

General (Ret.) Edwin W. Rawlings Collection

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Summary Information

Repository	James K. Hosmer Special Collections Library
Creator - Author	Rawlings, Edwin W., General (Ret.), 1905-1997
Title	General (Ret.) Edwin W. Rawlings Collection
Date	1932-1997
Extent	1.0 boxes
Language	English

Biography

Edwin W. Rawlings was born in 1905 in Milroy, Minnesota and graduated from Hamline University in St. Paul. After college, he went to work for the Dayton Company before joining the Air Corps Reserve and learning to fly. He spent more than 25 years in the Air Force, and retired in 1959 as a full Air Force General. During his time in the military, he was the first to help organize the office of the Air Force comptroller, and he brought in the first computer for the Air Force and the Defense Department, the UNIVAC. After leaving the service, he joined General Mills and served as chairman from 1967 to 1969. He left an enduring mark on the company, the big G logo used on General Mills cereal boxes and other packaging. In 1987, he published his autobiography, *Born to Fly*. He died at the age of 93 in 1997.

Collection Description

The Edwin W. Rawlings collection includes biography materials, miscellaneous clippings, and other miscellaneous items dealing with writing and publishing an autobiography. Also includes a copy of the manuscript *Born to Fly*, which was written in 1987.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Related Materials

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See also book, *Born to Fly* by Edwin W. Rawlings.

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Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- United States. Air Force -- Generals -- Autobiography.

Occupation(s)

- Authors, American -- 20th century.

Subject(s)

- Authors, American -- Minnesota.
- Businessmen -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis.

Collection Inventory

	Box	Folder
Biographical information and clippings 1932-1997	1	1
Miscellaneous items dealing with writing and publishing an autobiography 1988	1	2
Manuscript of Born to Fly, written by General Edwin W. Rawlings, USAF (Ret.) 1988	1	3