

OBITUARY NOTICES

Prof. Dr. H. Strouhal (1897-1969)

On 25 January 1969 Prof. Dr. Hans Strouhal, emeritus professor of zoology at Vienna University and former director of the Naturhistorisches Museum in Vienna, died at his home in that town. Hans Strouhal was born in Vienna on 2 October 1897. He studied biology at Vienna University, obtaining his Ph.D. in 1926. He then became assistant at the Zoological Institute of the University of Vienna and also worked in the Crustacea section of the Natural History Museum there. In 1933 he became professor of zoology, but in 1938 he was dismissed of all his functions by the nazi authorities. After the war under Strouhal's energetic leadership the Vienna Museum, which was damaged during the war, was built up again and brought to new life. In carcinological circles Strouhal is best known for his impressive and fundamental oeuvre concerning terrestrial Isopoda. A bibliography of Strouhal's work and a biographical sketch were published by H. Scholler (1961, Ann. naturhist. Mus. Wien, **65**: v-xvi, 1 portrait) at the occasion of Strouhal's 65th birthday.

Dr. K. Schijfsma (1895-1968)

Miss Kaatje Schijfsma died in Leiden on 23 November 1968. She was born on 28 October 1895 in Pankadjene, on the island of Celebes in the former Netherlands East Indies, where here father was a physician. She studied biology at Leiden University and obtained her Ph.D. in 1934 on a thesis entitled "Observations on *Hydractinia echinata* (Flem.) and *Eupagurus bernhardus* (L.)". From 1921 until her retirement in 1960 she has been assistant at the Zoological Laboratory of Leiden University, and many generations of Dutch biologists owe her their practical knowledge of comparative anatomy. Apart from her work on the interrelations between *Pagurus* and *Hydractinia*, Miss Schijfsma was a specialist in Dutch Amphipoda and published several papers on that group.

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