

The offered thesis deals with the history of the town Janovice nad Úhlavou until the year 1848, it is the locality situated in the southwestern Bohemia not far from Klatovy. In the first chapter, the author presents a basic overview of the study of the regional history in the Czech countries and its further prospects, then he expands on the heuristic basis, from which he proceeded when elaborating the monograph. After evaluating the geographical conditions of the locality, a prehistoric development of the Klatovy region is observed, which is up to this day impeded by the lack of executed archeological researches. The second chapter deals with medieval colonization of the whole Klatovy region, in which the accent is put on the significance of historical communications which it also describes and evaluates in the framework of the region being explored. On the basis of acquired facts, it subsequently outlines the basic contours of the settlement progress. The fifth chapter already refers directly to the history of the town in the Middle Ages. The appearance of the surrounding country in the past is observed and especially the medieval history of the knight order of Janovští z Janovic. Both the basic family line, which owned Janovice nad Úhlavou and builded here a church and a castle, and main features of general historical development on the Czech- Bavarian border are captured. The second part of this chapter consists of an insight into the internal history of the locality: urbanistic development, legal status and life conditions of inhabitants of Janovice and lastly basic features of ecclesiastical administration connected with the local church of St. John the Baptist.