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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Air and Space Museum Archives
Title:	Ballooning Over the Alps Scrapbook
Date:	1909
Identifier:	NASM.XXXX.0578
Extent:	0.13 Cubic feet (1 flat box)
Language:	German .
Summary:	<p>On February 9--10, 1909, the balloon "Berlin" made one of the first balloon crossings over the Alps. This collection contains a scrapbook documenting the flight that includes photographs, news clippings, and telegrams.</p> <p>This collection is in German.</p>
Digital Content:	Image(s): Ballooning Over the Alps Scrapbook

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Unknown, found in collection, NASM.XXXX.0578.

Processing Information

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Biographical / Historical

On February 9--10, 1909, the balloon "Berlin" made one of the first balloon crossings over the Alps. The balloon ascended from St. Moritz, Switzerland and landed 30 hours later near Sárbogárd, Hungary. The pilot

of the balloon was Oskar Erbslöh, Julius Zumtanwald was the guide, Friedrich Gruneberg kept the log, and Fritz Reimann was a passenger.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains a scrapbook documenting the flight across the Alps made by the balloon "Berlin" in February 1909. The scrapbook contains 27 black and white photographs, with German captions, including both ground shots of the balloon as well as aerial shots taken from the balloon in flight. Besides the balloon's crew and various spectators, Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria and his wife, Sophie, Duchess of Hohenberg are shown in the photographs. The scrapbook also includes several newspaper clippings and two telegraphs, all in German.

Arrangement

This collection is in original order.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Aeronautics
Balloons

Types of Materials:

Scrapbooks