CZECHOSLOVAKIA IN THE EPOCHAL YEAR OF 1933

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The author's concern is a general diagnosis of the Czechoslovak Republic as a neighbor of Germany in the year of Hitler's accession to power. Using selected events of the economic crisis year of 1933, the study focuses on the areas "state and constitution" (of special interest here is the question of protecting the endangered democracy), the "self-perception of the ČSR" (e.g. on the national holiday), and the social and particularly national integration problems (above all, Slovaks and Germans). The article concludes with a look at the consciousness of the crisis and with the observation that 1933 was a turning point in the development of the ČSR.