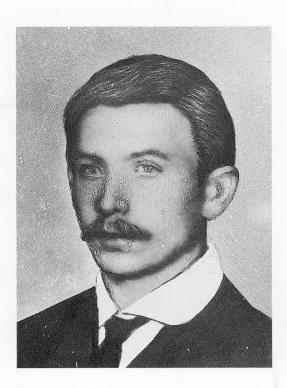
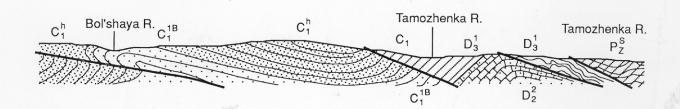
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Georgiy Frederiks (1889–1938), Russian Paleontologist, Stratigrapher, and Tectonicist, and a redrawn cross-section from his 1933 monograph on the structure of the Urals, illustrating the sort of thrust interpretations for which Frederiks was executed in 1938.

EDITORIAL: HISTORY OF GEOLOGY IN THE USSR AND EASTERN EUROPE

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This number of Volume 14, like the previous number, brings together three independent submissions with considerable overlap.

Frederiks

The first article, on the career of Georgiy Frederiks, is a masterful historical reconstruction of a "non-person" shot on trumped up charges in 1938, one of the millions who disappeared in the Soviet Union during the Great Terror. This particular "non-person" was, however, one of Russia's leading geoscientists. Our authors: Talent, Archbold, and Machlin have painstakingly recaptured his life and work, and the full story of his fall, imprisonment, disappearance, and execution. The story is engrossing and chilling in its own right, but has major implications as well for the assessment the scientific quality of Russian-language geological work produced in the 1930s, 1940s and 1950s.

Prague, August 1968

The second article is Cecil Schneer's equally gripping first-person account (supplemented by a mass of documentation and numerous interviews) of the invasion of Czechoslovakia by Warsaw Pact troops in August 1968 during the first days of the International Geological Congress, held that year in Prague. It is a

startling and well-told story of the collision of science and politics, but also important for its record of the organizational situation in world geology and geophysics in the later 1960s. It is a valuable reference source for this period in the life of international geoscience.

Historiography of USSR Geology—Tikhomirov†

The USSR may be gone from the map, but it is still a historical subject matter of immense importance for geoscientists. More than half the world's geological publications, as late as 1978, appeared in Russian. This third article consists of the last major historiographic publication in English by the founder of INHIGEO. V.V. Tikhomirov, who died in 1994. His brief review outlines a series of reference works in Russian on the history of geology. One hopes that translators may become interested in some of them. I am very grateful to Ursula Marvin for her heroic editorial work on Tikhomirov's text: any remaining errors are my fault, not hers. I leave it to our readers to reflect on the contrasts provided by Prof. Tikhomirov's appearance in this issue both as an author, and as a historical actor (in Cecil Schneer's account of the congress at Prague).

The appended obituary by Prof. Soloviev of our departed colleague Tikhomirov, who did so much for the history of geology, is reprinted from INHIGEO Newsletter #26.

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