

## **Abstract**

The paper will concern the formation of the United Nations Organization in 1945 and its reflection in the period newspapers. Firstly it will provide facts about the preceding organizations of UNO, it will describe the process of drafting the new organization and its establishing conference in San Francisco 25. 4. – 26. 6. 1945. It will discuss the position of the Czechoslovak Minister of Foreign Affairs Jan Masaryk at the conference, because he acted as a very pro-Western politician before and during World War II, but at the conference he stood for the interests of the Soviet Union (i.e. in the question of recognizing the Polish government). Then the paper will also outline the domestic political situation that was influencing Masaryk's performance at the conference. The first part includes also the preamble of the UN Charter.

The second part of the paper will introduce the articles in the Czechoslovak press that were reporting about the UN creation. I chose the following newspapers: Lidová demokracie, Mladá fronta, Právo lidu, Rudé právo and Svobodné slovo, because those daily newspapers were written in Czech, they were published in the period of June–December 1945 and they were published by political parties that were represented in the National Front (only the journal Mladá fronta was published by the Czech Union of Youth, an organization that supported the Czechoslovak Communist Party).