

tions of the Munsell colour solid. It facilitates finding names for Munsell's symbols. If required a separate set of colour chips can be purchased and mounted on the points indicated in this diagram.

The present colour chart can prove its value only when it is universally used. It fills a long felt gap and fulfills the aim of giving reliable names and, if required, colour symbols for diagnostic purposes. It is recommended, that from now on this colour chart should be used for all mycological and possibly other biological descriptions.

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J. Smolák, E. Haspel-Horvatovič and O. Majerník (Ed.). 1970: Pathological wilt of Plants. Proceedings of an international symposium at Nitra, Czechoslovakia, 1-6 September 1966. 127 pp., bound.

This booklet contains the text of an opening lecture, 9 papers by Czechoslovakian authors and 6 papers by authors from Italy, Russia, Germany and Rumania. Most papers are in English with a German summary and only a few in German with an English summary, one paper is written in Russian and is followed by an English and a German summary. The contents are classified under three different heads, which are, in contrast to the English title of the book, in German.

1. Die Pflanze als Objekt im Prozess der pathologischen Welke (the plant as object in the process of pathological wilting).
2. Gründe der pathologischen Pflanzenwelke (origin of pathological wilting of plants).
3. Der Pathogen und seine Spezialisierung bei der pathologischen Pflanzenwelke (the pathogen and its specialization in the pathological wilting of plants).

This subdivision seems somewhat arbitrary. Several papers do not deal with pathological wilt *sensu stricto*, but concern rusts, necrosis etc., which makes the contents rather heterogeneous. The proceedings appear 4 years after the conference; this certainly is a drawback for a publication in a field with such rapid developments.

Although the English text does not always read smoothly, it is quite understandable and the number of printing errors is limited. In a 'conclusion' the hope is expressed that this conference will be the first in a series of similar meetings in the physiology of parasitism and related problems.

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Publications received

The publications marked with an asterisk will be reviewed in due time

*C. Booth: The genus *Fusarium*. Commonw. Mycol. Inst., Kew, Surrey, England. 1971. pp. 237, 70 fig. Price £ 3.00 (\$ 7.80).

G. W. Hurst & R. P. Rumney: Protection of plants against adverse weather. World Meteorological Organization, technical note no. 118 (WMO-No 281), Geneva, Switzerland, 1971. pp. 64, 28 fig., 11 tables.

*C.-M. Messiaen & R. Lafon: Les maladies des plantes maraîchères. 2nd edition. Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique, 149, rue de Grenelle, 75-Paris-7e. Price F 64.50.

P. D. Turner: Micro-organisms associated with oil palm (*Elaeis guineensis* Jacq.). Commonw. Mycol. Inst., Kew, Surrey, England. 1971. pp. 58, Price £ 1.00.

*VIII^e Symposium européen sur les maladies à virus des arbres fruitiers. 1971. Annales de Phytopathologie (supp. 3), pp. 560. Price F 65.

Bibliography of potato diseases through 1945; with common and scientific names. 1970. Miscellaneous Publication no. 1162. Agricultural Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. For sale by the superintendent of documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. pp. 243. Price \$ 1.25.

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*Ziekten en afwijkingen bij bolgewassen. Deel 1: Liliaceae. 1971. Laboratorium voor Bloembollenonderzoek, Lisse, The Netherlands. pp. 129, 200 fig. Price Dfl. 11.25.