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INTRODUCTION

These papers were donated in 1976 and 1982 by Edward Bodrug, Fenelon Falls, Ontario. The papers are organized in files in one volume of 20 cm. The photographs have been placed in the National Photography Collection of the Public Archives of Canada.

A modified Library of Congress system of Ukrainian transliteration is used in this file list, however, some names, titles and words previously transliterated according to other systems were left in their original form.

These papers are of particular interest to researchers in the history of Ukrainian Canadians particularly the first wave of immigration during the years 1891-1914. The material is also of interest to students of Ukrainian church history and the Ukrainian evangelical movement in Canada.

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A BIOGRAPHY OF JOHN BODRUG (1874-1952)

John Bodrug was born on 7 April 1874 in the village of Upper Bereziv, Kolomyia District of Western Ukraine, then part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. He graduated from the Teacher's Seminary in 1896 and taught school in Lower Bereziv.

He emigrated to Canada arriving on 2 May 1897. He worked for a short time on the railroad and then at the request of the Canadian government, worked as a "manager" among the Russian Doukhobour immigrants in Canada.

He also worked among the Ukrainian immigrants establishing schools and teaching in the new communities. In November 1899, he married Olga Bachinsky in Dauphin, Manitoba. In 1903 he helped to found the newspaper Kanadysky Farmer and in 1905 he became the first editor of Ranok (morning).

John Bodrug completed his theological studies in 1904 at Manitoba College. He established the Ukrainian Evangelical Church in Winnipeg in 1907 and the Ukrainian National Church in Newark, New Jersey in 1909. During 1908-1910, John Bodrug lived in New York.

He retired from his pastoral duties in 1923 but continued to maintain his interest in the Ukrainian evangelical movement throughout his life. After he retired, he lived in the Toronto area. He died on 2 June 1952 in New York City at the age of 78. He was survived by three sons and three daughters.

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1	10	Article on Ukrainian Canadians (photocopy)	1901-1903

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1	11	Articles (photocopy)	n.d., 1909-1953
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1	16	Kanadiiskyi Ranok, August	1945

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1	17	Berezovsky, J., Khudan - Oповідання z Zhyttia Karpatskykh Opryshkiv, Toronto	1937
1	18	Bodrug, J., Ukrainian Pioneer Preacher, Educator, Editor in the Canadian West, 1897-1913	
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1	21	Bodrug, J., Independent Orthodox Church Memoirs Pertaining to the History of Ukrainian Canadian Church in the Years 1903 to 1911, Toronto	1980
1	22	Boniian, Dzhan, Put Palomnyka, translated by J. Bodrug, N.Y.	1910
1	23	Ievanhelska Pravda (The Evangelical Truth), July-August	1974
1	24	Irshcheny, Ivan (Bodrug, J.), Svatannia v . . . Skachevani, Komediia na Chotyry Dii, Winnipeg	1926
1	25	Knyha Khvaly - Skarbnytsia, Toronto	1922
1	26	Pasichnyk, Ivan, Ukrainyskyi Viddil Pry Teolohichnii Seminarii v Blumfildi - Spomyny, Toronto	1974
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