Abstract:

The master’s thesis focuses on analysis of selected Czechoslovakian party – controlled press a through it seeks to analyse attitude of Czechoslovakian political parties (belonging to to various ends of political spectrum) towards foreign and domestic policy of German government representatives and events that were taking place on the political scene of the Weimar Republic on the brink of its existence from January 1932 to Nazi seizure of power in the end of January 1933. Main emphasis of this thesis is on the analysis and interpretation of media reflection of political events taking place in Germany and political actions made by presidential cabinets headed by Heinrich Brüning, Franz von Papen and Kurt von Schleicher in the time of crisis, when instability of Weimar political system become fully apparent – this crisis eventually led to the collapse of parliamentary democracy and the rise Nazism in the interwar Germany. The thesis also deals with the reflection of parliamentary and presidential elections. Three central newspapers of Czechoslovakian political parties were selected for the analysis – Právo lidu of leftist Československá sociálně demokratická strana dělnická, Venkov of rightist Republikánská strana zemědělského a malorolnického lidu and Lidové listy of centrist Československá strana lidová.