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Scope and Content Notes

The Vladimir Lebe dev Collection consists of one box of documents, manuscripts and photographs documenting Lebedev's life in France and U.S.A. between 1914 and 1956. The collection was purchased in 1994 from Vladimir Lebedev's daughter Irina Coll.

Vladimir Lebedev (1883-1956) was a prominent figure in the Russian Provisional Government and one of the leaders of the Party of Socialists-Revolutionary in Russia.

He participated in the Russian-Japanese War (1904), joined the Russian revolutionary movement, was obliged to escape abroad (1908) and in the beginning of World War I lived in exile in Paris. Like many other Russian political immigrants in France he entered the French Army as a private soldier, was wounded several times, decorated with the Croix de Guerre and promoted to the rank of officer.

After the March Revolution in Russia he went back to his homeland and was offered a post of Secretary of the Navy at the Provisional Government. Shortly after October Revolution he started his longlife struggle against Bolsheviks and was forced to emigrate from Russia for the second time.

During his second émigré period he lived in Prague, Sofia, Belgrade, Paris, and New York and was an editor of various émigré publications.

The materials presented in this collection reflect Vladimir Lebedev's political and editorial activities during his life in exile. There are 14 folders of correspondece, documents, manuscripts and photographs belonged to him and his closed associates.

The collection is arranged alphabetically and then in chronological order within each folder. Unidentified letter was put at the end of the collection.

Related Material: The Amherst College Center for Russian Culture has information about V. Lebedev beyond that found in this collection. Sources include: A. Remizov and S. Remizova-Dovgello Papers. Contact the Amherst College Center for Russian Culture for further information.

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1	1	1932	Lebedev, Vladimir 3 envelopes	
		1932 Jul 28	Lebedev, Vladimir will, holograph, 1 page	
		1932 Jul 28	Lebedev, Vladimir testamentary letter, holograph, 2 pages	
		1933 Jan 30	Lebedev, Vladimir will, holograph, 3 pages	
	2	1936 Jul 24	Makhin, Fiodor <i>Vladimir Lebedev. Brief Biography</i> , copy of signed typescript with holograph corrections, 16 pages	
	3	1940 Jun 18	Osorgin, Mikhail <i>Iz tikhogo frantsuzskogo mestechka</i> , short story first published in <i>Novoe russkoe slovo</i> , later incorporated into <i>V tikhom mestechke Frantsii</i> , published by YMCA-Press in 1946, holograph, 8 pages	
			Photographs:	
	4	1914-1915	Russian volunteers of the French Foreign Legion, 6 photos	
	5	1914-1915	Russian volunteers of the French Foreign Legion, 5 photos; M. Lebedeva, 1 group photo	
	6	1914-1915	Portraits of V. Lebedev during World War I, 2 photos	
	7	1920	A. Kerenskii's bust with autograph of the sculptor, 1 photo	
		1920	Party of Socialists-Revolutionary members, 1 group photo	
	8	1931	V. Lebedev at the "Cahiers de l'etoile" printing house, 1 photo	
	9	1934, 1938	Portraits of V. Lebedev, 2 photos	
	10	[1942-1956?]	Society of European newcomers, 3 photos	
		1956	M. Slonim at V. Lebedev's funeral service, 1 photo	
	11	[1935?]	Tsvetaeva, Marina <i>Perast</i> , translation of V. Lebedev's essay into French, holograph with author's corrections, 8 pages	
	12	[1935?]	Tsvetaeva, Marina Perast, copy of typescript, 5 pages	

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13	[1935?]		arina photograph of the lake Bled in here the story of <i>Perast</i> happened
14	1945 Aug 18	Unidentified	copy of a letter from Ukraine