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Millitary architecture of Gospić from the transition period from the 19th to the 20th century

Abstract

During the period of Vojna Krajina, a barracks complex was built in one of the main streets of Gospić, on Kaniška Street. It consisted of three buildings of barracks and three wooden structures. Alongside this complex, the commander's apartment was also erected, also situated in Kaniška Street, and an officers' mess hall located in the beginning of Budačka Street. Thanks to the analytical interpretation of the researched documentation of the new buildings in Domobranska Barracks in Gospić from the end of the 19th century, which is partly preserved in the Croatian State Archives in Zagreb, it is possible to reconstruct the course of construction of the main barracks building, changes within the barracks complex in the period preceding the First World War, as well as the changes in the barracs construction that were located in the community. This is the first study of Gospić military architecture from the transition period from the 19th to the 20th century.

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