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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Air and Space Museum Archives
Title:	Conquest of the Skies Wright Brothers Portfolio [75th Anniversary of First Flight]
Date:	1978
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Extent:	0.2 Cubic feet (One 11 by 14 inch folder.)
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Summary:	Conquest of the Skies Wright Brothers Portfolio is the commemorative portfolio compiled by the Franklin Institute in 1978 to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the first flight by the Wright Brothers.

Administrative Information

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Scope and Contents

Conquest of the Skies Wright Brothers Portfolio is the commemorative portfolio compiled by the Franklin Institute in 1978 to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the first flight by the Wright Brothers. The portfolio contains one 12 by 15 inch photograph of the first flight, seven 8 by 10 inch photographs of Wright gliders and flyers, two photographs of the lift balance in the wind tunnel, a 20 page historical booklet, "First Flight: the Story of Wilbur and Orville Wright's Invention of the Airplane," and reproductions of the following: May 1900 five-page letter from Wilbur Wright to Octave Chanute detailing his plans to build a flying machine; Wright's calculations made on the back of scraps of wallpaper; Wright Brothers' first patent (with drawings); telegram announcing the first flight; and the first published account of the Wrights' successful development of the airplane from "Gleanings in Bee Culture."

Arrangement

No arrangement.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Aeronautics
Wright (Brothers) 1903 Flyer

Types of Materials:

Portfolios (groups of works)

Names:

Wright Brothers