

SUMMARY

The self-governing body of Papilė valsčius in 1918–1940

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The material for the paper was gathered from the mid-war period offices' funds deposited in the Lithuanian Civil State Archives. We'll strive to reconstruct the self-government history of the mentioned "valsčius" since its establishment up to the soviet occupation on the basis of Šiauliai district chief (F. 412) and the district self-government board (F. 862), the self-government department (F. 379) and other offices documents. In comparison with other Lithuanian regions, the archives of the most Šiauliai district offices of that time have survived till our days. The main documents used in the paper are Papilė "valsčius" board records, the local administration material, various reports to the district chief and the board, statistic and financial accounts.

A three-page manuscript "valsčius" local administration history (1918–1927) has also survived which was used with analogical other "valsčiai" writings to describe the local administrations of Šiauliai district in the book "The Lithuanian municipal councils" published in Kaunas in 1928. The "valsčius" local administration economic and cultural activities in 1918–1940 on the basis of the enumerated documents are elucidated.