Introduction

This collection contains six published books written by Stoyan Christowe, a Macedonian immigrant who eventually moved to Dover, Vermont, and was elected to the Vermont state senate. The books were given to the Vermont Historical Society by the Macedonian Arts Council in 2006. They are stored in one flip-top archival box and occupy .5 linear feet of shelf space.

Biographical Notes

Stoyan Christowe was born in Ottoman Macedonia in 1898 and immigrated to the United States in 1912. After his arrival in America at the age of 13, he worked at a number of jobs including laying tracks for the Great Northern Railway in Montana. He taught himself English, studied journalism at Indiana University, and began a distinguished literary career that included working as a reporter for *The Chicago Sun Times*, writing six books and over twenty book reviews for *The New York Times*. He also performed service as an Intelligence Officer for the US military during World War II.

In 1944 Mr. Christowe moved to Vermont where he began a new life of public service, first as a member of the Vermont State House of Representatives (1951-1955), then as a member of the Vermont State Senate (1959-1972) where he was often referred to as “an original.”

In 1980 he returned to his homeland and was celebrated as a hero. He was bestowed an honorary Doctorate Degree from the Sts. Cyril and Methodius University and was made an honorary member of the Macedonian Academy of Arts and Science.

Mr. Christowe was married to Margaret Wooters Christowe who served in the Vermont State House in 1975, representing the town of Dover.

He died in 1995 and is buried in Dover.

Scope and Content

This collection consists of six published books, all written by Stoyan Christowe.

Inventory

- 3 *This is my country*, Carrick & Evans, Inc., 1938.
- 4 *The Lion of Yanina*, Modern Age Books, 1941.

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