

**Creator, Collector, etc.:** Galina Nikolaevna von MECK

**Title:** Papers **Dates:** 1861-1974

**Quantity:** 8 items (Boxes: 2 Volumes: Other: )

**Arrangement:** arranged

**Biographical/Historical Note:** Grandniece of composer Peter Ilich Tchaikovsky, and granddaughter of his patroness Nadezhda von Meck.

**Content Note:**

A major part of the collection is von Meck's autobiography (660 p.), covering up to the latter part of World War II, when she left Russia for the West. This autobiography primarily discusses her life in the Soviet Union in the 1920's and 1930's; her father was executed and she herself was imprisoned in Soviet concentration camps. There are five brief essays discussing railroads in Russia and the USSR, and a photograph of her grandmother, Anna Merklings. Also included is von Meck's translation of 681 letters written by P.I. Tchaikovsky to his family during the period March 1961 to September 1893.

**Language:** In Russian and English.

**Restrictions:** None

**Finding Aids:**

**Location:** BAR

**Source/date:** Purchase 1968-70, 1973-74, Gift of Mrs Geoffrey Courtney 1986

**Subjects/Other Entries:** Merklings, Anna, Meck family, Tchaikovsky, Peter Ilich, Railroads-Soviet Union, Concentration camps-Soviet Union, Soviet Union-History-1917-1936.

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