

## News and Notes

Mr. Harold Kerr has been appointed as Agent (Research Agronomist) by the Field Crops Research Branch, USDA, to assist in weed investigations at Columbia, Missouri.

F. D. Keim died in Washington, D. C. on March 7, 1956. He was formerly Chmn. of the Agronomy Dept., Univ. of Nebraska, and a charter member of the North Central Weed Control Conference. Dr. Keim was instrumental in initiating cooperative research in bindweed control in 1935 between the USDA and various states.

W. B. Ennis, Jr., of the Weed Investigations Section, USDA, has been transferred to the Plant Industry Station, Beltsville, Maryland. He was formerly stationed at State College, Mississippi.

Warren H. Zick received his Ph.D. degree from the Univ. of Wisconsin in January, 1956. He is now employed as Asst. Director of Agricultural Research and Development, Pacific Coast Borax Co., Los Angeles, California.

L. L. Jansen, Weed Investigations Section, USDA, was transferred from Logan, Utah, to the Plant Industry Station, Beltsville, Maryland in March, 1956.

*Weeds of the Northeast* is the title of Delaware Agri. Exp. Sta. Field Manual No. 1, released in January, 1956. This identification guide uses basal-leaf characteristics rather than the usual flower and seed characters. The publication was accepted by the Northeastern Regional Weed Control Technical Committee as its official weed identification guide for the northeastern states. The manual, which describes 346 weeds, is available from the Univ. of Delaware Agri. Exp. Sta., Newark, Del., at \$0.75 per copy.

W. R. Furtick, Farm Crops Dept., Oregon State College, made an extensive tour of the United States early in 1956. He visited weed workers at a number of state institutions, research organizations and commercial concerns.

An Aerial Applicators Meeting was held on March 13 and 14, 1956, at Lincoln, Nebraska, to discuss problems related to the aerial application of herbicides and insecticides.

The officers and meeting places for the various weed conferences for the coming year are as follows:

### Southern Weed Conference

President—W. B. Albert, Botany Dept., Clemson College, Clemson, South Carolina.

Vice-president—E. G. Rodgers, Dept. of Agronomy, Univ. of Florida, Gainesville, Florida.

Sec.-Treas.—W. K. Porter, Jr., Dept. of Plant Pathology, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Next Meeting—January 23, 24 and 25, 1957, at the Bon Air Hotel, Augusta, Georgia.

#### Northeastern Weed Control Conference

President—L. L. Danielson, Virginia Truck Exp. Sta., P. O. Box 2160, Norfolk, Virginia.

Vice-president—C. L. Hovey, Eastern States Farmers' Exchange, West Springfield, Mass.

Secretary—R. J. Aldrich, Farm Crops Dept., Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Treasurer—D. A. Schallock, Farm Crops Dept., Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Next meeting—January 9, 10 and 11, 1957, Hotel New Yorker, New York City.

#### Western Weed Control Conference

President—Henry Wolfe, Dept. of Agronomy, Washington State College, Pullman, Washington.

Vice-president—Dick Fosse, American Chemical Paint Co., Denver, Colo.

Sec.-Treas.—W. R. Furtick, Farm Crops Dept., Oregon State College, Corvallis, Oregon.

Next meeting—February, 1958, at Spokane, Washington.

#### North Central Weed Control Conference

President—E. A. Helgeson, Dept. of Botany, North Dakota State College, Fargo, North Dakota.

Vice-president—F. W. Slife, Dept. of Agronomy, Univ. of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois.

Sec.-Treas.—D. W. Lambert, Nebraska State Dept. of Agriculture, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Next meeting—December 11, 12 and 13, 1956, at the Sherman Hotel, Chicago, Illinois.