

**Abstract (in English):**

This bachelor's thesis is focused on the topic of sending Czechoslovak engineers and industry workers on practical training and study to the United States during the twenties and thirties of the 20th century. The guarantor of the project was Masaryk's Academy of Work, but the initiator and organizer of the project in the USA was Dr. Stanislav Špaček (1876–1954). Špaček worked as a technical attache of the Czechoslovak embassy in Washington and later, because of the so called „Washington Affair“, as a high construction executive at the Ministry of Public Works. The thesis is firstly focused on his own American experience and later on experience that he mediated for engineers that were sent to the USA. The engineers were then able to spread the experience in Czechoslovakia. The experience of the engineers is adapted from correspondence between the engineers and Špaček. The correspondence is from the fund of Stanislav Špaček in the Masaryk Institute and Archive of Czech Academy of Sciences in Prague. With regard to the amount of letters in the fund there is correspondence of four engineers with Špaček processed in detail in this thesis. The four are engineers Emanuel Šlachta, Ludvík Helwich, and Joseph John Stanley Hlobil and the graduate of industrial high school Otto V. Drtina.