The Descriptive Finding Guide for the Edward Mele Personal Papers
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Biographical / Historical
Edward C. Mele was born on December 21, 1915 and was raised in Louisiana. At age 25, he went to a night school in New Orleans for accounting. When he was 27 he entered full term service for the Air Force. He attended San Marcos Air Force field in New Mexico before being transferred to the South Pacific to become part of the 20th Air Force V H Bombardment. While deployed there, he also became separated from his command and later found his way back. On November 8th, 1945 he was honorably discharged from the military as a Master Sergeant of the 680th bomb squadron.

Scope and Contents
Documents, photos and charts in one archival box.

Related Materials
20th Air Force Files.

Subjects and Indexing Terms
680th Bomb Squadron
Boeing B-29 Superfortress
Mele, Edward

Box 01
Folder 01:
Physical Description: 1. San Marcos Air Field Year Book

Folder 02: Army Certificates
Physical Description: 1. 3 Honorable Discharge Certificates 2. Separation Certificate

Folder 03: Air Field Papers
Physical Description: 1. 100 + Documents from various Air Force fields across the United States

Folder 04: Army Papers
Physical Description: 1. General Order form 2. Army Adjuster papers

Folder 05: Engineer Charts
Physical Description: 1. Operational Chart 2. Engineers Check List 3. Calibrated Air Speed Graph 4. Operational Chart 5. Personal Chart
Folder 06: Flight Records
Physical Description: 1. Folder of Edwards Flights - Tracked

Folder 07: Records
Physical Description: 1. Edwards Military Records

Folder 08: Awards and Photos

Folder 09: Dinner Party Photos
Physical Description: 1. 5 Photos at a Dinner Party

Folder 10: News Paper
Physical Description: 1. New Paper Article on “Cabin in the sky”

Folder 11: Magazines
Physical Description: 1. Two Magazines on the Air Force