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Summary Information

Repository:	Rare Book and Manuscript Library
Creator:	Walter, George, 1899-1983
Title:	George Walter Papers
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Date [inclusive]:	1820s-1970s
Physical Description:	2.94 linear feet 7 document boxes
Language of the Material:	English , Russian .
Abstract:	The papers are composed of the correspondence, diaries, newspapers, books and documents of the Russian-American émigré George Walter. The correspondence is primarily from the period 1919-33, and consists of letters sent to Walter by family and friends in various European locations, primarily Walter's hometown of Mykolaiv, Russian Empire (now Ukraine).

Preferred Citation

Identification of specific item; Date (if known); George Walter Papers; Box and Folder; Bakhmeteff Archive, Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Columbia University Library.

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Biographical / Historical

George Walter was born in a German-speaking Lutheran family in Mykolaiv, Russian Empire (now Ukraine). He learned French and Russian there prior to the Russian Revolution, which took place when he was 18 years old. Walter later acquired Arabic and English after leaving Russia for Tunisia and then the United States.

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Biographical / Historical

During World War I, Walter fought as part of the Russian Imperial Cavalry. He joined at age 15 but soon was injured by shrapnel in the chin. Walter's parents were middle-class supporters of the Russian monarchy and both died shortly after the October Revolution. At that time, Walter went into hiding until he reached Tunisia, a French protectorate where elements of the White Russian Navy had fled. Walter moved to the United States in 1923 (pictured around this time) and settled in Hoisington, Kansas.

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Biographical / Historical

Walter received United States citizenship in 1929. He died in 1983.

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Summary

The bulk of the collection consists of correspondence addressed to George Walter in Kansas from friends and family in Europe from the late 1920s and early 1930s. A large part of the collection consists of newspapers and books collected by Walter in the early 1920s. There are also a number of documents relating to his immigration to the United States in the 1920s.

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Summary

For preservation purposes, particularly fragile items have been stored in plastic. Color photocopies of the materials from this collection are held in boxes 6 and 7. Digitized versions of the materials from this collection are also available; please contact the curator for details.

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Arrangement

This collection is arranged in eight series.

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Revision Description

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Papers processed by Marlow Davis (GSAS) 2017.

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Accrual

No additions are expected

Accruals

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Controlled Access Headings

- German-American Mennonites -- 20th century
- Russian Americans -- 20th century
- Russian Emigres -- Tunisia -- 20th century
- Russia -- Emigration and immigration -- 20th century
- Tunisia -- History -- 20th century
- Correspondence
- Manuscripts (documents)
- Newspapers
- Maps (documents)
- Realia
- Walter, George, 1899-1983

Collection Inventory

Series I: Correspondence

Title/Description	Instances	
Barouline, George, to George Walter, 1920-25	box 1	folder 1
Brack, Irma, to George Walter, 1923	box 1	folder 2
Brack, Peter, to George Walter, 1922-31	box 1	folder 2
Chechlinsky, Tadeusz, to George Walter, 1923-29	box 1	folder 3
Chechlinsky, Tadeusz, to Roland Kufield, 12, July 1927	box 1	folder 3
Cima, Paulina, to George Walter, 1923-26	box 1	folder 4
Del-Maré, F.M., to George Walter, 1929	box 1	folder 5
Fay, Lilly, to George Walter, 1926-28	box 1	folder 6
Gaidaenko, Vladimir and Vera, to George Walter, 1923-25, 1932-33	box 1	folder 7
Kast, R., to George Walter, 19, April 1925	box 1	folder 8
Klasink, Ludmilla, to George Walter, 17, September 1948	box 1	folder 8
Klunt, Reverend John to George Walter, 1930-32	box 1	folder 8
Kufield, Roland, to George Walter, 1923-30	box 1	folder 9
Maichel, Paul, to George Walter, 1926-33	box 1	folder 10
Mikhalovsky, Liubov, to George Walter, 1923-25, 1932	box 1	folder 10
Pavloff, P., to George Walter, 1921 1924, 1921, 1924	box 1	folder 11
Ripnevskaiia, F., to George Walter, undated	box 1	folder 12
Ripnevskii, Mikhail, to George Walter, 1923-30	box 1	folder 12
Rohr-Dathaler, Heinrich, to George Walter, 22, June 1928	box 2	folder 1
Rozmaritsa, Yevgeniia, to George Walter, 1919-22	box 2	folder 2
Rozmaritsa, Yevgeniia, to George Walter, 1922-26	box 2	folder 3
Stankewicz, Alexander Antonovich, to George Walter, 1923-25	box 2	folder 3
Walter, George, to Tadeusz Chechlinsky, undated	box 2	folder 4
Walter, George, to Paulina Cima, 19, June 1923	box 2	folder 4
Walter, George, to Roland Kufield, undated	box 2	folder 4
Walter, George, to Mikhail Ripnevskii, undated	box 2	folder 4
Walter, George, to Yevgeniia Rozmaritsa, 2, April 1932	box 2	folder 4
Walter, George, to Unidentified, undated	box 2	folder 4
Walter, Leopold, to George Walter, 1923-30	box 2	folder 5
Walter, Leopold, to George Walter, 1948 1968-71, 1948	box 2	folder 6

Walter, Marie, to George Walter, 1926-32, 1936 1953 1971, 1936, 1953, 1971	box 2	folder 7
Walter, Vera, to George Walter, 1923-32	box 2	folder 8
Walter, Ernst, to George Walter, 1924-25	box 2	folder 9
Unidentified, to Mrs. P. Popoff, 30 November n.y.	box 2	folder 9
Unidentified, to George Walter, 10, June 1928	box 2	folder 9

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Series II: Manuscripts

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Loose MS pages, 2 poems	box 3	folder 1
Diaries, 1920-33 [14 diaries]	box 3	folder 2

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Series III: Documents

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Baptism certificate of George Walter, 12, April 1905	box 3	folder 3
Doctor's letter on George Walter, Mykolaiv, 27, June 1917	box 3	folder 3
Lutheran confirmation certificate of George Walter, 19, May 1918	box 3	folder 3
Certificate confirming George Walter as Scout Master, Boy Scouts of Mykolaiv, 24, June 1918	box 3	folder 3
Certificate confirming George Walter as 8th grade student, Mykolaiv 3rd Male Gymnasium, 18, September 1919	box 3	folder 3
Certificate confirming George Walter as 7th grade student, Mykolaiv 3rd Male Gymnasium, 11, October 1919	box 3	folder 3
Demobilization certificate of George Walter, 5, November 1919	box 3	folder 3
Certificate of seaman George Walter on minelayer <i>Tserigo</i> , Mykolaiv, 22, December 1919	box 3	folder 3
Transfer certificate of seaman George Walter to the minelayer <i>Bespokoinyi</i> , Sevastopol, 5, February 1920	box 3	folder 3
Cholera vaccination certificate of George Walter, 4, July 1920	box 3	folder 3
Certificate of George Walter from Russian Squadron Commander, 2, February 1921	box 3	folder 3

Acceptance letter to George Walter from Russian Middle School in Paris, 29, August 1921	box 3	folder 3
Postal receipts from Tunis, 1922-23	box 3	folder 3
French police document of George Walter, undated	box 3	folder 3
Affidavit of support for George Walter signed by Irma Brack, 14, June 1923	box 3	folder 3
Declaration of Alien about to Depart for the United States, George Walter, American Consulate, Tunis, 16, June 1923	box 3	folder 3
Declaration of no valid passport, George Walter, 16, June 1923	box 3	folder 3
Receipt, American Consular Service, Tunis, 16, June 1923	box 3	folder 3
Certificate of George Walter from Russian Squadron in Biserte, presented at American Consulate, Tunis, 16, June 1923	box 3	folder 3
Letter of Employment, Domaine D'Utique, 28, June 1923	box 3	folder 3
List of names and addresses, undated	box 3	folder 3
Application of Yevgeniia Rozmaritsa for travel to Canada, undated [in Russian],, undated	box 3	folder 3
French Passport of George Walter, 21, July 1923	box 3	folder 3
Letter to George Walter from Domaine D'Utique, 10, October 1923	box 3	folder 3
Receipts for funds transfers from George Walter to Ernest Yakowlewitz Walter, 1923-25 [15 receipts, totaling \$100]	box 3	folder 3
Receipts for funds transfers from George Walter to Yevgeniia Alexandrovna Rozmaritsa, 1926-28 [6 receipts, totaling \$362]	box 3	folder 3
Lutheran Immigration Board of Canada to George Walter, 29, October 1927	box 3	folder 3
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Tkacheff, M. <i>Vocabulaire Français-Russe et Russe-Français</i> , Paris: Garnier Fr è res [1920s]	box 3	folder 4
Wassilieff, A. <i>English-Russian Vocabulary</i> , Paris: Garnier Fr è res, 1921	box 3	folder 4
Ash, Shalom <i>Meri</i> , Berlin: Ladyschnikow [1920s]	box 4	folder 1
Jordan, Friedrich <i>Dorfgeschichten, Erlebtes und Erschautes aus den Colonien an der Wolga</i> , [1900s]	box 4	folder 1
Forel', Avgust <i>Polovoi vopros</i> , St, Petersburg: Osvobozhdenie [1920s]	box 4	folder 1
Kuprin, Aleksandr <i>Na Perelome i drugie sochineniia, Tom 5</i> , Berlin: G, Blumenberg [1921]	box 4	folder 1
Kuprin, Aleksandr <i>Iama, Tom 12</i> , Berlin: G, Blumenberg [1921]	box 4	folder 1
Grebenshchikov, Georgii <i>Churaevy</i> , Paris: Russkaia Pechat', 1922	box 4	folder 1
Thomson, John, red <i>Samouchitel' angliiskogo iazyka</i> , Berlin, Glücksmann, 1922	box 4	folder 1
Vetlugin, A <i>Zapiski Merzavtsa</i> , Berlin: Russkoe tvorchestvo, 1922	box 4	folder 1
<i>New Testament</i> [in Japanese]	box 4	folder 1

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Series V: Newspapers

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<i>Niva</i> , 17, November 1907	box 5	folder 1
Vokrug Sveta, Moscow, 12, 19 January and 9, 16 March1914 [4 copies], March1914	box 5	folder 1
Clippings from <i>Novoe Russkoe Slovo</i> , New York, 1926-27	box 5	folder 2
<i>Vechnee slovo</i> , Sevastopol, 7 and 10, February1920	box 5	folder 2
<i>Iug</i> , Sevastopol, 7, March1920	box 5	folder 2
"Pamiati Aleksandra Bloka" <i>Obshchee delo</i> , Paris, 16, August 1921	box 5	folder 2
<i>Obshchee delo</i> , Paris, 9, December 1921	box 5	folder 2
<i>Cleveland Plain Dealer Magazine Section</i> , 6, December 1931	box 5	folder 2

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Series VI: Maps

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Map of Southern Russia [1910s]	box 5	folder 3

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Series VII: Realia

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Wolf-shaped pendant on yellow ribbon	box 5	folder 4
Cloth hat with U,K, coat of arms buttons	box 5	folder 4
Russian Navy hat with inscription "Artillery School"	box 5	folder 4

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Photocopied correspondence T-Z	box 7	folder 1
Photocopied documents	box 7	folder 1

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