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Preface

    This special issue of Topology and Its Applications is entirely dedicated to the theory of continuous selections of multivalued mappings. Since the pioneering work of Ernest Michael from 1956 can rightfully be considered as the year of birth of this theory, the reader is reading a special issue of the journal dedicated to the 50th anniversary of the theory of continuous selections. At the same time all papers of this issue are dedicated to the 80th anniversary of the founder of this theory, Ernest Michael.

    The material is divided in two parts. The second part, as is customary, consists of invited original research papers which were solicited for this special issue from experts in this area. All these results are in one way the other connected with multivalued mappings and their selections. The first part, on the other hand, contains papers which are personally dedicated to Ernest Michael.

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