

DISCUSSION

HISTORIANS' DIFFERING VIEWS ON CZECH DEMOCRACY

The discussion between Eva Broklová, Prague-based historian and acting head of the T.G. Masaryk Institute of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Ferdinand Seibt, chairman of the Collegium Carolinum and member of the editorial body of this journal, Peter Heumos, and Eva Hahn about continuities and discontinuities in the Czech democratic tradition, which this journal carried in the previous issue, has met with a big response from among the readers. The present article by Josef Harna (Institute of History of the Czech Academy of Sciences), editor of the most detailed volume so far on Czech and Slovak historiography during the First Republic (*Reflexe dějin první Československé republiky v české a slovenské historiografii*, Praha 1998), offers a résumé of the current stage of the debate among historians from the Czech Republic. It is a great pleasure for the editors to be able to continue the discussion with Josef Harna's informative article, which might furnish some missing links and help focus attention on the more general historiographic problems touched upon in the debate.