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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Air and Space Museum Archives
Title:	Cliff Winters Stunt Film Footage (N. H. Cominos)
Date:	(bulk 1961-1962)
Identifier:	NASM.2012.0045
Creator:	Cominos, Nick
Extent:	6 Cubic feet ((54 cans))
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Joan Cominos, Gift, 2012

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Biographical / Historical

Nick Cominos (1923-2008) had a illustrious career as editor, director and writer in the motion picture industry, focusing primarily on documentary films for television series. In 1961-62, Cominos shot footage of Cliff Winters, a well-known stunt pilot/jumper and wing walker in the late 1950s and early 1960s. Mr. Cominos was initially hired to shoot footage of Winters for the Sherman Grinberg Film Libraries, but after viewing his act, Cominos decided to make a documentary film on Winters. Footage was shot for the documentary, but was film was never completed due to the death of Winters while performing a stunt at the Labor Day Air Show at Chino, CA, 1963.

Scope and Contents

his collection consists of 54 cans of 35 mm motion picture film (color negative and black and white work print) documenting air shows of the early 1960s with particular emphasis on stunt performer Cliff Winters.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Aeronautics
Stunt flying

Types of Materials:

Motion pictures (visual works)

Names:

Winters, Cliff