News Notes

Dr. LeRoy Holm has resigned from the University of Wisconsin after 25 years of service. Beginning July 1, he will be at the East-West Center of the University of Hawaii, Honolulu, Hawaii, for about a year to work with Dr. Juan Pancho of the Philippines and Dr. Don Plucknett of the University of Hawaii on a world weed manual. This will be the culmination of 6 years of work on an inventory of the principal weeds of the world’s major crops.

Dr. Richard Behrens, Weed Scientist at the University of Minnesota and former President of the Weed Science Society of America, will be on sabbatical leave from Minnesota for a year beginning in July 1971. He will be located at the Climate Laboratory, Plant Physiology Division, Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, Palmerston North, New Zealand. He will work there on techniques for studying the influence of environmental factors on herbicidal phytotoxicity.

Dr. Anton Lang of Michigan State University has been selected to serve as Chairman of a study on the ecological and physiological effects of the use of herbicides. The work will be done under a contract initiated by the Department of Defense with the National Academy of Sciences. Special emphasis will be placed on the defoliation program conducted in the Republic of Vietnam.

The Michigan Pesticide Association has scheduled its summer tour for July 27 and 28. In addition to viewing the usual test plots, a new activity will be a weed identification workshop. Tour headquarters will be the Holiday Inn (South), Lansing, Michigan.

The University of Tennessee held its Second Annual Winter Short Course during the week beginning January 25, 1971 on the Knoxville campus. In attendance were 42 golf superintendents and their assistants, park managers and supervisors, grounds managers, horticulturists, landscapers, and turf product sales representatives. Dr. Lloyd M. Callahan, Associate Professor of Agronomy at Tennessee, directed this short course.

More than 150 scientists met February 17–19, 1969, at Riverside, California for an international symposium on triazine herbicides. Papers were presented that covered all aspects of triazine-soil interactions at this symposium sponsored jointly by Geigy Agricultural Chemicals and the University of California. These papers now have been published in Volume 32, Residue Reviews entitled “The Triazine Herbicides” by Springer-Verlag, New York. This volume is an excellent reference for weed scientists interested in triazines.

Marcel Dekker, Inc., New York, has published “Naturally Occurring Insecticides”, a book edited by M. Jacobson and D. G. Crosby. The chemistry, toxicology, and uses of insecticides of natural origin are considered. Supplementing the more common botanical insecticides, microbial insecticides discovered and developed in recent years also are reviewed.

The WSSA Terminology Committee and ANSI K62 recently have approved the following common and chemical names:

- asulam for methyl sulfinylcarbamate
- butachlor for N-(butoxymethyl)-2-chloro-2',6'-diethylacetanilide
- delachlor for 2-chloro-N-(isobutoxymethyl)-2',6'-acetoxylidide

Accordingly, these common and chemical names should be used in future reference to these compounds in WSSA publications.

WEEDS TODAY has New Editor

Dr. Gale A. Buchanan, Auburn University, became Editor of WEEDS TODAY May 27, 1971. He also now serves as Chairman of the Popular Publications Committee. You have received two issues of WEEDS TODAY magazine since the annual meeting of WSSA in Dallas. We hope to publish two more issues this year. Your continued support of this magazine is appreciated.

The Society is indebted to Dr. Earl G. Rodgers, former Editor of WEEDS TODAY, for his effectively and efficiently initiating WEEDS TODAY on a very short deadline in June of 1970. While we can recognize the results of his efforts in the quality of the magazine, none of us can fully appreciate the amount of extra time, effort, and talent required for this accomplishment. The dedicated and coordinated efforts of all members of the Popular Publications Committee who worked toward making WEEDS TODAY a reality are recognized. — D. L. Klingman, WSSA President

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