

II. PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr C.T. W h i t e is to be congratulated on being presented with the Mueller Memorial Medal awarded by the Adelaide Meeting of the Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science, Aug.1946. This award is in recognition of his work on the systematic botany of Queensland.

Dr Ir J.Ph. P f e i f f e r, Director of Research, B.P.M.-lab., Amsterdam, died Nov.18, 1947, at Amsterdam, 58 years old. He was formerly wood-technologist, and collected plants in Simaloer Island, NW Sumatra.

K. H e y n e, author of the standard-work on Netherlands Indian useful plants "De nuttige planten van Nederlandsch Indië, of which a 3-volumed 2nd edition appeared in 1927, died at Bennekom (Holland) Nov. 11, 1947.

Mr James S i n c l a i r B.Sc. (Edinburgh), has been appointed Curator of the Herbarium, Botanic Gardens, Singapore.

Dr D. C h a t t e r j e e succeeded Dr K. N. K a u l as botanist for India in the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew-Surrey.

Mr M. R. H e n d e r s o n has been appointed Assistant-Director of the Botanic Gardens, Singapore.

Dr R. P i c h i - S e r m o l l i, of Florence, is working at the Roy. Botanic Gardens, Kew, till July 1948, mainly on ferns.

In the second half of 1947 new fern garden has been laid out in the Botanic Gardens, Buitenzorg, which is dedicated to the late Dr. O. P o s t h u m u s.

In the course of 1948 this garden will be inaugurated by the present director of the Gardens Prof. Dr L.G.M. Baas Becking. A sandstone will be erected in memory of him with the inscription:

Hortus hic filicum Memoriae

Oene Posthumus

Professor, Philosophiae-Doctor, dedicatus est
ex Groninga oriundus vir fuit magnus in rebus gestis
his pro Regionibus, quique nobis opus de Filicibus
reliquit, quae his in insulis inveniuntur.

Mense Novembris Anno MCMXLV

A vulgo occisus fuit.