

C. G. B. Stuart Photograph Collection

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Collection Overview

Repository: National Air and Space Museum Archives

Title: C. G. B. Stuart Photograph Collection

Date: (bulk 1900s-1950s)

Identifier: NASM.XXXX.0374

Creator: Stuart, C.G.B.

Extent: 5 Cubic feet ((5 boxes))

Language: English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Mr. C.G.B. Stuart, Purchase, 1960

Preferred Citation

C. G. B. Stuart Photograph Collection, Accession XXXX-0374, National Air and Space Museum, Smithsonian Institution.

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Biographical / Historical

C. G. B. Stuart was an aviation collector. By the early 1950s he had amassed several large collections, including a photograph collection consisting of over 30,000 images. This collection consisted of photographs of aircraft from every country in the world, from the Wright Brothers in 1903, until 1959 and was particularly strong in U.S. Army and Navy types, and British, German, and Italian aircraft. According to Stuart, he collected this material: "systematically over the period of 25 years, primarily as a hobby in conjunction with my work. I bought a number of collections of photographs, which enabled this collection to reach its present size and variety, from a number of old-timers who in turn had collected over the period prior to my entering the field."

Scope and Contents

Stuart first contacted the National Air Museum (now the National Air and Space Museum) in 1951. In 1959, the Museum purchased the collection and it was given an artifact number. In 1983, the collection was

deaccessioned from the Museum's artifact collection and transferred to the Museum's archival files At that point, the collection was separated and placed in specific subject files. There are many photographs in this collection that are currently housed in the technical files and videodisc collection.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Aeronautics Airplanes

Types of Materials:

Photographic prints