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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Air and Space Museum Archives
Title:	George A. Page Jr. Collection
Identifier:	NASM.XXXX.0126
Date:	1921-1977
Extent:	0.45 Cubic feet ((1 legal document box))
Creator:	Page, George Augustus, Jr., 1892-1983
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Estate of George Page, Gift, unknown, XXXX-0126

Restrictions

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Biographical / Historical

George Augustus Page (1892-1983) was an Early Bird and a pioneer aircraft designer. Page was issued his pilot's license in 1914 and went on to become an aeronautical engineer despite the fact that he had no formal training. Page began his aeronautical design career by working for small aviation companies -- Aeromarine Plane and Motor Co., Heinrich Aeroplane Company, Inc, and Moisant. Besides a brief time in 1919-1921, when Page was a mechanic and pilot for American Trans Oceanic Co. -- an early airline operation between Miami and Cuba, Page worked for Curtiss-Wright Air Plane Division from 1917 to 1951. Curtiss-Wright hired Page as director of engineering and in this position he directed production of 130 types of aircraft. One of Page's most famous designs was the C46 cargo plane use in the India-Burma-China Theater during World War II. Page left Curtiss-Wright in 1951 to work for Aeronca, Inc.

Scope and Contents

This collection consists of the following material documenting Page's aviation career: membership cards and licenses; log books; newspaper and magazine articles; biographical material; and photographs.

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, Commercial
- Aeronautics, Commercial -- United States
- Aircraft industry
- Aircraft industry -- United States
- Airplanes -- Design and construction
- Periodicals

Types of Materials:

- Clippings
- Correspondence
- Logs (records)
- Photographs
- Publications

Names:

- Aeromarine Plane & Motor Co.
- Aeronca (Aeronautical Corp of America)
- American Trans Oceanic Co.
- Curtiss-Wright Corporation
- Early Birds of Aviation (Organization).
- Heinrich Aeroplane Co, Inc.
- Moisant Monoplane Co.
- Page, George Augustus, Jr., 1892-1983