

Conception of mini-atlas “Virtual museum of Leo Bagrow“

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Extended Abstract

The first project of museum of Leo Bagrow was proposed at the 13. Kartographiehistorisches Colloquium in Dresden on 20-23 September, 2006 (Wolodtschenko 2012).

The creation of any museum is a difficult and long work. The new project 2014-2016 includes a creation of mini-atlas “Virtual museum of Leo Bagrow“ for tablets and smartphones.

The author deals with conceptual-semiotic modelling (atlassing) and has created a small collection of thematic atlases (Bild/image atlases, event atlases, historical atlases etc.) for mobile devices with mono-display and double-displays (Wolodtschenko 2012). Three selected mini-atlases with historic-related themes are freely available from:

- http://rcswww.urz.tu-dresden.de/~wolodt/ATLAS/ICA_P-ATLAS-1ab.pdf

- <http://rcswww.urz.tu-dresden.de/~wolodt/BILD-ATLAS/2015-PreMaps.pdf>

- <http://rcswww.urz.tu-dresden.de/~wolodt/ATLAS/2013-DoKarUk1.pdf>

The conception of the mini-atlas "Virtual Museum of Leo Bagrow" is based on three time blocks or periods:

- Leo Bagrow in Russia/St.Petersburg (before 1918)
- Leo Bagrow in Berlin (1918- 1945)
- Leo Bagrow in Stockholm (1945- 1957).

The first part of this atlas entitled «Leo Bagrow in St.Petersburg» will be presented to the 135th anniversary of Leo Bagrow in the next year.

The nobleman Leo-Edward Semenovich Bagrow or Leo Bagrow (1881-1957) was lieutenant of the Russian Imperial Navy (1905-1917), hydrographer, collector of old maps, co-founder and editor of the international journal „Imago Mundi“ from 1935 till 1957 (Wolodtschenko 2010). He was an active promoter of the map, geography, and military-historical knowledge, author and publisher of books, entrepreneur, organizers and participants of exhibitions and special missions, a member of military and civilian circles and associations.

The talented Russian-Swedish scientist remains forgotten in Russia, Sweden and in the world. The short biographical information in English can be found in the obituary in journal „Imago Mundi“, vol.14/1959 (Skelton 1959) and in article by Heffernan and Delano-Smith (2014). In traditional and electronic encyclopaedia the biographical information about Leo Bagrow is very scarce and often contradictory. Also, there is no full biography of Leo Bagrow.

The atlas conception "Virtual Museum of Leo Bagrow" is a pilot project and includes selected facts, events, and documents of the life of Leo Bagrow (1881-1957) in thematic sections: a biographical sketch, publications, correspondence, photo -gallery (as Mini-Bildatlas) of individualists, and bibliography.

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