

INNOKENTII SERYSHEV
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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

1883 August 14	Born, Bol'shaia Kudara village, Zabaikal district, Russia
1902	Married Ekaterina Fedorovna Bondarenko
1906-1909	Priest, Doronino (Zabaikal district)
1910-1913	Priest, Shergol'dzhin (Zabaikal district)
1917-1919	Member, Board of Directors, Soiuz kul'turno- prosvetitel'nykh obshchestv Altaiskogo kraia
1920-1922	Studied educational system in Japan
1922-1924	Taught in the railroad school, Harbin, China
1924	Taught in the Chinese Esperanto College, Peking, China Author, <u>Strana samuraev</u>
1925-1965	Priest and editor of religious and secular periodicals (some in Esperanto) in Sydney, Australia
1976 August 23	Died, Australia

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

INNOKENTII SERYSHEV PAPERS

This collection consists of the papers of Rev. Innokentii Seryshev, a Russian Orthodox priest active in the first half of the 20th century in Siberia, Japan, China and Australia. Of particular interest is his hobby: the study of Esperanto, of which he was a devoted adherent. Some correspondence and publications are in that language (Oriento, La Pacifiko, and other works in the Speeches and Writings series), and there is a written work on its development in Russian and the USSR ("Esperanto v S.S.S.R.," Box 11, Folder 7).

The materials in the collection reflect mainly his involvement in émigré and Church affairs, mainly in China and Australia, and include correspondence with prominent émigré figures as well as materials for a biographical encyclopedia of prominent Russians that included a large number of émigrés. Also valuable are his multi-volume memoirs, "V zemnom plane moego vechnogo bytiia."

A significant part of the collection consists of periodicals edited and published by Seryshev, on both religious and secular themes, most of which are in mimeograph or similar format, and there is a large amount of writings on religious issues: sermons, apologetics, etc.

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SERIES DESCRIPTION:

<u>Box Nos</u>	<u>Series</u>
1	BIOGRAPHICAL FILE, 1918-[1965]. Consists of bibliography of writings and periodicals edited, and scrapbooks containing correspondence, identity and travel papers, as well as other documents. Arranged alphabetically by physical form
1	CORRESPONDENCE, 1915-1955. Scrapbooks and loose correspondence filed alphabetically by correspondent
2-11	SPEECHES AND WRITINGS, 1920-1968. Arranged chronologically by title
11-12	SUBJECT FILE, 1891-1951. Correspondence, clippings, scrapbooks, speeches and writings, arranged alphabetically by subject. Includes biographical dossiers on various significant Russian émigrés
12	PRINTED MATTER, 1904-1969. Primarily religious literature, including church and parish bulletins, arranged in alphabetical order by title
13	PHOTOGRAPHS, 1916-1953. Include paste-ups for Seryshev's publications as well as group photos of Russian and foreign Esperantists, including Seryshev

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1.		BIOGRAPHICAL FILE, 1918-[1965]
		Autobiography. See SPEECHES AND WRITINGS/"V zemnom plane moego vechnogo bytiia"
1		Bibliographical list of Seryshev's publications, [1965]
2		Scrapbooks
		"Delo o deiatel'nosti i rabote sviashchennika Innokentiiia Serysheva na Altae (Sibir') v dni po-Fevral'skoi revoliutsii i o poezdke ego v Iaponiiu po prichine padeniia Kolchakovskogo rezhima i nastupleniia rezhima bol'shevikov," 1918-1948. Consists of correspondence, identity papers, travel certificates, orders, and related materials. Includes introductory note and index
3		"Delo o prebyvanii sviashchennika Innokentiiia Serysheva v Kharbine," 1922-1948. Consists of correspondence, writings and printed matter. Includes introductory note
4		"Dela Sidneiskogo prikhoda i rol' sviashch. I. Serysheva v nem," 1921-1949. Consists of autobiographical note, correspondence, circulars, and related matter
		CORRESPONDENCE, 1915-1955. See also BIOGRAPHICAL FILE/Scrapbooks, SPEECHES AND WRITINGS (esp. "V zemnom plane moego vechnogo bytiia"), and SUBJECT FILE
		General--Scrapbooks
5		File 1, 1915-1944. Correspondents include K. V. Baturin, Bishop Vasilii, Sergei Maslov, and V. Zenzinov. Includes index as well as related printed matter
6		File 2, 1929-1949. Correspondents include G. D. Grebenshchikov and S. I. Gusev-Orenburgskii. Includes index
7		"Delovaia perepiska," 1936-1952. Correspondents include Bishop Serafim, N. N. Alekseev, A. V. Treichke
8		"Sviaz' s redaktsiiami i izdatel'stvami," 1943-1947
9		Agreneva-Slavianskaia, Margarita, D., 1947
		Bulgakov, Petr I. See SUBJECT FILE
10		Korzhenevskii, Pavel Vasil'evich, 1937-1948. Includes postcards from Korzhenevskii's children
11		Morita, Pavel, 1920
12		Sergii, Bishop of Japan, 1920
		Shkurkin, Pavel Vasil'evich. See SUBJECT FILE
13		Zarochentsev, Mikhail Trofimovich, 1953-1955

2. SPEECHES AND WRITINGS, 1920-1968. Includes periodicals edited by Seryshev, nearly every issue of which contain one or more of his articles. For other works printed by his publishing house, see SUBJECT FILE

General

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- 1 Untitled compilation of articles and
fragments of articles from various
journals, n.d. Printed copy
- 2 "Sbornik broshur Izdatel'stva 'Oriento',"
1935-1941. Printed copy. Bound
compilation of brochures (with table of
contents) issued by Seryshev, some as
supplements to his periodicals
- 3 Scrapbook. "Stat'i I. Serysheva, pisannye iz
Iaponii, po raznym voprosam, v esperantskikh
zhurnalakh na Esperanto i v iaponskikh po-
iaponski i po-russki, 1920-1922." Articles in
periodical press include primarily works on
Esperanto (in La Orienta Lumo, La Revuo
Orienta, La Verda Ombro and other periodicals),
as well as on current events (in Golos Iaponii)
- 4 Tables of contents to some issues of periodicals
edited and published by Seryshev
- 5 "Liubopytnyi dokument," 1921 January 1. Typescript
"Lektsiia Episkopa Sergiia ob arkhiepiskope iaponskom
Nikolae," [summary] 1922. See SUBJECT FILE/Bulgakov,
Petr/Subject file
- 6 "Sushchnost' velikogo narodnogo vosstaniia v Sibiri v
1919 godu," 1922. Holograph
- 7 "Iz vpechatlenii o Iaponii," 1924. Printed copy.
Clippings from an unidentified Harbin newspaper
(Nasha zaria?)
- Strana samuraev, 1924-1925
- 8 Part I. Includes Takekuma Tokusaburo, Aborigeny
ostrova Khokkaido - "Ainy", translated by I.
Seryshev. Printed copy
- Part II
- 9 Holograph. Includes introductory note by
Seryshev, 1948 May
3. 1 Printed copy
- 2 Oriento, #1 (July 1925). Printed copy. Includes table
of contents to numbers 1-2 (typescript and holograph)
- 3 Tserkovnyi kolokol (periodical). Printed copy
- 4 1932 May (#1) - April (#2)
- 4 1932 November (#1) - 1933 February (#4)
- 5 Tserkov' i nauka (periodical). Printed copy
- 6 1933 March (#1) - 1933 December (#10)
- 6 1934 January (#11) - 1934 December (#22)
- 7 1935 January (#23) - 1935 August (#30)
- 8 1935 October (#32) - 1936 March (#37)
4. 1 Fragments of #43 (1936); #52 (1954)
- 2 Polemicheskii biulleten', 1933 July (#1) (periodical).
Printed copy

4. (Contd.) SPEECHES AND WRITINGS (Contd.)
- 3 Avstralaziia, 1933 November (#1) - 1935 April-September (#3) (periodical). Printed copy
- 4 Aziia, 1934 March (#1); 1935 January (#2); 1937 April [1935 December] (#3) (periodical). Printed copy
- 5 Informatsionnyi biulleten' Izdatel'stva "Oriento", #1 (May 1935). Printed copy
- Put' emigranta (periodical). Printed copy
- 6 1935 October (#4) - 1936 March (#3/9)
- 7 1936 April (#4) - 1937 February (#19)
5. 1 1937 March (#20) - 1937 December (#29)
- 2 1938 January (#30) - 1938 August (#37)
- 3 1938 September (#38) - 1941 July (#46)
- 4 La Pacifiko, 1935 December (#1) - 1936 September (#2)
- 5 "Al'bom 'Avstralaziia'," 1937-1940. Typescript
- 6 "Lektsionnyi al'manakh russkogo doma v Sidnee za 1943 god," 1943. Printed copy. Includes lectures by others
- Album of Great, Outstanding and Eminent Personalities of Russia, 1945-1946
- 7 Background materials. Include clippings, correspondence, notes, photographs. For additional photostats, see PHOTOGRAPHS
6. 1-7 Background materials
7. 1 Background materials
- 2 Progress reports
- 3-8 Drafts
- 9 Printed copy, parts I-III
- 10-11 Reviews. Includes newspaper clippings and correspondence, 1945-1954
8. 1 Review of V. Krymov, Drozofily i my, 1948. Typescript
- 2 "Religiia i nauka," 1948. Typescript
- 3 "Strastnaia sedmitsa," 1948. Typescript
- 4 "Mozhet byt' ili navernost'," 1949 April. Typescript
- 5 "Problema mehdunarodnogo iazyka," 1949 August. Typescript
- 6 "Paskha," 1949 September. Typescript
- 7 "Mysli o sektantstve," 1949 November. Typescript
- 8 "Chetvertoe imerenie prostranstva," [1950 January]. Typescript
- 9 "Zagrobnaia zhizn'," 1950 September. Typescript
- 10 "Bog, mir, chelovek," 1951. Typescript
- 11 Missionerskii listok, 1951 September - [1966]
- 12 "Sbornik propovedei, besed i tem dlia dukhovnykh lektsii v pomoshch' pravoslavnykh pastyriam," 1951 December. Typescript
9. "V zemnom plane moego vechnogo bytiia," 1952 February - 1968. Typescript. Includes photographs of author and others
- 1 Volume 1: "V Sibiri." Missing pp. 281-282, 355-356
- 2 Volume 2: "V Iaponii"
- 3 Volume 3: "V Kitae"
- 4 Volume 4: "V Avstralii"

10. SPEECHES AND WRITINGS (Contd.)
- "V zemnom plane moego vechnogo bytiia" (Contd.)
- 1-2 Volume 4: "V Avstralii
- 3-4 Volume 4: "V Avstralii." Appendices
 (correspondence, documents and photographs)
- 5 Volume 5: "Moi lektsii, doklady, stat'i"
- 6 Conclusion, table of contents, bibliography of
 Seryshev's works
- 7 "Rabota russkikh emigrantov na internatsional'nom
 poprishche esperantizma," 1952 December. Typescript
- 8 Lechebnyi sbornik, #2 (1954). Printed copy. Compiled
 and edited by Seryshev
11. 1 V chasy dosuga, v minuty razdum'ia, 1955-1957 (#18-19)
- 2 "istoriia Sidneiskogo prikhoda ot ego osnovaniia do
 pribytiia pervogo episkopa," 1956 July. Typescript
- 3 Kriticheskii sbornik #3: Teosofiia, okkul'tim i
 khristianstvo, 1959 February. Printed copy
- 4 Mia "Cigna Kanto"/ Moia lebedinaia pesn', 1960 March.
 Printed copy
- 5 Vočo de Esperantulo/ Golos Esperantista, 1962 (#1) and
 undated, unnumbered issue. Printed copy
- 6 Sperto de mia vivo, 1962 May. Printed copy
- 7 "Esperanto v S.S.S.R. i v ee satelitakh: Chast' 2-ia,"
 1962 August. Typescript
- 8 Opisanie zhini matushki Ekateriny Feodorovny Seryshevoi
 (1884-1963), 1964. Printed copy
- 9 Apologeticheskie uroki Vetkhogo Zaveta, parts 1-7, 1966-
 1967. Printed copy
- 10 Kritika knigi frantsuza ateista Leo Taksil' "Zabavnaia
 Bibliia," 1968 August. Typescript
- 11 "Na knizhku 'Vo svete pisaniia' ukrainskogo eks-iereia
 G. Dobrovol'skogo, ushedshego v sektu baptistov, moi
 kriticheskii otvet," 1968 August. Typescript
- 12 "Ob"iasnenie liturgii dlia molodezhi," 1968 December.
 Typescript
- 13 "Potemkinskie potemki: Kriticheskii otvet na broshiuuru
 starovera K. V. Potemkina 'Raz"ediniiaushchaia
 sila'," 1968 December. Typescript
- 14 "O reforme nashego eparkhial'nogo zhurnala," 1968
 December 25. Typescript
- SUBJECT FILE, 1891-1951
- 15 Bebutova, Olga. Consists of letters from Archbishop
 Feodosii to Seryshev, 1951, and receipts pertaining
 to Seryshev's activity in advancing financial aid to
 Bebutova
- Bulgakov, Petr, Rev. Materials from Bulgakov's archive
 sent to Seryshev, consisting of his correspondence,
 writings, and collected materials
- 16 Biographical file. Includes brief notes and
 chronology of Bulgakov's life
- Correspondence
 General
- 17 General and unidentified, [1908]-1928
 and undated

11. (Contd.) SUBJECT FILE (Contd.)
 Bulgakov, Petr (Contd.)
 Correspondence (Contd.)
 General (Contd.)
- 18 Scrapbook. Includes letters to Seryshev, Patriarch Tikhon and others, 1922-1930 and undated. Also includes photograph of Bulgakov and biographical introduction by Seryshev, dated 1948
- 19 Sergii, Bishop of Japan, 1920-1930
- 20 Seryshev, Innokentii, 1920-1930
- 21 Tikhon, Patriarch, 1891-1923. Includes letter by S. Bulgakova to Seryshev introducing this correspondence, 1939
- 22 Subject file - Sergii, Bishop of Japan. Includes summary of speech by him written by Seryshev and related letter by Bulgakov to the newspaper Novaia zaria, 1931
- 23 Writings, 1908-1930. May include pieces not by Bulgakov
- 24 Miscellany
12. 1 Japanese students. Diary of a Japanese student studying the Russian language, 1919-1920
- 2 Russians--Australia. Scrapbook includes correspondence with A. A. Faminskii, 1939, and others, clippings, broadsides and other materials relating to Russians in Australia in the 1920s-1930s
- 3 Shkurkin, Pavel Vasil'evich. Correspondence, 1927-1941, clippings, photograph and collected materials relating to the biography of this orientalist
- 4 Miscellany. Includes newspaper clippings, mainly on church affairs
- 5-8 PRINTED MATTER, 1904-1969. Consists mainly of religious literature, including a large amount of bulletins issued by various parishes and organizations in China and Australia, some published by Seryshev, as well as mimeographed and typed reports on religious and church-related subjects
13. PHOTOGRAPHS, 1916-1953
- 1 Photostats for use in Seryshev's Album of Great, Outstanding and Eminent Personalities
- 2 Postcards, depicting various subjects, including indigenous peoples of Australasia. Include many printed by Seryshev, with titles in Esperanto
- 3 Esperanto groups (including Seryshev) in Barnaul, Russia, 1916, and Peking, 1924