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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	National Air and Space Museum Archives
<b>Title:</b>	Wright Newspapers
<b>Date:</b>	(bulk 1889, 1894)
<b>Identifier:</b>	NASM.2006.0059
<b>Creator:</b>	Wright and Wright Printers
<b>Extent:</b>	0.05 Cubic feet ((1 folder))
<b>Language:</b>	English .

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

C.G.B. Stuart, Gift, 1960

### Preferred Citation

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## Biographical / Historical

Before their historic part in the development of aircraft and before the establishment of their bicycle company, the Wright brothers were involved in the printing business. Beginning as a hobby, Orville Wright's interest in printing soon caught his brother Wilbur's attention, and in 1888 they established a printing company in Dayton, Ohio. The Wright brothers' printing firm produced local periodicals such as: The Midget, West Side News, The Dayton Tattler, church pamphlets, and bicycle parts catalogs. The Wright brothers sold their printing business in 1899.

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## Scope and Contents

This collection consists of two newspapers put out by the printing firm of Orville and Wilbur Wright. Included here is one copy of volume 1, number 18, July 13, 1889 of West Side News, a weekly newspaper of which Wilbur was the editor and Orville the publisher. Also included is one copy of volume 1, number 5, November 17, 1894 of Snap-Shots at Current Events, another weekly newspaper. Both periodicals were put out by

Wright and Wright printers, located in Dayton, Ohio. Also included is a June 22, 1954 letter from the Dayton Public Library concerning these two publications.

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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:

Publishers and publishing

Types of Materials:

Newspapers

Names:

Wright, Orville, 1871-1948

Wright, Wilbur, 1867-1912

Places:

Dayton (Ohio)

Wright Brothers