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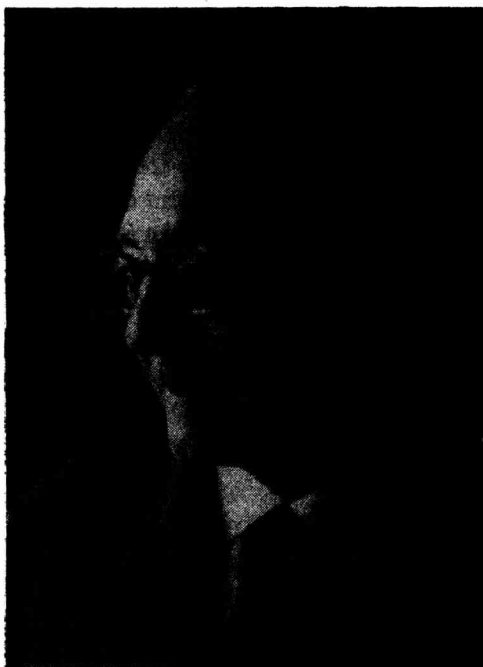
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EIGHTY YEARS OF PROFESSOR OTAKAR BORŮVKA

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Mathematicians at the Faculty of Science of Comenius University decided to devote this number of Acta Mathematica in honour of the 80th birthday of Professor RNDr. Otakar Borůvka, DrSc., the member of the Czechoslovak Academy and the honorary doctor of Comenius University.

Professor RNDr. O. Borůvka, DrSc. was one of the first well known mathematicians at the Czech Universities and Institutes of Technology who realized that mathematics in Slovakia after a release from beneath fascism and after a revival of the Czechoslovak Republic on the new socialist principles needs an unselfish help. He made up his mind to realize this help in the form of giving regular lectures and seminars for young people at the Comenius University who were interested in mathematics. He used to visit Bratislava for almost more than 10 years and he provided schooling for mathematical rising generation in algebra, geometry and in mathematical analysis first of all in the theory of the ordinary differential equations.