

This thesis is chronologically related to the Bachelor's work called "Tumultuous Events in Eastern-Bohemian Mass-Media" and was pleaded for in the Department of History at the Faculty of Arts and Philosophy of the University of Pardubice. The thesis deals with a role and position of regional journalists in years from 1968 up to 1969 and a manner of selection of new staff for vacant (journalistic) positions as well as effects of staff changes on work of regional mass-media and a Eastern-Bohemian branch of the Union of Czech Journalists. At the beginning of the period called "Normalization" the experienced and impartial journalists were excluded from mass-media because they declined to reduce themselves to the function of a political worker. The pressure brought by totalitarian power to bear on journalists was so much strong that every journalist had to knowingly accept a role of an agitator for the leading role of the (communistic) Party. If the journalist didn't submit he or she had to leave

for non-journalistic jobs, mostly working jobs. The same development occurred in the regional mass-media as well as state-wide mass-media and a little bit later it happened to journalists (outside workers, sport columns) who hadn't engaged in the year 1968 in respect to their specialization. In the first wave their positions were staffed by politically-aware journalists, however, lacking of any formal education or longer experiences in the profession, at least. The smaller regional editors and most company's titles were looking for substitutes for sacked journalists with troubles and for long time.