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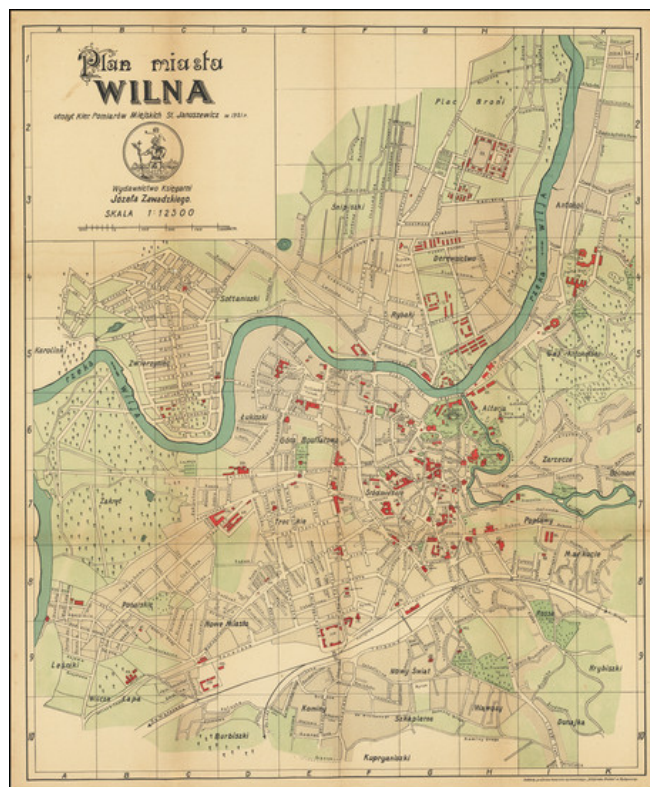
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(Vilnius city plan with an index of the most important buildings and a list of the streets) Plan miasta Wilna ze skorowidzem ważniejszych gmachów oraz spisem ulic.

Stock#: 70373
Map Maker: Zawadzkiego / Januszewicz
Date: 1921 (1922)
Place: Bydgoszcz, Poland
Color: Color
Condition: VG
Size: 18.5 x 22.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Vilnius as the Capital of the Republic of Central Lithuania.

Detailed Polish-language map of the city of Vilnius, Lithuania, published by Józefa Zawadzkiego, after information from the head of the city survey bureau, Stanisław Januszewicz. Interestingly, the imprint line at lower-right says that the map was produced by the graphic studios of the publishing institution of the "Polish Library" in Bydgoszcz.

The cover of the accompanying booklet gives a date of 1922, whereas the map states that it was published in 1921. From 1920 to 1922, Vilnius was the capital of the short-lived Republic of Central Lithuania established by Polish general Lucjan Żeligowski, who seized the city supported with his army - in 1922 it became the part of Województwo Wileńskie, and until 1939 Vilnius was a part of Poland.

The map is an interesting document showing the toponymic transition of Vilnius from the Russian Empire



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to modern Eastern Europe.

The booklet of 16 pages mentions 133 key city buildings on 2 pages. In 1923, the city had about 167,000 residents. The majority of the booklet is concerned with city names with "old" (i.e., Russian) toponyms and the "new" (i.e., "non-Tsarist" Polish toponyms). It is clearly visible how much Poles disliked the Russian government, as literally all the street names of Russian origin were renamed.

Rarity

Rare. WorldCat locates 3 copies of this map with only one outside Poland (University of Chicago Library).

Detailed Condition:

Map detached from the booklet and restored. Loss of corner of the front cover. Minor stains on the booklet cover. Map is VG; map and booklet Good.