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*1952 – †2005



Ján Ordoš was a graduate of ethnography in the Department of Ethnography and Folkloristics, where he began his academic work in 1971. He was the lecturer of Material culture, Social culture and for a short time – Ethnogenesis of the Slavic people, in the position of special assistant till the year 1991. Not only did he give lectures on the methods and techniques of the field research, he was also the head of the summer field practice for students. Besides his educational activities, he was dedicated to field research and to the processing of materials of material culture, family and social culture, which he later pub-

lished in ethnographical works (*Stará Turá* and *Ľud Hornáskej doliny*).

After his departure from the Faculty of Philosophy, he focused more on the field research and the job of a museum ethnographer for the Museum of Zemplín in Michalovce. He published the findings acquired of his field researches in various academic essays. He also in compiled and drafted local monographs (*Výčapky, Čermany, Zemplínska Teplica*), while he paid special attention to the handling of the folk culture of his home village (*Sečovce*).

Popularization of science was another activity J. Ordoš was dedicated to in the form of radio shows (*Klenotnica ľudovej hudby -- Zemplínska Teplica*, 1990), and also in the regional press of Zemplín and Šariš (folk crafts, customs of the year cycle and family traditions). He was also the head of the Ethnographic museum in Prešov and the Museum of Zemplín.

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The first twenty years of her career were connected with the Ethnographic Institute of the Slovak Academy of Sciences where she started to work in 1954 while still a student. She had worked there until 1978. There she defended her doctoral thesis on history of gypsies, which she published in 1964 as a monograph *Cigáni na Slovensku / Gypsies in Slovakia*. She became a pioneer expert and also a recognized authority on the problems of gypsies – Romany people (in 1968 – 1990 she was a member of the Slovak government commission for the gypsy population matters).