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## Pi tenpol Air Camper Drawings

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	National Air and Space Museum Archives
<b>Title:</b>	Pietenpol Air Camper Drawings
<b>Identifier:</b>	NASM.2014.0017
<b>Date:</b>	1933-1982
<b>Creator:</b>	Pietenpol, Bernard H.
<b>Extent:</b>	0.03 Cubic feet (1 oversized folder)
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Summary:</b>	The Pietenpol Air Camper is a two-seat, open cockpit, plans-built aircraft designed by Bernard H. Pietenpol and first flown in 1928. This collection consists of fifteen drawings relating to the Pietenpol Air Camper.

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

James McFadden, Gift, 2013, NASM.2014.0017

### Processing Information

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### Preferred Citation

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## Biographical / Historical

The Pietenpol Air Camper is a two-seat, open cockpit, plans-built aircraft designed by Bernard H. Pietenpol and first flown in 1928. The Pietenpol Air Camper was designed to be built from simple materials, wood, and varnished fabric for the wings and powered by a converted automobile engine, and using as few tools as possible so that it was accessible for the average person to build and fly. Home builders wishing to construct the Pietenpol Air Camper also needed to fabricate some metal fittings and do some welding. The Pietenpol Air Camper was featured on the cover of *Modern Mechanics* magazine in 1932.

## Scope and Contents

This collection consists of fifteen drawings relating to the Pietenpol Air Camper. The drawings are black and white reproductions and measure 24 x 18 inches. There are a set of eight drawings for building the aircraft and supplementary drawings showing various fittings; details; the Ford Model A engine conversion; and a three piece wing supplement which applies to the Pietenpol Sky Scout as well.

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## Arrangement

Collection is in original order.

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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:

- Aeronautics
- Airplanes

Types of Materials:

- Technical drawings