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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Air and Space Museum Archives
Title:	Robert B. Meyer Jr. Papers
Date:	1898-1980 (bulk 1963-1980)
Identifier:	NASM.XXXX.0184
Creator:	Meyer, Robert B.
Extent:	22.45 Cubic feet ((19 records center boxes) (2 flatboxes))
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Robert B. Meyer, Jr., gift, 1984, XXXX-0184, unknown

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Biographical / Historical

Robert B. Meyer, Jr. (1921-1995) was the first Curator of Propulsion in the Aeronautics Department of the National Air and Space Museum (NASM), Smithsonian Institution (1959-1980). A native of Locust Valley, New York, Meyer was a Yale University graduate and served in the Army Air Corps during World War II. After the war he worked as an insurance broker before joining the museum in 1959. He authored a number of books on the development of aircraft engines. Following his retirement, Meyer remained active in NASM's docent program.

Scope and Contents

This collection consists of Meyer's research files. The material contains research files, manuscripts, and photo layouts for several of his books, as well as correspondence and photographs related his work as curator. The material covers all aspects of aero engines, including assembly, operation, and restoration.

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
- Airplanes -- Jet propulsion
- Airplanes -- Motors
- Airplanes -- Rocket engines
- Periodicals

Types of Materials:

- Correspondence
- Manuscripts
- Photographs
- Publications

Names:

- Meyer, Robert B.
- National Air and Space Museum (U.S.). Division of Aeronautics