Leonid MOSENDZ PAPERS

1939-1949

Collection №

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Summary Information

Abstract:

The collection consists of writings by Leonid Markovych Mosendz (1897-1948), a Ukrainian writer, and memoir about him.

Physical description:

0.25 lf (9 folders)

Language(s):

Ukrainian, German

Arrangement

This collection is arranged in 2 series:

Series I: Poems and writings, 1939, undated

Series II: Materials about Leonid Mosendz, 1948-1949, undated

Scope and Contents

The collection consists of writings by Leonid Mosendz and memoirs about him by Magda Mosendz, writer's widow. There is also a small memoir note by Maurice Mary.

Biographical note:

Leonid Markovych Mosendz (1897-1948), a Ukrainian writer, was born in a city of Mohyliv-Podil's'kyi. In 1915, he graduated from the teacher's seminary. During the first years of World War I, he served in Russian army and later was enrolled into the army of the UNR. After the UNR's fall, he emigrated to the West.

In 1922, Mosendz moved from Polish city of Czestochowa to Czechoslovakia. In 1924, in a city of Podebrady he finished his studies in the gymnasium and enrolled into chemical and technological faculty of Ukrains'ka hospodars'ka akademiia (Ukrainian Economical Academy). In 1928, he graduated with a diploma of production engineer and stayed at UHA as a faculty member.

In 1931, Mosendz defended his doctoral dissertation and started working in the laboratories. In 1937-1938, he taught at State Academy in Svalyava in Zakarpattia region. After this region had been occupied, he moved to Bratislava.

In 1946, Mosendz moved to Austria. In Innsbruck, he befriended Yuri Klen and they published a collection of parody poems "Dyiavolichni paraboly" under their mutual pseudonym, Porfyrii Horotak. In 1946, while suffering from consumption, he moved to Switzerland.

Leonid Mosendz died in a city of Blonay, Switzerland, in 1948.

His creative output consists of a collection of poetry "Zodiak" (1941); three poems: "Vichnyi korabel" (1940), "Kanitfershtan" (1945), "Volyns'kyi rik" (1948); three collections of novellas and short stories: "Zasiv," "Liudyna pokirna," "Vidplata;" and unfinished novel "Ostannii prorok" (published posthumously in 1960).

Description

The collection is arranged into 2 series.

Series I: Poems and writings consist of poems and writings by Leonid Mosendz. There are poems and four essays as well as two title pages of a story which is not at the archive.

Series II: Materials about Leonid Mosendz consists of a memoir about Leonid Mosendz by his wife Magda Mosendz. It also contains a memoir note by Maurice Mary, who spent time with Leonid Mosendz at the hospital in Switzerland. There is also an obituary published in *Ridna knyha na chuzhyni*, a Ukrainian literary magazine based in the United States.

Using the Collection

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Provenance and Acquisition

Gift of Magda Mosendz, 1989.

Subject Headings

The subject headings listed below are found in this collection. The collection indexed in the Shevchenko Scientific Society library subject catalog by the following subjects:

Literature, 20th century Writers–20th century

About the Finding Aid / Processing Information

Processing Information

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Finding aid written by Ostap Kin in 2012

CONTAINER LIST

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Essays, undated:	
"Kushch palaiuchyi," undated (typescript)	Folder 2
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"Pan'kivtsiam i okolytsi," undated (typescript)	Folder 4
"Poky vykhyliavsia hlechyk", undated (typescript)	Folder 5
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Mary, Maurice. Memoir note, Lauterbourg, 1948 (in German)	Folder 7
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