The Personal Papers of Lee Francis Duncan SDASM.SC.10040.O/S

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Title: Lee Francis Duncan Personal Papers
creator: Duncan, Lee Francis
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Physical Description: 0.4 Linear Feet1 manuscript box
Date (inclusive): 1928-1953
Abstract: Lee Francis Duncan was a member of the early U.S. air mail crews. He also flew for United Airlines and was a member of the Army during World War II.
Language of Material: English
Biographical / Historical
Lee Francis Duncan was born in 1906 in Rome, Kansas. After graduating high school in Braman, Oklahoma, he began flying cadet training in 1925 in San Antonio. He was a pilot for United Airlines and in the Air Corp. Reserve. In 1941 he transferred to the War Department Reserve Pool. He flew as a noncombatant as a United Air Lines Pilot for Army Transport in the Pacific between 1943 and 1945. In 1928, Duncan flew Executive Mail during a presidential trip to Wisconsin. He was later part of the crew that made the first airmail stop in Grand Island, Nebraska.

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Scope and Contents
This collection contains material related to Lee Francis Duncan’s career as a pilot with United Airlines and the Air Corp. Reserve.

Related Materials
Related SDASM Resources: Army Air Corp. Air Mail Accidents Feb – April 1934
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Subjects and Indexing Terms
Air Mail Service -- United States -- 1930-1940
United Airlines
Duncan, Lee Francis
Folder 01 - Identification and Certificates

Folder 02 - Documents: Cadet Requirements/Training, Tax Returns, Physical Examinations

Folder 03 - Notes and Sketches
Physical Description: 1. Hand written note on airports from May 1949. 2. Note on determining present and desired position with hand written instructions. 3. Chicago Instrument Approach Chart with hand-written notes. 4. 2 pages of hand written instructions on airplane operation.

Folder 04 - Notebooks and Diaries
Physical Description: 1. Aeronautical Vest pocket Handbook. 2. Airplane Automatic Pilot Instructions notebook. 3. Diary, 1943 notebook. 4. Personal sketch and notebook with equations and drawings and interweaved with loose paper with notes.

Folder 05 - Correspondence

Folder 06 - Newspaper Clippings and Flying Kadet Newsletter
Folder 07 - Miscellaneous Documents and Bar Pin

Folder 08 - Photographs
   Physical Description: 1. 14 photographs, various sizes, of Lee Francis Duncan and friends, including one hand colored photograph.

Folder 09 - Oversize Certificates