

III. PERSONAL NEWS (ctnd from p.355)

Mr A.G.L. A d e l b e r t of Herbarium Bogoriense was transferred to the new Garden Setia Mulya near Padang, Sumatra's Westcoast, as leader of the staff, Dec. 1954. Cf. also chapter 6.

Dr A.H.G. A l s t o n was in Malaysia. Cf. chapter 5.

Mr J. v a n B o r s s u m W a a l k e s, Bogor, was on leave Oct. 1953 till May 1954. Cf. further under chapter 5.

Dr H.P. B o t t e l i e r, Lecturer in general botany, Utrecht University, was awarded the Netherlands Buitenzorg Fund for work in the Treub Laboratory, Bogor, April 14, 1954.

For the New Guinea Expedition of Mr L.J. B r a s s see chapter 5.

Miss B.B. B r i t t o n was in the Philippines. Cf. chapter 5.

Mr H.M. B u r k i l l has been appointed assistant-director of the Botanic Gardens, Singapore, June 1954.

Mr I.H. B u r k i l l is to be congratulated with the award of Golden Medal by the Linnean Society, May 1953. For his most instructive lecture see the bibliography.

Dr D. C h a t t e r j e e is now attached to the Division of Botany, Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi 12, India.

Dr M.A. D o n k, Keeper of the Herbarium Bogoriense, was on leave in Holland during the first half of 1953.

Dr H. E i c h l e r got a stipendium from the German Government and worked as honorary collaborator of Flora Maleisiana Foundation at Leyden, since Jan. 1st, 1954.

Mr L.L. F o r m a n has been definitely appointed for work in the tropical Asian section of the Kew Herbarium, March 1953.

Mr W.D. F r a n c i s retired, June 30, 1954, as Government Botanist; Brisbane; he was succeeded by Mr Selwyn E v e r i s t.

Mr P. G r o e n h a r t, lichenologist of the Herbarium Bogoriense, retired on age limit, and returned to Holland, December 1954. Cf. also chapter 5.

Mr M.R. H e n d e r s o n, Director of the Botanic Gardens Singapore, retired, June 1954, settling at Aberdeen; he was succeeded by Mr J.W. P u r s e g l o v e, formerly in the Agricultural Service of Uganda.

Mr F.H. H i l d e b r a n d, Forester in the Forest Research Station, Bogor, in charge of the Forestry Herbarium, retired Sept. 1954; he was succeeded by Mr D i l m y.

Dr B.P.G. H o c h r e u t i n e r reached the age of 80 by March 3rd, 1953, on which occasion he was congratulated by many of his friends.

Dr R.E. H o l t t u m retired as professor of botany in the University of Malaya, Nov. 1953; he received an honorary doctor's degree from this University.

Mr A. H o o g e r w e r f made several trips. Cf. chapter 5.

Dr R.D. H o o g l a n d accepted a post as botanist with C.S.I.R.O., Canberra, with the Land Research and Regional Survey Section, October 1952. He is exploring in East New Guinea.

Dr Richard A. H o w a r d, Professor and Head of the Botany Department of the University of Connecticut, has been appointed Director of the Arnold Arboretum and Arnold Professor of Botany and Professor of Dendrology in Harvard University, assuming office Febr. 1, 1954.

On the evening of May 6, 1954, a number of botanists met together at Brown's Hotel in London, to do honour to Dr J. H u t c h i n s o n who has recently celebrated his 70th birthday and also fifty years work at Kew. Cf. Taxon 3 (1954) 197-198.

Mr M. J. a. c o b s was appointed temporary assistant-botanist with Flora Malesiana Foundation for the year 1954. In Febr. 1955 he accepted a post in the Herbarium Bogoriense, Bogor.

Dr A.J.G.H. K o s t e r m a n s made trips in Borneo. Cf. chapter 5.

Dr G. K ü k e n t h a l, Coburg, has been appointed a member of the Kaiserlich Leopoldino-Carolinischen Akademie der Naturforscher, Halle/S.

Prof. Ir K. u s n o t o, Bogor, was leader of the Indonesian delegation to a Conference on Medicinal Plants at Manila, June 4-13, 1953, and served in the same capacity to the Indonesian delegation to the FAO-conference Bangalore, July 27-Aug. 5, 1953 and to the FAO-congress Rome Nov. 1953. With the Curator

of the Gardens, Mr J. D o u g l a s he made a trip to the Sibolangit Branch of the Gardens in North Sumatra, Sept. 18-23, 1953.

Prof. Dr H.J. L a m, Leyden, participated in the first Pan-Indian Ocean Congress, Perth, middle 1954, leading the Netherlands delegation. He was awarded an honorary doctor's degree in the University of Western Australia. He proceeded through East Australia (Adelaide, Melbourne, Canberra, Sydney, and Brisbane) and stayed in New Guinea at Lae and Hollandia; the whole tour lasted from June till end Oct. 1954.

Dr I. M o K e n z i e L a m b, since 1950 Curator of Cryptogams at the National Museum of Canada, Ottawa, has accepted the position of Curator of the Farlow Library and Herbarium of Harvard University, succeeding Dr W.L. W h i t e, who died July 30, 1952, through a motor accident. Dr Lamb assumed office Sept. 23, 1954.

Mr P. L e e n h o u t s, has been appointed Botanist with the permanent staff of Flora Malesiana, Sept. 1, 1953.

Dr E.D. M e r r i l l, emeritus Arnold Professor of Botany, is to be congratulated in having been appointed a foreign member of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Sciences.

Dr W. M e i j e r, botanist in the Herbarium Bogoriense, arrived on leave in Holland Oct. 29, 1954. He returned end Jan. '55.

Dr E.C.J. M o h r, the well-known expert on tropical soils was congratulated with his 80th birthday in the Royal Institute for the Tropics, Amsterdam, June 25, 1953.

Dr L. van der P i j l, Professor in the Faculty of Science, Bandung, retired spring 1954 and returned to Holland.

Mr J.W. P u r s e g l o v e, of the Uganda Dept of Agriculture, in 1954 lecturing on tropical agriculture at Cambridge, has accepted the directorship of the Botanic Gardens, Singapore, he sailed for Singapore Aug. 1954.

Ir F.W. R a p p a r d has been appointed director of Forestry at Hollandia, Dutch New Guinea, early 1954, as a successor of Dr Ir W.N. M i j e r s.

Dr R e e d C. R o l l i n s, Director of the Gray Herbarium of Harvard University, has recently been appointed to the chair of Asa Gray Professor of Systematic Botany.

For the New Guinea exploration by Dr P. v a n R o y e n see chapter 5.

Father H. S a n t a p a u has been put at the Head of the Botanical Survey of India and has moved to Calcutta.

Mr J. S i n c l a i r has been appointed Keeper of the Singapore Herbarium.

Dr C. S k o t t s b e r g, Stockholm, left early Nov. 1954 for Chile; he expects to return autumn 1955.

Dr H. S l e u m e r was appointed head-official with the permanent staff of Flora Malesiana Foundation and started work at Leyden May 1955.

For the Fiji exploration by Dr A.C. S m i t h, see chapter 5.

Dr Claude E. S m i t h Jr has been appointed assistant Curator of the Dept of Botany of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia, in charge of the Herbarium of that Institution.

Dr C.G.G.J. v a n S t e e n i s was appointed professor on the Botany of Malaysia and adjacent regions in the University of Leyden; his inaugural address was 'Homo destruens'.

Mrs Mona Lisa S t e i n e r, Manila, has been awarded the doctor's degree in the Faculty of Science, Vienna, June 25, 1954.

Dr B.G.L. S w a m y has been appointed Chief Professor of Botany in the Presidency College, Madras 5, India.

Dr T a n a k i - A m m a l has been appointed a special officer of the Botanical Survey of India planning to submit a plan to the Government of India for the reorganisation of the Survey.

Dr H.C.D. d e W i t was appointed Lecturer in systematic botany in the Agricultural College, Wageningen, Holland, Nov. 1, 1953. His inaugural address was entitled "Het Tropisch regenwoud" (The tropical rain-forest). He also lectures on Phanerogams at Leyden University.

Mr G o r d o n P. D e W o l f Jr worked for a few months on Orchidaceae and Pteridophyta in the Singapore Botanic Gardens as a Fulbright grantee, early 1953.

Mr G.H.S. W o o d has been appointed Forest Botanist in the Dept of Forestry, Sandakan, North Borneo, January 1954; he worked formerly in Africa.