



MG 155 - V.J. Linitzky fonds, alumnus (College of Law)

Dates: 1916-1992

Extent: 33 cm of textual records and graphic materials.

Biography: Valentin John Linitzky was born in Kharkov, Russia [Ukraine], in 1891. After earning a law degree in Russia he travelled extensively, living in Brazil, France, and Germany before settling in Canada.

Lydia Petroff was also born in Kharkov, Russia, (in 1901) to Sergei Petroff and Agrafin (Rachel) Avrashow. A sister, Jennie, was born in 1902. Following severe repression in that area after an abortive revolution against the Tsar in 1905, the Petroff family decided to immigrate; they arrived in Canada in 1906, eventually settling in Yorkton, Saskatchewan. Both Lydia and Jennie became teachers. While teaching in Alberta in 1929, Lydia met and married Valentin Linitzky. They moved to Saskatoon in 1935, where Valentin attended the University of Saskatchewan, graduating with an LLB in 1937.

When the Petroff parents moved to Saskatoon in 1945, Jennie joined them. She lived with her parents until their deaths, then shared a house with her sister Lydia.

Valentin Linitzky died on 13 March, 1948; Lydia Petroff Linitzky died on 2 January 1988; and Jennie Petroff died on 20 January 1992.

Scope and Content: This fonds contains biographical information, material from the College of Law as well as from Valentin Linitzky's law practice, and considerable material relating to primary school education, including examinations and textbooks.

Arrangement: Organised into 4 series:

- A. Valentin Linitzky
- B. Jennie Petroff
- C. Lydia Petroff
- D. Sergei Petroff

Language: Material in English and Russian.

Restrictions: There are no restrictions on access.

No further accruals are expected.

A. Valentin Linitsky - 1930-1992.

This series consists of records related to Linitsky, including personal correspondence, clippings, and lectures, together with documents related to his law practice and the College of Law at the University of Saskatchewan.

1. Personal. - 1936-1992.
Includes miscellaneous correspondence and Christmas cards; obituaries for Lydia and Jennie Petroff; and the eulogy delivered by Judge Clifford Peet for Jennie Petroff.
2. Personal - Clippings.
Includes obituaries for F.C. Cronkite.
3. Personal - Lectures. - [between 1933 and 1945].
Lectures written by Linitsky and delivered at the College of Law. They include: "Ukraine via Germany;" "Vox Hominis;" "Critical Study of Soviet Marxism and Hitler's National Socialism."
4. Law Practice - Business Cards, Stationery.
5. Law Practice - Collections.
Includes notes on recommendations for St. Paul's Hospital debt collection.
6. Law Practice - Notes.
1930-1948. Includes "Rules Respecting Accounts;" rental orders from the wartime prices and trade board; the insurance act (1930); etc.
7. Law Practice - Reference Material.
8. Law Practice - Rent Control.
9. Law Practice - Steiman v. RM of Cote - Appeal. - 1939.
10. Law Practice - Xenophen Yarrow Estate. - 1935-1937.
11. U of S - College of Law - Final Exams. - 1936-1937.
12. U of S - College of Law - Graduates. - 1937. - [photograph].
13. U of S - College of Law - Reference. - 1935.
BNA Act and Amendments, 1867-1927.

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14. U of S - General. - 1937-1948.

Includes copies of election registers, Sheaf literary supplement and summer school bulletins, etc.

B. Jennie Petroff. - [19--]. - 1980.

This series consists of records related to Jennie Petroff, including material related to the Business School, Nature Saskatoon, and The Mentor, an article on J.C. Van Dyke.

1. Business School. - 2 folders.

Texts for "Rational Typewriting," etc.

2. The Mentor. - 1916.

Article on Rembrandt by J.C. Van Dyke.

3. Nature Saskatoon. - 1980.

"An Account of the Saskatoon Natural History Society" by C. Stuart Houston; includes brief biographies of professors T.N. Willing, D.S. Rawson, and L.G. Saunders.

C. Lydia Petroff. - 1917-1942.

This series consists of records relating to the life of Lydia Petroff, including photographs, and teaching materials, such as exams and textbooks.

1. [Linitzky Collection Agency].

2. Normal School. - 1922. - [photograph]. Group photo at opening of Normal School in Saskatoon.

3. Teaching Materials - Class Schedules.

4. Teaching Materials - Exams. - 1926-1934.

5. Teaching Materials - Exams - Saskatchewan Department of Education Standard Examinations. - 1922-1934.

6. Teaching Materials — Lesson Plans.

7. Teaching Materials — Magazines. - 1927-1943.

Copies of The Western Teacher; The Modern Instructor and The Alberta School.

8. Teaching Material - Reference. - 1928-1933. Includes "Agriculture, Elementary Science and Nature Study;" and "Humanizing Arithmetic."

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9. Textbooks - Arithmetic. - 1926.

10. Textbooks - Art.

Vol 2.

11. Textbooks - Chemistry. - 1919.

12. Textbooks - Composition. - nd, 1928.

13. Textbooks - Geography. - 1930.

14. Textbooks - Health. - 1920.

15. Textbooks - History. - nd, 1917.

The Story of Canada by E.L. Marsh; and The Story of the Canadian People by D.M. Duncan.

16. Textbooks - Music.

17. Textbooks - Physical Education. - 1919, 1924.

D. Sergei Petroff.

This series consists of records relating to the life of Sergei Petroff, including business accounts and scrapbooks.

1. Business Accounts.

2. Scrapbooks.

Includes pamphlet on the Tolstoy Foundation.