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(World War II - Prelude) Deutchslands Schicksal in einem zukunftigen Kriege wenn Belgien die Basis englischer Luftangriffe ist! [Germany's fate in a future war if Belgium is the base for English air attacks]

Stock#: 89391

Map Maker: Hofbuchdruckerei Hermann

Bergmann

Date: 1918 circaPlace: BerlinColor: Condition: VG

Size: 21.5 x 30 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Scarce cartographic propaganda poster warning Germans of the potential destruction faced by Germany in the event British warplanes were based in Belgium.

The poster warns of the dangers of Belgium being used as a launching pad for air attacks on Germany, arguing that Germany's industry would be vulnerable to immediate destruction. The poster features a montage of biplanes bombing factories, as well as a map of Belgium with red radiating from it and the labeling of "Hauptgebiete deutscher industrie" (main areas of German industry).

As the map shows Metz as part of Germany, it is likely that it was produced prior to the formal



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implementation of the Treaty of Versailles in 1919, though France assumed control of the city in 1918.

The poster features images of Nieuport biplanes of the variety that were in service after 1916, suggesting that the poster was likely created during the latter part of the war.

The poster was likely created as a way of communicating to the German public the future strategic disadvantage Germany would face if it were to concede World War I.

We have previously handled <u>another 1918 propaganda map published by Hofbuchdruckerei Hermann Bergmann.</u>

Detailed Condition:

Printed in black, red, blue, and green. Old folds and some small holes in the image. Good to VG.