

I. Foreword

On behalf of all maize geneticists, it is a pleasure to acknowledge our indebtedness to Miss Ellen Dempsey for editing and supervising the assembly of this volume of the Maize News Letter. Hers is an arduous and demanding task which she has performed exceedingly well and without the proper recognition. Acknowledgment should be given to Marian Beremand, Michael Freeling, Judith Wall and Margaret Walsh for their assistance in proof reading.

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Announcements:

We have been asked to call your attention to the seventh edition of the Maize Research and Breeders Manual, published by Illinois Foundation Seeds, Inc. and prepared by Clarion B. Henderson. The 1972 revision is now available upon request from Illinois Foundation Seeds, Inc., P.O. Box 722, Champaign, Illinois 61820. The next revision is scheduled for 1976.

As indicated in C. R. Burnham's report from Minnesota, reprints of his book "Discussions in Cytogenetics" can be purchased from the author.

Errata:

1) Through an unfortunate oversight, the name of the author of the first article in the 1972 Maize News Letter was omitted. This article, on page 3, was contributed by Istvan Kovacs, Head of the Plant Breeding Department, Agricultural Research Institute, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Martonvasar, Hungary.

2) On page 100, the title of article 3 should read "Induced mutations on prolific type of maize".

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