

### III. PERSONAL NEWS

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Mr A.H.G. A l s t o n was at the Rijksherbarium, Leyden, working on Malaysian Pteridophytes, May 27-June 11, going on to Brussels and Paris for the same aim.

In honour of Prof. I.W. B a i l e y the Chronica Botanica Co has published an account of his writings in a special issue under the title "Contributions to plant anatomy" (Chron. Bot. 15, pp. xxvi + 262, t. 1-23).

Dr K. B i s w a s has retired from his post as Superintendent of the Indian Botanic Gardens, Calcutta, and is now Director of Medicinal plants. He has been succeeded by Dr D. C h a t t e r j e e, middle 1955.

June-Aug. 1955 Prof. P. B u c h n e r, well-known expert on bacterial symbiosis, has worked in the Treub Laboratory of Kebun Raya Indonesia, Bogor, sponsored by UNESCO.

Dr C. C h a t t e r j e e, Systematic Botanist, Div. Bot., Ind. Agric. Res. Inst., New Delhi 12, has been appointed Superintendent of the Indian Botanic Garden, Sibpur, Calcutta, Aug. 1, 1955.

Our ardent collaborator, Mr E.J.H. C o r n e r, Lecturer in systematic Botany, Cambridge, England, is to be congratulated with his election as a Fellow of the Royal Society. Mr Corner and Miss F.M. J a r r e t t worked at Leyden March 14-April 16 on the Moraceae, Ficus and Artocarpus respectively.

August 1955, Dr P. D a n s e r e a u, Dep. Bot., Ann Arbor, Univ. of Michigan, has been appointed director of the Institut Botanique de l'Université de Montréal.

Starting Febr. 1, 1955, Dr M.A. D o n k, Keeper of the Herbarium Bogoriense, has retired. He has returned to Holland Aug. 3, 1954. He has been replaced by Mr Anwari D i l m y, formerly Head of the Planning Division, Dep. For. and Head of the Herbarium of the Forestry Research Institute, Bogor.

On the invitation of the Government of Indonesia Mr L.L. F o r m a n, of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Herbarium, Kew, will spend a year working in the Herbarium Bogoriense. Mr Forman left for Indonesia at the end of December 1955, arriving at Bogor Jan. 17, 1956.

In honour of the well-known bryologist Prof. Th. H e r z o g a Festschrift appeared in Fedde, Rep. 58 (1955).

Dr A.J.G.H. K o s t e r m a n s has been appointed, Jan. 1956, Head of the Botanical Division of the Forest Research Institute, Bogor, Indonesia, succeeding Mr Anwari D i l m y who will devote all his time to the Herbarium Bogoriense and Akademi Biologi at Bogor.

Dr L.W. K u i l m a n has been appointed extraordinarius in tropical botany at the Free University of Amsterdam.

Dr W. M e i j e r, formerly botanist in the Herbarium Bogoriense returned to Indonesia, Febr. 1955, as Lecturer in Botany in the Faculty of Agriculture, Pajacumbu, Sumatra Westcoast.

Haji Mohamed N u r bin Mohamed Ghous (Herbarium and Museum Asistant, Singapore Botanic Gardens) was honoured by the Queen on 9th June 1955 by bestowing on him the British Empire Medal in recognition of more than 40 years faithful service in the Botanic Gardens.

Mr G.A. P r o w s e (London Univ.) joined in Oct. 1955 the Freshwater Fish Production Centre, Research Div., as a botanist; his address is c/o University of Malaya, Dep. of Bot., Singapore. He will work in close co-operation with the Botanic Gardens.

In honour of the 60th birthday of Prof. E. d u R i e t z 25 April 1955, a special number was issued of Svensk Botanisk Tidskrift Bd 49, no 1-2.

April 9, 1955, Dr P. v a n R o y e n returned from his 14 months' New Guinean Expedition.

Dr H. S a n t a p a u has been appointed Chief Botanist Botanical Survey of India; his office being in the Indian

Museum, 27 Chowringhee, Calcutta 13, India.

Mr J. S i n c l a i r, Singapore Botanic Gardens, was going Febr. 28th, 1956, for long leave to Europe; he will visit the herbaria at Florence, Munich, Berlin, and Leyden, in connection with his work on the Myristicaceae.

Dr P.B. T o m l i n s o n arrived at Singapore in September 1955 on an one year's grant from the Agricultural Research Council of Great Britain to undertake a study of the systematic anatomy of palms which he is doing partly at the University of Malaya and partly at the Botanic Gardens.

Dr E. W e r d e r m a n n has been appointed Director of the Botanical Garden and Museum Berlin-Dahlem and professor in the Free University of west Berlin.

Mr W. W i e r i n g a who has been in charge of the technical department of Herbarium Bogoriense 1949-1955, returned to Holland Dec. 22, 1955, and resumed his similar task in the Rijksherbarium, Leyden.

Sept. 1954 Dr Carroll E. W o o d Jr joined the staff of the Arnold Arboretum as Associate Curator.

Dr R.E. W o o d s o n Jr has resigned the curatorship of the Herbarium of the Missouri Botanical Garden; he will continue as Professor of Botany at the Henry Shaw School of Botany, Washington Univ., St Louis, to devote more time to education; G. v a n S c h a a c k, of Washington Univ., has been appointed acting curator.

Mr J. W y a t t-S m i t h, formerly Forest Botanist, F.R.I. Kepong, has been transferred as Ass. Conservator of Forests, Forest Office, Sg. Patani, Kedah, Malaya. He is due to return to Kepong as Forest Botanist in the For.Res. Inst., Nov. 1956.