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Finding Aid to the Bernd Längin Collection
2010.09

OVERVIEW

Donor: Christiane Längin

Accession Date: August 16, 2010

Collection Number: 101

Quantity: 6 folders and 48 books

Summary: 48 German and English books, dating from 1925 to 1988; loose material/ notes that were found in the books; and a pamphlet from a Russian Empire exhibit in Memphis from 2002.

Languages: German & English

Links:
- Bernd G. Längin book listing on the NDSU Institutional Repository (DSpace)
- *The Russian Germans under the Double Eagle and the Soviet Star: Including a Pictorial History of Cities, Landscapes and People* by Bernd G. Längin
- Bernd G. Längin's section of the GRHC Significant Contributors to German-Russian History webpage
- Obituary of Bernd G. Längin (*Winnipeg Free Press* – 4 July 2008)

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BIOGRAPHY

Bernd Längin was born on June 21, 1941, in Karlsruhe, Germany. At any early age, Bernd began his passion of researching and writing. When Bernd was in his 20s, he moved to Namibia, Africa

to become the editor of the German newspaper in Windhoek. During this time Bernd and his wife Christiane had their daughter Marion. About a decade later, Bernd moved to Winnipeg to once again be the editor of a German newspaper. Bernd later traveled the world and would eventually author more than twenty books. Bernd Längin died on June 28, 2008 at the Riverview Health Centre in Winnipeg at the age of 67.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The **Bernd Längin Collection** consists of 48 books written in German and English, dating from 1925 to 1988, and loose material that was found in some of these books. The collection is divided into three series: Notes, Subject, and Book.

The **Notes Series** is comprised of loose material that was discovered in some of the donated books. These materials were pulled out of the books and are organized by the book from which they were found.

The **Subject Series** contains only one item. This is a pamphlet for an exhibit from 2002 in Memphis, Tennessee. The title of the exhibit is "Czars: 400 Years of Imperial Grandeur."

The **Book Series** is the largest series in the collection. The majority of the books are in the German language but a few are in English. These books have all been cataloged and placed into the GRHC Library.

SEPARATION RECORD

The 48 books of the Bernd Längin Collection that were retained have been separated from the other materials. The books have all been cataloged and placed into the GRHC Library. A listing of the cataloged Längin books can be found here:
http://library.ndsu.edu/tools/dspace/load/?file=/repository/bitstream/handle/10365/22380/Cataloged%20Books%20%28for%20DSpace%29.pdf?sequence=1

BOX AND FOLDER LIST

2010 Small Collections Box

Collection/Folder	Contents
2010.09/1	Finding aid, detailed inventory, and initial inventory

NOTES SERIES

2010.09/2 4 pages from an unknown source (German text) and 12 pages from "Die Gemeinde Karlsuhe" – Loose material from Heimatbuch der Deutschen aus Rußland 1957

2010.09/3 Typed story from Walter Kunkel, "A Short Biography of our Ancestors (cont'd.)", and 3 pages from an unknown source (German text) – Loose material from Der Treck der Volksdeutschen aus Wolhynien, Galizien und dem Narew-Gebiet, mit einem Geleitwort von SS-Obergruppenführer Werner Lorenz und mit einer Einführung von Wilfrid Bade [DK4121.5.G4 T74 1942]

2010.09/4 4 pages from an unknown source (German text) – Loose material from Deutschtum im Ausland: Jahrg. 22, 1939 [DD68.A2 D48]

2010.09/5 Email correspondence from J Thiessen with the subject "Fw: Low German and G identities", 2007 – Loose material from Mennonite exodus: the rescue and resettlement of the Russian Mennonites since the Communist Revolution [BX8119.R8 E56 1962]

SUBJECT SERIES

2010.09/6 Exhibit pamphlet for "Czars: 400 Years of Imperial Grandeur"

BOOK SERIES

GRHC LIBRARY 48 books