

COLLECTIONS OF CORRESPONDENCE AND MANUSCRIPT DOCUMENTS

NAME OF COLLECTION: Mikhail Aleksandrovich TAUBE Papers

SOURCE: Purchase, 1954, 1956-7, 1960

SUBJECT: Imperial Government; International Law; Emigration--Europe; Emigre Scholarship;  
Nikolai Roerich and the Roerich Museum.

DATES COVERED: ca. 1890-1960 NUMBER OF ITEMS: ca. 8,000

STATUS: (check appropriate description)  
Cataloged: x Listed: x Arranged: x Not organized:       

CONDITION: (give number of vols., boxes, or shelves)  
Bound:        Boxed: 24 Stored:       

LOCATION: (Library)        BAR CALL-NUMBER Ms Coll/Taube, M.A.

RESTRICTIONS ON USE None

DESCRIPTION: Correspondence, manuscripts, subject files, a photograph, and printed materials of Mikhail A. Taube (1869-1961), scholar in the field of international law. Most of the collection concerns Taube's life in the emigration. There are many letters from Nikolai Roerich from the 1930's, concerning the Roerich Museum and the Artist's political efforts. Manuscripts by Taube include memoirs of his years in the Imperial Government (1906-1917), and of his life in the emigration, and also drafts of lectures which he gave at European institutions in the 1920s and 1930s. Subject files concern such topics as his service as a legal consultant for the Imperial Ministry of Foreign Affairs; the Roerich Museum; the history of the Taube family; emigre monarchism; and educational institutions with which he was affiliated, especially the Academie de Droit Internationale de la Haye. There is also a large group of files on Russian history, which he prepared for a book he planned to write. The photograph is of Tsar' Alexander III and his wife in Denmark.

For biographical note and box list, see verso & following pages.

MIKHAIL ALEXANDROVICH TAUBE: BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Mikhail A. Taube (Michael, Freiherr von Taube) was born in Pavlovsk, near St. Petersburg, on 15 May 1869. He was the son of Aleksandr Taube (1834-1897), an engineer, and Anna Taube, née Butorova. He graduated from the Law faculty of St. Petersburg University, where he was the student of F.F. Martens, a famous scholar of international law. Taube received his doctorate in 1899. In 1897 he began teaching at Khar'kov University, and in 1899 came to St. Petersburg, where he replaced Martens. In 1897 he married Raisa Rogal-Kachura; they were to have 5 children.

In the early 20th century Taube began his career in the imperial government. In 1906-1911 he was a juridicial consultant for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. In 1911-1915, he was the assistant to the Minister of National Education. He became a senator in 1915, and a member of the State Council in January 1917. He left Russia in 1917, moving with his family first to Finland. In the interwar period he taught international law at many institutions in Europe, but lived chiefly in Paris. He remained, in the emigration, a respected scholar of international law; among the institutions with which he was associated for a particularly long period was the Académie de Droit International de la Haye. Taube died in Paris on 29 November 1961. Among his major works were Istoriia zarozhdeniia sovremennago mezhdunarodnago prava (srenie beka) (St. Petersburg & Khar'kov, 1894-99), and La politique russe d'avant-guerre et la fin de l'empire des tsars (Paris, 1928).

Source: Taube Papers, Biographical file, Box 10.

BOX LIST

Box 1. Cataloged Materials.

Cataloged Correspondents

Burtsev, Vladimir L'vovich  
Fedorov, Mikhail Mikhailovich  
Florinsky, Michael T.  
Gessen, Iosif Vladimirovich  
Gronskii, Pavel Pavlovich  
Iashchenko, Aleksandr Semenovich  
Il'in, Vladimir Nikolaevich  
Johnson, Alvin S.

Keyserling, Hermann  
Nazhivin, Ivan Fedorovich  
Nikitin, Vasilii Petrovich  
Nol'de, Boris Emmanuelovich  
Roerich, Nikolai Konstantinovich  
Vasil'ev, Aleksandr Aleksandrovich  
Vishniak, Mark Veniaminovich  
Vysheslavitsev, Boris Petrovich

Cataloged Manuscript

L'vov, Lollii Ivanovich--Zapiska o putiakh i sredstvakh vozsozdaniia narodnago prosveshcheniia posle osvobozhdeniia ot kommunisticheskago vladychestva (1942)

Cataloged Photograph

Alexander III, Tsar' of Russia

Boxes 2-3. Arranged Correspondence.

2. Arsen'ev, Vasilii Sergeevich  
Bühler, Ottmar  
Carnegie Endowment for International Peace  
Efremov, Ivan  
Gurvich, G.D.  
Jahrbücher für Geschichte Osteuropas  
Kadjar, Soltan Mahmoud  
Koralevskii, Petr Evgrafovich  
Mandel'shtam, A.  
Pilenko, Aleksandr  
Putiatin, Mikhail  
Puzyna, Józef  
Romanov, Grand Duke Andrei  
Taube, Georgii  
Üxkull von Gil'denband, Al. (2 folders)  
Zyzykin, Mikhail Valeriianovich
3. A-Z  
Unidentified  
Visiting cards

Boxes 4-6. Manuscripts by M. A. Taube.

4. Bibliographical notes on international law  
"Kratkii obzor zhizni i delatel'nosti...M. A. Taube  
v emigratsii"(2 folders)
5. Lectures (folders 4-6)  
Miscellaneous notes and minor manuscripts  
Notes on early Russian history  
Notes on international law  
"Sto let sluzhby Imperatorskoi Rossii chlenov roda baronov  
Taube, 1812-1917" (actually covers ca. 1570-1850)(folder 1)
6. "Sto let sluzhby..." (folders 2-3)  
"Vospominaniia 1900-1917" (5 folders)

Box 7. Manuscripts by others.

Dokina, A., "Histoire des Turcs de l'Asie Centrale"  
Forssins, M., "Les detroits scandinaves"  
Pilenko, Al., "Les moeurs electorales en France" (3 folders)  
Taube, Georg von, Memoirs about Nebogatov's squadron and  
Tsushima battle (Russo-Japanese war)  
Voss, Adolf, "Rechtsmissbrauch"  
Miscellaneous and unidentified

Boxes 8-20. Subject Files.

- 8.-9. Académie de Droit International de la Haye (10 folders)
10. Art (5 folders)  
Biography of M. A. Taube  
Civil War  
Congres Spiritualiste Mondial, Brussels, 1946

Boxes 8-20. Subject Files (continued)

11. Emigre monarchist movement  
Institut de Droit International (2 folders)  
International communism  
International Law Association
12. Legacy of Grand Prince Mikhail Alexandrovich  
Legal consultations for Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 1905-1911 (3 folders)  
Legal consultations in emigration  
"Nemetskoe rodstvo" Romanovykh  
Old Russian cities (2 folders)  
Otto III & the Holy Roman Empire  
Roerich Museum & Nikolai Roerich (folders 1-4):
14. Roerich Museum & Nikolai Roerich (folders 5-8)  
Romanov holdings outside Russia  
Romanovs in emigration  
Russian history (miscellaneous)  
Russian nobility
15. St. Petersburg  
Taube family genealogy (3 folders)

The subject files in boxes 16-20 were prepared by Taube for a book he planned to write on Russian history.

16. Drevneishaia Rus' (2 folders)  
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Rurik  
Oleg & Igor'  
Grodno & the Neman  
St. Vladimir (folders 1-2)
17. St. Vladimir (folder 3)  
"Trident" of St. Vladimir (2 folders)  
Rus' so vremeni Iaroslava  
Sviatye muromskie kniaz'ia
18. Byzantium & Russia  
Baltic question in Russian history  
Lithuania  
Tatarskoe vremia  
Ivan the Terrible & the Livonian War  
Smutnoe vremia

Boxes 8-20. Subject Files. (cont.)

- 19. Romanovs
  - Muscovite history (miscellaneous)
  - Schism of 17th century
  - Peter I
  - Catherine II
  - Paul
  
- 20. Alexander I & Nicholas I
  - Alexander II
  - Nicholas II
  - Foreign Policy under Nicholas II

Boxes 21-24. Other Printed Materials (chiefly periodicals, offprints,  
& pamphlets.) (Box 24 also contains some miscellaneous  
manuscripts.)