



*Dr. Raymond A. Schroeder*

## Distinguished Faculty Award to Raymond Schroeder

Dr. Raymond A. Schroeder, professor of horticulture and since 1950 chairman of the department at the University, has received the fourth annual Distinguished Faculty Award and \$1,000 cash stipend given to the outstanding teacher of the year at the University. The award is made by the University of Missouri Alumni Association.

The presentation took place at the 121st annual Commencement exercises in Memorial Stadium, with Alumni President Edward W. Sowers officiating.

Guy H. (Bus) Entsminger, Director of University Development and Alumni Activities, said the award recognized Dr. Schroeder for his outstanding teaching, research, and other contributions to the continuing cultural and academic development of the University. The selection is made by a special committee of the University named by President Elmer Ellis; the committee membership remains anonymous.

Dr. Schroeder has been a member of the staff since 1934, and received his three degrees from the University. He earned his B.S. degree in 1933, and was appointed a research assistant the next year while working for his Master of Science degree. He received his M.S. (in horticulture) in 1936, and his Ph.D. (in horticulture) in 1938.

During his student days Dr. Schroeder was elected to Sigma Xi, science research society; Gamma Sigma Delta, agricultural honor society; and Gamma Alpha, national graduate scientific fraternity. In 1938 he was

elected a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

During World War II Dr. Schroeder spent nearly four years on leave in military service. He entered the U. S. Army in 1942 as a first lieutenant and served as a food and nutrition officer throughout the war, including two years of assignment with the Fifth Air Force overseas in New Guinea, The Philippines, Okinawa, and Korea. He is now a lieutenant colonel in the U. S. Army Reserve.

Dr. Schroeder was born in Kansas City, Mo., where he attended high school and junior college, and during spare time worked for a Kansas City produce firm and on truck gardens in Jackson County. He entered the University of Missouri in 1931.

Dr. Schroeder became head of the Department of Horticulture in 1950 when Dr. T. J. Talbert, who had been chairman for 28 years, was made professor emeritus of horticulture.

Recently Dr. Schroeder returned from two months in Brazil, where he served as agricultural nutrition officer on a nutritional survey of Northeast Brazil sponsored by the Brazilian government and the Interdepartmental Committee on Nutrition for National Development of the National Institutes of Health.

Dr. Schroeder is married to the former Miss Neva McCracken, a graduate of the University in home economics. The Schroeders live at 2019 Country Club Drive, Columbia. They have two children.