aircraft: the Curtiss-Wright Robin, including "Wrong-Way" Corrigan's aircraft; the Curtiss-Wright Kingbird, built for the Marine Corps; the Curtiss-Wright Condor, including images of the Condor T-32 built for the Byrd Antarctic Expedition, the two Condors modified for the Navy for use by President Franklin D. Roosevelt, as well as the Condors sold to Eastern Airlines, Switzerland, and Argentina; and the Curtiss-Wright AT-9, CW-19R, and CW-22B. Famous individuals pictured include: Amelia Earhart, Douglas "Wrong Way" Corrigan, Eleanor Roosevelt, and Lowell Thomas, the famous radio broadcaster. Also of interest are several a few images of aircraft with Latin and South American insignia.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Paul B. Tucker, gift, 2000, 2000-0033

Processing Information

Arranged, described, and encoded by Patricia Williams, 2000. Digital assets attached by Allan Janus, 2020.

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Biographical / Historical

Cecil Tucker worked for Curtiss-Wright Corporation, Lambert Field, St. Louis, Missouri, from 1928 until 1945. Tucker started as a wire man and worked his way up to the Assistant Superintendent of Factory Administration for the St. Louis plant.

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Arrangement

The Curtiss-Wright Photography [Tucker] Collection is arranged by subject.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Aeronautics
- Aeronautics, Commercial -- United States
- Aircraft industry
- Curtiss Condor Family
- Curtiss Kingbird Family (Model 55)
- Curtiss Robin Family

Types of Materials:

- Photographs

Names:

- Corrigan, Douglas, 1907-
- Curtiss-Wright Corporation
- Earhart, Amelia, 1897-1937
- Roosevelt, Eleanor, 1884-1962
- Thomas, Lowell

Container Listing

Box 1, Folder 1	AT-9 and C-76
Box 1, Folder 2	Curtiss Condors for President Roosevelt
Box 1, Folder 3	Eastern Airlines Condors – Lowell Thomas, Amelia Earhart, Eleanor Roosevelt
Box 1, Folder 4	Curtiss-Wright Employees, Machinery, and Lambert Field
Box 1, Folder 5	Curtiss-Wright Kingbird, Robin, Condor
Box 1, Folder 6	Curtiss-Wright Miscellaneous Aircraft