

III. PERSONAL NEWS

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Please notify the Editor of the Flora Malesiana Bulletin of any change in address which he will be glad to communicate here if of interest to the readers.

Mr. R. ABDULHADI (BO) worked for a year at Brisbane to obtain his Ph.D.

Mr. F.A.C.B. ADEMA (L) will during 1985 move from the Dutch Department to the Tropical one. He has yet to decide on what group he is going to work.

Ms. J.J. AFRIASTINI (BO) spent half a year at L to study herbarium techniques and pre-identification.

Ms. L.J. BULALACAO (PNH) Museum Researcher and project leader of the National Research Council of the Philippines, recently obtained her Ph.D. in biology at the University of Santo Tomas, on her dissertation 'Relation between the modern pollen rain and vegetation sources of Las Pinas, Metro Manila'. It deals with a vegetation analysis of the area using multidimensional ordination methods and cluster analysis. The latter was also used in characterizing the pollen rain data.

Dr. H.M. BURKILL (K) has moved to 4 Mount Close, Leatherhead (Surrey) KT22 9EF, Great Britain. He still works on an honorary basis in K and hopes to have a revision of vol. 1 of Dalziel's Useful plants of West Tropical Africa published

soon. It is going to be a long haul and he views with trepidation and doubt the completion of the balance of the work.

Ms. D. DOMACENA-ADEFUIN (PNH) was elected Secretary of the Fern Society of the Philippines.

Dr. W. Donald DUCKWORTH has been appointed as Director of the Bernice P. Bishop Museum (BISH), Honolulu, as of August 1st, 1984.

Dr. G.S. HOPE, Canberra (Dept. Geography, ANU), made a preliminary investigation of vegetation history sites at Soroako, South Celebes. Several depressions infilled with peat are known, and one has been drilled to about 50 m by P.T. INCO. The area is floristically interesting as the ultrabasics preserve Leptospermum and other Myrtaceae in abundance, next to very different forests on limestone. These sites should be investigated further.

Mr. D.T. JONES formerly of UKMB has taken up a teaching position at KLU. See page 76 of the previous issue for his request for Rutaceous seeds.

Dr. K. KARTAWINATA (BO) abandoned his position as Keeper of the Herbarium and joined UNESCO, Jakarta, as supervisor of Ecology. His successor is Dr. S. RISWAN.

Dr. S. KAWANO (KYO) has been appointed professor at the Kyoto University and is head of the herbarium KYO.

Dr. A. LATIFF (UKMB) spent part of his sabbatical year in L from March, 1985, working towards completion of his revision of the Vitaceae for the Flora Malesiana.

Dr. G. LEACH, Port Moresby (UPNG), has returned to Australia, where he has been appointed to Senior Botanist at the Alice Springs Herbarium (NT).

Mr. J.F. MAXWELL has become lecturer in botany at the Prince of Songkla University, at Yai, Thailand.

Dr. Ph. MORAT (ORSTOM) has moved from Nouméa to P in April, 1984.

Dr. I. NIELSEN (AAU) was appointed as Curator of the living collections at the Botanical Institute of the University of Aarhus in April 1984. In November / December he visited L to finish his studies on Malesian Mimosoideae.

Dr. H.P. NOOTEBOOM (L) will become Curator of the Fern collection of the Rijksherbarium as soon as he has finished his present study of the Malesian Magnoliaceae.

Dr. K. OGINO (MATSU), ecologist, moved from Kyoto to Matsuyama and is expanding his mangrove study to Malesia from 1985. He is the secretary of SNSP.

Mr. J. RATHCLIFFE (Jayapura), a consultant for WWF, is continuing his task of survey and definition of the Cyclop Mountain Nature Reserve, Irian Jaya. He was assisted by Dr. G.S. HOPE, who obtained a core of 7 m depth from Hordorli, a swamp at 800 m that should be sensitive to changes in vegetation boundaries of the Araucaria-forest in the area. Dates are awaited.

Mr. J.C. REGALADO Jr. has been working as an associate curator at CAHUP since April, 1983. He has been accepted into a graduate program in the Department of Botany and Plant pathology, MSC, effective winter term 1985.

Mr. Soedarsono RISWAN was appointed as Keeper of BO as of June 6, 1984. He succeeds Dr. K. KARTAWINATA.

Mr. S.H. ROGSTAD has completed his field studies on the Polyalthia glauca-complex at the Pasoh Forest Research Station, Negeri Sembilan, and is now working toward his Ph.D. at Harvard University, working from the Missouri Botanical Gardens (MO).

Dr. R.M. DEL ROSARIO (PNH) received the PAGASA award from the Civil Service Commission, the Philippines, for his outstanding contributions in the fields of science and education.

Mr. J. RUSSELL-SMITH (Canberra, Dept. Geography, ANU) has completed 14 months of fieldwork on rainforest controls at Kakadu Nat. Park and returned to Canberra to prepare the results for his dissertation. He contributed a new view of some types of forest as opportunistic and relatively vagile to a conference on Australian rainforest Conservation organized in Brisbane in December, 1983.

Dr. Martin J.S. SANDS (K) spent three weeks in October 1983 examining the collections of Begonia in B and M and 3 months in 1984 doing field work in and visiting herbaria in Malaysia (KEP, KUCH, SAR) and Singapore.

Dr. Gordon SMITH, for over 15 years lecturer in Plant ecology at the Universiti Malaysia has taken early retirement and is now living at Ballater, 60 km West of Aberdeen, Scotland.

Ms. W. SOUTHERN (Canberra, Dept. Geography, ANU) is continuing with the studies of vegetation history in Fiji, with one site on Taveuni Island extending back 14,000 YA. She plans to obtain deeper sediments, but has found distinct changes around 10,000 and 2,000 YA. in forest composition. Her other sites on Viti Levu are younger and record human disturbance.

Dr. H. ST. JOHN (BISH) (92) returned to Harvard for his 70th class reunion. When asked if he was the only member of his class he declared 'not yet'.

Ms. Elizabeth A. WIDJAJA (BO) has completed her Ph.D. dissertation, A revision of Gigantochloa, at the University of Birmingham, U.K.

Mr. H. WIRIADINATA (BO) has spent a year at AAU to study Mucuna, after which he visited L for 6 weeks to round off his manuscript.