

Clădirile unirii - Palatul Mitropolitan din Cernăuți și Gimnaziul Nr. 3 din Chișinău / The Buildings of the Union - The Metropolitan Palace in Cernăuți and Gymnasium Building No. 3 in Chișinău

Abstract:

In 2018, an emblematic and important year for all Romanians, marking 100 years of the Union of Bessarabia, Bucovina and Transylvania with Romania, a special place is given to the buildings where the famous events surrounding Unification took place. The purpose of this article is to present historical and certain architectural aspects of the Residence of the Metropolitans of Bucovina and Dalmația in Cernăuți, where, on 15 November 1918, the Union of Bucovina with Romania was decided, and comparing it to building no. 3 of the former Gymnasium for boys "Alexandru Donici" in Chișinău, where, on 27 March 1918, the Union of Bessarabia with Romania was voted upon. Today, the Metropolitan Palace building, designed according to the proposals of Czech architecture Josef Hlávka, is part of the National University of Cernăuți Iuri Fedikovici. In Chișinău, the aforementioned Gymnasium building (designed by V. Țăganco) has been adapted to the requirements of another educational institution – the Academy of Music, Theatre and Plastic Arts – and is on the waiting list for restoration. The artistic, historical and architectural value of Cernăuți's Metropolitan Palace was recently confirmed by its inclusion on the UNESCO cultural heritage list.

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