

Florence Nightingale's Life Story as Reflected in A Range of Collecting Media

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Abstract

The article presents research materials related to the study of reflection in different collectibles: philately, numismatics, phaleristics, life stories and work, the famous English nurse, Florence Nightingale. The text is provided with illustrative material, explanatory descriptions and comments.

Keywords: florence nightingale; 200th anniversary; nursing, philately; postage stamps; envelopes; maximum cards; numismatics; commemorative coins and medals; banknotes

Introduction

In 2020, November 14, is the 200th anniversary of the birth of Florence Nightingale (1820-2020), a world-famous English nurse, and a symbol of the global nursing movement. [1,5,10]. Before presenting her story about the reflection of the memory of F. Nightingale in the means of collecting, a brief description of her biography will be given. Florence Nightingale (English Florence Nightingale), born May 12, 1820, Florence, died August 13, 1910, London) - Sister of Charity and public figure of Great Britain. In October 1854, during the Crimean campaign, Florence, along with 38 assistants, including nuns and sisters of mercy, went to field hospitals first in Scutari (Turkey), and then in the Crimea. She consistently implemented the principles of sanitation and care for the wounded, and as a result, in less than six months the mortality rate in the infirmaries dropped from 42% to 2.2%. In 1856, Florence used her own money to erect a large white marble cross on a high mountain in the Crimea above Balaklava in memory of the soldiers, doctors and nurses who died in the Crimean War. The Crimean War made Florence a national heroine, the soldiers who returned from the front told legends about her, calling her "the lady with a lamp", because at night with a lamp in her hands she always, like a kind light angel, went around the wards with the sick [1,5,10]. In 1859, F. Nightingale ensured that hospitals were equipped with ventilation and sewage systems; hospital staff had to undergo the necessary training, hospitals were strictly statistical processing of all information. A military medical school was organized, and the army was educated about the importance of disease prevention. Florence Nightingale wrote a number of books - "Notes on Factors Affecting the Health, Efficiency and Hospital Administration of the British Army" (Notes on Matters Affecting the Health, Efficiency and

Hospital Administration of the British Army, 1858) and "How to Care for the Sick" (Notes on Nursing: What It Is and What It Is Not, 1860). Nightingale was awarded the Royal Red Cross in 1883 and the Order of Merit in 1907. In 1912, the League of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent (since November 1991 called the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies) established the Florence Nightingale Medal, still the most honorable and highest award for nurses around the world. On May 12, Florence Nightingale's birthday, the world celebrates International Nurses' Day [1,5,10].

Aim of the work

The purpose of this article is to present data on the reflection of the historical memory of the English nurse, Florence Nightingale, as the founder of the nursing mercy movement around the world, in the reflection of such collecting media as philately, numismatics, phaleristics and bonistics.

Object, material and methods of research

The object of the conducted research is such means of collecting as philately (postage stamps, envelopes, postal blocks), faleristics (commemorative and award signs, awards, badges), numismatics (commemorative medals and coins), bonistics (banknotes of different countries). In the conducted research, scans of various thematic materials were used, with strict adherence to copyright and references to these scan materials, and links to professional collection sites and Internet pages.

Results of the study and discussion

Figure 1, presents postage stamps and small stamps of different countries of the world, dedicated to F. Nightingale, in different

periods of her life and practical nursing activities aimed at the care of wounded and sick patients [5,6,10,12,14,22].



Figure 1: Postage stamps and stamp sheets dedicated to F. Nightingale

Next, in Figure 2, are postal blocks, thematically also dedicated to Florence Nightingale, most of which were issued for her 200th birthday in 2020 by postal authorities around the world [5, 6, 10, 12-14, 21, 22].

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Figure 2: Postal blocks of the world dedicated to F. Nightingale

There are also cartomaximums - special postcards with a thematic postage stamp on their front part and stamped with a special stamp dedicated to this event [5, 6, 12, 20]. A number of such postcards are presented in Fig. 3 [5, 6, 10, 12-14, 22].



Figure 3: Postcards, postmarks and a card dedicated to Florence Nightingale

In a separate selection, Fig. 4, shows the first-day postal envelopes of many countries around the world issued by their postal authorities in honor of Florence Nightingale's deed of mercy [5, 6, 10-14, 22].



Fig. 4. Postal envelopes of the world dedicated to F. Nightingale

Moving on to the next section, in the presentation of the memory of Florence Nightingale in the means of collecting, in Fig. 5, we would like to present commemorative coins issued, over the years, by national banks in a number of countries around the world. 5, we would like to present commemorative coins issued, in different years, by national banks of a number of countries around the world. The leadership, in this process, naturally, occupies England and the Commonwealth countries. These coins are issued in gold, silver, nesiilver and a number of alloys of non-precious metals [1, 15, 18-20, 23-26].



Figure 5: Commemorative coins of the world dedicated to F. Nightingale

In Figure. 6, presents a selection of phaleristic materials (commemorative medals, orders, badges) dedicated to the memory of Florence Nightingale [2-4, 7-9, 12-14, 16-18].



Figure 6: Faleristic and numismatic materials dedicated to Florence Nightingale

And, to conclude this article, Fig. 7, are the banknotes of England (1988, 2017), with a face value of 10 English pounds sterling, and a banknote, with a face value of 2 dollars, Western Bank of Missouri

(1859,1861), presented in obverse and reverse, the subject of which, is dedicated to the memory of Florence Nightingale [19, 27].



Figure 7: Banknotes of England and USA dedicated to Florence Nightingale

Conclusions

1. The use of small material forms, in the form of a variety of collecting media, is informative and an important aid to the study of the history of medicine.
2. The presented thematic selection of collectibles allows to talk about the famous English nurse Florence Nightingale in a rather colorful, informative and cognitive way.
3. Bcero, Bcero, in this research article, 180 screen illustrations are presented, various means of collecting. Of these: postage stamps and small stamp sheets - 62 copies; post blocks - 32 copies; postal envelopes - 39 copies; postcards and maximum cards - 13 copies; commemorative coins (obverse and reverse) - 14 copies; desktop commemorative medals (obverse and reverse) and award badges - 20 copies; commemorative banknotes (obverse and reverse) - 5 pieces.

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