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Botenical Institute, Faculty of Science, University of Tokyo, Hongo, Tokyo, Japan. February 16, 1960.

Dear Dr. Degener:

I have received your letter of February 2nd regarding the sad news about your specimen sent to Dr. Takaki, and have at once written to him to tell me the details soon.

To my regret, it now became clear that the specimen of Agropyrum sent from you was destroyed by a plant quarantine officer at Nagoya (not by the Nagoya Post Office) without giving any previous notice to Dr. Takaki. So I have made a strong protest to the head office of the Ministry of Agriculture in Tokyo which is responsible for the problem. I requested an official letter of apology, and quaranty for future scientific shipments from foreign countries. I am sorry to say that I will take a collecting trip to India from March to June, and the official reply may not be in time for my departure.

All Japanese taxonomists are well aware of importance of scientific material, and feel very sorry for the problem.

In Tokyo all plant quarantine officers are cooperative for us, and we have never aperienced troubles, although our Institute have received a large number of scientific shipments from old times. It was deeply to be regretted that a local officer who did not know the importance of scientific material made a great mistake.

We believe that such a thing will never happen in future, and we sincerely hope that you will forgive this very sad accident and will kindly continue to sent us your valuable specimens in order to promote the international collaboration between American and Japanese taxonomists.

With best regards,

directly to you.

Dr. Takaki will explain the details

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Nothing may be contained in or attached to this letter

Dr. Otto Degener Waielus, 68 - 617 Crozier Dr.

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Faculty of Science, University of Tokyo, Hongo, Tokyo, Japan. Botanical Institute,

Hiroshi Hara

de la Cruz

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES FOREST PRODUCTS RESEARCH INSTITUTE COLLEGE, LAGUNA

September 8, 1960

Mr. Otto Degener University of Hawaii Honolulu 17, Hawaii, U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Degener:

We are sending to you, under separate cover, a preliminary copy of "A Forestry Lexicon of Philippine Trees." This is in mimeographed form and is for review and criticism.

we would be greatly obliged to you for inviting our attention to any erratic entries or important omissions, or for making any suggestions that you believe would result in improvement. We are sending review copies to others also who may be able to suggest corrections or improvements. After the comments are received and corrections made, we hope to issue the "lexicon" in printed form.

We will appreciate if you will acknowledge receipt of the "Lexicon" when it arrives and let us know whether you will be able to review it and send us your recommendations. The copy is for your files and need not be returned.

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MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY EAST LANSING

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY AND PLANT PATHOLOGY

October 4, 1960.

Please note my change of address.

Dear Dr. Degener:

We have finally come back to civilization after a trip through Mexico and Guatemala which lasted a full three months. My major Professor, Dr. John Beaman, is engaged in a biosystematic study of the alpine floras of these two countries and I accompanied him as a field assistant. In Mexico we did extensive collecting around Iztaccihuatl and Popocatepetl, both truly magnificent mountains, snow covered and connected by a 12 KM long pass, which is partly alpine in nature. We also collected above timberline on the extinct vulcano Nevada de Toluca as well as on Pico de Orizaba, all situated around Mexico City. In Guatemala we climbed such vulcanoes as Atitlan, Santa Maria, Fuego, etc. which were still "hot on top". Paracutin Vulcano was very active in that we counted hundreds of steam vents and sulphur springs; the soil was too hot to the touch, especially around the rim of the crater. We brought back some 1500 collections of vascular plants, as well as lichens, mosses, and liver-wrots, and some 150 bags of soil for purposes of analysis. On Popo and Izta we analyzed some 1200 quadrats for ecological studies; in addition we brought back buds for the study of meiosis and chromosome counts. We finished up with our work collecting some 40 species of alpine plants and taking these back as live plants. We are growing these in the greenhouse so that we'll be able to observe the plants under cultivation and also carry out cytological studies on somatic tissue. You see that we have been busy during the summer and that we'll have a lot of work to do during the winter.

Dr. Beaman is a graduate from Harvard and did his Ph.D. under Reed C. Rollins. He is a student of the Compositae and wrote an excellent doctoral thesis on the genus Townsendia (Astereae). He invited me to apply for a research assistantship and our little family moved to Michigan just after I finished my studies at the Ontario Agricultural College.

For my doctoral thesis I have started biosystematic studies on the genus Astranthium (Astereae, Bellidinae) which I hope to finish about two years from now. One species, A. integrefolium, is found in the States (probably also in Mexico), 6 in Mexico, and 1 species in Guatemala. Two species are rather doubtful and seem to be closer to Achaetogeron, morphologically as well as cytologically. The type species, A. integrefolium, was Bellis integrefolia before Nuttall established the genus in 1841. For the study of Astranthium, a cytological survey

Dr. Degener Page 2.

of the related Aphanostephus and Achaetogeron may be necessary.

I received your bundle of sheets for the "Flora Hawaiiensis", thank you so much. Have you in the meantime found any species of the genus Remya? I remember your saying that this genus was "probably extinct" on the Hawaiian Islands? I am still actively interested in the Tribe Astereae as you can see from the above and any information on Remya will be very much appreciated.

In spite of all precautions and your advice pertaining to matters on food and water we all had our share of dysentry. I even had a very bad bout of it upon entering the States on our way back from Central America. Our strennous adventures in the mountains had caused me to lose about 20 lbs. so that the rich food on this side of the border was just too much for me. It took me about two weeks and about one dozen pills to get back to normal again.

when we were close to the border of Guatemala we learned that all arteries into the country were blocked by landslides and washed away bridges. The only way to get across was by train, so we loaded our vehicles (one stationwagon-jeep and one Ford-sedan) and ourselves (party of four) on a flatcar and traveled for nine hours through the tropical countryside, arriving finally at Tapechula. Guatemala was in a state of turmoil when we arrived on account of communist activities in the capital city. Every stranger was eyed with suspicion and at one time I was frisked when going into the postoffice, a very merry experience. We spent about two weeks in Guatemala and were glad to get back to Mexico; altogether we were checked by the police some two dozen times and were flagged down by machete carrying natives at least six times, often at night on dark roads.

Comparing Mexico and Guatemala with Hawaii, it is fortunate that "John Tourist" has not yet discovered the potentialities of such mountains as Popo and Izta. When we were there we encountered relatively few people, mostly mountaineers only. I hope that any "Henry Kaiser" will stay away from these mountains with his pink cottages and glass hotels and leave the mountains as pure and primitive as they now. Unfortunately, Mexico is waking up economically which may eventually trigger a flood of tourists to the areas that are still beautiful, leaving as trail of garbage on beauty spots.

I very carefully tried to germinate the achenes of Tetramolopium humile which you sent me, but alas, the seeds apparently were not viable anymore. If you ever come across a fruit bearing specimen of any species of the genus on your numerous fieldtrips, I wonder if you would be so kind to collect some for me. It would be extremely interesting to know more about the chromosome numbers in that genus as it seems to be one of the very few genera that have a basic number of 7. More chromosome numbers may shed some light on its relationships with, let!s say, Erigeron.

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I certainly follow Cronquist in his transfer of Erigeron sect. Coenotus to Conyza. It certainly helped to delimite Erigeron more properly. I have seen and collected many Conyzas in Mexico and Guatemala and even if they appeared to be quite close to Erigeron, there was no doubt about their status. The two genera are surely very closely related but are quite distinct. With regard to your Aster sandwicensis, I may be going to the Chicago Museum within a few weeks to get some matters cleared up as to Achaetogeron and will look up this species of Aster.

Next year I'll have to go back to Mexico in order to collect the remainder of the species of Astranthium. These ones are mainly located in Chihuahua and Durango, which states were out of the way and hence we did not have time to collect these. We are also planning a trip through the southerm States in early spring to collect A. integrefolium and to define its distribution more properly (than Larsen did). Larsen also defined two varieties of this species which in my opinion are just growth forms of A. integrefolium and I am tempted to refer these to the species proper as , in addition, they do not have any geographical continuity. Shinners also named a variety of A. integrefolium, variety "robustum" which is just as doubtful, I think. The location of his type specimen is "near a culvert" which seems to be an indication to me that "robustum" is merely a robust growth form of the species proper growing under favourable moisture conditions. I hope to clear these matters up by cytological studies and by subjecting them to uniform conditions in the green house. If "robustum" is genetically controlled, we may expect a plant which is just as robust as the one in the field.

I am sending you under separate cover some reprints of papers by Dr. Beaman. An interesting one is that on Paracutin vulcano which deals with the reoccupation of vulcanic sites by vascular plants. I am sure that you will be watching the lava flows on the Island of Hawaii for signs of any returning plant life, and I think you will enjoy reading Dr. Beaman's paper. I am also including a paper on chromosome counts in alpine plants.

Please give my regards to Mrs. Degener,

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TEL: 8 0536 EXT 242 243



Royal Botanic Gardens and National Herbarium

Sydney

5th December 1960.

RHA: PZB.

Dr.Otto Degener, Waialua, Oahu, HAWAII. N.S.W.

Dear Dr. Degener,

I wish to thank you for the parcel of 75 specimens and reprints which we received from you recently. As before, I have credited this material to the exchange account of the New York Botanical Garden and have written to them accordingly.

It is very good of you to keep us in mind when you are distributing duplicate material accrued in the course of your studies on the Hawaiian Flora. We appreciate having your determinations. However, would it be possible, in future, to send only specimens named at least to the species. Un-named material is of relatively little use to us as we lack the time and staff to work on it at present.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

R.H. ANDERSON.

DIRECTOR & CHIEF BOTANIST.

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323 West Chestmut Street Oxford, Ohio 16 December 1960

Yuletide Salutations!

It seems like just a few weeks ago we put the 1959 greetings in the mail, and here we are doing it again--and a pleasant thing it is, too. Already the cards have started coming in--which is a good sign that we are about as late as usual. We almost did away with this little chronicle but it seems to be gaining in popu-

larity, so we vetoed the stationary shop and did it ourselves again.

The year started slowly enough for us after our fast trip to Florida just before Christmas(which explains the Miami, Florida, postmark) to inspect the Schooner Collegiate Rebel. By the end of April, the usual work at the hospital and the university was spiced up a bit with Al's preparations to go to the Pacific. This, along with Mr. Kuwahara finishing his Master's thesis in good shape, left few dull moments. On May 23rd, Al boarded a plane at Cincinnati to start his 21,000 miles of travel, and,a few days later, Sum-ang moved in with Marge for the summer.

Sum-ang has subsequently become practically one of the family as she pursues her graduate studies in education so that she can make a contribution in the field in her home country of Thailand. Now that Al is back, she is living elsewhere but she is a welcome and frequent visitor and will go to Michigan with the family for Christmas. Al's brother, Jack, is finishing his Master's in education this year and will be in the market for a position in outdoor education for elementary students.

We did make a trip to St. Louis to attend a symposium at the Missouri Botanical Garden, and also visited with friends there...so Marge did get to do some

travelling this year, too.

Now that the news has been covered, a few words about the pictures. Al visited Hawaii, Guam, Ponape, Mokil, Kusaie, Oroluk, Truk, Ulul(Namonuito), Puluwat, Ifaluk, Sorol, Yap, & Palau(Koror) (Pelelieu, Babelthuap) islands. In all, well over 3000 specimens of mosses and liverworts were gathered from the littleknown Caroline Islands. Many of thes islands normally cannot be reached, but the Collegiate Rebel Association co-operated with Al on his National Science Foundation research project and made the visits possible. He had to become a sailor to do it, but finally managed to overcome the mal-de-mer. The Rebel is a 124 foot auxillary schooner witha 110 foot mainmast and 21 foot beam -- in short, she is a fair-sized dugout. The harbor in the first picture is Lele harbor at Kusaie, where we were treated to an absolutely fantastic native feast with all the festivities which go with it. The man basking in the sun is the chief of Sorol, where we found eleven people living, and where we were forced to spend a night in a fine thatched house similar to the ones shown on the back. The big stone is a piece of Yap money which nobody carries around with them(obviously) as you can see it is much taller than Al. The girl is weaving a mat from cocommt leaves, to be used as a floor covering or a screen in the house. The fellow collecting mosses is Hank Whittier, Al's assistant, with some typical helpers. The Micronesians are very friendly people and we were curiosities, too! The handsome and muscular young man in the hat is the school teacher on Ulul, and served as Al's guide. We wish there were more space to show you his loin-cloth costume. There is so much to relate, but little space, so we hope the pictures are worth a thousand words.

Sheetings - Again, a MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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Havanam Alporties. I think you'll see the

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Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation



you bask in sunny tropic isle







We wish you a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR, too.



Dr. and Mrs. H.A. Miller

PLANTS COLLECTED ON MURITU, AUSTRAL INLANDS, BY PALTER H. HAMBURCHEN, UNIV. CALIFORNIA, BENEFICKY, CALIFORNIA, DEC.+, 1960. Received and camed Apr., 1961, by M. C. Keel, 3.7 Nishop Museum, Homolulu, Hawaii.

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PLANTS OF HAWAII

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COLLECTED BY OTTO DEGENER AND ISA DEGENER

"PLANTS HAW. NAT, PARK" & NEW ILLUSTRATED "FLORA HAWAIIENSIS" AVAILABLE FROM DRS. DESERVER, WAIALUA, OAHU, HAWAII.

Jon. 3, 1961.

Dear Dr. Steere:

1960 ANNUAL REPORT

During the year my wife, Dr. Isa Degener, and I published several fascicles of our <u>Flora Harmitensis</u> or "New Illustrated Flora of the Hawaiian Islands." The total number of pages, many with full-page illustrations, comes to 200.

Besides botanizing on our "home" Island of Oahu, Mrs. Degener and I conducted field work with two assistants for three weeks on the "outside" Island of Kausi. During our stay on that island, we attended the opening ceremonies of the new Museum at Lihue, I taking the liberty of representing the Carden. According to local newspaper accounts, this courtesy was appreciated.

Thanks to an invitation to conduct a group of plant enthusiasts along the outer slope of Haleakela Grater, Maui, I was enabled to botanize four days with only trivial expense on the Islands of Maui, Lanai and Molokai. On the latter island, overlooking the Laper Settlement of Kalaupapa, I was fortunate in collecting a good series of a new species of Wikstroemia for describing in Dr. Skottsberg's coming monograph.

During the summer Nrs. Degener and I spent several months on the Mainland, much of it at the Garden putting our affairs regarding herbarium specimens and library in order. At the same time we took advantage of the facilities there to unravel some botanical problems impossible of solution in the Islands.

As mentioned on page 41, I supplied most of the scientific names for the plants discussed in Dr. George C. Ruhle's "A Guide for the Haleakala Section, Island of Maui, Hawaii," published by the Department of the Interior. I likewise wrote a few "letters to the Editor" of the local newspapers regarding plants and a few reviews.

Respectfully submitted,

TABARD INN 1739 N Street, Northwest Washington 6, D. C.

Phone HObart 2-1277 Lunday May 7, 1961 Lear Oth ofsa -Here In a week out with my men Helen Robert. Having a innsuful time chy more pelier tom-I fearty it city or much I see yent all morning yester day at hellow nunseum (hatring En Gallery) and had a most intenting true The squares + fearts one Chrely this Time of year although cherry llors our are why come. - Buch & Coumall t- mone and much Ed I get my place in order for the Summer. - Thinking offen both and sun you have or bushed of interest for makes life worth while. For a first Buth

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June 21. 1961.

Peacock M. T. H. Davies lands.

Dear Mr. Schattauer: of C. Brewer lands

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Baldwin wrote me that you are in charge of C. Brewer lands on Hawaii.

Mrs. Degener & I are professional botanists who are trying to illustrate and describe every native plant in the Hawaiian Islands. We have made a good beginning as the enclosed books show. The National Science Foundation in Washington is helping us with a grant-in-aid to continue this project.

I don't know when we would get near C. Brewer land. Should we come to Hawaii, could we have your permission to collect botonical specimens on them. It might be this year or it might be three to five years hence. After we are you with our finds, we distribute them for sofe kneping to Diehop Bareum, Smithsonian and other institutions.

As we neither smoke nor hunt, there is no danger of our setting your pastures on fire nor of shorting your ceives in the belief that they are wild goats. For should we hold you responsible in any way should we break a leg on the an lave or otherwise in jure or harm ourselvas.

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B. M. EVELETH. M. D.
F. L. TABRAH. M. D.
P. O. BOX 98
KOHALA, HAWAII. XXNX

August 2, 1961

Dr. Otto Degener 68-617 Crozier Drive Honolulu, Hawaii

Dear Dr. Degener:

Sorry we were unable to see you while we were in Honolulu last week. We thoroughly enjoyed our visit with you and Mrs. Degener in Hilo.

While in Honolulu I talked with Dr. Scheuer and Dean Hiatt. Both were favorably inclined toward collaboration with our proposed work, provided we can include you on the payroll as a part-time assistant or as a consultant. Would you or Mrs. Degener be willing to act in such a capacity, and if so, how much shall we include in the grant request for your help?

The University is quite willing to act as the sponsor for our program, so that problem appears solved--if you can assist in the Botanical phases.

We would very much appreciate your working with us in whatever way you feel is best for all concerned, and would also appreciate hearing from you soon, so our NIH application can be revised for submission to Dean Hiatt and the NIH. If there are any difficulties involved in including you in our plans, please feel free to phone collect so we might work out some alternative.

Thank you again for your interest and kokua.

Sincerely yours,

F. L. Tabrah, M. D.

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B. M. EVELETH. M. D.
F. L. TABRAH, M. D.
P. O. BOX 98
KOHALA, HAWAII. XXXXX

August 30, 1961

Dr. Otto Degener Hale Degener Waialua, Hawaii

Dear Dr. Degener:

Thank you for your letter of 7 Aug - your suggestions are excellent, and will be included in our plan.

We have been thinking further about the photo vs drawing problem, and at this point are awaiting some cost estimates - color costs may not be as bad as they once were, as the new processes used are cheap, but good.

In any case, would you consider this arrangement - both you and Mrs. Degener would workwith us as consulting Botanist and Pharmacognosist at \$100 a month each, for a basic two year period, plus expenses such as plane fares, etc. Then in the third year, we would ask for approximately \$5,000 in addition, for publication - this, I am quite sure (from a preliminary estimate from a printer here) would cover a 300 item catalog of 1000 words text (average) and one 4 x 5 4-color photo. Reference for each plate can be made to your excellent and already published drawings which it may be wise to supplement rather than duplicate.

All this, of course, is just a suggestion for NIH application planning - how does it strike you? I think the decision about illustration can really be put off for a while - but the rest of the work should start as soon as possible - hence our hurry to get all this submitted to the University.

Thank you for the Fiji reprints - very interesting.

Aloha,

F. L. Tabah, M. D.

FLT:hk





Sept. 4, 1961. Dr. F.L. Sabrah. On the prosperied energy many on the specific of the same of Koholo, Haweii. Dear Dr. Tabrah: Mrs. Degener and I have your August 30 letter before HE. OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PRO The Flora Howelignais project, I four, must be the primary one for us Degeners, and the BIH one secondary. But as we see it, the former actually compliments the latter. Mrs. Degener, of course, lacks the facilities for microscopic and oberical usery of the purported acdicinal plants of Hawaii and the familiarity with them to at she has with the drug plants used in Burops. We shall therefore be glad to accept the two year avenuence t as consultents suggested in your letter of August 30 provided the in identification will just about be mil unless an occasional, anctent buriel is discovered. Macroscopic identification will properly writes, with some boiling and dissecting of the specimens collected from the Specimens. This should keep us happily busy for the two yours as it will involve considerable checking & comparing with me-We are of course our has about your and Dr. Eveleth's actions reso typical filing cares to better better coombinted with the mechanics of the project? T am sorry we did not neet in Monolulu between Congress sessions during the most two weeks. Alobo from tro, Degener & myself to hrs. Tunral and to you. Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation

B M. EVELETH, M. D.
F. L. TABRAH, M. D.
P. O. BOX 98
KOHALA, HAWAII

September 14, 1961

Dr. Otto Degenr Hale Degener Waialua, Oahu, Hawaii

Dear Dr. Degenr:

Thank you for your last letter and the folder.

 $\ensuremath{\mathrm{I}}$ have two questions needing a reply at your earliest convenience.

- wat titles or description of your and your wife's academic status should I put on the N.I.H. form?
- 2. What is the best choice of repository of our plant specimens--you mentioned several, and perhaps one should be designated for the N.I.H. write-up.

Thank you again.

Sincerely,

P.L. Tabrah, M. D. pir Bus.

FLT:hk

Sept. 16, 1961.

Dear Dr. Hocking:

I wish you would help us out. Drs. Tabrah and Eveleth (both M.D.s) of P.C.Box 98, Kohala, Hawaii, contemplate writing (with Mrs. Degener & myself as Bot. consultants) a work centering about native Haw, mat. medica.

Mrs. D. and I consider such a study fraught with danger unless the medicinal plants gathered by the natives are actually pressed, properly labeled and permanently preserved in some institution as vouchers of the precise specimen that has been atudied. We know, for example, in Cinchona that various forms or even strains of the very same species vary enormously in chemical content. To say that Solanum nigrum L., from the Hawaiian Islands contains such & such, and is used by the natives as a cough med. in Kohala may give a wrong slant on the plant. The species on Molokai, for all we know, may not be the same starin as the Kohala one.

Depositing such plant vouchers in the Haw. Islands seems too much like sending coals to Newcastle. Where on the Mainland should such herb specimens be mailed: Alabama Polytech., Llods in Cincinnati or where? I know OIBA makes use of the well-kept herbarium & Bot. Garden in Geneva from conversation during the recent Pac. Sc. Congress with Dr. Hürlimans.

Please write me your reaction, and mail a carbon to Dr. Tabrah to save time as he wishes to add such information to his application for a Government grant for the project.

We had a stimulating couple of weeks here at the Congress - it would have been fun showing you around the Islands had you been able to come.

Alohs,

AUBURN UNIVERSITY



TELEPHONE TUXEDO 7-6511

22 Sept. 1961

Dr. Otto Degener Hale Degener Wajalua, Oahu Hawaii

ATRMATL

Dear Dr. Degener:

I was very much interested in your airmailed letter of 16 Sept. relative to the project of Drs. T brah and Evelth being undertaken with you and your wife. It seems to me that this is a most worthy project and none too early in view of the gradual dying out of aboriginal knowledge of native medicine.

We would be very happy to cooperate with you here in the permanent preservation of your herbarium specimens, which we recognize as a most essential link in the chain of evidence for the recognition and verification of the flora.

Unfortunately, our facilities (physical) for storage of specimens is rather limited in this School, since we have only a single herbarium case at the present time. It occurred to us that since you are applying for a government grant for this project, possibly provision could be made for supplying us with an herbarium case set aside for the receiption of your specimens only. In the event of larger amounts of material than could be accommodated, the requiest might be broadened to suit.

I am sorry that I could not attend the Pacific Science Congress and have the pleasure of visiting with you and other friends who were in attendance.

The name Alabama P lytechnic Institute has now been changed (a year ago) to Auburn University.

Relative to Lloyd Museum, it is my belief that this has been closed out and the collections distributed. Only the Library remains.

K, ndest best wishes, as ever.

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George M. Hocking

Prodessor of Pharmacouncey

CC: Dr. Tahrah

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Dear Dr. Steere:

A herewith submit my annual report for 1961.

Due to the depletion of NSF funds, Books 6 of the Flora Hawaiiensis during the year increased by a paltry 10 pages. Because our personal funds, likewise, were limited for printing sheets for the Flora, Mrs. Degener and I, or I alone, produced the following articles in various publications at practically no expense:

Degener & Degener Green Hawaii: Past, Present, and Future of an Island Flora. Pac. Disc. 14(5): 15-17. 1981/

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Degener, Otto Scaevola Misconceptions. Taxon 10: 227-228. 1961. Some book trivial www.spaper

A/100/100k reviews and articles chiefly dealing with local plants or conservation were written of which we retained no records.

The year was a stimulating one due to the meeting of the Pacific Science Congress in Honolulu. We gave a paper on Conservation, conducted a field trip, and had as guests at our beach home members of the UNESCO Committe on Humid Tropics. As our material contribution to the success of the Pac. Sc. Cong., we donated \$1,753.00 worth of Floras to this body for free distribution to the visiting scientists.

It was rather revealing that the Congress members were vitally interest ed in the illustrated descriptions of the pantropic species and just mild the partropic species and just mild the species not represented in their home countries. This attitude is presisely the reverse of that of the the partropic NSF examiners deciding on grants in aid.

We botanized during the year on Kauai, Molokai, Maui, Hawaii as well as on the home island of Oahu.

The future for continuous botanical work is bleak as NSF funds have been denisted, and there is no evidence that it will be renewed.

Respectfully submitted,

WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii has not yet adopted a State Flower,

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that endemic species be selected to represent the State of Hawaii, and

WHEREAS, the KOKI'O KE'OKE'O (Hibiscus arnottianus (GRAY) is an endemic species whose flowers are fragrant and of great beauty and simple form, and

WHEREAS, the above mentioned species is deemed to be eminently

worthy of representing the State of Hawaii,
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Conservation Council for Hawaii at its Tenth Annual Meeting strongly recommend to the Governor and members of the Second State Legislature that it officially adopt the above named endemic species as the State Flower for the State of Hawaii.

Box 210 P.O. alice Springs Monthern Derretory Australia V On Otto Degener B.S. M.S. Botanist. Honolulu Havaiian Islands Dear Sir, I am strokying to become a bolanist and am in 1st year Botany, and in the course of my studies, am trying to set up a library of Reference or obtain a copy of your Hora Hairairensis for myself. I once had the pleasure of perusing a copy Mr. George Chip pendale, Government Botanist here has and I thought I would like a copy for my own refunce. If you have any wailable would you please advise me of the costs. yours Sincerely Robert 7- G Swinbourne ROBERT F.G. SWINBOURNE

Waialua, Oahu, Hawaii, U.S.A. May 22, 1962.

Dear Mr. Swinbourne:

I am surprised your letter, addressed simply to Honolulu, ever reached me. I live on the north side of this island, 30 miles from the city. I guess the postman looked in the 'phone book to trace me.

You certainly have an interesting part of the world to explore botanicelly. As you know, many of the weeds and ornamentals in Howaii and Australia are the same. Of course, you must have many endemics of profound interest. If you want to be famous ten to 20 years hence, I advise you to make herbarium specimens of these, properly labeled. Then mail them as gifts to such institutions as the Royal Botanic Garden, Kew, Surrey, Engla nd or to the British Museum, Gromwell Road, London. I bet many of your present finds will be extinct ten or more years hence, and the major botanical institutions will be so grateful for your wisdom in having at least collected material for study. You need not identify the plants to the species. Monographers will do so sooner or later, and with considerable accuracy. Just get them down to the genus.

It costs me close to \$50 to print a single illustrated 2 pages of my book in an edition of \$5,000 copies. That is why my Flora is expensive. Don't you really want it for study rather than for looks? If you are not fussy, I will gladly mail you copies that are damaged, due to shipping or otherwise, at a reduced price. How about answering in an airmail postal? The price would be about half - I guess in your money a couple of bounds or so. OR, if you wish, don't send me money. We live at the beach and have a cement floor. Now about sending me some pendan or other mats for it in exchange for the books? At Alice Springs you should be able to pick up something nice in that line from the aborigines

The new set of the Flora comes to \$11.50; why not get the cheaper, banged up one? The choice is yours.

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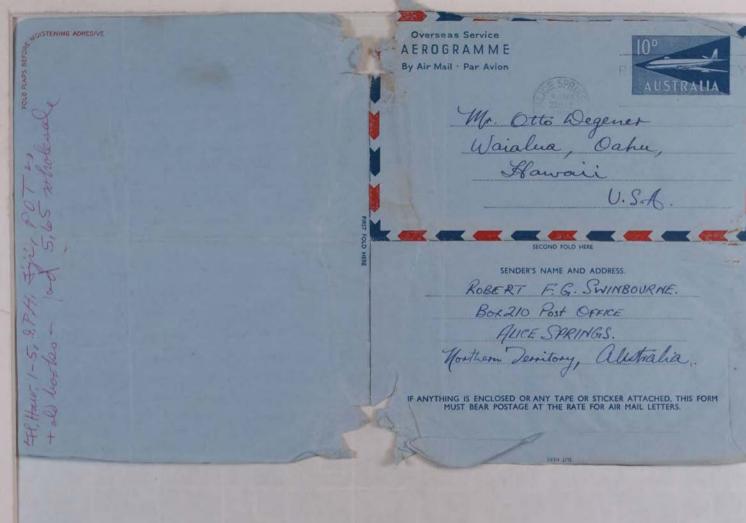
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130x 210 P.O. KOBERT F.G. D. SWINBOURNE. In regards to your note re- Flora. no San Alice Springs not pussy as it is indeed the principal 28/5/1962 reason for wanting your Hora (STUDY) Sol Dear In . Otto Degener Hwas with very much pleasure have forwarded herewith a money order to lover one of your cleaper editions. I received your letter. Get indeed ours is a very as regards wats etc, these are hards Comeby here as our natives are either too interesting part of the world + I find it a most primitive or got to much welfare training interesting part of Australia. to make such things. He natures in the north of here (Darwin + Gulf of Carpentaria) de make them but we rarely see them here study of the genus Bassia All. (cheropodiacon) or (Salsolaceae) and have quite a lot of species Do you practice Systematic Bota not this genes which I now hold in my private - Collection. to you have a herbasium on are your Island must indeed be an you a freelance Botanist! I know very little interesting one botanically. really about the Botany & operations of Balansts Soneday I may have the pleasure of biewing Hawaii & maybe even get to If you have a Aubasium + would like some duplicates of some species of Bassia All meeting you but of course this willocker I would be only too pleased to prevaid same. on me getting rich or something like that) I am do years of age and am made, Well sir I will close for now form Looking forward to receiving four your again form your again forms Since sely Robert J. G. himbourne studying to gain full qualifications or degree in Botany, and am employed in the good -ment Herbanum here.

Jan. 4, 1963.

Dr. W.G. Steere, Dir., N.Y. Botanical Garden, Bronx Park, New York, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Steere:

During the year Dr. Isa Degener and I published with the aid of a grant from the National Science Foundation 92 illustrated pages for Book 6 of the "Flora Hawaiiensis or New Illustrated Flora of the Hawaiian Islands."

Additional publication consisted of the description of Hawaiian novelties with Dr. Sherff in Sherff, E.E., Miscel. Notes Am. & Haw. Dicot.

Occas. Pap. Bish. Mus. 22(12): 208 - 213. 1962.

For lack of funds, field work was limited to about fifteen full days on the "home" Island of Cahu.

December 10 Mrs. Degener and I represented the Garden at the services held for our friend the botanical explorer and Oriental linguist Dr. J. F. Rock in Oahu Cemetery, Honolulu. The service consisted of a short biography of the deceased followed by the placing of two ti (Cordyline) leaves, one with broken kukui nuts, on the urn by a Hawaiian kahuna or priest, a retired forester and intimate friend.

Extra Range: If this is a polymorphic species, then it occurs in numerous 'perties and forms from central Africa to Kores and Japan, Malays, Papus, New Celedonia, Australia, Fili, Samoa, Tahiti and the Marquesas.

The New York Botanical Garden BRONX PARK - NEW YORK 58 - NEW YORK - LU 4-8500

20 February 1963

Dr. Otto Degener Waialua Oahu, Hawaii

Dear Otto:

Thanks for your good wishes. I am now feeling fit, although the weather is still all kinds. My secretary says your idea of including Hawaii in the Garden is a good one.

I confess I cannot quite see through the problem of the Bataceae. The name of the plant, true enough, is Batis, but it seems to have been derived from a Greek word Batos. In the Latin dictionary, however, the word Batis is found and this would make, as you say, Batidaceae. The curious thing is that both words seem to apply first to a kind of fish and, secondly, to some unknown plant. The whole thing is a muddle and I shall have to hunt somebody who knows more about it than I do. Incidentally, not all Greek words ending in is form a stem ending in id. It is a common error, especially of plant pathologists, to suppose that the genitive of Agrostis is Agrostidis. In fact, it is the same as the nominative.

As for the <u>Parkeriaceae</u>, remember that the Code permits the derivation of a family name from a synonym of a generic name. Compare, for instance, the <u>Pabaceae</u> from a now non-existent generic name.

We were all very much gratified, interested and mystified by your anonymous medal. I trust that the matter will be cleared up. I will see if I can find out who you should write to for information. I haven't this at hand now.

The passing of Mr. Monachino does leave us a bit short-handed and we do miss him for some of the things he was doing. I know that Bassett is looking for someone to take his place.

With best regards to you and Isa,

Sincerely yours,

H. W. Rickett Bibliographer

HWR:dl

Liebe Degeners,

In den letzten Wochen hat mich die Beschäftigung mit den Styphelien des Vazifik und speziell mit denen von Hawaii noch einmal Ameinen Aufenthalt bei Ihnen erinnertes waren besonders schöne Tage, voll von Erleben, von denen man später im Gleichmass der beruflichen Arbeit ,von Essen und Schlafen noch lange zehren muss. Was ich nun im nächsten Heft der "Blumea" über die pukeawe von Hawaii schreibe, ist nur ei ne kurze Zusa menfassung meiner Erfahrungen im Feld und eine nomenklatorischer Exkurs unter Einbeziehung der von mir studierten Holotypen im Herbarium von Asa Gray. Davon ausgehend, könnten Siejetzt beide Arten für die Flora von Hawaii fertig machen. Eventuell könnten bei uns die betr.Zeichnungen gemacht werden.doch müsste dafWerst die Zustimmung der Direction vorliegen. Unsere Zeichner sind ziemlich stark besetzt. Aber im Tausch mit Hawaii-Pflanzen(wie schon einmal) lässt sich das wohl arrangieren. Prof. Van Steenis ist über jeden Zuwachs von Pacifik-Pflanzen im Reichsherbar erfreut,im Zusammenhang mit den hier bearbeiten Pacific Plant areas, wovon jetztnach 2 Jahren Warten- die ersten Druckbögen (aus Manila)

vorliegen. Vor einiger Zeit habe ich Ihnen eine Xylosma-Zeichnung mit Kommentar per Schiffspost gesandt.

Unter den von mir im Bishop Museum studierten Styphelien befand sich auch eine S.acerosa var.oxycedrus von Rapa, Stokes 400 und 421,die ich jetzt als eigene Art S.rapae beschrieben habe. Ich habe damals mich nicht entschliessen können, sofort ein Etikett beizufügen, bitte Sie nun ,die betr. Etiketten bei einem Ihrer nächsten Besuche an das Herbar auf die betr. Bögen zu kleben. Miss Neal braucht davon nichts zu wissen.

Habe seit langem nichts mehr von Ihnen gehört, hoffe dass es Ihnen gut geht. Wenn alles klappt, gehe ich im Juli nach Kuching (Sarawak) zum UNESCO Humid Trop. Research Symposium, und bleibe anschliessend noch etwa 2 Monate in Sarawak, Brunei und N. Borneo (Kinabalu...) für meine Ericaceen studien. Angels geht im Sommersemester nach Freiburg und wird dann auch mal einen Besuch bei Isas Mutter machen.

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Dr. Theodor Philipp Haas.

514 South, 44 th Street, Philadelphia 4. Pa.

Den 2. April 1963.

Liebe Degeners! Es war wirklich sehr nett von Ihnen, mir eine Brochure eines Heimes in Waikiki zu schicken Ich war am vergangen Samstag (30. März) bei Dr. Brown und habe 1mm diese Brochure verehrt; er hat sich sehr dafür interessiert. Für den Botaniker aber dem sie zagedacht war kommt so etwas nicht in Frage Obwohl er viele Pflanzen der gemässigten und Tropen, one gesehen hat, eine Pflanze, an der Geld wächst, ist ihm nicht bekannt. Sie ist auch nicht im Index Kewensis vermerkt. Es ist eben nichts vollkommen auf dieser Welt! Es mag das Heim fur Honolulu Verhaltnisse nicht teuer sein, aber ich könnte mir so etwas nicht leisten. Offengestanden mochte ich auch so wo nicht meine Zelte aufschlagen. Vor allem muss man Rücksicht auf alte Leute nehmen d.h.man muss a. B. den Radio abstellen wen die Leute um 10 oder 11 Uhr schlafen gehen wollen, man muss gut gekleidet sein und das ist für den Pflanzen studierenden Botaniker auch nicht so einfach. Ich denke viel an Honolulu und ich besprach die Probleme am Samstag miy Dr. Brown. Es ist dort "ewiger" Fruhling, mit dem wir hier jetzt anfangen. Mein Problem ist, ob ich es als Europaer, der an die kulturellen Dinge, mit denen er in Munchen aufgewachsen ist, and die Dauer , ohne diese, in Honolulu glücklich bin. Wenn ich meine Brücken in Phiadelphia abbreche, ist ein Zurück sehr schwierig Ich denke, durch die Universität, seen wir für 5 Monate, ein mobliertes 7 immer aur ebenen Erde au be-kommen, wo ich bei schönem Wetter im Freien sitzen kann. Wir haben uns ja schon einmal darüber unterhalten. Herr Dr. Taussig versprach mir in freundlichster Weise seinen Beistand Ich mochte das haben, was ich in Philadelphia habe, wenn es auch ein klein wenig mehr kosten sollte, mochte aber mein Philadelphia zimmer beibehalten, sodass ich wieder zurück kann. Fur eine kur e Weile werde ich das schon machen konnen. Ich muss auch sehen, dass ich in H. nicht so einsam bin. Ich bin am 25 Mai wieder bei Dr. Brown Ich habe Herrn Dr. Taussig gefragt, wann ich im Jumi auf der Bildflache erscheinen soll. Ich möchte diesmal nicht nach der Hawaii Insel gehen und in Honolulu bleiben Dort habe ich mehr Anregung. Was ich heuer sehen mochte, ist die Insel Kauai, wo ich noch nicht war und dann mochte ich auf Maui das blühende Silberschwert sehen und photographieren.Im vorigen Jahre war ich zyspat dran Ich mochte das sobald als möglich, im Juni tun und hoffe nur, dass mir meine "Unkrautfreunde" wieder helfen Neine Dattelgeschichte wird jetzt wohl gedruckt werden Der Streick in New York ist jabeendet Meinen Brief über meine Beobachtungen an Carludovica und Cyclanthus habe ich mir schon aufgesetzt und ich habe auch die Adress des Cyclanthus Spezialisten, bin aber zum Schreiben noch nicht gekommen. Es wird jetzt auch schon langsam Fruhling und da bin ich zu einigen Autofahrten eingeladen worden Haselnuss, Ulmen, Erlen blühen und jetzt sieht man auch die Pappelkatzehen. Der Solberahorn hat schon lange abgeblüht; den Rotahorn habe ich aber noch nicht zu sehen bekommen; er muss aber auch schon bluhen Auch die Forsythien bluhen jetyt. In Ihrem schonen Paradies werden Sie diese Pflanzen der gemässigten onen längst vergessen haben Es ist ja hier ein unfruchtbares Land: Keine Bana-nen, keine Puemen Man kann gar nicht begreifen, wie so wo die Leute leben können! Deswegen flief ich wieder nach Hawaii!Das einzige, was mir warm gemacht hat am TV war die Brandung von Hawaii mit dem Brandungsgerausch. Ich habe mir den Japanischen Baby-Fernseher "Sonny" angeschafft, suche mir aber aus dem schrecklichen Frgramm die paar Weinbeerln heraus, die man anschauen kann Ich verstehe nicht, wie sich die Leute stundenlang vor einen solchen Unsinn hinsetzen können Fremde, die 21 einer amerikanischen Familie eingeladen werden, beklagen sich, dass man sie bittet, TV zu sehen und niemand spricht ein Wort mit ihnen. - Am 13. April muss ich vor Bienenzuchtern einen Vortrag halten Ich werde zuerstuber Bestaubung * Huntilhstitute for Botanical Documentation

sprechen und den Leuten neue Bilder von Fledermausbestäubung veigen, die ich vor kurzem in veitschriften sah und kopierte Ich weiss nicht, ob Fledermausbestäubung auch in Hawaii vorkommt, oder bekennt ist Nachher spreche ich über meinen Hawaiibesuch 1962, dem hoffentlich ein solcicher 1963 folgen wird. Von Dr. Lamoureux habe ich nichts mehr gehört Er wurde Vater, als ich in Honolulu war Ich weiss nicht ob es ein Botaniker oder eine Botanikerin geworden ist Augenscheinlich nimmt ihm aber der Spressling so in Anspruch, dass er nicht schreiben kann. Was gibt es bei Ihmen Neues? Neue Pflänschen? Hoffentlich sehen wir uns im Juni wieder und Ihre Frau Gemahlin fahrt mich wieder mit Ihrem Volkswagen Bus. Sie ist ein ausgezeichneter Chauffeur! Frühlingsfleber gibt es in Hawaii nicht, denn da ware man ja das ganze Jahr hindurch krank und würde riesige Arztrechnunge n bekommen. Das geht nicht! Also, auf baldiges Wiedersehen und recht herzliche Grusse von

Theodo Thilly Mais

May 25, 1963

Dear Irma,

Thank you so much for your letter about Otto's award from the Royal Academy in Sweden, and accept my apologies for being so slow in answering, but I have several good reasons. First, I only found your letter when we got home from Europe on April 26th, and second, the pile of mail and bills which I found waiting for me was so large that I hanen't gotten to the bottom of it yet. IEn't it incredible how many time consuming thing there are which have to be taken care of just to get along.

I am so happy to hear about Otto's award. There certainly is no doubt about the fact that he is the only Degener who has brought any real credit to the family name in the last hundred years. Grandfather and Uncle John were honest and respected, but that imn't so much of a trick if you have money. Otto has worked hard and it is nice to see that he gets the recognition which he so richly deserves.

We had a lovely trip which lasted almost three months. We did our usual routine of London, Paris, a visit to the Passavant cousins in Lurich, and then Venice and Florence, which are our true loves. This year we spent a week in Vienna and have fallen completely in love with it. Why didn't someone tell me about this years ago? We spent two weeks in Venice, we seem to go there for longer every year and then went to Florence for the aster festivities, which are very picturesque.

Do let us try to get together some time. I has been such a long time. Please, the next time that you write to Otto, give him and his wife my very best. He wrote me such a nice letter when mother died, and I have a horrible feeling that I never thanked him for it. I tried my best, but there were a few which got lost.

Mary joins me in sending our love.

As ever.

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May 30. Sear asto, Here is as letter to me from Jeorge. He is a mise person. I have known him well since he mo a baky, no I mo in Lugar every summer, almost, for 2 wells. nothing new here. I have frut on as great deal of reight. do probably psychological (old age) as I don't eat much. Very little Thurch and angas alala, Irma

Herrn

Dr.Otto Degener

Waialua, Oahu, Hawaii/USA

Sehr geehrter Herr Dr. Degener!

Wir danken für Ihre Bestellung und lassen Ihnen mit gleicher Post das gewünschte Buch von "Leunis" zukommen. Die Rechnung erhalten Sie anbei.

Wir haben mit Interesse von Ihren Veröffentlichungen Kenntnis genommen und werden diese laufend unserer Kundschaft mit anbieten. Wir hoffen, Ihnen bald Bestellungen übermitteln zu können.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen! Dr.Martin Sändig OHG

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June 5, 1963

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Mr. Otto Degener Waialua, Oahu

Dear Sir:

The enclosed permit grants you the authority to botanize within conservation district areas with respect to your letter of May 31, 1963, but outside of watershed areas, such as Manoa, Kalihi, Nuuanu and Halawa.

I would appreciate a copy of your findings.

WALTER W. HOLT State Forester

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June 17, 1963

Dr. Otto Degener Makuleia Beach Waialua Oahu, Hawaii

Dear Dr. Degener;

I was so happy to receive your postcard, even though it warns me of the dangers of being tripped up when moving around amongst Nestegis sandwicensis. But, to judge from what Dr. Howard and Dr. Theodore Dudley (whom I understand you also know, being a "Torreyador", and who has just recently joined the staff here) say I am sure you would not let a visiting botanist come to any harm this way.

Seriously though, thank you for your encouraging and kind reply to my letter. My hopes are pinned on getting the grant for which I have applied and I will write again when I hear whether I have been successful or not.

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P. S. Green

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FRIENDS OF FOSTER GARDEN Minutes of the Third Annual Meeting Honolulu, Hawaii June 17, 1963

The third annual meeting of Friends of Foster Garden, attended by over 120 members and guests, was held at the Ala Moana Center Banquet Hall. Palms and bromeliads from the Foster Garden collection were displayed in an arrangement by James Hubbard. Following a social hour and buffet dinner, the meeting was called to order at 8:15 PM by vice-president Loraine Kuck.

Paul Weissich nominated to honorary life membership, Colin and Nora Potter, in recognition of the many years of dedication and assistance they have given to Foster Garden. The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

Mrs. Flave George read a citation naming Mayor Neal S. Blaisdell Foster Garden's "Friend of the Year", and Dr. Clay presented him with a gold pin. Mayor Blaisdell addressed the group briefly, calling attention to the accomplishments of the botanic gardens division in the past year, and pointing out the need for continued community effort to preserve Honolulu's green areas in order to prevent a concrete jungle appearance.

Volunteers who gave many hours to regular and special projects were awarded volunteer recognition pins as follows: SILVER - Miss Christian Deming; the Mmes. Harry M. Goda, Frances Crilly, Guthrie Lawyer, H. G. Corey, William Whitaker, Adrian Brash, J. A. Bell, Dan Liu, Miyono Moriwaki, Harry Shiramizu, C. Dudley Pratt, William Lanquist, Mabel Babcock, Margaret Birnie; the Mssrs. Kalfred Yee, Jose Lopez, Charles Middleton, III, Fortunato Teho, (Dr.) Richard Hamilton, J. A. Bell, (Major) C. M. Wills, Jr., (Dr.) Charles Lamoureux, Yoshio Miyashiro, Kiyoshi Tsuhako, Masaichi Yamauchi. GOLD - Misses Loraine Kuck, E. J. Norton; the Mmes. A. A. Carswell, Flave George, Alma Merrill, Andre T. K. Hai, J. Scott B. Pratt, Marion Johnson, Harlan Benner, Colin Potter, Boyd MacNaughton; the Msrs. C. M. Wills, (Dr.) Horace Clay, J. Scott B. Pratt, Ted Green, Howrie H. Warner, Irwin Lane, Colin Potter.

Dr. Horace Clay read the president's report (see Supplement 1) and Mr. Weissich read the director's report (see Supplement 2). Mrs. Lewis gave a brief report on membership and a treasurer's report (see Supplement 3).

Oscar Kirsch read the list of nominations prepared by the nominating committee, consisting of Donald Anderson and Dr. Richard Hamilton, as follows:

Board of Trustees: Renominated after serving three years: H. H. Warner, Mrs. A. A. Carswell, Dr. Horace Clay. New members nominated: Major C. M. Wills, Jr., Charles Middleton, III, Kenneth Morley, Donald Anderson, James Hubbard, Kay Lewis.

Nominees to the Board of Trustees were elected unanimously.

Mr. Kirsch read the nominations for new officers for 1963-64, as follows: president, Major C. M. Wills, Jr.; vice-president, Mrs. Flave George; recording secretary, Charles Middleton, III; corresponding secretary, Kay Lewis; treasurer, Dr. Charles Lamoureux. The new officers were elected by unanimous ballot.

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Minutes of the Third Annual Meeting

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Director Weissich, on behalf of Foster Garden and its staff and the membership of Friends of Foster Garden, thanked the retiring officers for their years of service.

Mr. J. Scott B. Pratt introduced Mr. David Barry, principal speaker of the evening Mr. Barry presented an illustrated lecture on plant collecting for Honolulu. He is responsible for many of the unusual palms and bromeliads and other plants which are in the Foster Garden collection.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned following the lecture.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Middleton Recording Secretary

FRIENDS OF FOSTER GARDEN Minutes of the Annual Meeting

Supplement 1

President's Report

As your first officers prepare to turn over their duties to a new group, it seems appropriate to take a look back over the two and a half years of our existence, noting what has been accomplished and then considering what the future holds.

In the autumn of 1960 a small group of us who were interested in helping Foster Garden, and who felt that many others would feel the same way, got together informally. We acted as our own lawyer to draw up a set of By-laws and the application papers which would make us an official non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Hawaii. I think we were all a little surprised when the document actually came through and we suddenly found ourselves in business. That was November, 1960.

We mailed out several thousand invitations and had our first invitational meeting early in 1961, right here in this room (Ala Moara Banquet Room). Those who came were the charter members. Others have continued to join until we have now reached a membership of about 600. We had our first annual dinner and meeting here in June. This is the third annual gathering tonight.

In this period we have established a pattern of yearly routine. This includes one or two sales of surplus plants from Foster Garden. Altogether these sales have brought in about five thousand dollars. This money has all gone to increase the number of new plants which have been introduced to Hawaii for the first time.

We have established an annual Plant Show as a service to the public. This year's show on the Living Lanai attracted a large crowd and was an cutstanding success.

We have established a program of lectures, talks or demonstrations on the subjects which may interest our members. We have arranged outings to various branches of Foster Garden. This year we went to Wahiawa and to Koko Crater.

We have put out the Newsletter about once a month to keep you all informed of what is going on.

Finally, we have established this annual dinner and meeting for the entire membership as a round-up of the year's events.

In addition to these routine matters we have accomplished a number of special things the past year. Foremost among them was getting our own office and a paid executive secretary. Kay Lewis has worked many more than the hours she has been paid for and has straightened out and maintained all the complexity of business which has suddenly come our way.

One of the projects we can be proud of is the completion of the first unit of our Orchid Garden, the Phaelanopsis Terrace. This first unit was developed through an anonymous gift of $\psi 5000$ given in memory of the late Dr. J. H. Beaumont. We will soon be putting up a bronze plaque in his memory.

Perhaps of most far-reaching effect was the bringing here of Paul Hutchison, senior botanist with the University of California. He has advised as to the development of Koko Crater, with its dry land plan exhibits, and through him we have alread received some 1500 new plants from the University to grow permanently in Koko Crater

In this connection we have made a donation from the Plant Sale funds of two thousand dollars to the next plant hunting expedition of the University of Californi This will go to the headwaters of the Amazon River, with Paul Hutchison as its leader. From this we will get many of the new plants never before brought out of the wilds and we will get our name known widely as an active participant in such first-rate botanical research.

During the year we lost our first honorary member, Dr. Joseph F. Rock. In his memory we have set up the Rock Memorial Library. We have been collecting books for the past two years. We hope to canvas all the institutions around the world with which Dr. Rock was associated, asking for contributions of books in his memory. These will belong to our corporation and be available for use to those interested in plants.

We are continuing our battle to acquire the two acres at Muuanu and Vineyard for expansion of Foster Garden. A special committee consisting of Mary George, Anne Benner, Marion Johnson and Scott Pratt has worked long and diligently and continues to spearhead our campaign.

Among the important events which we have started this year, but which have not yet been brought to completion is the opening of a shop and the publication of a journal.

The shop will be set up at the new entrance off the new parking lot at River Street. There we will sell postcards and films and all the various items which visitors may be likely to buy. Income will help to pay for our expanding activities.

We hope soon to begin putting out some kind of a journal covering botanical and popular subjects which we can circulate not only to members but to other botanic gardens and to institutions all around the world.

I have enjoyed serving as President of this organization and am very happy to be able to continue to serve you as a member of the Board of Trustees.

HORACE F. CLAY, President Friends of Foster Garden

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FRIENDS OF FOSTER GARDEN Minutes of the Annual Meeting

Supplement 2

Director's Report

I depart from routine by beginning this annual report by recognizing, with deep gratitude, the two important sources of life and sustenance which have produced a year worth reporting. Reference is made, of course, to the City and County of Honolulu--its Mayor and Council--and especially to Mr. Ted Nobriga, Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, within whose helpful jurisdiction the Division of Botanic Gardens is organized. You will feel as strongly as I that the City and County has been a most generous, benevolent and wonderful "parent". Secondly, I refer to the Friends of Foster Garden, whose constant and remarkable assistance is deeply appreciated. If the City may be referred to as the "parent" organization, the Friends of Foster Garden is our "Aunte Mame"--you have produced enthusiasm, spice, and a large measure of sound counsel. A broad "mahalo" to you all.

A critical attribute of the past year was the completion of plans and specifications for all construction at Foster Garden. Under the architectural leadership of Mr. Harry Seckel, a fleet of consultants—architect and several species of engineers (structural, electrical, etc.) produced some 105 sheets of working drawings. Construction on the first increments—the entrance and parking facility and a new storage and potting house in the nursery—is underway. In addition construction will scon begin on toilet facilities and a waterfall-viewing belvedere in Liliuokalani Garden, in accordance with Mr. Seckel's plans. Completion of all current construction is scheduled for early fall.

We were pleased on August 24 last year to open the new Wahiawa Botanic Garden facilities—public parking, entry walk, office and toilet facilities. Since that time work in this garden has involved installation of sprinklers, clearing and planting—primarily in the arcid collection.

Other construction activities included the completion of the first increment of the Lyon Orchid Garden—the Phalaenopsis Terrace which will be dedicated to the late Dr. Herbert Beaumont. The planting of this increment was done by Foster Garden staff working under Ted Green. The planting will be expanded over the years as new material is made available to us. The next step in the Orchid Garden project has been initiated—bids on delivery of a considerable quantity of moss rock and sprinkler system elements were received last week. Seventy-five per cent of the "soil mounding" has already been completed. By the end of summer it is planned to complete the basic construction for the balance of the orchid garden and begin planting out available Foster Garden orchid specimens. The bromeliad garden, bordering the orchid garden, will also be started this summer. Mr. David Barry has agreed to assist us. We will make every effort to keep progressing on these two projects within the limits of existing funds and staff. Your questions and assistance will both be welcome.

I must report that no action has been taken relative to initiating construction for the Pre-historic Garden. It was decided to concentrate available energies and funds on the orchid project in an effort to approach a nearer state of completion.

Some of you will be interested to hear that necessary steps have been taken to re-open the Kapiolani Hibiscus Garden. We have been working there all spring. No definite date can be set, but I can report a "hopeful" fall season opening time if all continues to go well.

A last construction note involves the Koko Crater Botanic Garden site where the basic road system was graded. This job is still being pursued primarily by Ted Green working in conjunction with Mr. Roger James, who provides a free bull-dozer. There is now a navigable road to, and around, the crater. Further work will be put in during the next few weeks to widen and smooth the basic road and also to clear a parking space at the entrance of the main crater.

Of prime importance to our Koko Crater planning was the consultation by Mr. Paul Hutchison financed by the Friends of Foster Garden. Mr. Hutchison is senior botanist at the botanic garden, University of California. He is an authority on drylard flora and rendered a service of tremendous value in both planning and plant accessioning. We have received some 1500 plants from his collection, including orchids for our orchid project and ferns for the Wahiawa site, as well as a number of dryland succulents.

It was during Mr. Hutchison's stay in Honolulu that the noted Dr. Joseph F. Rock passed away. Dr. Rock was associated with Foster Garden for over fifty years and was one of its greatest benefactors. In his honor the City has created the Joseph F. Rock Memorial Library at Foster Garden. May I take this opportunity to solicit your aid with this project by donating either funds or books to the Friends of Foster Garden earmarked for the Rock Memorial.

I shall touch only briefly on our plant exchange program. Through financing provided by the Friends of Foster Garden some thirty shipments were sent out to contacts all over the world. In return we have received a number of new things which will possibly be the subject of a lecture-meeting and display later this year. Suffice it to say that the program continues to move ahead. Through Paul Hutchison, incidentally, we have made a series of new contacts of considerable worth in Central and South America, Germany, Madagascar and East Africa.

A very important aspect of the Division's work, and one which is very timeconsuming, revolves around the street tree program. The past year saw the delivery
of the first increment of modern tree maintenance equipment. The current budget
authorizes funds for the purchase of a second increment. Construction funds were
made available for a series of tree planting and civic beautification projects, a
number of which were completed and some are currently under construction. I am
advised that additional funds for further tree projects are authorized in the
new budget. Of prime importance was the writing and submission of a street tree
ordinance, Honolulu's first. It is now under legal review by the Corporation
Counsel and will be submitted to the community upon its release by that office.

Rather than pursue complete details of the financial structure, personnel and other phenomena of the Division of Botanic Gardens during the past year, I summarize by noting the following:

Last year (fiscal 62-63) the City provided for the Division of Botanic Gardens

1. a workforce of 46 men and 2 women

- 2. payroll for these workers amounting to \$229,000
- 3. \$11,800 for materials and supplies
- 4. \$62,000 for new equipment for the street tree program primarily
- 5. \$75,000 to begin construction at Foster Garden
- 6. (the State gave an additional \$30,000 for Liliuokalani Garden.)
- Sent the Director to San Francisco in August to represent Hawaii at the International Shade Tree Conference.
- provided \$60,000 for various street tree projects
 Keep in mind that the City had just completed payments on the new
 land along Nuuanu Stream—a bill of \$600,000.

In the current budget, that is for July 1963—July 1964, my latest information has the following notes:

- 1. work force to be augmented by a 4 man street tree planting crew
- 2. \$247,000 payroll
- 3. \$17,225 for materials and supplies
- 4. \$55,120 for new equipment for street tree program primarily
- 5. \$100,000 for various street tree projects
- 6. \$365,000 for land acquisition (the now famous--and probably the world's most famous--two acres!)

You will agree, I am sure, that the City is in back of us all the way.

I am also sure that you join me in extending our thanks and approving smiles to the Mayor and Council.

One tremendous source of assistance in operating our botanic gardens and in serving the public has been the remarkable devotion and persistent work rendered by the volunteers of the Outdoor Circle. This program, now in its eighth year, has been of untold value. Details of their services have been noted in prior annual reports. We take pride in noting another year of wonderful assistance which is herewith acknowledged with hearty thanks.

In closing may I again thank every one of you who has helped us so much the past year and leave with you my sincere hope that you will continue to support your Honolulu botanic gardens during the coming year.

PAUL R. WEISSICH, Director Homolulu Botanic Gardens

FRIENDS OF FOSTER GARDEN, INC.

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Financial Statement - Year Ending May 31, 1963

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ASSETS: Cash in Bank, May 31, 1963	\$1919.72
Cash in Frist Federal Savings & Loan, May 31, 1963	2912.01
Total Cash	\$4831.73
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Total Assets:	<u>\$4831.73</u>
LIABILITIES:	
Orchid Memorial Garden Fund	\$ 89.17
Plant Exchange Fund	1960.85
General Endowment Fund	1500.00
Rock Memorial Library Fund	24.60
Total Restricted Funds	\$3574.62
Payroll Taxes Payable	109.25
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Total Liabilities:	3003.07
Membership Equity:	
Balance, June 1, 1962	2359.90
Excess, Expenses over Income for period June 1, 1962 - May 31, 1963	1212.04 *
Membership Equity, May 31, 1963:	1147.86
Total Liabilities and Membership Equity:	\$4831.73
Income and Expenses - Year ending Ma	
INCOME: Membership Dues	\$2866.25
General Gifts	329.50
Interest on First Federal Savings & Loan	312.01
additional Fees, Morning Glory Course	9.00
Total Income	\$3516.76
EXPENSES:	
Secretarial Salary	\$1600.00
Volunteer Expense	305.60
Office and Membership Expense	1031.84
feetings Expense	33.18
Shop and Building	393.82
Scholarships	213.00
Land Acquisition Matter	116.83
Abrary Expense	17.75
Taxes (Fayroll, Workman's Compensation, etc.)	3 45 //
Equipment Purchases	150.66
	313.25
	313.25
Spring Plant Show	313.25

Prepared after audit by C. M. Wills, Jr.,
for Treasurer, august 1963.
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br. Theodor Philipp Haas.

514 South, 44 th Street, Philadephia 4. Pa.

Den 21. Juni 1963.

Lieber Herr Dr. Degener! Soeben kam "Science" und da las ich unter "Scientists in the News": Otto Degener, collaborator in Hawailan botany, New York Botanical Garden, has received Linne medal from the Royal Swedish Academy of Science. Ich mochte Ihnen zu dieser Auszeichnung recht herzlich gratulieren. A Dröpferl davon, derke ich, geht auch zu Frau Dr. Gisa! Goebel erhielt einst die goldene Medaille der London Linne Society Also auf, zu weiteren Taten! Ich bin also am 29 Juni wieder im so wunderschönen Honolulu und, wenn es ein Telephon gibt, werde ich mich bemerkbar machen Dr. Taussig ist so wundervoll mit mir und hilft mir so guttg Ich werde mein mudes Haupt zunächst wenigsten, in Idlander Hotel in Waikiki hinlegen Diesmal bringe ich Farbdias für Vortrage mit.Ich hoffe dazu Gelegenheit zu haben zuerst bringe ich meine 1962 Hawail Bilder mit Dann habe ich meine Bilder zu einem Vortrag "Botanische Reisen in Kolumbien und Peru" zusammen gestellt. Hier zeige ich die Bilder von meiner unvergesslichen Fahrt von Lima ins Amazonental. Die Reise machte ich 1959 Der dritte Vortrag heisst: "Bluten" Da spricht der Morphologe und vernachlassigt dabei vollkommen die Systematik. Das ist sicherlich nicht schon von einem Botaniker, aber dieser denkt, doch die Geschichte recht interessant zu gestalten. Ich will zuerst an Hand von der Blüte von Gynadra gynadropsis zeigen, was eine Blüte ist. Das zu erklaren ist namlich ger nicht so einfach. Ich zeige dann Blutentypen, radiare und dorsiventrale Bluten, dann kommt Heterostylie, Birgeschlechtlichkeit und einhäusige und zweihausige Pflanzen und auch Scheingwitter. Es folgen dann sexueller Demorphismus und die Auffaligkeit von Bluten verursacht durch andere Organe als diejenigen des Perianths Dann spreche ich von sog. Pseudenthien, blütenartige Infloreszenzen Ich komme dann zur Bestäubung, Insekt-Fledermaus Bestäubung Ich bringe dann Bilder, von besonders interessanten Fallen, wie die Bestaubung bei Ophrys, Aristolochia, Vanda (als Beispiel fur Bestaubung mit Pollinien) Asclepiadaceen (Asclepias und Dischidia) und schliesse mit der unerklarten Rückkehr von Angiospermen vur Windbestaubung Ich bringe hier Bilder von Ambrosia triffda, dem Ragweed, der Heufieder verursacht Ich habe Bilder fast von der ganzen Welt herausgesucht und so glaube ich die Geschichte recht interessant zu machn Wenn ich in Honolulu bin, schreime ich dann eine Liste der Bilder. Einen Projektor werde ich hoffentlich in Honolulu vorfinden. Den meinigen mit zunehmen, rentiert nicht; er ist zu schwer. Ich habe dann noch ein paar interessante Bilder bei mir. Ich habe einen Bekannten, der Imker ist und dieser bat mich, seine Bienen zu photographieren. Ich habe wirklich auch recht interessente Aufnahmen mathen konnen, chne dabei ein "Opfer der Wissenschaft" zu werden! Ich bekam gestern auch eine Drucksache von der Hawaiian Botanical Society Ich mochte gerne Mit-Elied werden, wenn ich auch auf der andern Seite der U.S. hause Ich bin Mit-Elied des Philadelphia Botanical Club Dieser mach mit Dr. Wherry als Fuhrer, am 29 Juni eine Excoursion in die N.J. Pinebarrans, meine "Feeding Grounds". Sie hatten heuer dort viele Feuer. Soweit das Wissenschaftliche. Ich habe allerhand bei mir Radio (FM) und nun auch TV. Ich finde das letztere ausserodentlich interessant, wenn ich auch nicht verstehe, wie die Geschichts geht Ich hoffe, in Honolulu auch die Sattelite-Webertragungen von Europa zu bekommen, wie wir sie ih Philadelphia haben (Die Kennedy-Reise und die Rom ereignisse, die ausgezeichnet kommen). Also, nochmals, herzliche Glückwunsche und dann auf baldiges Wiedersehen.

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Weislas, Caha, Hawaii, U.S.A. 25 Juni 1965.

Liteber Herr Dr. Domke:

wir haben Ihren Brief 7.0.65 bekommen, und jetzt haben wir ein kleinen Paket fertig mit der freglichen Dryopteris. Was der Typus ist wissen wir noch nicht? Ob mit den brownen bemogren oder der Typus ist wissen wir noch nicht? Ob mit den brownen bemogren oder der Typus ist wissen wir noch nicht? Ob mit den brownen bemogren behander til ihre im Hause alaht.

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In der jetzigen Schachtel habe ich zwei Kliche eingelegt die vielleicht gebraucht werden Könnten - vielleicht zum lehren.

In meinem B Hai Brief habe ich geschrieben was wir über die "Largepteris soweit ausgearbeitet haben. Um aber etwas Druckwertes heraus zu bekommen, brauchen wir einen Koautor der Süd amerikanische Exemplare vor sich haben würde.

Toh furchtete mich die unfertige Zeichnung mit den Pflanzen zu schicken, da so etwas sehr viel Zeit nicht zu nachen. Die könnte ich, wenn nötig, als Brief achieken. Ze ist ein Hebitusbild. Dir Brauchen noch die Einzelbeiten.

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Können Sie 50 bubletten von einer humser einer enderdichen Pflanze gebrauchen für ihren Tausch mit enderen Museun? Um so eine Furzer sehr wert zu geben, sollte eine gute Zeichnung gewocht werden, und die Pflanze kritisch identifiziert werden. Wir, ohne Bibliotheque und Berbar hier im Humse, hoben schwierigkeiten so etwas zu tun. Vielleicht wurde Berlin richtig dafür sein. Wir müchten nothrlich golche Art in unserer Flora Bewaltensis Duch 7 drucken.

slohe nui lee voe Frau Degener und,

BOTANISCHER GARTEN UND MUSEUM BERLIN-DAHLEM

An die Direktion der Botsnischen Gartens und Museums*

Dr. Otto Degener

Berlin-Dahlem, den 26.7. 1963 Königin-Luise-Straße 6-8 Fernsprecher: 76 46 72 - 74

Mit Herrn Dr. Hörmann habe ich mich wegen eines Austausches unserer

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(Dr. Schultze-Motel)

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The Rachel McMasters Miller Hunt Botanical Library

Carnegie Institute of Technology Pittsburgh 13 Pennsylvania

November 6, 1963

Dr. Otto Degener Waialua, Oahu Hawaii

Dear Dr. Degener:

I am very thankful for your kind letter of July 9. Please excuse my late answer, but you will understand that there are so many things to be done and plenty of letters to be written if one changes his environment from the Old to the New World. I think you are now back from your trip to Lanai, and I do hope it was successful to you.

Now we have got settled and met already a lot of kind people. Since October we have been owner of a car and made some fine trips on the weekends; especially we could admire the splendid fall leaf colors, although the dry weather-and thus the amount of dust--detracted a bit from the wonderful impression.

My work at the Hunt Botanical Library is interesting, but I have to do a lot of things so that the progress in the true study of books is not as rapid as one could wish. I am in this country on the basis of an exchange visitor, with an admission to the U.S.A. for one year which will be extended for another year. For the same time I got a leave of absence from Berlin. As far as I know it is not possible to get an immigration visa directly after the date of expiration of the exchange visitor's visa, but then must be two years spent abroad before you are entitled to re-enter the U.S.

I am very glad that Dr. Lawrence has provided a sum for me to take part in the next International Botanical Congress to be held at Edinburgh, August 1964. During the Adanson-Symposium which took place at the Hunt Botanical Library, August 18-19, 1963, I had the opportunity to learn to know many American botanists whose names I was familiar with but never saw before, and there were also some whom I had met earlier in Europe.

I hope you both are feeling well. Did the reprints and the drawing reach you in the meantime?

With best regards and good wishes.

Yours very sincerely,

G. Buchheim

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Dear Otto and Isa:

Thank you for your notes that we found when we got home and your letters. Isa, thank you for feeding Candy the day you came by. Martha Willett was supposed to feed her but child-like I guess she forgot.

Have your letter with the keys to your house. I might got up this weekend and borrow our camp icebox, Carol Ann is having 3 friends over from Oahu for the weekend. There is no school on Monday, Veteran's Day. Carol Ann is beside herself with joy and can hardly wait for Friday afternoon.

Adolph went into town weekend before last for a checkup with Dr. Waite but it turned out to be a fruitless trip, Dr. Waite was called in for emergency surgery and Adolph never did get to see him. Adolph is fine, however, he works a full day now. If he gets too tired, he rests. We try to go to bed early week nights.

We thought so of you two when we went over the Munro Trail to gather mistletoe. It was a gorgeous day, crisp and clear and we had a wonderful time.

Otto, I do hope that you are better. According to your letter you go for your blood test tomorrow. I do hope that everything will be o.k. with you, and that you will be able to return to Lanai about the 14th.

The Finance Committee of the Legislature is spending the morning on Lanai today. Adolph is busy escorting some of them around. They will look at the airport, school and small boat harbor at Manele. They have lunch here and then go on to Molokai. From Molokai they go to Maui. Let's hope they see fit to do something about our airport. The DC-3's are pau this December and with them goes our transportation.

There is such a nice mip in the air -- so holidayish. We have had some rain but how island wide it was I don't know.

Heard from the Aldrich's. At the time Billie was visiting her home in West Virginia. Now, according to their itinerary, they are in Lisbon. I do Mpe they have a wonderful, safe trip. They will be travelling a lot.

Fondest aloha to you both and please let us know how you are.

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SERVICE OF ETERNAL LIFE

FOR

GEORGE CAMPBELL MUNRO

Born: Clevedon, New Zealand May 10, 1866 Died: Honolulu, Hawaii December 4, 1963

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The Organ Preludes

The Words of Eternal Life

"FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON, THAT WHOSOEVER BE-LIEVETH IN HIM SHOULD NOT PERISH BUT HAVE EVERLASTING LIFE."

"I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE; HE THAT BELLIVETH IN ME, THOUGH HE WERE DEAD, YET SHALL HE LIVE; AND WHOSOEVER LIVETH AND BELIEVETH IN ME, SHALL NEVER DIE."

"THE SOULS OF THE RIGHTEOUS ARE IN THE HAND OF GOD; THEY ARE IN P ACE AND THEIR HOPE IS FULL OF IMMORTALITY; FOR GOD PROVED THEM AND FOUND THEM WORTHY FOR HIMSELF."

The Lord's Prayer (in unison - using the word "trespasses")

The Old Testament Lesson: (in unison)

"THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD, I SHALL NOT WANT;
HE MAKETH ME TO LIE DOWN IN GREEN PASTURES
HE RESTORETH MY SOUL.
HE LEADETH ME IN PATHS OF RICHTEOUSNESS FOR HIS NAME'S SAKE.
YEA, THOUGH I WALK THROUGH THE VALLEY OF THE SHADOW OF DEATH,
I WILL FEAR NO EVIL
FOR THOU ART WITH ME
THY ROD AND THY STAFF THEY COMPORT ME.
THOU PREPAREST A TABLE BEFORE ME IN THE PRESENCE OF MINE ENEMIES,
THOU ANOINTEST MY HLAD WITH OIL, MY CUP MUNNETH OVER.
SURELY GOODNESS AND MERCY SHALL FOLLOW ME ALL THE DAYS OF MY LIFE,
AND I WILL DWELL IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD FOREVER."

The New Testament Lesson: (in unison)

"A NEW COMMANDMENT GIVE I UNTO YOU, THAT YOU LOVE ONE ANOTHER....GR ATER LOVE HATH NO MAN THAN THIS, THIT A MAN LAY DOWN HIS LIFE FOR HIS FRIINDS."

"PEACE I LLAVE WITH YOU, MY PACE I GIVE UNTO YOU. NOT AS THE WORLD GIVETH
GIVE I UNTO YOU. LET NOT YOUR HEART BE TROUBLED, NEITHER LET IT BE AFRAID.
IN MY FATHER'S HOUSE ARE MANY MANSIONS. IF IT WERE NOT SO, I WOULD HAVE TOLD
YOU. I GO TO PREPARE A PLACE FOR YOU. AND IF I GO AND PREPARE A PLACE FOR
YOU, I WILL COME AGAIN TO RECEIVE YOU UNTO MYSELF, THIT WHEEL I AM, THERE YE
MAY BE ALSO. PEACE I LE WE WITH YOU, MY PACE I GIVE UNTO YOU."

The Meditation and Prayer

by The Rev. Abraham K. Akaka

The Benediction

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NEWSLETTER

July-August 1964

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ANNUAL BANQUET

This year's banquet, held at the Pacific Club on June 23, was attemed by

100 people.

Officers elected for 1964-65 are: C. M. Wills, Jr., president; Mrs. A. A. Carswell, vice-president; Kay Lewis, recording secretary; Charles Middleton, corresponding secretary. It was voted by those present to have the office of treasurer filled by the Board of Trustees during right at the Bank of Hawaii onto Aiea

New members elected to the Board are Mrs. L.A.R. Gaspar, Dean Conklin, and Raymond Won. Re-elected to three-year terms are Miss Loraine Kuck, Mrs. J. Scott B.

Pratt, and Fortunato Teho.

Named "Friend of the Year" was Miss Marie Neal, Botanist of Bishop Museum. The membership voted unanimously to present Miss Neal with an honorary life membership as part of her recognition.

Volunteer recognition pins were awarded as follows: (Silver) Mrs. R.G.A. Crowe, Mrs. Frank W. Broadbent, Mrs. L. A.R. Gaspar, Oscar Kirsch; (Gold) Mrs. C. Dudley Pratt, Mrs. H. G. Corey, Mrs. Harry Goda, H. Shirley Bush, Paul Lee, Masa Yamauchi, Yoshio Miyashiro, C. M. Wills, Jr. If you need a ride, or are willing to Additional pins will be awarded to other members, unable to attend the banquet. They will be announced in a later newsletter.

Speaker for the evening was Dr. George Gillett, Botany Department, University of Hawaii, who discussed the plants that South America has given the world. His lecture was illustrated by slides from the collection of J. Scott B. Fratt.

PLANT SALE IN THE OFFING

A plant sale is being planned for late this summer. Palms, cactus, some bromeliads, as well as interesting shrubs will be offered. Included in the shrubs is the rather spectacular red-flowering Combretum, which is now in flower along the Vineyard Blvd. fence.

ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report is being prepared and will be mailed to the membership as soon as completed.

AIEA LOOP TRAIL WALK

Dr. Charles Lamoureux, Botany Department, University of Hawaii, and a member of our Board of Trustees, has offered to corduct a walking tour of the Aiea Loop Trail above the medicine heiau

on Aiea Heights.

The tour is set for Sunday, August 30. Members (guests are welcome) should follow Moanalua Rd. to Aiea town, turn Heights Drive, and follow the drive to Keaiwa Heiau State Park (approximately three miles). Continue through the park and on to the end of the newly extended road to the large parking area at the end of the road. You should plan to meet with the group there at 9:00 AM.

Dr. Lamoureux will discuss the plant materials along the trail in some detail, so bring notebook and pencil if you wish. The trail covers about three miles, is fairly level, and fairly easy walking. The walk will conclude about noon. The state park area provides an inviting picnic area for those who wish to bring

picnic lunches.

We will not run a bus to this tour. offer a ride to others, call 571708 or 59373 and leave your name. We will do our best to help you.

STREET TREE NEWS

The Division of Botanic Gardens has furnished two types of trees for the new Makakilo subdivision near Barber's Pointabout 150 Tipuana tipu and 100 Koelrueteria. Both trees have yellow blossoms, and should make an interesting display when they reach sufficient size, as this is a hillside subdivision and the trees should be visible from the highway.

This adds another 250 trees to the 22,000 street trees our Division of Botanic Gardens street tree section is

obligated to care for.

LYON ARBORETUM TOUR

Dr. George Gillett has offered to conduct a tour of Lyon Arboretum some time in late October, weather permitting. Watch subsequent Newsletters for deta 13

SUNDAY TOURS AT FOSTER GARDEN

During the months of July and august several volunteers have conducted a free public tour of Foster Botanic Garden, each Sunday at 2:30 PM. The response from the public has been gratifying, with attendance at 75-100. This will probably become an annual program.

Volunteer guides are: Mrs. Miyono Moriwaki, Mrs. J. D. Babcock, Mrs. R. N. McCullough, Mrs. Nevin Dauer, Kay Lewis, Yoshio Miyashiro. Loraine Kuck initiated the project am serves as chairman.

ANNUAL MIMBERSHIP CONTRIBUTION

Most members have been very prompt in renewing their memberships. Our membership year runs from June 1st of one year to may 31st of the next. This sometimes causes confusion, as many organizations operate on the calendar year. If you are in doubt as to the status of your membership, please call the office, 571708, or leave a message at 59373.

May we remind you that entrance to plant sales, the annual banquet, certain tours and lectures throughout the year, is open to members in good standing only.

projects, and initiate new ones, we will need your membership contribution and continued support.

BI-LINGUAL GUIDES ORGANIZE

In an effort to supply guide service for non-English speaking tour groups, the Friends are organizing a group of bi-lingual guides. The first group is English/ Japanese, and will serve under the chairmanship of hrs. Miyono horiwaki. She has already gathered a class of about 12 men and women for training at Foster Garden. Yoshio Miyashiro is gathering information as to Japanese common names for some of the plant material in the garden.

If you are interested in serving with this group, call Mrs. Moriwaki at 998518, our office, or 59373.

FLORA PACIFICA PICTURES

Many members have inquired if any pictures were taken of the exhibits at Flora Pacifica. We have a series of slides with "our man in the Andes". The materof the various areas of the show, and dup-Licates may be ordered at 304 each. The slides are on view at our office, 8:30 to 12:00, weekdays.

PACIFIC VISITORS

The Board of Trustees hosted a lunch at The Willows on July 24th for a group of young men who are working in various fields of horticulture in the Pacific area, or are completing their educations in these fields. They are attending a two-month seminar at the Center for Cultural and Technical Interchange at the East-West Center. The group is under the direction of Project Office James Hubbard (also a member of your Board of Trustees).

They have toured the University and East-West Center grounds, the various gardens of Honolulu Botanic Gardens, some homes and gardens of interest in Honolulu, visited Lyon Arboretum, HSPA, etc., and made one trip to the outer islands, with another one scheduled soon. Part of their orientation has included a briefing of the function of Friends of Foster Garden, Outdoor Circle, Garden Club, and like organizations in our community. A few have expressed an interest in initiating similar organizations in their areas.

Most of them have evidenced a willingness to participate in a plant exchange If we are to carry forward our current program with Honolulu Botanic Gardens. This will bring us plants from such areas as Tonga, Ponape, Palau, Guam, Samoa, Truk, Western Samoa, Tahiti, Okinawa, New Guinea, New Caledonia, and Japan.

One of the members of the group, Ichiro Sakanashi, horticulturist with Higashiyama Botanical Garden, Nagoya, Japan, has been assisting Yoshio Miyashire with identification of Fester Garden's plant material by the common names used in Japan. We expect this to be a great help in conducting our Japanese/English tours.

Most of the group are interested in seeing private gardens of special beauty or interest, so if any of our members would care to host any of the group on a Saturday or Sunday, they should contact Mr. Hubbard at 918694.

ANDEAN EXPLDITION

Mack Wills, Jr., has volunteered to prepare occasional reports on what's what ial will be excerpted from Paul C. Hutchison's reports and letters, and will finclude progress notes from Director We'ssich on plant material received.

by C. M. Wills, Jr.

Many of our members may have wondered, as I did, what happens to the funds we have appropriated for "plant imports" and "plant collecting". For instance, we are sponsoring, to the tune of almost \$3,000\$, the participation of Honolulu Botanic Gardens in the University of California's Seventh Botanical Expedition to the South American Andes. The director of this expedition is Paul C. Hutchison, senior botanist at the University of California Botanical Garden on the Berkeley campus. He is "our man in the Andes". He was joined by J. Kenneth Wright, a graduate student in zoology on the Berkeley campus, who serves as expedition zoologist and general assistant.

In addition to our sponsorship, the expedition is also receiving funds from the Strybing arboretum Society; the Chicago Natural History Museum; the Associates in Tropical Biogeography at Berkeley, University of California Ectanica Garden, Herbarium, Museum of Vertebrate Zoology, and the Department of Entomology on the Berkeley Campus. Also funds have been donated by many private individuals with an interest in the expedition's work.

We hear from Paul fairly often, as mail wimis out from the interior am wings across the Pacific, and his letters and field reports are crammed with botanical interest and humorous incidents in the life of "our man in the andes". It has come to the attention of the Board of Trustees that many of our members would be interested in what takes place on a field trip of this sort. So to satisfy the amateurs in our body and pique the curiosity of our professionals, I propose to put a series of reports in our Newsletter composed of quotes from Paul's letters and reports on what goes on in the andes, and comments from the Honolulu Botanic Gardens staff as to what kinds of plants we are receiving as our share of the expedition's collecting and how they are faring.

Paul stopped off on his way to Peru last November at a little town in Colombia called Bitaco, to investigate a plant collecting source, for which we appropriated \$100 to cover a shipment of sample plants. The nursery is owned and run by a man named Kyburz who.... with Dr. Idrobo of the Universidad Nacional (Bogota) met us at the airport. Our official visas whisked us thru customs in a flash, ahead of everyone, to our amagement and to the bewildement of passengers. Kyourz's place is not in Cali, but 1½ hours away, over the western cordillers on the Pacific slopes, where his small finca of over 10 hectares (about 25 acres) is largely wild. The nursery consists of cleared forest floor where introductions are established. The native vegetation is superb, and I've made extensive pressed and living collections with Dr. Idrobo's help this past week. Dr. Idrobo is a keen botanist and one of Colombia's leading biologists, specializing in Marantaceae and allies. We are getting a good group of Maranthia, Heliconia, and Aroids together, which Kyburz will ship with what I have taken.

"The marvel of the visit was in finding Kyburz not in Cali, but in a botanically unexplored valley, and with his and Dr. Idrobo's vast knowledge of native flora to assist in choosing and naming plants. We have been twice to Bagua Valley and made general collections. It is a wonderland of xerophytic plants (Ed. note - drought-resistant plants) - a new species of Melocactus, a Cephalocereus, an Acanthocereus or Armatocereus, two Opuntias, a Hylocereus, magnificent Bromeliads, an Agave (probably new) and a magnificent series of shrubs. One is a Malphigiaceae with fine pink flowers and a brilliant scarlet berry. The valley is in peak flower now. I noted a Tillandsia, terrestrial, with leaves two feet long, and a red spike to six feet with deep blue flowers and purplish bracts, but no seed, so will try to find small ones to send. Furcraeas, pilea, peperomia,

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orchids and a Commelinaceous dwarf with small glossy or waxy appearing leaves. A month from now would be a fantastic seed harvesting time, but I can't be here then. Even Dr. Idroba was so taken that he plans to return."

A tour of the Foster Garden lath houses with Director Weissich shows that most of this shipment is doing very well. I saw about a dozen Anthurium sp. flourishing; these are mostly foliage Anthuriums, and an especially attractive one is Anthurium elegans. There are two new Spathiphyllum doing well, and about a dozen Maranta are responding beautifully to the excellent care and frequent misting they are getting in Foster Garden's lath house. There are several new species of Philodendron, most of these ready to move into bigger pots, they have done so well. Paul has also sent two new Cycade, and they are in excellent condition. Almost all of the cactus came through well, and some are ready for transplanting into bigger pots.

Bear in mind that this was just the result of a week's collecting, and that the major portion of the expedition was yet to begin. The next Newsletter will move on to Peru, with more information and anecdotes from "our man in the Andes", including a short story to introduce you to "Stinky".

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Dr. Otto Degener Waialua, Oahu, Hawaii

Dear Otto:

It was a pleasure to learn more about your travel since that brief glimpse of you and Isa at Edinburgh.

It's a pleasure to hear that activity continues on the Hawaiian flora. I have had a chance to see some of the publications referred to, thanks to you.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Program Director for Systematic Biology