

Abstract

The aim of the diploma thesis "Alfred Fuchs (1892 - 1941)" is to describe the life and work of Alfred Fuchs. This excellent journalist, writer and translator has been unjustly neglected for a long time even though all he belonged to the important personalities of the Czech culture and political scene. He devoted a great deal of his work to the Christian theology, morality, diplomacy, culture, policy and current social issues. Regarded as an outstanding member of the Czech Jewish movement he was also a promoter of the idea of assimilation presented at his lectures. As a journalist contributing to dozens of newspapers, he also wrote more than twenty books in his life. For example, *Česká kultura*, *Rozvoj*, *Lidové listy*, *Lidové noviny* or *Přítomnost*. Well-known for his entrefilets published as DRAF in the newspaper *Tribuna*, he was also in charge of editing *Pondělník Českého slova* and *Prager Abendblatt*. In 1921, Alfred Fuchs made a big step in his life and converted to catholicism. Considered to be an acclaimed expert on religious issues he became an important mediator between the Church and society. Since 1921 he had worked at the Press Department of the Presidium of the Council of Ministers, until 1939, when he was persecuted for racial reasons. Due to his Jewish origin he was martyred at the concentration camp Dachau in 1941.