



Professor C. M. Wang

## In Commemoration of Academician C. M. Wang on His Eightieth Birthday

Professor C.M. Wang, professor of the College of Chinese Culture and the National Taiwan University, was born on Oct. 12, 1896, at Kinghwa, Chekiang, China. This issue of the Botanical Bulletin is dedicated to him with our highest regards in recognition of his contribution to biometrics and experimental techniques.

Professor Wang obtained his BS degree in agriculture from the Imperial Tokyo University, Japan, in 1923. Immediately after graduation, he returned to China to begin his long and productive teaching and research careers in several universities. He joined the National Peiking Agriculture University in 1924 and the National Peiping University from 1928 to 1938. During this period, he took his sabbatical leave and spent one year at the University of Cambridge, England, to study biometry with Professor Wishart in 1936. Later he served in several universities including the Kwangsi University in 1938, National Sun Yat-Sen University in 1939, and National Yunnan University in 1945. After World War II, he joined the National Taiwan University in 1946. He was elected academician of the Academia Sinica in 1959. Following retirement from National Taiwan University on July 31, 1973, Professor Wang joined the College of Chinese Culture as a research professor in biometry serving the agriculture research group.

As a devoted scholar and educator, Professor Wang has trained a great number of research workers specializing in agricultural research and experimental design. He has also dedicated himself to bridge the gap between theory and practice in experimental statistics. He set up the Biometry Research Laboratory in the Department of Agronomy at National Taiwan University in 1946. Under his direction, this laboratory has undertaken cooperative projects with other agricultural organizations and has always been praised for its achievements. His writings are numerous and valuable. His pioneer work has profoundly affected and improved the technique of agriculture experimentation in this Country.

Recently, he devoted himself to the study of fertilizer response surface, sampling technique, and estimation efficiency on agricultural census as well as field plot techniques for rice, tobacco and banana.

On this happy occasion, the member of the Institute would like to express their good wishes to Professor Wang.

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