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Collection Overview

Repository:	Smithsonian Institution Archives, Washington, D.C., osiaref@si.edu
Title:	Tom D. Crouch Papers
Identifier:	Accession 07-140
Date:	1987-1999
Extent:	2 cu. ft. (2 record storage boxes)
Creator::	Crouch, Tom D.
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Administrative Information

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Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of the personal papers of Tom D. Crouch, curator and historian. Crouch was Curator of Engineering and Industry at the National Museum of American History (NMAH) until 1990 before becoming Curator of Aeronautics, Curator, and eventually Senior Curator at the National Air and Space Museum (NASM). Crouch served on the First Flight Centennial Commission Advisory Board and was active in planning activities for the centennial of the first flight by brothers Orville Wright and Wilbur Wright. Crouch was also involved in the NMAH exhibition *More Perfect Union: Japanese-Americans and the U.S. Constitution* and in the resolution of issues surrounding the display of the Enola Gay bomber at NASM. Materials include correspondence, memoranda, conference materials, exhibition scripts, photographs, copies of legislation related to aviation, and related materials. Some materials are in electronic format.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Aeronautical museums
- Aeronautics
- Historians of technology
- Historical museums
- Museum curators

Types of Materials:

Black-and-white photographs
Brochures
Clippings
Color photographs
Electronic records
Floppy disks
Manuscripts

Names:

Crouch, Tom D.
Enola Gay (Bomber)
First Flight Centennial Commission Advisory Board
More Perfect Union: Japanese-Americans and the U.S. Constitution (Exhibition) (1987:
Washington, D.C.)
National Museum of American History (U.S.)
Wright, Orville, 1871-1948
Wright, Wilbur, 1867-1912

Container Listing

Box 1

- Box 1 of 2 National Aviation Hall of Fame Assessment, 1997
- Box 1 of 2 Wright State University Conference, 1996-1998 (2 folders)
- Box 1 of 2 Air Force Academy Project, 1995-1996 (includes electronic records)
- Box 1 of 2 NASM: Twenty Years and Counting, 1996
- Box 1 of 2 First Flight Centennial, 1996-1998
- Box 1 of 2 Harriet Quimby Research Conference, 1996-1998
- Box 1 of 2 Balloons, 1991-1994
- Box 1 of 2 Dayton National Park, 1991-1992
- Box 1 of 2 University of Michigan Conference on Enola Gay Issue, 1995-1998 (3 folders)
- Box 1 of 2 Portal of Folded Wings, 1996 (2 folders)
- Box 1 of 2 Wright State University Conference, 1997-1999
- Box 1 of 2 Wright State University Aeronautics Conference, 1997
- Box 1 of 2 Wright Brothers Centennial, 1996-1998 (2 folders)

Box 2

- Box 2 of 2 MacGillivray Freeman Films - Laguna Beach, 1996
- Box 2 of 2 Legislative History of the Creation of the First Flight Centennial Commission and First Flight Centennial Commission Advisory Board, 2003 Legislation (2 folders)
- Box 2 of 2 *A More Perfect Union* - Script, 1987
- Box 2 of 2 *A More Perfect Union*, 1991-1995 (4 folders)
- Box 2 of 2 *A More Perfect Union*, 1994-1998 (2 folders)