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Collection Overview

Repository:	Smithsonian Institution Archives, Washington, D.C., osiaref@si.edu
Title:	Curtis W. Sabrosky Papers
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Administrative Information

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Historical Note

Curtis Williams Sabrosky (1910-1997) was an entomologist who specialized in Diptera, especially Chloropidae. In 1946, Sabrosky joined the staff of the United States Department of Agriculture, first with the Bureau of Entomology and later with its Systematic Entomology Laboratory (SEL) as a Research Entomologist, and served as Research Director from 1967 to 1973. From 1980 to 1988, he was a Cooperating Scientist at SEL, as well as a Research Associate of the Department of Entomology, National Museum of Natural History (NMNH).

Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of records taken from Curtis Sabrosky's home after his death and given to the Department of Entomology. Materials include personal correspondence, family photographs, photographs and documents of Sabrosky's extensive travels (both holidays and trips to professional meetings), photographs of specimens, professional correspondence, lecture slides, travel slides, journals, award certificates and diplomas, and scrapbooks. The majority of the personal letters and travel writing in this accession were written by Laurel Kingsley Sabrosky. Ms. Sabrosky was employed by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and served with the Red Cross in India during World War II. There is also genealogical material on the Curtis, Sabrosky and Kingsley families.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Diptera
Entomologists
Entomology
Genealogy

Types of Materials:

Clippings
Color photographs
Manuscripts
Motion pictures (visual works)
Nitrate materials

Names:

American Red Cross
National Museum of Natural History (U.S.). Department of Entomology
Sabrosky, Curtis W. (Curtis Williams), 1910-
Sabrosky, Laurel K. (Laurel Kingsley), 1908-
Systematic Entomology Laboratory (U.S.)
United States. Department of Agriculture

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Box 2 of 9 National Trust: "Island World of Britain," 1978

Box 2 of 9 North Dakota 1982 trip and Eunice

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