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Collection Overview

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| Repository: | National Air and Space Museum Archives |
| Title: | Bombardiers' Information File [Appleblood/Appleby] |
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| Summary: | First Lieutenant Seymour Appleblood served with the US Army Air Forces (Crew 14, 9th Bombardment Group, 1st Bombardment Squadron, 313th Wing, XXI Bomber Command, 20th Air Force) in World War II as a bombardier on the Boeing B-29 Superfortress <i>Live Wire</i> . This collection consists of the <i>Bombardiers' Information File</i> issued to First Lieutenant Seymour Appleblood during his service. |

Administrative Information

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Biographical / Historical

First Lieutenant Seymour Appleblood served with the US Army Air Forces (Crew 14, 9th Bombardment Group, 1st Bombardment Squadron, 313th Wing, XXI Bomber Command, 20th Air Force) in World War II as a bombardier on the Boeing B-29 Superfortress *Live Wire*. Appleblood was stationed at Tinian, Northern Marianas Islands, from February 1945 to August 1945 and flew 35 missions, mainly to attack targets in

Japan. Appleblood was awarded the bronze oak-leaf cluster to the Air Medal in July 1945 and was also awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Scope and Contents

This collection consists of the *Bombardiers' Information File* issued to First Lieutenant Seymour Appleblood during his service with the US Army Air Forces in World War II. The manual is dated March 1945 and contains sections on general information, fundamentals of bombing, computers, instrument calibration and navigation, autopilot information, the M-series bombsight, armament, combat bombing, and emergencies and precautions.

Arrangement

Collection is 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
- Boeing B-29 Superfortress
- Technical manuals
- World War, 1939-1945