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Collection Overview

Repository:	Smithsonian Institution Archives, Washington, D.C., osiaref@si.edu
Title:	Otto Mayr Papers
Identifier:	Accession 83-058
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Administrative Information

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Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of the papers of Otto Mayr, curator of mechanical engineering and mechanisms. Materials include photographs of family; notes from classes taught at Rochester Institute of Technology and classes taken at the University of Rochester; files from a summer seminar on methods and history of technology with a National Science Foundation grant, 1970; correspondence, circa 1967-1980, with colleagues concerning professional activities and research on feedback mechanisms; manuscripts and research notes; and records documenting his official travel with the Smithsonian, personal PAEC (Professional Accomplishments and Evaluation Committee) files, and proposed exhibits.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Museum curators
Technology -- History

Types of Materials:

Black-and-white photographs
Brochures
Clippings
Manuscripts

Names:

Mayr, Otto

National Museum of American History (U.S.). Division of Mechanisms

National Museum of American History (U.S.). Professional Accomplishment Evaluation Committee

National Museum of History and Technology (U.S.). Division of Mechanical and Civil Engineering

National Science Foundation (U.S.)

Rochester Institute of Technology

University of Rochester

Container Listing

Box 1

- Box 1 of 5 Negatives (2 folders)
- Box 1 of 5 Miscellaneous Speeches
- Box 1 of 5 Zeitgeist Paper
- Box 1 of 5 Science-Technology Relationship as a Historiography Problem
- Box 1 of 5 Sickles Patents
- Box 1 of 5 Sickles and Automatic Steering
- Box 1 of 5 William Henry
- Box 1 of 5 Hero
- Box 1 of 5 History of Technology
- Box 1 of 5 History of Technology in English Teaching
- Box 1 of 5 Science Exhibit
- Box 1 of 5 Gibbs
- Box 1 of 5 Box of Negatives

Box 2

- Box 2 of 5 Dictionary of Scientific Biography - General
- Box 2 of 5 Reuleaux
- Box 2 of 5 Redtenbacher
- Box 2 of 5 Miscellaneous Biographies
- Box 2 of 5 L. F. A. Lecornu
- Box 2 of 5 Hans Lorenz
- Box 2 of 5 Otto Mohr
- Box 2 of 5 Reichenbach
- Box 2 of 5 Mollier

Box 2 of 5	Heinrich Muller-Breslau
Box 2 of 5	Raoul-Pierre Pictet
Box 2 of 5	Perronet
Box 2 of 5	Pitot
Box 2 of 5	Aurel Stodola
Box 2 of 5	Gustav Zeuner
Box 2 of 5	Randinger
Box 2 of 5	Charles Porter - Biographical
Box 2 of 5	Porter - Technical Work
Box 2 of 5	Frederick Slade
Box 2 of 5	J. C. Maxwell
Box 2 of 5	William Thomson (Kelvin)
Box 2 of 5	Airy
Box 2 of 5	Maxwell
Box 2 of 5	Foucault
Box 2 of 5	William Siemens
Box 2 of 5	Physicists and Regulation
Box 2 of 5	PAEC, 1980
Box 2 of 5	PAEC, 1972, 1974
Box 2 of 5	Travel, 1976-1980
Box 2 of 5	Smithsonian Contract, 1968-1969
Box 2 of 5	Norse Wheel
Box 2 of 5	Academic Studies
Box 2 of 5	20th Century Exhibit
Box 2 of 5	Egypt
Box 2 of 5	Smithsonian Research Foundation

Box 2 of 5 Travel Reports, 1975
Box 2 of 5 Lectures, etc., 1976
Box 2 of 5 1972 Society for the History of Technology (SHOT) Program Correspondence
Box 2 of 5 Historiography
Box 2 of 5 Man Against Machine
Box 2 of 5 Simultaneous Inventions
Box 2 of 5 SHOT Program, 1972
Box 2 of 5 Nominating Committee

Box 3

Box 3 of 5 Correspondence, A-Z, 1973-1974 (2 folders)
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Box 3 of 5 Photographs and Feedback Mechanisms Manuscript
Box 3 of 5 Feedback Mechanisms Manuscript
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Box 3 of 5 Correspondence, A-Z, 1975-1977 (2 folders)
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Box 4 of 5 NSF Summer Institute - Inquiries
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Box 4 of 5	NSF Summer Institute - Form Letters, Other Communications
Box 4 of 5	NSF Summer Institute - Finances
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Box 4 of 5	Requests for Publications
	Rochester Institute of Technology
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Box 4 of 5	Feedback Control Systems Course
Box 4 of 5	Thermodynamics Course
Box 4 of 5	Unsteady Flow Course
Box 4 of 5	Engineering Analysis Course
Box 4 of 5	Thermodynamics Course (2 folders)
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