

This diploma work is dedicated to the evolution of preschool institutions in Bohemia and its capital city of Prague from 19th century until present. In this thesis, the author focuses on the circumstances which lead to the origin of preschool establishments, and describes the main institutional types which were present in our territory.

The work also describes the history of a banking institution Česká spořitelna (Czech savings-bank) as one of the patrons of the Czech educational system. In particular the predecessor of Česká spořitelna - Městská spořitelna pražská (Savingsbank of the city of Prague) - participated in the development of preschool education in the capital city of Prague and helped the city to increase the number of such institutions for the youngest children. The author also focuses on the analysis of the historical sources of "Jubilee kindergartens", built in Prague at the expense of Městská spořitelna pražská.