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Ernest Smith and Emory Bronte Scrapbook

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Air and Space Museum Archives
Title:	Ernest Smith and Emory Bronte Scrapbook
Date:	1927
Identifier:	NASM.XXXX.0020
Creator:	Smith, Ernest Bronte, Emory
Extent:	0.83 Cubic feet ((1 flatbox))
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Emory Bronte, Gift, 1965, XXXX-0020

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Biographical / Historical

In July 1927, Ernest L. Smith (pilot) and Emory B. Bronte (navigator) attempted to fly from California to Hawaii. They crash-landed on the island of Molokai and lost radio communication. Neither man was injured. National attention was given for their efforts. Their Travelair was named 'The City of Oakland'. Mr. Bronte, born in 1902, was a pilot, a US Naval Reserve Air Service officer and a member of the National Aeronautic Association.

Scope and Contents

The scrapbook is a reference of their flight with newspaper clippings, a few photographs of the downed plane and a piece of the aircraft fabric.

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 -- Records
- Transpacific flights
- Travel Air aircraft family

Types of Materials:

- Clippings
- Photographs
- Scrapbooks

Names:

- Bronte, Emory
- Smith, Ernest