

Jaroslav Vinkler: Strategic Features of Military Struggle Conduct on the European Theatre and Their Influence Upon State Preparation

Summary

Vinkler's thesis is a theoretical contribution to the analysis of consequences of warfare on the European theater – on the build-up of armies, their aims and governmental preparation for war. The thesis, prepared in 1966/67, entirely reflects the status of military strategic ideas of that time, i.e. Soviet ideas. A Czechoslovak strategic theory did not exist, and specific questions concerning Czechoslovakia, such as the issue of a state with enemy contact, were not elaborated. The thesis centers on the following questions: build-up of armies, dislocation, strategic destination of the army, preparation of the state territory and the consequences of the modern warfare upon the preparation of economy and inhabitants as well as the removal of the consequences of war.