Abstract

The goal of this work is to present the daily working routine of Czech journalists employed in newspapers in the years 1965–1974, with an emphasis on examining the institutional level of external pressure on journalists, in contrast to self-censorship. The Prague Spring is seen as a milestone, which divide the work into three stages: The 'thawing' period before 1968, a period of relative freedom of expression from January 1968 to mid-1969 and then the following period characterised by the stabilization of the 'normalization regime' in the first half of 1970s.