The thesis aims to create a historical and ethnographic study based on archival sources, to handle with some selected aspects of life in a village in the first third of the 20th century - for example historical development, education, associations and partly ethnic relations - and that would be first stage to further more detailed study of the chosen topic. Surveyed villages in the timeframe 1900 - 1938 is Svojšín. A village which is situated in West Bohemia. The study draws on the record chronicles the village, parish and the Czech and German schools.