FOREWORD

This issue of Resenhas contains four papers dedicated to Chain S. Hönig on the occasion of his seventieth birthday. It contains also the *facsimile* of a paper by A. Grothendieck wich was originally published in Boletim da Sociedade de Matemática de São Paulo, vol. 8 - fascículos 1º, 2º in 1953 when Grothendieck was a visiting professor at the Departament of Mathematics of the Faculdade de Filosofia, Ciências e Letras of the University of São Paulo.

Professor Hönig was born in Berlim in 1926 and he came to Brazil with his family in 1935. He studied mathematics at USP and upon graduating became an instructor, starting his long career as professor at the USP, first in the Departament of Mathematics of the FFCL, then at the actual Institute of Mathematics and Statistics. He has also been visiting professor of several universities in other countries. Not only has he been a researcher, as he still is, but the provided great stimulus to younger mathematicians in Brazil. His influence in the development of mathematics here was outstanding.

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