

XIV. NEW JOURNALS

Biotrop Bulletin. This new Bulletin started with No. 1 in 1970, printed by Archipel, Bogor, a paper by Mr. M. Soerjani, 'Alang alang, *Imperata cylindrica* (L.) P.B. pattern of growth as related to its problem of control'. 88 pp., 18 fig., 18 tab.

This served also as a Ph.D. thesis for the author (promotor Prof. Ir. O. Soemarwoto, at Gadjah Mada University, 29 Aug. 1970). It comprises a detailed autecological study, partly experimental, on the morphology, phytochemistry, etc., effects of the environment and behaviour under various treatments. A combination of mechanical and chemical treatment is advised for eradicating this noxious weed.

Berita Biologi is the name of a stencilled journal edited by the Perhimpunan Biologi Indonesia (Indonesian Biological Society), consisting of the combined biological and biomedical institutes. Contributions are partly concerning education, partly biological semi-popular contributions, as e.g. in No. 3 issued Jan. 1971. The language used is for some Indonesian, for others English.

Contributions from Herbarium Australiense. According to the Editor-in-Chief, Mr. B.J. Walby, in a covering letter, this is a new occasional publication of C.S.I.R.O., Canberra. It will contain papers of high scientific merit in relation to the preparation of Floras of Australia and Papua/New Guinea, or important papers prepared within the Herbarium Australiense for which there is no suitable publishing outlet either in Australia or overseas. The Australian Journal of Botany, Supplement series, will continue to publish comprehensive taxonomic revisions of all species of a genus or a group of genera known to occur in Australasia and Papuasia. The 3rd number contains a review of Pittosporaceae in Papuasia by R. Schodde.

Flora of Western Australia. In the foreword to *Nuytsia* the director of the Department of Agriculture stated that the Flora series will be produced as a separate publication, each part to deal with one family. These parts will be numbered according to the Engler & Prantl system and will be issued from time to time as the research work proceeds. It is expected that the series will commence shortly.

Herbarium Australiense Technical Paper. Dr. A. Kanis reviewed *Amaranthaceae* for New Guinea in this new serial, No. 1.

Nuytsia is the title of the new botanical journal started by the Department of Agriculture, Western Australia. It will be mainly dedicated to the results of vegetation surveys, group revisions and descriptions of new species, as precursors to a Flora of Western Australia.

Thai Forest Bulletin (Botany). After a long lapse this journal is revived under auspices of the National Research Council of Thailand. No. 6 appeared in 1972 and is filled with three papers by members of the Forest Herbarium, Royal Forest Department, Bangkok, in cooperation with the Herbarium of the Department of Agriculture, Bangkok, viz by Mr. Chamlong on *Diospyros* (Eben.), by Mrs. Chumsri on *Germainia* (Gram.) and by Mrs. Leena on a revision of *Gironniera* (Ulm.).