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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Air and Space Museum Archives
Title:	Floyd Bennett Field Photo Album [Coles]
Identifier:	NASM.2019.0046
Date:	1937
Extent:	0.13 Cubic feet (1 box)
Creator:	Coles, Victor
Language:	English
Summary:	This collection consists of a photo album containing photographs taken by Victor Coles of Floyd Bennett Airport and aircraft, 1937.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Mrs. Victor Coles, Gift, Unknown, NASM.2019.0046

Processing Information

Arranged, described, and encoded by Patti Williams, 2019.

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Biographical / Historical

Floyd Bennett Field is an airfield located in southeast Brooklyn, New York City, along the shore of Jamaica Bay. Named after noted North Pole aviator Floyd Bennett, the airport was dedicated on June 26, 1930, and officially opened to commercial flights on May 23, 1931. Despite the exceptional quality of its facilities, Bennett Field never received much commercial traffic, and it was used instead for general aviation.

During the interwar period, dozens of aviation records were set by aviators flying to or from Bennett Field. Commercial aviation activity at Bennett Field ceased in 1939, and the Navy gained ownership of the field in 1941.

Scope and Contents

This collection consists of a 5.5 by 6.5 inch photo album, containing 3 by 5 inch black and white photographs taken by Victor Coles of Floyd Bennett Airport and the following aircraft, 1937: Seversky P-35; Boeing P-12; Curtiss P-6E Hawk; Curtiss O-1G Falcon; Boeing Y1B-9A (Model 246); Keystone B-3A (LB-10A); Curtiss SOC-1 Seagull; Vought SBU-2; Grumman XSF-2; Grumman XFF-1; Curtiss F7C-1 Seahawk; Curtiss F11C-2 (BFC-2) Goshawk; Boeing XF6B-1 (XBFB-1, Model 236); Consolidated (Fleet) N2Y-1; Martin (Glenn L.) T4M-1 (Model 74); Bellanca XRE-2; Berliner-Joyce XFJ-2; Northrop XFT-1; Douglas RD Dolphin (USCG); Grumman JF-2 Duck (USCG); Curtiss Condor BT-32 Export Bomber (Condor II); Bellanca Bomber; Lockheed Model 5B Vega "Winnie Mae"; Vultee V1-A; Burnelli (Upperçu-Burnelli) UB-14; Granville, Miller, and De Lackner R-6H "QED"/"Conquistador del Cielo; Granville Gee Bee Super Sportster; Lockheed Model 10-E Electra; and Sikorsky S-38 "Osa's Ark."

Arrangement

Just one item.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Aeronautics
Aircraft

Types of Materials:

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Names:

Floyd Bennett Airport