

ABSTRACT

The diploma thesis deals with Party of National Unity, the governing party of the second Czechoslovakian republic. It describes the circumstances that led to establishment of the second Czechoslovakian republic in reaction to the events regarding the Munich agreement, when the Czechoslovakian republic stopped existing thanks to the influence of foreign powers. It deals with questions of the political transformation and how the Party of National Unity, was created, so the main governmental party, which had an oppositional National Labour Party. The thesis deals with the programme of the party and its detailed analysis, which is to say the parts of the programme that existed and the ways in which the programme legitimized the party-political influence it also deals with internal party organisation. From which parties of the first Czechoslovakian republic it was created, what was their form and the satellite organization and party press. The main part is politological analysis of the party. It concerns with the question of how we can categorize in the context of politological party typology, based on its political influence and particular examples. In the end comes the detailed analysis of authoritarian aspects of the party and how it can be proved using particular examples. This includes an attempt to define authoritarian of the party by using the authoritarian personality of the political psychology through the f-scale The thesis was written based on a comparison, a description and an analysis of historical sources and historical or politological academic literature.

Key words

Party of National Unity, the second republic, social democracy, opposition, a two-party system, authoritarian