taxonomy is in need of readjustment from this broader viewpoint.

The Japan Society of Plant Taxonomists 1) considered in 1948 the proper publication of scientific names in order to prevent mistakes and confusion. In 1949 a committee was appointed, including Professors F. MAEKAWA, H. HARA, Y. KOBAYASHI, H. ITO, and T. TUYAMA, to consider improvements. Their recommendations, discussed in the meeting of November 4, 1950, concerned effective publication of new names, following Article 36 of the International Rules (as adopted by the Amsterdam Congress in 1935), and do not restrict in the least publication of any description, so long as it contains no new names. It is recommended that the international point of view be considered, instead of a narrow national outlook. New names should be presented in publications in strict accord with the International Rules in order to avoid inconveniences.

"The Society, in accordance with this international point of view, recommends that hereafter new names should not be published in the following:

(1) Popular journals, common scientific journals, ordinary books (dictionaries, encyclopedias, etc.) (Examples given.)
(2) Technical non-botanical journals, and journals which do not intend to publish original articles, dissertations, etc. (Examples given.)
(3) Mimeographed publications. (Examples given.)
(4) Publications which cannot be obtained easily by persons concerned with general plant taxonomy (i.e. publications for local members of a society which are not offered for sale, alumni bulletins, reports of natural monuments, etc.). (Examples given.)
(5) Publications that have a very limited distribution abroad. (Examples given.)

There is no objection to using new names for the purpose of some explanations, but those new names should be recognized as valid only when they are published in due form. When new names are published in periodicals of other than phytotaxonomic interest, such as college reports, institutional reports, forestry society journals, and reports of practice forests, it is desirable to distribute reprints to the chief research institutes, both domestic and foreign."

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**SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON NOMENCLATURE OF CULTIVATED PLANTS**

Chairman: Dr W. H. CAMP (Philadelphia).
Secretary: Mr W. T. STEARN, Lindley Library, Royal Horticultural Society, Vincent Square, London S.W. 1.

The secretary prepared the following report on the London meeting of this committee, announced in Taxon 1 (2) : 29.

The joint meeting of the Stockholm Bot. Nom. Committee and the London Hort. Nom. Committee held on November 22 to 24, 1951, at The Royal Horticultural Society's Offices, Vincent Square, London, S.W. 1, proved a very satisfactory one. It was well attended and general agreement was reached on all matters discussed; these covered the Appendix VII (Stockholm Revision), additional proposals circulated before the meeting and others made at the meeting. Members present were A. P. BALFOUR (Slough), B. K. BOOM (Wageningen), W. H. CAMP (Philadelphia), J. M. COWAN (Edinburgh), J. W. S. CRACKNELL (London), H. P. DAEPP (Münzingen), J. E. DANDY (London), J. S. L. GILMOUR (Cambridge), H. G. HILLIER (Winchester), N. HYLANDER (Uppsalá), W. E. TH. INGWERSSEN (East Grinstead), J. LANGE (Copenhagen), J. LANJOUW (Utrecht), R. MAATSCHE (Herrenhausen), J. M. S. POTTER (Wisley), W. T. STEARN (London), F. C. STERN (Goring-by-Sea), A. THORSRUD (Vollebekk), R. DE VILMORIN (Paris), and R. ZANDER (Berlin); A. G. L. HELLIER, A. SIMMONDS and P. M. SYNGE attended as observers. W. H. CAMP was elected Chairman. The presence of Committee members from Denmark, France, Germany, Holland, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, and the U.S.A. as well as Great Britain ensured that business was conducted on an international basis and resulted in a beneficial exchange of ideas and concepts; the Committee's decisions should therefore be internationally acceptable. The preparation of the report, i.e. a new international code of nomenclature for cultivated plants embodying and correlating these decisions, was left to the Secretary.

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1) This Society may be addressed in care of the Botanical Institute, Faculty of Science, University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan.
HORTICULTURISTS AND BOTANISTS BEFORE THE HOPE, WIDELY AND CRITICALLY STUDIED BY OTHER GILMOUR. IT IS INTENDED THAT THE NEW CODE SHALL BE PRINTED AND PUBLISHED IN APRIL 1952, AT THE 13TH INTERNATIONAL HORTICULTURAL CONGRESS, LONDON, IN SEPTEMBER 1952.


RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED NOVEMBER 24-26, 1951.

(Item I.). Whereas the joint meeting of these two Committees was carried on in a spirit of complete harmony and whereas such a joint meeting resulted in a beneficial exchange of ideas and concepts between those engaged in various fields of plant nomenclature IT IS RESOLVED that such joint meetings are of great benefit to all concerned and should be continued. IT IS THEREFORE RECOMMENDED that the members of the Committee on the Nomenclature of Cultivated Plants of the International Botanical Congress be invited to attend the International Horticultural Conference to be held in London in 1952 and to participate in the discussions of the Committee on Nomenclature of the International Horticultural Conference to be held in conjunction with the sessions of that Conference.

(Item II). Whereas throughout the joint sessions of these Committees it became increasingly evident that basic lists of names of cultivated material and adequate registry of the names of plants introduced into cultivation are not only of incalculable value to horticulturists but also the key to fundamental stabilization of the names of cultivated plants. Whereas to-day there are complete lists only for relatively few groups of plants and incomplete registry of new introductions IT IS RESOLVED that the International Horticultural Conference should do all in its power to stimulate the production of basic lists and an adequate registry for cultivated plants. To this end IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Committee on Nomenclature of the Horticultural Conference be charged with

(a) furthering the preparation of a series of compendia and lists giving the correct names of plants now in cultivation with relevant synonyms and

(b) that the function of this Committee be enlarged to include a study of ways and means of achieving better and more adequate registry of the names of plants as they are introduced into cultivation.

IT IS FURTHER RECOMMENDED that the name of this body officially be changed to "The International Committee on Horticultural Nomenclature and Registration" and IT IS FURTHER RECOMMENDED that a list of organizations and agencies be drawn up and that these organizations and agencies be invited to send representatives to the meeting of this Committee in London in 1952 for the purpose of co-ordinating and enlarging the registry of cultivated plants.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE FOR FUNGI

Three mimeographed circulars have been sent to the members of this Committee, all three concerning certain names for clavarioid fungi:


M. S. DOTT, Honolulu, Hawaii: idem.


Recent publications concerning the nomenclature of the fungi:

