

### Summary

#### NARRATIVE OF THE NEWSPAPER *NIŠKI GLASNIK* – GOOD OLD TIMES, IS IT SO?

Due to the dynamics of publishing and actuality of the news that brings, a periodical can be a vital source for a study of complete socio-economic processes, cultural-educational activities or sport-entertaining events. In that sense, reports and articles in newspapers and magazines can be a valuable source for the interpretation of everyday life of a certain territory and certain period of time. As a source and a type of „the field of investigation“ of everyday life in this paper, we used a newspaper *Niški glasnik* from 1922, 1923, 1924 that is kept in the homeland department of the National library *Stevan Sremac* in Niš. In this paper the newspaper text (a report or an article) is viewed as a narrative text that tells a life story of a place and a period in time, and rubrics such as *Trade, Economy, Finances and Traffic; The Life of the Province; News; Criminal chronicles; From the court; Theatre; Sport; Personal and family news; Adverts...* as well as the events which we used to create atmosphere, dynamics, way of living in Niš at the time. With chosen actual news from the beginning of the XX century we told a story about everyday, real life of the time which was not ideal. We would say that Niš of our nostalgia is actually an ordinariness in all its shapes or a life we live nowadays. Reading the newspaper *Niški glasnik* has shown that our past was not an ideal place, but that it become so by reading a narrative to which time added a new sense. Still, there remains a question whether citizens of Niš can return or recreate the wholeness of identity and self-confidence only by mere returning to old times, that we experience as good ones.