

Abstract

Resource basis for this work will be three editorially still unprocessed diary parts of librarian, historian and teacher Josef Volf (1878 – 1937) – from the years 1925, 1933 and 1935. Thematically, the work will build on previous bachelor thesis Library of the National Museum in the first half of the 20th century through the eyes of Josef Volf. Now, however, will deal with personalities Josef Volf from the perspective of his teaching at Charles University, and especially at the State Library School. In this connection, will focus on the establishment and functioning of the educational institutions and the general process for creating a library legislation at the beginning of the first Czechoslovak Republic. Volf's diary should help reveal the specific difficulties of implementation of the Law on public libraries, discussions among experts in an informal level and the impact on the field of librarianship and library development and organization after its introduction. In addition, work will reflect the daily work issues, events, insights and finally Joseph Volf relationships with coworkers and acquaintances that are reflected in the records. Also tries comparison of parts to trace changes in all these aspects that come with a long time lag brings. It will also take account of the rich material relating to Volf's professional activities, which accentuates his entire professional orientation, interests and personality.