Leonard Archibald Haines papers and photographs
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Biographical Note

Leonard Archibald Haines was born in October 1920 to Bertha and Archibald Haines. He received his education at Dorchester and Wimborne Grammar Schools in Dorset, England. In September 1937, eighteen year old Haines joined the British Royal Air Force 19 Squadron at Duxford. On February 2, 1938, Haines was commissioned as Flying Officer by King George VI. During the course of World War II, Haines shot down fourteen enemy aircraft, seven of which he destroyed during the Battle of Britain in 1940. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross (DFC) in 1940. Shortly after receiving the DFC, he married Marguerita Lilian Lepere at St. James's Church in London.

In 1941 Haines was transferred to a training unit in Hounslow Barracks, England to train incoming RAF pilots for combat. During a routine training drill on April 30 1941, Haines crash landed his Master T8771 aircraft when the landing gear failed to operate. Haines and his passenger were killed. He was 21 years old.

Scope and Contents

This collection includes articles, photographs, correspondence, combat records, flight logs, RAF decorations, and other material from Leonard Archibald Haines and his family in Dorset, England ranging from 1934 to 2012 regarding Haines' service in the Royal Air Force, his success during World War II, and his relationships with family and friends.

The flight log book contains additional information about Haines' certification (1938/04/21), pictures of Haines and aircraft added by his mother (1939 Sept. and 1940 Sept.), assement forms (1941 Feb.), and posting notices (1941 Feb.).

Arrangement

This collection is arranged in the following series:

Series 1: Leonard Archibald Haines papers, 1934-2012
Series 2: Leonard Archibald Haines oversize material, 1938
Administrative Information

Publication Information
Ball State University Archives and Special Collections

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Custodial History
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Accruals
No further additions are expected.

Processing Information
Collection processing completed 2013/08/23 by Lindsey Vesperry. EAD finding aid created 2013/08/08 by Leslie Nellis. EAD finding aid revised 2013/08/23 by Lindsey Vesperry.

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)
• Great Britain. Royal Air Force.

Genre(s)

• Correspondence
• Documents
• Photographs

Personal Name(s)

• Leonard Atherton

Subject(s)

• Archives
• Britain, Battle of, Great Britain, 1940
• Fighter pilots
• Great Britain. Royal Air Force--Medals, badges, decorations, etc.
• World War, 1939-1945
# Collection Inventory

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