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A CORRECTION

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"A large deep flower of burnt orange, shading toward dark amber; a very rich combination. Strikingly like the once popular Insulinde, but a larger bloom with more depth. The reverse petals show a flush of mauve. The bush is a nice grower and will produce several large flowers at one time if the plant is pruned to allow full growth on the side shoots."

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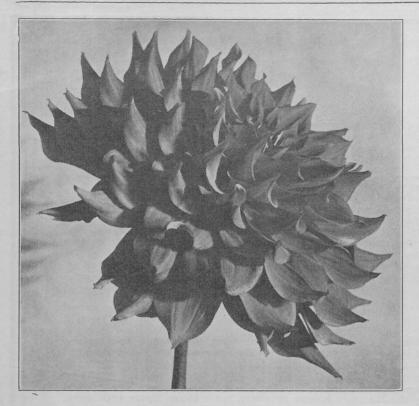
The flowers are so freely produced beginning early in the season, as to almost cover the low growing plants, averaging about three feet high.

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Notice—Trial Grounds Change. The fee for entry of Dahlias at Storrs will this year be \$3.00. This change is made necessary by the increased cost of maintaining the trial grounds, which created a considerable deficit last year, which became a burden upon and had to be paid by the society.

An originator of a new variety can tell quite nearly what it ought to score by carefully studying "Sweeney's Score Plan" and determining how near it meets the requirements. How is the color, new, or better than existing fine varieties? Is the stem straight and stiff, flower facing, foliage clean and resistant? Form of flower, is it perfect, has it size, good bloomer, etc.?

Editorials

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After the first mailing, we mail only once a week to allow an accumulation of copies, because the Bulletin is mailed as second-class matter, and goes by the pound, so have patience for at least ten days from time of writing us.

We are always pleased to answer questions concerning Dahlias. It is not always easy to give definite information, not knowing soil and climatic conditions. We will do the best we can. Questions of general interest will be answered in our "Questions and Answers" Department of the BULLETIN. If a personal matter enclose stamped envelope for reply.

Conforming with this idea we are reserving a section of the BULLETIN for Amateurs. We will greatly appreciate articles on Dahlias, experiences, questions and answers concerning Dahlias from amateurs for publication. This idea is not new, we started it long ago.

It was understood that if a letter asking certain infor-

It was understood that if a letter asking certain information was sent to the Bulletin the reply would be printed, but if a stamp or self-addressed stamped envelope was enclosed it would denote that an immediate reply was requested. Thousands of letters have since come in, ninety per cent with stamp for immediate reply. They seem to want an answer at once.

To Members of Affiliated Societies

Under our new arrangement you can now receive the BULLETIN at a special price if the subscription is sent through your own secretary. Ask him about it. You ought to take advantage of it.

A SEMI-ANNUAL GET-TOGETHER OF MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE AMERICAN DAHLIA SOCIETY

will be held at Hotel Commodore, during the coming Spring Flower Show at Grand Central Palace.

The practicability of our Semi-Annual meeting has been fully demonstrated. Any members having suggestions to make for the advancement of our Show and the Society will have an opportunity to present matters for discussion. Good speakers will be provided.

A great many of our members attend the Spring Show each year, making it an opportune time for a meeting of this kind.

TIME OF MEETING, TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 1932, 4:00 to 6:00 o'clock, P. M.

HOTEL COMMODORE

(Connected with Grand Central Station) 42nd Street, New York
Ask at hotel office for location of A. D. S. meeting

The above hours have been selected so that our members can attend the Spring Flower Show, either afternoon or evening.

BE SURE TO COME AND BRING YOUR FRIENDS

(Save this notice)

SPECIAL NOTICE—Prizes offered by Success Dahlia Gardens, Lawrence, Massachusetts, for those attending the meeting will be repeated again this year.

Inasmuch as the inovation of giving Dahlia roots at the March meeting created quite an interest last season, I am quite willing to do the same this year, if acceptable to you.

I will give one root of Murphy's Masterpiece, our new 1931 introduction, value \$15.00 as first prize.

I will give one root of Eagle Rock Fantasy, value \$15.00, as second prize.

I will give one root Eagle Rock Wonder as third prize, value \$10.00.

The only stipulation in awarding these prizes that I would suggest, is that if a name is drawn and the person is not at the meeting at the time of drawing, the prize goes to the next person whose name is drawn and is at the meeting at the time of the drawing. In other words the person to win a prize must be at the meeting when the prizes are awarded.

The above prizes will be sent direct by me to the winners in time for planting.

Charles G. Reed.

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Report of American Dahlia Society Trial Grounds at the Connecticut Agricultural College, Storrs, 1931

The end of this season marks the thirteenth milestone in the progress of the trial grounds. It is the finish of the writer's tenth year in charge of the work. There were one hundred and seventy-eight varieties entered from twenty-three states and Canada. The number of entrants was eighty-nine. There was a falling off both in the number of entrants and in the number of varieties as compared with the year 1930. The number of states increased two.

An analysis of the entry list is as follows:

Persons	No. of Varieties
48	1
20	2
10	3
5	4
1	5
$\frac{1}{2}$	6
2	7
1	9
86	

The interest in Dahlias continues, although it may fluctuate between different sections of the country. The trial grounds show the trends in this direction. Our visitors reported that the Dahlias at Storrs in 1931 were good.

The following is the tabulation of growers by states:

Canada 1	Missouri 6
California 3	New Jersey 13
Colorado 1	New Mexico 1
Connecticut 3	New York 7
Idaho 1	Ohio 8
Indiana 5	Oregon 1
Iowa 2	Pennsylvania 6
Kentucky 4	
Maryland 1	Tennessee 4
Massachusetts 10	Virginia 2
Michigan 3	Washington 4
Minnesota 1	West Virginia 1

Season

In view of the fact that we now have the "White Showers" there isn't so much to be written about the weather as there used to be. It is needless to say that this method of over head watering is a great invention, and that it is appreciated by the Dahlias.

Weather at Storrs-B. A. Brown

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May June July August Sept. October	65.60 71.12 69.16 65.51	(0.91) (2.24) (1.84) (4.86)	above above above	nor.) nor.) nor.)	5.79 2.45 4.37 1.68	(2.80 (1.95 (0.51 (1.98	above above below above below below	nor.) nor.) nor.)

Last killing frost in spring-May 2nd.

First killing frost in fall-Light frost on the nights of October 9th and 10th.

Heavy frost on the night of October 19th.

"Every month from February to October inclusive, has had above average temperatures. The daily average increase from January 1st to November 1st is 1.78 degrees; and for the period from April 1st to November 1st, 2.42 degrees."

Judging

The burden of scoring was borne by George W. Fraser, Willimantic, Connecticut; Thomas H. Hughes, New Bedford, Massachusetts, and Frederick E. Dixon, Scotch Plains, New Jersey. This is a big piece of work and the judges realize it each year. The difficulty is that it must be done when the plants are in condition. A few will be prime at one time and may be past their best when others are ready to be scored.

The Sweeney Score Card was used again and was thought to be far ahead of the old one. However, there should be a card made up to cover the miniature Dahlias as this type is not provided for at present.

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT DAHLIA

INTRODUCTIONS

We are glad to offer the following new Dahlias for 1932. Every one of them has won a Certificate of Merit at the A. D. S. Trial Grounds at Storrs, Conn., within the last three years. It is our belief that the best TESTED varieties are worthy of one's time and trouble. Try them in your garden next

MEADOWBROOK

F. Dec. (Score 87). Color, light mallow purple with edges of mallow pink. Excellent flowering habits. Can be grown to large size, long cane-like stem. Leathery foliage. In 1929 this wonderful variety received the highest scoring of any Dahlia. Won first in Formal Dec. class. Open to all, New York, 1931. Listed on D. W. Hart's 1931 Honor Roll. Roots \$10 Plants \$5

PATRICIA ANN

F. Dec. (Score 87). Picric yellow, blending into alizerine pink. Flowering habits, prolific, extra heavy bloom facing upward. Ideal cane stem and one hard to beat. Can be grown 10 to 11 inches easily, yet it has both form and color interest. It is unusually attractive and well worth while.

Roots \$10 Plants \$5

CITY OF WELLSTON

F. Dec. (Score 85). Rhodamine purple with tones of Tyrian rose. Early and profuse bloomer. Stem extra heavy to medium possessing rich green foliage. A deep flower and one possessing unusual points of merit.

Roots \$7.50 Plants \$3.75

FREDERICK W. CHURCH

Informal Dec. (Score 85). Very delicate in tone, center pale rose purple and petals white, but tinted faintly with rose purple. Prolific flowering habits, excellent keeper, good foliage and stiff stems. It is different and most

Stock limited-Roots \$7.50 net; Plants \$3.75

And our last year's successful 1930 introduction which has won many first awards wherever exhibited. Considered one of the Outstanding New Dahlias.

JOSEPHINE G.

(Score 86). Color, true rose pink, petals tipped pinard yellow. Unusual bloom formation attracts everyone. Its fluted petals, vivid coloring, proud upright blooms and splendid habits of growth make it a real addition to any collection. Listed cn D. W. Hart's 1930 and 1931 Honor Roll.

Plants \$2.50 Roots \$5

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Field Day

The Field Day was held on Saturday, September 19, It was a pleasant day and the flowers were in fine shape. The forenoon was given over to viewing the gardens and visiting with those who were in attendance. At 12:15 P. M. a cafeteria lunch was served in the college dining hall.

The speaking program opened in Room 13, Gulley Hall, at 1:30 P. M. Professor R. H. Patch presiding. Dr. Charles Chester McCracken, President of the Con-Professor R. H. Patch presiding. necticut Agricultural College, welcomed the gathering and made a few timely remarks. Dr. Basil E. Gilbert, Director of the Rhode Island Agricultural Experiment Station, Kingston, Rhode Island, spoke on "The More Unusual Dahlia Types". This talk was illustrated by lantern slides. Following this, Mr. George L. Farnum, Media, Pennsylvania, spoke on "Travels in European Dahlia Gardens". The meeting then adjourned to the Dahlia garden where a group picture was taken. There were one hundred and eight registered guests present during the day.

The management considered that the day was successful in every particular. It is unfortunate that so many Dahlia exhibitions occur at this time which prevents many from attending the annual field day at Storrs.

People Attending Field Day 1931

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Dixon, Frederick Plains, N. J.

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Visitors

The visitors' book shows that there were more than eight hundred individuals who took the trouble to register their names and addresses. Of course the great majority of these folks came from nearby places, but there are many distant points recorded, including Canada, France, South America, Switzerland and Wales. This proves that there are a great many persons who come to Storrs just to see the Dahlias.

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Plans for 1932

Although the writer has been granted a six months' Sabbatic leave of absence from his duties at the Connecticut Agricultural College, to begin February 1, 1932, the work of the trial grounds will be continued by his assistants.

Increase in the Entry Fee

It should be said again that last spring the executive It should be said again that last spring the executive committee of the American Dahlia Society agreed to an increase of one dollar in the entry fee. This was to cover the Field Day and Judging expenses. The feeling of the college is that it costs at least two dollars to grow and care for a variety sent to the trial grounds. At the time this change was made it was also ruled that varieties entered for retrial should be subject to the corne for as your varieties. be subject to the same fee as new varieties.

Criticisms

From time to time we receive criticisms relating to our work. The most recent one is on the digging of the roots. We have been in the habit of using a spading fork. Granted that care has been exercised, it is admitted that there has been a small amount of injury to the clumps. Our critic says that the best tool to use is a round pointed shovel.

Then again, it is said that we are not careful enough Then again, it is said that we are not careful enough in letting entrants know if their plants or tubers fail to start growth. Our practice has been to examine these upon their arrival at Storrs and to let the owners know of their condition. In the majority of cases there is no further trouble. However, every once in a while some do not grow that have been reported apparently in good condition. The point is that there really isn't time to notify the grower and secure new roots after it becomes known that his variety did not sprout. Please bear in mind that if the best results are to be obtained at the trial grounds we must have A 1 plants, or tubers to begin with. we must have A 1 plants, or tubers to begin with.

Insect Pests

Thus far, we have been very fortunate in not being troubled by many insect pests.

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The figures representing length of stem, size and depth of flowers are the minimum and maximum taken. They cover the general range between these points as far as it was possible to obtain them. As has been said before, the Sweeney scale of points was used in making the awards. Each judge scored the varieties separately, the average of their scores being the amount used as a basis for the final score. The superintendent of the trial grounds has a veto power, which is exercised at the end of the season after all records are completed. A score of 85 points must be obtained in order to win a Certificate of Merit.

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The new classification was used. Capitals mean the same as in former reports. In the case of decorative both the word formal and informal have been used. The varieties that gained the American Dahlia Society Certificate of Merit are listed together at the beginning of the report. The number in parenthesis () is the number of points awarded in the final check

Closing

The writer wishes to thank all those who have helped to make the American Dahlia Society Trial Grounds of value to the floricultural world. There are few individual successes that when analyzed cannot be traced to the assistance of others. It is certainly this way in the case of the trial grounds at Storrs.

Varieties Receiving Certificate of Merit

LEWIS HAGLER, JR. NO. 11, Stake Nos. 14, 15 and 16, recurved and straight, entered by Lewis Hagler, 306 Osakis St., Duluth, Minnesota. (85). Rose color. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 5½-12½ in. slender in size, stiff, flower faces down. Size of flowers 5-6½ in., depth 1¾-2½ in. Height 6 ft. 1 in. Note. Stake No. 15 dig not grow. 15 did not grow.

- AIRMAIL, Stake Nos. 23, 24 and 25, Informal Dec, entered by William H. Kanouse, Golden Glow Bulb Ranch, 304 21st Ave. So., Seattle, Washington. (85). Light mallow purple, c. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 8-16 in. medium in size, stiff, flowers face the heavens. When disbudded the stem is very heavy in size, stiff, erect, etc. Size of flowers 6½-8½ in., depth 1¾-2¼ in. Height 7 ft. Note. Very good disbudded. disbudded.
- ROBERT EMMETT, Stake Nos. 44, 45 and 46, Informal Dec, entered by M. J. Moroney, 3 Rowe St., New Haven, Connecticut. (85). Carmine, darker at center. e. Flowering habit fair. Stem 6½-14 in. heavy in size, stiff, flower facing side. Size of flowers 7-9 in., depth 2-2½ in. Height 6 ft.
- FRANK LOCKARD, Stake Nos. 122, 123 and 124, Formal Dec, entered by Mrs. Frank Lockard, 22 South New York Ave., Jackson Co., Wellston, Ohio. (85). True purple. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 7-18 in. medium in size, stiff, flower fraces the heaven recent in a formace the faces the heavens, except in a few cases the side. A good stem, droops later in the season. Size of flowers $5\frac{1}{2}$ - $6\frac{1}{2}$ in, depth $1\frac{3}{4}$ -3 in. Height 4 ft, 6 in. Note. Does not seem to be improved by disbudding.
- 333, MARGARET E. BROOMALL. Stake Nos. 140, 141 and 142, Informal Dec, entered by Charles G. Reed, Success Dahlia Gardens, 171 Ferry St., Lawrence, Massachusetts. (93.5). White with cream petals at center, e. Flowering habit late. Stem 7-15 in. heavy in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 9 ½-12 in., depth 2¾-4¼ in. Height 8 ft. 6 in.
- 1249, Stake Nos. 152, 153 and 154, Informal Decentered by Charles G. Reed, Success Dahlia Gardens, 171 Ferry St., Lawrence, Massachusetts. (86). Carmine and spectrum red, center pansy purple. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 2½-8½ in. medium in size, stiff, flower on side, tendency to droop at end of season. Size of flowers 7-9½ in., depth 2-3¼ in. Height 8 ft. 1 in. Note. Does not improve by disbudding.
- *57. LADY ALICE, Stake Nos. 167, 168 and 169, Informal Dec, entered by Judge J. S. Clark, Gallipolis, Ohio. (85). Spectrum red, with tips of petals pinard yellow. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 3-6 in. heavy to medium in size, flower facing side, crothy. A good stem. Size of flowers 6-7½ in., depth 1¾-2 in. Height 5 ft. 5 in.
- MT. WHITNEY SUNSET, Stake Nos. 187, 188 and 189, Miniature Dec, entered by Howard J. Frame, P. O. Box 505, Porterville, California. Tulare Co. (85). Amber yellow with markings on each petal of Jasper red. Another description pinard yellow tinged or tinted with scarlet. c e g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem slender in size, stiff, flower faces side. Size of flowers 2½-3½ in. depth 1-1½ in. Height 5 ft. 2½ in. Note. Should not be disbudded.
- CITY OF JACKSON, Stake Nos. 201, 202 and 203, Formal Dec, entered by L. G. Cronberger, Royal Dahlia Gardens, 835 Oakdale, Jackson, Michigan. (85). Picric yellow, gradually blending into coral pink. e c. Flowering habit good. Stem 4-14½ in. medium in size, stiff, flower facing heavens. An ideal stem. Size of flowers 4%-7% in., depth 2-2% in. Height 5 ft. 2 in.
- NO. 105, Stake Nos. 210, 211 and 212, Formal Dec, entered by Dr. Shirley S. Shattuck, Prop., Sagamore Gardens, 162 Elm St., Everett, Massachusetts. (85). Scarlet red, back of petals geranium pink. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 3-7% in. heavy to medium in size, flower on side. Size of flowers 5½-8½ in., depth 1½-2% in. Height 6 ft. 6 in.
- MRS. C. G. REED, Stake Nos. 252, 253 and 254, Formal Dec, entered by Charles Garrity, R. F. D., Box 22, Nilos, California. (85). Barryt yellow unopened petals at center, open petals white. e. Flowering habit late. Stem 64-12½ in. heavy in size, flower on side. Size of flowers 7-7½ in., depth 2¼-3 in. Height 5 ft. 10 in.

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- *99. BARBARA WALKER, Stake Nos. 284 and 285, Informal Dec, entered by T. W. Walker, Box 541, Hailey, Idaho. (85). Light Vividine yellow. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 2½-14 in. heavy in size, stiff, flower facing down. Size of flowers 6¾-9 in., depth 2¼-3 in. Height 5 ft 3 in.
- *122. THE COMMODORE, Stake Nos. 352, 353 and 354, Informal Dec, entered by J. A. Kemp, Little Silver, New Jersey. (85). Lemon yellow. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 4-12 in. heavy in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 6%-10½ in., depth 2½-5 in. Height 4 ft. 10 in.
- *127. JEAN LOUISE KEEFER, Stake Nos. 367, 368 and 369, Informal Dec, entered by J. A. Kemp, Little Silver, New Jersey. (85). Tyrian rose and deep rose pink. e c. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 5-8 in. wiry, stiff, flower facing heavens, later in the season facing side. Size of flowers 6-7½ in., depth 2-4 in. Height 7 ft.
- *130. NO. 5200, Stake Nos. 376, 377 and 378, Formal Dec, entered by Fred A. Danker, 40 and 42 Maiden Lane, Albany, New York. (86). White and Martin's yellow, picric yellow at base of petals. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 6-14 in. extra heavy, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 5¼-8¼ in., depth 1¾-3 in. Height 7 ft. Note. Should be disbudded.
- NO. 53, 1927, Stake Nos. 397, 398 and 399, Formal Dec, entered by Thomas L. Galvin, 7 Bellevue Ave., Peabody, Massachusetts. (85). White, with faint tones of cameo pink on outer petals. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 5½-13 in. medium in size, stiff, inclined to droop. Size of flowers 6-8 in., depth 2-3 in. Height 6 ft.
- No. 37, Stake Nos. 412, 413 and 414, Informal Dec, entered by White's Dahlia Gardens, 1814 Richmond Drive, Louisville, Kentucky. (85). Vivid scarlet red. e c. Flowering habit good.

Stem $4\frac{1}{4}$ -8 in. heavy to medium in size, stiff, upright, erect, flower on side. Size of flowers 6-8 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., depth 2-2 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. Height 6 ft. 8 in.

- 514-C-A, Stake Nos. 490, 491 and 492, Informal Dec, entered by Walter A. Angell, 294 Woonasquatucket Ave., Lymansville, Rhode Island. (86). Pinard yellow, outer petals flesh pink. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 4-11½ in heavy to medium in size, stiff, flower on side, some facing the heavens, crotchy, at end of season drooping. Size of flowers 6-9 in., depth 2-3½ in. Height 6 ft. 6 in. *168.
- NO. 178, MARYLAND JUBILEE, Stake Nos. 501, 502 and 503, Formal Dec, entered by Quick and Quick, Wyndhurst and Lawrence Aves, Roland Park, Baltimore, Maryland. (85). Rose red with yellowish tinge nearest or perhaps spectrum red is nearest. General effect splashed. c e. Flowering habit good. Stem 5-11½ in. heavy to medium in size, stiff, flower facing side. Size of flowers 5½-8 in., depth 1½-2½ in. Height 5 ft. 9 in.

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- 1. ALSWEL 22, Stake Nos. 1, 2 and 3, Formal Dec, entered by G. R. Rudolf, Sappington, Missouri. (75). Orange buff, center petals Eugenia red or spinel red. c e. Flowering habit late. Stem 3½-8 in. medium in size, stiff, erect, flower faces the heavens. Some are inclined to be crotchy. Size of flowers 5½-6½ in., depth 1¾-2½ in. Height 7 ft. 4 in. Note. Good stem.
- 2. ALSWEL 26, Stake Nos. 4, 5 and 6, Informal Dec, entered by F. R. Rudolf, Sappington, Missouri. (70). Center aster purple, surrounded by rose color petals. g. Flowering habit good. Stem 4½-11½ in. slender, flower faces down. Later becomes pendant. Size of flowers 4½-6½ in. depth 1-2 in. Height 8 ft. 9 in. Note. Poor center flower.
- 3. INEZ WALKER, Stake No. 7, Informal Dec, entered by Mrs. Loyd Walker, 304 Broad St., Sweetwater, Tennessee. (78). Victoria lake, nearly black petals around green center. Petals shading to blood red. g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 6½ 13 in. medium in size, inclined to droop. Size of flowers 6½-8½ in., depth 1½-2½ in. Height 7 ft. 3 in.
- 4. 9-6-523, Stake Nos. 8, 9 and 10, Informal Dec, entered by Richard W. Petrie, 1528 W. Los Angeles St., Gardena, California. (83). Rose red mostly, some darker at center. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 6-15½ in. medium in size, flower on side and facing down. Size of flowers 5¾-9 in., depth 2-4¼ in. Height 6 ft. 9 in. Note. Flower very heavy for the stem.
- 5. KATE WALLER BARRETT, Stake Nos. 11, 12 and 13, Informal Dec, entered by R. D. Caldwell, M.D., Suite 412, Medical Arts Building, Lynchburg, Virginia. (83). Pieric yellow, petals edged and splashed with Corinthian red. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 3-6 in. medium in size, flower on side. Size of flowers 6½-7½ in., depth 2-2½ in. Height 5 ft. 6½ in.
- 7. JESSIE M. LANG, Stake Nos. 17, 18 and 19, C incurved, entered by Mrs. C. C. Kellam, 1809
 Belleone Ave., Seattle, Washington. (75). Spectrum red. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 4½-7½ in. very slender in size, wiry, flower faces down. Size of flowers 4½-5¾ in., depth 1¾-3 in. Height 5 ft. 11 in.
- 8. EDNA GILLEN, Stake Nos. 20, 21 and 22, Informal Dec, entered by Mrs. Edna Gillen, Box 24, La Junta, Colorado. (78). Light coral red, back of petals Tyrian pink. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 7-12½ in. medium to slender in size, stiff, flower on side, later in the season inclined to droop. Size of flowers 6-8 in., depth 1½-2½ in. Height 7 ft.
- 10. JAMES CARSE, Stake Nos. 26, 27 and 28, Formal Dec, entered by A. Melrose, R. No. 3, Spokane, Washington. (83). Carmine, with Victoria lake petals in center. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 10½-16½ in. heavy in size, stiff, later drooping, pendulons. Size of flowers 6-8¼ in., depth 2¾-3 in. Height 7 ft. 5 in.
- 11. GALLIA GOLDSPUR, Stake Nos. 29, 30 and 31, Informal Dec, entered by Roy De Witt, R. 4, Bidwell, Ohio. (80). A blending of flesh ocher and yellow ocher. Back of petals carrot red. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 3-15 in. medium in size, stiff, crotchy, flower on side. Size of flowers 614-7 in., depth 2-234 in. Height 6 ft. 8 in.
- SARAH HENRY, Stake Nos. 32, 33 and 34, entered by Charles O. Dean, 18 Webber St., Springfield, Massachusetts. Light phlox purple, (Recommended for retrial.)
- STAR OF BETHLEHEM, Stake Nos. 35, 36 and 37, Informal Dec, entered by Joseph A. Nolet, 90 Robeson St., New Bedford, Massachusetts. (83). White. A few center petals yellow at base. e. Flowering habit late. Stem 3-6 in.

- medium in size, stiff, flower faces down and to the side. Size of flowers $6\,\%\,\text{--}\,7\,\%$ in., depth $2\text{--}\,2\,\%$ in. Height 5 ft. 9 in.
- 14. LANCHEE PARR, Stake Nos. 38, 39 and 40, Formal Dec, entered by Mrs. Olive M. Foreman, Box 222, New Cumberland, West Virginia. (80). Rosolane purple and Tyrian Rose blended. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 4½-13 in medium in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 5-6½ in., depth 2-3¾ in. Height 6 ft. 10 in. Note. Not improved by disbudding.
- 15. ELINOR HAUSE, Stake Nos. 41, 42 and 43, Informal Dec, entered by Mrs. Harry Hause, Chester Co., Elverson, Pennsylvania. (81). Center picric yellow gradually changing to Martin's yellow outer petals. e. Flowering habit late. Stem 2½-5 in. medium in size, stiff, crotchy, flowers facing side. Early in the season some flowers face the heavens. Size of flowers 7-8 in., depth 1¾-3 in. Height 7 ft. 9 in.
- 17. IOWA GOLD, Stake Nos. 47, 48 and 49, Pf, entered by Fremont J. Woods, R. No. 4, Newton, Iowa. (Garden Variety). Picric yellow. g. Flowering habit late. Stem 5-11 in. medium in size, stiff, flower faces side and down. Size of flowers 6½-8 in., depth 1-1¼ in. Height 7 ft. 3 in.
- 18. ALSWEL 15, Stake Nos. 50, 51 and 52, Informal Dec, entered by G. R. Rudolf, Sappington, Missouri. (74).Carmine and violet carmen, almost black. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 5-9½ in. slender in size, crotchy, flower facing down. Size of flowers 5½-7½ in., depth 1¾-3¼ in. Height 5 ft. 10 in. Note. Stake 51 was unlike stakes 50 and 52. These are lighter in color.
- 19. ALSWEL 23, Stake Nos. 53, 54 and 55, Pf, entered by G. R. Rudolf, Sappington, Missouri. (Garden Variety). Rhodamine purple. g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 4-16½ in. slender in size, stiff, flower facing down. Size of flowers 5-6 in., depth ¾-1¼ in. Height 7 ft. 9 in.
- 20. MARY VENTURA, Stake Nos. 56, 57 and 58, Informal Dec, entered by S. Ventura, Box 1090, Southampton, New York. (76). Grayish white shading into rose purple. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 6¼-9 in. medium in size, stiff. flowers face the heavens and sides. Size of flowers 5¾-6¾ in., depth 2-3½ in. Height 6 ft. 3 in.
- 21. SHINNECOCK HILLS. Stake Nos. 59, 60 and 61, Informal Dec, entered by S. Ventura, Box 1090, Southampton, New York. (80). Alizarine pink with base of some petals buff yellow. e g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 4-8½ in. slender to medium, flower facing side. Size of flowers 3½-5¼ in., depth 1-2¼ in. Height 4 ft. 11 in.
- 22. SEEDLING NO. 1, Stake Nos. 62, 63 and 64, Formal Dec, entered by James F. Minor, 620 Farish St., Charlottesville, Virginia. (78). General color pale rosolane purple with amber yellow showing through golden making a sheen. e. Flowering habit late. Stem 4-15 in. medium to heavy, stiff, erect, flower faces heavens, some the side. Size of flowers 5½-7 in., depth 1¾-2½ in. Height 3 ft. 6 in.
- 23. "THE RAGGEDY MAN". Stake Nos. 65, 66 and 67, Informal Dec, entered by James F. Minor, 620 Farish St., Charlottesville, Virginia. (84). Naples yellow, center Corinthian red, also same color on a few petals. A golden sheen. e. Flowering habit late. Stem 4-7 in. medium, crotchy, flower facing side. Size of flowers 6-8½ in., depth 1½-3¼ in. Height 5 ft. 5 in. Note. Does not seem to be improved by disbudding. Has a peculiar staghorn or cleft tip to the petal as well as a wavy appearance.
- 24. INGLEWOOD GEM, Stake Nos. 68, 69 and 70, Formal Dec, entered by L. T. Boyle, 1120 Kirkland Ave., Nashville, Tennessee. (72). Tyrian rose with a tinge of mallow purple on petal tips. e. Flowering habit fair. Stem 3½-9½ in. slender to heavy in size, stiff, erect, flower facing heavens. A good stem. Size of flowers 4½-7¼

in., depth 1%-4½ in. Height 4 ft. 6 in. Note. Seems to be improved by disbudding.

- TENNESSEE WONDER, Stake Nos. 71, 72 and 73, Informal Dec, entered by L. T. Boyle, 1120 Kirkland Ave., Nashville, Tennessee. (72). Light mallow purple, with shades of mallow pink. e. Flowering habit fair. Stem 7½-12½ in. slender, stiff, some flowers facing the heavens and side. Size of flowers 5-7 in., depth 1½-2¼ in. Height 4 ft 6 in
- MISS WALLINGFORD, Stake Nos. 74, 75 and 76, Informal Dec, entered by John Toth, Box 12, Fairfield, Connecticut. (79). Begonia rose blended with peach red. e. Flowering habit fair. Stem 6-12 in. heavy in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers $5\frac{1}{2}$ - $6\frac{3}{4}$ in., depth 2- $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. Height 8
- ARISTOCRAT. Stake Nos. 77, 78 and 79, entered by John Toth, Box 12, Fairfield, Connecticut. (Recommended for retrial. Did not grow.) Note. Tubers looked all right when they came but in the fall one was lifted and found to have had no bud.
- GOLDEN BEAUTY, Stake Nos. 80, 81 and 82, Informal Dec to Pf, entered by John Toth, Box 12, Fairfield, Connecticut. (74). Apricot yellow with

tints of Grenadine pink. g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 3½-14½ in, heavy in size, inclined to be crotchy, made pendant by disbudding. Size of flowers 4½-7½ in., depth 1½-2 in. Height 5 ft. 10 in.

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- 29. ANNA R., Stake Nos. 83, 84 and 85, Informal Dec, entered by F. A. Greenough, 25 French St., Braintree, Massachusetts. (83). Light salmon orange. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 4½-8½ in. medium in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 6-9 in., depth 1-3 in. Height 7 ft. 7 in.
- 30. C-1, Stake Nos. 86, 87 and 88, Formal Dec, entered by Frederick E. Dixon, Derring-Do Dahlias, Scotch Plains, New Jersey. (19). Old rose at center gradually blending with pale orange yellow. Back of petals deep rose pink. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 3-8½ in. heavy to medium in size, stiff, erect, flower facing side, some down. Size of flowers 5½-7½ in., depth 1¾-4½ in. Height 6 ft. 1 in.
- 31. C-2, Stake Nos. 89, 90 and 91, entered by Frederick E. Dixon, Derring-Do Dahlias, Scotch Plains, New Jersey. (Recommended for retrial).
- 32. DOROTHY LOCKHART, Stake Nos. 92, 93 and 94, Informal Dec, entered by Frederick E. Dixon, Derring-Do Dahlias, Scotch Plains, New Jersey. (82). Light rosolane purple and Liseran purple. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 7%-11 in. medium in size, inclined to droop, flower too heavy. Size of flowers 6½-7½ in., depth 1%-2½ in. Height 7 ft. 3 in. Note. Not improved by disbudding.
- 33. PERK, Stake Nos. 95, 96 and 97, entered by Frederick E. Dixon, Derring-Do Dahlias, Scotch Plains, New Jersey. (Recommended for retrial).
- 34. V-1, Stake Nos. 98, 99 and 100, entered by Frederick E. Dixon, Derring-Do Dahlias, Scotch Plains, New Jersey. (Recommended for retrial).
- 35. D-1, Stake Nos. 101, 102 and 103, Informal Dec, entered by Frederick E. Dixon, Derring-Do Dahlias, Scotch Plains, New Jersey. (80). Spectrum red. e. Flowering habit fair. Stem 6-8 in. slender in size, crotchy, stiff, flower faces side. Size of flowers 6-7 in., depth 1½-3 in. Height 6 ft. 7 in.
- 36. NO. 100, Stake Nos. 104, 105 and 106, Formal Dec, entered by C. H. Durnil, 165 Pennsylvania Ave., Louisville, Kentucky. (84). Antimony yellow, shaded with Jasper pink. e. Flowering habit late. Stem 7-15 in, medium in size, stiff, flower faces side and down. Size of flowers 7 in., depth 2-4% in. Height 4 ft. 11 in.
- 37. NANCY CONKLYN, Stake Nos. 107, 108 and 109, Informal Dec, entered by Mrs. J. A. Schmidt, 1202 14th St., Bettendorf, Iowa, or 510 Security Building, Davenport, Iowa. (81). Light Amparo purple. e. Flowering habit fair. Stem 9-15 in heavy in size, inclined to droop. Size of flowers 5¾-7¼ in., depth 1¾-3 in. Height 7 ft. 8 in. Note. Not improved by disbudding.
- 38. JANE DEW, Stake Nos. 110, 111 and 112, Informal Dec, entered by Clarence Dew, 604 Vine St., Martin's Ferry, Ohio. (82). Pale Rosolane purple. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 5-11% in medium in size, stiff, flower facing down, some down, inclined to droop. Size of flowers 7-8% in., depth 2½-3% in. Height 6 ft. 3 in. Note. Not improved by disbudding.
- HELEN ALLISON BAKER, Stake Nos. 113, 114 and 115, entered by Mrs. H. F. Kingsbury, 306 N. Pearl Ave., Joplin, Missouri. (Recommended for retrial. Mixed stock.)
- 40. 3-29. Stake Nos. 116, 117 and 118, Informal Dec, entered by Mrs. Clara Artland, 1814 Boscobel St., Nashville, Tennesee. (84). White with backs of petals mallow purple showing through. e. Flowering habit late. Stem 8-12 in. medium in size, stiff, flower faces side, and down. Later in the season they are inclined to droop. Size of flowers 6½-10¼ in., depth 2-5½ in. Height 4 ft. 9 in.
- 41. 16-29, Stake Nos. 119, 120 and 121, Formal Dec to Pf, entered by Mrs. Clara Artland, 1814 Boscobel

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St., Nashville, Tennessee. (84). Amaranth pink. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 8-15 in. heavy in size, soft, flower faces side. Size of flowers 6-8½ in., depth 2-3¾ in. Height 5 ft, 9 in.

- 43. MRS. AUSTIN HOUGH, Stake Nos. 125, 126 and 127, Informal Dec, entered by Austin Hough, New Albany Dahlia Gardens, 1611 State St., New Albany, Indiana. (80). Light Phlox purple. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 7½-11½ in. medium in size, stiff, flower facing side. Size of flowers 5½-7¾ in., depth 1¾-3½ in. Height 5 ft. 3 in.
- 44. HOOSIER MONARCH, Stake Nos. 128, 129 and 130, Formal Dec to Pf, entered by Austin Hough, New Albany Dahlia Gardens, 1611 State St., New Albany, Indiana. (76). Chalcedony yellow. g. Flowering habit fair. Stem 4½-12 in. heavy to medium in size, flowers facing side and down. Later in the season they become drooping. Size of flowers 5-7 in., depth 1¾-2½ in. Height 8 ft.
- 45. W. W. HAZLETON, Stake Nos. 131, 132 and 133, Informal Dec to Pf, entered by R. V. Hayes, Saugerties, New York. (83). Grenadine with a little capucine orange. e c. Flowering habit good. Stem 5-16½ in. heavy in size, erect, flower faces side and down. Size of flowers 6½-7½ in., depth 2-3 in. Height 6 ft. 5 in. Note. Not improved by disbudding.
- 46. 211-1929. KENDAL FIRECHIEF, Stake Nos. 134, 135 and 136, Formal Dec to Pf, entered by C. W. Stuart, Prop., Kendal Dahlia Gardens, Massillon, Ohio. (70). Light orange yellow with a little Jasper red around center. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 5-12 in. medium in size, flower on side and faces down. Size of flowers 5½-7¼ in., depth 1¾-2¾ in. Height 8 ft. 6 in. Note. Stake 136 unlike 134 and 135. It was scarlet red.
- 47. 215-1929, KENDAL ROBUSTICUS. Stake Nos. 137, 138 and 139, Pf, entered by C. W. Stuart, Prop., Kendal Dahlia Gardens, Massillon, Ohio. (79). Scarlet red. g c. Flowering habit good. Stem 7-22 in. medium in size, stiff, flower faces down, inclined to droop. Size of flowers 5-7 in., depth 1-2 in. Height 8 ft. 3 in.
- 49. 20-30, Stake Nos. 143, 144 and 145, Informal Dec, entered by Charles G. Reed, Success Dahlia Gardens, 171 Ferry St., Lawrence, Massachusetts. (84). Light Jasper red, slightly darker at center. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 6-15 in extra heavy in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 5½-9 in., depth 1-3 in. Height 6 ft. 1 in. Note. Stake 134 produced a few singles.
- 3549, Stake Nos. 146, 147 and 148, entered by Charles G. Reed, Success Dahlia Gardens, 171 Ferry St., Lawrence, Massachusetts. (Recommended for retrial).
- 1668, Stake Nos. 149, 150 and 151, entered by Charles G. Reed, Success Dahlia Gardens, 171 Ferry St., Lawrence, Massachusetts. (Recommended for retrial. Mixed stock).
- G 83, Stake Nos. 155, 156 and 157, entered by George L. Farnum, Media, Pennsylvania. (Recommended for retrial).
- 54. G 133, Stake Nos. 158, 159 and 160, Informal Dec, entered by George L. Farnum, Media, Pennsylvania. (83). Pale amaranth pink gradually deepening to amaranth pink. e. Flowering habit fair. Stem 4-9 in slender in size, stiff,

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flower on side. Size of flowers $5\frac{1}{2}$ - $7\frac{1}{2}$ in., depth $1\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. Height 5 ft. 3 in.

- NO. 154, Stake Nos. 161, 162 and 163, Formal Dec, entered by George L. Farnum, Media, Pennsylvania. (77). Old rose, tips lighter. e c. Flowering habit fair. Stem 4-10½ in. medium in size, stiff, flower facing side. Size of flowers 5½-6¼ in., depth 2-2½ in. Height 5 ft. 8½ in.
- ETHEL FAYE, Stake Nos. 164, 165 and 166, Informal Dec, entered by Judge J. S. Clark, Gallipolis, Ohio. (77). Rose red. e. Flowering habit fair. Stem 6-11½ in. medium in size. stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 6¼-9 in., depth 2-2½ in. Height 8 ft.
- NO. 11, Stake Nos. 170, 171 and 172, Straight C, entered by James Smith, 356 Sumerset St., Plainfield, New Jersey. (69). Tyrian rose, whorled petals around yellow center. g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 5½-15 in. slender in size, wiry, tendency to droop at end of season. Size of flowers 5½-7½ in., depth 1-1¾ in. Height 5 ft. 10 in. Note. Not improved by disbudding.
- No. 12, Stake Nos. 173, 174 and 175, entered by James Smith, 356 Sumerset St., Plainfield, New Jersey. (Recommended for retrial. Late).
- NO. 15, Stake Nos. 176 and 177, Informal Dec, entered by James Smith, 356 Sumerset St., Plainfield, New Jersey. (74). Amaranth purple and blackish red purple. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 4½-11 in. slender in size, flower faces down. Size of flowers 4½-6½ in., depth 1½-2½ in. in. Height 5 ft.
- X100, Stake Nos. 178, 179 and 180, Informal Dec, entered by John Bernard, 60 Union Ave., Little Ferry, New Jersey. (84). General tone rose color, with mallow purple center. Another description mallow pink with shades of yellow shining through. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 2½-11 in. very heavy to medium in size,

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- DUKE CITY, Stake Nos. 181, 182 and 183, Formal Dec, entered by Mrs. J. H. Coons, 215 No. 12th St., Albuquerque, New Mexico. (78). Apricot yellow blending with light coral red. e. Flowering habit fair. Stem 8-9½ in. medium in size, stiff, flower faces side, later in season down. Size of flowers 5½-6½ in., depth 1¾-2½ in. Height 4 ft. 9 in.
- MONACHE, Stake Nos. 184, 185 and 186, Informal Dec to Pf, entered by Howard J. Frame, P. O. Box 505, Porterville, California. Tulare Co. (78). Center aster purple, base of petals picric vellow. Most prominent color rose red. g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 2%-10 in. very heavy to medium, stiff, flower faces side and down. Size of flowers 6%-8 in., depth 2-3 in. Height 9 ft.

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- LOUISA MEYER. Stake Nos. 192, 193 and 194, Informal Dec, entered by R. M. Fossenkemper, R. R. 3, Richmond, Indiana. (78). Pale lemon yellow. e. Flowering habit late. Stem 8-13½ in. slender in size, stiff, flower faces down. Size of flowers 6-7¾ in., depth 2-2¼ in. Height 6 ft.
- No. 17, Stake Nos. 195, 196 and 197, entered by Emilie B. Wiggin, Essex Falls, New Jersey. (Recommended for retrial).
- MRS. BRUCE FORD, Stake Nos. 198, 199 and 200, Informal Dec, entered by W. H. Monroe, 9240 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. (83). Tyrian rose. e. Flowering habit fair. Stem 5-11 in. medium in size, stiff, crotchy, flower faces side. Size of flowers 6¼-9 in., depth 1¾-2½ in. Height 4 ft. 9 in. Note. Stake 199 unlike 198 and 200.
- 70. ROYAL RUBY, Stake Nos. 204, 205 and 206, Formal Dec to Pf, entered by L. G. Cronberger, Royal Dahlia Gardens, 835 Oakdale, Jackson,

- Michigan. (73). Spectrum red or carmine, a little darker in center. g. Flowering habit good. Stem 5-9 in. medium in size, bent, inclined to droop. Size of flowers 4-7½ in., depth 1½-2½ in. Height 5 ft. 11 in.
- BROOKSIDE'S SEEDLING NO. 3, Stake Nos. 207, 208 and 209, Formal Dec, entered by William Heydel, 111 Ocean Ave., Lynbrook, New York. (80). Cool grayish white. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 8-18 in. medium to heavy in size, stiff, flower on side but faces down. Size of flowers 4¾-8 in., depth 1½-3 in. Height 7 ft.
- No. 512, Stake Nos. 213, 214 and 215, entered by Dr. Shirley S. Shattuck, Prop., Sagamore Gardens, 162 Elm St., Everett, Massachusetts. (Recommended for retrial).
- NO. 517, Stake Nos. 216, 217 and 218, Formal Dec, entered by Dr. Shirley S. Shattuck, Prop., Sagamore Gardens, 162 Elm St., Everett, Massachusetts. (83). Center Jasper pink, outer petals blending into flesh color. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 6½-12 in. medium in size, stiff, flower faces down. Size of flowers 6½-7 in., depth 1¾-2¾ in. Height 7 ft. 2 in.
- NO. 522, Stake Nos. 219, 220 and 221, entered by Dr. Shirley S. Shattuck, Prop., Sagamore Gardens, 162 Elm St., Everett, (Recommended for retrial).

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- ASBURY PARK, Stake Nos. 222, 223 and 224, Informal Dec, entered by W. Atlee Burpee Co., Fordhook Farms, Doylestown, Pennsylvania. (83). Light Jasper red with a tone of coral red showing through in some petals. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 6-12½ in. medium in size, stiff, flower on side, heavy flower, may droop at end of season. Size of flowers 6¼-8 in., depth 2-2½ in. Height 5 ft. 2 in.
- 77. NO. 520, Stake Nos. 225, 226 and 227, Formal Dec, entered by Wl. Atlee Burpee Co., Fordhook Farms, Doylestown, Pennsylvania. (81). Center petals cream color, all other petals rose pink. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 7-16 in. heavy in size, stiff, erect, flower faces one side. Size of flowers 5-74 in., depth 1½-3 in. Height 5 ft. 11 in. ft. 11 in.
- NO. 546, Stake Nos. 228, 229 and 230, Informal Dec, entered by W. Atlee Burpee Co., Fordhook Farms, Doylestown, Pennsylvania. (78). Empire yellow, markings of scarlet. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 4½-12 in. heavy to medium in size, bent, flower facing side. Size of flowers 5¾-8 in., depth ¾-4½ in. Height 6 ft. 8 in.
- NO. 601, Stake Nos. 231, 232 and 233, Informal Dec, entered by W. Atlee Burpee Co., Fordhook Farms, Doylestown, Pennsylvania. (83). Mustard yellow general color of center. Ochraceous salmon. e c. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 3-7½ in. medium in size, stiff, inclined to be crotchy, flower on side. A good stem. Size of flowers 6½-8 in., depth 2-2½ in. Height 6 ft. 5 in. 5 in.
- NO. 633, Stake Nos. 234, 235 and 236, Informal Dec, entered by W. Atlee Burpee Co., Fordhook Farms, Doylestown, Pennsylvania. (84). Carmine. e. Flowering habit fair. Stem 6-9 in. medium in size, stiff, inclined to be crotchy, pendant late in the season. Size of flowers 6-814 in., depth 134-3 in. Height 4 ft. 9 in.

- 81. No. 724, Stake Nos. 237, 238 and 239, Informal Dec, entered by W. Atlee Burpee Co., Fordhook Farms, Doylestown, Pennsylvania. (80). White with cream center. e. Flowering habit fair. Stem 6-8½ in. heavy in size, stiff, flower facing down. Size of flowers 5½-8 in., depth 2-2½ in. Height 3 ft. 7 in.
- NO. 734, Stake Nos. 240, 241 and 242, Informal Dec, entered by W. Atlee Burpee Co., Fordhook Farms, Doylestown, Pennsylvania. (83). Ochraceous salmon and shades of light ochraceous buff. ec. Flowering habit good. Stem 4-17 in. heavy in size, stiff, flower at slight angle facing side. Size of flowers 6-8 in., depth 2-3 in. Height 6 feet
- INDIAN DAWN, Stake Nos. 243 and 244, Semi C, entered by N. A. Miller, 458 East 66th St., Portland, Oregon, (Garden Variety). Pale lemon yellow with markings of scarlet. Another description lemon yellow splashed with scarlet. g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 3-10 in. slender in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 5-6½ in., depth 1%-3 in. Height 6 ft. 2 in.
- 84. FLANDERS FIELD, Stake Nos. 245 and 246, Col, entered by N. A. Miller, 458 East 66th St., Portland, Oregon. (Garden Vareity). Spectrum red around yellow center. g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 3½-11 in. medium in size, inclined to droop. Size of flowers 4¾-5¾ in., depth ½-1 in. Height 5 ft. 6 in.
- GEORGE L. BAKER, Stake Nos. 247, Informal Dec, entered by N. A. Miller, 458 East 66th St., Portland, Oregon. (78). Oxblood blending with carmine. e. Flowering habit prollific. Stem 7-11½ in. medium in size, stiff, erect, flowers for the most part facing up. Size of flowers 6½-7¾ in., depth 2-2¼ in. Height 8 ft.
- 86. IRENE ANDERSON, Stake Nos. 248, Informal Dec, entered by N. A. Miller, 458 East 66th St.,



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- 87. NO. 501, Stake Nos. 249, 250 and 251, Informal Dec, entered by Ira J. Champlin, 46 Wayland St., Wollaston, Massachusetts. (74). Buff yellow with slight tones of Jasper pink. g. Flowering habit good. Stem 8½-12 in. heavy in size, bent, later drooping. Size of flowers 6-8 in., depth 1¾-3 in. Height 5 ft. 8 in.
- 89. MRS. HARRY BATEMAN, Stake Nos. 255, 256 and 257, Informal Dec, entered by A. & E. Waterhouse, Sterling Dahlia Farm, Vineland, New Jersey. (77). Outside rows of petals pale pinkish buff. Inside rows of petals light greenish yellow. e c. Flowering habit fair. Stem 1½-2½ in. heavy in size, crotchy, flower facing heavens, later side. Size of flowers 4½-7¼ in., depth 1¾-2 in. Height 4 ft. 7 in.
- 90. BOSTON ENSIGN, Stake Nos. 258, 259 and 260, Formal Dec, entered by W. I. Austen, Boston Dahlia Gardens, Boston 24, Massachusetts. (72). Carmine and white, distinctly marked on every petal. g. Flowering habit good. Stem 4%-6½ in. slender in size, drooping. Size of flowers 5-6 in., depth 2 in. Height 3 ft. 10 in.
- 91. ALDEBARAN meaning the Red Sun, Stake Nos. 261, 262 and 263, entered by W. I. Austen, Boston Dahlia Gardens, Boston 24, Massachusetts. (Recommended for retrial).
- 92. BOSTON BEAUTY, Stake Nos. 264, 265 and 266, Informal Dec, entered by W. I. Austen, Boston Dahlia Gardens, Boston 24, Massachusetts. (72). Alizarine pink and salmon color blended. g. Flowering habit fair. Stem 4-6 in. medium in size, stiff, flower facing heavens, some side, later all side. Size of flowers 5-7 in., depth 1%-2% in. Height 6 ft. 9 in.

- 93. AUSTEN'S RUDIGORE, Stake Nos. 267 and 268, entered by W. I. Austen, Boston Dahlia Gardens, Boston 24, Massachusetts. (Recommended for retrial).
- 94. AUSTEN'S JAP WHITE, Stake Nos. 269, 270 and 271, entered by W. I. Austen, Boston Dahlia Gardens, Boston 24, Massachusetts. (Recommended for retrial).
- 95. I WONDER NO. 1, Stake Nos. 272, 273 and 274, Informal Dec, entered by V. E. Miller, 3108 Fairmont St., Sta. A, Van Couver, Washington. (68). Back of petals Rhodamine purple but general color is Tyrian rose. Note. Throws light pink blooms later in season. g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 1-10½ in. heavy to medium in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flower 5-7½ in., depth 1-2½ in. Height 7 ft.
- 96. ELIZABETH ALDIRCH, Stake Nos. 275, 276 and 277, Informal Dec, entered by V. E. Miller, 3108 Fairmont St., Sta. A, Van Couver, Washington. (80). Light Jasper red and light coral red, center mallow purple. g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 3-9½ in. medium in size, pendant. Size of flowers 4¼-8½ in., depth 1¾-2½ in. Height 6 ft. 5 in.
- 97. AGNES ELIZA, Stake Nos. 278, 279 and 280, Informla Dec, entered by Frederick H. Schulz, 19 Elm St., North Brookfield, Massachusetts. (78). Nearest color, Tyrian rose, back of petals Amaranth pink. g. Flowering habit good. Stem 3½-7 in. medium in size, stiff, flower faces down. Size of flowers 4¾-7 in., depth 1¾-2¼ in. Height 7 ft
- 98. AIR MAIL, Stake Nos. 281, 282 and 283, Informal Dec, entered by I. M. Colvin, Princeton, Indiana. (82). Petals, many of them blended light orange yellow with coral pink. g. Flowering habit late. Stem 3-8 in. heavy in size, crotchy, flower facing heavens. Size of flowers 6½-9 in., depth 2½-4½ in. Height 6 ft. 1 in. Note. This is a striking flower.

- 100. MISS EDITH JACKSON, Stake Nos. 286, 287 and 288, entered by Walter J. Etherington, 125 Lexington Ave., Westwood, New Jersey. (Recommended for retrial).
- 101. NO. 1, Stake Nos. 289, 290 and 291, Informal Dec to Pf, entered by Wallace Horton, Hopewell Junction, New York. (69). Rose red, backs of petals mallow pink and rose red. g. Flowering habit good. Stem 4½-12 in. medium in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 5-6½ in., depth 1-2 in. Height 6 ft. 9 in.
- 102. NO. 9, ADELINE BAILEY, Stake Nos. 292, 293 and 294, Semi C, entered by Wallace Horton, Hopewell Junction, New York. (78). Scarlet, back of petals cream color. g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 2¼-9 in, slender in size, stiff, wiry. Size of flowers 5-7½ in., depth 1-3 in. Height 6 ft. 7 in.
- 103. NO. 77, ELSIE BLANCHE McDANIEL, Stake Nos. 295, 296 and 297, Semi C, entered by Wallace Horton, Hopewell Junction, New York. (70). Carmine, backs of petals Amaranth pink. g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 4-8½ in. medium in size, wiry, stiff. Size of flowers 5-7½ in., depth 1-3¾ in. Height 7 ft. 8 in.
- 104. MRS. MARIE NOLTE, Stake Nos. 298, 299 and 300, Informal Dec, entered by E. F. Nolte, 667 West Lockwood, Webster Groves, Missouri. (78). Rose red mostly, with purplish tones underneath and at center. g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 9-13 in. Very heavy to medium in size, flower faces side and down, flower is too heavy for stem. Size of flowers 5½-8% in., depth 1%-3 in. Height 6 ft. 4 in.
- 105. HELEN MINNETTE, Stake Nos. 301, 302 and 303, Formal Dec, entered by E. F. Nolte, 667 West Lockwood, Webster Groves, Missouri. (75). Tyrian rose, back of petals Amaranth pink. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 5½-13 in. slender in size, stiff, flower faces down, later in the season drooping. Size of flowers 5-9 in., depth 2-3 in. Height 5 ft. 8 in.

- 106. MARIE ADELL, Stake Nos. 304, 305 and 306, Formal Dec, entered by D. F. Nolte, 667 West Lockwood, Webster Groves, Missouri. (80). Spinel red and blended with Tyrian rose to form general tone. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 8-1114 in. medium in size, stiff, flower faces side. Size of flowers 514-8 in., depth 214-5 in. Height 4 ft. 1 in.
- 107. DEAN'S PURPLE GLORY, Stake Nos. 307, 308 and 309, Semi C, entered by Mrs. John F. Dean, 42 Prospect St., Berea, Kentucky. (78). Amaranth pink. g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 4½-14 in. medium in size, stiff, later pendant, drooping. Size of flowers 5½-7½ in., depth 1¾-2¾ in. Height 8 ft. 6 in.
- 108. DEAN'S WONDER, Stake Nos. 310, 311 and 312, Formal Dec to Pf, entered by Mrs. John F. Dean, 42 Prospect St., Berea, Kentucky. (Garden Variety). Carmine, center oxblood. g. Flowering habit good. Stem 4½-11½ in. slender to medium in size, stiff, later drooping. Size of flowers 5-7 in., depth 1-2¼ in. Height 5 ft. 1 in. Note. Not improved by disbudding. Tends to throw singles.
- 109. NO. 241, HOOSIER ROSE, Stake Nos. 313, 314 and 315. Formal Dec, entered by Miss Elsie A. Williams, R. 4, Connersville, Indiana. (79). Nearest in book spectrum red. g. Flowering habit good. Stem 3-10 in. slender in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 5-6 in., depth 2-3 in. Height 7 ft. 4 in.
- 110. NO. 252, HOOSIER MOON, Stake Nos. 316, 317 and 318, Informal Dec, entered by Miss Elsie A. Williams, R. 4, Connersville, Indiana. (80). Barium yellow with blendings on inner petals of light greenish yellow. g. Flowering habit good. Stem 6-17 in. very heavy in size, stiff, erect, flower on side. Size of flowers 4%-8½ in., depth 2-2½ in. Height 8 ft. 2 in.
- 111. No. 5, Stake Nos. 319, 320 and 321, Formal Dec, entered by Mrs. Marion S. L. Aschenbach, 137 Kings Highway, West Springfield, Massachusetts.



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- 112. LITTLE BEAUTY, Stake Nos. 322, 323 and 324, Miniature Dec, entered by Mrs. Marion S. L. Aschenbach, 137 Kings Highway, West Springfield, Massachusetts. (83). Deep rose pink with tips of petals pale Amaranth pink. cg. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 4-7½ in. slender in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flower 3½-4½ in. depth 1-2 in. Height 6 ft. 8 in. Note. Not improved by disbudding.
- 113. MINNEWASKA, Stake Nos. 325, 326 and 327, Informal Dec, entered by J. H. Garner, Cameron, Missouri. (82). Ochraceous salmon, Jasper red at center, with backs of petals Jasper pink. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 5-15 in. medium in size, stiff, flower faces side. Size of flowers 6-3½ in., depth 2-2½ in. Height 6 ft. 8 in.
- 114. AURORA, Stake Nos. 328, 329 and 330, entered by F. T. McCurdy, Kokomo Dahlia Gardens, Western Ave. and Kingston Road, Kokomo, Indiana. (Recommended for retrial. Mixed stock).
- Dec, entered by F. T. McCurdy, Kokomo Dahlia Gardens, Western Ave. and Kingston Road, Kokomo, Indiana. (83). Lemon yellow, many petals tipped with Jasper red and phlox purple. g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 4-12½ in. medium in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 5%-8 in., depth 1%-3 in. Height 6 ft. 6 in.
- 336, Informal Dec, entered by Valeria Home, Oscawana, New York. (80). Back of petals rose color, front light Jasper red. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 5-9 in. heavy to medium in size, stiff, flower on side, facing down. Size of flowers 5½-8¼ in., depth 1¾-3 in. Height 5 ft. 9 in.
- 117. NO. 205, PHILIP W. HARSH, Stake Nos. 337, 338 and 339, Informal Dec, entered by Barton B. Bibb, 5534 Cabanne Aye., St. Louis, Missouri. (81). Carmine, back of petals magenta. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 5-11½ in medium in size, flower on side. Size of flowers 5¼-7¼ in., depth 1¾-2¼ in. Height 6 ft. 2 in.
- 118. R. S. PORTER, Stake Nos. 340, 341 and 342, Formal Dec to Pf. entered by Don W. Porter, R. 7, Box 136, Johnstown, Pennsylvania. (78). Tyrian rose, gradually changing to rose color. g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 4-11 in medium in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 4½-6 in., depth 1¾-3 in. Height 5 ft. 7 in.
- 119. MRS. JOHN C. METZGER, Stake Nos. 343, 344 and 345, Informal Dec, entered by John C. Metzger, 36 Elmwood Ave., Irvington, New Jersey. (83). White. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 6-19 in, heavy in size, flower faces side. Size of flowers 6½-7¾ in., depth 2-2½ in. Height 6 ft. 8 in.
- 120. IRVINGTONIAN, Stake Nos. 346, 347 and 348, Informal Dec, entered by John C. Metzger, 36 Elmwood Ave., Irvington, New Jersey. (74). Pinard yellow, backs of petals Liseran purple. g. Flowering habit fair. Stem 3½-12 in. slender in size, stiff, flower faces down. Size of flowers 5½-7¾ in., depth 1½-2¼ in. Height 4 ft. 11 in.
- 121. THE GIRL OF HILLCREST, Stake Nos. 349, 350 and 351, Informal Dec, entered by J. A. Kemp, Little Silver, New Jersey. (82). Apricot yellow, center apricot buff. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 4-11½ in medium in size, stiff, upright, flower on side. Size of flowers 6½-9 in., depth 2-4 in. Height 6 ft. 1 in.
- 123. HILLCREST BIG BOY, Stake Nos. 355, 356 and 357, Formal Dec, entered by J. A. Kemp, Little Silver, New Jersey. (80). A mixture of dark and light coral red. e. Flowering habit fair.

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- 125. PRINCE OF PANTOPS, Stake Nos. 361, 362 and 363, Informal Dec, entered by J. A. Kemp, Little Silver, New Jersey. (83). Bittersweet orange and center Eugenia red. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 3½-13 in. medium in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 4½-7½ in., depth 2-3¾ in. Height 5 ft. ½ in.
 - 126. B. L. K., Stake Nos. 364, 365 and 366, Informal Dec, entered by J. A. Kemp, Little Silver, New Jersey. (84). Coral pink, with markings of Jasper pink and some Alizarine pink. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 4½-18½ in. heavy in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 6-8 in., depth 2-3 in. Height 6 ft. 2 in.
- 128. THAMES, Stake Nos. 370, 371 and 372, Formal Dec, entered by H. Newberry, 240 Willetts Ave., New London, Connecticut. (84). White, with backs of petals Liseran purple, petals having outline of purple, as well as splashings of the purple. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 3½-18 in. medium in size, stiff, flower facing down. Size of flowers 5¾-8¼ in., depth 2¼-3 in. Height 5 ft. 10 in.
- 129. FAIRE HARBOUR, Stake Nos. 373, 374 and 375, Informal Dec, entered by H. Newberry, 240 Willetts Ave. New London, Connecticut. (82). Liseran purple, magenta at center. e. Flowering habit fair. Stem 5-12½ in. extra heavy to medium, stiff, erect, some flowers facing heavens, side and down. Size of flowers 6-7¾ in., depth 1¾-3 in. Height 4 ft. 11 in.

- 131. No. 208, WHITE GOLD, Stake Nos. 379, 380 and 381, Formal Dec, entered by H. M. Blamer, Wellston, Ohio. (83). Pale vividine yellow, base of petals pale greenish yellow. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 5-10½ in. medium in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 5-7 in., depth 1½-2½ in. Height 5 ft. 7 in.
- 132. NO. 211, W. F. DUPRE, SR., Stake Nos. 382, 383 and 384, Informal Dec, entered by H. M. Blamer, Wellston, Ohio. (81). Salmon color, but center mostly Empire yellow. e. Flowering habit fair. Stem 3-9 in. slender, drooping. Size of flowers 5-7 in., depth 134-214 in. Height 6 ft. 10 in. Note. Not improved by disbudding.
- 133. No. 2, Stake Nos. 385, 386 and 387, Formal Dec, entered by Warren W. Maytrott, Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, New Jersey. (79). Petals white, with light Rosolane purple shining through. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 4½-15 in. medium in size, stiff, flower facing down almost pendant. Size of flowers 6-9 in., depth 2-4 in. Height 4 ft. 3 in.
- 134. No. 4, Stake Nos. 388, 389 and 390, Informal Decentered by Warren W. Maytrott, Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, New Jersey. (82). Orange pink, shading from Jasper pink. e.c. Flowering habit fair. Stem 3-7½ in. medium in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 5½-7 in., depth 1¾-4 in. Height 6 ft. 4 in.
- 135. No. S, Stake Nos. 391, 392 and 393, Informal Dec, entered by Warren W. Maytrott, Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, New Jersey. (84). Picric yellow, center trifle darker. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 3½-9½ in. medium in size, stiff, flowers facing side, some down. Size of flowers 5-6½ in., depth 2-2¾ in. Height 6 ft. 3 in.
- 136. No. 10, 1925, Stake Nos. 394, 395 and 396, Informal Dec, entered by Thomas L. Galvin, 7 Bellevue Ave., Peabody, Massachusetts. (76). Deep rose pink blending into rose color at center and outer petals. g. Flowering habit good. Stem 7¾-13 in. heavy to medium in size, stiff,

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- 138. No. 75, 1928, Stake Nos. 400, 401 and 402, Informal Dec, entered by Thomas L. Galvin, 7 Bellevue Ave., Peabody, Massachusetts. (83). Pale lemon yellow throughout. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 8-19 in. heavy, stiff, inclined to droop. Size of flowers 6-8½ in., depth 2-3½ in. Height 6 ft. 9 in.
- 139. EADION, Stake Nos. 403, 404 and 405, Informal Dec, entered by O. W. Slocum, 8 Wagar Place, Ionia, Michigan. (83). Tyrian pink. e. Flowering habit fair. Stem 434-12 in. medium in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 534-744 in., depth 24-234 in. Height 6 ft. 6 in.
- 140. No. 7. Stake Nos. 406, 407 and 408, Formal Dec, entered by White's Dahlia Gardens, 1814 Richmond Drive, Louisville, Kentucky. (32). Amaranth pink and tones of pale Amarmanth pink on some petals. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 64-12 in. medium in size, stiff, flower on side, later in season pendant. Size of flowers 5½-7½ in., depth 134-2½ in. Height 6 ft, 5 in.
- 141. NO. 35, Stake Nos. 409, 410 and 411, Informal Dec, entered by White's Dahlia Gardens, 1814 Richmond Drive, Louisville, Kentucky. (83). Peach red, center Nopal red. e.c. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 5-14 in. extra heavy to medium in size, stiff, flower on side, later flower too heavy for stem. Size of flowers 5¼-8¼ in., depth 1¾-3 in. Height 7 ft. 8 in.
- 143. MISS TENNESSEE, Stake Nos. 415, 416 and 417, entered by Clifford Griffin, 608 Island Home Pike, R. No. 9, Knoxville, Tennessee. (Recommended for retrial).
- 144. NIC. 7, ED. WYMAN, Stake Nos. 418, 419 and 420, Informal Dec, entered by N. C. Zoeller, 1308 Boyce Ave., R. D. No. 1, Wellsville, Ohio. (79). Schoenfeld's purple and rosolane purple. g. Flowering habit good. Stem 6-20 in. heavy to

slender, drooping. Size of flowers $6-9\frac{1}{2}$ in.. depth $2-3\frac{1}{4}$ in. Height 7 ft. 8 in.

- 145. ROSIE O'GRADY, Stake Nos. 421, 422 and 423, Informal Dec to Pf, entered by F. Ed. Spooner, Prop., Sunny Slope Dahlia Terraces, Summit, New Jersey. (78). Pale Amparo purple. g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 5-20½ in. slender in size, drooping. Size of flowers 5¼-7 in., depth ½-2¾ in. Height 7 ft. 7 in.
- 146. SUNNY SLOPE MARVEL, Stake Nos. 424, 425 and 426, Formal Dec, entered by F. Ed. Spooner, Prop., Sunny Slope Dahlia Terraces, Summit, New Jersey. (84). Rhodamine purple and rose color. Back of petals Amaranth pink, e. Flowering habit good. Stem 5½-14 in. medium in size, flower on side, tendency, to droop. Size of flowers 5-7% in., depth 1½-3 in. Height 6 ft.
- 147. KNIGHT OF BALTUS ROL, Stake Nos. 427, 428 and 429, Informal Dec, entered by F. Ed. Spooner, Prop., Sunny Slope Dahlia Terraces, Summit, New Jersey. (74). Rosolane purple, center same color trifle darker. g. Flowering habit good. Stem 8-17½ in. medium in size, stiff, inclined to droop. Size of flowers 5-6 in., depth 1½-2½ in. Height 5 ft. 10 in.
- 148. PERCY BROMFIELD, Stake Nos. 430, 431 and 432, Formal Dec, entered by F. Ed. Spooner, Prop., Sunny Slope Dahlia Terraces, Summit, New Jersey. (82). Rose color, with a slightly golden satiny sheen. e c. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 4½-12 in. heavy to medium in size, stiff, erect. flower on side, a few face the heavens. A good stem. Size of flowers 5¾-7½ in., depth 1¾-2½ in. Height 5 ft. 8 in.
- 149. LA DAME, Stake Nos. 433, 434 and 435, Informal Dec, entered by F. Ed. Spooner, Prop., Sunny Slope Dahlia Terraces, Summit, New Jersey. (83). Entire flower buff yellow, splashed with rose red. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 5-11½ in. heavy to medium in size, stiff, erect, inclined to be crotchy, flower on side. Size of flowers 7-9 in., depth 2-2¾ in. Height 5 ft. 8 in.

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- MARION BILT, Stake Nos. 439, 440 and 441, Formal Dec, entered by F. Ed. Spooner, Prop., Sunny Slope Dahlia Terraces, Summit, New Jersey. (84). Old rose, center petals have considerable Empire yellow blended in. c. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 5-9 in. medium in size, stiff, wiry, crotchy, flowers facing heavens and side, mostly side. Size of flowers 5%-7 in., depth 2-3 in. Height 7 ft. Note. Mixed stock.
- KING BALTUS ROL, Stake Nos. 442, 443 and 444, Formal Dec to Pf, entered by F. Ed. Spooner, Prop., Sunny Slope Dahlia Terraces. Summit, New Jersey. (75). Phlox pink. g. Flowering habit late. Stem 10-18 in. heavy in size, stiff, flower on side, later pendant. Size of flowers 4%-7 in., depth 1-3 in. Height 6 ft. 7 in. 152.
- COY STAR, Stake Nos. 445, 446 and 447, Miniature Informal Dec, entered by F. Ed. Spooner, Prop., Sunny Slope Dahlia Terraces, Summit, New Jersey. (76). Light salmon orange, with light orange yellow petals at center. c g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 4-9 in. medium in size, stiff, flower on side, some face the heavens. Size of flowers 4½-5¾ in., depth 1½-2¾ in. Height 5 ft. 8 in.
- 16A, Stake Nos. 448, 449 and 450, Informal Dec, entered by Veile and Mendham, Bushkill Gardens, Box 185, Easton, Pennsylvania. (82). Flesh ocher, center carrot red, with tips of petals maize yellow. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 4-12 in. heavy to medium in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 5-8½ in., depth 1%-3½ in. Height 5 ft. 3 in.
- 28A, Stake Nos. 451, 452 and 453, Semi C, entered by Veile and Mendham, Bushkill Gardens, Box 185, Easton, Pennsylvania. (84). Tyrian pink. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 6-22½ in. slender in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 5¼-7 in., depth 1¼-2 in. Height 6 ft. 9 in. 155.
- JUDGE WILLIAM McKEEN, Stake Nos. 454, 455 and 456, Informal Dec, entered by Veile and Mendham, Bushkill Gardens, Box 185, Easton, Pennsylvania. (82). Pinard yellow, with touches of Alizarine pink on center petals. g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 4½-10½ in. medium in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 5¼-8½ in., depth 2-4 in. Height 7 ft. 2 in. 156.
- 157. CHAUTAUQUA BEAUTY, Stake Nos. 457, 458 and 459, Informal Dec, entered by Lawrence L. Wallace, Chautauqua Dahlia Fields, Bemus Point, New York. (81). Rose pink and deep rose pink center or Amaranth pink. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 6½-16 in. medium in size, stiff, flower facing side. Size of flowers 6-7¾ in., depth ¾-2¼ in. Height 7 ft.
- TWISTER, Stake Nos. 460, 461 and 462, Semi C, entered by H. A. Taylor and Son, R. R. 2, Strathcona, Alberta, Canada. (83). Picric yellow and bittersweet pink. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 2½-8 in. slender in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 5½-6½ in., depth 1¾-3 in. Height 6 ft. 2 in.
- ALBERTA PURPLE, Stake Nos. 463, 464 and 465, Formal Dec, entered by H. A. Taylor and Son, R. R. 2, Strathcona, Alberta, Canada. (84). Aster purple, center Dahlia purple, with ends of petals mallow purple. e. Flowering habit fair. Stem 5-12 in. heavy in size, flower on side, inclined to be a little soft, a few flowers face down. Size of flowers 5-7 in., depth 1¾-3½ in. Height 6 ft. 3 in. 159.
- RICHMOND PRIDE, Stake Nos. 466, 467 and 468, Informal Dec, entered by Waite's Gardens, Inc., Eatontown, New Jersey. (83). Pure carmine. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 7-12 in., heavy 160.

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- AY, Stake Nos. 469, 470 and 471, Informal Dec, entered by Waite's Gardens, Inc., Eatontown, New Jersey. (79). Amaranth pink and some shades of mallow pink. g. Flowering habit good. Stem 6½-15½ in. medium to slender in size, stiff, flower on side. Size of flowers 4½-7 in., depth 1¼-3 in. Height 5 ft. 11 in. Note. Does not seem to like disbudding.
- NO. 55, Stake Nos. 472, 473 and 474, Informal Dec, entered by Downs Dahlia Farms, Clayton, New Jersey. (82). Peach red, each petal outlined with light orange yellow. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 2¼-10 in. heavy to medium in size, stiff, flower faces the side. Size of flowers 6½-7½ in., depth 2-3 in. Height 8 ft.
- No. 56, Stake Nos. 475, 476 and 477, Informal Dec, entered by Downs Dahlia Farms, Clayton, New Jersey. (81). Empire yellow with a flesh tint. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 5-12 in. medium in size, stiff, inclined to be crotchy, flowers face the heavens, some side. Size of flowers 6-8 in., depth 2-5 in. Height 5 ft. 11 in.

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- 165. No. 951, Stake Nos. 481, 482 and 483, entered by Downs Dahlia Farms, Clayton, New Jersey. (Recommended for retrial. Mixed stock).
- 166. X1XA, Stake Nos. 484, 485 and 486, Informal Dec, entered by Walter A. Angell, 294 Woonas-quatucket Ave., Lymansville, Rhode Island. (81). White, variegated with light phlox purple also back of petals phlox purple. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 4½-10 in. medium in size, flower on side, stiff, inclined to droop, later in the season soft. Size of flowers 5¾-8¼ in., depth 2-4 in. Height 6 ft. 10 in.
- 167. 7-A, Stake Nos. 487, 488 and 489, Formal Dec, entered by Walter A. Angell, 294 Woonasquatucket Ave., Lymansville, Rhode Island. (84). White, with Martin's yellow at base of petals with some lilac markings. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 4-12 in. medium in size, stiff, flowers facing down and some drooping. Flowers are too heavy for the stem. Size of flowers 6-8½ in., depth 2-3½ in. Height 6 ft. 5 in.
- 169. 1-P-A, Stake Nos. 493, 494 and 495, Informal Dec, entered by Walter A. Angell, 294 Woonasquatucket Ave., Lymansville, Rhode Island. (79). White, outer rows of petals shaded with rose pink. General effect rose pink. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 4½-10 in. heavy to medium in size, stiff, flower on side, later pendant. Size of flowers 6-8½ in., depth 2-4 in. Height 6 ft. 7 in.
- 170. No. 59, Stake Nos. 496, 497 and 498, Formal Dec, entered by Mary C. Dunham, R. D. No. 1, Mt. Vernon, Ohio. (82). Rose purple, liseran purple in center. e. Flowering habit fair. Stem 7-20 in. heavy in size, flowers facing the heavens, some down and drooping. Size of flowers 6-7½ in., depth 2-3 in. Height 8 ft. 6 in.
- 171. F. J. MARCH, Stake Nos. 499 and 500, Semi C, entered by W. I. Austen, Boston Dahlia Gardens, Boston 24, Massachusetts. (80). Mallow pink. e. Flowering habit late. Stem 5½-14 in. heavy in size, stiff, flower facing side. Size of flowers 6-8½ in., depth 1½-2¾ in. Height 6 ft.
- 173. NO. 419, Stake Nos. 504, 505 and 506, Formal Dec, entered by Quick and Quick, Wyndhurst and Lawrence Aves., Roland Park, Baltimore, Maryland. (83). Old rose, a little darker in center. e. Flowering habit good. Stem 4½-12½ in. medium in size, stiff, flowers facing the heavens and some the side. Size of flowers 5-7½ in., depth 1-2½ in. Height 7 ft. 2 in.
- 174. 7X96, Stake Nos. 507, 508 and 509, entered by Quick and Quick, Wyndhurst and Lawrence Ave., Roland Park, Baltimore, Maryland. (Recommended for retrial).
- 175. GENE TUNNEY, Stake No. 510, Formal Dec, entered by W. A. Bangs, Highland Gardens, 2021 Fort Ave., Springfield, Missouri. (81). Light orange yellow, marked with carrot red. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 3½-8½ in. medium in size, stiff, flower on end, mostly on side. Size of flowers 5½-7¾ in., depth 1¾-2¼ in. Height 4 ft. 9 in.
- 176. NO. 1, Stake Nos. 511 and 512, Formal Dec, entered by Jacob Schulz Co., Inc., Bardstown Rd., Beyond Strathmoor, Louisville, Kentucky. (80). Rosolane purple and magenta backs of petals. Unopened center dull magenta purple. e. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 6-15 in. extra heavy to medium in size, stiff, erect, flowers face the heavens and later down. Size of flowers 4½-7 in., depth 1¾-2¼ in. Height 5 ft. 1 in.
- 177. No. 2, Stake Nos. 513 and 514, Formal Dec, entered by Jacob Schulz Co., Inc., Bardstown Rd., Beyond Strathmoor, Louisville, Kentucky.

(78). Carmine. g. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 5-12½ in. medium in size, stiff, inclined to be crotchy, flowers facing the heavens. Size of flowers 5½-6¾ in., depth 2-2¾ in. Height 4 ft.

178. TOMS RIVER, Stake Nos. 515, 516 and 517, entered by William B. McKelvey, R. D. No. 1, Box 38, Toms River, New Jersey. (Recommended for retrial. Late).

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nolds. Miss Jean McDonald won the silver cup in

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Mr. Jacob Bauman, of Michigan, was judge. The society hereby express their appreciation of fine prizes contributed by J. A. Kemp, Fisher & Masson and Success Dahlia Gardens.

The secretary of the society is A. G. McDonald, 1260

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News Item

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A Talk On the More Unusual Dahlia Types 1931 Field Day at Storrs Trial Grounds

By B. E. Gilbert

Director Agricultural Experiment Station, Kingston, R. I.

This is the day of large exotic blooms and the public is loath to acclaim Dahlia types which are unusual or different from the giant decoratives or hybrid cactus types. There is, however, a tendency, ever growing greater, to give attention to singles, pompons and to some degree collarettes. With this in mind let us consider some of the more unusual types of Dahlias.

Examining the wild forms, first let us consider the common ancestor of our present day forms. This was labelled by Abbé Cavanilles in 1789 as two types, D. coccinea and D. rosea. Apparently the difference between these two forms was only in color of ray florets. Thus the two forms may be considered as one. D. coccinea grows near Mexico City about 5,000 feet above sea level (in fact among the clouds) in a climate which is very moist. It grows in soil which is largely decomposed lava. The plants are from 3 to 5 feet high. The leaves are a dark green and the flowers vary from a sulphur yellow to a deep crimson.

The history of this form is very interesting. In 1615 Francisco Hernandez was sent from Spain to New Spain (Mexico) to make a survey of the commercial possibilities of the New World. On his return he wrote a book entitled, "Plants and Animals of New Spain" in which Dahlias were described for the first time. It is apparent that the Dahlias he pictured in drawings may have been cultivated forms. They resemble our duplex and peony types.

In 1789 Abbé Cavinilles secured some seed from Mexico and grew the plants. He named them and sent tubers and seed to his friends throughout Europe. From this time on the Dahlia flourished in its new habitat and after many years was brought to the United States.

This form has possibilities. Seed can easily be secured from Mexico and if planted early in the spring will produce plants which will flower the same season. The tubers can be stored as with the cultivated types. The flowers are excellent for cut flower purposes. It is possible that hybridizers may introduce new strains by using this form as a parent.

D. jaurezii was the ancestor of our cactus types. In 1872 Van der Berg, a Hollander, received a box of plants from Mexico. Of the entire lot only one plant grew and it proved to be a slightly double Dahlia with petals pointed and slightly rolled back at the margins. From this single plant our cactus and hybrid cactus forms have come. There has been only one other case of such a wild type being found. In 1916 Wilson Poponoe, employed by U. S. Plant Introduction service, while traveling in Guatemala found near San Lucas, about 6,600 feet above sea level, a plant which had the cactus characteristics. This plant was sent to Bell, Maryland, where attempts were made to propagate it but to no avail.

Recently the writer has grown from seed purchased from Haage and Schmidt, Erfut, Germany, singles which had the cactus characteristics. It is likely that this type has resulted from seed secured from modern cactus forms.

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and has foliage which is fine-cut and bushy, somewhat resembling boxwood. The seedlings have foliage color variations from green to dark red and purple. The flowers are lilac to blue in color and are carried on long slender stems. In its native haunts D. merkii is found on the highlands of Mexico.

The Black cosmos is a form which is on the borderline between Dahlias and cosmos. As a consequence it has been named both C. diversifolius and D. zimapani. The plant has a dwarf habit and has dark red single Dahlialike flowers. Its foliage makes it of use as a decorative plant being a dark purple. The plant is native to Mexico.

In addition to the wild bush type of Dahlias there are several varieties of tree Dahlias. D. maxoni grows in the wild on the mountains of Guatemala and Mexico. It grows from 6 to 8 feet high. The stems are single and the flowers pinkish or lilac in the common form. Single and double white flowered forms were reported by W. R. Maxon the discoverer. This plant is used by the natives of Guatemala for hedges. It is propagated vegetatively. They use the flowers of the double white form to adorn the images of their saints. The water in the stems is thought to be medicinal and is used as a gargle in cases of sore throat. The plant can be grown from seed to full height in one season in northern latitudes but will not flower unless placed under glass.

The most beautiful of all the wild Dahlias is D. imperialis. It is found growing wild in Yucatan. It grows from 10 to 12 feet high. The flowers appear in terminal nodding clusters of white or pale pinkish mauve with lilac markings and are 4 to 6 inches in width. Before they are fully open they resemble Easter lilies. This plant will bloom only under glass in northern latitudes.

It is a recognized fact that the growers of this country are behind those of Europe in their appreciation of the unusual modern Dahlia types. Attempts have been made at various times to awaken interest. Hall of the Geneva station and Norton of Maryland have advocated unusual uses for various little-known forms. In this connection attention should be drawn to the possibilities which singles offer for purposes of massing. For borders the Black cosmos, Tom Thumb, and mignon types should prove effective. For foliage display D. merkii and Black cosmos have possibilities, while for cut flowers the pompons, duplex and collarettes should be considered.

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Talk on English and Continental Dahlia Gardens, Storrs, Connecticut, September 19, 1931

By George L. Farnum, Media, Pennsylvania

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A better understanding of the various types of Dahlias in popular use in England and on the Continent is necessary before I go into a general description of European Dahlia gardens.

This is particularly true of Charm and Star Dahlias and also, though to a lesser degree, of the Mignon and Miniature Decorative types (or small flowered Dahlias, as they are more often called in England), so I crave your indulgence for the following digression.

The history of the Mignon I had from Mr. Joseph Cheal himself, during a very pleasant visit I spent at his nurseries at Crowley, England. In 1890 his firm had been attempting to dwarf the single Dahlia and had met with considerable success, when he received a letter from Mr. T. W. Girdlestone, then secretary of the National Dahlia Society, asking Mr. Cheal to come and see a new type of Dahlia that he, Mr. Girdlestone, had developed. Imagine his surprise when he found that Girdlestone had been working along the same lines and with even greater results, and they had both produced a fully dwarf single Dahlia at the same time. These were at once combined and were introduced in 1892 under the name of "Tom Thumb Dahlias". Ten years later, more varieties had been put out and one named Mignon had proved quite popular, so the name of this family of low growing, free blooming Dahlias was changed to Mignon Dahlias. These had been previously accredited to Messns. Girdlestone and Cheal, as a new type of Dahlia in the Gardener's Magazine of August, 1891. About 1917, Coltness Gem, introduced by another firm and extensively advertised, had received great popularity, and by some it was thought

to be a new type, but it is really only an attractive seedling or one of possibly hundreds of descendants of the Mignon Dahlias. It was a great sight at Crowley, where Mr. Cheal's nurseries are situated, to see these little Mignons in every imaginable color, planted in neat blocks on either side of the walk leading from the gate to the office building, a distance of two hundred yards, at least, all in a blaze of color, and in the fullest bloom, practically no variance in each bed and all ranging between eighteen to twenty-four inches in height. height.

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Mr. Joseph Cheal, V. M. H., is one of the oldest members of the N. D. S. of Great Britain, and at eightyfour is young and active, is chairman of committee of the N. D. S. and I was much impressed with his planting and display of Dahlias. It would be well for some of our commercial growers to follow his example. Apart from the border walks already mentioned, with every type of Mignon, there was planted near the office a large circular bed of the garden varieties of Dahlias, of medium height and size of flower as well as many of the Star and Charm Dahlias, all selected for their floriferousness. This combined with several other groups of Dahlias in the background, gave one at a glance, all his leading Dahlias suitable for landscape work (Mr. Cheal is perhaps better known as a landscape nurseryman than as a great expert of the garden varieties of Dahlias which he recommends for ornamental planting). It was a great convenience as well as a pleasure to see all these different sorts blooming in close proximity where you could choose at a glance the varieties you wished to order, without necessarily walking through his larger field planting. The Star Dahlia is described in a pamphlet of the N. D. S. entitled "Classification and Descriptions of Dahlias with Illustrations", published in 1924, as follows: "Small, with two to four rows of rays, not or



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scarcely overlapping at their more or less recurved margins, and with a golden disc." In other words, a semi-double flower with incurved petals. The Charm, on the other hand, is similar but more of the Peony type with two to four rows of petals, rolling back in a rather graceful and irregular form. Both these varieties are of the free blooming type and should not be over 3 feet 6 inches in height. These small Dahlias, as well as the Miniature Peony and Miniature Decorative are all designated to be of 4 inches or less in diameter. Mr. Harry Stredwick writing in the N. D. S. Year Book of this year, says of them that thirty years ago they would have been considered as of no use and described them as being nothing more than mongrels, but admitted that they have gained popularity and are firmly established in England because of their attractive and free-blooming qualities.

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Report from The Columbia Valley Dahlia Society,

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The society has been functioning this year in tip top manner; many new Dahlia growers have joined us with much enthusiasm. Although we haven't had a great deal to say we have been working along quietly accomplishing the many odd jobs. We have just enjoyed our fifth annual Dahlia exhibit. The show was declared by all a huge success. Many praised the garden arrangement.

In the pompon division, Tom Thumb was given the honors of smallest perfect Dahlia in the show. The following gave good account at the show. Joe Fette, Amber Queen, Aimee, Billie and Iolantha, also Darkness and Darkest of All.

A basket of Garden Love, a miniature old rose and gold decorative was much admired at the show. It was exhibited by Dahliadream Garden. The Mastick Garden exhibited pompons which took the blue ribbon. They also exhibited a beautiful basket of an imported variety called Annie Lile.

Champoeg gave a good account of itself.

Bagdad won in both amateur and commercial classes, carrying away highest honors of the show.

A basket of west coast varieties won a blue ribbon, containing Charles G. Reed, Frieda Frank, Pacific Autumn and Nopal.

Beautiful blossoms of La Roda and Jessie Seal were praised by the visiting public. Oriental Beauty and Andreas Hofer was exhibited by Dahliadream Garden.

Dahliadream Garden won the sweepstakes at the show.

A fine basket of peony variety, Mrs. Julius Meier,

show

A fine basket of peony variety, Mrs. Julius Meier, was exhibited by the originator, Ray Gill.

The Crites Garden of Newberg, Oregon, was second with Champoeg. A fine basket of this Dahlia won a beautiful silver cup given by the Meier & Frank Co.

Many superb blooms were exhibited by Mr. C. J. Dippert. Among them was Bagdad which won highest honors of the show. He won the president's cup for his fine showing.

for his fine showing.

The Craig Road Gardens had a beautiful exhibit of

many fine specimens.

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Annual Report of the Northwest Dahlia Trial Garden

H. D. Locklin, Horticulturist In Charge Trial Garden

The past season which was the seventh for the Northwest Dahlia Trial Garden, has been one of the best from the standpoint of the growth of the plants under trial. No unfavorable weather conditions occurred during the growing season. The soil was in very good condition. Plenty of water was available at all times from the overhead irrigation system.

Pests were kept well under control. As is usual no hot periods occurred during the summer. Throughout June, July and August there were but fourteen days when the temperature reached 85° F. Of these there were only four days of 90° F. or above. The highest temperature locally was 96° F. The first light frost came on October 8th when the thermometer dropped to 30° F.

Most of the entries were received in good time and in good condition. All of the varieties developed early enough to be fairly judged. Nine judges scored the entries in this year's garden.

Thanks are due all those who helped in many ways

with this season's trials.

The score card as used by the American Dahlia Society in the past was employed in rating the entries. Only those varieties which scored 85 per cent or more are included in this report. Individual reports have been sent to the owners of all varieties. The figures are averages of actual measurements. The final scores given are averages of the different

Those varieties which will receive Certificates of Merit for the Northwest Trial Garden and from the

Seattle Dahlia Society are:

MADAME OTIS. Entered by A. A. Tower, Route 1, Arlington, Washington. Plant 5 feet tall, upright to spreading, vigor good to very good, health good to very good, foliage abundant; stem 10 inches, stiffness good to very good, neck good to very good; flower heavy bloomer, medium to late, facing out, width 81/2 inches, depth 4 inches, color ochraceous orange shading to rose at ends of petals, reverse Brazil red, type formal decorative. Score: exhibition 88; garden 86.

MRS. C. G. REED. Entered by Arthur Davies, 3708 Burke Avenue, Seattle, Washington. Plant 41/2 feet tall, spreading, vigor very good, health very good, foliage abundant; stem, length 11 inches, stiffness good, neck good; flower, heavy bloomer, mid-season, facing out and down, width 7½ inces, depth 3 inches, color white, type formal decorative. Score: exhibition 87; garden 85.

WONDERFUL SOMETHING. Entered by A. A. Tower, Route 1, Arlington, Washington. Plant 41/2 feet tall, upright, vigor good to very good, health good to very good, foliage medium to abundant;

stem, length 91/2 inches, stiffness good, neck good; flower, heavy bloomer, mid-season, facing out, width 81/2 inches, depth 4 inches, color light yellow overlaid pink slightly dotted carmen rose, reverse lavender rose, type semi-cactus (hybrid). Score: exhibition 87; garden 85.

WAMPADEKA. Entered by B. C. Welch, 24 Upper Mountain Avenue, Montclair, N. J. Plant 3 feet tall, spreading, vigor good to very good, health good to very good, foliage abundant; stem, length 10 inches, stiffness good, neck good; flower, medium bloomer, season late, facing out, width 8½ inches, depth 4 inches, color orange red, rose center, type informal decorative. Score: exhibition 88.

DAISY TURNQUIST. Entered by R. P. Turnquist, Route 1, Box 200, Bremerton, Washington. Plant 4 feet tall, upright, vigor good, health good, foliage medium heavy; stem, length 61/2 inches, stiffness good, neck good; flower, heavy bloomer, mid-season, facing up and out, width 7 inches, depth 4 inches, color rose with yellow base, reverse mauve, type semi-cactus. Score: garden 86.



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Editor Bulletin:

Perhaps a brief review might interest the readers of the Bulletin respecting the behaviour of well known Dahlias in one of the hottest seasons on record in southern California. The varieties are mostly eastern,

southern California. The varieties are mostly eastern, new and old.

From the second week in May to the present date, the thermometer has hovered about the marks 85 to 98 degrees with scarcely a let up.

Among the newer varieties "Edith Beryl" has just ignored the conditions, looked happy and contented, and is now in full bloom.

Running the above closely was Buckeye Bride, Monmouth Champion and Fort Monmouth, every plant growing vigorously and giving plenty of the large blooms for which it is famous. W. H. Waite was also good.

Others worth mentioning are Grace Curling, F. A. Vendrill, Cora Butterworth and Watchung Wonder. Deserving of praise are Ohio Giant, Jersey's Beauty, Robert Scott and Sanhican's Beauty. Altamont was good, so was Buckeye.

I. D. Warner was erratic, some good, some bad. Helen Ivins not so good as in previous seasons. Jersey's Beacon did not relish the heat.

Kathleen Norris is another which prefers our coder.

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The Trial Gardens in Haarlem, Holland

By H. Carlee, Haarlem, Holland

I believe it not to be useless to explain shortly on which conditions the foreign acquisitions can be planted in the Trial Gardens in Holland and in which way they can possibly win the cup or the Gold Medal.

Planting takes place by members of the Gold Medal. Planting takes place by members of the Duthla Society or by those of the General Bulbgrowers Society, while a contribution of Fl. 4.—(= \$1.60) is required for each variety. It is necessary to plant out 6 plants, either 3 roots and 3 cuttings, or 6 cuttings, of which 3 are disbudded and 3 untreated.

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Every Monday from the end of August till the end of September they are tested by a permanent committee of examination, generally existing of 8-10 persons, which express their judgment in figures. The latter are given for color, flowering, stand, stem and flower shape. The maximum of scores of each member is 25 points. When a variety obtains an average of 20 points it receives a certificate of the Trial Gardens. When there are not particular circumstances, the varieties which did not get a distinction are declined and not allowed to be planted once more. This special clause sees that it is necessary to select your varieties very well first, and I therefore should gladly point out to the important fact that you will do good to have any varieties grown by one or another grower in Holland first. The following year when sufficiently suited it will be possible to plant them out. This year a challenge cup has been promised for the first time by the Dutch Dahlia Society for the best acquisition from abroad. This must be won two times consecutively or three times totally. As long as the winner(s) has not yet become the definite possessor of the cup, he receives a medal of remembrance.

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An Award of Merit of the General Bulbgrowers Society;

An Award of Merit of the Royal Horticultural Society (Holland);

A first class certificate both of the General Bulb-growers Society and of the Dutch Royal Horticultural Society.

You will see from these important facts that when a variety will compete it has to go a difficult way, of which the most difficult is to get a certificate of the Trial Gardens, which shows its qualities at best.

Under mentioned foreign varieties which all obtained a certificate of the Trial Gardens competed with the Gold Medal, promised by Messrs. H. Carlée, Ltd., for the best foreign acquisition planted out in the Trial Gardens:

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Monmouth Champion (Kemp)			$21 \ 2/5$
Schiller (Ernst)			21 %
Paul Pfitzer (Berger)			22
Cameleon			201/2
Jersey's Triumph (Waite)			22 2/5
Possie Moravy (Dokoupil)			201/4
S. 221 (Dokoupil)			201/2
Jugendpracht			20
Tubeliaar			20 1/3

You see from this review that the variety Jersey's Triumph became winner of the Gold Medal with 2/5 point more than Paul Pfitzer, which will be sent to the raisers, Messrs. Waite.

I may certainly congratulate Messrs. Waite upon this distinction.

As I already wrote in my report, Jersey's Triumph has many good qualities which make this distinction entirely worthy. It is of great importance that under different circumstances flowering is very good, stem excellent, flower shape good and also the color is outwards very attractive.

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Report of Holland Trial Grounds, Haarlem, Holland, Dahlia Season 1931

By H. Carlee, Haarlem, Holland

1930 was a record raining year and though this year the weather conditions have been more favorable, yet the cold summer and rough autumn and at some parts the early frost influenced very much for the bad, in consequence of which an exact judgment is very difficult and it will be necessary for some varieties to see them once more in more favorable conditions.

Every year we learn again clearly that it becomes more and more difficult to raise real improvements, and many growers and sowers are still too much pleased with their own work and whether they are not able or not willing to see the wants that are tied to their own novelties. Certainly it is difficult, even very difficult to judge one's own work according to value, but yet let us do our utmost as much as possible to consider each novelty seriously with the existing requirements first, and to see whether same meets really with these, and whether there is a variety that is equalling in form and color. With what purpose we should introduce Dahlias into the trade which do not possess for instance a good stem? Let us omit now all other things, but which purpose may it have to put a variety into the market that has absolutely a bad stem? Nothing and nothing! The assortment is more than large enough and nobody will desire any longer a bloom which is feeling ashamed and hangs its head.

Of course circumstances of kind of soil or climate may occur and consequently it may be necessary to acclimatise the plants one or two years first, which may be the case with American varieties, so that we shall try to be very careful in our judgment. I shall begin with the American importations which we saw this year in the Trial Gardens and at the shows.

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One of the most outstanding novelties (herewith I mean those varieties which have been exhibited for the first time or since last year here) is Monmouth Champion. This variety excels by its free flowering, stark thin stems which carry the well shaped, vivid orange-red color far above the leaves. The blooms have when cut a great tenability and remain easily four days entirely fresh. It was crowned with an Award of Merit and Certificate of the Trial Gardens, where it obtained 107 scores of the maximum of 125, which is a very favorable result. The second is Jersey's Triumph, splendid garden plant, free flowering and fine color. Only inward the color disappoints somewhat and consequently it looses much of its attractiveness. This was awarded to a first class certificate and that of the Trial Gardens, where it obtained 112 scores of the maximum, while it won at the same time the Gold Medal for the best foreign acquisition, as stated in the account of the Trial Gardens.

Marion Broomall is a free flowering variety too. which is, though it has somewhat hugely formed flowers, yet very effective, and attracted the attention too. Santa Barbara, Award of Merit, which was not planted out impressed very well on the shows, as for stem, flower shape and color as well. Same can be said of Miss San Francisco. American Triumph takes a first place in the cactus section; color, stem and flowering are good.

It is a pity that, when cut, the color decays very much, consequently of which it makes a little gloomy impression indoors; Award of Merit. Andrea Erickson, a white decorative which had already been discussed very much—possibly that the unfavorable weather had badly influenced—yet the stems could not carry the well formed pure white flowers in a correct way. Next year we think to see it planted out in various places so that we can make a real judgment.

Frank Miller, which showed such a splendid material in 1930, has left us in the lurch, as well in the Trial Gardens as on the nursery. Its blooming was very late and stems were not so correct. Also here we have all reason to believe that it will be able to be better, especially as we saw it in such a splendid condition the first year. The blooms are well formed and have an excellent clear yellow color, with bronze center.

Mrs. Alfred B. Seal is known to us of last year and satisfies here rather good, although its blooming is very late and the stems do not carry the blooms always as well. Dwight W. Morrow, which showed when starting rather deformed flowers, became better later in the season; color and form very good.

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Thomas A. Edison is one of the best varieties, very free flowering, best stems, good form and fine color; Award of Merit. It was a pity that the place in the Trial Gardens was not favorable so that it could not be judged, and was asked back for 1932.

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Kentucky, which obtained an Award of Merit too, is not very constant of color and many flowers run back to the old, but best Jersey's Beauty. Hathor, a variety with a particularly fine pastel-red color, growing and stand good, free flowering, sober.

Of the varieties that were still exhibited we noticed: Eagle Rock Wonder, Valentine, Minamoto's Pink, W. B. T., Treasure Island, Dorothy Stone, Eshcol, F. W. Butler (very bad formed flowers). Judge Leon McCord, La Roda, etc., but not any of them requires a more exact description.

Of the European imports of the last few years the

Of the European imports of the last few years the variety Schiller excelled particularly. This sort will be sufficiently known in the U. S. A. and we are curious to know in what measure it satisfied there. Also this year it obtained many distinctions and won among others the silver challenge cup for the best foreign acquisition.

Doris J. Cooper can be described at best as a large Dr. Helm. Spath and merits principally recommendation as a cut flower; for garden plant it is too high

and long of stem.

And long of stem.

Paul Pfitzer is also a variety which competed with the Cupconcourse. The color is mostly like the garden cactus variety Extase, salmon-pink with light yellow ground. When the chief flowers are away, it flowers with the by-branches sufficiently above the leaves. Jugendpracht and Mad. Braems are two varieties which complete the race Goldene Sonne and certainly will take a good place in that environs. The first has as edge a dark color just as Goldene Sonne; the latter even a striking warm salmon-bronze color.

As the last we shall mention here Miss Belgium, a fine clear orange cactus: free flowering, good stem and fine form.

Of the Dutch acquisitions the following varieties

Of the Dutch acquisitions the following varieties merit a special notation. As the first the winner of the Silver Medal of the American Dahlia Society, Royal White, which won at the same time the silver challenge cup. It is a decorative variety which carries its well filled and pure white blooms far above the leaves, and possesses strong stems. To this follows Kareol which obtained the second prize in the novelty section, viz. the Bronze Medal of the A. D. S. This is a pure cactus and obtained from sowings of Edgar Jackson; the stem is as strong as cane; color is soft salmon-pink on a light yellow ground. Then follows Majoor's Purper which competed too with the Cupconcourse. It is a very free flowering variety, fine flower shape, an interform between decorative and garden cactus, and possesses best stems and a pure dark purple color.

Thomas Leavitt belong undoubtedly to one of the

Thomas Leavitt belong undoubtedly to one of the greatest achievements of this season. At the second examination in the Trial Gardens in the early part of examination in the Trial Gardens in the early part of September it was crowned already with an Award of Merit and when judging for the last time, at the twenty-eighth September, it was still in full flowering, without having produced any forge bloom. This variety will be certainly discussed many times.

Red Champion, which got a certificate of the Trial Gardens and a certificate first class, can join in the cup competition next year. It belongs to the very best Dahlias and surpasses in free flowering, color and standing all existing red varieties.

Ballego's Glory, which obtained an Award of Merit too, is a splendid acquisition and can be best compared with a very large decorative, Rapallo. The color is particularly vivid and uncommon; stems strong and long, so that we suppose it will show its qualities when planting in the Trial Gardens next vear

When we had to compose a collection of the best varieties of the last few years we should make the following selection:

following selection:

Bishop of Llandaff, paeony flowered, dark foliage, small red flower; Conservatrix (cactus), cardinal red; Lord Lambourne (decorative), gold color with rosy shade; Minister van de Vyvere, clear pink; Nivea (cactus), white; Park Beauty (decorative), small flowered, for planting in mass, orange; Paul Pfitzer, Royal Velvet, dark velvet red, decorative; Schiller; White Duchess, white decorative; American Triumph; F. T. D.; Jane Cowl; Jersey's Triumph; Monmouth Champion; Thomas A. Edison; Nagel's Meesterstuk (decorative), bronzy yellow; Semeur Nagels (decorative), purple; Ehrenpreis (cactus), salmon pink, bronze shade; Frau O. Bracht, yellow cactus; Mad. A. Breuls, pink decora-

tive; Mr. F. de Keersmacker (decorative), wine red; Ballego's Glory; Red Champion; Thomas Leavitt and Kareol.

With above I mean to have described well the principal varieties of this season and hope this will be a guide for the readers for an exact selection in the many varieties that exist now.

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So we see that in Europe before 1810 the distinction already was made between tubers and roots. De Candolle refers to an earlier writer, to M. Dumont de Courset, writing in the "Supplement du Botanisée Cultivateur."

MORGAN T. RILEY.

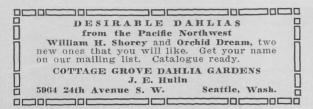
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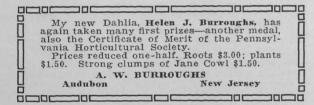


A Word from the Secretary

Trial Grounds. A great deal of confusion can be avoided if members will remember that all correspondence relating to sending tubers to the Trial Grounds, also tubers sent for trial, should be addressed to Professor Roland H. Patch, Connecticut Agricultural College, Storrs, Connecticut. Sending to the secretary only necessitates re-mailing, entails extra expense and causes delay. Requests for entry blanks should also be sent as above. Rules and regulations will be found on back of blanks.

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New Department for the Bulletin Suggested By Lynn B. Dudley, Mt. Vernon, New York

My idea is to have a department mainly as a forum for discussion where an occasional question of great interest to all our members could be answered publicly. I do not mean that we would endeavor to get a lot of queries.

My thought is to make the readers of the BULLETIN more interested in its pages, and by having a lot of short items, some of which can be questions, answered, even though they are not actually answered by any particular member, the department will awaken a lot of interest.

In other words, it is my idea to set up a department almost out of whole cloth, use questions asked by the members. My idea of having a Board of Experts to refer certain questions to is just to give the department standing and we would perhaps refer a question to them.



Dahlias blooming in the Greenhouse

Dahlias Under Glass By Harley T. Peck

A few years ago I read in the BULLETIN that someone had grown the Dahlia Patrick O'Mara successfully in a greenhouse. For several years I received an annual order from Mr. Horlacher, florist extraordinary, of Dayton, for approximately 100 roots of Patrick O'Mara. Knowing that he did not grow them outside, my curiosity was aroused and I found that he was planting them in his greenhouse in April for June blooming. One fact stood out, namely, that only occasionally did a Dahlia variety prove successful under glass.

We co-operated and after trying many varieties found that Golden Acre and later Buckeye Bride were good greenhouse varieties. Elsewhere in this issue will be seen a picture of the latter variety in bloom on October 25, 1931.

In addition to late fall blooming, the three varieties, Patrick O'Mara, Golden Acre and Buckeye Bride, may be successfully planted February 1st for bloom in April, and about April 10th for early June bloom. It requires about 60 days for them to come into their first bloom.

I have tried many other varieties, but have found none as dependable, nor so floriferous as these three. For instance last spring a very few very fine flowers of Jane

Cowl were bloomed under glass. This fall it was a sad disappointment. Mr. Horlacher had no luck at all with

Jersey's Beauty. We had fair success only.
I have found the best soil mixture to be 25% sand, 50% good loam and the remainder a good manure compost. The whole should be enriched moderately with a well balanced fertilizer. The soil previously used for mums will be quite satisfactory. After the first and most vigorous bloom, a top dressing of well rotted manure, or a fertilizer application will prove beneficial in prolonging the bloom period and maintaining better quality flowers.

To our surprise we found that open-centered Dahlias out of season were fully acceptable to the cut-flower trade. To produce full centered flowers under glass, the Dahlia requires a fair supply of sunlight. For that reason early spring bloom may be open-centered if there is much cloudy weather. But as pointed out above, that is no disadvantage.

I believe that the Dahlia will be used more in the future as a greenhouse flower. Probably its best season will be April planting for June bloom.

Registrations, January, 1932

formal decorative. Scarlet Oriental Star. reverse geranium pink. Entered as No. 72 at Storrs, 1931. By Dr. Shirley S. Shattuck, 162 Elm Street, Everett, Massachusetts.

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Dahlia Root Storage at Different Temperatures

By P. W. Zimmerman and A. E. Hitchcock

Boyce Thompson Institute for Plant Research, Yonkers, N. Y.

Numerous requests for information on conditions favorable for root storage of Dahlias have concerned temperature more than any other factor. So far as the writers of this article are aware, no experiments have been made to determine the effects of several different constant temperatures on the keeping qualities of Dahlia "tubers" in storage. The purpose of this paper is to report the results of tests under the following storage conditions:

- 1. Storage under the bench of a glass house in which the night temperature was approximately 70° F. but varied from 70° to 90° during clear days.
 - 2. In a storage room where a constant temperature of 73° F. was maintained.
- 3. Under the bench of a cold glass house where the temperature during the winter averaged about 50° F. but increased toward spring as the outside temperature increased.
 - 4. In a storage room where a constant temperature of 50° F. was maintained.
 - 5. In a storage room with a constant temperature of 41° F.
- 6. In a storage room slightly above freezing. At times, however, a valve failed to work properly and the temperature fell to below freezing for several hours.

Three Dahlia varieties (Jersey's Beauty, Mrs. Ida ver Warner, Esther R. Holmes) were used in the experiment. They had been grown in the Institute garden until frost on October 21, 1930. The clumps of roots were then carefully removed from the ground and allowed to dry for several days. Thereafter they were divided into six comparable lots and embedded with imported granulated peat moss in wooden boxes. On November 1, 1930, these boxes without covers, were moved into the six different storage places described above and left until May 12, 1931, at which time all the different lots were taken into a greenhouse, unpacked and preliminary comparisons made. Final comparisons were made a week later after the buds had had time to make some growth when the clumps of all lots were graded as "good", "fair", or "bad". The results are tabulated in Table I. Figure 1 shows how average clumps appeared after storage at 73° F. and 50° F.

It may be seen from the table that some roots and their accompanying buds will live over winter when stored at high temperatures. The table also shows, however, that a much higher percentage of the clumps kept in good condition where stored at 50° F. or less, than at high temperatures. For example, of the 15 Jersey's Beauty clumps stored in a warm greenhouse, 9 were bad and only 6 fair, whereas at 50° F. 13 were good, 2 fair, and there were no bad ones. Similar results were obtained also with the two other varieties tested.

Roots stored at high temperature shriveled much more than those stored at low temperatures, as is well shown in the accompanying photograph. It should be noted that even the immature roots of the clumps stored at low temperature remained plump and were entirely satisfactory for propagating purposes. At high temperatures only the well matured roots withstood storage. This may be of considerable importance when dealing with valuable varieties. Early frosts frequently kill plants before they have had enough time to mature their roots. Such roots could be well preserved if properly stored.

Freezing temperature is probably detrimental. The tubers stored in a 35° F. room were not so well preserved as those at 40° or 50° F. This may be due to the fact that through failure of a valve to operate properly the temperature fell below feezing. A few of the roots became soft as if they had been frozen and were thereafter readily attacked by fungi.

Imported peat moss is satisfactory material in which to pack the roots. If used directly as it comes from the bale it is dry enough to take care of excess moisture from the roots and yet it does not cause excessive drying. The moisture content of peat moss is so nearly constant that the average Dahlia grower considers it superior to leaves or other material that is commonly at hand. Some growers prefer not to use packing material but it has been our experience that less drying occurs if the tubers are embedded in peat moss.

There was some question whether clumps stored at high temperature would produce good plants in the field. To answer this question 10 well selected divisions from each lot were planted side by side in the field. Of those that grew, there was practically no difference between the plants. In each of the lots stored at high temperature, however, only 5 of the 10 divisions produced plants, indicating that the buds were injured more than had been supposed at planting time.

Summary of Observations

- 1. Dahlia roots and their accompanying buds can best be preserved by low temperature (35° F. to 50° F.) storage.
- 2. A few of the well matured tubers and buds survive high temperature (70 $^{\circ}$ to 80 $^{\circ}$ F.) storage but excessive drying occurs.
- 3. Very little drying occurs at low temperature storage. Even immature roots can be preserved in good condition if properly stored.
- 4. Tubers stored in fluctuating low temperature (cold glass house) were as well preserved as those at constant low temperature.
- 5. Field tests indicated that the previous storage temperature for tubers did not affect the vigor of surviving plants. Of those stored at high temperature, however, fewer survived than preliminary examinations indicated.

Table I
The condition of Dahlia root clumps after storage from November 1, 1930, to May 12, 1931

	Number of clumps in each storage condition		. Results of the various storage conditions																
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		Good	Fair	Bad	Good	Fair	Bad	Good	Fair	Bad	Good	Fair	Bad	Good	Fair	Bad	Good	Fair	Bad
Mrs. Ida ver Warner	6	0	3	3	3	2	1	6			6			6			5	1	
Jersey Beauty	15	0	6	9	1	10	4	10	4	1	13	2	0	13	1	1	3	9	3
Esther R. Holmes	4	1	2	1	0	3	1	4			3	1		3	1		2		2

^{*}Night temperature 70° F. On clear days temperature frequently went as high as 80° F.

^{**}Winter temperature approximately 50° F. Toward spring the temperature increased with increasing outside temperature.

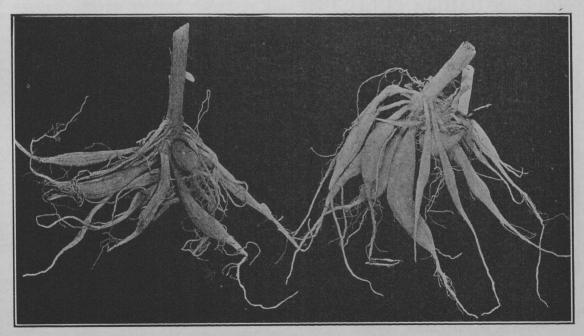


Figure 1. The appearance of Dahlia root clumps after storage under two different conditions from November 1, 1930, to May 12, 1931. Left—stored at 73° constant temperature. Right—stored at 50° constant temperature.

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as little care as anything you flower outdoors.

Use good soil. Work it over deeply. Use only the best Dahlia-flowering strain of seed, which is rather expensive. Sow thin, not only because of the cost, but also because the plants will do better if not crowded. Don't use mixed colors; sow separately with the salmon, pink and old rose shades predominating, but you will also need red and yellow. Make at least three sowings a few weeks apart; sometimes the ones sown during June, even the latter part of that month, produce the largest flowers, and in a 5-foot bed where you can protect them against early October frost with temporary frames they might prove the most valuable to you. You no doubt will need them, however, from the time when the indoor sown ones start to come into flower by the latter part of June, all through the Summer, as more and more of us do with each succeeding year. Zinnias now appear in nearly all show premium lists. Show Committee's should make a special class for them. It will bring out many fine displays.

Talk on English and Continental Dahlia Gardens, Storrs, Connecticut, September 19, 1931

(Continued from page thirty-three)

The Miniature Decorative on the other hand, seems to me to be more of a consistent type and where fully double and showing no center are well worth the attention of our American Dahlia lovers for their general all-round usefulness. They make a lovely cut flower, come in soft pastel shades, are continually in bloom, resembling the Pompon in that respect, are ornamental in the garden, and I predict for this latter type a great future in America when they become better known. type a great better known.

I sincerely hope that our American growers will, in small way, copy the delightful planting I saw at

Mr. Cheal's.

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I was fortunate in being invited to the place of Mr. James Stredwick, to whom more than anyone else in recent years, is due the development of the incurved or true English Cactus as we know it today, and I was very glad when through friends I was invited to go to St. Leonards-on-the Sea to visit Mr. Stredwick at his interesting nurseries in the south of England. After the conventional cup of tea, Mr. Stredwick took me through practically all his grounds, which were not extensive, but I was particularly impressed with his bed of seedlings, owing to the fact that there were no single or poor flowered varieties in his bed of first year sedlings, showing that Mr. Stredwick has learned by one way or another to breed very true to form. He took me through his two year seedlings and asked me to select the one which I considered the best. It was hard to make a decision where there were so many outstanding and attractive cactus types, with extremely long and narrow petals, some with almost a spiral twist of a form that I had never seen before, and which he told me would be put on the market this year. Certainly he has developed this fine petaled type of cactus beyond any other grower, and great credit is due him for his consistent and careful development of the incurved cactus. He very politely asked me to select what I considered the best of his seedlings of this type, and told me that it was to be named after me, and I was glad to see that my selection was awarded a certificiate of merit, and recommended for Wisley, at the R. H. S. Show in London just a week later.

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from all parts of the world at Mr. John Riding's gardens, just outside of London. Mr. Riding goes in for the larger types of decoratives very extensively, and I believe, is in correspondence with growers in every country where Dahlias are known, and one can see here the largest collection and the greatest variety of Dahlias in England.

Mr. Thomas Hay, V. M. H., a graduate of the School of Horticulture at Edinburgh, and in charge of Buckingham Palace grounds, and all the royal parks of London, was in about 1917, among the first to recognize the usefulness of the small types of Dahlia for bedding and border purposes. He has planted, for the last three years, 10,000 plants of Coltness Gem in beds directly facing Buckingham Palace, and has, through all the royal parks of London, the most interesting beds where he has made use of various types of miniature and small flowering Dahlias as well as many varieties of free blooming decoratives. These later could best be described as a cut flower type of Dahlia and are extensively used by nurserymen for that purpose; the flowers ranging between five and seven inches—the plants being practically continuously in bloom. I cannot tell you how impressive not only in London, but in the smaller cities and willstee one was continually seaing these Dablia heds

these beds were throughout England in all the parks, not only in London, but in the smaller cities and villages one was continually seeing these Dahlia beds in a perfect blaze of color.

Through the kindness of Mr. Chittenden, I was allowed to accompany the judges during their inspection of Dahlias at Wisley, and I was very much impressed with the interest shown in all types of Dahlias there. The Mignon types having a place to themselves and being judged separately, Pompons and Miniature Decoratives being well recognized and considered with equal space given to them and to the larger flowered sorts. They did not score the Dahlias with the same exactness that we do; they are govwith the same exactness that we do; they are governed very much by precedent and what they consider a Dahlia should be, although they are very positive in their selections. They also laid great stress on the quality of the flowers and I was very much impressed

to note that in choosing between two pink varieties they decided in favor of the one having the greatest number of blooms rather than the one having a slightly larger flower, but with decidedly fewer

slightly larger flower, but with decidedly fewer blooms.

I feel that we could copy Wisley in one respect, at our trial grounds at Storrs, and that is in having a separate space alloted for a garden variety of Dahlia, the miniatures and pompons which naturally should be judged on a different scale than the larger flowered types. In the report from the R. H. S. on the Wisley trial grounds, they state that during the past two years, the visitors have paid more attention to the small flowered varieties than to the larger types.

I have mentioned at length the various miniature as I felt they were not thoroughly known by many amateurs in this country, but let there be no misunderstanding on that account, although I do appreciate the wonderful charm of these lovely small varieties I still have the greatest admiration for the larger decoratives as developed in America. I know of no flower that in so short a time has been developed to such a superb type as some of our more recent decoratives and think that some of the outstanding blooms displayed at Storrs this year really leave one lost in admiration of their producer and with a feeling of awe at what man has been able to produce from the little single Dahlia Pinnata of the Abbe Cavanilles first grown in the botanical gardens of Madrid in 1789. So I wish you to understand that I am just as keenly and I feel that the larger Dahlias should always be the leaders in any collection which would be worthy of the name.

The wonderful display of Dahlias on trial at Storrs of the name

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The wonderful display of Dahlias on trial at Storrs this year, as we saw them on September 19th, is not to be equaled by all the trial grounds of Europe combined. Although they raise many lovely varieties of Dahlias, few of them grow over 8 inches and they have not yet produced a Dahlia of a stamina and form comparable with those on trial at Storrs now not to mention many of our superb varieties which have been put on the market in the past few years.

In England and Holland recently they have been making crosses with American varieties as the seed bearing parent, and have met with very pleasing results, but they have failed so far to produce Dahlias of the size and vigor of our more recent ones. I feel, however, that the foreigner gets more pleasure out of his Dahlias than we do, because he can see beauty and get great satisfaction from growing a moderate sized Dahlia which has good keeping qualities and pleasing color and form.

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In Holland they continually told me of the good market varieties which they frequently admitted carry much of their overhead expenses. I remember walking along the canal in Holland to get to Mr. Topwoord's nursery we had to pass about forty or more growers, each with a narrow strip of land, not more than an acre in width, and in front of the house of each of these was a large plot of Dahlias in bloom, in fact I saw such plots of Dahlias all over Holland, well cared for and growing in the greatest profusion. I was told that these were grown by nurserymen who had many means of livelihood in various branches of floriculture, none the less they all recognized the had many means of livelihood in various branches of floriculture, none the less they all recognized the Dahlia and grew it for their own pleasure. One of the larger collectors told me that many of the seedlings put in the trade by well known Dahlia experts were not their own productions but due to the seed saved by these different small horticulturists who raised Dahlias as a side line only. Anyhow, no matter where one went in Holland you were never without a view of an attractive Dahlia garden which could be seen from the train or driving from place to place, particularly at the Hague and other resorts the land-scape was made more pleasing by the generous use of the various types of Dahlia, the small flowered varieties being especially in evidence where land-scaping was attempted.

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This was also true in France, and I even saw in the public gardens in Paris lovely beds and borders of medium sized decorative Dahlias in full bloom on August 20th.

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I noticed with interest at the various commercial growers in Holland that they had an equal number of the small Dahlais as they had of the larger ones, and though they showed great interest and were very anxious to sell their newer and larger types, they told me that they sold many more of the smaller types though they got less return from them per plant. They considered raising the smaller varieties a very essential branch of their business as it supplied a steady income to more than carry their part of the overhead expenses.

