



Wood based architecture

M. ŠALČIUS HOUSE



Minties rato g. 53, Kaunas

Matas Šalčius, a leading traveler, journalist and public figure of Lithuania, lived on the first floor of this one story wooden house for a time. The face of the building is dominated at the center by a two story veranda. The house has a French roof, and the original windows still preserved. The plaque on the wall of the building reminds us that Matas Šalčius lived here in 1925-1936. In 1929 M. Šalčius together with other Lithuanian traveler Antanas Poška started their motorcycle tour through Europe, Egypt, the Near East and India. After his return M. Šalčius published the



book " Svečiuose pas 40 tautų " (Guest of 40 nations). In 1936, the traveller left Kaunas for the last time intending to travel by bicycle from Tierra del Fuego to Alaska, but he died along the way.