

II. OBITUARY AND BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES
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K n u t h, R.
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K o r i b a, Kwan
Prof.Kwan Koriba died on 15 Dec.1957 at Hirosaki, Japan, at the age of 75 years. He was sent by the Japanese Government to be Director of the Botanic Gardens, Singapore, during the Japanese military occupation 1942-45. During this period he made a study of periodicity of plants. It was largely due to him that this Department suffered no loss by theft, looting or shipment of war booty for which Singapore and botanical science owe him a great debt of gratitude. He was greatly appreciated by the scientific internees whom he protected as far as was in his power. An obituary will appear in the Gardens' Bulletin Singapore.

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Botanical collector on a Sepik expedition in N.New Guinea in 1912-13. He died Feb.13, 1958, in Volkach b.Würzburg, Germany.

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M c A d a m, J.B. 1910-1959

It is with deep regret that the recent death of the Director of Forests, Mr J.B.McAdam M.M. is announced (early 1959). He was aged 49 when he died in Brisbane while on leave. The existence of the present Division of Botany is due entirely to the foresight of the late Director of Forests who, during the last war, established the nucleus of the present herbarium collections. During his post-war Departmental organisation the importance of the botanical work to forestry and agriculture was kept well in mind. He has been succeeded by Mr W.R.S u t t i e, previously Chief of the Division of Silviculture and before that with the Queensland Forest Service.

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N e l m e s, E.

The well-known cyperologist of the Herbarium of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, died on Feb.5, 1959. Besides being an extremely helpful, kind, and tolerant personality, the late Mr Nelmes has done a great work on the Carices of the Indo-Malaysian region from which Flora Malesiana will derive great benefit.

N g a d i m a n

'Che Ngadiman bin Haji Ismail, Government Pensioner, lately Head Ranger, Nature Reserves, Singapore, died on Sept.24, 1958, aged 54 years. He served the Botanic Gardens, Singapore for 37 years, for 28 of which he was a plant collector, and it was during this time that he was associated with Mr E.J.H.Corner in training monkeys to collect botanical specimens. An obituary notice will appear in the Gardens' Bulletin Singapore.

N o r m a n, A.Geoffrey

Professor of Botany, the new Director of the Michigan Botanic Gardens. See Asa Gray Bull. n.s. III, 2 (1957) 273-276, portr.

N u r, Haji Mohamed

Haji Mohamed Nur bin Mohamed Ghous, B.E.M., Government Pensioner, re-engaged Herbarium and Museum Assistant, Botanic Gardens, Singapore, died on Nov.8, 1958, aged 60 years. He served this Department for nearly 50 years in various capacities. He rose not only to the position of responsibility which he held for the last 35 years but to one of great personal and professional respect through an innate perspicaci-

ty for things botanical and a conscientious regard towards his work. An obituary notice will appear in the Gardens' Bulletin.

O e v e r, H. ten

Formerly Director of Forestry, Netherlands Indies; died at Zeist, Holland, July 23, 1957.

O l i v e r, W.R.B. 1883-1957

Died May 17, 1957. Cf. Proc.R.Soc.New Zealand 85 (1958) lx-lxiv, bibliogr., portr.

P o r s c h, O.

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S m i t h, Sir William Wright

Former Regius Keeper of the Royal Botanic Garden, Edinburgh. Cf. H.R.Fletcher, J.R.hort.Soc. 82 (1957) 103.

S o d y, H.J.V.

A well-known zoologist, author of several important publications on mammals and birds of Java and other parts of Malaysia; died at Amsterdam, Jan. 16, 1959.

S p a r r m a n, A.

Mia C.Karsten, Sparrman as a correspondent. J.S.Afr.Bot. 23 (1957) 43-63 (portr. pl. 17), 127-137.

W e r d e r m a n n, E.

The former Director of the Berlin Herbarium, who retired shortly ago, died suddenly at Bremen, spring 1959, after having accomplished a botanical trip to Africa.

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W i n k l e r, Hans 1877-1945

Brabec, Mitt.Staatsinst.Allg.Bot.Hamburg 11 (1957) 7-8.

W o o d, G.H.S.

Forest botanist, North Borneo, died in hospital, Brunei, early May 1957, of burns received in the Brunei Forest Re-

serve, near Kuala Belait, when a drum of spirits exploded near the camp-fire. This was an extremely great shock to the many friends of Geoffrey Wood who, with his extremely kind nature and ingratiating manners, had the sympathy of all who met him. After his short career in Africa he tried to get familiar with the Bornean forest composition after having received training from Mr Wyatt-Smith at Kepong. He concentrated his attention on Dipterocarps and spent part of his first leave on the study of special specimens at Kew and Leyden. Together with Agama he composed a small check-list of the forest flora of North Borneo (see book notices) and he was working on a treatment of common North Bornean Dipterocarps, the MS of which is now thanks to help by Mr Wyatt-Smith, Mr Nicholson and others put into shape for publication in the Gardens Bulletin Singapore. In it several new species are recognized, which will be published separately. Malaysia has lost with him a most promising man. J.D.Bletchley, Proc.Linn.Soc.Lond. 169th sess. (1958) 38-40.