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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Air and Space Museum Archives
Title:	Commander George C. Sweet Scrapbook
Date:	1918-1961 (bulk 1938-1954)
Identifier:	NASM.XXXX.0017
Creator:	Sweet, George C., 1877-1953
Extent:	0.45 Cubic feet ((1 legal document box))
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

No donor information, Gift, unknown, XXXX-0017, NASM

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Biographical / Historical

Commander George C. Sweet (1877-1953) was a US Navy officer significant in promoting the early use of aircraft by the Navy. In September 1908, Commander Sweet, serving as a Naval observer, reported favorably on the Wright Brothers airplane demonstration at Fort Meyer, near Washington, DC. Following his appointment to the Naval Aeronautical Board, Commander Sweet received an opportunity to fly with the Wright Brothers, becoming the first Navy officer to travel in an airplane.

Scope and Contents

The scrapbook contains newspaper clippings, armed service memorabilia, invitations and one large photograph of Commander Sweet. The clippings are about Commander Sweet and also about the Wright Brothers.

General

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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
- Aeronautics -- 1903-1916
- Aeronautics, Military

Types of Materials:

- Clippings
- Photographs

Names:

- Sweet, George C., 1877-1953
- United States. Navy. Bureau of Navigation. Naval Aeronautical Board
- Wright Flyer Army Trials -- Fort Myer, Vir.
- Wright, Orville, 1871-1948
- Wright, Wilbur, 1867-1912