

Abstract (in English):

This my bachelor thesis describes personality of Osvald Závodský. He was an important member of communist security department. He became chief of State security (StB) in 1950 and after a few months he was arested within political process, which took place in Czechoslovakia in 50's. In one of them, he was sentenced to death penalty and in March 1954 he was executed. This part of his life is quite good known. I decided to describe in this bachelor thesis primarily his life during Spanish civil war (1936–1939) and following second Word War. He participated actively in both wars. In case of Spanish civil war due to my academic program, I described too separate chapter about departures of volunteers from Czechoslovakia from perspective of state administration. The other chapter described formativ and organization of military units, in which Czechoslovak volunteers served and fought. This part of his life has not been explained so far. In spite of this fact I of course described too the following years of his life. I tried to explain functioning of political processes in Czechoslovakia. The final result of my work is attempt to describe his inconsistent life. I worked on it in the spirit of pozitivist historiography without any cliches. Primary source of my information in my thesis were archival records.