

COLLECTIONS OF CORRESPONDENCE AND MANUSCRIPT DOCUMENTS

NAME OF COLLECTION: OSOBYI KOMITET PO DELAM RUSSKIKH V FINLIANDII Papers

SOURCE: Purchase, 1976

SUBJECT: Revolution and Civil War - Northwest Front; Emigration - Finland

DATES COVERED: ca. 1881-1964 NUMBER OF ITEMS: ca. 2500 35

STATUS: (check appropriate description)
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LOCATION: (Library) BAR CALL-NUMBER Ms Coll/Osobyi komitet
v Finliandii

RESTRICTIONS ON USE None

DESCRIPTION: Papers of the Osobyi komitet po delam russkikh v Finliandii (Special Committee on Russian Affairs in Finland), which was founded to assist Russian refugees in Finland after the Finnish announcement of independence in December 1917. The committee gave support to General Iudenich's White Army on the northwest front during the Civil War. The collection consists of correspondence, reports, minutes of meetings, financial records, subject files, bulletins, news announcements, and printed materials (including a detailed history of the Committee); the majority of the collection dates from 1919. Correspondents include Anton Kartashev, president of the Committee in 1919-1920, and Iudenich. There are materials on the northwest front, reports on the status of Russian refugees in Finland, the proposed take-over and rehabilitation of Petrograd, and records of the Committee's financial activities. Substantial materials concern its Political Committee and Iudenich's Northwest Government.

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For a more detailed history of the Committee, see last page of this description.

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A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE COMMITTEE

The Committee was founded after the Finnish declaration of independence from Russia in December 1917 and the liquidation of all Russian institutions in Finland. It was established as an organization to assist Russian refugees in Finland and later gave financial assistance to Iudenich's Northwest Government during the Civil War. The Committee selected Viipuri (Vyborg) as its base of operations and held its first official meeting on November 29, 1918. Aleksandr F. Trepov was elected first president of the organization, and succeeding presidents included Anton V. Kartashev, Ernest K. Grube, and Aleksandr N. Fenu (Fenoult). General Nikolai Iudenich acted as starshii voennyi nachal'nik (senior military commander) of the Political Committee, the executive body of the organization. Besides the Political Committee, the organization had a number of departments including Finance, Internal Affairs, Communications, Supply and others. These various departments prepared reports and made plans for the revitalization of the economy and government of Petrograd after a planned White Army takeover in late 1919. The collection contains materials on the Committee's activities from 1918-1923, and mostly concerns 1919. There is a detailed mimeographed history of the organization among the printed materials, and membership lists of the officers and members of the organization in the Osobyi Komitet subject file.

OSOBYI KOMITET V FINLIANDII BOX LIST

Box 1. Cataloged Materials; Arranged Correspondence, A-K

Cataloged Correspondents

Hoover, Herbert
Iudenich, Nikolai Nikolaevich
Kartashev, Anton Vladimirovich
Maklakov, Vasilii Alekseevich
Miller, Evgenii Karlovich
Nabokov, ~~Vasilii Alekseevich~~ *Konstantin Dmitrievich*
Roerich, Nikolai Konstantinovich
Romanov, Kirill Vladimirovich, Grand Duke of Russia (with related materials)

Cataloged Documents

Iudenich, Nikolai Nikolaevich
Romanov, Kirill Vladimirovich, Grand Duke of Russia

Arranged Correspondence, A-K

American Relief Administration
British Foreign Office
On Expenditures (includes bills, orders and lists of persons receiving financial assistance)
Fenu (Fenoult), Aleksei Nikolaevich
On Financial Questions and Cash on Hand
Girs, M.I. (with related materials)
Grimm, David Davidovich
Gul'kevich, Konstantin N. (includes materials on expected seizure of Petrograd in October 1919)
Iudenich, Nikolai Nikolaevich (copies of outgoing correspondence)
Kartashev, Anton Vladimirovich (carbons of outgoing letters)
Kemskaia uezdnaia militsiia

Box 2. Arranged Correspondence, L-Z

Lianozov, Stepan Georgievich
Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Russian embassy in Paris)
On Offers of Provisions, Projects and Labor
Osobyi Komitet in Finland
Predsedatel' osobogo komiteta
Russian P.O.W.s in Germany
Sovet predstavitelei russkoi promyshlennosti i torgovli v Finliandii
Trotskii-Seniutovich, V.N.
A-Z
Unidentified
Coded Telegrams
Lists of Incoming and Outgoing Communications of the Osobyi Komitet Political Committee
Lists of Incoming and Outgoing Communications of the Political Committee of General Iudenich

Box 3. Manuscripts

Reports

Ivanov, S.V. (on Petrograd)
Kuz'min-Karavaev, V.D. (on takeover of Petrograd and conditions in Finland)
Lianozov, S.G. (on finance)
On Military Wages
"Ob 'osobom otdele' pri otdele inostrannykh snoshenii upravleniia severo-zapadnogo fronts (dlia dontrolia v"ezda v Rossiui)"
On Political Committee's Trade-Industry Department
On Russian Refugees in Finland
Suvorov, M.N. (on northwest front, transportation, communications)

Memoirs by Eduard F. von Mend, "Kadet--iunker--ofitser"

Memoranda

Instructions for Application of Provisional Regulations for Entering the Borders of the N.W. Oblast of Russia
Statutes of the Government of the N.W. Oblast

Box 4. Minutes of Meetings

"Ob"edinennyi sovet politicheskogo soveshchaniia pri Gen. Iudeniche"
Political Committee (with related reports and other materials)
Supplements to Minutes of Meetings
Excerpted Resolutions of Political Committee
Sovet finansov, promyshlennosti, i torgovli
List of Incoming and Outgoing Communication of the Sovet finansov, promyshlennosti, i torgovli
Soviet of General Iudenich in Viipuri (Vyborg)
Sovet predstavitelei russkoi promyshlennosti i torgovli v Finliandii
Miscellaneous Minutes

Box 5. Applications for Employment with Osobyi Komitet; Financial Records

Financial Records

Account Book for Dissemination of Salaries to the Office Workers of the Political Committee
Communications Department
Department for Organization of the City Government in Petrograd
Finance Department
Foreign Relations Department
Fuel Department
Industry and Finance Commission
Information Bureau
Internal Affairs Department
Fuel Department
Kassa i tekushchie scheta
Ministry of Supply of the N.W. Russia Oblast
Orders to Transfer Funds to Gen. Iudenich
Osobyi komitet po delam russkikh v Finliandii
Political Conference Department
Provisions Department
Sovet predstavitelei russkoi promyshlennosti i torgovli v Finliandii

Box 6. Subject Files

Formation of the N.W. Government
Formation of the Political Committee Office of the Osobyi Komitet
General Wrangel
International Russian Relief Committee
Meetings of Transport Committee
Osobyi komitet (includes membership lists, reports, correspondence, diagrams)
Plans to Revitalize the Government and Economy of Petrograd (1919)
Sovet predstavitelei russkoi promyshlennosti i trgovli v Finliandii
Trade-Industrial Union in Finland

Box 7. Bulletins and News Announcements of Osobyi Komitet

Box 8. Printed Materials; Miscellaneous

Printed Materials

"Osobyi komitet po delam russkikh v Finliandii. 1918-1923 g."
Russian General Consulate Key (for code deciphering; 1920)
"Sudebnoe delo o zlodeianii 1 marta"
Clippings on Osobyi Komitet
Pamphlets
Newspapers
Miscellaneous