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### Abstract

The article discusses the status and development of work in the Central State Archive of Almaty on the preparation and compilation of archive directories, collections of documents, memoirs and publications of small format.

**Keywords:** archive specialists, archeographical activities, collection of documents, manuals, publications.

The beginning of the publishing activities of the Central State Archive in the city of Almaty can be called the end of the nineties of the last century. At that time the archive preparing the publications of mostly "small forms": articles related to the anniversaries of the original owners, thematic information kits about the archive activity, the guide "Archival storage of the Central State Archive of Almaty." This was the impetus for a broad comprehensive study of little-known problems with

the involvement of a wide range of documentary sources.

Archeographic activity of the archive quickened considerably with the publication of encyclopedic handbook "Almaty. Administrative territorial division. 1918-1999 years." During working on this directory, City Archives specialists have used published and unpublished acts of the supreme bodies of state power of Kazakhstan and local executive authorities, contained in the funds of the

state archives of Almaty. As an application, in this edition there were published texts of some documents and cartographic material, which allows you to visualize the boundaries of the urban area and districts of Almaty.

It should be noted that a lot of work was preceded before the publishing. The plan prospectus of the publication was prepared, which defines the type of the edition. The expanded form identifies the issues and events, which must be lighting appropriate, there were marked specific features of the identification, selection of documents, their archaeographic registration, and transfer of text. The way of organizing documents was also determined. In addition, the characteristic finding aid has been given. Prospect Plan was approved by the scientific committee of the board of archives and documents of the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Kazakhstan. As a result, all the documents included in the directory, have been processing thoroughly in archaeographic way. This guide was awarded a diploma of the Committee of archives and documentation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

The increased interest of researchers and a wide general reader to the history of zoning of the city contributed to the continuation of further work and publication supplemented and revised handbook "Almaty. Administrative-territorial division. 1918-2003 years" in two languages: Kazakh and Russian.

In the same period, archive specialists prepared to publish a list of "Memorial chronicle of Almaty" about memorial plaques. In preparing this edition the specialists was tasked to draw the attention of citizens and guests of Almaty to a specific historical event, the name of a person of whom the citizens are

proud. This is a reference book containing information on plaques of Almaty, their creators, with the date of their establishment, and archival data.

The year 2003 is significant because of two publications prepared by the archivists: "Guide to the origin of the personal funds of the Central State Archive of Almaty" and catalog documents "Monuments of History and Culture in Almaty."

When compiling the catalog therehas been made an attempt to give historical information about each monument of history and culture in Almaty and possibly provide a detailed historical data.

Another feature of the preparation of publicationsshould be noted here. While working on the documentary publications a significant array of documents are revealed. The limited scope of the publication does not allow you to use all the information in its entirety. Therefore, archivists workhas a part when they record all identified documents on index cards, which are then infused into the thematic archive directory. Moreover, this card data help to build a structure of publication in the future.

The advantage of the handbook "Guide to the personal funds of the Central State Archive of Almaty" was the availability of texts in Kazakh and Russian languages, which greatly expanded the range of potential users of the directory.

Collection of Documents "Parks of Almaty. 1867-1916" was prepared as the first edition of the history and development of the garden building in the city. In the first volume of the series it was first time published the collection of documents of State archives and libraries of Almaty. Part of the documents was taken from periodicals of the XIX century – "Semirechiye regional statements" and "Turkestan statements".

In the second volume of "Parks of Almaty. 1917-1990" documents and materials of the Soviet period were published. Nowadays, archive specialists prepared the third volume of "Parks of Almaty. 1991-2015" where are the documents on gardening in the city during the formation of independent Kazakhstan. The most of documents are published for the first time. The compilers of these collections have achieved a certain balance between generalizing materials and archival documents, as well as have ensured the representativeness of their composition. The publication of such thematic collections of documents is justified by the fact that the work on the preparation of the publication is regarded not only as a means of mass popularization of documents, but also as an essential source suitable to proceed directly to the investigation.

A notable event in Almaty was the publication of memoirs, prepared for the 75th anniversary of People's Artist of Kazakhstan, the original owner of the archive of the book "Our contemporaries. GulfairusIsmailova." The appearance of this book shows the possibility of scientific and popular forms of publication of documents of a personal origin, to which there is a clear public interest. To this type of publications about our contemporaries it is necessary to apply the preparation and publication of a collection of materials and documents "Amen Kaydar" about the first animator of Kazakhstan Amen Khaydarov.

It should be noted that archivists had a keen interest in proactive documentation and collecting material for the book "Soldiers of the XX century." Ultimately, this work formed a collection of documents and materials "Veterans of the Battle of Stalingrad - from Almaty," which became a part of the funds of a personal origin of

archive documents. As a result, the 60th anniversary of the Victory in the Great Patriotic War it was prepared a compilation of documents and materials "The history keeps great feat of you."

In order to make the publication work systematic character in 2007 the Central State Archive created the Publications department, which plans to popularize archive documents through the media, preparation of documentary and reference books.

In order not to get lost in the information space, by the department it was created and produced the first issue of the messenger of archive service of Almaty – "Khabarshysy", which highlights the activities the entire archive, the research of local history of Almaty. The work on the formation and release of this periodical to be continues. To date, it held 18 issues.

Properly used archival practice of "small forms" publications: various brochures, booklets, albums. Specialists prepared a number of archive collections of materials of international and republican scientific-practical conferences and "round tables." A booklet for archive anniversaries: 20th anniversary, 30th anniversary, as well as the album "My Almaty."

Development of archive publishing certainly related to the publications in the Internet space. In recent years, the archive web site has become a fact and a reality of everyday life. Only one component of the reference and information site is a unique source of information about the archive activity. It brought the possibility of publishing mini electronic publications such as the annual "Calendar of memorable and important dates", according to the documents of the National Archival Fund of the Republic of Kazakhstan. Now the site is under the construction.



Figure 1. Central State Archive Editions

For more than thirty years of activity, the Central State Archive has prepared and published more than 50 titles of publications.

The accumulated experience in archive publishing activity requires development.

It is improved and updated in the form of training and preparation of electronic publications, booklets and documentary exhibitions (Fig. 1).

# АЛМАТЫ ҚАЛАСЫНДАҒЫ ОРТАЛЫҚ МЕМЛЕКЕТТІК МҰРАҒАТЫНЫҢ БАСПА ҚЫЗМЕТІ

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# Аңдатпа

Мақалада, Алматы қаласының Орталық мемлекеттік мұрағатындағы мұрағаттық анықтамалар, құжаттар жинағы, мемуарлық сипаттағы басылымдар мен басылымдардың «кіші формасын» дайындау, құрастыру бойынша қызметтердің жағдайы мен дамуы қарастырылады.

**Тірек сөздер:** мұрағат мамандары, археографтық қызмет, құжаттар жинағы, анықтамалар, басылым.

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## Аннотация

В статье рассматриваются состояние и развитие работы в Центральном государственном архиве г. Алматы по подготовке и составлению архивных справочников, сборников документов, изданий мемуарного характера и «малых форм» изданий.

**Ключевые слова:** специалисты архива, археографическая деятельность, сборник документов, справочники, издания.