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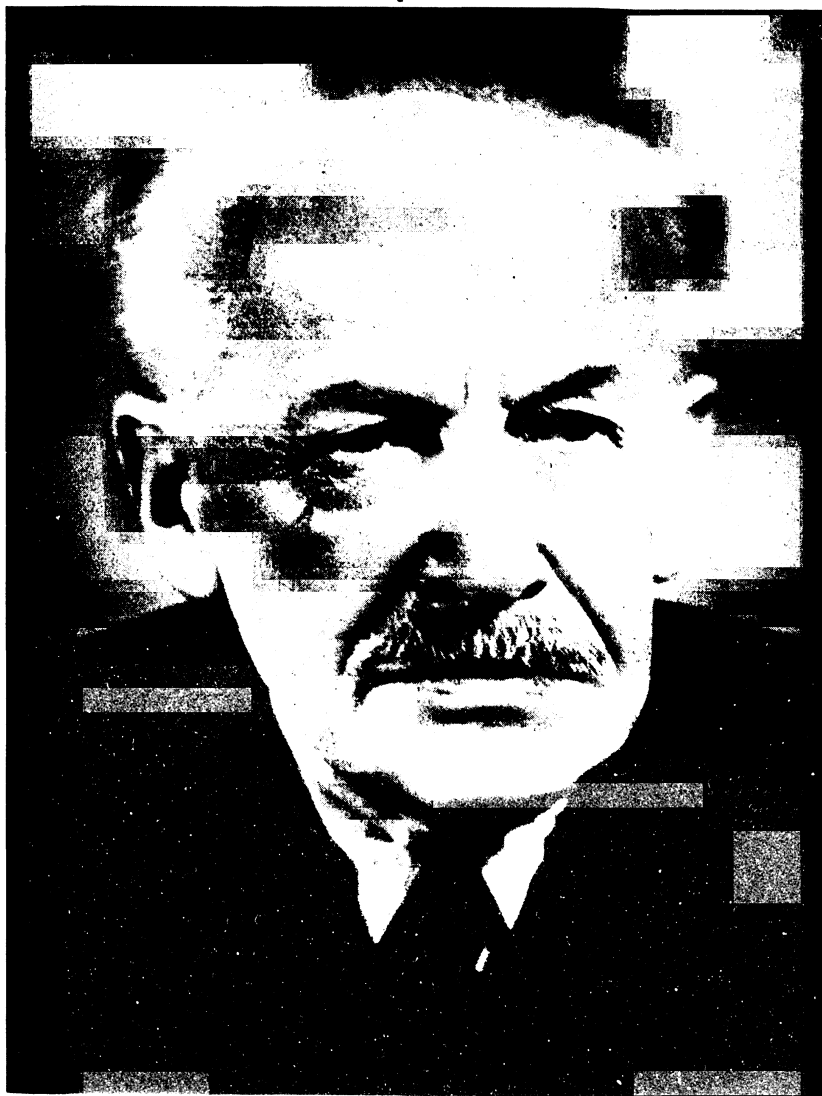
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Czechoslovak culture has of late suffered one great loss after another.

By taking from our midst the founder and president of the Czechoslovak Academy of Sciences, University Professor and Academician Zdeněk Nejedlý, inexorable Death has dealt us an especially crushing and painful blow.

In Zdeněk Nejedlý our nation has lost an outstanding scientist, a great man and indefatigable fighter for a progressive world. His gigantic, universal work fully deserves our respect and sincere admiration. Even his earliest endeavours showed his great capacity for thought and untiring work, scientific thoroughness and uncompromising attitude, predicting his future roles of an advocate of and speaker for the Czech people. And Zdeněk Nejedlý did indeed fulfil these roles for more than sixty years of his public activities. In the course of his work he always combined the deepest scientific research with the widest popularization of the latest scientific achievements. Zdeněk Nejedlý's fight for a correct interpretation of Czech history was in itself an epoch-making event through which Zdeněk Nejedlý completed the fight for independence of our national culture, helping to lay the foundations for its further development.

The work of Zdeněk Nejedlý, always drawing from national sources and upholding the best Czech national tradition, has always been and will continue to be a compass for the whole of the Czech nation.