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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Air and Space Museum Archives
Title:	US Army Air Service Copy Photographs [Relyea]
Date:	(bulk 1909-1940)
Identifier:	NASM.2004.0050
Creator:	Relyea, Eleanor
Extent:	0.1 Cubic feet ((2 folders))
Language:	English .
Digital Content:	Image(s): US Army Air Service Copy Photographs [Relyea]

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Eleanor Ford, Gift, 2004

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Biographical / Historical

Eleanor Relyea (d. 1951) started her employment with the U.S. War Department working as a clerk for the Signal Corps in 1905. She retired from the War Department in 1935, as a Chief Clerk of the US Army Air Corps. Mrs. Relyea compiled a photo album relating to her work with the Army Air Corps, which included photographs and letters from important aviation personalities, including General William L. "Billy" Mitchell.

Scope and Contents

This collection consists of the following items copied from Mrs. Eleanor Relyea's album: eleven black and white 8 by 11 inch copy prints of early Air Service photography, including images of the Wright Military Flyer at Fort Myer, a portrait of Glenn Curtiss, images of air-to-air refueling, and images of General William L. "Billy"

Mitchell with General Mason M. Patrick; a copy of a publication entitled "Flight in Literature" by Ernest Jones; a copy of a letter to Mrs. Relyea from General Benjamin Delahauf Foulois; and a copy of a memorandum from General Henry Harley "Hap" Arnold. There is also an original 10 by 13 inch black and white photograph of General Mitchell, signed by him to Mrs. Relyea.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Aeronautics, Military
Wright (Co) Type A Military (Signal Corps No. 1)

Types of Materials:

Correspondence
Photographs

Names:

Arnold, Henry Harley, 1886-1950
Foulois, Benjamin Delahauf, 1879-1967
Mitchell, William, 1879-1936