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TARAS SHEVCHENKO AND KHERSON REGION

L.V. Udod, O. P. Silishchenko, A. Kryvoruchenko. Taras Shevchenko and Kherson region. The article contains an overview of memorial sites in honor toTaras Shevchenko of Tavriya villages and towns. The article tells about the history of the monuments creation to the poet in Kherson and Kherson region. It includes photographs and a map - scheme «Taras Shevchenko's monuments in Kherson».

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Л.В. Удод. О.П. Селищенко, А. Криворученко. Тарас Шевченко та Херсонська область. Стаття містить багато знахідок про творчість Тараса Шевченко серед Таврійських сіл та міст. У статті розповідається про історію створення момументів поетові в Херсонській області. Стаття включає в себе фотографії та карту - схему «Памятники Тарасу Шевченко на Херсонщи-

Ключові слова: пам'ятник, Кобзар, Херсон, скульптор.

Introduction. Every spring on the Ukrainian land a great holiday – the birthday of its brilliant son - Shevchenko comes. Kherson region as well as all Ukraine celebrates Great Kobzar's birthday yearly. Shevchenko had a hard life. The fate of many monuments established in his honor was also complicated.

Memorials to Ukrainian Prophet – it is a tribute to the tradition, and these monuments are in many regions and cities of Ukraine. No exception was the Kherson region, which currently has 17 monuments of poet.

Content of research. The first monument to the Great Kobzar in the Kherson region appeared in 1922. The initiator of its construction in village Stanislav was famous singer, later People's Artist of the USSR Yuri Shumsky (Fig.1).

In the 1980s a bust of Taras Shevchenko was installed before the new Stanislav

pedestal.

Standing silently in front of the monument to Shevchenko in Bilozerka town, looking into the face of the poet, we see features of great suffering and pain, but they do not express hopelessness.

secondary school, but on a completely different



Fig.1. Map-scheme The First Monument to the Great Kobzar in Kherson Region

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Every year in summer warm sea calls every Ukrainian. And once again there is a warm meeting with Skadovsk. Monument to Taras Shevchenko was opened here in 1987.

What a magnificent monument to Ukrainian genius in the center of Tsyurupynsk town! Cossacks`wish of «Oleshky Sich» came true in August 2002. In the center of Hola Prystan, near school № 3, it was decided to erect a monument to Taras Hryhorovich. This honor was entrusted to countryman of the village Zburyivka Voloymyr Mykolayovych Potrebenko. I.H.Bilokur took part in work on sculpture too. The sculpture became the decoration of the city [1].

An original monument to Taras Shevchenko was installed in New Kakhovka. In 2001 there was a contest for the best design of the monument. The winners were sculptors V.M.Potrebenko and M.F.Rashevsky. The sculpture was made of concrete and forged by copper sheets.

where the Milky Ways met. Monument to Taras Beryslav ... City, Shevchenko is located in Beryslav park on the bank of Kakhovka sea.

In March 2004, on the birthday of the Great Poet, Taras Shevchenko's bust was installed at the center of future parkland village of Velyka Lepetyha. It was produced by private enterprise «Shukran» in Zaporizhzhya funded by the district budget.

Pedestal is made of granite. Monuments to the poet had appeared recently in Kalanchak, Tarasivka, Daryivka, Yuvileyne, Syroka Balka and other settlements of the region. Many different activities honoring to the poet, literary festivals, poetry contests are taken place at the monuments.

It is worthy to pay attention to sculpture of T.H.Shevchenko in Vysokopillya – work of Kherson sculptor H.I.Shapko. The bust of the poet is set on a high pedestal with a short inscription «Taras Shevchenko». [4]

One of the best monuments to Taras Shevchenko in Kherson was created by sculptor Ivan Hryhorovych Bilokur, which was opened in 1971 on Textilnyky avevu in the middle of the broad street. This monument – the symbol of great love of Kherson citizens to national genius (Fig.2).



Bust of T. Shevchenko v.Stanislav

Bust of T. Shevchenko Bilozerka town

Bust of T. Shevchenko Henichesk



Bust of T. Shevchenko Skadovsk



Fig. 2. T.Shevchenko's busts in Kherson region



Fig.3. Map-scheme «Monuments to Taras Shevchenko in Kherson region»

Conclusion. The bust of Taras Shevchenko was established in 2004 in Kherson school № 52. The author of this work is sculptor Ivan Merdak. Teaching staff, pupils of school decided to emphasize individuality «of their native home» in Kherson region. It was financed by Ukrainian diaspora from Canada and union «Prosvita» has decided to transfer bust of the poet to school.

Shevchenko's monuments in Kherson region - evidence of great love and respect for the memory of the poet of our region inhaitants.

Map - diagram (Fig.3) shows the number of the monuments to Kobzar in Kherson region. They are always surrounded by lots of flowers. So, Taras Shevchenko's monuments are, literally and figuratively, golden fund of historical and cultural heritage of Kherson region. It is not only a valuable research and educational objects, but it is also a real base for active use in the tourism sector.

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