

II. PERSONAL NEWS.

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H.M. The Queen of the Netherlands has made Dr E.D. Merrill, Arnold Professor of Botany at Harvard University, an Officer in the Order of Oranje and Nassau, with which honour we congratulate both Dr Merrill and Malaysian botany.

Dr A.C. Smith of the Arnold Arboretum has been appointed ass. curator of the U.S. National Herbarium, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC.

Dr H. Sleumer of Berlin-Dahlem has been appointed botanist in the Botanical Institute at Tucumàn, the Argentine.

At the 131st anniversary of the Botanic Gardens, Buitenzorg, the following botanists have been elected as honorary collaborators of the Gardens: Prof. Dr A. Ernst (Zürich), Dr D. Fairchild (Miami, Fla., U.S.A.), Prof. Dr T.H.v.d. Honert (Leyden), Prof. Dr G.v. I t e r s o n (Delft, Holland), Prof. Dr F.W. Went (Pasadena, Cal., U.S.A.).

After August 1, 1948, Dr Reed C. Collins will be director of the Gray Herbarium; the acting director, Dr Lincoln Constance, is returning to his permanent position at the Univ. of California.

Dr N.L. Bor, of the Indian Forest Service (retired), has been appointed Deputy director at the Royal Bot. Gardens, Kew.

Dr A.A.P u l l e, Director of the Botanical Museum & Herbarium and Professor in the University at Utrecht reached the age of 70 on Jan. 10th. Prof. Pulle held June 26th his farewell-address which was attended by numerous authorities, friends, and pupils who expressed their deep appreciation for the advancement of tropical botany both of the East and West Indies by Prof. Pulle's successful work in his long University career.

Mr A.G.L.A d e l b e r t was appointed botanist in the Buitenzorg Herbarium onwards of Aug. 1, 1947; he worked for several years in the Rijksherbarium, Leyden, assisting Dr C.A. Backer in writing the new flora of Java. He arrived at Buitenzorg Aug. 24, 1948.

Dr J. Z a n e v e l d has been appointed algologist in the Buitenzorg Herbarium; his work on tropical algae will proceed in close cooperation with the marine laboratories at Batavia. He departed for Java, Sept. 2, 1948.

Dr F.A. S t a f l e u has been appointed in the Department of Sugarcane Selection at the Sugar Experiment Station, Pasoeroean, Java. He departed in Sept. 1948.