

II. OBITUARIES AND BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES  
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A g h a r k a r, S.P. (1884-1960)

B.C.Kundu, Taxon 11 (1962) 209-211, portr. --- In reading through the concise biography of the late Prof. Agharkar, one is struck with the great amount of work done in the interest of promoting science in India and the unceasing tenacity with which he was watchful over the progress of taxonomic studies in India in particular. He very strongly wished for the development of an institute of plant taxonomy in India, suggested this to the Government, and agreed to offer all his life's savings as a contribution for this purpose. A great gesture of a great man whose sympathetic face suggests that one has really missed something in life not to have met him personally.

B a a s B e c k i n g, L.G.M. (1895-1962)

J.Ruinen, Vakbl.v.Biol. 43 (1963) 41-47. -- A masterly biographical sketch of a dynamic and brilliant scientist, who in 1937 visited the Bogor Botanic Gardens, and worked out plans for its reorganization. Early in 1940 he was appointed director, but when he went to Holland for 3 months, the war prevented his return before September 1945. The postwar chaos in Indonesia kept him very busy until in mid-1948 he left that country.

B a c k e r, C.A. (1874-1963)

C.G.G.J.van Steenis, Vakbl.v.Biol. 43 (1963) 65-66; Taxon 12 (1963) 173-177, portr., facsim.handwriting. --- The well-known authority on the Flora of Java, the Verklarend Woordenboek, the Problem of Krakatau, etc. died at Heemstede, on Febr.22, 1963, aged 88 years. Dr. Backer's magnum opus, the Flora of Java, which will consist of 3 volumes, is now in print and it is hoped that vol.1 will be available in the course of 1963. Owing to the fact that this volume will contain a full biography and bibliography (by H.J.Lam), we refrain from here adding to the data in the above mentioned papers. Backer has exercised a profound influence on the standard of botany in Malaysia by his very critical works, unfortunately written mostly in the Dutch language.

B a i l l o n, E.-H. (1827-1895)

J.Léandri, Un grand systématique français émule d'Adanson, Ernest-Henri Baillon. *Adansonia* 2 (1962) 3-15, fotogr.

B ü r g e r, H. (?1806-1858)

M.J.van Steenis-Kruseman, *Blumea* 11 (1963) 495-505. -- Assistant and later successor to Von Siebold in Japan, made zoological and botanical collections there, and took part in exploration work in Sumatra. He spent his last years in Java.

C a r e y, W. (1761-1834)

K.S.Srinivasan, William Carey: His activities in botanical and horticultural researches in India. *Bull.Bot.Surv.Ind.* 3 (1961) 1-10, fotogr.of drawing. -- William Carey, the son of a weaver, interested in natural history from his youth, apprenticed to a shoemaker, determined to become a missionary, landed at Calcutta in 1793, made friends with Roxburgh, whose *Flora Indica* he was to edit in 1832, promoted agriculture for his mission work, was an indigo-planter, founded a garden at Serampore, introduced many plants, suggested the setting up of regional gardens, founded an Agri-Horticultural society and an experimental garden; in 1807 he became a Doctor of Divinity. His herbarium and correspondence with Roxburgh and Wallich got largely lost, although duplicates distributed by Wallich may be in European herbaria.

C o t t o n, A.D. (1879-1962)

C.E.Hubbard, *Taxon* 12 (1963) 129-137, portr., bibliogr. -- Keeper of the Kew Herbarium from 1922 to 1946.

F i n e t, A. (1863-1913)

J.Léandri, Deux grands artisans de la floristique tropicale: Henri Lecomte (1856-1934) et Achille Finet (1863-1913). *Adansonia* 2 (1962) 147-159, 2 portr.

H e r r e, A.W.Chr.Th. (1868-1962)

I.L.Wiggins, *The Bryologist* 65 (1962) 268-277, portr.

H e r z o g, Th. (1880-1961)

K.Mägdefrau, Theodor Herzog, Ein Nachruf. *Ber.Bayer.Bot.Ges.* 35 (1962) 73-84, portr., bibliogr.

K e r r, A.F.G. (1877-1942)

M.Jacobs, *Blumea* 11 (1963) 427-493, portr., itin., bibliogr. -- Collected largely in Siam, was director of the first botanical institute in that country, succeeded Craib as editor of the *Florae Siamensis Enumeratio*.

K o b u s k i, C.E. (1900-1963)

R.C.Rollins, *Taxon* 12 (1963) 213-215, portr. -- Curator of the Arnold Arboretum and the Gray Herbarium, which collections were merged under his supervision; specialist in Theaceae, which he started to work up for the F.M., died on May 9.

L e c o m t e, H. (1856-1934)

J.Léandri, Deux grands artisans de la floristique tropicale: Henri Lecomte (1856-1934) et Achille Finet (1863-1913).  
Adansonia 2 (1962) 147-159, 2 portr.

L u n d q u i s t, B. (1904-1963)

B.Peterson, Taxon 12 (1963) 137-141, portr., sel.bibliogr. --  
Director of the Botanic Garden in Gothenburg from 1950 to 1963.

M a n s f e l d, R. (1901-1960)

S.Danert, in Fedde, Rep. 65 (1962) 133-138, portr.  
H.Stubbe, Dem Andenken Rudolf Mansfelds. Die Kulturpflanze  
Beih.3 (1962) 1-25.

M o n a c h i n o, J.V. (1911-1962)

H.N.Moldenke, Bull.Torr.Bot.Club 90 (1963) 201-204, portr. --  
Associate Custodian of the Herbarium, New York Botanical  
Gardens, and specialist in Apocynaceae, died end December,  
1962.

R o c k, J.F. (1884-1962)

Botanist, linguist, and explorer, mainly of Hawaii and  
western China.

A.K.Chock, Newsletter Haw.Bot.Soc. 2 (1963) 1-13, bibliogr.;  
Taxon 12 (1963) 89-102, portr., bibliogr.  
E.H.Walker, Pl.Sc.Bull. 9 (1963) 7-8.

R o t h m a l e r, W. (1908-1962)

O.Schwarz, in Fedde, Rep. 68 (1963) 1-5, portr., bibliogr. --  
Well-known for his work in the European flora; lived in East  
Germany.

R u t t n e r, F.

V.Brehm, Franz Ruttner zum Gedächtnis. † 17 May 1961. Hydro-  
biologia 20 (1962) 193-201, photogr., bibliogr.  
Findenegg, Professor Franz Ruttner. Arch.Hydrobiol. 58 (1962)  
244-251, portr., bibliogr.

S e w a n d o n o, Raden M.

Died June 15, 1963. A prominent Indonesian forest-officer; in  
prewar time he made a most excellent research on the swamp  
forests of Bengkalis. After the war he was appointed Lecturer  
in Tropical Forestry at the Agricultural College, Wageningen,  
Netherlands.

V i s c h e r, W. (1890-1960)

M.Geiger-Huber, Verhandl.Naturf.Ges.Basel 72 (1961) 358-363,  
portr., bibliogr.