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### **Abstract**

The Russian Brotherhood Organization of the U.S.A. (RBO), a non-profit fraternal benefit society, was established on July 1, 1900, at Mahanoy City, Pennsylvania. Their mission was to provide mutual protection from hardships for the early immigrants from Galicia and Carpathian Russia who settled in the anthracite region of Pennsylvania, and to continue to serve second and third generations of immigrants. The stated purpose of the society is to provide relief for members distressed by illness, physical injury, or disability, and also to care for the widows and orphans of deceased members. The RBO provides insurance benefits, supports orphanages, and establishes and maintains a scholarship fund. The organization also contributes to schools in the "Old Country" and parochial schools, supports churches here and abroad, and helps civic and charitable institutions. In addition, the RBO publishes educational and literary books and contributes to the preservation of Russian culture and heritage. The RBO headquarters are currently located at 1733 Spring Garden Street, in Philadelphia.

In 1965, another Russian beneficial organization, the Russian Consolidated Mutual Aid Society of America (RCMASA) merged insurance operations with the RBO, taking the RBO's name, constitution, and bylaws. The RCMASA had been established in 1926 by immigrants from Russia to provide insurance, financial assistance for the disabled, low-cost mortgages, shelters for the homeless and aged, and to contribute to the preservation of Russian religious and cultural traditions. In 1934, the RCMASA established ROVA Farms, Inc., in Cassville, Ocean County, New Jersey. ROVA Farms, Inc. was not included in the merger with RBO, and continues to exist as a Russian-American cultural and social center.

Beyond centering primarily on the materials of the RBO, this collection also chronicles the history as well as the depth and breadth of the fraternal, benevolent, and cultural activities of the RCMASA with ROVA Farms, Inc. A long run of RBO's death and other benefit claim records constitute the largest portion of the collection, and are also indexed in a Microsoft Access database. The RBO records are particularly rich in correspondence and financial records. Additionally, the RBO materials include constitutions and bylaws, convention materials, annual statements, insurance rate instructions and a manual,

members' military service records, unemployment loan records, and official publications. Materials that belong to the RCMASA include its charter, numerous minute books, a considerable amount of branch correspondence, and official publications, as well as the constitution and bylaws of the ROVA Farms, Inc. The collection also contains materials regarding the merger process of RBO and RCMASA.

Materials are in English, Russian, and Carpatho-Rusyn languages.

## **Background note**

### **Russian Brotherhood Organization.**

The Russian Brotherhood Organization of the United States of America (RBO) was organized on July 1, 1900, at Mahanoy City, Pennsylvania, by a group of Galician and Carpatho-Rusyn miners and various other workers. The Carpatho-Rusyns had begun to migrate to the United States in the early 1870s from the region of the Carpathian mountains, from whence they took this name. The name Carpatho-Rusyn signifies both the geographical locus of the Slavic people who settled on both slopes of the region during the eighth century, as well as their tie to medieval Kievan Rus'. A branch of this group is believed to be early ancestors of modern-era Carpatho-Russians. The Carpatho-Rusyns also have been variously identified as Rusins, Rusnaks, Uhro-Rusyns, Carpatho-Ruthenians, Carpathian Rusyns, and Carpatho-Russians. Today the number of Americans of Carpatho-Rusyn descent is estimated to exceed one half-million.

This guide uses the name Carpatho-Rusyn when referring to people and the language, and Carpatho-Russia(n) when referring to geographical places, organizations, and committees.

In the early 1880s, many Carpatho-Rusyn immigrants coming to find work in coal mines settled in the anthracite region of Pennsylvania. The establishment of the beneficial society was seen as a necessity, as there was no injury or death compensation available from either the coal industry or government sources during that period. The stated object of the RBO is to provide material, moral, and cultural aid to its members. The material goal is to provide payment of benefits in the event of sickness, disability, and death, and to give loans. The moral and cultural goals are to further Russian cultural traditions, to strengthen members' home and social ties, and to inculcate in its members loyalty to the United States of America.

A local unit of the RBO is commonly known as a "lodge" or "bratstvo" (brotherhood). Upon entering a brotherhood it is common practice to receive a rather elaborate membership certificate or contract describing the insurance benefits, a satin ceremonial ribbon and a medal or lapel pin. Each of the brotherhoods has a patron saint, and on the holy day named for that saint a special service is held at the church, with members of the society lining the middle aisle, wearing these ribbons, and holding lighted candles. These ribbons are also displayed at a member's funeral.

From its establishment, the RBO membership was open to all Slavic Christians, except for clergy. According to its founders, the RBO was intended for "true Russians who

loved their nationality and wished to free it from exploitation by Ukrainian radicals and priests of pro-Magyar leanings." The RBO was intended to counteract the "work of renegades and traitors to the Russian cause in the other Russian fraternal orders."

During the first years there appear to have been frequent semi-political antagonisms between the leaders of several different Russian organizations, regarding perceived insidious "leanings" or "orientations." In fact, such a disagreement over orientations contributed to the founding of the RBO.

Such antagonism had also happened in the Russian Orthodox Catholic Mutual Aid Society (ROCMAS), which was organized on April 10, 1895, in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. A former ROCMAS member, Viktor P. Gladysk, who in 1893 had immigrated to the United States from a Lemko<sup>1</sup> village – then in the Austro-Hungarian region of Galicia – was given work in the U.S. as a typesetter for the ROCMAS newspaper *Svit*. However, he soon became dissatisfied with the political and cultural views of the Russian Orthodox Catholic Mutual Aid Society and his newspaper. The ROCMAS leaders, including the editors of *Svit*, followed the prevailing Carpatho-Rusyn intellectual tradition in Europe of adopting a cultural and political orientation towards the Ukrainian city Lvov. However, Gladysk and others felt that the adoption of Russian Orthodoxy mandated the redirection of Russian interests from Lvov to the more distant Russian city of Moscow, center of the Russian Orthodox faith. Due to these differences, Gladysk left ROCMAS and on July 1, 1900 he joined with the organizers of the Russian Brotherhood Organization in Mahanoy City.

According to the records, the most active RBO organizers were also John Z. Smith, John Smayda, Joseph Svit, George Vretiak, Andrew Kopach, Andrew Kosar, Zinon Krajniak, Anthony Onuschak and Paul Matyas. At the first convention in Hazelton, Pennsylvania, on September 10, 1901, there were 12 delegates; John Z. Smith was elected the first RBO president. 28 delegates attended the next convention on September 9, 1902, at Shenandoah, Pennsylvania, and Rev. Father Theofan Obushkevich was elected the spiritual advisor, John Z. Smith was reelected president, George Vretiak was elected treasurer, and D. Wandziliak was elected secretary. At that time, the society had 22 lodges with 546 members. At this convention a Juvenile Division of the RBO was established and the Saints Cyril and Methodius were designated as patron saints of the society.

On February 1902, Viktor P. Gladysk and several other Rusyn-oriented Lemko activists met in New York City and decided to publish "a real Rusyn newspaper." In late March, they borrowed money for the purchase of a printing press and published the first issue of a newspaper named *Pravda* (meaning "Truth"). This paper was strictly an American newspaper, which had no connection with the European newspaper of the same name.

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<sup>1</sup> "The Lemkos (Łemkowie), also referred to as Rusyns, Rusnakys or sometimes even Ukrainians (as it depended on their own awareness of national identity), belong to the eastern Slavs, who have been inhabiting for ages the northern sides of the Carpathian Mountains in Poland." *The origins of the term "Łemko/Lemko"* at <http://www.lemko.org/term.html>

Initially, however, it was difficult to win readers away from *Svit* and other Rusyn language newspapers, and in September 1903, Gladys sold *Pravda* to the RBO for \$400.

The newspaper *Pravda* was first printed in New York, and then for many years in Philadelphia, by Pravda Press. Its editorial office was located in Olyphant, Pennsylvania. Until the early 1930s, *Pravda* consisted of four pages and was published twice weekly – Tuesday and Friday – and cost 3 cents a copy. As Carpatho-Rusyns lacked some of the vocabulary necessary for life in early twentieth century America, American words were used, but spelled with the Cyrillic alphabet. News was published on the front page, including the most important information concerning Carpatho-Rusyns and the whole Slavic region. Besides local news it also contained international and national news, as many immigrants were unable to read the local English newspapers. The second page carried articles and two or three editorials about the Orthodox Church, social and political life in America as well as in the “Old Country.” The most widely enjoyed of these second page features was “Letters from the Old Country.” The third and fourth pages consisted of financial reports and other organizational matters of the RBO. Advertisements included both ethnic Rusyn and non-Rusyn businesses. During World War II the newspaper published detailed war reports. *Pravda* informed the immigrants and also served as a recruiting mechanism for the RBO. The newspaper ceased publication in 1975.

The Pravda Press of the RBO also published an annual *Illustrated Russian-American Almanac*, known also as *Amanac*, and *Amerikansko-russkii kalendar na god*, established in 1909. The *Amanac* highlighted RBO activities and also published literary and historical articles. In addition, Pravda Press printed books, brochures and pamphlets.

From the early years, the editor of *Pravda* was John Dzwonczyk. In 1950, after Dzwonczyk’s sudden death, Rev. Roman Samilo succeeded him. Some of the members were critical of the choice of a clergyman for editor, as clergy were not eligible for membership in RBO. This policy was eventually changed in 1970, and despite the criticism Samilo continued as editor of *Pravda*; “We informed him [Samilo] to eliminate all matters of politics and church controversies because of the various religious affiliations of our membership,” said Michael Holod (the president of the RBO from the 1940s until his death on December 28, 1954) in his message to the delegates of the 1954 convention. “The members of the RBO profess the creeds of Russian and Greek Orthodox, the Greek Catholic and the Greek Catholic Religion of the Eastern Rite, the Roman Catholic, the Uniate and the Baptist Religions. There is nothing to be gained by antagonizing any religious group,” concluded Michael Holod.

Since its inception, the RBO has consistently promoted the welfare of the families of the brave immigrants who traveled from Eastern Europe to America in search of a better life. In the society’s earliest plans of insurance, each member contributed a fixed sum and from the proceeds certain benefits were paid to the beneficiaries of deceased members. Although there were limitations as to age of entry, all members paid the same amount regardless of age. In the early 1930s, insurance based on mortality tables, with premiums determined by the member’s age, was introduced. During the worldwide

depression, in order to avoid losing members the RBO helped unemployed members, giving them no-interest loans to pay dues.

During World War II, the RBO closely followed political events in the homeland. In 1942, the RBO organized the League for the Liberation of Russian Galicia and Carpatho-Russia, a political organization in Philadelphia with the aim "to do everything possible for the reunion of all Western Russian territories with the United Soviet Socialist Republic." The RBO formed the Carpatho-Russian Committee in America, which gathered for the Carpatho-Russian Congress in Pittsburgh on July 12, 1942, for the liberation of Carpatho-Russia. The RBO also participated in the Lemko Relief Committee to help the Lemko Rusyn migrants who eventually were incorporated into the new state of Poland.

Participating in the charitable activities of the Russian War Relief, Inc., the RBO established the Russian War Relief Fund in Philadelphia in 1942. The RBO participated in local drives for the American Red Cross, and helped other Russian groups in fund-raising. During World War II the RBO insured its members for full benefits without any war restrictions. Fifty-two members of the RBO died in the service of the country during the war, and death benefits were paid in full.

After the war, the society's financial basis was solid. RBO strengthened its commitment to sharing, caring, and enhancing the quality of life for all members. In 1954-1955, the acceptance of non-medical applications was approved. At present the society sells a complete line of modern life insurance policies. In addition, Newborn Insurance for a child of any member is automatically covered, at no cost. Children's Cancer Benefit helps to relieve the suffering of members, giving a grant of \$500 to the family of any member child who is diagnosed with cancer at any point from birth through their eighteenth year. This coverage is automatic for all members, and at no cost. A Nursing Home Waiver covers insurance premiums for a member in a nursing home on a permanent basis.

The RBO also offers a number of other services: scholarships, certificate loans, and mortgages to members. As a fraternal society, the organization has always had strong interests in preserving Russian culture and heritage. Many lodges of the society are connected with parishes. The RBO supports churches both here and abroad. Grants are also given to parochial schools. The organization has also contributed to schools and other causes in Galicia, and directs the financial outreach for such humanitarian concerns as International Orthodox Christian Charities, Habitat for Humanity, the American Red Cross, and others. The RBO also supports Russian art, music, theatrical works, and ballet. Local lodges in many areas organize choral groups for the purposes of preserving liturgical and folk music, along with balalaika orchestras and folk dancing. District lodges have built sports and cultural centers.

### **Russian Consolidated Mutual Aid Society of America.**

Another Russian fraternal organization, the Russian Consolidated Mutual Aid Society of America (RCMASA) was formed in 1926 from the merger of five other Russian organizations: Russian Orthodox National Aid Society of New York, Russian National Mutual Aid Society of New York, Russian Consolidated Aid Society of Philadelphia,

Federation of Progressive Mutual Aid Societies of New York, and Russian National Mutual Aid Society of Pittsburgh. The RCMASA was established to act for the benefit of its members as a financial and social institution. The society is known more widely by its members as ROOVA, the abbreviation of the society's name in Russian but using English letters, or "РООБА" (Русское Объединённое Общество Взаимопомощи в Америке, which translates as "Russian Consolidated Mutual Aid Society of America"), the same abbreviation in the Russian alphabet (RCMASA=ROOVA=РООБА).

The RCMASA was organized into local units known as branches primarily in New York and Philadelphia. It offered insurance policies, financial assistance for the disabled, low-cost mortgages, and shelters for the homeless and aged. It also organized many social and sporting events throughout the year. Beginning in 1936, the RCMASA published a monthly except for two bimonthlies in the February-March and October-November magazines *Русский Вестник* (*Russian Herald*). After the merger with the RBO in 1965, the *Russian Herald* was discontinued.

During the World War II the RCMASA established and maintained the Russian-American Central Committee for Aiding Russians. Through the committee \$5,000 worth of medical equipment was sent to Russian War Relief, Inc. The RCMASA, as well as the RBO, was a member of the United Russian Committee of Russian War Relief, Inc.

In 1934, eager to bring the New York and Philadelphia branches closer together, RCMASA established ROVA Farms, Inc. on 1,400 acres of land at Cassville, New Jersey. This name is a shortened version of the abbreviation "ROOVA," in order to distinguish the names. The RCMASA possessed 51% of the ROVA Farms, Inc. stock as collateral security for a \$60,000 mortgage. ROVA Farms, Inc. is a commercial, cultural and semi-charitable organization which aims to establish and manage resorts, children's camps, a library, a park, an old age home, and to cultivate the land, grow vegetables, and raise livestock on their lands. At the Russian Memorial Park, at ROVA Farms, a library was built and devoted to the history and archives of Russian immigration in America. At the same place, a monument dedicated to the Russian national genius and creator of the Russian literary language, Alexander S. Pushkin, was erected. A monument in honor of the men who died during World War II was also built.

Following World War II, St Mary's Parish was built on the land of ROVA Farms. The St. Vladimir's Memorial Russian Orthodox Church, with its golden cupolas, was built in 1956, as a memorial to Prince Vladimir of Kiev, who introduced Christianity to the Slavic People in 988 A.D. On the last Sunday of July parishioners from all over the world gather to celebrate the year's largest religious festival, St. Vladimir's Day.

There are also four Orthodox churches, three church halls, two Russian military museums, a Russian school, three clubhouses, the Pushkin Home retirement community for single persons, a hotel, cabins for rent, and a restaurant on the property. The branches have constructed bungalows, allowing members to purchase parcels of land adjoining the resort. Children attend summer camp at ROVA Farms, learning the Russian language, poetry, and history. In addition, there is a Russian Orthodox Cemetery

where the graves of the famous Russian General Denikin and the Russian composer Grecaninov are located.

### **Merger**

The collection covers a period of time in American history when fraternal benefit organizations were formed and expanding. However, as new compensation laws were passed to reimburse the workers for injuries sustained at work, and as insurance was developed to cover health and accidents, the fraternal societies began to lose their initial value and significance. In the 1930s and 1940s, there were difficulties recruiting members. At that time the trend of merger was a common characteristic for many fraternal societies and the slogan for that time was "In unity there is strength." The first merger occurred in 1942 when the St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Benefit Society of Passaic, New Jersey, merged with the RBO. The St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Benefit Society became the RBO's Lodge No. 157.

The RBO and the RCMASA, two separate organizations but with similar aims, started considering a merger in the early 1930s. However, the merger process required much work and effort. Two serious obstacles on the path to a merger were the valuation of the stock of ROVA Farms, Inc., and the adequacy of the RCMAS claim reserves. Ultimately, ROVA Farms, Inc. was not included in the agreement and remains an independent organization. The RCMASA and RBO finally completed their merger in 1965, taking the name Russian Brotherhood Organization of the USA and adopting the RBO's constitution and bylaws. To maintain the identity of the RCMASA (ROOVA) lodges, a "ROOVA Section" was suggested and created.

### **Scope & content**

The collection focuses on the RBO's insurance business, fraternal work and cultural activities. Also included are materials created by the RCMASA. The collection spans from 1900 to 1993, but the bulk of the material is from 1919 to 1965. The series arrangement reflects the RBO and the RCMASA as independent operations, and also the merged organizations, as follows: Series 1. *Death and Other Benefit Claims*; Series 2. *Administrative*; Series 3. *Membership*; Series 4. *RCMASA with ROVA Farms, Inc. Administrative*; Series 5. *RCMASA Branch Correspondence*; Series 6. *Mergers*. The final Series 7 contains materials of several other organizations.

The materials in the collection are in English and Russian, and a considerable amount of the RBO's materials are also in Carpatho-Rusyn. Carpatho-Rusyns are by origin Slavs, who speak a series of dialects that are classified as East Slavic and are most closely related to Ukrainian. However, because their homeland is located in a political and linguistic borderland, Carpatho-Rusyn speech has been heavily influenced by neighboring West Slavic languages such as Slovak and Polish, as well as Hungarian. Until the 1980s, there was no standardized way of writing Carpatho-Rusyn. Instead, the alphabet and spelling rules of Ukrainian, Polish or mainstream Moscovite Russian were used. Another striking feature of the spelling was the "hard sign," denoting a hard pronunciation of certain letters, which is used much more frequently than in modern Russian. Still another particular characteristic of the spelling was the use of the letter ѣ -



“jat,” which was removed from standard Russian in 1918. This letter remained in use in the RBO newspaper *Pravda* and is found in most of the RBO correspondence. Some correspondence is written in Russian using English letters.

The long run of the RBO’s death claims, disability benefit claims, claims for cash surrender, and other benefits from 1902 to 1980 form the bulk of the collection. Each claim consists of a packet of documents including insurance documents, certificates, related correspondence, and other papers. In addition to the basic information provided by the claims, the documents offer researchers glimpses into the life and struggles of the RBO members. Information drawn from these materials is also available in a Microsoft Access database that consists of 11,239 records with 40 data fields.

The RBO correspondence, covering the period from 1910 to 1961, has significant research value as it reflects all aspects of the society’s history, business, and activities. Principal correspondents include: Peter Smey, long term RBO recording secretary from 1935; Michael Holod, RBO president from the early 1940s to 1954; Alexis Russin, the general counsel and from 1955 to the present the president of the RBO; and Nicholas Bubernak, RBO financial secretary. Also represented is correspondence with several organizations, particularly, the Federated Russian Orthodox Clubs (FROC), the Pennsylvania Department of Public Assistance, the New York State Insurance Department, and the Philadelphia Council of American Soviet Friendship. The correspondence is arranged by the correspondent.

The correspondence documents many aspects of the organization’s concern with the political changes in the homeland. Through the correspondence one can learn that the RBO organized the League of Liberation of Galicia and Carpatho-Russia, and participated in the Lemko Relief Committee to help migrants. The correspondence includes the detail that during the 1941-1945 war the RBO supported Russia through activities of the Russian War Relief, Inc. (RWR), and its involvement with the Russian Relief Fund, which was established by the RBO in 1942 in Philadelphia.

Extensive convention materials from 1921 to 1962 include correspondence, lists of delegates, delegates’ mandates and credentials, reports, and minutes from almost every convention. Other materials are the president’s messages, constitution and bylaws drafts for revision, resolutions, worksheets, and voting ballots. The convention materials document the organization’s elaboration and revision of bylaws and insurance policies, and its efforts to develop and grow.

The collection provides scattered financial materials from 1912 to 1989. The *Financial* subseries contains more than half of the collection’s volumes. Included are general ledgers, income and expenses account books, and check registers that detail funds and accounts of the organization, such as Adult Administrative Fund, Juvenile Department Fund, Junior Department Fund, Poor Fund, Mortuary Fund, and financial data regarding sick and accident claims. The Poor Fund payment information is also located in an index card register. Annual Statements filed with various state insurance departments round out the RBO’s financial materials.

The RBO's membership materials provide an interesting view into other beneficial activities of the organization. These materials include scholarship applications and correspondence, military service records that include the Honor Roll in Military Service — lists of members by lodges in the armed forces of the United States during World War II — and applications of the RBO Unemployment Fund during the depression.

Several issues (from 1912 to 1956) of the RBO official publication *Иллюстрированный Русско-Американский Календарь на год* [*Annual Illustrated Russian-American Almanac*] are included in the collection. This mostly literary and educational journal published verses; stories; biographies of famous characters; historical, religious, and scientific learning material; and included information about RBO activities.

The remainder of the collection is made up of the RCMASA records from 1919 to 1966. Thirty-six minute books cover this entire period and provide information from a simple listing of the agenda to a detailed account of the proceedings. Interestingly, the earliest minutes are the most complete. The minutes document such subjects as organizing new branches, raising membership levels, buying the society house and the land for a farm, publishing a journal, delegations to conventions, issues with mergers, paying sick and death benefits, and many others. There are minute books that include the convention minutes from 1920 and 1924, and a convention minute book from 1934. Almost all minutes are written in Russian. Starting from 1931, some minutes are also in English.

Additional insight into RCMASA business may be gained through the correspondence from its sixty-six branches. The correspondence from 1926 to 1966 covers subjects such as: insurance policy status, issues of insurance benefit discrepancies, dues payments, mortgage loans, the merger with the RBO, jubilees and celebrations, and collecting money for the St. Vladimir's Church and Pushkin monument. Additionally, this collection includes three printed copies of the charter, and one copy of the original constitution and bylaws of the ROVA Farms, Inc. One general ledger from Branch No. 107 and a dues book from Branch No. 19 are the only financial materials.

A number of issues (bound in two volumes) from 1938 to 1961 of the RCMASA monthly official publication, *Русский Вестник* (the *Russian Herald*), are also included in the collection. This was an informative cultural journal that published mostly information about the RCMASA and ROVA Farm activities, and also included some literary, religious, and historical articles.

The merger materials of the St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Benefit Society with the RBO include agreements, correspondence, and some membership information. In 1965, the RCMASA finally merged with the RBO as well, after 30 years of discussion. There are materials, such as drafts of agreements, financial analysis, and correspondence that cover many of the crucial issues of this merger.

Rounding out the collection are materials from Russian Orthodox Fraternity "Lubov," including convention minutes from 1934 to 1965 and some financial books and registers from 1919 to 1993; constitutions and bylaws, rate books, and dues books of one Lemko organization, as well as several Russian and Ukrainian organizations that are either

beneficial or religious; a constitution and bylaws of the National Fraternal Congress of America, and a manual of the City Council of Philadelphia.

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## Series description

### **Series 1. Death and Other Benefit Claims, 1902-1980 (Boxes 1a-120b, 245-407)**

The largest series in the collection, the claims are organized by year and then by lodge number, and are organized with each folder containing the claims of one lodge. Each claim consists of a packet of documents, representing life insurance or disability claims. There are also claims for cash surrender, matured endowment, or other reasons. Some benefits were also paid from the Poor Fund. Additionally, boxes at the end of the series contain juvenile member and benefit claims from 1918 to 1979.

The death certificate included into the claim is usually written in English, as is the name of the person who took out the policy. The beneficiary section is written in Carpatho-Rusyn or occasionally in English, and has been filled out by the beneficiary with information about the person who died or was disabled.

Another form found in many files is the "Declaration of Candidacy for Membership." On this form the candidate declared the condition of his or her health (usually given as "in good health" or "healthy") and named the beneficiaries of the policy. Often the candidate also gives information such as date of birth, place of origin, place of residence, marital status, name of wife or husband, religion, and other data. Dues records are index cards with notations of when the policyholder paid dues and how much was paid. The claim files may also contain a wide variety of additional documentation such as certificates of birth, baptismal certificates, marriage certificates, adoption papers, affidavits and correspondence to verify the information in the claim.

The certificates of physicians and affidavits that accompany the death claims include information that describes the circumstances of the particular claim. The correspondence between members, regional representatives, and the central office allows one to imagine the life of RBO members. There is information in some correspondence that some claims were not paid promptly or were declined, and unsatisfied members sent complaints or arranged legal assistance. However, there are also letters of appreciation from individuals who were helped in a moment of need. A touching letter arrived in September 1920 from a father in Galicia who had been informed that his son had been killed in a mining accident, and that he was the beneficiary of the son's policy. The bereaved father wrote: "I send you my deepest Russian bow for your work and your kindness. This is so good that overseas there are Russian brothers, Russian blood, and Russian hearts that honor Russian speech, Russian writing, and Russian customs."

Data from the claims has been entered into the Microsoft Access database in the same order in which the claims were originally filed. The claims' database includes detailed fields recording the member's biographical information, beneficiary information, and details of the payment history. Loose materials related to death and other benefit claims could also be found in Series II d as miscellaneous personal certificates.

Death claims from ROOVA are included from 1965. The ROOVA lodge number is indicated with letter R.

**Series 2. Administrative, 1910-1993, n.d. (Boxes 121-165, 202-243, Volumes 1-48, 88-136)**

a. Constitutions and bylaws, 1930-1970, n.d.

b. Agreements and certificates, 1913-1919

The collection includes several published versions of constitutions and bylaws of the RBO from 1932, 1935, 1938, 1950, 1954, 1958, 1962, and 1970. Included also are constitutions and bylaws of branches 37 (1938), 68, (1935), 105 (1931), 142, (1932), and 247 (n.d.), and a constitution and bylaws of the RBO Juvenile Division from 1930.

There are several agreements that insure the Pravda Press with insurance companies, such as Potomac Insurance Company, Aetna Life Insurance Company, Camden Fire Insurance Association, Capital Fire Insurance Company, and National Liberty Insurance Company of America.

c. Correspondence, 1910-1918, 1927-1961, n.d.

The collection includes both incoming and outgoing correspondence. Following the original chronological order, related correspondence such as request and response letters are kept together. There are letters from non-members, such as churches and fraternal organizations, asking for financial assistance, and from individuals asking for help to immigrate or to find jobs. The letters from members contain requests with considerable details regarding their benefit certificate status, or from potential members inquiring about the insurance plans and benefits, and about lodges in the areas and names of contact persons. Particularly interesting correspondence is from the Tolstoy Foundation, Inc., and its manager Alexandra Tolstoy, a daughter of the famous Russian writer, Leo Tolstoy. She asked for assistance from the RBO in tracing missing relatives and friends, since the foundation played a key role in these efforts during and after World War II.

Other notable correspondence belongs to the society's president, Michael Holod, who was devoted to the RBO from early 1940s until his death in 1954. Topics covered in his correspondence include new insurance rates, mortgages and scholarships for members, appointments of committees and chairmen of conventions, and the editing of *Pravda*. Michael Holod also corresponded with many fraternal organizations.

The correspondence of Alexis Russin as general counsel, attorney at law, and beginning in 1954, the president of the RBO, predominantly pertains to his and Peter Smey's business discussions and includes correspondence with M. Holod at the time when Holod was the RBO president. As an attorney, Alexis Russin observed and explained the bylaws' changes and amendments, examined certificates proposed and accepted at the conventions, and wrote or analyzed agreements.

The correspondence illuminates the RBO's relationship with many other Russian organizations and provides insight into their background and activities. Included is correspondence with the Department of Public Assistance of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. These materials contain requests pertaining to RBO's members who received public assistance, as the insurance procedure adopted by the Department of Public Assistance required the adjustment of coverage of any member of the family to Whole Life Insurance, with a limit on the sum to be eligible for assistance.

The correspondence documents that the "Buy a Bomber" campaign of the U.S. Treasury Department was one of the most effective promotion bond purchases. In 1942, seventy-two bombers were named for many states, counties, cities, and organizations. The correspondence indicates that the RBO collected enough money from drives to sell war bonds to "buy a bomber and three planes." The bomber was named "Carpathian Russia." Two planes were named: the first — "Defense of Carpathian Russia," and the second — "The Soul of Kiev."

From other correspondence one learns that in 1943 the RBO collected four hundred and fifty books for the Botkin Hospital of the Red Army in Moscow, and \$1,215 for the Botkin Hospital Supply Fund. Furthermore, in 1944, the RBO contributed \$9,197 to purchase basic equipment for the Blood Bank and basic equipment for the manufacture of typhus and other vaccines for the All Union Institute of Epidemiology and Microbiology. Additionally, the RBO contributed \$4,557 for purchasing musical instruments for the Red Army.

Other correspondence contains remarkable information about significant activities of the Russian War Relief, Inc. (RWR), which was a non-political, non-sectarian American humanitarian organization. They sent medical and surgical aid to the people of the Soviet Union when it fought on the Eastern Front of World War II. The RBO was among the first to take this important step in uniting the Russians in America to aid their brothers and sisters in Russia. The RBO organized its Russian War Relief Fund in Philadelphia, through which it collected money to contribute to the RWR Inc.

Moreover, there was another initiative of the RWR Inc. — the "Dollar Greetings to Russia Campaign" a goal of which was one million dollars and one million greetings sent to the Soviet Union. There is a copy of a scroll of the RWR Inc. signed by President Roosevelt and nineteen other prominent men and women, including Harry Hopkins, Philip Murray, William Green, and others. These were the first signatures of more than one million Americans expected to sign copies of the scroll, which was

intended to be transmitted by the Soviet Ambassador in the United States, Maxim Litvinoff, to the Soviet Union for Christmas, 1942. This fund was used to speed desperately needed medical supplies to the Russian fronts. The RBO helped to make this campaign one of sympathy and support, a campaign of both deeds and words. In October 1943, 486 scrolls were returned by the RBO along with \$11,476.

The correspondence documents RBO participation in the "Write to Russia Campaign," in May 1943, to recruit seven million Americans to write letters to "a Russian friend." All letters received by the RWR Inc. were forwarded to the Soviet Union in ships carrying relief supplies. The campaign sought to emphasize to the American people the importance of friendship and unity with the Soviet people and their need for aid in the war efforts.

Other letters contain heart-wrenching details about the "Christmas Gift Campaign for New Children's Clothing" implemented by the Russian War Relief, Inc. in 1943. There is a leaflet disseminated by the RWR Inc, which tells about a three-year-old girl – Tanya Korovina – who spent Christmas 1943 in a Leningrad hospital. Tanya was wounded, a Nazi bomb left her motherless, and her father was buried among the honored dead at Stalingrad. "When you make your Christmas gift list - remember Tanya, and add one more small friend to your life," says this leaflet on which one can see the girl with bandages on her head and arm and her eyes full of misery. Many in the former USSR know this story from a school history book.

The correspondence includes the information that in December 1945, the RWR Inc. withdrew from the National War Fund and was re-named the American Society for Russian Relief, Inc. (or Russian Relief). The Russian Relief, together with the Tolstoy Foundation sent food parcels from the United States to European countries. The RBO also contributed two shipments of boys' overcoats to be sent to children in the Soviet Union in October 1945. As of November 1945, the Russian Relief collected \$2,000,000 in cash and goods.

One folder of correspondence with the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc. and the Philadelphia Council of American-Soviet Friendship covers the period from 1942 to 1949. This correspondence indicates that beside the educational programs that distributed literature and provided exhibits to schools and clubs, the Philadelphia Council of American-Soviet Friendship had a Speakers' Bureau, which supplied speakers on various phases of Soviet life and arranged many lectures. This organization also sponsored concerts and Russian films, and students' visits to Philadelphia. The RBO gave financial assistance to the Philadelphia Council of American-Soviet Friendship to achieve its goals.

A small amount of correspondence of a political organization established by the RBO – the League for Liberation of Russian Galicia and Carpatho-Russia, in existence from 1941 to 1944 – is also included in the collection. There is information that the League held an All Russian American Congress on June 21, 1943, in New York, in which five other Russian fraternal organizations also participated. The aim of this congress was "to express their desire regarding political affiliations in

accordance with the Atlantic Charter” pertaining to reunion of all Western Russian territories with the USSR. Of interest are letters to Andrej Gromyko, charge d’affaires ad interim of the USSR, and to M. M. Litvinoff, ambassador of the USSR, in which P. Smey asked for an audience for the representatives of the league. On June 3, 1943, four RBO representatives, P. Smey, M. Holod, Nicholas Bubernak, and Victor Gladyk, met with Andrej Gromyko, and presented a memorandum with respect to the liberation of Russian Galicia and Carpatho-Russia and their reunification with Soviet Russia.

d. Conventions, 1921-1962.

Initially, the conventions were held annually, but from 1946 on they met every fourth year. The convention records are sorted chronologically. Included are materials from the twelfth convention in 1921 to the twenty-third in 1962, with the exclusion of the sixteenth convention of 1932. The materials from most conventions contain candidates’ mandates and credentials, lists of delegates, pre-convention correspondence, minutes, reports of supreme officers, and the president’s reports. In some cases there are proposed bylaws and bylaws revisions, and revisions of insurance rates in connection with bylaws, reports of session proceedings, working sheets, and convention expenses.

Correspondence from the conventions contains complaints and requests for loans, mortgages, and other financial assistance, and is included with the materials of each convention. There are a few letters from a group of members objecting to certain delegations to the conventions. As is typical for all RBO correspondence, the convention incoming and outgoing correspondence pertaining to the same person is attached together.

From the convention materials one may learn that the 1933 Convention occurring in the middle of worldwide depression discussed the problem of unemployment. It decided to give members no-interest loans for one year in order to pay dues. The 1938 convention elected the Merger Committee to further the merger process of RBO with RCMASA. Also, before this convention a Pre-convention Complaints and Petition Committee was established, since there was dissatisfaction with the RBO’s financial management. There are letters from members criticizing the financial reports and the transferring of money to the Mortuary Fund. This Committee was assigned to study the situation and deliver a report to the convention.

The postponed nineteenth convention was eventually held in 1946. The National Emergency War Powers Act required the postponement of conventions for the duration of war, and this action was taken following a referendum vote of the RBO subordinate lodges. The balloting result was 118 to 25, and the voting ballots are included.

In 1946, at the post-war nineteenth convention, chairman Michael Holod described the RBO’s financial and membership status and presented statistics for the period since the 1938 convention. Despite the war, the society showed a steady financial performance. In 1950, at the twentieth Golden Jubilee Convention, RBO president



Holod said: "Our organization has survived many crises, which proves that it stands on a solid financial basis. It has survived World War I, influenza epidemics, terrible worldwide depression lasting over a decade, and World War II. But in spite of all of these the RBO came through with flying colors. The RBO paid each and every claim as it was due." A booklet from Carpatho-Russian Liberation Congress that was held in Philadelphia in October 1944 is rounding out this subseries.

e. Financial, 1912-1989.

The financial records are extensive but scattered. These materials include general ledgers, income and expense ledgers, check registers, and also a petty cash book, one cash ledger, a job book, an index card file by lodges of payment from the Poor Fund (or Relief Fund), and miscellaneous payments and checks. The bulk of the financial materials are ninety-eight volumes, the majority of which are general ledgers from 1930 to 1973; income ledgers from 1928 to 1957 and disbursement ledgers from 1939 to 1968 from Adult Department. There is a fair amount of check registers from General Accounts, from 1917 to 1921; Adult Administrative Fund, from 1929 to 1937; Junior Department Account, from 1929 to 1932; and the *Pravda* Account, from 1936 and from 1943 to 1944. Included are income ledgers from 1930 to 1979 and disbursements from 1930 to 1957 from Juvenile Department. There are also four volumes of check registers from the Adult Department Mortuary Fund that include mortuary payments, and sick and accident claim payments from 1932 to 1933 and 1937. The registers show the RBO financial transactions and provide a view of the payments of bills and services, small payments to members, and commissions for recruiting members.

The organization's financial position was stable despite epidemic, war, and the depression. The greater portion of RBO assets were invested in high-grade bonds, with an additional small portion of investment in first mortgages. As shown by the financial secretary's report given to the nineteenth convention in 1946, for the period from 1938 to 1946 the interest on bonds was \$426,791, and on mortgages — \$82,805. Other income came from the sale of bonds (\$249,742), from the proceeds of the *Pravda* Press (\$168,486), and from membership dues from the lodges (\$1,649,688). The assets in 1946 were \$2,877,993. From the establishment in 1900 to 1946, the RBO had paid out \$4,591,942 in benefits.

Rounding out the financial materials are sporadic annual statements from 1924 to 1945, filed with the insurance departments of Pennsylvania, Connecticut, New York, Ohio, and New Jersey. There are annual statements from the Adult and Juvenile Divisions of the RBO. The annual statements detail the society's assets, liabilities, investments, revenue, and expenses, and provide information on membership.

f. Rates and instructions, 1933-1993, n.d..

This subseries contains two published versions of rate instructions and information about new policies from 1933, rate manuals from 1952, 1957, and 1993, and a Hand Book for lodge secretaries and organizers of RBO published in 1937. Undated listings of rates, named "Old Rates," are loose items in this series.

g. Publications, 1912-1956.

Twenty-two issues of the annual journal *Иллюстрированный Русско-Американский Календарь на год* [*Annual Illustrated Russian-American Almanac*], known also as *Amerikansko-russkii kalendar*, are included in this subseries. The journal begins with a religious calendar of the Russian Church for the period of a year and includes pages for notes. Organized by sections, the nearly two hundred and fifty-page journal was rich in literary, historical, religious, and popular science articles. Many materials in the journal were dedicated to history, activities, and plans for the future of the RBO. Convention news and photos of prominent members of the organization were also published. The journal highlights some vulnerable points of RBO history. For example, the 1936 issue includes an article that explains why clergy were not accepted to membership, and for that reason the RBO was called “socialistic” and “antireligious.” The article tells that the RBO was established as an organization “free of camister-radicals [ministers of the cloth]...” in order to avoid “ukrainization” or “magyarization.”

Articles in the journal are devoted to the history of Russia, Ukraine, Galician Rus’ and Carpathian Rus’, and include topics such as the breakdown of the Austro-Hungarian Empire, the Red Revolution in 1917, and the Russian church under the Soviet regime. There are descriptions of folk traditions and ceremonies – in particular of the Carpathian Lemkos – and the celebration of Christmas in Russia. The journal published biographies of famous Russian poets, writers, composers, and scientists. Many verses, poems, and tales were also included.

The journal is rich in American historical, demographic, and geographic materials. One can read articles about the discovery of America, the ethnic migration to the USA, and stories of immigrant life. The journal includes information about the American presidents and presidential elections, legal system, and Constitution. The popular scientific section includes educational articles about land and water, peoples of the Earth, different religious creeds, the world countries’ acreages and populations, and the languages of various countries.

**Series 3. RBO Membership, 1900-1913, 1933-1965, n.d. (Boxes 166-175, FF #1, FF #2)**

a. School Fund applications and correspondence, 1938-1946.

In 1936 the RBO established an Educational Fund. In other documents this fund was called the Scholarship Fund or the Fund of the Russian School in America. The fund was built by voluntary members’ contributions. Scholarships were awarded on a competitive basis to students who wanted to study at college. The amount of the award to an individual depended upon the financial need of the student's family. Awards could be renewed for an additional three years. Honorary scholarships were awarded to a winner whose family finances were such that no assistance was required. The fund granted was \$100. The first scholarship was awarded in 1938. From 1939 to 1940 seven scholarships were given, and by 1942, fourteen. Money was also sent to help students in Carpatho-Russia.

The materials include requests for scholarship applications. There is a list of new members, most likely enlisted by scholarship candidates, since each new applicant promised to enlist 25 new members into the juvenile or adult divisions and “to forward whatever constructive ...aid to the RBO and thereby to the Russian-American youth.” The candidates also wrote celebratory articles for *Pravda*. An article entitled “The RBO and the Russian American Youth,” possibly written by one of the candidates, is included. Other Educational Fund materials are letters from contributors, RBO letters of thanks, and lists of contributors. The smallest donations were 10 cents.

b. Military service records, 1942-1944.

The Honor Roll in Military Service provides the names of members from the RBO lodges in the armed forces of the United States during World War II. Based on the Honor Rolls that are included in this subseries, over 1,000 were in military service at that time when there were approximately 13,000 members in the organization. From Lodge No. 167, forty-nine men and two women served in military service. There was a family from which four sons were at the front and another family with three sons. Included also is a program from a Memorial Day service in the St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church, on May 30, 1942.

c. Unemployment loan records, 1933-1935.

Unemployment loans were given in 1933-1934 to the RBO members in financial hardship in order to enable them to continue paying membership fees (insurance premiums). These are loans arranged by lodge number and included with each application is a note from the member in which he or she promised to pay back the loan in a year. The dues payments were registered on an index card. While there are applications from members of 155 lodges, some had only one or a few members who received loans, while others had many members who applied for and received this type of benefit. Most loans were repaid in a year or two, or were extended and repaid in the 1940s.

d. Certificates, membership reports, and miscellany, 1900-1913, 1963-1965, n.d.

This subseries is comprised of a variety of materials, mainly loose personal certificates and related correspondence from 1900 to 1913 that could not be assigned to any other subseries, sorted alphabetically. Some of the documents are similar to those found in claim files, such as candidates' declarations, death certificates, and related correspondence, baptism certificates, and marriage certificates. It is unclear why these materials were not initially included into death and other benefit claim files. Several of these documents are in Latin. Some correspondence was received from foreign countries or consulates of foreign countries. These materials are not indexed in the Microsoft Access database.

Other miscellaneous materials include an undated address list of brotherhood secretaries and other lists, blank forms, certificates, a few work sheets, and two blank dues books. Rounding out the subseries are membership reports from 1963 to 1965. Most are monthly reports of new participants in each insurance plan. Some of the reports are strips of paper, sometimes hard to read, that appear more often simply as

lists of members. This information may have been used to produce convention reports.

**Series 4. RCMASA with ROVA Farms, Inc. Administrative, 1919-1965, n.d.  
(Boxes 176-186, Volumes 49-87)**

a. Charters and constitution and bylaws, 1939-1964, n.d.

This subseries is comprised of versions of the RCMASA charter from 1939, 1950, and 1954. The charters include brief history of the society's establishment and provide insight into the insurance plans issued by the organization. Included is a copy of the original constitution and bylaws of the ROVA Farms, Inc. from 1955. A brief history of the RCMASA and a photograph of the 1960 Annual Meeting participants are also present.

b. Minute Books, 1919-1965.

These books include minutes mostly of the RCMASA Board of Directors and Executive Committee from 1919 to 1965, with a gap from 1924 to 1927. The first minutes are very detailed, while the later minutes from 1933 onward are less so. In a book from 1919-1924 there are very detailed minutes from the first conference held on December 28, 1919, attended by sixty-two delegates from four branches. This book also includes minutes from the 1920 Convention. At this convention a merger of all Russian Christian organizations was first discussed.

The usual topics of meetings were paying death and sick benefits and giving mortgages. In addition to regular business transactions, the minutes illuminate discussions of organizational charter development, rising membership, organizing new branches and a women's branch, helping famished people in Russia in 1921, sending a delegation to the Lemko Convention in 1923, and others. During those years a merger with the Society "Hayka" (which translates "Science") was discussed and finally agreed.

The minute book from 1924 contains convention minutes as well. The book from 1927-1929, named "Resolutions," consists of concise agendas and resolutions and very brief minutes. One entry indicates that in 1928 the Society provided financial support to striking miners by sending \$417 to the American Federation of Labor.

There are minutes for almost every week in a book from 1929-1930. Of note in this book is a merger with the Russian Independent Mutual Aid Society discussed and approved in 1929. One of the burning issues during these years was a sick benefit overdraft, after which the society decided to take better control of managing this benefit and collecting sick dues.

Minutes from 1933 to 1950 are very brief and include short notes of regular agendas and resolutions. From 1940 to 1944, the minute books are arranged differently. These minutes are very concise notes of regular business matters written in Russian on the left hand pages, and translations in English on the right hand pages. After 1944 there are almost no notes in English on the right hand pages of the minute books.

Several minute books had inserts, such as rough descriptions of transactions, records of expenses, and financial reports. These items, except for those that had been glued on the pages, have been removed from the minute books and placed in separate folders.

c. Financial, 1924-1957.

One general account ledger from Branch No. 107 covering the period from 1949 to 1957 and a dues book from Branch No. 19 covering the period from 1924 to 1925 are included in this small subseries.

d. Publications, 1938, 1940-1961.

This subseries contains one issue, No. 79 from December 1938, and two bound volumes of issues of the journal *Русский Вестник* (the *Russian Herald*). The first volume includes issues from 1940 to 1942, and the second has issues from 1958 to 1961. This official monthly publication of the RCMASA was established in 1936 and discontinued in 1965. Published in New York, the journal was first in Russian and later in Russian and English. The issues that are included in the collection contain from sixteen to fifty pages. Every issue in the first volume has sections "By Branches," which was renamed "Branch News" in issues of the second volume; and "ROVA Farm Chronicle," renamed later "The Life of ROVA." These sections include news from branches, information about members' and branches' anniversaries, branch activities, and schedules of events at the ROVA Farm. Other articles are about the organizational history, including information about the merger with the RBO. There are convention and conference materials included, as well as statistics and financial reports. Many articles are devoted to the organization's youth. Other materials commemorate deceased members.

In some issues there are articles about the history and activities of other Russian and Slavic fraternal organizations. Of interest is one article that compared the membership and assets of all Russian-American fraternal benefit organizations in 1940 with similar Polish, Czech, Ukrainian, and Croat organizations in America. Based on the given statistics, Russian benefit organizations took fifth place in 1940, while the Russian population in America in that year was the second largest among the said ethnic groups. Some popular scientific ideas, historical facts, and biographical notes about prominent Russians were also published in the journal. At the end of almost every issue Russian and non-Russian business advertisements were published.

**Series 5. RCMASA Branch Correspondence, 1926-1966 (Boxes 187-199)**

The correspondence between branch officers and the administration, as well as between members and the administration is organized by branch number. The correspondence predominantly includes requests regarding benefit and dues payments, inquiries regarding the status of insurance policies, and complaints from unsatisfied members. In addition to unsettled payments, the correspondence sometimes requests members to provide evidence of insurability and medical condition. Occasionally a letter will open with a few lines of personal information,

usually explaining a delayed payment, or news of an illness or death of a member. This correspondence also addresses subjects pertaining to new members, member anniversaries, participation in collecting money for St. Vladimir Church, asking and approving mortgage loans, branch anniversaries, donations for the Pushkin monument, fund-raising concerts, and many other issues.

There are lists of officers of branches, lists of contributors from Branch No. 54 who donated \$201 to the Soviet Army in 1941, and lists of the *Russian Herald's* subscribers. There are letters with articles for the *Russian Herald*. Some correspondence includes critical materials from members pertaining to the *Russian Herald*. In the correspondence of Branch No. 7 there is a protest resolution in which members protested rates based on the age of members when the branch became affiliated with RCMASA rather than the age when the branch was originally formed.

There is also some miscellaneous general correspondence included in this subseries that comes from unidentified branch members and a variety of other sources. The correspondence provides a picture of other society activities. For example, in February 1938, an exhibition dedicated to the memory of the famous Russian composer Alexander Grechaninoff opened in the library of ROVA Farms, Inc. The exhibition included photographs, portraits, autographs, posters, programs, music, and phonograph records. A bronze bust of Grechaninoff was given to the library by sculptor G. V. Depuzinsky. The RCMASA built a monument to Grechaninoff, his ashes were entombed in the St. Vladimir Cemetery, and a concert of his music was given in his honor.

Other sporadic letters from 1936, 1958, and 1962 give some information about the St. Vladimir Memorial Church in Cassville, New Jersey. One can learn that it was erected in 1940 in commemoration of the nine hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the adoption of Christianity in Russia, and as a fitting tribute by the American Russ to the memory of St. Prince Vladimir, the enlightener of the Russian people.

#### **Series 6. Mergers, 1932-1963 (Boxes 199-201)**

a. RBO with the St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Beneficial Society, 1940-1942. RBO's merger with the St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Beneficial Society was approved by the Pennsylvania State Insurance Department in July 1942, and the society became the Passaic Lodge No. 157. The merger materials include Peter Smey's correspondence with the consulting actuary regarding the reserve liability of the St. Nicholas Society. Also included are a financial statement from 1941, a properties appraisal report, proposed agreements of reinsurance and assumption of the majority of the members, and a resolution adopted at the special meeting on January 4, 1942, to transfer the St. Nicholas Society members to the RBO. Lists of members included to this subseries provide additional information about membership.

b. RBO with the RCMASA, 1932-1963.

These materials demonstrate how two Russian societies with very similar aims and a desire to merge faced and resolved obstacles during more than thirty years of pre-

merger negotiations. The merger materials contain two-way correspondence, proposed and revised agreements, minutes of the meetings, amendments to bylaws, analysis and comparison of the financial results of both the RBO and the RCMASA. The correspondence also includes a memorandum from 1956 of changes and modifications to the bylaws or agreements, which the Board of Directors of the RCMASA submitted to the RBO's Board of Directors for consideration of the final agreement. Attached to the letter from A. Russin to Walter Sidorak, Esq., are "Proposed Additional Amendments to the Bylaws of the RBO" from February 8, 1957, which was prepared at a conference with the New York Insurance Department. There is a copy of minutes from the joint meeting of the officers of RCMASA and RBO, on March 23, 1957, hand written minutes, and the resolution adopted on that meeting.

This subseries also includes correspondence, financial, and legal papers that detail some of the major obstacles in the merger negotiation. One obstacle was the valuation of the stock of ROVA Farms, Inc., which was excluded from the merger, and remains as an independent organization. Another obstacle on the way to the merger was a question of the adequacy of RCMASA loss reserves, which was finally resolved with reinsurance. Included with these materials is a 1963 RCMASA president's report on the merger process.

**Series 7. Other Organizations, 1912-1993, n.d. (Boxes 159, 201, 244, Volumes 137-157).**

- a. Russian and Lemko, 1912-1993, n.d.
- b. Ukrainian, 1931-1940
- c. Miscellaneous, 1930-1942

Other organizations' materials are organized by organization name. There are constitutions and bylaws of the Lemko Association of U. S and Canada, the Russian National Mutual Aid Society of America, the Russian Orthodox Brotherhood of St. Cyril and Methodius, the Russian Orthodox Fraternity "Lubov," the Russian Society "Знание" the Russian Workers Mutual Aid Society of America, the Saint Michael Galician-Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Parish, the St. Michael and St. George Inc. Union of Russian Societies, the St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Brotherhood, and the St. Vladimir Russian Orthodox Beneficial Society. There are rate books of the Russian-American National Brotherhood, an official guide and a dues book of the Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church, and instructions for officers of the Russian Orthodox Catholic Mutual Aid Society.

Ukrainian organizations materials are rate books of the Providence Association of the Ukrainian Catholics in America and the Ukrainian Workingmen's Association, and an annual statement of the Verhovay Fraternal Insurance Association.

Miscellaneous materials include a manual of the Philadelphia City Council, annual statements of the International Workers Order, Inc., and a constitution and bylaws of the National Fraternal Congress of America.

## Separation report

A large collection of books, newspapers, almanacs, and other publications of several Russian organizations were accessioned with the Russian Brotherhood Organization Records. In 1998 these publications were separated from the collection and transferred to the Balch Institute for Ethnic Studies Library, since the Russian Brotherhood Organization Records were initially accessioned to that institution. After the merger of the Balch Institute with the HSP in 2002, these materials were placed in the HSP Library.

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## **Administrative Information**

### **Restrictions**

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### **Acquisition information**

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The processing of this collection was made possible by a generous grant from the Phoebe W. Haas Charitable Trust. All duplicates have been removed. A few items of the collection were cleaned for mold. Folders and boxes in which these items are located have been labeled. The crumbling correspondence in Series 5 was preservation photocopied and the originals removed.

The claims records were processed and indexed as a separate collection MSS 134 at the Balch Institute for Ethnic Studies. In 2004 the remaining part of the collection was processed at the HSP. These two parts of the collection were integrated into Collection 3035.

Researchers interested in the claims records in Series 1 should note how the box numbers in this finding aid relate to the box numbers in the Microsoft Access database. The claims records were re-housed into smaller boxes after the database was created. The new boxes, which are identified in the box and folder listing, maintain the numbers of the original box and include an alphabetic suffix. For example, records originally housed in box 3 and still identified as box 3 in the database, are now housed in box 3a, 3b, and 3c. The folder numbers were not changed. Box 3a contains folders 1-20; box 3b contains folders 21-41; and box 3c contains folders 42-49.



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Minute Book (see also in Box#186 folder#2 w/loose papers from volumes)	1943-1944	180	Vol. 66
Minute Book	Jan 19 <sup>th</sup> -Sep. 1944	180	Vol. 67
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Minute Book (see also in Box#186 folder#4 w/loose papers from volumes)	1964-1965	185	Vol. 81
Minute Book: Convention minutes and Board of Directors' meeting minutes (see also in Box#186 folder#4 w/loose papers from volumes)	1934-1935	185	Vol. 82
Minute Book: Jubilee Committee	1944	185	Vol. 83
Minute Book: Supervisory Committee (see also in Box#186 folder#4 w/loose papers from volumes)	1937-1961	186	Vol. 84
Minutes of 16 <sup>th</sup> Convention	1947	186	1
Loose papers from Minute Books (from Volumes #56, 57, 62, 66, 73)	1934-1949	186	2
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<i>Russian Herald</i> , No. 79	Dec. 1938	186	6
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<i>Russian Herald</i>	1958-1961	N/A	Vol. 87

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Branch # 4	1941-1959	187	7
Branch # 4	1960-1965	187	8
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Branch # 5	1956-1965	187	10
Branch # 6	1939-1965	188	1
Branch # 7	1927-1953	188	2
Branch # 7	1954-1960	188	3
Branch # 7	1961-1965	188	4
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Branch # 18	1946-1953	188	10
Branch # 18	1954-1956	188	11
Branch # 18	1957-1965	188	12
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Branch # 19	1954-1963	189	1
Branch # 19	1964-1965	189	2
Branch # 21	1935-1948	189	3

Branch # 21	1949-1965	189	4
Branch # 22	1942-1963	189	5
Branch # 23	1951-1964	189	6
Branch # 24	1936-1960	189	7
Branch # 24	1961-1965	189	8
Branch # 25	1927-1965	189	9
Branch # 26	1958-1959	189	10
Branch # 28	1948-1964	189	11
Branch # 30	1959-1965	189	12
Branch # 31	1950-1965	189	13
Branch # 34	1937-1962	189	14
Branch # 35	1936-1955	190	1
Branch # 35	1956-1965	190	2
Branch # 36	1939-1951	190	3
Branch # 36	1952-1965	190	4
Branch # 37	1943-1952	190	5
Branch # 37	1953-1965	190	6
Branch # 38	1941-1952	190	7
Branch # 38	1953-1957	190	8
Branch # 38	1958-1965	190	9
Branch # 39	1936-1964	191	1
Branch # 40	1942-1964	191	2
Branch # 41	1937-1965	191	3
Branch # 42	1938-1964	191	4
Branch # 44	1949-1952	191	5
Branch # 44	1953-1959	191	6
Branch # 44	1960-1962	191	7
Branch # 44	1963-1965	191	8
Branch # 45	1946-1965	191	9
Branch # 46	1938-1941	192	1
Branch # 46	1942-1946	192	2
Branch # 46	1947-1950	192	3
Branch # 46	1951-1965	192	4
Branch # 47	1935-1965	192	5
Branch # 48	1938-1965	192	6
Branch # 49	1935-1963	192	7
Branch # 51	1931-1938	193	1
Branch # 51	1939-1941	193	2
Branch # 51	1942-1965	193	3
Branch # 52	1937-1950	193	4
Branch # 52	1951-1965	193	5
Branch # 53	1937-1946	193	6
Branch # 53	1947-1951	193	7
Branch # 53	1952-1958	193	8

Branch # 53	1959-1961	193	9
Branch # 53	1962-1965	193	10
Branch # 54	1933-1937	194	1
Branch # 54	1939-1943	194	2
Branch # 54	1944-1953	194	3
Branch # 54	1954-1959	194	4
Branch # 54	1960-1965	194	5
Branch # 56	1936-1937	194	6
Branch # 56	1938-1949	194	7
Branch # 56	1950-1963	194	8
Branch # 57	1934-1949	194	9
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Branch # 58	1933-1934	195	1
Branch # 58	1935-1939	195	2
Branch # 58	1940-1944	195	3
Branch # 58	1945-1963	195	4
Branch # 60	1944-1950	195	5
Branch # 60	1951-1953	195	6
Branch # 60	1954-1956	195	7
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Branch # 60	1962-1965	195	9
Branch # 63	1951-1955	196	1
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Branch # 65	1938-1952	196	4
Branch # 65	1953-1965	196	5
Branch # 70	1940-1963	196	6
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Branch # 72	1955-1956	196	10
Branch # 72	1957-1961	197	1
Branch # 72	1962-1963	197	2
Branch # 72	1964-1965	197	3
Branch # 75	1935-1956	197	4
Branch # 77	1937-1952	197	5
Branch # 100	1947-1951	197	6
Branch # 100	1952-1955	197	7
Branch # 100	1956-1957	197	8
Branch # 100	1958-1961	197	9
Branch # 100	1962-1965	197	10
Branch # 101	1936-1965	197	11
Branch # 103	1941-1965	198	1
Branch # 104	1945-1957	198	2

Branch # 105	1946-1965	198	3
Branch # 106	1947-1961	198	4
Branch # 108	1952-1957	198	5
Branch # 109	1952-1965	198	6
Branch # 110	1949-1951	198	7
Branch # 111	1953-1957	198	8
Branch # 112	1954-1965	198	9
Branch # 115	1963-1965	198	10
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Correspondence	1945	200	11
Correspondence	1946-1948	200	12
Correspondence	1950	200	13
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Russian Orthodox Fraternity "Lubov": Convention minutes	1934	N/A	Vol. 138
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Russian Orthodox Fraternity "Lubov": Convention minutes	1937	N/A	Vol. 139
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Russian Orthodox Fraternity "Lubov": Convention minutes	1961	N/A	Vol. 144
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Russian Orthodox Fraternity "Lubov": Convention minutes	1965	N/A	Vol. 145
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Russian Orthodox Fraternity "Lubov": Parish register	1919	N/A	Vol. 146
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Russian Orthodox Fraternity "Lubov": Various Assets	1969-1980	N/A	Vol. 147
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Russian Orthodox Fraternity "Lubov": Lodge Income Book	1969-1974	N/A	Vol. 148
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Brotherhood of Saint Archangel Mikhail of Germinia, PA: Dues – (Mold treatment)	1928-1962	N/A	Vol. 157
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Russian-American National Brotherhood: Rate book	n.d.	201	8
Russian National Mutual Aid Society of America: Constitution and bylaws	1934	201	9
Russian Orthodox Brotherhood of St. Cyril and Methodius: Constitution and bylaws	1937	201	10
Russian Orthodox Catholic Mutual Aid Society: Official guide and instructions for officers:	n.d.	201	11
Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church: Dues book	n.d.	201	13
Russian Society "Znaniye": Constitution and bylaws	n.d.	201	14
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Saint Michael Galician-Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Parish: Constitution and bylaws	1927	201	16
St. Michael and St. George Inc. Union of Russian Societies: Constitution and bylaws	1922	201	17
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## **Appendix 2. Acronyms/Abbreviations**

FROC	Federated Russian Orthodox Clubs
RBO	Russian Brotherhood Organization of the United States of America
RCMASA	Russian Consolidated Mutual Aid Society of America
ROCMAS	Russian Orthodox Catholic Mutual Aid Society
ROOVA	The abbreviation of the Russian Consolidated Mutual Aid Society of America in Russian but using English letters; or РООБА Русское Объединённое Общество Взаимопомощи в Америке
RWR	Russian War Relief, Inc.