

PERSONALIA

HARRY A. MACDONALD, a Cornell University agronomist who developed Lotus corniculatus as one of the country's important legumes retired June 30, 1975. The Nova Scotia native received the B.S.A. degree from MacDonald College at McGill University, and the M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from Cornell. After graduation from McGill, he was a research assistant at the Dominion Experiment Farm, Nappan, Nova Scotia, working on cereal and forage research.

At Cornell he studied every aspect of birdsfoot trefoil. He developed two varieties, Empire and Viking, the most important American varieties now accounting for about 90% of all trefoil produced in North America. In addition, he has conducted research on other special and high-protein crops, including soybeans, sunflowers and seed rape. He has taught courses on field, forage, and pasture crops, as well as on tropical crops, and on grassland and agronomic research.

Following retirement, he plans to write in the area of his past work and interest. He will also work with problems of food crop production and quality and continue his interest in agricultural research development and organization which will involve considerable travel outside of the United States.

All "Lotologists" will wish him a pleasant and productive retirement. We will look forward to any thoughts on Lotus he may wish to send along.

The election of WILLIAM F. GRANT as Vice-President of the International Organization of Plant Biosystematists was announced in July during the XII International Botanical Congress in Leningrad.

WAYNE F. KEIM, has taken up a new position in the Department of Agronomy, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado 80521.

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DWIGHT T. TOMES assumed the position of Forage Breeder in the Crop Science Department of the University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario, Canada, and will be working primarily with Lotus corniculatus.