# BULLETIN of the AMERICAN DAHLIA SOCIETY, Inc.

"The Society is formed for the purpose of stimulating interest in and promoting the culture and development of the Dahlia; to establish a standard nomenclature; to test out new varieties and to give them such recognition as they deserve; to



study the diseases of the Dahlia and find remedies for same, and to disseminate information relating to this flower; to secure uniformity in awarding prizes at flower shows, and to give exhibitions when deemed advisable."

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# PREMIUM LIST

# SIXTEENTH ANNUAL EXHIBITION, SEPTEMBER 16, 17, 18, 1930



A partial view showing the new White Showers sprinkler system installed this spring at our Trial Grounds. The system was bought jointly by the A. D. S. and the Connecticut Agricultural College at Storrs, Connecticut. The above picture was taken just after the Dahlias entered for trial had started to grow.

# Trial Garden Notes

# Annual Field Day Saturday, September 20, 1930

# By Charles G. Reed, Chairman Trial Garden Committee

It is mighty nice to attend the fine Dahlia exhibitions and admire the beautiful new creations but how much better it is to roam through a modern Dahlia garden and see many of the best new Dahlias from well-known originators.

# Why the 1930 A. D. S. Trial Garden Should Appeal To You

Prof. Patch reports that there are 308 varieties entered this season, or 87 more varieties than ever before. Many of the originators have sent three of each variety so there will be about 900 hundred hills of Dahlias. This alone should appeal to those who admire the best.

A very attractive program is being arranged so there will not be a dull moment for those that attend. Prof. Patch has arranged so that a very fine dinner or lunch can be procured at the Connecticut Agriculural College dining hall at a very nominal cost. It has been a custom the visitors lunch together at the same time so you are bound to have a Dahlia fan as your neighbor.

The much talked about water system has been installed by the White Showers, Inc., and it is doing a mighty fine job so you are bound to see the best Dahlias ever at Storrs.

If you have never visited this garden you have missed a treat as all the roads leading to this beautiful spot are perfect auto roads and wind through some of the most interesting country that can be found in New England.

The garden is situated a few miles out of Willimantic, Conn. From New London, Conn., take route number 12 to Norwich, Conn., then route 32 to Willimantic, where anyone will direct you to Storrs. From Providence, R. I., route number 6. From Worcester, Mass., route number 12 to Danielson, Conn., then route number 6. Those coming by train to Willimantic can take the bus to the trial garden located on the grounds of the Connecticut Agricultural College. Any further information may be secured by dropping a line to Prof. Roland H. Patch, Storrs, Conn.

We had a very large attendance at the field day last year but we want to double the attendance this season.

Those who who cannot attend the field day are cordially invited to come any day throughout the blooming season as every day is visiting day. Prof. Patch lives on the grounds and I assure you that all Dahlia lovers will receive a warm welcome.

A suggestion—take in the New York show on the 16th-17th-18th, then come to Storrs on the 20th. Think it over and decide to come.

Little Elsie: They're saying that Aunt Lucy is a prude. What's a prude, Mother?

Mrs. Frank X. Posure: A prude, dearie, is a woman who wears two inch shoulder straps on her swimming

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# PREMIUM LIST

# SIXTEENTH ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW, 1930

of the

# AMERICAN DAHLIA SOCIETY

will be held in

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, SEPTEMBER 16, 17, 18

ADMISSION 75 CENTS

Present plans promise to make it the finest and best show we ever held

Although Dahlias predominate in the show, there are special provisions made for Gladiolus, Garden Club, and Table Decoration exhibitions, as well as showings of other fall flowers.

This is the first society show held since the new fourteen classifications were adopted and there is bound to be unusual competition and interest under these wider and more descriptive classifications.

We invite and urge you to bring your blooms to compete. The prizes are so arranged that every grower, small and large, will have a fair chance to win.

We have made special plans for ventilation of the hall so that your flowers will undoubtedly remain in good condition for the duration of the show.

This is a special invitation therefore for you to exhibit, attend and bring your friends. Premium lists, entry blanks and floor plans will be gladly furnished on request.

To facilitate staging and to avoid confusion at the big show in New York, September 16, 17 and 18, 1930, entries for competition will not be accepted later than Monday, September 15th. If mailed before September 10th address to the secretary, New Haven, Connecticut. After that date mail them to American Dahlia Society, Flower Show, Madison Square Garden, New York City.

Entry blanks may be obtained by addressing the secretary, American Dahlia Society, 198 Norton Street, New Haven, Connecticut.

# GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

All articles for competition must be in position as specified by this schedule, and are not to be removed before the close of the exhibition, except by consent of the show manager.

The exhibition will be open to the public Tuesday, September 16th, at 3:00 P. M., other days 10:00 A. M., daylight saving time, and close Thursday right. September 18th, 10:00 P. M.

night, September 18th, 10:00 P. M.
All exhibits must be in place by 1:00 o'clock the day of entry. Commercial exhibits by 2:00 o'clock.

Exhibits not in place at this time will not be eligible for competition except in Garden Club Section.

Judging will begin at 2:00 P. M. the day of entry except in Garden Club Section.

No person will be allowed to leave the hall with flowers or any other article without official pass.

No cash awards will be given unless two or more entries are made in any class, excepting where the exhibit warrants special merit in the opinion of the judges.

Prizes may be awarded for other meritorious exhibits at the discretion of the judges.

The decision of the judges shall be final unless a protest is made, in writing, to the secretary, within two hours after the judges have passed. A deposit of \$10.00 must be made with each protest, which shall be forfeited if the exhibition committee shall find that there has been no error in judging.

The class cards shall be enclosed in an envelope or a folded card having on the outside nothing but the number of the exhibitor's entry. The envelope must be sealed before placing it with the exhibit, and must not be opened until the judges have passed on the exhibit.

An entry fee of \$2 must be paid by all exhibitors (except in Garden Club Section) who are not members of the American Dahlia Society. This fee is to be remitted with the list of entries.

Blooms shown in competition must be grown by the exhibitor, except where noted.

The wiring of Dahlia stems or using wire or cord to support blooms will not be allowed in competitive exhibits.

All awards will be based on merit alone.

Collections of flowers will not be allowed to compete for more than one prize and no second prize will be awarded to the same person in the same class.

All exhibitors winning premiums must keep their respective exhibits in good, fresh condition until the closing of the exhibition.

Any article manifestly unfit to show may be excluded by the management, and the judges shall withhold any premium when the entries are unworthy of awards. The management may at any time order the removal of an exhibit which is in poor condition.,

Each variety exhibited for competition shall be properly and plainly labeled with its name, in such a manner that it can be easily seen with a uniform label, 3 by 3/4 inches.

Entries in competitive exhibits not made according to the schedule will be disqualified.

Articles entered for competition must be of more than ordinary standard and good quality to be entitled to an award.

Exhibits sent from a distance should be addressed to management, American Dahlia Society, Madison Square Garden, New York City.

Freight or express charges must be prepaid by the sender.

Trade exhibitors taking space are to furnish all special forms or staging. The committee will render every possible assistance to exhibitors.

All articles must be entered in writing in the owner's name, upon blanks furnished for that purpose, by September 16th. The Committee reserves the right to reject entries after that time.

Only standard varieties true to form (named or registered) can be exhibited in competition, except classes for seedlings. A Dahlia shall be considered standard if registered or advertised in a catalogue or other publication.

The Society furnishes tables, vases and bottles.

Specially constructed stands will be charged to the exhibitor at cost.

The Society will not be responsible for vases or any other personal property.

# American Dahlia Society Classification of Dahlias

Single Dahlias. Open-centered flowers, with only one row of ray florets, regardless of form or number of florets. For example, Newport Wonder, Fugi San, Eckford Century, Coltness Gem.

Anemone Dahlias. Open-centered flowers, with only one row of ray florets, regardless of form or number of the florets, with the tubular disc florets elongated, forming a pin-cushion effect. For example, Ada Finch.

Collarette Dahlias. Open-centered flowers, with only one row of ray florets, with the addition of one or more rows of petaloids, usually of a different color, forming a collar around the disc. For example, Diadem, San Mateo Star, Ami Nonin, Geant de Lyon.

**Dulplex Dahlias.** Open-centered flowers, with only two rows of ray florets, regardless of form or number of florets. For example, Golden Sunshine, Mme. J. Coissard.

Peony Dahlias. Open-centered flowers, with not more than three rows of ray florets, regardless of form or number of florets, with the addition of

smaller curled or twisted floral rays around the disc. For example, Geisha, Gorgeous, City of Portland.

Incurved Cactus Dahlias. Fully double flowers, with the margins of the majority of the floral rays revolute for one-half or more of their length, the floral rays tending to curve toward the center of the flowers. For example, F. W. Fellows, Bearclaws Farncot.

Recurved and Straight Cactus Dahlias. Fully double flowers, with the margins of the majority of the floral rays revolute for one-half of their length or more, the floral rays being recurved or straight. For example, Ambassador.

Semi-Cactus Dahlias. Fully double flowers, with the margins of the majority of the floral rays revolute for less than one-half of their length. For example, Edna Ferber, Francis Lobdell, Sunkiss, Alice Whittier.

Formal Decorative Dahlias. Fully double flowers, with the margins of the floral rays slightly or not at all revolute, floral rays generally broad, either pointed or rounded at tips, with outer floral rays tending to recurve and central floral rays tending to be cupped; all floral rays in a somewhat regular arrangement. For example, Sagamore, Jersey Beauty, Regal, Glory of Monmouth, Trentonian, Mrs. I. de Ver Warner and Judge Marean.

Informal Decorative Dahlias. Fully double flowers, with margins of the floral rays slightly or not at all revolute, floral rays generally long, twisted or pointed, and usually irregular in arrangement. For example, Fort Monmouth, Jane Cowl, Barbara Redfern, Mrs. Alfred B. Seal, Insulinde, Kathleen Norris.

Miniature Decorative Dahlias. Fully double flowers, with margins of the floral rays slightly or not at all revolute, conforming to the definitions of either the formal or informal decorative types, and less than three inches in diameter. For example, Little Jewel.

Ball Dahlias. Fully double flowers, ball-shaped or slightly flattened, floral rays in spiral arrangement, blunt or rounded at tips and quilled or with markedly involute margins, the flowers two inches or more in diameter. For example, Dreer's White, Frank Smith, King of Shows.

Pompon Dahlias. Having same characteristics as Ball Dahlias, but less than two inches in diameter. For example, Belle of Springfield, Nerissa.

### Show Manager and Supervisor of Judges

George W. Fraser

### Judges

Leonard Barron John Brock Thomas A. Clark N. Harold Cottam Edgar W. Darling W. L. W. Darnell Conrad Fry Andrew Lufkin Alex McKenzie Warren W. Maytrott Eugene Michel L. K. Peacock William B. Sweeney William H. Waite

# SECTION A

# To be staged Tuesday, September 16, 1930

For those other than professional gardeners who grow fewer than one hundred hills exclusive of pompons, seedlings and singles, do their garden work except soil preparation and do not sell green plants or cut flowers but are allowed to sell surplus roots.

Note: Awards in this section will take the form of certificates which entitle the holder to purchase stock at half retail price up to double the amount of the award and receive a choice of one of three Dahlias, the value of the award.

Certificates of award used in Section A are furnished by Success Dahlia Gardens, J. A. Kemp and Dahliadel Nurseries. This is a new form of prize and the continuance of its use depends upon the satisfaction the winner will gain from it.

### Class

- 1. Peony, 1 bloom, any color. First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 2. Incurved Cactus, 1 bloom, any color. First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 3. Recurved and Straight Cactus, 1 bloom, any color.

First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00

- 4. Semi-Cactus, 1 bloom, any color. First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 5. Formal Decorative, 1 bloom, any color. First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 6. Informal Decorative, 1 bloom, any color. First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 7. Ball, 1 bloom, any color. First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 8. Vase of 5 blooms Large Flowering Dahlias, 1 or more varieties. Stems not less than 18 inches in length. First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 9. Basket or vase of Dahlias. Arranged for artistic effect. Not more than 10 blooms. Other flowers and foliage may be used, but Dahlias, other than pompons and singles to predominate.

First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00

- Bowl of Pompons. Arranged for effect. Other flowers and foliage may be used, but pompons to predominate. First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 11. Largest and Most Perfect Bloom, depth x diameter.

First Prize, \$3.00

12. Sweepstake prize will be given to the exhibitor having greatest number of points in above classes. First to count 3; second to count 1; Prize, silver vase contributed by Mrs. Charles G. Wingate.

# Staged Thursday, September 18, 1930

Class

- 13. White, 1 bloom, any type.
  First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 14. Red, Maroon or Crimson, 1 bloom, any type.
  First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- **15.** Pink, Mauve or Lavender, 1 bloom, any type. First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 16. Cream or Yellow, 1 bloom, any type. First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 17. Buff, Orange and Autumn Shades, 1 bloom, any type.

  First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00

18. Any Color or Combination of Colors not mentioned above, 1 bloom, any type. First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00

- Semi-Cactus, 3 blooms, any color, 1 or more varieties.
   First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- Formal Decorative, 3 blooms, any color, 1 or more varieties.
   First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- Informal Decorative, 3 blooms, any color, 1 or more varieties.
   First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 22. Vase of Pompons, 10 blooms, 1 or more varieties.
  First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 23. Sweepstake. For the highest number of points scored in classes 13 to 23. Prize, silver cup donated by John Vincent.

### SECTION B

For those other than professional gardeners who grow more than one hundred and fewer than two hundred and fifty hills exclusive of pompons, seedlings and singles; do their own garden work except soil preparation and do not sell blooms or green plants but are allowed to sell surplus roots.

Note: Many fine varieties of Dahlias are offered as prizes. The contributors are well known reliable growers. (See list following schedule in this issue.) If tubers or other merchandise are preferred to cash prizes double the value stated will be given. Where varieties are designated substitutions cannot be made.

Class

- 24. Peony, 1 bloom, any color. First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 25. Incurved Cactus, 1 bloom, any color.
  First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 26. Recurved and Straight Cactus, 1 bloom, any color.

First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00

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# SECTION B (Continued)

Class

- 27. Semi-Cactus, 1 bloom, any color.
  First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 28. Formal Decorative, 1 bloom, any color.
  First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 29. Informal Decorative, 1 bloom, any color.
  First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 30. Ball, 1 bloom, any color.
  First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 31. Best 3 blooms, 3 varieties, stems to be not less than 18 inches with foliage and exhibited in one clear white glass receptacle.

  Silver vase donated by H. R. Chapman.
- 32. Vase of 6 blooms, 1 or more varieties. On stems not less than 18 inches in length.

  First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 33. Basket or vase of Dahlias. Arranged for artistic effect. Not more than 12 blooms. Other flowers and foliage may be used, but Dahlias, other than pompons and singles, to predominate.

  First Prize, \$7.50 Second Prize, \$5.00

34. Bowl of 12 blooms, Pompons, 1 or more varieties.
First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00

- 35. Vase of 15 blooms, Single, Anemone, Collarette or Duplex, 1 or more varieties or types.

  First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 36. Largest and Most Perfect Bloom, depth x diameter.

  First Prize, \$3.00

37. Sweepstake prize will be given to the exhibitor having greatest number of points in classes 24 to 37. First to count 3; second to count 1. Prize, silver cup contributed by C. Louis Alling.

To be staged Thursday, September 18, 1930

Class

- 38. White, 3 blooms, any type, 1 or more varieties. First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 39. Red, Maroon or Crimson, 3 blooms, any type, 1 or more varieties.

  First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 40. Pink, Mauve or Lavender, 3 blooms, any type, 1 or more varieties. First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 41. Cream or Yellow, 3 blooms, any type, 1 or more varieties.

  First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 42. Buff, Orange and Autumn Shades, 3 blooms, any type, 1 or more varieties.

  First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00

Class

43. Any Color or Combination of Colors not mentioned above, 3 blooms, any type, 1 or more varieties.

First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00

44. Bowl of Pompons. Arranged for effect. Other flowers and foliage may be used, but pompons to predominate.

First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00

45. Sweepstake. For highest number of points scored in Section B, classes 38 to 45. Prize, bronze Sun Dial, contributed by Lewis Sun Dial Dahlia Gardens.

### SECTION C

For those other than professional gardeners who grow Dahlias for pleasure, selling roots, plants or cut flowers as a side line, issuing none other than a nondescriptive price list.

Class

46. Incurved Cactus, 6 blooms, any color, 1 or more varieties.

First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00

- 47. Recurved and Straight Cactus, 6 blooms, any color, 1 or more varieties.

  First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 48. Semi-Cactus, 6 blooms, any color, 1 or more varieties.

  First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 49. Formal Decorative, 6 blooms, any color, 1 or more varieties.

  First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 50. Informal Decorative, 6 blooms, any color, 1 or more varieties.

  First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 51. Ball, 6 blooms, 1 or more varieties. First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 52. Basket of Dahlias. Arranged for artistic effect.

  Not more than 15 blooms. Other flowers and foliage may be used, but Dahlias, other than pompons and singles, to predominate.

  First Prize, \$10.00 Second Prize, \$5.00
- 58. Bowl of 15 blooms, Pompons, 1 or more varieties. First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 54. Largest and Most Perfect Bloom, depth x diameter.

  First Prize, \$3.00
- 55. Sweepstake prize will be given to the exhibitor having greatest number of points in classes 46 to 55. Prize, silver medal, Dahlia Society of New Jersey.

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# SECTION C (Continued)

To be staged Thursday, September 18, 1930

Class

- 56. White, 3 blooms, any type, 1 or more varieties. First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 57. Red, Maroon or Crimson, 3 blooms, any type, 1 or more varieties. First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 58. Pink, Mauve or Lavender, 3 blooms, any type, 1 or more varieties. First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 59. Cream or Yellow, 3 blooms, any type, 1 or more varieties.
  First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 60. Buff, Orange and Autumn Shades, 3 blooms, any type, 1 or more varieties.

  First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 61. Any Color or Combination of Colors not mentioned above, 3 blooms, any type, 1 or more varieties.

  First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- C2. Vase of 10 blooms, 1 or more varieties. On stems or stalks not less than 18 inches in length.
  First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 63. Sweepstake prize will be given to the exhibitor having greatest number of points in classes 56 to 63. Prize, bronze medal, Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.

### SECTION D—PROFESSIONAL GARDENERS

### Commercial growers excluded

Class

- 64. Incurved Cactus, 6 blooms, 1 or more varieties.
  First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 65. Recurved and Straight Cactus, 6 blooms, 1 or more varieties.

  First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 66. Semi-Cactus, 6 blooms, 1 or more varieties. First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 67. Formal Decorative, 6 blooms, 1 or more varieties.

  First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 68. Informal Decorative, 6 blooms, 1 or more varieties.

  First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 69. Ball, 6 blooms, 1 or more varieties.
  First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 70. Largest and Most Perfect Bloom, depth x diameter.

  First Prize, \$3.00

Class

71. Best display of Perennials and Annuals.

Arranged for artistic effect.
First Prize, \$25.00 cash

Second Prize, \$10.00 cash

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72. Table Decorations, dinner table arrangement, Dahlias, any type, to predominate. Other flowers and foliage may be used. In one container with no other accessories.

First Prize, \$10.00 Second Prize, \$5.00

Sweepstake prize will be given to the exhibitor having greatest number of points in classes 64 to 71. Prize, \$10.00 cash.

# GLADIOLUS

Class

- 73. Vase of 5 blooms, white, 1 variety.

  First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 74. Vase of 5 blooms, yellow, 1 variety.
  First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 75. Vase of 5 blooms, pink, 1 variety.
  First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 76. Vase of 5 blooms, red, 1 variety.
  First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 77. Vase of 5 blooms, blue, 1 variety. First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 78. Vase of any other color, 1 variety.

  First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 79. Sweepstake prize will be given to the exhibitor having greatest number of points in classes 72 to 78. Prize, \$5.00 cash.

To be staged Thursday, September 18, 1930

Class

- 80. Vase of 12 blooms, 1 or more varieties. On stems or stalks not less than 18 inches in length.

  First Prize, \$10.00 Second Prize, \$5.00
- 81. Basket of Dahlias. Arranged for artistic effect.

  Not more than 15 blooms. Other flowers and foliage may be used, but Dahlias, other than pompons and singles, to predominate.

  First Prize, \$10.00 Second Prize, \$5.00
- 82. Basket of 25 blooms, Pompons, 1 or more varieties.

First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00

- 83. Vase of 18 blooms, Single or Collarette, 1 or more varieties or types.

  First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 84. Sweepstake prize will be given to the exhibitor having greatest number of points in classes 80 to 84. Prize, silver medal, Dahlia Society of New Jersey.

### SECTION E

# Only open to commercial exhibitors who have taken trade space at this exhibition

All trade exhibits to be judged by the following score card:

50 quality of blooms

25 arrangement, including color effect and diversity of types

25 originality of setting and form of display-No wiring

100 Total

Measurements of exhibits to be approximate and determined by space engaged.

Class

85. Supreme Award to the most meritorious and outstanding display in the show.

Prize, A. D. S. gold medal

- 86. Trade exhibits of 200 square feet or more. Accessories allowed. First Prize, President's cup; Second Prize, A. D. S. silver medal; Third Prize, A. D. S. bronze medal.
- 87. Trade exhibits of 100 square feet or more, but less than 200. Accessories allowed. First Prize, silver trophy, National Association of Commercial Growers; Second Prize, A. D. S. silver medal; Third Prize, A. D. S. bronze medal.
- 88. Trade exhibits of 50 square feet or more, but less than 100. Accessories allowed. First Prize, Treasurer's vase, Mrs. J. A. Rathgeber; Second Prize, A. D. S. silver medal; Third Prize, A. D. S. bronze medal.
- 89. Best 50 blooms, not more than 3 varieties shown in one container. First Prize, Trenton Horticultural Society gold medal; Second Prize, Pennsylvania Horticultural Society silver medal.
- 90. Best 25 blooms, 1 variety, 1 container. First Prize, A. D. S. silver medal; Second Prize, A. D. S. bronze medal.
- 91. Basket of 12 blooms, 1 or more varieties. First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 92. Basket of 50 blooms, Pompons, other foliage allowed. First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 93. Vase of 10 blooms of 1930 introduction, 1 variety. On stems or stalks at least 30 inches in length. First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 94. Vase of 10 blooms, 1931 introduction, 1 variety. First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- Vase of 12 blooms, 12 varieties, large flowering types. First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 96. Largest and Most Perfect bloom, depth x diameter. First Prize, \$3,00

Class

97. Sweepstake prize will be given to the exhibitor having greatest number of points in classes 88 to 97. Prize, silver trophy, Camden Dahlia Society.

Note: All above commercial classes not in good condition are to be replaced Thursday or may be removed at discretion of show committee.

# SECTION F-OPEN TO ALL

Class

Vase of 15 blooms, 1 or more varieties. On stems or stalks not less than 24 inches in length.

First Prize, \$10.00 Second Prize, \$5.00

- 99. Basket of Dahlias. Arranged for artistic effect. Not more than 15 blooms. Other flowers may be used, but Dahlias, other than pompons and singles, to predominate. First Prize, \$7.50 Second Prize, \$5.00
- 100. Basket of Dahlias. Arranged for artistic effect. Not more than 25 blooms. Other flowers may be used, but Dahlias, other than pompons and singles, to predominate. First Prize, \$10.00 Second Prize, \$7.50
- 101. Basket of Pompons. Arranged for effect. Other flowers and foliage may be used, but pompons to predominate. First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 102. Most Meritorious and Outstanding entry in Class F. Prize, silver trophy, offered by Dahliadel Nurseries.
- 103. Vase of 10 blooms, Single, 1 or more varieties. First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 104. Vase of 10 blooms, Anemone, 1 or more varieties. First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 105. Vase of 10 blooms, Collarette, 1 or more varieties. First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 106. Vase of 10 blooms, Duplex, 1 or more varieties. Second Prize, \$2.00 First Prize, \$3.00
- 107. Vase of 10 blooms, Peony, 1 or more varieties. Second Prize, \$2.00 First Prize, \$3.00
- 108. Vase of 10 blooms, Incurved Cactus, 1 or more varieties. First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 109. Vase of 10 blooms, Recurved and Straight Cactus, 1 or more varieties. First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 110. Vase of 10 blooms, Semi-Cactus, 1 or more varieties.

First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00

# SECTION F (Continued)

Class

- 111. Vase of 10 blooms, Formal Decorative, 1 or more varieties.

  First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 112. Vase of 10 blooms, Informal Decorative, 1 or more varieties.

  First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 113. Vase of 18 blooms, Miniature Decorative, 1 or more varieties.

  First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 114. Vase of 10 blooms, Ball, 1 or more varieties. First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 115. Vase of 25 blooms, Pompons, 1 or more varieties.
  First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 116. Sweepstake. For highest number of points scored in classes 98 to 116 will be awarded the gold medal offered by the Dahlia Society of San Francisco.

# **GLADIOLUS**

Class

- 117. Vase of 5 blooms, white, 1 variety.
  First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 118. Vase of 5 blooms, yellow, 1 variety. First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 119. Vase of 5 blooms, pink, 1 variety.
  First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 120. Vase of 5 blooms, red, 1 variety.
  First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 121. Vase of 5 blooms, blue, 1 variety.
  First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 122. Vase of 5 blooms, any other color, 1 variety. First Prize, \$2.00 Second Prize, \$1.00
- 123. Best collection of Gladiolus. First Prize, \$10.00 Second Prize, \$5.00
- 124. Vase of Gladiolus Primulinus, arranged for effect, 1 or more varieties.

  First Prize, \$8.00 Second Prize, \$5.00
- 125. Sweepstake. For the highest number of points scored in clases 117 to 125.

  Silver cup donated by J. A. Kemp, president of the New Jersey Gladiolus Society.

To be staged Thursday, September 18, 1930

Class

- 126. Largest and most perfect Incurved Cactus bloom.

  First Prize, \$2.00
- 127. Largest and most perfect Recurved or Straight Cactus bloom.

First Prize, \$2.00

128. Largest and most perfect Semi-Cactus bloom. First Prize, \$2.00

Class

- 129. Largest and most perfect Formal Decorative bloom.

  First Prize, \$2.00
- 130. Largest and most perfect Informal Decorative bloom.

  First Prize, \$2.00
- 131. Largest and most perfect Ball Dahlia bloom. First Prize, \$2.00
- 132. Most artistically arranged basket of Pompons, other flowers, grasses and foliage allowed. First Prize, \$5.00, donated by Miss Lucille Bonert; Second Prize, \$3.00.
- 133. Best display of Fall flowers, not to exceed 25 square feet.

  First Prize, \$3.00 Second Prize, \$2.00
- 134. Most artistically arranged basket of large flowered Dahlias, other flowers, pompons and foliage allowed.

  First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 135. Most artistically arranged vase of Dahlias (excepting pompons), other flowers and foliage allowed. Dahlias to predominate.

  First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00
- 136. Luncheon table arrangement, Dahlias, any type, to predominate. Other flowers and foliage may be used. In one container with no other accessories.

  Prizes contributed by American Home Magazine.

  First Prize, \$5.00 Second Prize, \$3.00

Sweepstake. For highest number of points scored in classes 126 to 136.

Prize, silver cup offered by Charles G. Reed.

# SECTION G-UNDISSEMINATED SEEDLINGS

Seedlings must be not less than two years old. At least 3 blooms, on long stems, to be shown.

Class

- 137. Seedling Dahlias entered in this section will be scored by competent judges, appointed by the Executive Committee. Rating to be published in A. D. S. Bulletin.
- 138. Best undisseminated seedling which has been certified at the official A. D. S. Trial Garden, 6 blooms on long stems. No limit to number of entries.
- 139. Decorative.

Prize, A. D. S. Blue Ribbon

140. Hybrid Cactus.

Prize, A. D. S. Blue Ribbon

141. Any other type.

Prize, A. D. S. Blue Ribbon

# SECTION I-SPECIALS

To be staged First Day of Show, September 16th Class

142. The American Home Sweepstakes.

Silver medal The American Home Achievement Medal, in silver, to be awarded annually at the official show of the American Dahlia Society to the most worthy undisseminated Dahlia. At least three blooms on long stems must be shown and must be entered specifically for this award. Open to both amateur and professional growers. The award to be made on behalf of The American Home, by the regularly appointed judges of the American Dahlia Society.

143. Best keeping variety. I will give a cup for the best 12 blooms of commercial variety, same to be put on exhibition first day of show, and judged on the last. Open to all, any type or class of Dahlia (except pompons), to be judged by the A. D. S. scale, condition on last day to score 50 per cent. All entries to be in place at same time first day of show, time to be set by committee, and flowers not to be touched by any one other than regular attendant, who may change water. No boiling water or any other resuscitant to be used. Any variety having once won in this class cannot compete again. This, "The Darnell Cup," I will give each year, and I hope it will draw many amateurs. Offered by W. L. W. Darnell, The Dahlia Farm, East Moriches, L. I., N. Y. Note—Mr. Darnell suggests that the judges

shake the flowers in above class to see if the

petals hold firm.

144. Best display of Dahlias of California origin.

First, gold medal; second, silver medal; third, bronze medal. Offered by the Dahlia Society of California.

### Henry F. Michell Company prizes

Class

145. Best display of 12 Cactus Dahlias. Long stems. First Prize, silver medal Second Prize, bronze medai

146. Best display of 12 Decoratives. Long stems. First Prize, silver medal Second Prize, bronze medal

147. Best Bessie Boston Dahlia exhibited at the Prize, tuber F. J. March, offered by Bessie Boston Dahlia Farm.

148. Best 3 blooms to be entered the first day of show and judged the third day. May be any type except pompons, singles or miniatures and either exhibition or commercial varieties. This will give the new varieties a chance to prove themselves on the exhibition table. Prize, silver trophy offered by Lawrence K. Peacock.

Class

149. 12 or more blooms bicolors. Open to amateur or commercial growers. The award will be made for the best and most artistic collection of 12 or more blooms in one vase, consisting of any type of cactus or any type of decorative or combination of them. However, each bloom entered must have at least two separate and distinct colors—not blended colors-but definite color separation on petals. Prize, \$25,00 in cash, offered by Lynn B.

Dudley.

150. 25 blooms in one container, 1 or more varieties or types other than pompons and singles. To be grown with the aid of Red Arrow Insecticide.

> First Prize, \$25.00 cash; Second Prize, \$10.00 cash; Third Prize, \$5.00. Offered by Mc-

Cormick & Company, Inc.

### OPEN TO ALL

Special prize offered by W. E. Marshall & Co., Inc., New York, Marshall's Gold Medal Dahlia Seeds.

151. For the best seedling of merit, grown from above seed.

First Prize, \$25.00 Second Prize, \$15.00 Third Prize, \$10.00

152. Pompons, open to all except commercial growers. For the best 6 vases of 6 named varieties with foliage (asparagus or grasses allowed). Blooms not to exceed 2 inches in diameter or 12 in each vase.

First Prize, \$15.00 Second Prize, \$7.50 Third Prize, \$2.50

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We are indebted to the following well known growers and business concerns for their hearty endorsement and support given the society in our effort to make the Madison Square Garden Show the largest and best ever held anywhere.

Cash, vases, tubers and merchandise contributed will

be given as prizes in the classes.

The American Dahlia Society, William J. Rathgeber, secretary.

# List of Donors

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Dahlia Society of California. Gold, silver and bronze medals.

Dahlia Society of New England, silver medal.

Darnell, W. L. W., East Moriches, L. I., N. Y. Special, silver trophy cup. F.

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New Jersey Dahlia Society, Mrs. Frances Hoenfeck secretary, Verona, N. J. Special, two silver medals. F

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Brown, Albert A., R. 2, Box 104 A., Norwalk, California. Tubers, value \$10. F.

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Dixon, Fred E., Scotch Plains, N. J. Tubers or plants \$10, except 1931 introductions. R.

Fisher & Masson, Trenton, N. J. Three \$5 tuber orders. F.

Griffith & Allott, Growers, Box 323, Phoenixville, Pennsylvania. Tubers to amount \$10. R.

Halfin, O. E., Dilliner, Pennsylvania. Five tubers, Dahlia Edith Beryl. Value \$10. R.

Hillside Dahlia Gardens (Mrs. P. Merchant), Gloucester, Mass. Tubers to amount \$10. R.

Kennedy, W. H., 1101 Lawrence Avenue, Nashville, Tenn. Tubers to amount \$10.

Lorraine Blue Ribbon Dahlias, 832 Center Street, Manhattan Beach, California. Tuber orders \$10. R.

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Morehouse, Mrs. Elizabeth, Fairfield, Conn. Pompon Dahlia tubers \$10. R.

Parrella, Albert, 3380 Ely Avenue, Bronx, New York. Dahlia tubers \$5.00; packet of Chryspopean.

Patricia Dahlia Gardens, 1926 Washington Avenue, San Leandro, California. Tubers \$10. R.

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Rainbow Dahlia Farm, 4137 Linden Avenue, Inglewood, California. Tubers amount \$10. F.

Roach's Dahlia Farm, Sevierville Pike, Knoxville, Tennessee. Contribute 2 tubers Jane Cowl, 1 Kathleen Norris, 1 Starlight, 1 Katherine Cole, value \$25.00.

Rose Hill Dahlia Gardens (Mr. Emil A. Wagner), R. 1, Baltimore, Ohio. Six Mrs. I. de Ver Warner, two Sacred Lily of India, twenty-five Rainbow C. Gladio-

Ruschohr Dahlia Growers, 52 South Kensington Avenue, Rockville Centre, N. Y. Tubers to amount

Salbach, Mr. Carl, 657 Woodmont Avenue, Berkeley, California; 25 bulbs Gladiolus Betty Nuthall, 25 bulbs Gladiolus Salbach's Pink, 25 bulbs Gladiolus Senorita, 3 bulbs Gladiolus Salbach's Orchid, 1 packet of our best Dahlla seed, value \$2.50; 1 root Iris William Mohr, 1 root Iris Frieda Mohr. Total value \$40. R.

Schulz, Jacob Co., Seedsmen, Louisville, Kentucky, Schulz, president. Merchandise \$10, selected from catalogue. R.

Seal, Jessie L., 607 Third Avenue, San Francisco, California. \$5 packet Dahlia seed. Tuber Mrs. Alfred R.

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### Prize Donors (Continued)

Windsor Terrace Dahlia Garden (Mr. Charles H. Skippon), 31 E. 7th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y. Tubers to value \$20, their selection. R.

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Walker Dahlia Gardens, Santa María, California. Two \$5 tuber orders "Bessie Boston varieties". R.

Certificate of award, a copy of which is submitted below, has been devised to meet the need of prizes so necessary for a good Dahlia show. This gives the grower offering the prize a chance to list the varieties which he has sufficient stock of to enable him to give tubers as prizes, the winner the chance to pick one of three Dahlias most desirable and offers the winner an inducement to purchase stock at half price up to double the amount of the certificate. Any proposition that is one-sided is bound to terminate sooner or later and when co-operation can be instituted between the donor and the receiver, a continuance of the practice is assured.

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This new form of prize will be used at the A. D. S. show, Section A, as an experiment this season.

The new classification of the Dahlia has made a complete change in the premium lists of all the big shows in the East and we hope the exhibitors will bear with us in the re-arrangement of the type classes. It is quite a task to re-arrange that which we have been using for so many years.

After using the new classification the coming season with its definite lines of distinction between classes, an official list of named varieties properly classified should be compiled. This will greatly simplify both staging and judging another season.

Warren W. Maytrott.

### Form of Certificate of Award

This is to certify that...has been awarded...prize...section....class....at the annual exhibit of the American Dahlia Society 193.....
This certificate entitles the holder to purchase tubers, bulbs, roots or plants to the value of \$.....at half price and receive free the choice of one of the three following varieties.
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### Certificates of Prize Awards

Dahliadel Nurseries, certificates of award \$25.00. Kemp, J. A., \$25.00 certificates of award.

Success Dahlia Gardens (Mr. Charles G. Reed), 171 Ferry Street, Lawrence, Mass. Certificate of award to amount \$25. F. amount \$25.

### GARDEN CLUB SECTION

# General Chairman, Mrs. Stephen G. Van Hoesen, Fanwood, New Jersey

### Rules for Exhibiting

- 1. All entries in the Garden Club Section must be sent to Mrs. S. G. Van Hoesen, Fanwood, N. J., not later than September 12th, except in classes A, B and C.
- 2. Entries are open to members of Garden Clubs only. No entry fee.
- 3. Entries must be staged in space set apart for the various classes by 12 o'clock on the days mentioned in the schedule.

- 4. Only one entry in each class allowed to a person.
- 5. Blooms and foliage must be grown by the exhibitor unless otherwise noted.
- 6. Containers must be supplied by the exhibitor who will be responsible for any breakage or loss.
- 7. Entry cards will be furnished by the Committee on the day of staging and must be placed with the exhibit.
- 8. All entries must be removed if possible Thursday evening, September 18th, at 10:00 o'clock, otherwise not later than 9:30 Friday morning, September 19th.
- 9. It is requested that in the specimen classes each flower be marked with its true name.
- 10. Prizes will be given for each first award as well as sweepstakes.

# SECTION AA Club Exhibits

Note: In the following three classes no flat silver permitted, proper tables will be provided.

- A. Breakfast table, service for four. To be staged Tuesday, September 16th.
- B. Luncheon table, service for four. Informal arrangement suitable for porch or garden. To be staged Tuesday, September 16th.
- C. Economy dinner table, service for four. Cost not to exceed \$10.00, including cloth, and flowers-cloth, napkins, candles, place plates, and goblets required; other accessories permitted; itemized list of prices to be attached. To be staged Wednesday, September 17th. Note: All entries in the above three classes must be made by September 8th.

# SECTION BB-DAHLIAS

### To be staged Tuesday, September 16th

Classes for individual members of Federated Garden Clubs.

Class

- D. Best container of Single, Anemone, Collarette or Duplex Dahlias, not less than 6 blooms.
- E. Best specimen bloom of Dahlia, any type, variety or color other than pompons and the types mentioned in Class D.
- F. Best 12 Dahlias, any variety, any color, long stems, in one vase.

# SECTION CC-GLADIOLUS

# To be staged Tuesday, September 16th

Class

- G. Best vase of Gladiolus, not less than 6 spikes, large flowering.
- H. Best vase of Primulinus Gladiolus, not less than 6 spikes.
- I. Best specimen spike of Gladiolus, large flowering, any color.

# GARDEN CLUBS (Continued)

### SECTION DD-ROSES

To be staged Thursday, September 18th

### Class

- J. Best collection of out-door Roses, not less than 6 varieties.
- K. White Rose, best specimen bloom.
- L. Pink Rose, best specimen bloom.
- M. Yellow Rose, best specimen bloom.
- N. Red Rose, best specimen bloom.

# SECTION EE—ARTISTIC ARRANGEMENT CLASSES

To be staged Tuesday, September 16th

### Class

- O. Arrangement of Zinnias, any container, to occupy space 24 inches by 24 inches.
- P. Arrangement of Dahlias, own foliage, not more than 36 inches over all.
- Q. Arrangement of Gladiolus, other flowers and foliage permitted, but Gladiolus to predominate.
- R. Arrangement for living-room, any garden flowers, any container, to occupy space 24 inches by 24 inches.
- S. Arrangement of Pompon Dahlias in a basket.

# SECTION FF

To be staged Thusday, September 18th

### Class.

- T. Artistic arrangement of Roses, other flowers may be used but Roses must predominate.
- U. Arrangement of any garden flowers in metal container.

# Note—No pompon or singles permitted in the following classes

### Class

- V. Best vase of Dahlias, not less than 6 blooms, red, maroon or crimson tints, named.
- W. Best vase, not less than 6 blooms of white Dahlias, named.
- X. Best vase of Dahlias, not less than 6 blooms, Autumn shades.
- Y. Best vase of Dahlias, any other color, not less than 6 blooms. Note: All Dahlias to be shown on long stems.
- Z. Any meritorious exhibit of any garden flowers not otherwise scheduled.

Credit will be given each Garden Club for the number of entries made by their individual club members. The Club having the greatest number will receive \$10.00 in gold. The Club making the greatest number of entries on September 18th will receive \$5.00 in gold.

Awards count as follows: First, 5 points; second, 3 points; third, 2 points.

Sweepstakes will be given in the following: Classes A to C inclusive, D to N, O to U and V to Z.



# Quarantine 37

Many letters have been received at the publication office of the Bulletin inquiring whether there had been any modifications in Quarantine 37. In reply we will state that Section 306 D which aimed to make Quarantine 37 a more or less dead letter, was killed by the U. S. Senate at the first hearing.

Therefore said Quarantine 37 remains in force and nothing can be imported except by special permit from the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and then only new or rare varieties of Dahlias or other plants or tubers.

A limited number can be brought in under said permit, but for propagating purposes only.

Don't try to get them through without first writing for a permit.

WILLIAM J. RATHGEBER, secretary.

# LET'S GO! VISIT THE NEW YORK SHOW

which we hope will be finer than ever. The new classification will be used in the premium list and from all the preparations being made Madison Square Garden should have many surprises for you. A wealth of blooms and a riot of color beckon a welcome to all flower lovers.

Our show would not be complete without the famous Thomas A. Edison, Treasure Island and The World, along with other established novelties backed by Dahliadel guarantee.

# WATCH FOR OUR NEW VARIETIES

We are not going to tell you about them either for any description we might make would not do them justice. If you want to see them come to see us. We will be at Atlantic City September 9th-14th, New York City September 16th-18th, Trenton September 22nd, 23rd, 24th, and Camden September 30th and October 1st.

A cordial welcome is always extended at our Nurseries in Vineland, New Jersey, as well as at our exhibits.

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**BOX 14** 

VINELAND, NEW JERSEY

# KEMP'S WONDER DAHLIAS FOR 1931

Many wonderful new varieties will be on display in my exhibits at the ATLANTIC CITY, NEW YORK and other eastern shows this year. Do not fail to attend one or more of these great shows, and above all, do not fail to look up my display of these wonderful new varieties. They will be of unusual interest to all, and a revelation to many. 1931 catalogue ready about January 1st. It's free.

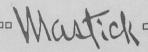
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# Committees of The American Dahlia Society for 1930

At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the American Dahlia Society, held in the Hotel Commodore, New York City, on Tuesday, March 18, 1930, President Thomas Leavitt appointed the following committees.

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# **Editorial Notes** Our 1930 Show

Special effort has been made by our committee to stimulate further interest in amateur exhibitors. Mr. Warren W. Maytrott is to be specially commended for the able manner in which he has arranged the amateur classes. Every amateur from the smallest to the largest grower is now given an equal opportunity for successful competition. See the new sections that have been adeed.

### Tickets

Membership season tickets are being sent out now, some additional admission tickets for the big show will also be included. Try to dispose of them among your friends, thus helping out the show.

### How To See The Show

The classes at the show are arranged in regular numerical order. To get an intelligent idea of the meaning of the various classes, it is only necessary to find Section 1, Class 1, then by referring to your premium list the whole significance of the show can be easily understood.

# Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the American Dahlia Society will be held Thursday morning, September 18th, 10:30 A. M., at Madison Square Garden. Please consider this as official notice. All members are requested to attend.

### Medals

Medals for affiliated societies are now ready and will be sent out immediately.

# Registrations, July, 1930

The following names have been proposed for registration. If no objection is made within a reasonable time they will be considered as registered.

To register a name, simply send name proposed with fee of \$1.00 for each variety, type, and predominating color. We will advise you whether name is in use. Fee will be returned if name is not eligible for registration, or will apply on selection of a new name. Note—Dahlias entered at Trial Grounds are automatically considered as registered, unless name selected is already in use. If entered under a number and afterwards changed to a name, a fee of \$1.00 is required.

Registration only records the name of a Dahlia. It in no way guarantees the quality of a flower, but it does prevent unintentional duplication of a name.

Will Rogers, Formal Dec. Color lilac rose, white shading. By Major James B. Eastman, Laurel, Maryland. By permission of Will Rogers.

Rudy Vallee. Type and color not given. By Charles G. Reed (Success Dahlia Gardens), Lawrence, Mass.

Boston, Mass., July 24, 1930.

(Permit)
My dear Mr. Reed:
I have just received your telegram regarding the naming of a new Dahlia after me. I assure you that such an act would please me greatly and it is a pleasure to grant you the permission to do so.

Sincerely. Sincerely.

Rudy Vallee.

# Summary of Executive Meeting, July 22, 1930, Hotel Lexington, New York

Meeting was called to order at 10:30 A. M., president Thomas Leavitt presiding. Present were: Messrs. Vincent, Kemp, Maytrott, Fraser, Reed, Darnell, Hart, Mrs. Van Hoesen, Mrs. Fisher and Mrs. Rathgeber. Secretary read minutes. Same with minor corrections

Secretary read minutes. Same with minor corrections were approved.

Mr. Maytrott moved that winners of certificate of award at A. D. S. show receive in addition to prize, a certificate entitling them to 50% discount on tubers purchased from donors. Motion carried.

Mr. D. W. Hart was appointed to furnish the booth at Atlantic City show, with Mr. Kemp as advisory member. Mrs. Stephen G. Van Hoesen was placed in charge of said booth. Further arrangements were left in charge of committee.

A lease for Madison Square Garden for a three days' show was signed by the president and secretary and a deposit as required paid.

Mr. Maytrott presented the tentative schedule for

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Mr. Maytrott moved that no one be allowed to take flowers or other material out of the building without

a pass.

Voted that no cash prizes be awarded in any class unless there are two or more entries, unless said exhibit warrants a special award.

Voted that secretary have 4,000 July Bulletins printed for distribution at show.

Voted that Mr. George W. Fraser be made supervisor of judges. A committee of Messrs. Darnell, Kemp and Reed were chosen to select judges.

Voted that secretary and treasurer receive compensation for sayings from May 15, 1020 to Innounce.

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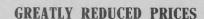
1930.
Treasurer reported a balance cash on hand \$2,715.78.

Receivable \$694. Thirty-seven new members and one new affiliated society since last meeting.

Mrs. Van Hoesen reported progress on Garden Club Section. \$50 were appropriated for Mrs. Van Hoesen to pay for printing special Garden Club Schedule.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Rathgeber, secretary. by Mrs. Frieda H. Fisher, stenographer.



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At the Fifth Annual Dahlia Show of the Englewood Dahlia Society, held at the Englewood Armory, Englewood, N. J., on September 14 and 15, 1929, Mr. A. P. Ramella scored remarkable successes with his seven entries capturing seven firsts and taking away four cups and the Bronze Medal of the American Dahlia Society.

The Largest Dahlia in the show, the Best Dahlia in the Show and the Three Best Jersey Varieties, Mr. Ramella obtained all with three blooms, which were the center of admiration.

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Patents For New Dahlias
An Act to Provide for Plant Patents. Public No.
245, 71st Congress. Approved May 23, 1930.
[S. 4015]

[Note—A copy of this new law may be obtained from the librarian of Congress, Washington, D. C.]—Editor.

# A Summary of the Law

Section 4884. Suitable drawings and description of plant or flower must be submitted as per general rules of the patent office.

Section 4886. A patent may be granted to any person who has produced any new or distinct variety of plant, other than a tuber—propagated plant.

Section 4892. Applicant must make oath that he is the original and first producer of a new variety of plant.

From discussions on the subject in the United States Daily, and the Florists' Exchange it would seem that many difficulties are involved as the new patent laws apply to Dahlias.

Under the law a patentee who gave anyone a tuber, cutting or plant unconditionally, would transfer to said recipient all the rights held by the orginator. Said originator who sells one unconditionally would also lose control.

One of the chief problems in administering the law is that the alleged new plant (or Dahlia) would be, that flowers presented for patent would have to be compared with innumerable varieties to determine whether it was really new. There are about 7,500 varieties of apples and probably Dahlias would run to twice this number. The department could hardly maintain a trial ground to grow 15,000 Dahlias. It might require several seasons to determine whether two varieties were actually different. The same variety of Dahlia shows a marked difference in various parts of the country.

A Dahlia flower would be patentable provided its originality can be established. The same applies to Chrysanthemums, Tulips and Gladiolus.

Under the circumstances, or until a way is found to definitely establish the patentability of a Dahlia, it would seem to the writer that the best way to protect a new Dahlia seedling is to copyright the name, which is a much more simple procedure.

In an article by the writer in a previous issue of the BULLETIN I advocated this. No one could advertise a copyrighted Dahlia in a catalogue under the name without special permission from the owner, and could derive a royalty. Remember this, however, that it must be a coined name. A common name or name of a person cannot be copyrighted.

WILLIAM J. RATHGEBER, Secretary.

Mr. A. G. Goodacre, of Gardena, California, sent us a tuber of an undisseminated seedling he names the "Goblin", asking us to try it. It was planted May 16th, and by July 16th it had developed into a large plant, bearing two large, perfectly formed flowers on long, stiff stems. This is the record with us, away ahead of anything we have ever grown.

The flower is deep yellow with tinge of red in the center. We do not know what Mr. Goodacre's intentions are as marketing this flower, but we hope to have some blooms to exhibit at the show. Mr. William J. Rowe, who is growing it this year for us, will be pleased to show it at our garden, 687 Elm Street, New Haven. It's worth seeing.—Editor.

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# Coming Shows

Baltimore Dahlia Society—Annual show September 22nd-23rd. Complete details are printed in their June Bulletin, including premium list. Earl P. Loller, editor, 3901 Eastern Avenue, Baltimore.

Burholme (Philadelphia) Tenth Annual Exhibition—Flans are well under way for a larger and better Dahlia and garden flower exhibition to be held Friday and Saturday, September 26th and 27th, by the Burholme Horticultural Society (Northeast Philadelphia suburban district). The Society, an Associate Member of the American Dahlia Society, invites all lovers of Dahlias in the east to attend their show, which will be held in Trinity-Oxford Community Hall, Rising Sun Avenue and Disston Street, (above place two miles north of Lincoln Highway, on Rising Sun Avenue). The show itself ranks among the best in the east and as one judge who officiated at fifteen different shows in the east during the 1929 season said, "I placed Burholme Horticultural show in fifth place, the American Dahlia Society exhibition in New York being up front." A remark of this kind from one of authority has set all Burholme members to work. Their standard must be upheld. There are classes for the commercial growers of which Fisher and Masson, of Trenton, New Jersey, won the Gold Medal last year, Seyfert, of Bristol, Pa., taking the Silver Medal, the amateur, and even a class for children. Entry blanks or any information can be secured from William O. Hird, Chairman of the Show Committee, 7321 Tabor Street, or G. L. Dietz, secretary, 1116 Eleigh Street, Philadelphia, The society has gained in membership during the past year; one of the main reasons for this is the wonderful missionary work being done by the organization among the suburbanite home owners. The meetings (every fourth Tuesday) are open to the public, in fact they are invited to attend and bring their problems for us to solve. The soil research committee headed by Mr. Henry E. Millson has righted nearly one hundred gardeners during the spring, thereby helping them to get better results from their soil. The officers of the society are J. Wilson Schearer, president; Charles Naylor, vice-president; G. L. Dietz, secretary

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# Coming Shows (Continued)

and Charles Weegman, treasurer; William W. Kahmar, 513 Hoffnagle Street, Fox Chase, Philadelphia, Pa., publicity chairman.

Boston Dahlia Show—The annual Dahlia show of the Dahlia Society of New England in conjunction with the Massachusetts Horticultural Society will be held on Saturday and Sunday, September 6th-7th, in Horticultural Hall, corner Huntington and Massachusetts Avenues. The combined displays will be held in the same building but in separate halls. This annual event has been one of the outstanding fall exhibitions in the East. The well known commercial flower growers in this section spare no expense in making the exhibition a thing of beauty but the local amateur growers are making plans to compete for the fine array of prizes that have been secured by the show committee. The Horticultural Society section will compare favorable with its past display which will include outdoor as well as greenhouse flowers of all varieties. A section will be provided for fruits and vegetables from the many private gardens. Those who come from a distance will find splendid hotel accommodations near the hall. A trip to this section by the Dahlia lover should be of great interest if they plan to visit the many fine gardens in this section. The acting secretary, Mr. Thomas Leavitt, Assinippi, Mass., of the Dahlia Society of New England will be pleased to furnish any further information if desired. There is no admission charge for this exhibition. A cordial welcome awaits the flower lover.

Camden Dahlin Society (The)—Mrs. Margaret Asay, secretary, 26 S. 34th Street, Camden, N. J. The Ninth Annual Flower Exhibition of the Camden Dahlia Society will be held September 30th and October 1st, at Elk's Auditorium, Seventh and Cooper Streets, Camden. George H. Hartman, show manager.

Dahlia Society of New Jersey (State show)—At Atlantic City. Flower show September 15th-16th. J. W. Johnston, manager, The Bourse, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. (See further particulars.)

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# Coming Shows (Continued)

Dahlia Society of Southern California—Show Sept. 11th-12th, Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles, California. Premium list ready.

Dahlia Society of San Francisco—Show will be held August 28-29, 1930, at Palace Hotel, San Francisco; secretary is Mrs. E. W. Lymbery, San Mateo, Calif.

Elberon Horticultural Society—Ninth annual show September 3rd-4th-5th, at New Casino, Asbury Park, N. J.

Garden Club of Northampton County—A. L. Weidman, secretary, Easton, Pa. Preparations are well under way for the third annual flower show which promises to be bigger than our last year's success. Show will have 94 classes including commercial and amateur and open to all classes in the Dablia and Gladioli sections. The show will be held on September 12th and 13th, Friday and Saturday, in the City Guard Armory, 7th and Northampton Streets. Motto: "Every Year a Better Show."

Hagerstown (Md.) Dahlia Society—Mr. G. Starner, secretary, writes us that this society will have another bumper show September 12th-13th.

Hazelton (Pa.) Garden Club—Will hold their annual show August 27th-28th. Mrs. Ruth V. Chase, secretary, 126 Birch Street.

New England Dahlia Society—Will hold their annual show at Horticultural Hall, Boston, Mass., September 6th-7th, in conjunction with the Massachusetts Horticultural Society. Further information may be secured from Mr. Thomas Leavitt, secretary, Assinippi, Mass.

New Haven County Horticultural Society—September 9th-16th, at Trinity Church Parish House, New Haven, Conn., 98th annual exhibition.

Horticultural Society of New York—23rd annual autumn exhibition, American Museum of Natural History, November 7th-8th-9th. Office of secretary, 598 Madison Avenue, N. Y.

Parkersburg (W. Va.) Dahlia Society—Hold their show September 25th-26th at City Park Pavilion. Mr. F. K. Flanigan, secretary, writes us that there is much activity among growers in anticipation of their show. Many new seedlings will be shown.

Paterson (N. J.) Floricultural Society—Hold their show September 20th-21st at Passaic National Bank & Trust Co. and another September 27th-28th at Hamilton Trust Co., Paterson, N. J. Premium lists now ready. S. Hubschmit, secretary, 17 Dewey Avenue.

Quincey (III.) Garden Club—A new affiliated society of the A. D. S. Will hold their second annual show September 19th-20th-21st. Mrs. Arthur Odell, secretary.

Tennessee State Dahlia Society—Show October 2nd at Noel Hotel, Nashville. This is in addition to their regular show at Tennessee State Fair first week in October. Premium lists and entry blanks obtainable through E. T. O'Donnell, secretary, 1303 Birdsan Street, Old Hickory, Tennessee.

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Trenton Horticultural Society of Trenton, N. J. (The)—Is planning an even more elaborate show than held in past years. From a very small show held in a department store twelve years ago its exhibits now fill every available space of the large Armory. There are about one hundred competitive classes for Dahlias and Gladioli. The Garden Club of Trenton has charge of the artistic arrangement classes and the Trenton Florists' Association takes charge of the Florists' booths. The center of the Armory will be filled with the competitive gardens of many of the Nurserymen located in and near Trenton. Trenton's Fail Flower Show has come to be one of the flower events of the fall just as the International flower show held in New York in the Spring is one of the most enjoyable flower events of the year. A most imposing array of judges have accepted the invitation to judge this show among them being Mr. John Young, secretary of the international flower show; Mr. Charles H. Totty, Madison, J.; Dr. C. H. Connors of the New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station; Mr. Walter Hengel of Ardmore, Pa.; Mr. William Kleinheinz superintender of the Widener estate of Philadelphia, Pa.; Prof. J.

# Coming Shows (Continued)

Harold Clark of New Brunswick; Mr. Eugene H. Michell of the Henry A. Dreer Co.; Mr. John Kuhn of Philadelphia, Pa; Mr. Percey E. Hicks, superintendent of the General Howard Borden estate, Rumson, N. J.; Mr. James Smith, Gladiolus expert of Plainfield, N. J.; Mr. Thomas Clark, superintendent of the Clarence Housmann estate, Long Branch, N. J.; and Mr. William Williams of Elberon, N. J. Mr. George Masson is president of this society, Mr. Frank J. Eppele show chairman, Mr. Harold West secretary of the show. The dates are September 22nd, 23rd and 24th. Plan to travel to Trenton to see the finest horticultural exhibition of the fall.

Virginia Dahlia Society—Annual show September 26-27, 1930, at John Marshall Hotel, Richmond, Va. We are in receipt of premium list covering classes for all types of Dahlias. The new A. D. S. classification will be used at this show.

### Publications Received

Brooklyn Botanic Garden—Sends out periodically "Leaflets" which contain much practical information for growers. Three recent ones, "Fertilizers for City Cardens," "Spring Planting" and "Forms on Functions of Stems," are very interesting.

Bulletin Ontario Dahlia Society—Issue of April, 1930, 20 pages, contains many interesting articles. A very creditable publication. C. D. White, secretary, 150 Queens Avenue, Mimico, Ontario, Canada.

Catalogue H. Carlee, Ltd., Haarlem, Holland, Dahlias—Listing many foreign and domestic standards. Some fine large illustrations are shown.

Minnesota (The) Horticulturist—We always look ferward each month to receiving this publication. While primarily devoted to promoting interest in Horticulture in Minnesota, much of general value to growers everywhere appears in each issue. They seem to be particularly fortunate in getting articles from experts. Reports of new varieties of flowers, fruits and vegetables adapted for northern sections are interesting and instructive.

New Jersey Gardens—A magazine devoted to Horticulture in New Jersey. Some beautiful illustrations are shown of outstanding local gardens. June issue. Publication office, 93 Parker Avenue, Maplewood, N. J.

Tennessee State Dahlia Society—Bulletin 40 pages. E. T. O'Donnell, 1303 Birdsall Street, Old Hickory, Tennessee. The issue contains many excellent articles by well-known authorities, among them Better Gardens for 1930, Charles G. Reed; Growing Exhibition Dahlias, Carl Salbach; How to Exhibit, Harley T. Peck; Enemies of Dahlias, E. T. O'Donnell; Soil Fertility, Prof. B. E. Brower.

# By John S. Vincent

While walking among my Dahlias I heard Alice Whittier say to Jane Cowl you Marvelous Dream, you are the Mutual Friend of the Queen of the Garden Beautiful but the Rotarian, Kiwanis and Quota replied, no, Sweetheart, the Emperor has Flora like the Prince of Hollywood the Pride of California, but the Yellow Princess claimed through her attorney Judge Marean that The Bandit had Sioux blood which the Indian Chief claimed more credit for Maryland but Calvin Coolidge, Jr., and George, Jr., two of the younger lads claimed Daddy Butler should decide the Charm of the Scarlet Lady and Jersey's Beauty, but The Vamp sang like Sanhican's Bluebird. With tones sweet as Insulinda white Queen Geneveva looked to the Golden West with Attraction, and Jersey's Beacon shone on Ambassador who won the Fordhook Victory. This caused Kathleen Norris to look for new varieties to follow her Sensation.

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# Plants Beneficial in Sleeping Room Scientist Says Belief That They Should be Removed Is Erroneous

(From The United States Daily, June 4, 1930)
The belief that plants should be removed from sleeping rooms at night is entirely without foundation, according to a statement by Dr. A. F. Woods, director of scientific work in the United States Department of Agriculture, which follows in full text:

In many hospitals it is a regular practice to remove flowers and plants from the rooms at night because it is thought that they are in some way injurious to the

patients.

Instead of plants being harmful, they are beneficial, says Dr. Woods. During the day they give off oxygen and moisture and take up carbon dioxide. At night these processes slow down and small amounts of carbon dioxide are given off, but a whole greenhouse full of plants would not give off enough carbon dioxide to injuriously affect the composition of the air.

The only occasion for removing plants and flowers from sleeping rooms is in the case of poisonous plants and in cases of people who suffer from hay fever. In these cases, explains Dr. Woods, plants and flowers to which the patient is sensitive should not be in the room

at any time.

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# Dahlia Seedlings By A. G. Goodacre

Our good friend George Trapp, of Buena Park, was over yesterday and he left a lasting impression on our minds that seedling blooming time was around again. I don't know which is the largest, George's heart or his seedlings. He brought over some blooms of as fine a lot of Dahlias as one could wish to see, especially good for this season and time of year, early July.

That reminds me also of two reports I received of Dahlia seed I was experimenting with of last year's planting, one made by Prof. Patch, of Storrs Experimental Farm, and the other by Dr. Norton, of Hyattsville, Maryland. I was indeed fortunate to have the cooperation of these two noted authorities in this work.

The claim in the past on both sides of the Atlantic has been that certain sections of the seed head produce the best flowers. The old idea away back was that the seed from the center of bloom produced single flowers. A Dahlia grower in England a year or two ago claimed to get his best seed from the center of flower, and yet another of my countrymen living here in Southern California told me that one might just as well throw away the seed from the two outside rows, hence there was indeed some confusion in my mind as to all these conflicting ideas. So to clear away some of this mystery I selected three varieties, very carefully separated the seed out of each head into two separate lots, center lot and outside lot, one hundred seed in each lot, making six separate lots of seed to be grown separately. Germination was variable, nothing conclusive either way; the blooms did not indicate anything one way or the other. Two of the varieties used were Amun Ra and Ellinor Vanderveer; Dr. Norton's comment on the latter was that it seemed very consistent, that is, it represented its parent to a remarkable extent. We might mention Jersey Beauty as a breeder in a similar way. Now, with this very brief statement I would like to take up another seedling matter. The test above came out just as I had anticipated, but there is another common belief that the small backward seedlings produce the best new varieties. Everyone is quoting someone as making that statement. In my experience, and I am not alone in the matter, they certainly do not.

My experience has been that the earlier plantings of seedlings give the largest percentage of varieties to keep over, what we might term mid-season planting, some very good seedlings, and last plantings are a disappointment; true enough from the early planting we get some great strong growers that before they bloom look wonderful, yet most of us discard them right away because they embody some strong defect, yet when these few are weeded out we have a held of quite representative and presentable blooms.

All of us know that Dahlia seed does not come up all together, but continues to sprout for several weeks. The reason for this is hard to explain. When we put these backward flats in lath house and have a rain on them they generally sprout the rest of the seed. These straglers which form our last planting of seedlings are not our best producers of seedlings by a long way, hence the conclusion above.

I averaged eight to keep over to one hundred plants, this is high, so much depends on who is doing the culling. Some people write that they are keeping over nearly all, but where one grows six or seven hundred seedlings in a season see where even five to the hundred takes you to for re-planting next season.

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By Montague Free

It is generally admitted that stable or barnyard manure is the best all-round fertilizer for the garden. It contains nitrogen, phosphorus, and potash, the three most important elements necessary to supply in order to maintain the soil in a state of fertility. Manure usually gives satisfactory results even though no other fertilizers are used. In addition to the plant food contained, it supplies humus (decayed organic matter) improves the physical properties of the land and by its decay makes plant foods available that would otherwise be locked up in the soil. Experience has shown that in order to get the best results from the use of "commercial" fertilizers it is necessary for the soil to be well stocked with humus, and stable or barnyard manure is probably the best form in which this can be added to the soil. Barnyard manure may be applied in the spring or fall. If applied in the fall, fresh manure may be used, first spreading it over the surface and then digging the plot so as to bury the manure as deeply as possible. If application is deferred until the spring, it should be partly decayed, as in this form the plant foods it contains are more quickly available for the use of the crop. If the manure is thoroughly decayed and in a finely pulverized condition it is a good plan to first dig the ground leaving the surface good plan to first dig the ground, leaving the surface rough, and then spread the manure, afterwards raking thoroughly so as to mix it with the surface soil. The quantity to use depends upon the amount of humus already present in the soil and whether it is planned to use commercial fertilizers in addition. If the soil is deficient in humus a heavy

application is desirable to improve its physical condition; on the other hand, if humus is already present in large quantities, it will be economical to reduce the amount of stable manure and supply the chemical elements necessary by using more concentrated fertilizers. Commercial vegetable growers use anywhere from 10-100 tons of manure per acre, the amount generally used being 20-30 tons. For the small garden from 300 to 500 pounds for a plot containing 400 square feet, or spread on the surface from one to three inches thick will be suitable. If manured in the fall in this manner a dressing of 6-8 pounds of "complete" commercial fertilizer, obtainable from most seedsmen, could be applied to advantage in the spring (though not absolutely necessary) as a surface dressing, raking it in so as to mix it thoroughly with the top soil.

It often happens that it is not convenient in city gardens to maintain the supply of humus by the use of barnyard or stable manure. In these circumstances the growing of a cover crop to provide green manure is a convenient method of supplying humus. Another source of supply open to city dwellers is the collection of the leaves when they drop from the street trees in the autumn, provided that they have not been fouled by passing automobiles. These should be piled in an out-of-the-way corner of the garden and mixed with the soil when they are one or two years old. Decay may be hastened by forking over the leaves two or three times during the summer. Garden refuse of all kinds, such as lawn clippings, the leaves and stems of vegetables and flowers, may be treated in the same way. This latter method sometimes has the disadvantage of returning to the soil the spores of disease organisms that may be present, thus providing a source of infection for future crops. Another means of adding humus is to obtain

one of the numerous brands of humus or peat moss obtainable from most seed houses or nurseries. When humus is supplied in the form of green manures or leaves, the amount of "complete" commercial fertilizer used should be from 12 to 18 pounds for every 400

Chicken manure, which is sometimes available, is one of the most concentrated of the organic fertilizers. It can be used to good advantage to supplement a dressing of barnyard manure, at the rate of 20 pounds to 400 square feet. As the plant foods it contains are quickly available, it should be applied in the spring as a surface dressing, thoroughly mixing it with the soil. If this fertilizer is available in a sufficient quantity to warrant its being used as a base for a complete fertilizer it should be used at the rate of 40-50 pounds to 400 square feet, supplemented by 6-8 pounds of acid phosphate and 6-8 pounds of unleached hardwood ashes. The chicken manure must not be mixed with the other ingredients before application, or loss of nitrogen will result. Chicken manure, previous to use, should always be stored under cover to prevent leaching. A good method, which facilitates future handling, is to place it in barrels or boxes in layers with an equal amount of dry soil.

Sheep manure, while not so concentrated as the preceding, can be used in much the same way by increasing

the quantity about 50%.

Bone meal is an important source of phosphoric acid: it also contains some nitrogen. The coarser grades act rather slowly and the food materials contained are not immediately available. It is used at the rate of 12 to 15 pounds to 400 square feet. Acid phosphate, prepared from phosphatic rock, is another important fertilizer supplying phosphorus. It is used at the rate of 8-12 pounds to 400 square feet.

Wood ashes contain potash and lime and small amounts of phosphoric acid. It is a fertilizer especially valuable on clayey soils, as it improves their physical condition. It is considered to be a valuable fertilizer for all fruits-apples, peaches, etc.-and for crops that are grown for their roots, such as beets and carrots.

Use 20 to 40 pounds to 400 square feet.

Sulphate of potash and muriate of potash contain potash in a more concentrated form than the preceding, and are used at the rate of about 3-5 pounds to 400

square feet.

Nitrate of soda is a very quick-acting fertilizer and is useful for stimulating the growth of plants in early spring when the nitrogen content of the soil is usually low. It is especially valuable for crops that are grown for their leaves, such as cabbage, Swiss chard, spinich, and lettuce. Use 1½ to 2 pounds to 400 square feet. As nitrate of soda is readily soluble in water, it should not be applied much before planting time or it will leach out of the soil before the crop can use it. The writer prefers to use this fertilizer as a top-dressing after the plants have started their growth, applying it at the rate of 1/2 ounce to a square yard at intervals of about three weeks. All lumps must be crushed before using and care must be taken not to allow any to lodge on the leaves of the crop. Great caution must be exercised in the use of this fertilizer, especially in connection with crops that are grown for their roots or fruits, such as beets, carrots, peas, beans, and tomatoes, as it may result in the production of leaves at the expense of the part desired for use. Sulphate of ammonia and dried blood are other important sources of nitrogen.

Acid phosphate, bone meal, nitrate of soda, and wood ashes are not what are known as "complete" fertilizers. That is, they do not provide nitrogen, phosphorus, and potash. It is customary to use them in combination with other fertilizers or to supplement a complete organic fertilizer which may have a deficiency of one or more of the three elements most necessary as plant foods. It will be noticed, for instance, that wood ashes is part of the formula with chicken manure as a base. Bone-meal could be used to take the place of the acid phosphate in this formula.

Lime is an indirect fertilizer in that it helps to put the soil in good physical condition, provides the slight alkalinity desirable for most vegetable crops, and assists in making inert plant foods avilable. It is used in the form of ground limestone, or of air-slaked lime, at the rate of 20 pounds to 400 square feet.

It should be borne in mind that lime, or any fertilizer containing lime, such as wood ashes, must not be applied so as to come in contact with any organic manure or it will result in loss of nitrogen.

All concentrated fertilizers can be best applied by first digging or plowing the ground, leaving the surface rough, then scattering the fertilizer, afterwards raking to mix with the soil. Bulky manures, such as undecayed barnyard or stable manures, leaves, and cover crops should be dug in as deeply as possible.

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# National Association of Commercial Dahlia Growers, Incorporated

# By Charles G. Reed, President

Much thought and time has been given by the members of the Show Committee and officials of the American Dahlia Society to make their coming show the best ever but to make it so we must have flowers, therefore I am making an urgent appeal to our members of the National society to assist the A. D. S. in every way possible to put this proposition over. You can assist in many ways. You can help a great deal by taking space which others commercial will tell you is their best advertising medium. It is a mighty good investment from my own experience. Good bloom of the older varieties will make a fine showing and if you have one or more good new ones by all means show them at the New York show. If you are not interested in taking space and are coming to the show just go into your garden and cut a dozen or two of your best bloom and bring them to the show and give them to George Fraser, the floor manager, and he will find a good location for them. In a large building like Madison Square Garden we need every bloom that we can secure. Will you do this for the National and the American Dahlia Society? You can help out by inviting your friends to attend the show. We must have a good attendance to meet our expenses. No doubt that at least 75% of the Dahlias shown at Madison Square Garden are exhibited by members of the National society but we have quite a few members who do not exhibit. To these I again urge them to join us in making this the greatest Dahlia show in the world. Team work alone will put it over and this means every one helping to carry the load. Will you help?

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We the members of the Dahlia Society of California

We the members of the Dahlia Society of California wish to extend to the American Dahlia Society our sincere appreciation for the space given to us for a section in their Bulletins.

In this issue we are presenting some of our members in little talks and personal experiences. Our president, Mr. Lester G. Glasson, gives a resumé of the activities of our Society during the last three months. He is some president and we are happy to introduce him through his remarks. He, as he says, is keeping the Dahlia Society happy and he tells you the reason at the close of his report.

Mr. Charles F. Lengeman tells us why he grows Dahlias. He gives some good reasons but we glean from his talk the principle reason is to keep him busy. He doesn't say but we think maybe it is to keep him out of mischief.

Miss Alice Meusdorffer chats with us and her personal talk takes us into her beautiful old garden established by her father, one of our California pioneers. Her tribute to our beautiful city of San Francisco is full of love and reverence.

Mr. Curtis Redfern tells us something about the wisdom in introducing new seedlings, tells it in his own interesting way and we always stop and listen to what Curtis has to say. We wanted to hear something of his experience with green plants—but he refused to confide in us. Maybe we will get it in the next issue of the Bulletin.

Last we present a little poem which was written by a friend of the Haake's after seeing their pompon display at the show.—Editor.

display at the show .- Editor.

# Review

### By Lester G. Glasson, President

This, the Fifteenth Anniversary year of the Dahlia Society of California, has been a year of achievement. We have grown almost one hundred per cent in membership and when I ask myself why, I find the answer to be—we have made the Dahlia Society a happy

family.

Every other meeting has been a members' a mappy in which we have discussed and analized our problems. We have made our knowledge of the proper handling of tubers, planting, growing and fighting pests common property.

At our meeting on April 7th which was very well attended several of our members gave very interesting talks. Mr. Curtis Redfern spoke on the preparation of the soil for planting. Mr. Albert Harris gave some of his experiences; he is one of the most successful amateurs in our society. Mrs. H. C. Haake gave a talk for the benefit of the new members on her early experience in preparing for the show.

At the members' meeting on June 2nd a number of new members were welcomed, among whom were Col. Mackall and Col. Hemphill of the Headquarters

staff of the San Francisco Presidio. Our membership addition from this post has become quite a unit and a happy one, as they are all very enthusiastic home garden growers. Mrs. Hazard, wife of Col. Hazard, being responsible for our healthy growth from the army circle. Mr. John B. Steinweiden of the County Horticultural Department was the speaker of the evening. He gave a most interesting and instructive talk on "Pests That Infest Your Garden", from which we received many valuable tips on keeping our gardens free from unwelcome visitors.

The Board meetings of March 3rd and May 5th were spent in perfecting the plans for the coming show to be held at the Municipal Auditorium on Septmeber 3rd and 4th. The indications are that we will surpass all previous efforts and that the Fifteenth Anniversary Show will be the finest Dahlia exhibition ever held in San Francisco.

In conclusion I must say that we are achieving that staff of the San Francisco Presidio. Our membership

In conclusion I must say that we are achieving that goal we set as our mark at the beginning of the year—that of harmonious co-operation—dominated only by the spirit of true democracy.

# The Haake's Pompons Off to the Dahlia Show

Out of a hillside garden, One dawn a tiny pompon crept, Into a tub for his morning bath, Then quick on a run down the garden path.

He had not been unobserved you know, For he was on his way to the Dahlia show— Such peeping and rustling in the garden that day— Soon pompon and others were on their glad way.

They gathered in groups of a hundred of more, Much primping—much fussing—and colors galore; Johnny Peppin in crimson, and Tom in gay yellow—Though smaller, he was the more important a fellow.

Suzanne in lavender, Little Jewel in pink Such a riot of color—you hardly could think! Atom in orange, and Edgar in cream— 'Twas gorgeous! Seemed most like a dream!

So they boarded the train, and slept hard all the way— They had duty ahead—'twas their big gala day! Arriving on time at their destination, They hustled with vim, away from the station.

Their goal reached at last, "The Show of the Nation", They climbed upon tables, for close observation; Some stood upon chairs, scores upon score, Some leaned against vases, others crowded the floor.

All in order at last, like soldiers "at rest", They stood at "Attention"—each wanting the test, And smiling serenely, with vigor and zest, Trying hard to look his or her very best.

"Such beauty! Such color!" were the comments of

That passed by their way, at the Show every day! They stood on parade two days and a night Tried not to get sleepy-put up a good fight.

And then like tired children, after strenuous play, They lay down and slept in their rows the next day! And folded away on the bosom of sleep, They dreamed of the trophies their displayer would

It was not as it seemed—a vision, or dream.

She had trophies packed away—it was all very real—
They had accomplished their purpose, given pleasure far and wide,
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Taking numerous prizes, with pardonable pride!

# WHY GROW DAHLIAS?

By Charles F. Lengeman

After having grown Dahlias for the past five years. it seems to me I should be able to give some good reasons.

First of all I would like to state that my parents grew Dahlias in Germany long before I was born and when the family emigrated to the U. S. A. in 1868 it was but a short time till they were again growing Dahlias. I can well remember the beautiful "Georginen", the name by which I then knew them, that mother grew when I was a youngster in Chicago.

At that time there were only what we today call At that time there were only what we today call the show variety and nothing larger than about three and one-half inches in diameter and how wonderful in those days they were looked upon! To think of the magnificence of our present day Dahlias makes one wish one could recall the old timers and share with these care increases. with them our joys.

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Here in San Francisco, where winter conditions do not bother us, we grow Dahlias differently than they are grown in the Eastern States. We are not under the hardships that confront the Eastern grower—to illustrate—our rainy season last winter was very late, did not begin till the first week in December, it was plentiful so that one could dig up the roots if one wanted to but there was no hurry because of frosts as we had no frost all winter, though we do have and expect some slight frost each year. Two weeks after the first rain I began to dig up little seedlings that had sprung up from the fallen seed and by the end of February I had more than a thousand in flats. After the clumps were dug and the land plowed they were planted and are now being tried out as to whether some of them will merit growing or not, but so far all that have shown the first flower have been fed to the chickens. chickens.

Now if the reader has any friends in a similar posi-Now if the reader has any friends in a similar posi-tion that I was in some years ago I would advise them to grow Dahlias. I had retired from active business and had to have something to take up my time and Dahlias sure filled the bill as they kept me busy pretty well all the year round and if I wanted to go away on a trip in one of my machines it was no trouble to find someone to take care of the Dahlias, the bees, chickens and home. I spent 40 days in June and July of '28 on a trip to Chicago and found everything in splendid shape on my return.

Think what a pleasure and satisfaction you can derive in being able to distribute the blooms among your friends and to the poor fellows in the hospitals, whom very few ever think of. I even have free entry to two movie houses because of the nice Dahlias I take there in their season.

The eager interest you will take in watching your own seedlings develop, the thousands you will grow always expecting the next one to be a prize winner, is it fascinating? I'll say it is.

Then they require attention nearly all the year, the roots (or tubers as some call them) must be taken care of after digging the clumps. Usually start cutting mine right after digging and put each kind in a lox and keep covered with moist clean sand. Then you have your ground to look after for your next planting, your seed to take care of for your next years seedlings which I try to plant about March 1st.

Being only an amateur think of the fun you will have sending small collections to your friends all over the U. S., the nice letters you receive and some that never arrive; then the Dahlia Society meetings, the nice people with their wholesome ideas; the Dahlia show—what a big treat to look forward to, do the Dahlia growers enjoy their show?

Just ask me could I give more and better reasons for growing Dahlias.

Reader (rushing into newspaper office): "See here, you've published an announcement of my death. Thats got to be fixed somehow."

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# Seedlings By Curtis Redfern

The fact that the gambling spirit is in the makeup of most of us gives to the seedling bed a strong fascination whether it consists of but a few plants squeezed in here and there with the named varieties or an acre of ground given over to growing thousands of them.

Seedlings are grown for two purposes:

1. As a substitute for named varieties to supply color and furnish cut flowers without any thought of using them as exhibition flowers or introducing them to commerce after giving them names and developing sufficient stock.

2. In the hope of securing an outstanding new variety. This article will consider only the second class, dismissing the first group with but one suggestion. Even if you are growing the seedlings just for color and cut flowers for your own purposes some seedlings will be so mediocre that you should rogue them out. Don't procrastinate, dig up the offending seedlings as soon as you discover it. Also label any that makes a strong appeal. Next year at planting time you will be glad you took the trouble to do this because it will probably not be practicable or desirable to plant all of the tubers your seedlings produce.

Now, for a few suggestions about growing and selecting seedlings that you hope will win prizes at the shows and perhaps achieve the greatest honor a Dahlia can hope for in America today, attain a place upon the

Annual Dahlia Roll of Honor.

Don't keep a seedling that too closely resembles a Dahlia that is already in commerce, unless it lacks some fault or bad habit of the named one. Even then your seedling should be a very pronounced improvement.

Rate your seedlings with a score card of the American Dahlia Society. Lean over backwards in being critical. If the total points amount to 85 or better still 90, then ask some Dahlia fans in to behold the new wonder-give them score cards and ask them to rate it for you. The more ratings you can get the better. Then average the lot and if your hopeful keeps within

the 80's label that plant for trial next year.

The new classification of the American Dahlia Society is very comprehensive and generous in that it gives us two classes of decoratives, and three classes of the cactus types, one of which should fit your seedling as to form, but stop, look, and go slow before you add another named variety to the more than 10,000 varieties that clutter up our catalogues today. Has it a lot of pleasing color? Winning prizes is not the most important service of a flower—its prime use is decorative, first in the garden, then in the home, and to a greater extent on the exhibition table than some people realize. No two people see color the same, so get the opinion of as many as possible. Ask them how they like the color. Then give it the acid test, how does the color behave under artificial light? In some varieties artificial light seems to enhance their beauty, others lose much under lamp light. Mark that down, too.

The first year the true character of the plant's habit of growth may not be apparent; whether its foliage and stems are all that could be desired may not be proved until the second year. My experience has been that a first year seedling uses up a lot of energy establishing a root system that is not required of a tuber plant and much of the season is gone before it becomes a full-fledged Dahlia plant with fully developed stalk,

foliage and flowers.

It is often true that what promised to be a very worth-while variety the first year when grown the second or even the third year fails to live up to the

promise of the first.

The subject of green planting from the first year's little clump is a moot one. Some professional growers maintain that it will not injure the variety while others maintain that green plants should not be made of a variety until it is three years old if at all. You can play safe and follow the advice of the latter group because you know that natural root division will not invite or bring about deterioration.

Disease and pest resistant foliage is coming to be looked upon almost as a requirement in a Dahlia. Be thankful if your new seedling has that quality-it will

go far toward making it a popular variety.

Some varieties develop but few tubers and some seem to keep poorly over the winter. As we can not have everything we want if the variety has good color, good size, strong stem, good foliage, I would rate it desirable and accept the stinginess of tuber multiplication and tendency to winter badly as inevitable handicaps but not detrimental enough to warrant the discarding of the variety.

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