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Guide to the Eldo C. Koenig
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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	Eldo C. Koenig Personal Computer Collection
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.0650
Date:	1950-1969.
Extent:	0.12 Cubic feet
Creator:	Koenig, Eldo C. Information, Technology and Society, Div. of (NMAH, SI).
Language:	English

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Collection donated by Eldo C. Koenig.

Ownership and Custodial History

Koenig donated the papers to the Division of Mathematics, National Museum of American History, in 1988. They were transferred to the Archives Center in 1998.

Processing Information

Collection processed by NMAH Staff, undated.

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Biographical Note

Koenig held various positions at the Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Company from 1944-1962 including supervisor of the computer laboratory. In 1962 he left Allis-Chalmers to take a teaching position with the University of Wisconsin. Koenig received the Alfred Noble Prize (not to be confused with the Nobel Prize) for his work on analog computers in 1951 and was active in several professional organizations, including the Association for Computing Machinery and the Institute for Electrical and Electronics Engineers.

Scope and Contents

Papers representing Koenig's research on early personal computers. Includes photographs, articles, laboratory reports, Koenig's students' research, writings and illustrations and diagrams on hardware and software.

Arrangement

1 series.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Computer science
- Computer software
- Computers

Types of Materials:

- Articles
- Awards
- Diagrams
- Laboratory notes
- Technical drawings
- Technical reports