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ASIAN-PACIFIC WEED SCIENCE SOCIETY

The Asian Pacific Weed Science Society held its Third Conference at Kuala Lumpur, W. Malaysia from 7 - 12th June.

The highly successful Conference was attended by over 200 delegates from 19 countries. Australia was represented by Messrs. A.C. Arvier, A.H. Cates, K. Potharst and K.A. Watson. Mr. Watson was appointed secretary of the Society at the General Meeting held at the conclusion of the Conference.

The proceedings of the Conference are to be published and copies can be ordered from:

Dr. D.E. Barnes,  
8 Lorong Aru Pertama,  
4th Mile off Jalan Ampang,  
KUALA LUMPUR. MALAYSIA.

The cost of the proceedings is not yet known, but will be published in the Newsletter in due course.

Details of the next A.P.W.S.S. Conference to be held in New Zealand are given elsewhere in this Newsletter.

Those wishing to join the A.P.W.S.S. can do so by payment of U.S. \$4.00 to the Treasurer of the Society:

Mr. R.C. Billman,  
C/- Monsanto Far East Ltd.,  
P.O. Box 13510,  
HONG KONG.

The U.S. \$4.00 covers two years membership.

Cheques need to be made out to R.C. Billman because of certain peculiarities in Hong Kong banking procedures.

NEWSLETTER No. 1

Third Conference

Most members are aware that the 3rd Conference at Kuala Lumpur was organized and run with no outside financial support. Through the splendid efforts of the organizing committee and support by members, the Society is now financially in good shape. This has greatly eased the task of organizing the 4th Conference.

Newsletters

Dr. David E. Barnes has undertaken to publish a quarterly newsletter on the activities of the Society. Members are encouraged to contribute notes and news items on any subject of interest to Dr. Barnes. His address is -

8 Lorong Aru Pertama  
4th Mile off Jalan Ampang  
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Fourth Conference

This is scheduled to be held on 12-16 March, 1973, Rotorua, New Zealand at the Rotorua International Hotel. This hotel has first class accommodation with geothermal swimming pools, etc. The present rate is \$10.50 bed and breakfast, and Conference facilities \$20 per day.

Rotorua is one of the geothermal attractions of the world and has excellent boating, fishing and hunting facilities. The forest Research Institute (New Zealand Forest Service) is centered at Rotorua and the Ruakura Agricultural Research Centre, Department of Agriculture, is at Hamilton (about 70 miles from Rotorua). March has been selected as temperatures are fairly equitable during this period.

Programme

Members of the Executive have been appointed Area Sessional Conveners. It is the responsibility of the sessional conveners to organize a suitable programme for the area under his control. (Listed below). His particular functions are -

- (1) Solicit and encourage papers.
- (2) Help new authors in preparation of papers.
- (3) Ensure papers are of an acceptable standard. (Notes on preparation of papers and slides will be circulated to all intending authors).
- (4) Ensure three fully corrected copies of papers and abstracts reach the Programme Committee by 1 December, 1972.

Reviewed Sessions

It is anticipated that most papers will fall into reviewed sessions, i.e. abstracts of papers will be forwarded prior to the Conference to all members financial by 1 November 1972 and full sets of papers will be available to members on registration at the Conference. Authors will be given up to 5 minutes to review their papers and show slides before discussion.

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F.A.O. International Conference on Weed Control

The Weed Society has recently received the Report of F.A.O. International Conference on Weed Control which was held in Davis, California in June - July 1970. The working papers presented at the conference have been published by the Weed Science Society of America in a volume obtainable by writing to Dr. F.W. Slife, Treasurer-Business Manager, W.S.S.A., Department of Agronomy, University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois 61801, U.S.A.

MEMORANDUM FROM International Plant Protection Center, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon 97331.

To: Weed Science Societies or Conferences  
From: William R. Furtick Date: May 13, 1971  
Subject: Proposed International Weed Science Council

For several years the possibility and desirability of organizing an International Weed Science Council has been discussed by members of the International Affairs Committee of the Weed Science Society of America and other weed science workers in Europe and Latin America.

At the F.A.O.- Conference on Weed Control, that was held at Davis, California, June, 1970, the participants discussed the need for international co-operation in research, education, extension and regulation in weed science and weed control.

The following is an abstract of the report of the Conference, submitted to the Director-General of F.A.O.

"Proposals were made for the establishment of an International Weed Science Council (I.W.S.C.) to promote this co-operation. The objectives of such a Council might include:

- a) Public relations to enhance the status of weed science.
  1. Collection and dissemination of weed loss data essential for the promotion of weed control practices.
  2. Collection and dissemination of data on ecological shifts of weed species due to cropping systems and specific herbicide use.
  3. Helping to promote the formation of professional organizations in countries or areas where they do not exist and where interest is apparent.
  
- b) Communications
  1. Development of lists of weed workers throughout the world based on areas of specialty.

2. Development of contact personnel from whom one can readily acquire assistance concerning research programs.
  3. Development, co-ordination and distribution of current meeting plans to member organizations.
  4. Encourage the various societies to sponsor special symposia of international interest. Where this does not appear feasible, the Council could develop special symposia.
  5. Encourage the publication of special reports of general interest to weed scientists with titles such as 'New Herbicides', 'New Weed Problems', etc.
- c) Collaboration in research
1. Organize special committees to encourage the development of research programs where the need exists to transcend single regions.
  2. Encourage the establishment of standardized nomenclature and terminology.
- d) Liaison
1. Aid organizations not, as yet, concerned with weed control in the development of special weed control activities within their society.
  2. Liaison with industries of all nations, having products of potential value to weed control, in the evaluation of these products in respect of their capacity to solve specific weed problems, and in relation to the magnitude of such problems.
  3. Encourage the liaison and representation of weed science in various international bodies and research programs where the interest of weed science is essential.

In order to initiate the I.W.S.C., an interim council should be established. One of the most critical problems anticipated in the implementation of the proposal and the effective functioning of the council, will be the communication within the council. Annual meetings will be necessary if the council is to be effective in fulfilling the objectives listed. It is felt that a majority of the members would be available at some meeting site each year. The International Plant Protection Center at Oregon State University has volunteered to act as an interim secretariat to establish the needed communication to get the interim council established."

The Conference recommended that

- a. An international organization to be known as the International Weed Science Council (I.W.S.C.) be created,



- b. In order to initiate the I.W.S.C. an interim council be established comprised of twelve members as follows: 2 appointed by the Weed Science Society of America, 2 from the European Weed Research Council, 2 from the Asian-Pacific Weed Conference, 2 from Latin America and the other four from geographic areas as widely representative of the rest of the world as possible.

The organization of an interim council and means of getting a functional council established was given thorough discussion at the time of the Weed Science Society of America meeting in Dallas in February 1971.

In order to get the interim council organized, the Weed Science Society of America has appointed Dr. Leroy Holm and myself to represent them on the interim council. The European Weed Research Council has appointed Dr. Wybo van der Zweep and Mr. John Fryer on the same basis. The Pacific-Asian Weed Society and the Latin American Weed Society are each being asked to appoint two interim council members.

All societies are being asked to express their ideas, interest and suggestions. Additional delegates will be selected based on interest and geographic area.

It is planned to have the interim council meet to start organization of the permanent council in conjunction with the Latin American Weed Society in Mexico City in November of 1971. There is no budget for delegates, so this will need to be considered by the societies.

Your suggestions and interest are earnestly solicited.

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