



Interwar architecture

FORMER RESIDENTIAL HOUSE OF MOZÈ AND MALKA CHAIMSONS



Maironio g. 13, Kaunas

The house of the wholesale warehouse textile co-owner Mozè Chaimson was one of the tallest and most modern residential buildings not just in Kaunas but in all of Lithuania. The emphatically ascetic exterior of the house was an unusual Lithuanian architectural phenomenon in 1930. Its architecture is highly constructive, clear, and simple, renouncing the usual decorations and fine details. The house has five floors; each of the lower three had two luxury apartments of five or six rooms with vestibules and spacious halls with the living quarters around them. The upper two



floors had four smaller apartments each. Economical flats were installed in the half-cellar and the central mezzanine as well. One of the apartments on the fifth floor was rented by a famous artist Mstislav Dobuzhinsky in 1930-1933. Year: 1930-1931. Style: Modernism. Architect Vytautas Landsbergis-Žemkalnis.