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Abstract: Correspondence, reports, financial records, writings, membership lists, printed matter, and photographs, relating to the study of Russian contributions to American history.
Creator: Russkoe istoricheskoe obshchestvo v Amerike
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Location of Originals
Originals in: Museum of Russian Culture, San Francisco.
Administrative History
Russian-American historical association.
Scope and Content Note
This collection contains the records of the Russkoe istoricheskoe obshchestvo v Amerikie (Russian Historical Society in America). Its founder and first president was A. P. Farafontov (1937-1940). The second president of the Society was an engineer, Mikhail Dem'ianovich Sedykh (1940-1948). The records consist their correspondence, writings and other materials collected by them in the course of the organization's activities, which included aid in the restoration of Fort Ross, California, celebrations honoring the 200th anniversary of the European discovery of Alaska (1941), and other cultural events. Also present are writings and correspondence by prominent émigrés, such as A. A. Kersnovskii, P. V. Shkurkin, S. G. Svatikov, and others. Almost all the records of the collection date from 1933 to 1948, but the scrapbook on M. D. Sedykh (Office File/Members' papers/Sedykh) expands the temporal bounds to those shown in the series description.
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Subjects and Indexing Terms
Russians -- United States -- Study and teaching

OFFICE FILE 1907-1956
Scope and Contents
Activity reports, charter, clippings, correspondence, financial records, membership lists, members' papers, and other materials arranged alphabetically by physical form

box 1, folder 1
Activity reports 1938-1940

Register of the Russkoe istoricheskoe obshchestvo v Amerikie records 2000C41 2
box 1, folder 2

Address lists.

Scope and Contents note
Includes appended correspondence concerning membership dues, 1937

box 1, folder 3

Applications for membership

Charter 1937

Clippings about or mentioning the RIO
Correspondence issuing from and addressed to A. P. Farafontov and M. D. Sedykh as representatives of the Society.

General note
For correspondence between them see below, General/Internal correspondence

General

box 1, folder 6

General 1937-1945 and undated

box 1, folder 7

Correspondence with U.S. cities bearing Russian place names 1939

box 1, folder 8

Correspondence with various individuals and organizations relating to celebrations of the 200th anniversary of the discovery of Alaska 1941

box 1, folder 9

Internal correspondence 1937-1948

box 1, folder 10

Unidentified 1938-1939

box 1, folder 11

Abrosimova, A. T. 1938-1945 and undated

box 1, folder 12

Aleksei, Bishop of Alaska 1940

box 1, folder 13

Al'tman, A. 1940-1941

box 1, folder 14

Andrews, Clarence L. 1937-1942

box 1, folder 15

Aref'ev, Vasili Nikolaevich 1937-1939

box 1, folder 16

Association of Former Russian Naval Officers in America, Inc., . 1938-1948

Scope and Contents note
Includes some issues of the association's bulletins

box 1, folder 17

Baranov, Makarii, Rev. 1940-1943

box 1, folder 18

Baryborova, Sofiia Nikolaevna n.d.

box 1, folder 19

Benzeman, Khristofor Martynovich 1940-1944

box 2, folder 1

Borozov, Nikolai Viktorovich 1940-1944

box 2, folder 2

Bunin, Ivan Mikhailovich 1937-1942

box 2, folder 3

Chernavin, Ioann, Rev. 1938

box 2, folder 4

Dobrovidov, Vladimir Nikolaevich 1941-1942

box 2, folder 5

Dudorov, Boris Petrovich 1938

box 2, folder 6

Falenberg, Nikolai Fedorovich 1943-1944

box 2, folder 7

Feofil (Theophilus), Metropolitan of North America 1938-1944

box 2, folder 8

Gordenev, Milii Iul'evich 1938-1942

box 2, folder 9

Grebenschikov, Georgii Dmitrievich 1938

box 2, folder 10

Karinskii, Nikolai Sergeevich 1944-1945

box 2, folder 11

Kokhanik, Petr, Rev. 1938

box 2, folder 12

Kropotkin, Aleksei Alekseevich, Prince 1938

box 2, folder 13

Kuchinskaia, Elena Petrovna 1943

box 2, folder 14

Kurganskii, V. 1948

box 2, folder 15

Lantzeff, George V. 1940-1941

box 2, folder 16

Lanz, Henry 1941

box 2, folder 17

Laub, Anna 1943

box 2, folder 18

Lebedev, Boris Pavlovich 1938-1940

box 2, folder 19

Lebedev, Vladimir Pavlovich 1938-1940

box 2, folder 20

Leontii, Bishop of Chicago 1940-1945

box 2, folder 21

Maksutov, Dimitrii D. n.d.

box 2, folder 22

Malozemova, Elizaveta Andreevna 1940 and undated

Mikhailov, Konstantin Potapovich.

General note
See Members' papers/Farafontov, Aleksandr Pavlovich
Register of the Russkoe istoricheskoe obshchestvo v Amerikie records

- box 2, folder 23: Mladoroskaia partiia 1937-1939
- box 2, folder 24: Moskov, Evgenii Aleksandrovich 1937-1939
- box 2, folder 25: Navrotskyi, Iurii Aleksandrovich 1938-1943
- box 2, folder 26: Nikitin, Dmitrii Vladimirovich 1937-1941
- box 2, folder 27: Novaia zaria 1937-1938
- box 2, folder 28: Obshchestvo russkikh veteranov velikoi voiny 1937-1945
- box 2, folder 29: Orlov, Ivan Petrovich 1940-1942
- box 2, folder 30: Ponomarev, Fedor Petrovich 1937
- box 2, folder 31: Prorokovshchikov, Petr Sergeevich 1944
- box 2, folder 32: Prisadskii, Aleksandr, Rev. 1940-1942
- box 2, folder 33: Prischepenko, Nikolai Iosifovich 1941-1944
- box 2, folder 34: Rklitskaia, Liudmila (Rklitsky, Ludmila), . 1940-1943
  Scope and Contents note
  Includes lecture programs

- box 2, folder 35: Rossiia 1938-1943
- box 2, folder 36: Russian Center, San Francisco 1940-1941
- box 2, folder 37: Russkoe pravoslavnoe kafolicheskoe obshchestvo vzaimopomoshchi (Russian Orthodox Catholic Mutual Aid Society) 1937-1938
- box 2, folder 38: St. Vladimir's Russian Orthodox Catholic Society of America 1943-1946
- box 2, folder 39: Schmidt, Adolph E. 1937-1938
- box 2, folder 40: Shapiro, Nadezhda Lazarevna 1937
- box 2, folder 41: Sharaev, Lev Antonovich, . 1940-1941
  Scope and Contents note
  Includes clipping of Shumanskii's article, "Istoriia knigopechataniia v Rossii," Rossiia, 1938 May 22

- box 2, folder 42: Shhumanskii, Klementii Vasilevich 1938-1939
- box 2, folder 43: Svatikov, Sergei Grigor'evich

- box 2, folder 44: Svit 1937-1943
- box 2, folder 45: Tel’berg, Georgii Gustavovich 1944
- box 2, folder 46: Tiulemanskii, Aleksei Ivanovich 1938-1940
- box 2, folder 47: Tokarev, T. F. 1937-1938 and undated
- box 2, folder 48: Tulintsev, Iurii Nikolaevich 1941
- box 2, folder 49: Vakar, Nikolai Platonovich 1943-1944
- box 2, folder 50: Vasiliili, Grand Duke, . 1943-1944
  General note
  Consists mainly of correspondence with Western Union Telegraph Company regarding refund of payment for undelivered telegram to Grand Duke Vasili

- box 2, folder 51: Vinokurov (Vinokooroff), M. Z. 1937
- box 3, folder 1: Vitalii, Archbishop 1938
- box 3, folder 2: Financial records 1937-1946
- box 3, folder 3: Instructions for affiliates
  Scope and Contents note
  Includes clippings, notes, lists of publications received
Membership lists.
Scope and Contents note
May also include names of prospective members

Members' papers

Farafontov, Aleksandr Pavlovich

Letter of recommendation for 1944

Writings 1938-[1940] and undated

"Chashka chaia Russkago Istoricheskago obshchestva v Amerikie," n.d.
Scope and Contents note
Typescript

"K konchinie ottsa Aleksandra Viacheslavova," n.d.
Scope and Contents note
Typescript

"K predstoiashchemu semidesiatilietiiu P. V. Shkurkina," n.d.
Scope and Contents note
Typescript

Scope and Contents note
Typescript

"Ostatki russkoi stariny," n.d.
Scope and Contents note
Typescript

Untitled n.d.
Scope and Contents note
Newspaper clipping

"V Russkom istoricheskom obshchestvie," n.d.
Scope and Contents note
Holograph. Includes undated letter to P. P. Balakshin

Malen'kii rabotnik, . 1913-1915
Scope and Contents note
Four issues of a mimeographed holograph and typed periodical for schoolchildren edited by A. P. Farafontov

Bazarnaia vydumka, . 1915 summer
Scope and Contents note
One issue of a mimeographed holograph children's journal, probably edited by A. P. Farafontov

"Znaete-li vy," . 1937-1938
Scope and Contents note
Holograph and typescript. Series of newspaper columns

"Zhizn' za Khrista," . 1938 August 21
Scope and Contents note
Typescript
"Konstantin Potapovich Mikhailov," . [1939 January 2]
Scope and Contents note
Typescript. Includes background materials such as correspondence with
Mikhailov, 1938-1939, photographs of him and Mikhailov’s newspaper articles
and letters to the editor, 1933-1938

Letter to the editor, Novaia Zaria, . 1939 January 6
Scope and Contents note
Holograph

"O diadie Vlasie," . [1940]
Scope and Contents note
Typescript

Kiashchenko, Georgii Titovich.
Scope and Contents note
Includes condolences on his death, the charter of a society to honor the memory of
Nicholas II, with attached correspondence, 1938, and #14 (1931) of Vera i prava

Mogi"nikov, Georgii Semenovich.
Scope and Contents note
Includes issue of Budni (San Francisco, #6, 1938 Dec. 2) and Russki listok (Seattle,
#47, 1938 Sept. 21), as well as typescript entitled “Za kogo golosovat’,” [1936]

Sedykh (Sedich), Mikhail Dem’ianovich
General.
Scope and Contents note
Materials relating to his career as an engineer

Scrapbook.
Scope and Contents note
Includes correspondence, photographs, writings, and printed matter relating to the
life and career of M. D. Sedykh

Shkurkin, Pavel Vasil’evich
Correspondence with A. P. Farafontov 1935-1943 and undated
Writings
"Khranilishcha kul’tury,” n.d.
Scope and Contents note
Typescript

"Vremia Vladimira Sviatogo i ego rol’ v istorii,” Novaia zaria, . 1938 August 4
Scope and Contents note
Printed copy

Miscellany.
Scope and Contents note
Clipping about Shkurkin and notes by Farafontov regarding his visit to San
Francisco in April 1939

Svatikov, Sergei Grigor’evich
Correspondence with A. P. Farafontov 1937-1939
box 4, folder 7  Writing, "Amerika i russkie poety XVIII-go vieka," . [1938]  
Scope and Contents note 
Holograph

box 4, folder 8  Miscellany  
box 4, folder 9  Memoranda  
box 4, folder 10  Minutes of meetings, . 1937-1941  
Scope and Contents note  
Includes notices of meetings and related material

Publications

box 4, folder 11  Iubileinyi sbornik, [1942]  
box 4, folder 12  Printed copy  
box 5, folder 1  Correspondence 1941-1946  
box 5, folder 2  Zapiski Russkago Istoricheskago Obshchestva v Amerikie  
Scope and Contents note  
Editorial notes and drafts, including proposed tables of contents, reviews, and typed draft of article by A. Kersnovskii, entitled "Iz proshlago Rossii," n.d.  
Typescript

box 5, folder 3  Printed copies (issues dated 1938 October and 1939 March)

SUBJECT FILE, . 1876-1948

Scope and Contents note  
Brochures, bulletins, clippings, correspondence, leaflets, writings and other printed matter, arranged alphabetically by heading

box 5, folder 4  Bazhenov, Anatolii Dmitrievich  
box 5, folder 5  Den' russkogo rebenka  
box 5, folder 6  Fire departments--California--San Francisco.  
Scope and Contents note  
Includes information on the Veteran Firemen's Association of San Francisco

box 5, folder 7  Fort Ross, California.  
Scope and Contents note  
Includes clippings, correspondence (mainly with officials of the California State Division of Beaches and Parks, as well as with Metropolitan Feofil and others) relating to restoration activities, 1939-1947

box 5, folder 8  General Platoff's Don Cossack Choir  
box 5, folder 9  Greek, Russian, Slavonian Orthodox Eastern Church and Benevolent Society  
box 5, folder 10  Holy Trinity Russian Eastern Orthodox Cathedral, San Francisco  
box 5, folder 11  Museum of Russian Culture, San Francisco  
box 5, folder 12  Russkii kul'turo-istoricheskii muzei, Prague, Czechoslovakia  
box 5, folder 13  Russkoe sel'sko-khoziaistvennoe obshchestvo  
box 5, folder 14  Tomaroff, Aron  
box 5, folder 15  Miscellany.  
Scope and Contents note  
Brochures, clippings, and leaflets

box 5, folder 16  PHOTOGRAPHS n.d.  
Scope and Contents note  
One photograph of an unidentified individual, possibly M. D. Sedykh, and two photographs of flags created by L. Ia. Bukharin