

III. PERSONAL NEWS

(cntd from p.285)

Mr A.G.L. A d e l b e r t was on short leave in Holland, Nov.1951-April 1952; during Dr Donk's leave he has been appointed acting Keeper of the Herbarium Bogoriense.

Mr F.G. B r o w n e assumed duty as Head of the Sarawak Forest Department, Jan. 1951.

Miss Nancy B u r b i d g e, C.S.I.R.O. Canberra, has been stationed at Kew, Oct.1952-Oct.1954, as Australian liaison officer in botany at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew.

Mr J. C a r r i c k, M.Sc., originally of Glasgow University, who has been teaching since the war at Winnipeg University, has now been appointed lecturer in botany in the University of Malaya, Singapore.

Miss Ruth v a n C r e v e l has been appointed as draughtsman on the permanent staff of Flora Malesiana, March 1952.

Dr M.A. D o n k, Keeper of the Herbarium Bogoriense, Bogor, has also been appointed extra-ordinarius at the Faculty of Science of the University of Indonesia, Bandung. He was granted a year leave in Holland, August 1952.

Dr F.H. E n d e r t, formerly of the Forest Research Institute at Bogor, retired and arrived in July 1952 in Holland.

Prof.Dr R.E. H o l t t u m was on leave in England from July to September 1952.

Prof.Dr H. H u m b e r t was elected a member of the L'Institut de France.

Prof. I.M. J o h n s t o n spent several months in European collections, specially those at Kew, Edinburgh, and the British Museum during the summer of 1952. He also paid a visit to the Rijksherbarium at Leyden and the Herbarium at Brussels. He will start definitely on revising Malaysian Borraginaceae for Fl.Mal. in 1953.

Mr H.G. K e i t h, Conservator of Forests, Sandakan, retired from the Forest Service of the colony of North Borneo early in January 1952; he accepted a temporary post with F.A.O. until April 1953, as Instructor in the Timber Graders School at Manila. He is succeeded by Mr A.B. W a l t o n.

A Forest-Botanist will be appointed to Borneo early in 1953; he will be based at Kepong but is expected to spend 3-4 months a year in North Borneo.

Mr J.H. K e r n finished his 3-year contract with the Herbarium Bogoriense, and joined the staff of Flora Malesiana at Leyden, Nov. 21, 1952.

Prof.Ir. K u s n o t o was nominated president of the Intern. Rice Commission Conference held at Bandung, Java, May 1952. He was also elected as a member of the Indonesian Academy of Sciences (Madjelis Ilmu Pengetahuan Nasional), Djakarta, and he has been nominated a member of the Pacific Science Council representing Indonesia.

Prof. M a h e s w a r i (New Delhi) worked some fortnights in the Treub Laboratory, Bogor, spring 1952.

Mr W.D. M a r g a d a n t has been appointed in the systematical division of the Botanical Laboratory of Groningen University to assist Prof.v.d.Wijk in the elaboration of mosses for Fl.Mal., Sept. 1952.

Dr S.J. v a n O o s t s t r o o m has been appointed Lecturer in Taxonomy at Leyden University.

Prof.Dr R. P i l g e r retired as general-director of the Botanical Garden & Herbarium of Berlin-Dahlem; he was succeeded by Prof.A. W e r d e r m a n n as Commissarial Director. The following staff members (partly retired) work at Berlin: Dr Burret (Palmae), Dr Mattick, Prof.H.Melchior, Dr G.K.Schulze (Violaceae); Dr G.M.Schulze (Impatiens), Dr G.Reimers, Prof.Ulrich.

Dr P. v a n R o y e n, Dr R.C. B a k h u i z e n v a n d e n B r i n k Jr, and Dr H.C.D. d e W i t visited Kew for revisional work, summer 1952.

Mr J. S i n c l a i r of the Singapore Botanic Gardens was on European leave May-October 1952.

Mr W.T. S t e a r n has come on the staff of the British Museum (Nat.Hist.), London, effective April 1st, 1952.

Mr A. T h o m s o n, until recently senior plant pathologist at Kuala Lumpur, will be appointed as lecturer in the University of Malaya, Singapore.

Mr W. W i e r i n g a, head of the technical staff of the Herbarium Bogoriense, returned to Bogor from leave Nov. 28, 1952.

Mr H.B.S. W o m e r s l e y, algologist, Botanical Institute, Adelaide, made in 1952 a world trip for studying authentic specimens of Algae, specially those of South Australia.

July 1952 Prof.R. v a n d e r W i j k returned from Indonesia which he was enabled to visit by a grant of the Netherlands Buitenzorg-Fund. He made large collections of mosses in various parts of Java, and in West and East Sumatra, including an ascent of Mt Merapi (cf. § VIII).