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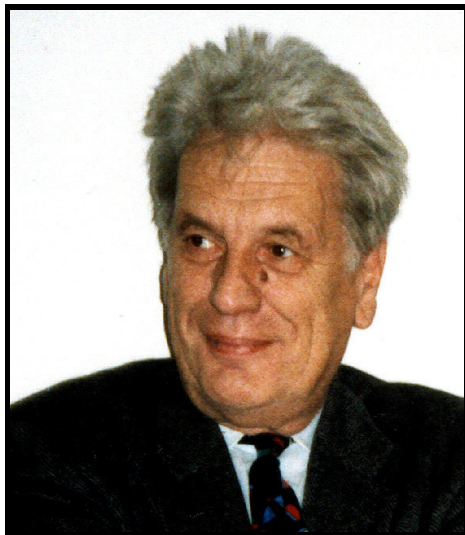


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NEWS AND NOTICES

VLADIMÍR DOLEŽAL (22. 3. 1934–8. 1. 2002)

It is with the deepest sorrow that the Editorial Board informs the readership and the whole mathematical community that Dr. Vladimír Doležal, for 35 years the Executive Editor of this Journal, died on January 8, 2002.



Dr. Doležal studied mathematics at Charles University in Prague where he obtained his degree in 1957. Since then, he worked in the Mathematical Institute of the Czechoslovak Academy of Sciences until his death. His field of interest was theory of ordinary differential equations. In 1964, he took over the responsibility of the Executive Editor of the Czechoslovak Mathematical Journal. At this position he continued, even with other important activities in the Institute and other institutions, for incredible 35 years.

He ranked as a top specialist in editorial matters, he was active in the Union of Czechoslovak Mathematicians and Physicists, was among the principal organizers of the EQUADIFF meetings in Prague, etc. For more than 20 years, he also served as Scientific Secretary of the Mathematical Institute, one of the most important administrative positions there.

Even during his top offices, Dr. Doležal found time for his beloved chess. Not only as an active—and excellent—player, he also served as an international referee and in several offices in the Czech Chess Federation.

By his collaborators and friends, but also by both the mathematical and chess community in the Czech and Slovak Republics, Dr. Doležal will be missed immensely.

Miroslav Fiedler, Editor-in-Chief