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Miss Doris Virginia Dudley, lovely daughter of Pres. and Mrs. Lynn B. Dudley, admires Dahlia "Straight's White", Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens winner of Derrill W. Hart Medal at New York.

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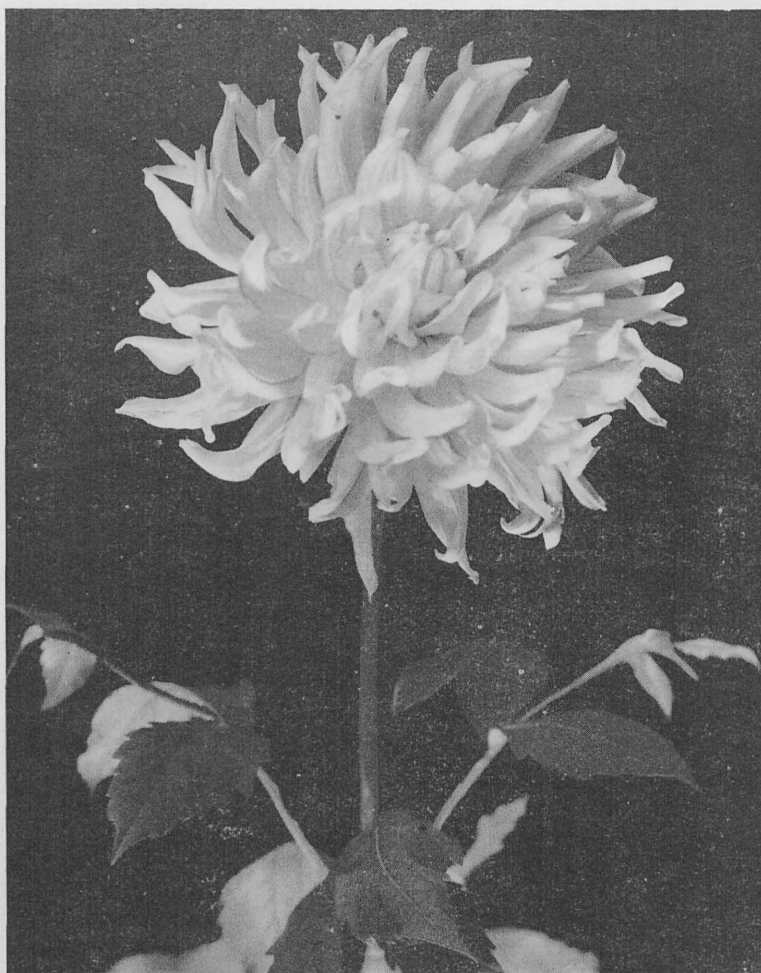
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A large true incurved cactus of vivid shell pink shading to creamy white at the center. The flower is borne on long strong stems above a vigorous tall bush. Sleepy Hollow closes at night in a far greater degree than any other variety; in the evening it resembles a huge pink 'mum with its twisting and curling petals which entirely hides the center of the flower. A free bloomer, many bushes having seven blooms open at one time, with perfect centers always. The blooms range from nine to eleven inches with proportionate depth. Sleepy Hollow's beauty and fine keeping qualities will make it your favorite cut flower.

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# 23rd Annual A. D. S. Exhibition at New York, September 24 and 25

## Hotel Pennsylvania Scene of Gorgeous Array of Color

*Baby Royal, Mother Maytrott, Daddy Kemp* and all the rest of the family of Dahlia registerites were there to play host to a very large and enthusiastic audience, when the A. D. S. Show got under way.

Once more the Grand Ballrooms of the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City, were gay with the most colorful exhibition seen in the East—an exhibition which kept bright and fresh until its close, due to the air conditioning.

Upon entering the main foyer, one glimpsed the awe inspiring sight of a myriad of beautiful Dahlias—the spectacle of a veritable fairyland.

To the genial Edward B. Lloyd, Show Manager, we hand the palm for a very carefully planned arrangement.

Mother nature must have checked off the dates, September 24th and September 25th on her calendar long since for she, too, provided pre-show weather which was all that could be desired for the production of blooms. No hurricane or drenching rain marred the exceptionally fine flowers so carefully coaxed to perfection by zealous exhibitors.

### *Dahlia Society of New Jersey Coöperates*

The Dahlia Society of New Jersey coöperated with the A. D. S. and the Jersey influence was everywhere to be seen.

And herein lies a story which resulted in a very colorful special attraction for the Dahlia Show. Through the invitation of Miss Margaret Lloyd, charming daughter of Edward B. Lloyd, Governor Harry Hoffman of New Jersey arranged to attend the Show, together with his family, to be our honored guests. This plan was necessarily altered since the Governor had to journey to Kansas on official business. However, Mrs. Hoffman together with her daughter, Miss Ada Hoffman (who is a classmate with Miss Lloyd) did favor us with their presence. After inspecting the Show, Miss Hoffman selected a "gold" informal decorative Dahlia (to match her hair!) as her favorite flower and honored the Dahlia with her name. She very graciously consented to be photographed with the new *Miss Ada Hoffman* Dahlia, much to the delight of an appreciative audience. We regret indeed that the genial Governor was unable to be present with us but we did enjoy having New Jersey's first lady and their lovely daughter.

Our good friend "Albert Parrella" was so overjoyed because his introduction received this singular recognition, it was difficult for him to express his deep seated happiness; and we were all glad with him.

We would not close our remarks about the New Jersey Society's participation without citing the very fine exhibits of Louis B. Tim, Long Branch, Anton Swoboda, Ridgefield Park, William H. Belland, Eatontown, Charles Mason, Elizabeth, as well as many other exhibitors, also the professional displays of Dahliadel Nurseries, Sanhican Gardens, J. A. Kemp, and Etherington Dahlia Gardens.

These high quality exhibits did much to make the Show the success it was.

### *Undisseminated Dahlias*

The classes for undisseminated Dahlias always elicit great interest and the New York Show was not an exception! Yes there were seedlings; many of them. And as one grower expressed it, quite a number that were worth while.

Considered the highest award of the A. D. S. is the Derrill Hart Memorial Gold Medal—presented each year for the most meritorious undisseminated Dahlia. Competing in a well contested class, a large snowy white informal decorative *Straight's White* captured this coveted award for its introducer Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, Rockville Center, Long Island.

The American Home Achievement Medal for undisseminated Dahlia was awarded to a large bright pink informal decorative *Mildred Pote* entered by Fred Dixon, Scotch Plains, New Jersey. This class also boasted many entries.

It should be added that each of these winners received the overwhelming number of votes of the judges.

### *President's Cup*

Interest in Bi-colored Dahlias has been stimulated by President Dudley, who presents annually a beautiful cup for the outstanding display. This year the trophy was won by Edward Ilsley of Devon, Pennsylvania, whose large basket of *Phantom* was most attractive.

### *Memorial Exhibit*

Close by and directly in the center of the west end of the Exhibition Hall was a very striking memorial exhibit, honoring the late Charles G. Reed. It was staged by E. E. Tooker, Rockville Center, Long Island, and featured three huge vases, each containing about eighteen specimen blooms. In the center, *Margaret Broomall*, was perhaps the finest group of blossoms of this Dahlia ever witnessed on the exhibition table. Flanked on the left was *Murphy's Masterpiece* and on the right, *Satan*. These



three Dahlias had been introduced by Mr. Reed in recent years. The exhibit, also the thought which prompted it, was one of the high lights of a Show replete with fine things and will long be remembered by those who were fortunate in having seen it.

#### *Court of Honor Class*

The Court of Honor class, open to all, boasting a large number of entries, attracted much attention. An eleven inch white cactus, *Ballego's Surprise*, entered by Fred J. Knocke, New York City, was awarded the blue ribbon and the silver medal of the Dahlia Society of New Jersey. This blossom recalled to many a similar one which Mr. Knocke exhibited last year.

#### *Section AA*

The first exhibitor to appear at the Show (in the wee hours of the morning) was Andrew F. Selz, New Rochelle, N. Y., who placed entries in the newly inaugurated Section AA for those who have not hitherto won prizes in an A. D. S. Show. Mr. Selz was rewarded by receiving two second prizes and it is whispered his bigger and better ones will appear in Section A next Show.

In the medium and large flowered classes (Section AA) William H. Bolland, Eatontown, N. J., took the honors—his vase of three *Paul Pfitzer* was especially fine.

Fred W. Tiff, Newark, N. J., won two firsts with excellent *Baby Royal* and *Little Edith* in miniature and pompon classes.

#### *Section A*

Year after year, Section A (for those who grow less than one hundred large flowering Dahlias) presents maximum quality and the present exhibits measured up to that high standard.

Dr. Walter Bedell, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., winner of the Grand Sweepstakes swept the medium (B) classes using numerous European introductions. His arrangements were good and he also won a number of ribbons in the large flowered classes. His *Ballego's Surprise* was first in cactus and semi-cactus white.

Most of the ribbons in the large flowered classes went to Anton Swoboda, who also captured all the specials in these classes. His *Son of Satan* was judged best cactus; *Monmouth Champion* best formal and a magnificent specimen of *Milton J. Cross*, best informal. This was one of the largest flowers in the entire Show and was awarded three blue ribbons, including best bloom in Section A.

Mr. Swoboda's *Lord of Autumn* won as largest and most perfect bloom but closely contested by a huge but slightly off center *Watchung Giant* of Mrs. Wesley Hunter.

Fred J. Knocke won many firsts; his very fine *Murphy's Masterpiece*, *Robert L. Ripley*, *Kathleen Norris* and *Ballego's Surprise* were among his best.

*Miss West Virginia* and *Lily Pons* were winners for D. J. Sandt of Easton, Pennsylvania.

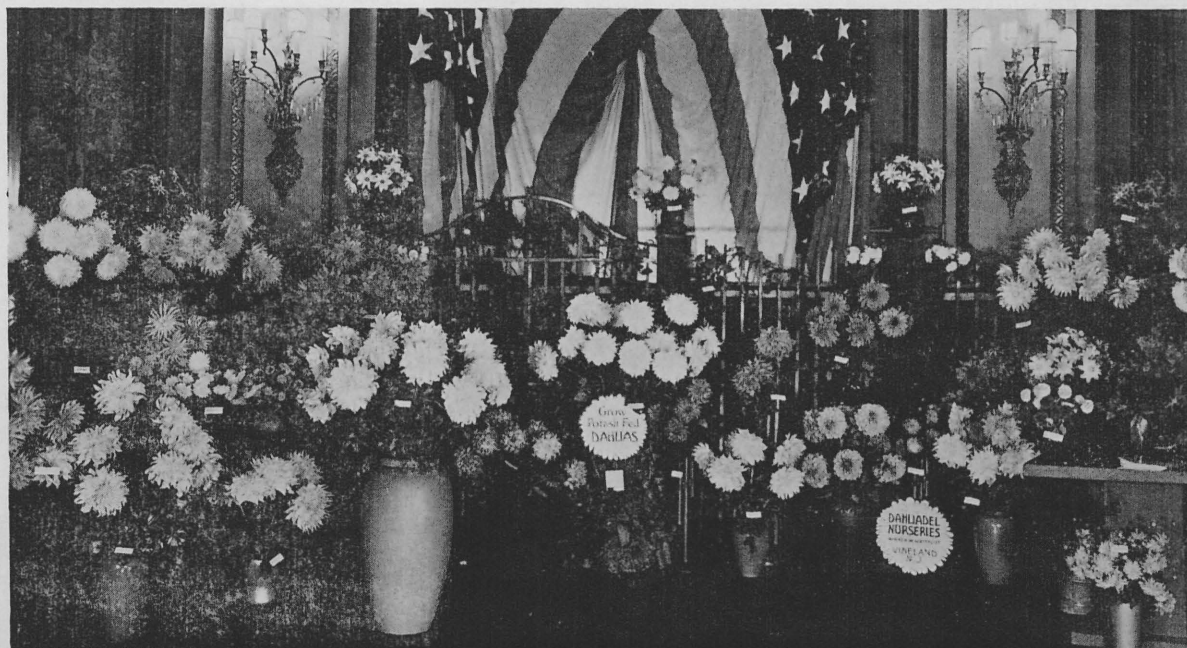
Charles Mason excelled with a superb *Amelia Earhart*.

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#### DAHLIADEL NURSERIES' MAGNIFICENT DISPLAY AT NEW YORK

Winner of the A. D. S. Gold Medal and Gold Medal of Dahlia Society of New Jersey for Most Meritorious Commercial Exhibit.

—Photo by Albert Humble



## New York Show—Cont. from page 7

John R. Nichols, Freeport, L. I., captured firsts with *Frau Ida Mansfield*, *Miss West Virginia*, *Cameo* and *Jean Trimbee*.

### Section B

This year's contest in Section B for those who grow less than three hundred hills of large flowering types, was closely contested.

Roy H. Webb of Scranton, Pennsylvania, emerged with the Grand Sweepstakes prize. This section bristles with Dahlia enthusiasm and boasts many of the finest Dahlias anywhere to be seen.

Mr. Webb's points were piled up chiefly in medium flowered types, also poms and miniatures. In the large flowers his *Poincinella*, *Grace Curling*, *W. H. T.* and *Purple Mist* were impressive.

Edward J. O'Keefe, Cold Spring, N. Y., runner up, was sweepstakes winner in the large flowering classes capturing most of the blue ribbons, also specials. His entries were uniformly top notch specimens. It would not be possible to single out any particular entry—they were all superior. He used *Greater Glory*, *Sleepy Hollow*, *Mother Maytrott*, *White Abundance*, *David Copperfield*, *California Idol*, *Jarvis Jones*, *Frieda George*, *Thomas Workman*, *Severin's Triumph* and *Freckles*.

V. Sigismund, Teaneck, N. J., won with well grown *Greater Glory* and *Royal Purchase*.

### Section C

In Section C, open to all, Dr. Bruce B. Preas, Rockville Centre, L. I., was the ace exhibitor of the Show from

the standpoint of diversification. The genial doctor entered in so many classes as to take one's breath away. He was second in a few, but by and large his entries were adorned with blue ribbons, specials and the coveted Governor Hoffman trophy as grand sweepstakes. It would require a powerful glass to detect flaws in his poms and miniatures. His entries in medium flowered types were clean and his large flowering specimens were worthy. A few of his "best bets" included *Farncot*, *Ballego's Surprise*, *Straight's White*, *Lord of Autumn* and *Kathleen Norris*.

Walter H. Ostrander, Kingston, N. Y., won with *Leiden's Elegance* and *Lavender Edge*.

An outstanding achievement in this section was the winning for the largest and most perfect bloom of a fine *American Legion* by W. Flackman, West Englewood, N. J., in a large class. The judges finally had to choose between the ultimate winner and a magnificent *Robert L. Ripley*.

### Section D—Private Estates

The estate of Edward Ilsley, Devon, Pennsylvania, gardener King Irvine, was sweepstake winner in a section which presented many very attractive entries for the judge's attention. *Satan*, *California Idol*, *Sultan of Hillcrest*, *Mrs. George Le Boutillier*, *Kathleen Norris* and *Challenger* were the principal varieties displayed.

The winner for largest bloom was the estate of R. L. G. Auchinloss, Tuxedo Park, gardener Samuel Frazer, who entered *California Idol*.

Very well grown *Hunt's Velvet Wonder*, *Jane Cowl* and *Monmouth Champion* were winners for the estate of Mrs. E. Adey, Tuxedo Park, gardener James Barrelli.



### MILDRED POTE

Pink Informal Decorative, winner of American Home Achievement Medal. Introducer, Derring-Do Dahlias, Scotch Plains, N. J. Originator, William Pote, Far Hills.

—Photo by Albert Humble



The estate of Louis B. Tim, Long Branch, N. J., gardener William Wagstaff, won with a vase of *Golden Standard*, one of the most outstanding exhibits in this section. *Jersey Beauty* was also noteworthy.

Mr. Tim entered in another section a group of beautiful European cactus Dahlias which elicited much favorable comment.

#### New Jersey Exhibits

Section H was open only to members of the Dahlia Society of New Jersey, the grand sweepstakes silver medal being awarded to Anton Swoboda.

Sweepstakes in type classes one bloom, large flowering was won by Louis B. Tim, also sweepstakes for miniatures and poms.

Perhaps the outstanding entry in this section was Louis B. Tim's huge bloom *Director C. B. Dahl*, 1937 introduction of Mrs. A. B. Scott, Hillcrest Gardens, Fairmont, West Virginia. This strawberry pink informal was admired by many.

#### Special Awards

Mrs. Fred Lewis, Little Neck, L. I., won the silver medal of the National Dahlia Society of England for the most artistic arrangement of Dahlias in the Show, also the medal of the Dahlia Society of Belgium for a collection of imported cactus Dahlias.

#### Commercial Exhibits

Outstanding was the display of Dahliadur Nurseries, Vineland, N. J., display two vases of a fine yellow known as *Chick's Seedling*, and in a semi-circle on each side were two vases of each of the following: *Treasure Chest*, *Cavalcade*, *Treasure Island* and *Golden Prince*. In the center was a massive showing of a beautiful white *Mother Maytrott*. To complete this delightful display was a center vase of *Opal*, a yellow with pink fringe.

This 200 foot display won the A. D. S. Gold Medal, also the New Jersey Gold Medal for best commercial exhibit in the Show.

The exhibit of Peter Henderson & Co., showing many of their most popular numbers, offered a wide variety for Dahlia fans, who made good use of pencils and notebooks before this booth. Included in the display were Golden Crown marigolds, zinnias, Aster *Marjorie*, *Zephyranthes rosea*, *Physoptegia Vivid* and the following Dahlias: *Amelia Earhart*, *Oakleigh Monarch*, *Challenger*, *Lord of Autumn*, *Hunt's Velvet Wonder*, *Elissa Landi* and *Kentucky Midnight*.

This display won the blue ribbon for a trade exhibit of 150 square feet.

Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, winner of first prize for 100 foot display, featured a central vase of *Sun Rays*, placed over a showing of *Straight's White*. Flanked on the left was *Red Jug* and at the right Mrs. George Le Boutillier. *Volcano* and *Rudolf's Giant*, massive autumns contrasted a huge vase of *Bernice Geer* (which also won as cactus seedling). *Betty Lindgren*, *W. J. Wyllie* and *Purple Mist* completed this exhibit.

Albert Parrella, New York City, exhibited his gold colored seedling that was selected by Miss Ada Hoffman.

The Coronation was the theme of his display. A jeweled crown placed on a blue silk pillow, which rested



Commercial Display which won a Blue Ribbon for Albert Parrella of New York City.

—Photo by Albert Humble

on two golden columns, had for a background baskets of *Julia Irene*, *Miss F. W. Lord*, *Miss Oakland*, *California Idol*, *A. L. Alexander* and *Mrs. James Roosevelt*.

Parrella's exhibit was the winner in the fifty foot class.

Sanhican Gardens, Trenton, N. J., had a very tastily arranged exhibit featuring poms and miniatures, also huge vases of large flowering types, mammoth blooms of *Rudolf's Giant*, *Sultan of Hillcrest*, *Watchung Giant* and *Milton J. Cross*.

S. Yohe Veile, Easton, Pennsylvania, showed excellent blooms of their introductions, *Lily Poms* and *C. C. McIntyre*. We were also accorded a "peep" at a two-year seedling, an immense beautifully formed pink semi-cactus. The blossom was slightly off-center but it will bear strict watching as a "future great."

The exhibit of C. Louis Alling consisted of four large vases for a background with a handsome front of poms and miniatures including the 1937 *Baby Francis*.

This display featured a seedling *G-10*, a maroon velvety red, large, deep informal decorative which attracted the attention of Dahlia fans.

Showing fifty square feet of striking blooms of *Cornell* his recently introduced bi-color, A. J. Burgard, North

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## New York Show—Cont. from page 9

Plainfield, N. J., made a very creditable display in his initial entry showing as a professional.

The flower is maroon with white tipped petals, the exact colors of the university for which it was named.

Queens Dahlia Gardens, Flushing, L. I., exhibited a round table display, at the foot of which were baskets of *Governor Pinchot*, *Sultan of Hillcrest*, and the European cactus *George Pezant*.

J. A. Kemp, Little Silver, N. J., exhibited three tiers which contained huge vases of *Jack Benny*, *Yankee Royal*, *Freckles*, *Purple Wonder* and a pink seedling of *Murphy's Masterpiece* and *Ida Perkins*. There was usually an interested group at Daddy Kemp's display.

One of the most artistic arrangements of the entire Show was that staged by the Evergreen Farms, Elberon, N. J. It consisted of a grassed plot, surrounded by a low rustic picket fence having a centerpiece of three pond lily type Dahlias floating in a shallow dish and backed by three huge vases of *Jane Cowl*, *Mrs. A. B. Seal* and *Monmouth Champion* with two side pieces of pompons.

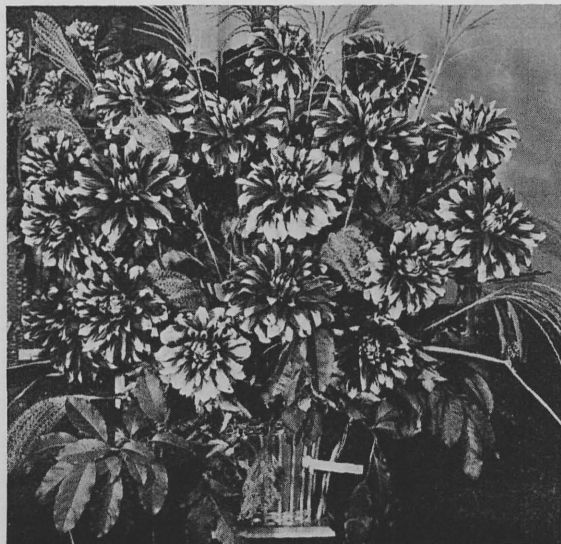
This concern also won many awards in the competitive classes.

### Garden Club Section

The Garden Club Section presented innumerable very fine entries in garden flowers, Dahlias large and small and exceptionally fine arrangements. Mrs. Georgena Humble excelled her work of other years in managing this important part of our Show so successfully. Details are omitted here, as Mrs. Humble's complete report appears elsewhere in this issue.

Basket of Bi-Colors exhibited by Edward Ilsey, Devon, Pa., won President's Cup offered by Lynn B. Dudley.

—Photo by Albert Humble



## Prize Winners

### Section AA

For those other than professional gardeners who have never exhibited at an A. D. S. Show and grow 60 hills or less, exclusive of pompons, singles, seedlings and miniatures and do not issue lists of any kind offering stock for sale.

**Cactus**—Incurved, straight or semi-cactus, 3 blooms, B—medium. William H. Bolland, Eatontown, N. J., "Paul Pitzer."

**Decorative**—B—medium. William H. Bolland, "Jersey White Beauty."

**Decorative**—A—large. William H. Bolland, "King Alfred" and "Lord of Autumn;" second, George Schust, Hartsdale, N. Y.

**Miniature**—5 blooms. Fred W. Tiff, Newark, N. J., "Baby Royal;" second, Andrew C. Selz, New Rochelle, N. Y.

**Pompons**—5 blooms. Fred W. Tiff, "Little Edith."

**Any other type**—5 blooms. William H. Bolland.

**Special**—most outstanding entry in this section and sweepstakes—William H. Bolland.

### Section A

For those other than professional gardeners who grow 100 hills or less, exclusive of pompons, singles, seedlings and miniatures and do not issue lists of any kind offering stock for sale.

**Cactus**—Incurved, straight or semi-cactus, 3 blooms, B—medium, flowers 3½ to 7 inches. White—Dr. Walter Bedell, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., "Jersey Dainty," Yellow—L. F. Fox, Bellrose, L. I., "Victoria;" second, Dr. Walter Bedell, Orange—Dr. Walter Bedell, "Miss Belgium," Red—Dr. Walter Bedell, "Ducinea," Pink—Dr. Walter Bedell, "Baerne," Lavender—Dr. Walter Bedell, "Rheinbolt's Masterpiece," Purple—William A. Warren, Plainfield, N. J., "Farncot," Arrangement—7 to 15 blooms—Dr. Walter Bedell. Special—most outstanding entry—L. F. Fox.

**Decorative**—Formal or informal, 3 blooms, B—medium, flowers 3½ to 7 inches. Yellow—Dr. Walter Bedell, "Mrs. A. T. Bunyard;" second, Charles Mason, Elizabeth, N. J., Orange—Charles Mason; second, L. F. Fox, Red—H. L. Stewart, Floral Park, L. I., "Cleopatras;" second, Arthur Roberts, Waterbury, Conn. Lavender—Dr. Walter Bedell, "Grace Curling;" second, Charles Mason. Bi-color—Dr. Walter Bedell. Basket of 10 to 18 blooms—Dr. Walter Bedell. Sweepstakes—Cactus and decorative, Dr. Walter Bedell.

**Cactus**—Incurved or straight, 1 bloom, A—large, over 7 inches. White—Dr. Walter Bedell, "Ballego's Surprise;" second, A. Swoboda, Ridgefield Park, N. J., Yellow—John R. Nichols, Freeport, L. I., "Frau Ida Mansfield;" second, A. Swoboda, Orange—Dr. Walter Bedell, "Freda Fortive," Red—A. Swoboda, "Son of Satan;" second Dr. Walter Bedell. Pink—Dr. Walter Bedell, "Greater Glory," Lavender—D. J. Sandt, Easton, Pa., "Miss West Virginia," Bi-color—Dr. Walter Bedell, "O. Helsdorf." Special—most outstanding entry in cactus classes—A. Swoboda, "Son of Satan."

**Semi-Cactus**—1 bloom, A—large, over 7 inches. White—Dr. Walter Bedell, "Ballego's Surprise;" second, F. J. Knocke, Yellow—William Flackman, West Englewood, N. J.; second, Dr. Walter Bedell, Orange—Charles Mason, "Amelia Earhart;" second, Fred J. Knocke, Red—Dr. Walter Bedell, "Satan;" second, Andrew Selz, Pink—Dr. Walter Bedell, "Greater Glory;" second, D. J. Sandt, Lavender—J. R. Nichols, "Miss West Virginia;" second, L. F. Fox, Purple—J. R. Nichols, "Jean Trimbee;" second, Dr. Walter Bedell. Bi-color—Dr. Walter Bedell, "The Duchess." Special—most outstanding entry in semi-cactus classes, Charles Mason, "Amelia Earhart." Sweepstakes, cactus and semi-cactus, Dr. Walter Bedell.

**Decorative**—Formal, 1 bloom, A—large, over 7 inches. Pink—J. R. Nichols, "Cameo;" second, William H. Bolland, "Jersey's Beauty," Lavender—James Lyons, New Brunswick, N. J., "Blue River;" second, Dr. Walter





Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, Rockville Centre, N. Y., 100-foot Display, First Prize Winner at Hotel Pennsylvania.

—Photo by Albert Humble

Bedell, "Wenoka." Purple—Dr. Walter Bedell, "A. L. Aleforda;" second, Mrs. Henry Tourch, Astoria, L. I. Bi-color, Alice Lind, Union, N. J., "Alice Lind." Special—most outstanding entry in decorative classes, A. Swoboda, "Monmouth Champion."

**Decorative**—Informal, 1 bloom, A—large, over 7 inches. White—A. Swoboda, "White Wonder." Yellow—A. Swoboda, "Milton Cross;" second, F. J. Knocke, "Lord of Autumn." Orange—D. J. Sandt, "Lily Pons;" second, A. Swoboda, "Monarch of the East." Red—A. Swoboda, "Murphy's Masterpiece;" second, F. J. Knocke, "Murphy's Masterpiece." Pink—F. J. Knocke, "Kathleen Norris;" second, Dr. Walter Bedell, "Kathleen Norris." Lavender—F. J. Knocke, "Robert L. Ripley;" second, J. R. Nichols, "Eagle Rock Fantasy." Purple—A. Swoboda, "Daddy Kemp;" second, Dr. Walter Bedell. Bi-color—A. Swoboda, "Freckles;" second, Dr. Walter Bedell, "Kentucky Sportsman." Special—most outstanding entry in informal decorative classes—A. Swoboda, "Milton J. Cross." Arrangement 5 to 10 blooms—A. Swoboda; second, Dr. Walter R. Bedell. Sweepstakes in all decorative classes—A. Swoboda. Special—largest and most perfect bloom—A. Swoboda, "Lord of Autumn;" second, Mrs. Wesley J. Hunter, Westwood, N. J., "Watchung Giant."

**Miniatures**—Any type, 5 blooms, one or more varieties. White—J. R. Nichols, "Coronne;" second, Dr. Walter Bedell, "Easter Greeting." Orange—Dr. Walter Bedell. Red—Paul W. Doll, White Plains, N. Y., "Bishop of Landaff." Pink—A. Swoboda, "Little Fairy;" second, J. R. Nichols, "Capture." Lavender—Dr. Walter Bedell, "Orchid Lady." Bowl of miniatures, 10 to 20 blooms—A. Swoboda. Arrangement of miniatures in any container, not less than 20 blooms—F. J. Knocke; second, Dr. Walter Bedell.

**Pompons**—5 blooms. White—J. R. Nichols, "Dot." Yellow—Paul W. Doll, "Little Edith;" second, Mrs. Wesley J. Hunter, "Little Edith." Red—A. Swoboda, "Johnny Peppin;" second, Dr. Walter R. Bedell. Lav-

ender—J. R. Nichols, "Nerissa;" second, Charles Mason. Arrangement of pompons in any container, not less than 20 blooms—Dr. Walter Bedell; second, A. Swoboda. Sweepstakes, miniatures and pompons—Dr. Walter Bedell.

**Ball Dahlias**—3 blooms. White—Dr. Walter Bedell, "Salem;" second, H. L. Stewart, Floral Park, L. I., "Mary Helen." Pink or lavender—William A. Warren, Plainfield, N. J., "Supt. Amhryn."

**Single Dahlias**—5 blooms, any one variety or color—L. F. Fox, "Pequet Yellow;" second, Mrs. W. J. Hunter. Sweepstakes—ball and single dahlias, tie—Dr. Walter Bedell and William A. Warren.

**Special**—Central States Dahlia Society Silver Cup and A. D. S. Bronze Medal for best specimen bloom shown by an amateur in Section A—A. Swoboda, "Milton J. Cross."

**Grand Sweepstakes**—President's Silver Cup—Dr. Walter Bedell.

## Section B

For those other than professional gardeners who grow more than 100 but less than 300 hills exclusive of pompons, singles, seedlings, and miniatures and do not issue lists of any kind offering stock for sale.

**Cactus**—Incurved, straight or semi-cactus, 3 blooms, B—medium, flowers  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 7 inches. Yellow—Fred A. Calkins, Waterbury, Conn., "Frau O. Bracht." Red—V. Sigismundi, Teaneck, N. J., "Leiden's Elegance;" second, R. W. Webb, Scranton, Pa., "R. W. Webb." "Policinella;" second, Fred A. Calkins. Bi-color—M. F. Untermeyer, Butler, N. J., "Farncot." Basket—R.

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Miss Ada Hoffman, charming daughter of Gov. and Mrs. Harry Hoffman of New Jersey, honors "Gold" dahlia with her name. Albert Parella will introduce this dahlia.

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W. Webb. Special—most outstanding entry—V. Sigismundi.

**Decorative**—Formal or informal, 3 blooms, B—medium, flowers  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 7 inches. White—Fred A. Calkins. Yellow—R. W. Webb. Sweepstakes—Fred A. Calkins.

**Cactus**—Incurved or straight, 1 bloom, A—large, over 7 inches. White or yellow—V. Sigismundi, "Royal Purchase." Pink or lavender—V. Sigismundi, "Greater Glory;" second, Edward J. O'Keefe, Cold Spring, N. Y. Special—most outstanding entry—V. Sigismundi.

**Semi-Cactus**—1 bloom, A—large, over 7 inches. White—Ed. J. O'Keefe, "America's Purity;" second, Arthur Roberts, Waterbury, Conn. Yellow—V. Sigismundi, "Bright Star;" second, Ed. J. O'Keefe, Orange—Ed. J. O'Keefe, "Amelia Earhart." Red—F. R. Krugenknabe, Hackensack, N. J., "Satan;" second, Ed. J. O'Keefe. Pink—Ed. J. O'Keefe, "Greater Glory;" second, V. Sigismundi. Lavender—R. W. Webb, "Grace Curling." Bi-color—V. Sigismundi, "New Glory." Special—most outstanding entry—F. R. Krugenknabe. Basket, incurved, straight or semi-cactus—R. W. Webb. Sweepstakes—V. Sigismundi.

**Decorative**—Informal, 1 bloom, over 7 inches. White—Ed. J. O'Keefe, "Mother Maytrott;" second, Miss Matie Mann, Saugerties, N. Y. Yellow—V. Sigismundi, "Lord of Autumn." Orange—Ed. J. O'Keefe, "Jim Baxter;" second, M. F. Untermeyer. Red—Ed. J. O'Keefe, "Murphy's Masterpiece;" second, F. R. Krugenknabe. Pink—Ed. J. O'Keefe, "Frieda George;" second, V. Sigismundi. Lavender—R. W. Webb, "Grace Curling." Purple—Miss Matie Mann, "Hunt's Velvet Wonder;" second, Ed. J. O'Keefe. Bi-color—Ed. J. O'Keefe, "Freckles;" second, M. F. Untermeyer. Special—most outstanding entry—Ed. J. O'Keefe.

**Decorative**—Formal, 1 bloom, over 7 inches. White—Ed. J. O'Keefe, "White Abundance." Yellow—Ed. J. O'Keefe, "Kentucky Sun." Orange—M. F. Untermeyer, "Orange Lady." Red—Ed. J. O'Keefe, "Fireball." Pink—Ed. J. O'Keefe, "Severin's Triumph;" second, R. W. Webb. Lavender—Charles Dedrich, Port Jervis, N. Y., "Judge Seabury;" second, Ed. J. O'Keefe. Purple—M. F. Untermeyer, "The World;" second, R. W. Webb, "Purple Mist." Bi-color—Arthur Roberts, "Elite

Sport;" second, R. W. Webb, "Haslerova." Special—most outstanding entry—Ed. J. O'Keefe, "White Abundance." Basket—Formal or informal decorative, 8 to 15 blooms—Ed. J. O'Keefe, "California Idol," "Fireball," "Freckles," "Milton J. Cross," "Mother Maytrott;" second, R. W. Webb, "Pink Seedling." Sweepstakes, decorative—Ed. J. O'Keefe. Special—any type—largest and most perfect bloom—Ed. J. O'Keefe, "Greater Glory."

**Miniatures**—Any type, 5 blooms. White—R. W. Webb, "Coronne." Yellow—Ed. J. O'Keefe; second, R. W. Webb. Orange—R. W. Webb, "Buckeye Baby;" second, Ed. J. O'Keefe, "Baby Royal." Red—M. F. Untermeyer, "Teddy Bear;" second, Ellen S. Bullus, Meriden, Conn., "Bishop of Landaff." Pink—Fred A. Calkins, "Fairy;" second, R. W. Webb, "Baby Royal." Bi-color—no first award, R. W. Webb second, "Little Nemo." Bowl of miniatures—no first award; second, Ellen S. Bullus, "Judith" and "Bishop of Landaff." Basket of miniatures—R. W. Webb. Arrangement of miniatures—Ellen S. Bullus, "Rhoda," "Irene" and "Baby Royal." Special—most outstanding entry—arrangement—Ellen S. Bullus.

**Pompons**—5 blooms. White—M. F. Untermeyer, "Snowclad," second, Ellen S. Bullus, "Joe Fette." Yellow—Ellen S. Bullus, "Dottie Dimple;" second, Arthur Roberts, "Yellow Gem." Orange—Ellen S. Bullus, "Hilda Searle;" second, Arthur Roberts, "Little Edith." Red—Arthur Roberts, "Johnny;" second, V. Sigismundi, "Little Beeswing," "Jack" and "Little Red Riding Hood." Pink—R. W. Webb, "Nerissa" and "Betty Anne;" second, Ellen S. Bullus, "Bebe." Lavender—Ellen S. Bullus, "Dee Dee;" second, R. W. Webb, "Dee Dee." Purple—R. W. Webb, "Sherry;" second, Ellen S. Bullus, "Little Bugler." Bi-color—R. W. Webb, "Minnie Mouse;" second, Fred A. Calkins, "Little Lloyd." Bowl of pompons—Ellen S. Bullus, "Little David," "Honey," "Hazel" and "Dandy;" second, R. W. Webb. Basket of pompons—R. W. Webb, "Betty Anne," "Minnie House," "Aimee," "Honey." Special—most outstanding entry—Ellen S. Bullus. Sweepstakes—miniatures and pompons—R. W. Webb.

**Ball Dahlias**—3 blooms. White—Fred A. Calkins, "Golden Opportunity." Orange or red—second, R. W. Webb, "Miss Helen Hollis." Pink or lavender—M. F. Untermeyer, "Supt. Amrhyn." Special—most outstanding entry—Fred A. Calkins.

**Single Dahlias**—5 blooms, any color—R. W. Webb.

**Orchid Flowering Dahlias**—Arrangement—R. W. Webb. Sweepstakes—R. W. Webb. Grand sweepstakes, Section B—R. W. Webb.

## Section C—Open to All

**Cactus**—Incurved or straight, 3 blooms, B—medium,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 7 inches. White—Dr. Bruce Preas, Rockville Centre, L. I., "Jersey Dainty." Yellow—M. F. Untermeyer; second, Dr. Bruce Preas. Orange—J. J. Polinsky, Naponoh, N. Y.; second, M. F. Untermeyer. Red—Walter H. Ostrander, Kingston, N. Y., "Laiden's Elegance;" second, Dr. Bruce Preas, "Red Knight." Pink—M. F. Untermeyer; second, Dr. Bruce B. Preas. Bi-color—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Farncot." Special—most outstanding entry—W. Ostrander.

**Semi-Cactus**—3 blooms, B—medium,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 7 inches. Orange—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Betty Lindgren." Pink—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Seedling No. 387." Lavender—W. H. Ostrander, "Lavender Edge." Bi-color—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Bird of Paradise." Special—most outstanding entry—W. Ostrander. Sweepstakes—Dr. Bruce Preas.

**Decorative**—Informal, 5 blooms, B—medium,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 7 inches. Orange—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Seedling No. 11." Special—Dr. Bruce Preas.

**Decorative**—Formal, 5 blooms, B—medium,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 7 inches. Yellow—M. F. Untermeyer. Red—Anton Fuchs, Islip Terrace, Staten Island, "Long Island Red." Pink—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Seedling No. 8." Special—most outstanding entry—M. F. Untermeyer. Sweepstakes—Dr. Bruce Preas.

**Cactus**—Incurved or straight, 3 blooms, A—large, over 7 inches. White—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Ballego's Surprise." Orange—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Ambassador." Red—Dr. Bruce Preas, "American Triumph." Pink—E. J. O'Keefe, "Sleepy Hollow." Lavender—E. J. O'Keefe, "Miss West Virginia." Special—most outstanding—Dr. Bruce Preas, "American Triumph." Vase cactus, 12, blooms—V. Sigismundi.



**Semi-Cactus**—3 blooms, A—large, over 7 inches. White—Fred J. Knocke, "Ballego's Surprise;" second, Dr. Bruce Preas, "Seedling No. 1." Yellow—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Miss Glory;" second, V. Sigismundi. Orange—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Amelia Earhart." Red—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Satan." Pink—E. J. O'Keefe, "Greater Glory;" second, Dr. Bruce Preas, "Seedling No. 57." Lavender—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Betty Davis." Purple—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Betty Davis." Special—most outstanding entry—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Amelia Earhart." Sweepstakes—Dr. Bruce Preas.

**Decorative**—Informal, 3 blooms, A—large, over 7 inches. White—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Straight's White." Yellow—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Lord of Autumn;" second, E. J. O'Keefe. Orange—V. Sigismundi, "Watching Giant;" second, W. Etherington. Red—Warren Breing, Nazareth, Pa., "Mrs. George Le Boutellier." Pink—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Kathleen Norris." Purple—V. Sigismundi, "Royal Robe;" second, Dr. Bruce Preas. Bi-color—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Phantom." Special—most outstanding entry—Dr. Bruce B. Preas, "Lord of Autumn."

**Decorative**—Formal, 3 blooms, A—large, over 7 inches. White—Mrs. D. Granger, Deal, N. J., "White Kermit." Yellow—M. F. Untermeyer. Orange—C. J. Coulter, Tuxedo Park, N. Y., "Monmouth Champion." Red—Charles Dedrich, "Major Bowes;" second, Dr. Bruce Preas. Pink—C. J. Coulter, "Wenoka;" second, Dr. Bruce Preas. Purple—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Purple Mist." Bi-color—Dr. Preas, "Haslerova." Special—most outstanding entry—C. J. Coulter, "Wenoka." Sweepstakes—Dr. Bruce Preas. Vase or container—decoratives, large, 12 blooms, any color—W. Etherington, "Early Gold." Special—largest and most perfect bloom—William Flackman, "American Legion." Grand sweepstakes—Gov. Hoffman trophy—Dr. Bruce Preas.

**Miniatures**—Any type, 5 blooms. White—Dr. Bruce Preas, "White Pearl." Yellow—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Dahliad Joy." Orange—M. F. Untermeyer; second, Dr. Bruce Preas. Red—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Glorious;" second, Mrs. J. A. Haskell, Red Bank, N. J. Pink—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Fugi San." Bowl miniatures, 10 to 20 blooms—M. Untermeyer. Basket of miniatures, 15 to 30 blooms—M. Untermeyer. Arrangement of miniatures, 20 to 50 blooms—Mrs. Perry O'Neal, Indianapolis,

Indiana; second, W. Etherington. Cactus—incurved, straight or semi-cactus, 5 blooms—W. H. Ostrander, "Baby Royal;" second, Dr. Bruce Preas. Decorative—formal or informal, 5 blooms, any color—Dr. Bruce Preas. Peony (open centered), 5 blooms—Mrs. Perry O'Neal; second, Dr. Bruce Preas. Special—most outstanding entry—Mrs. Perry O'Neal. Sweepstakes—M. F. Untermeyer.

**Pompons**—10 blooms. White—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Bob White;" second, Mrs. D. Granger. Yellow—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Yellow Gem." Orange—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Little Edith;" second, Mrs. J. Haskell. Red—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Atom;" second, Mrs. D. Granger. Pink—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Nerissa." Lavender—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Mary Munns." Purple—Arthur Roberts, "Sherry;" second, M. F. Untermeyer. Bi-color—Mrs. D. Granger, "Little Jo;" second, Dr. Bruce Preas. Bowl of pompons, 10 to 20 blooms—M. F. Untermeyer. Basket of pompons, 15 to 30 blooms—Mrs. D. Granger; second, The Homestead. Arrangement of pompons, 20 to 50 blooms—The Homestead; second, Ellen S. Bullus. Special—most outstanding entry—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Little Edith." Sweepstakes, tie—Mrs. D. Granger and The Homestead.

**Ball Dahlias**—3 blooms. Yellow—R. W. Webb, "Mary Helen." Pink—J. Etherington, "Supt. Amhryn." Lavender—J. A. Kemp, "Carolyn Ball." Special—most outstanding entry—J. Etherington.

**Single Dahlias**—9 blooms, any color—J. A. Kemp, "Joe's Dream;" second, Dr. Bruce Preas. Arrangement basket of singles—Mrs. D. Granger; second, Walter Ostrander.

**Collarette Dahlias**—7 blooms, any color—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Preakness;" second, Mrs. D. Granger. Basket of collarettes—M. F. Untermeyer, Jr.; second, Dr. Bruce Preas.

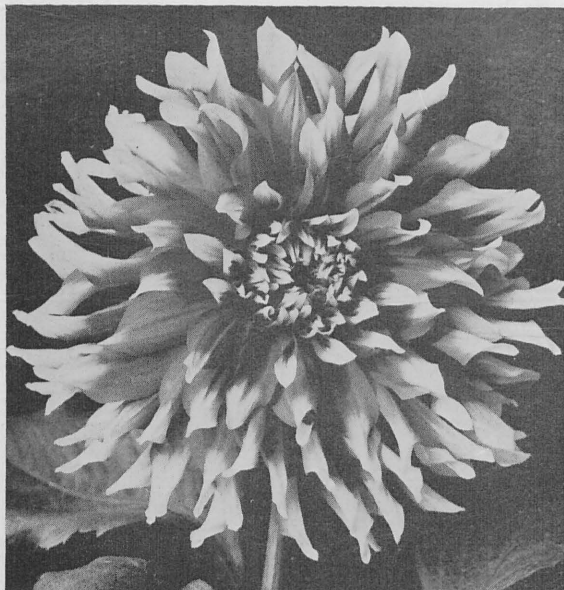
**Orchid Flowering Dahlias**—Arrangement of orchid flowering Dahlias—Dr. Bruce Preas, "Leopold;" second, The Homestead. Sweepstakes—ball, single, collarette and orchid flowering—Dr. Bruce Preas. Sweepstakes—Dr. Bruce Preas.

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E. E. Tooker, Rockville Centre, Stages Impressive Display in Memory of the late Charles G. Reed. The Varieties are of Mr. Reed's Introduction—Satan, Margaret Broomall, and Murphy's Masterpiece.

—Photo by Albert Humble





CORNELL, Garnet and White Informal Decorative which attracted much attention. A. J. Burgard, North Plainfield, N. J., originator.

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### Section D—Private Estates with a Gardener

**Basket of Dahlias, not over 25 blooms**—B—medium. 3½ to 7 inches. Louis B. Tim, Long Branch, N. J., gardener, William Wagstaff, "Jersey Beauty;" second, Edward Ilsley, Devon, Pa., gardener, King Irvine, "Mrs. Clark."

**Basket of Dahlias, not over 20 blooms**—over 7 inches—Edward Ilsley, "Kathleen Norris."

**Cactus**—Incurved or straight, 5 blooms, over 3½ inches—Louis B. Tim, "Golden Standard;" second, Charles J. Coulter, Tuxedo Park, N. Y., gardener, Louis Fioretti.

**Semi-Cactus**—5 blooms, over 7 inches—Edward Ilsley, "Satan;" second, R. L. G. Auchincloss, Tuxedo Park, N. Y., gardener, Samuel Frazer.

**Decorative**—Informal, 5 blooms, over 7 inches—Mrs. E. Adee, Tuxedo Park, N. Y., gardener, James Barrelli, "Jane Cowl;" second, R. L. G. Auchincloss, "Lord of Autumn."

**Decorative**—Formal, 5 blooms, over 7 inches—Mrs. E. Adee, "Monmouth Champion;" second, Charles J. Coulter, "Monmouth Champion."

**Largest and most perfect bloom**—R. L. G. Auchincloss, "California Idol."

**Ball**—5 blooms—Mrs. E. Adee, "Supt. Amrhyh;" second, Edward Ilsley, "Supt. Amrhyh."

**Single**—12 blooms—Louis B. Tim; second, Edward Ilsley.

**Collarette**—7 blooms—Edward Ilsley, "Metz;" second, Louis B. Tim.

**Arrangement of orchid flowering Dahlias**—Louis B. Tim; second, The Homestead, West End, N. J., gardener, Jerry Disconi.

**White**—5 blooms, any type, over 7 inches—Louis B. Tim; second, Edward Ilsley.

**Yellow**—5 blooms, any type, over 7 inches—R. L. G.

Auchincloss, "California Idol;" second, Edward Ilsley, "California Idol."

**Orange**—5 blooms, any type, over 7 inches—Edward Ilsley, "Sultan of Hillcrest;" second, Mrs. E. Adee.

**Red**—5 blooms, any type, over 7 inches—Edward Ilsley, "Mrs. George Le Boutillier;" second, R. L. G. Auchincloss, "Murphy's Masterpiece."

**Pink**—5 blooms, any type, over 7 inches—Edward Ilsley, "Kathleen Norris;" second, Mrs. E. Adee, "Kathleen Norris."

**Lavender**—5 blooms, any type, over 7 inches—Louis B. Tim; second, Edward Ilsley, "Clara Barton."

**Purple**—5 blooms, any type, over 7 inches—Mrs. E. Adee; second, Edward Ilsley.

**Bi-color**—5 blooms, any type, over 7 inches—Edward Ilsley, "Challenger."

**Collection of pompons**—4 varieties, 5 blooms of each variety—Mrs. H. I. Riker; second, Edward Ilsley.

**Grand sweepstakes**—Editor's cup to Edward Ilsley.

### Section E—Commercial

**Dahlia trade exhibit of 200 square feet**—Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J.

**Dahlia trade exhibit of 150 square feet**—Peter Henderson & Co., New York City.

**Dahlia trade exhibit of 100 square feet**—Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, Rockville Centre, L. I.

**Dahlia trade exhibit of 50 square feet**—Albert Parrilla, Ely Avenue, Bronx, N. Y.; second, Sanhican Gardens, Trenton, N. J.; third, J. A. Kemp.

**Arrangement of A**—large Dahlias, any type, over 7 inches, in a commercial exhibit—Evergreen Gardens; second, Sanhican Gardens.

**Arrangement of B**—medium Dahlias, 3½ to 7 inches, in a commercial exhibit—Sanhican Gardens; second, Evergreen Gardens.

**Arrangement of miniatures**—25 or more blooms—Sanhican Gardens; second, Evergreen Gardens.

**Arrangement of pompons**—25 or more—Evergreen Gardens; second, Sanhican Gardens.

**Most outstanding commercial exhibit**—A. D. S. Gold Medal—Dahliadel Nurseries (also winner of New Jersey Society Gold Medal for best commercial exhibit—see Section I).

### Section F—Undisseminated Dahlias

**Semi-Cactus**—medium—Fred A. Calkins, Waterbury, Connecticut.

**Decorative**—Informal—medium—C. H. Stoeckel, Clark Summit, Pa.

BERNICE GEER, Pink overlaid Salmon, winner of first prize Cactus Undisseminated. Exhibited by Geneva Dahlia Gardens, Geneva, O.





**Decorative**—Formal, medium—Dr. Walter R. Bedell, also special, best medium, undisseminated.

**Miniature**—cactus—incurved, straight or semi-cactus—Dahliadel Nurseries, first and second.

**Miniature**—decorative—formal or informal—Dahliadel Nurseries; second, Sanhican Gardens.

**Miniature**—any other type—Dahliadel Nurseries.

**Cactus**—Incurved, 3 blooms, A—large—Geneva Dahlia Gardens, Geneva, Ohio, "Bernice Geer;" second, Stanley Johnson, Cheltenham, Pa.

**Semi-Cactus**—3 blooms, A—large—S. Yohe Veile, Easton, Pa.; second, Vincent Montanti, Ft. Wadsworth, Staten Island.

**Decorative**—Informal, A—large—Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, Rockville Centre, L. I., "Straight's White" (also won Derrill W. Hart Memorial medal); second, J. Etherington, Westwood, N. J.

**Decorative**—Formal, A—large—S. Yohe Veile.

**Pompons**—Mrs. H. I. Riker; second, Geneva Dahlia Gardens, "Miss Doloris."

**Orchid flowering**—C. H. Stoeckel.

**Any other type**—Dahliadel Nurseries.

**Special**—Most outstanding undisseminated Dahlia, A. D. S. highest award, the Derrill W. Hart Memorial Gold Medal, offered each year in commemoration of Derrill Hart's work in the advancement of the Dahlia. Won by Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens with "Straight's White."

**American Home Achievement Medal** in silver, offered to the most worthy undisseminated Dahlia—Fred Dixon, Scotch Plains, N. J., "Mildred Pote."

**Charles H. Ruscher Memorial cup** for the 3 best blooms of variety certified at an A. D. S. Official Trial Grounds in 1936 or 1937—Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens.

## Section H

### Open only to members of the Dahlia Society of New Jersey

#### Non-Commercial Type Classes over 7 inches

**Cactus**—Incurved or straight, 1 bloom—Louis B. Tim, "Golden Standard;" second, A. Swoboda, "American Triumph."

**Semi-Cactus**—1 bloom—Louis B. Tim, "Amelia Earhart."

**Decorative**—Formal, 1 bloom—A. Swoboda, "Monarch of the East."

**Decorative**—Informal, 1 bloom—Louis B. Tim, "Carl Dahl;" A. Swoboda, "America's Sweetheart."

#### Open to All

**Cactus**—Incurved or straight, 3 blooms—A. Swoboda, "Mrs. Bruce Collins;" second, Miss Virginia Stout, Short Hills, N. J.

**Semi-Cactus**—3 blooms—A. Swoboda, "Jessica Dragonette."

**Decorative**—Informal, 3 blooms—A. Swoboda, "Freckles" and "Murphy's Masterpiece;" second, M. F. Untermeyer, "Monmouth Champion."

**Grand Sweepstakes**—New Jersey silver medal—A. Swoboda.

#### Type Classes—Smaller Sizes—Non-Commercial

**Miniatures**—5 blooms, cactus, incurved, straight or semi-cactus—Louis B. Tim, "Dubonnet." Miniatures, 5 blooms, decorative, formal or informal—Miss Virginia Stout, "Forest Fire, Jr.;" second, Louis B. Tim, "Willy Von Oulden." Sweepstakes—Louis B. Tim.

#### Open to All

**Pompons**—Bowl or basket, 10 to 20 blooms—Louis B. Tim; second, Mrs. Charles Bahr, Verona, N. J. Arrangement, 5 to 15 blooms, any other type up to 7 inches—Louis B. Tim; second, M. F. Untermeyer.



CARL DAHL, Originated by Mrs. A. B. Scott, won first prize in the New Jersey Section. This impressive specimen was exhibited by Louis B. Tim, Long Branch, N. J.

## Section I—Specials—Open to All

**Bi-color**—President's cup for the best basket display of not less than 10 blooms of bi-colors—Edward Ilsley, "Phantom."

**Silver Medal of National Dahlia Society of England** awarded to the most artistic arrangement of Dahlias in the Show—Mrs. Fred Lewis, Little Neck, L. I.

**Dahlia Society of California Medal** for best basket of Dahlias of California introduction—Louis B. Tim.

**Ohio Valley Dahlia Association meritorious award** for the most outstanding vase or basket of Dahlias in the Show—Edward Ilsley, "Kathleen Norris."

**Dahlia Society of Belgium medal** for collection of imported cactus Dahlias, including incurved, straight or semi-cactus—C. H. Lewis, New York City.

**Court of Honor Class**—One bloom, A—large. Dahlia Society of New Jersey Silver Medal—Fred J. Knocke, New York City.

**Dahlia Society of New Jersey Gold Medal** for the best commercial exhibit in the Show—Dahliadel Nurseries.

## Garden Club Section

*Reported by Georgena Humble*

The Garden Club exhibits numbering two hundred sixty were made by forty-three exhibitors from New York, New Jersey and Connecticut.

Many fine Dahlia exhibits of the large types flanked one side of the long Show room. These, and tall spikes of gladiolus at the end of the room, made a perfect background for the Dahlia arrangements and smaller types of Dahlias, together with the gay garden flowers of

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Miss Margaret Lloyd, beautiful daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward B. Lloyd, poses with Garden Club Tri-Color winner, "Sultan of Hillcrest" exhibited by A. S. Van Denburgh.

—Photo by Albert Humble

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the autumn. Berry-bearing shrubs and many varieties of plant materials added color and attracted attention in all parts of the Garden Club display.

Among the large flowering Dahlias shown, the *Sultan of Hillcrest*, exhibited by A. S. Van Denburgh, was the outstanding Dahlia and was awarded the tri-color for the best Dahlia in this part of the Show. Competition was keen for there were many fine blooms from which the judges had difficulty choosing one that was superior to all others.

Miniatures and pompons shown by amateurs were finer than any ever before exhibited in this section. These could not have been excelled for perfection of form and color.

There were many distinctive arrangements. The honor of the silver medal of the National Dahlia Society of England, offered for the most artistic arrangement of Dahlias in the entire Show, came to the Garden Club Section this year. Mrs. Frederick Lewis won this high award with a skillful composition of *Jane Cowl* Dahlias placed with oxydendrum foliage in a container whose color blended harmoniously with the same autumn tones as in the blossoms and foliage.

Each year the gladiolus exhibits excel the previous season's display, and at this Show there were some especially fine blooms.

It is interesting to note the recent types of garden flowers being grown by amateurs. Many exhibits attracted the keen interest of visitors who questioned fully the names of varieties and where such could be obtained. Among these were some especially choice celosia specimens with very large heads of unusual color and forma-

tion, a spray of liatris, and some chrysanthemum flowered marigolds of 1937 introduction. Another of the unusual exhibits was an interpretation of the seasons which Mrs. Magoffin had skillfully made in four gilded cigar boxes, using the same landscape scene in each box, but changing the plant materials to have them appropriate to the season represented.

We are indebted to Mrs. Moses W. Faitoute of Short Hills, N. J., for her gift again this year of a beautiful silver bowl offered as a sweepstake prize to the person winning the greatest number of blue ribbons for both days. A member of the Central Garden Club of Brooklyn, Mrs. Tom Cummings, most deservedly won this high honor with eight first prizes.

The Community Garden Club of Bellerose, Long Island, won the sweepstake for the Garden Club having the highest score, with six blue ribbons and five red ribbons.

The tri-color for the second day was won by Mrs. Magoffin for a distinctive arrangement of white flowers with gray green foliage.

The committee was pleased to have included classes for juniors on the second day, but apparently the little ones were timid about getting their Dahlias to New York. At least a beginning has been made and this stepping stone for juniors may rapidly grow during the coming year when they will acquire more knowledge and experience in growing and exhibiting Dahlias. Those who made entries this year, eagerly await next season when they plan to show the benefits derived from their first year's exhibit.

An efficient committee of women experienced in Garden Club work in various parts of New York, New Jersey and Connecticut are responsible for the success of the Garden Club Section, and our sincere appreciation is extended to all on this committee, who so willingly gave their time and assistance in carrying out the Society's plans for the Show. The committee follows:

#### Committee

Chairman: Mrs. Albert Humble, 232 Ridge Road, Douglaston, L. I., N. Y.

Long Island: Miss Olivia J. Norris, Douglaston, N. Y.; Mrs. Grace M. Coyle, Douglaston, N. Y.; Mrs. A. N. Moeller, Bellrose, N. Y.; Mrs. W. C. Wheeler, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Staten Island: Mrs. Wilmund S. Winant, Prince Bay, S. I., N. Y.; Mrs. W. H. Pott, Rose Bank, S. I., N. Y.

New Jersey: Mrs. Moses Faitoute, Short Hills, N. J.; Mrs. H. D. Thomas, Paterson, N. J.; Mrs. Charles Bahr, Verona, N. J.

Connecticut: Mrs. George Green, Kensington, Conn.; Miss Mabel Bollerer, New Britain, Conn.

Awards for the Garden Club Section as follows:

#### Dahlias

**Decorative Dahlia**—First, A. S. Van Denburgh, North Plainfield, N. J.; second, John Nichols, Freeport, N. Y.; third, A. Romeril, Bellerose, L. I.



**Decorative Dahlias**—First, Mr. H. L. Stewart, Floral Park, L. I.; second, A. S. Van Denburg.

**Large Flowered Dahlias**—First, H. L. Stewart; second, John R. Nichols; third, A. S. Van Denburg.

**Cactus Dahlias**—First, H. L. Stewart; second, A. Romeril; third, Rufus E. Smith, Bellerose, L. I.

**Semi-Cactus Dahlias**—First, A. Romeril; second, Mrs. M. W. Faitoute, Short Hills, N. J.

**Single or Collarette Dahlias**—First, Miss Virginia Stout; second, Rufus E. Smith.

**Twelve pompons**—First, Dr. Roger W. Ryan, Dover, N. J.; second, Mrs. Charles Bahr.

**Three pompon varieties**—First, Mrs. Charles Bahr; second, Mrs. Charles E. Whitlock, Freeport, L. I.; third, Leon Fox, Bellerose, L. I.

**Miniature varieties**—First, John R. Nichols; second, Leon Fox.

**Small arrangement of Dahlias for desk**—First, Mrs. Prescott Hoard, Mount Vernon, N. Y.; second, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Conover, Oradell, N. J.

**One Dahlia bloom (arranged with suitable foliage)**—First, Mrs. Fred W. Lewis; second, Mrs. Charles H. Jeckel, Mount Vernon, N. Y.

**Dahlias (arranged on a mirror)**—First, Mrs. J. E. Rosenthal, Great Neck, L. I.; second, Mrs. George Thompson, Mount Vernon, N. Y.

**Single Dahlias (in any container)**—First, Mrs. George Green; second, Mrs. Prescott Hoard.

**Pompon Dahlias (arranged in any container)**—First, Mrs. Charles Whitlock; second, Mrs. George Green.

**Miniature Dahlias (arranged in any container)**—First, Mrs. Prescott Hoard; second, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Conover.

**Medium-sized Dahlias (arranged with other flowers and foliage in any container)**—First, Mrs. Fred W. Lewis; second, Mrs. Tom Cummings.

**Tricolor**—Mrs. Fred W. Lewis.

**Dahlias (arranged in metal container)**—First, Mrs. Prescott Hoard; second, Mrs. J. E. Rosenthal.

**Dahlias of one color (arranged in any container)**—First, Mrs. Fred W. Lewis; second, Mrs. Ralph Magoffin.

**Large arrangement of Dahlias, suitable for porch**—First, Mrs. Louis F. Lee, Hartsdale, N. Y.; second, Mrs. Prescott Hoard.

#### Asters

**Arrangement in any container**—First, Mrs. Tom Cummings; second, Mrs. George Thompson.

#### Celosia Plumosa

**Arrangement in any container**—First, Mrs. Tom Cummings; second, Mrs. Wesley Hunter, Westwood, N. J.

#### Delphinium

First, Mrs. Tom Cummings; second, Mrs. W. W. Carman, Summit, N. J.

#### Gladiolus

**Three spikes (one variety)**—Mrs. John A. Rapp, Purchase, N. Y.; second, Dr. Roger W. Ryan.

**Three spikes (one or more varieties)**—First, M. F. Untermeyer; second, Dr. Roger Ryan.

**Arrangement in any container**—First, Miss D. Kaupmann; second, Mrs. Tom Cummings.

#### Marigolds

**Arrangement of Yellow Supreme**—First, Mrs. William Joy; second, Mrs. D. C. Jones, Brooklyn.

**Arrangement of Guinea Gold**—First, Mrs. Tom Cummings; second, Mrs. D. C. Jones.

**Arrangement of Marigolds of recent introduction**—First, Mrs. William Joy; second, Douglaston Garden Club.

**Arrangement of French Marigolds**—First, Mrs. D. C. Jones; second, Mrs. George Thompson.

#### Petunias

**Arrangement of large flowered (one or more varieties)**—First, Mrs. Innis Brown, Douglaston, L. I.; second, Henry Elspas, Peekskill, N. Y.

**Arrangement of small flowered (one or more varieties)**—First, Mrs. Ralph Magoffin; second, Mrs. William Joy.

#### Roses

**One bloom hybrid tea**—First, Mrs. George Thompson; second, Mina Seder.

**Six blooms (one or more varieties)**—First, Rufus E. Smith; second, Mina Seder.

**Arrangement of Roses (in any container)**—First, Mrs. O. H. Langhans; second, Mrs. George Thompson.

#### Salvia

**Arrangement of blue (with other flowers and foliage)**—First, Mrs. William Joy; second, Mrs. Tom Cummings.

#### Sunflowers

**Arrangement in any container**—First, Mrs. Tom Cummings; second, Mrs. George Thompson.

#### Zinnias

**Ten blooms (one or more varieties)**—First, Henry Elspas; second, Henry Louch.

**Arrangement of large Zinnias**—First, Mrs. Tom Cummings; second, Mrs. B. C. Jones.

**Arrangement of small flowering types for color effect**—First, Mrs. Tom Cummings; second, Henry Elspas.

**Arrangement of Zinnias (any types or colors)**—First, Mrs. Innis Brown; second, Mrs. Magnus Norstad.

**Arrangement in any container (flowers and plant material not specified on schedule)**—First, Mrs. Ralph Magoffin; second, Mrs. O. H. Langhans.

**Special**—Mrs. Magnus Norstad, first.

**Arrangement of dry plant material (in any container)**—First, Mrs. Magnus Norstad; second, Mrs. George Thompson.

#### Miscellaneous

**Any flowers or plant material (arranged in a basket)**—Mrs. George Thompson.

**Arrangement using flowers and any green material in Combination**—First, Mrs. B. C. Jones; second, Mrs. George Thompson.

**Arrangement of any berry-bearing shrubs or vines or both**—First, Mrs. Fred W. Lewis; second, Mrs. George Thompson.

**Arrangement of any garden flowers (in any container suitable for placing before a mirror)**—First, Mrs. Fred W. Lewis; second, Mrs. D. C. Jones.

**Arrangement of white flowers (with grey-green plant material)**—Tricolor and first, Mrs. Ralph Magoffin; second, Mrs. George Green.

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Fred J. Knocke, New York City, won the New Jersey Silver Medal in the large "Court of Honor" class with this fine bloom of "Ballego's Surprise", white cactus.



# Cultural Checks in California Garden

*Valuable Contribution to Dahlia Knowledge Prepared by Mrs. R. C. Garner, Los Angeles*

It is almost the end of a most interesting season with the Dahlias. However the results from the check plots are complete enough to give a detailed report. There are six plots, each boxed with redwood, 100 square foot area. All plots are given identical initial treatment, i. e.: 5 bushels peat moss, 10# bone meal, this spaded to a good depth about the last of January, February, March, and April. The roots are put on the bench so green plants are ready for May 1st planting. Green plants were used entirely not taking more than six plants from each root to insure strong plants, the root is then destroyed. No overpropagated plants were used, or showing the least sign of infection or disease.

Planting was started May 1st, and completed by June 10th. Each plant was set in a basin dug to 12 inches deep, two handfuls each of bone meal, sand, and peat moss incorporated when setting the plants. This basin is gradually filled in to bed level with the development of the plant.

## *Cut and Wire Worms*

Beds #1, 3, 5, treated with Carbon-Bisulphide. Both favorable.

Beds #2, 4, 6, treated with Calcium Arsenate. 2# per plot.

All plants topped at 1 foot, leaving 4 to 6 laterals, according to strength. All laterals were disbudded on first growth. Second set of laterals were grown natural, many are setting seed now. All exhibition type bloom.

It may interest you to know not one case of stunt showed for me. I checked some cases of stunt in the gardens of our study group, some traced to overpropagated stock, and in some instances diseased soil was responsible. This soil was treated with permanganese of potash after losing healthy plants, as a test to determine condition of soil and strength of stock.

Considering our late season and several reactions in weather this season I had rather expected some losses but I did not lose one plant. A rigid routine was kept throughout the entire season, daily inspection, weekly spraying with New Evergreen (Pyrethrum) which I like very much. When the plants were about 20 inches high, the following formula was shook over the plants. This controlled all chewing insects, leaf hoppers and a goodly portion of the Diabroticas.

## *Dusting Formula*

10# tobacco dust, 5# dusting or flotation sulphur, 1# air slacked lime, ½# pyroclide dust, ½# calcium arsenate. This is sufficient for 300 plants one season.

## *Treatment of Plots*

PLOT #1—Planted May 1st to June 10th. When 1 foot high was fed 1 ounce 2-10-6; on July 1st week 6-8-6:3 lbs. per plot and second week, Bone Meal; on August 1st week, 15-21-15:1 lb. per plot; on August 4th week, Superphosphate 4# per plot, Potassium Chloride 1# per plot.

Rabbit litter for mulch. Flowers vivid in color, excellent foliage, bushes 5-6 foot height, firm necks, keeping quality very good. Flowers 11 inches diameter.

PLOT #3—Planted May 1st to June 10th. When 1 foot high, was fed on Superphosphate: 2 lb. per plot; on July 1st week, Bone Meal, 4 lb. per plot.

Rabbit litter for mulch. August 2nd week: 4-10-10:3# per plot.

Bushes were medium, 4 foot, flowers 9-10 inches diameter. Some droopy necks.

PLOT #5—Planted May 1st to June 10th. When 1 foot high, was fed 3# Bone Meal per plot; 1# blood meal per plot; on July 1st week, rabbit litter mulch; on August 1st week, 15-21-15:1# per plot; on September 1st week Bone Meal:3# per plot, Potash:1# per plot.

Tallest growth, 6 to 7 feet, blooms immense in size but held firmly. Stems seemed exceptionally brittle throughout plot.

PLOT #2—Planted May 1st to June 10th. When 1 foot high, was fed 1 pint liquid manure each; on July 1st week, 4-10-10:4# per plot; on August 1st week, 1# sulphate of potash per plot; on September 1st week, 1# sulphate of potash per plot; 4# Bone Meal per plot. Peat moss mulch.

Blooms less average, best in September. Bush height, 5 feet.

PLOT #4—Planted May 1st to June 10th. When 1 foot high, was fed 1# potassium chloride per plot; on July 1st week, Bone Meal 3#; on August 1st week, Sulphate of Ammonia:1#, Bone Meal:2#; on September 1st week, 1 inch cover dressing cow manure, 3# Bone Meal.

This plot produced more blooms per plant, abundance of green growth. Deepest in color comparison, firm long stems. Bush height 4-5 feet.

PLOT #6—Planted May 1st to June 10th. When 1 foot high, was fed liquid blood meal, weak solution; on July 1st week, 1# muriate of Potash, 3# Bone Meal; on August 1st week, 1# superphosphate, 1# potash, 3# Bone Meal; on September 1st week, 1# superphosphate, 1# potash, 3# Bone Meal. Peat moss used for mulch.

Bush height 5 to 6 feet. Enormous blooms, many 12 inches to 14 inches diameter first set of bloom. Second set of bloom are still comparative large ones not disbudded.

The treatment given plot #4 and #6 are the most desired. The treatments were carried out in twelve different gardens, supervised carefully and the same results have been noticeably consistent throughout the season. Each member given a different treatment for comparison.

The total cost of feeding 500 plants did not exceed \$15, and this self supporting through a few sales of excess stock. It is a pleasant hobby and not too costly by starting with a few good varieties.



# FOURTH MID-WEST DAHLIA SHOW

*Staged in the Manufacturer's Building At State Fair Grounds, September 18th and 19th*

Sponsored by the Dahlia Society of Indiana and the Mid West Dahlia Conference, the Fourth Annual Show proved a splendid success. This despite the frost which had descended upon Indianapolis and injured many fine Dahlias being groomed for the Show.

Paul T. Ulman, Noblesville, Indiana, show manager, laid out the Show in a very attractive manner.

Donald R. Curtis, Indianapolis, president of the Indiana Society was continuously on the job while N. R. Hemphill and John C. Rugenstein, also of Indianapolis rendered very valuable assistance.

Judging of all exhibits commenced at 11:30 A. M. September 18th. The judges worked individually, scoring all entries on points. After tabulation, the prizes were awarded.

The classes numbering 243 were for the most part well filled.

In the commercial classes the supreme award was given to the exhibitor scoring the largest number of points in all sections. This Gold Medal, presented by the Dahlia Society of Michigan, was won by Spark's Dahlia Gardens, Columbus, Indiana, who likewise won the majority of sweepstakes awards.

The sweepstakes cup of the Dahlia Society of Ohio was won by Frank's Dahlia Gardens, Bedford, Ohio.

Spark's Dahlia Gardens captured the American Dahlia Society's silver medal for the most outstanding trade exhibit.

The Irwin estate, Columbus, Indiana, Fred Crawford superintendent, took all the prizes in the section for private estates and won the sweepstakes.

The victory trophy of the Dahlia club of Indianapolis was awarded to R. H. Ayers for the largest and most perfect bloom, *American Legion*. Emmons Dahlia Gardens took first for the smallest bloom, *Little Edith*.

Sparks Dahlia Gardens was awarded first in the class for commercial trade space. The display was fronted by a hedge with a gate in the center and a fountain which emptied into a pool containing fish. The exhibit showed a number of varieties, well staged, featuring fine *California Idols*.

The American Home Achievement Medal for the most worthy undissected Dahlia was won by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan, for their *Mrs. William S. Knudsen*.

Golden Rule Dahlia Farm, Lebanon, Ohio, featured *Queen City*, claimed to be the best cut flower Dahlia yet introduced.

The Ohio Valley Dahlia Association staged a coöperative exhibit.

In the color classes, cactus single bloom Frank's Dahlia Gardens scored most of the firsts. Their *Saarland's Heimkehr*, *Miss Ohio*, *Karl Van Rossum*, *Ballego's Surprise*, *Frau O. Bracht*, *Riale*, No. 608, *Showa* and *Cerise Giant* were outstanding. Spark's Dahlia Gardens entered well grown *Mrs. Bruce Collins* and *Leiden's Elegance*.

Semi-cactus. Frank's Dahlia Gardens won with *Paul Pfitzer*, *Ballego's Surprise*, *Frau O. Bracht*, *Mrs. Ida Chase*, *Corallina*. Spark's Dahlia Gardens winners were *California Peach* and *Mrs. Ida Chase*. Richwood Dahlia Gardens, Cincinnati, *Challenger* and *Ballego's Surprise*. Forsythe Dahlia Gardens, Franklin, Indiana, *Amelia Earhart*.

Formal decorative. Frank's Dahlia Gardens first with *Chasmay* and *Hasler's Song*. Sparks Dahlia Gardens won three blues, showing *Blue River*, *Kentucky Sun* and *Taplowe Court*. Dr. A. E. White also captured two firsts with *Miss Oakland* and *Fireball*. Dahliawood Gardens, first with *Jersey's Beauty*.

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This Excellent Commercial Display of Sparks Dahlia Gardens, winning the Gold Medal, was one of Principal Features of the Mid-West Dahlia Show.



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Informal decorative. Sparks Dahlia Gardens, six firsts with *Ripples*, Robert L. Ripley, *Lord of Autumn*, *Curly Locks*, Dean Anderson and Bing Crosby. Guntle's Dahlia Gardens won with *Hunt's Velvet Wonder*. Creekside Dahlia Gardens, first with *Peace*.

Ball Dahlias. Sparks Dahlia Garden captured blue ribbons with Mrs. C. V. Anderson, Mary Helen, Charlotte Caldwell and Gen. Haig. Lakeside Dahlia Gardens won with Jean Kerr. Especially meritorious in the pompons were Emmons Dahlia Gardens, *Nerissa*, *George Ireland*, Jack and Little Edith. Creekside Dahlia Gardens, *Canary*. Mrs. Curtis Ray, Joe Fette. Kewley's Gardens, *Taka's Purple* and *Yellow Gem*. Richwood Dahlia Gardens, *Burnwood*. Sparks Dahlia Gardens, *Morning Mist*.

Miniatures. Sparks Dahlia Gardens, *Buckeye Baby*. Frank's Dahlia Gardens, *Glorious*. Kewley's Gardens, *Morocco*.

Other major awards:

Artistic arrangement in a vase or basket, other flowers, greenery and accessories permitted—Spark's Dahlia Gardens, first.

Container of not more than fifteen blooms—Frank's Dahlia Garden, first.

Container of fifteen blooms or more—Frank's Dahlia Garden, first.

Container of medium size Dahlias—Spark's Dahlia Gardens, first, showing a collection of pink varieties.

Container of not more than eighteen pompons—John C. Rugenstein, Indianapolis, first; Kewley's Gardens, second, and Emmons Dahlia Gardens, third.

Container of twenty-five to fifty pompons—Spark's Dahlia Gardens, first; R. H. Ayers, Indianapolis, second; and Strasen Floral Gardens, third, with *Johnny Peppin*.

Container of not more than eighteen miniatures—Strasen Floral Gardens, first; Tudor Gardens, Zionsville, second; and Spark's Dahlia Gardens, third.

Container of twenty-five to fifty miniatures—R. H. Ayers, first; and Spark's Dahlia Gardens, second.

Container of singles and other small-flowered types—Tudor Gardens, first; Spark's Dahlia Gardens, second; and John C. Rugenstein, third.

Novelty arrangement of pompons—Dahliawood Gardens, first.

Novelty arrangement of miniatures—Tudor Dahlia Gardens, first, and Dahliawood Gardens, second.

Floor basket of not less than fifteen blooms of exhibition varieties on long stems—Spark's Dahlia Gardens, first, with *California Idol*.

In the section calling for not more than fifteen blooms of exhibition type Dahlias on not less than 18 inch stems, awards, according to type, were made as follows:

Cactus—Spark's Dahlia Gardens, first, with *Golden Standard*; Frank's Dahlia Garden, second, with *Riele*, and S. W. Pierce, third, with *War Bonnet*. Spark's Dahlia Gardens were also first on semi-cactus with *Coralina*; on formal decorative, with *Blue River* and on informal decorative with *Lord of Autumn*.

In the open classes calling for five blooms of one variety, the awards, according to type, were:

Cactus—Spark's Dahlia Gardens, first, with *Mrs. Bruce Collins*; Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, second, with *Buckeye Star*; and Frank's Dahlia Garden, third, with *Miss Belgium*.

Semi-cactus—Frank's Dahlia Garden, first, with *Frau O. Bracht*; Spark's Dahlia Gardens, second, with *Bette Davis*; and Sunrise Gladiolus Gardens, Des Moines, Iowa, third, with *Dorcas Ann*.

Formal Decorative—Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, first, with *Masson's Purple Beauty*; Frank's Dahlia Garden, second, with *Ballego's Glory*; and Spark's Dahlia Gardens, third, with *Adorable*.

Informal decorative—Spark's Dahlia Gardens, first, with *Jerome Kern*; Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, second, with *Pride of Austinburg*; and Spark's Dahlia Gardens, third, with *The Fireman*.

Awards in the open classes calling for three blooms, of any type, were made according to color, as follows:

Pink—Frank's Dahlia Gardens, first, with *Berger's Jewel*, and Spark's Dahlia Gardens, second, with *Pink Spiral*.

Mauve or lavender—Spark's Dahlia Gardens, first, with *Miss Ohio*, and second, with *David Copperfield*.

White or cream—Spark's Dahlia Gardens, first, with *Jersey's Dainty*; Frank's Dahlia Garden, second, with *Ballego's Surprise*, and Spark's Dahlia Gardens, third, with *Chief Whip*.

Yellow—Mrs. Gars Haislup, Columbus, Indiana, first, with *Lord of Autumn*, and Spark's Dahlia Gardens, second, with *Mrs. Bruce Collins*.

Orange or autumn blends—Spark's Dahlia Gardens, first, with *Golden Beauty*.

Red, maroon or crimson—Frank's Dahlia Garden, first, with *Scarlet Elegance*.

Bicolor—Frank's Dahlia Garden, first, with *Melantrich*, and Spark's Dahlia Gardens, second, with *Bing Crosby*.

Any other color—Spark's Dahlia Gardens, first, with *Pacific Splendor*, and second, with *Hunt's Velvet Wonder*.

#### Special Awards

Frank's Dahlia Garden was first, with *Miss Ohio*, in the class that required the blooms to be shipped more than 300 miles. Strasen Floral Gardens were second in the same class, displaying *Pride of Austinburg*, *Garden Delight* and *Red Victor*.

#### Annual Banquet

A banquet was held at 10:00 p. m. Saturday, September 18th, at the Hotel Lincoln, with President Donald R. Curtis as toastmaster. Approximately seventy-five attended, representing fourteen states.

The principal speaker of the evening was Lynn B. Dudley, Tuckahoe, N. Y., President of the American Dahlia Society. Other speakers were E. E. Tooker, Rockville Centre, L. I., Prof. C. E. Wildon, supervisor of the American Dahlia Society's Trial Grounds at East Lansing, Michigan, and J. Ballis, secretary of the Dahlia Society of Alabama; also several state presidents. An air of geniality prevailed over the entire gathering and all seemed greatly to enjoy this annual get together.



## A MEMORABLE SOJOURN AMONG DAHLIA FRIENDS

*Being an Account of the Pilgrimage of Two A. D. S.  
Officials to the 1937 Mid-West Show*

We started twice. Do you remember being caught stealing cookies out of the stone jar when you were a kid?

Well, that's how E. E. Tooker and the writer felt when we were halted at the train gates at the Pennsylvania Station on the night of September 16th by a telegram from F. V. R. Viers, president of the Akron Society, telling us their show was all over the night before.

You see, we planned to go to Indianapolis by way of Akron, having been tipped off that there was a fine crop of new seedlings to be shown there. Of course, we could have checked the dates, and each of us thought the other one had done so.

Anyway, we swallowed our chagrin and went back home after changing our tickets for the following night to the capitol of the Hoosier State.

On the morning of the 18th, looking out of the car windows, we had a few bad moments again when we observed that frost had nipped a lot of gardens.

From the hotel, where we lingered only long enough to drop our baggage, we drove direct, or the cab driver did, to the fair grounds.

Here, everything was in the delightful confusion of "setting up." We saw many of our old friends. Harley Peck from Lebanon; Nick Koenig from New Baltimore, Michigan; Professor Wildon, East Lansing; Mr. and Mrs. J. Louis Roberts, Chicago, and many others. President Donald R. Curtis, who was one of the busiest men on the floor, came over to greet us and told us the renowned Indiana hospitality was ours in abundance. And as it transpired, he didn't express the half of it.

The Midwest Show gradually took form before our eyes. It was a wonderful show, and the quality of blooms surprised us, particularly after we had learned that our fears about frost on the train were correct. Two heavy frosts had visited most of the landscape within showing distance.

We, Brother Tooker and the writer, were honored and delighted to be asked to help judge the seedling classes. We were somewhat hampered by the elbows of the crowd, but we certainly enjoyed the privilege of evaluating the points of the new varieties. There were nine classes in the undisseminated classes and nine in the Seedling Classes. We cannot give the descriptions of all these winners due to lack of time before train catching, but we're glad to say we can read the meager notes we made. The Home Achievement Medal was won by Creekside Dahlia Gardens, of Richmondale, Ohio, with a large informal decorative, color gold with strawberry red flush on petals. The name given it was



The O. V. D. A. Medal was awarded to this basket of "Miss Indiana", pink formal, exhibited by Dr. A. E. White at Mid-West Show. Most meritorious exhibit.

Charlotte Caldwell, after the wife of its originator, F. E. Caldwell.

The other principal trophy in the Seedling Class, the Midwest Dahlia News Cup, was won by Frank Parenica, of Bedford, Ohio, with a large incurved red cactus, a seedling of *Satan*.

The Spark's Dahlia Garden, of Columbus, Indiana, took first prize in the commercial displays, and won so many trophies and blue ribbons in the competitive classes that they were about submerged with sweepstake prizes. Mr. and Mrs. Sparks featured several new Dahlias in their display. They were *Oakleigh Princess* a semi-cactus, gold with blush amber with pink reverse showing. A large center boquet of *Volcano*, most of them measuring around 12 inches. Others exhibited were *Dean Anderson*, *Charlotte Caldwell*, *Pacific Splendor*, a white tipped sport of *Blue River*, and others.

The whole show was in a pleasing setting in the large State Fair Horticultural Hall. Every type and color of Dahlia was exhibited. Here are a few which we particularly liked on the tables: *Rozan*, a lavender pink miniature, about 2½ inches, with cupped petals; *Slava Doukoupil*, from Czechoslovakia, a 2 inch tri-color miniature, white, yellow and pink; *Azura*, a big true pink informal decorative, from the west, about 12 inches in diameter by 7 inches deep; an arrival from Australia, *Mrs. C. J. Sowton*, lavender mauve in color, formal decorative and very large. There were many others, but our notes ended there.

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One of the finest features of the show, which in our opinion showed wise planning, was that the entire proceeds were designated for the James Whitcomb Riley Memorial Hospital for Children. The expenses of the show and the prizes were donated to the Society. To us, it seems most fitting that the admissions earned by this display of gorgeous Dahlias at this Midwest Show would possibly help to save the eyesight of some child or that they would ease pain and even save the lives of some precious child. It was a glorious, unselfish idea.

#### THE MIDWEST DINNER

Gathered at the Lincoln Hotel Saturday evening, September 18th, were all the Dahlia fans from twelve to fifteen states.

President Donald R. Curtis introduced the sweepstake winners and presented the trophies. "Raymond Sparks" name was called repeatedly during this ceremony. And it again demonstrated that one couple (Mr. and Mrs. Sparks) by sheer merit and hard work could almost "make" a show successful.

President Curtis then introduced the writer as President of the American Dahlia Society. We spoke briefly and said most of those present would discuss Dahlias, so we preferred to look behind the Dahlias and visualize the many wonderful friendships engendered by the common interest in America's First Garden Flower.

We brought greetings and friendship from the A. D. S. and hoped that this gathering would result in the pooling of all Dahlia interests in the land. The A. D. S. needs every friend of the Dahlia and the Society offers its coöperation to every lover of the Dahlia, straight from the heart of every member.

At the conclusion, we said we were accompanied to this show by the Ex-champion Amateur of Long Island who admitted that he had mastered Margaret Broomall culture. We described Mr. Tooker's unselfish and most resultful conduct of the Special Test Garden at Storrs, Connecticut. That he conceived this garden in 1936 as a test of how the better known standard varieties and the new comers could be scientifically fed and timed to produce prize winning exhibition blooms. We added that the garden would be continued in 1938 and that early in 1938, in the A. D. S. BULLETIN, Mr. Tooker would give his "forcing" formulas developed during 30 years of culture to all dahliadom.

There was evidenced a great deal of interest in this announcement. President Curtis then called upon Mr. Tooker who described briefly the ideas back of this new test garden.

Following this, Mr. Eldridge, of the *Midwest News*, gave greetings to the ensemble. He said that Dahlia gardens were seemingly growing nearer to each other, and that in his wide travels, he found more true friendliness among Dahlia folks than in that of any other group, whether business or social. Mr. Eldridge kindly added that he concurred in all that we had said about true Dahlia friendships.

Next, Professor Wildon described the A. D. S. East Lansing Trial Grounds, and told how a good portion

of it was early flooded out in a June cloudburst and had to be replanted. He said there were about 150 new varieties and half of them in bloom at that time. There were also about 200 standard varieties on display. He invited all present to come to see the garden which would probably be at its best around October 1st.

Other brief talks were given by Frank Parencia, J. Louis Roberts, Edward Balis, secretary of Alabama Society; Barton Elliott, of Grand Haven, Michigan; President E. R. Heitzman, of Ohio Valley Society; and Robert Berlet, of Chicago.

George Brayton, of Cincinnati, at the conclusion of the program, gave a picture of the Midwest Society. He said perhaps some had misunderstood the purposes back of it, and therefore he wished to again state that it was never conceived as a group to replace or assume the prerogatives of any other group or society. That it was formed to facilitate, increase interest, and create competition among adjacent state societies for exhibitions. He was greatly applauded for thus frankly clarifying the position and purposes of this great Dahlia affiliation. There is no question but this banding together of societies for Show purposes has furthered Dahlia interest and culture. For ourselves, and we believe the entire A. D. S. membership, we heartily applaud the good which has been accomplished by the Midwest Society.

At the after glow meeting held in our hotel rooms, we were glad to express the above sentiments to Mr. Brayton. We welcomed, as they arrived for one of those old fashioned Dahlia talks and note comparing, Mr. and Mrs. J. Louis Roberts, D. O. Eldridge, and George Brayton, and a group of fine folks from Indiana, Ohio and Michigan. This meeting lasted till about 6:30 A. M.—and every flower and every grower were discussed—you can imagine! But what a good time we had—and how many friendships were cemented. You know all about it.

Lynn B. Dudley.

### Rainbow Dahlia Gardens Takes New Site

Rainbow Dahlia Gardens, Joseph Pfluger, proprietor, has moved to his new site at 4942 West 104th Street, Inglewood, California, for the purpose of expansion. Mr. Pfluger is planning many improvements and feels that the soil on his new place is quite ideal for the culture of Dahlias.

#### LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEE INCREASES

Our newly revised By-Laws increase our life membership fee from twenty-five to fifty dollars. The new By-Laws are effective on January 2, 1938. Why not avoid the further bother of paying yearly dues and save twenty-five dollars by sending in the fee before that date?



# A. D. S. TRIAL GROUNDS' AWARDS

## Storrs' Certificate Winners

Twenty-one Certificates of Merit were awarded out of a total of 155 varieties entered

List of varieties scoring 85 or more and awarded Certificates of Merit

Stake Nos. 1, 2, 3. Score: S87. Name: *Betty Malone*. Owner: James A. Malone, 27 Harris Street, Paterson, N. J.

Stake Nos. 80, 81, 82. Score: E85. Name: *Marietta E.* Owner: George C. Eldridge, Jr., Wenonah, N. J.

Stake Nos. 83, 84, 85. Score: E85. Name: *Andree Bayssellance*. Owner: J. G. Ballego & Sons, Leiden, Holland.

Stake Nos. 146, 147, 148. Score: E85. Name: *Jodr K. Swaboda*. Owner: Alois Jones, Jasenna, Czechoslovakia.

Stake Nos. 158, 159, 160. Score: C85. Name: 147. Owner: Walter Bissell, Austinburg, Ohio.

Stake Nos. 185, 186, 187. Score: E85, C83. Name: *Josephine Hayes*. Owner: Charles H. Smith, R. F. D. 1, Box 114, Mays Landing, N. J.

Stake Nos. 209, 210, 211. Score: C85, E82. Name: *Sharon Beauty*. Owner: R. R. Marckres, Sharon, Conn.

Stake Nos. 230, 231, 232. Score: C85. Name: *Michigan White*. Owner: C. N. Keiser, Berrien Springs, Michigan.

Stake Nos. 248, 249, 250. Score: E85. Name: *Gold No. 5*. Owner: Harry E. Cain, 804 Pittsburg Avenue, Fairmont, West Virginia.

Stake Nos. 266, 267, 268. Score: S85. Name: 3501, *Melrose Baby*. Owner: R. H. Liphart, Brook Road, Richmond, Virginia.

Stake Nos. 296, 297, 298. Score: S85. Name: 135. Owner: Warren W. Maytrott, Vineland, N. J.

Stake Nos. 311, 312, 313. Score: C85, E82. Name: 601. Owner: Frank J. Parenica, Talbot Drive, Bedford, Ohio.

Stake Nos. 330, 331, 332. Score: E85. Name: 5-35 *Kemp*. Owner: J. A. Kemp, Little Silver, N. J.

Stake Nos. 345, 346, 347. Score: C85, E82. Name: No. 144. Owner: Sparks Dahlia Gardens, 616 Hutchins Avenue, Columbus, Indiana.

Stake Nos. 357, 358, 359. Score: E85. Name: *Seedling No. 1*. Owner: F. W. C. Almy, Tiverton, R. I.

Stake Nos. 363, 364, 365. Score: E86. Name: 3-P-5-1, *Gracie Allen*. Owner: Ross T. Dane, 37 South Canton Road, East Akron, Ohio.

Stake Nos. 423, 424, 425. Score: E85. Name: *Seedling No. 35-2*. Owner: George H. Swezey, 63 Mertz Avenue, Hillside, N. J.

Stake Nos. 435, 436, 437. Score: E86, C85. Name: G-4. Owner: Harley T. Peck, Golden Rule Dahlia Farm, Lebanon, Ohio.

Stake Nos. 441, 442, 443. Score: S86. Name: *Sylvia*. Owner: Nick Koenig, New Baltimore, Michigan.

Stake Nos. 444, 445, 446. Score: E85. Name: B-4-403. Owner: Nick Koenig, New Baltimore, Michigan.

In the February issue, we will publish the complete statistics, with descriptions of the certificate winners, also a list of varieties which scored between 80 and 85.

## East Lansing Awards

Highest score 87.1 for 1937 was credited to J. Louis Roberts, Chicago, with his entry CLR 15, s. c. to i. d. exhibition.

The 22 certificate winners are:

Stake No. 3. *Mrs. Clara Corwell*, Min. F. D. 85S. Entered by Theodore L. Sjoberg, 2180 48th Avenue, Oakland, California.

Stake No. 18. *Shirley West*, F. D. 85.3. Entered by Mrs. O. A. West, 405 Vine Street, New Castle, Pa.

Stake No. 19. No. 8-35, I. D. 85E. Entered by Joseph E. Mitchell, 135 Windsor Avenue, Lombard, Illinois.

Stake No. 24. 4-4, I. D. 85E. Entered by A. H. Rich, Box 5014, St. Paul, Minn. Originator: Dr. A. B. Scott, Fairmont, W. Va.

Stake No. 28. 418, I. D. 85E, 83.5C. Entered by A. H. Rich, Box 5014, St. Paul, Minn. Originator: Dr. A. B. Scott, Fairmont, W. Va.

Stake No. 40. *Ethel Oman*, Minn. F. D. to Ball. 85.5C. Entered by Oman Nursery, Wililam A. Oman, Prairie View, Ill.

Stake No. 43. *Posey Pink*, Pompon. 85.5S. Entered by The Posey Gardens, Edith Weaver, R. 2, Connersville, Ind.

Stake No. 49. *Joyce Louise*, I. D. 85E. Entered by Raymond Grass, No. 4 Bellerive Acres, St. Louis County, Mo.

Stake No. 50. *Gracie Allen*, I. D. 85E. Entered by Roxbury Dahlia Gardens, 37 S. Canton Rd., East Akron, Ohio. Originator: Richard W. Petrie, Gardena, Calif.

Stake No. 55. *Mrs. C. E. Wildon*, F. D. 86.6E. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Albert Hendricks, Clio, Mich.

Stake No. 56. *Mrs. Wm. Knudsen*, I. D. 85 E. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Albert Hendricks, Clio, Mich.

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A glimpse of the campus at Michigan State College. The A. D. S. Trial Gardens may be seen at the right background.

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Stake No. 58. *The Flower Grower*, Small F. D. 85C. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Albert Hendricks, Clio, Mich.

Stake No. 60. *Grace Moore*, I. D. 85E. Entered by F. T. McCurdy, Kokomo Dahlia Gardens, Kokomo, Indiana. Originator: J. F. Cordes, Santa Monica, Cal.

Stake No. 84. *Dubonnet*, Min. S. C. 86S. Entered by Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J. Originator: Marvin Shipley, Harmons, Maryland.

Stake No. 86. *Julia S*, Min. S. C. 85.5S. Entered by Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J. Originator: Nicholas Scheel, Baltimore, Maryland.

Stake No. 88. *Yellow Comet*, S. C. to C. 85E. Entered by Mrs. Josephine Derse, 308 Oakwood Avenue, Oconomowoc, Wis.

Stake No. 98. *234*, I. D. to F. D. 85E. Entered by H. H. Robens, Chagrin Falls, Ohio.

Stake No. 101. *CLR 15*, S. C. to I. D. 87.1E. Entered by J. Louis Roberts, 12147 Harvard Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Stake No. 130. *412*, I. D. 85E. Entered by A. H. Rich, St. Paul, Minn. Originator: Dr. A. B. Scott, Fairmont, W. Va.

Stake No. 135. *Charon Hall*, Pompon. 85S. Entered by Loop Gardens, 907 College Avenue, Adrian, Mich.

Stake No. 140. *Sylvia*, Min. F. D. 85.3. Entered by Lakeside Gardens, 820 Base Street, New Baltimore, Michigan.

Stake No. 142. *Katie K*, I. D. 86.3E. Entered by Lakeside Gardens, New Baltimore, Michigan.

## American Dahlia Society Field Day

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th

A Field Day for all Dahlia lovers was held at the A. D. S. Trial Gardens at the Connecticut State College at Storrs on Saturday, September 11, 1937. Although the day itself was not pleasant there was a good number present and the program was carried out on schedule.

The large tent that was near the Dahlias was a gathering place for those who came early as well as those who came later and it served its purpose in what has come to be in the nature of an "old home week" annual gathering.

Lunch was had by the majority of those in attendance at the college Dining Hall. Much praise was heard of the tasty food served in an attractive atmosphere.

The speaking program took place in Room 1, Gully Hall, and began just after one o'clock. Official greetings for the college were extended in the persons of Professor S. P. Hollister and Professor C. B. Gentry in place of President Dr. A. N. Jorgensen, who could not be present as he had an important engagement in Hartford.

There were three talks, all good. It would be difficult to say which one was the best. It probably depended on which subject a person was most interested in. Mr. Ernest K. Thomas, Secretary of the Rhode Island Horticultural Society, Providence, R. I., and formerly Superintendent of Roger Williams Park, took for his subject "Dahlias in the Landscape." He proved to the satisfaction of all present that although this flower may be grown in numbers it is not in evidence in the front yards of our towns and cities. Mr. Lawrence C. Curtis, Assistant Geneticist at the Connecticut Experiment Station, New Haven, Connecticut, spoke on "Flower Breeding With Emphasis on the Dahlia." He explained much that is complicated in this matter of breeding. The last talk of the day was given by Mr. George W. Fraser for Mr. E. E. Tooker of Rockville Centre, New York on "The New Fertilizer and Timing Garden." Much interest was shown in this talk and all wanted the results of Mr. Tooker's work written up. This will be done for a later issue of the BULLETIN.

### MOVIES IN COLOR

Several reels of movies were shown of Mr. E. E. Tooker's garden on Long Island where exhibition blooms are grown. Mr. Allen should be mentioned as the man who actually showed the pictures. Impromptu speakers were the officers of the American Dahlia Society. Adjournment was taken to the plots where the Dahlias were growing. A picture could not be taken because of the extreme cloudiness of the day. After all was "said and done" this was a most successful Dahlia day.

The plants themselves were only in fair condition. Many thought them good and there was much color. However, growth and improvement took place to a marked degree in the days that followed the Field Day until the time the frost took them in the night of October 8, 1937, they were a sight to behold.



# Ohio Dahlia Society Exhibition

By F. V. R. Veirs

The Annual Ohio Dahlia Society Show was held in Cleveland the week end of the twenty-fifth and twenty-sixth of September at the Hotel Statler. The main ball room and the adjoining rooms formed a very effective and appealing background for the specimen blooms and commercial displays.

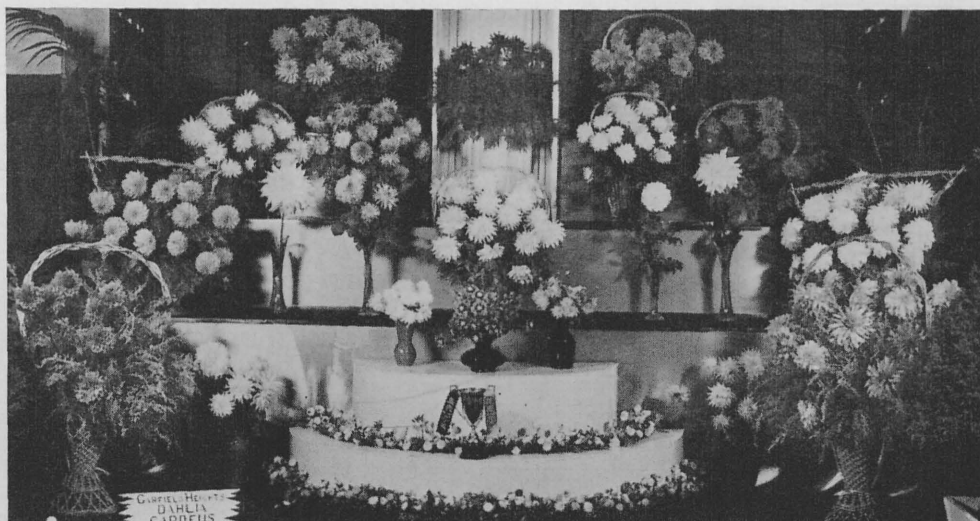
Seven hundred and fifty entries and ten thousand or more blooms filled all available space. Notwithstanding the frost and the dry weather, the quality of the blooms were the best ever seen in Cleveland. The attendance was poor on Saturday on account of the rain but Sunday was a beautiful day and the attendance was very satisfactory. Owing to the New York show starting the day before and the Ohio Valley show the same days, we missed many of our friends from both places. However a few people came over from New York after attending the A. D. S. Show the day before. We were glad they came and very gratified to have them tell us about the wonderful Show in New York and the lovely blooms and gorgeous commercial displays. I trust our dates will never again conflict for the Cleveland fans are the greatest gadabouts in the world and are usually seen in great numbers at all the shows within a reasonable distance. At the Akron Show by actual count there were more people from the Ohio Dahlia Society than from the Akron Dahlia Society. They took their blooms but Akron was too tough for Cleveland that day and Cleveland did not take many ribbons home.

In Cleveland we had twenty-two commercial displays and several tables with flowers of many varieties from the garden clubs. Mrs. Seith had charge of this section and her table exhibit consisted of Dahlias, small garden flowers and gourds.

In the undeseminated three bloom classes there was more competition than ever before. The judges were instructed not to award the American Home Achievement Medal unless the Dahlia was exceptional. *Rosemary Beauty* won the award and was originated by Rosemary Gardens, Martins Ferry, Ohio. It was a large semicactus, straight, stiff stem and the color a delightful shading of rose buff to yellow. *Rosemary Beauty* came from hand polonized seed and the parents are *Satan* and *Patricia Ann*, both of which scored 87 at Storrs. The runner up was *Sleepy Hollow*, a large long stemmed, true incurved cactus, colored rose pink with cream center. At night the tips of the petals fold to the center to form an exquisite chrysanthemum like flower. It won first in the three bloom incurved cactus class and was originated by Delbert Morgan, Jr., of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. It is a seedling of *Frau O'Bracht*. In the same section but in the class for straight or incurved cactus, *Bernice Geer* won the blue ribbon. It is an incurved cactus, rose pink, suffused with light salmon with some of the blooms showing small gold tips. This is a very vigorous grower and the stems can be cut to five feet. *Bernice Geer* also won in New York and should have a place in the sun. The originator is The Geneva Dahlia Gardens, Geneva, Ohio. *Benjamin Deland* won first and second in the six bloom undeseminated miniature class with a lovely little pink and a variegated, in the order named. Ralph Walcher won the blue in the three bloom undeseminated formal and Delbert Morgan originated the blue ribbon winner in the informal. Dickens Dahlia Gardens, first for the Dahlia, produced from seed planted in 1937.

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100-foot Commercial Display which won the Cup for the third consecutive year for Garfield Heights Dahlia Gardens.





Lasch Floral Gardens  
Cup-winning 50-foot  
Commercial Display.

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In the 100 foot commercial class, Garfield Heights won the cup for the third consecutive year. Ted Grey and John Brack, the partners in this firm are hustlers and when you beat them you have something. However E. J. Wind gave them a run for their money and the judges had to give Mr. Wind a second look. Garfield Heights featured *Cerise Giant*, *Doctor Verhage*, *Madame George Pezant* and several other foreign Dahlias. Mr. Wind featured the latest American Dahlias and twenty-five blooms grown under glass.

The cup in the 50 foot commercial went to Charley Lasch, featuring his new Dahlia, *Sunlash*. The name of which was selected in the naming contest and chosen from 2000 names. *Sunlash* is a semi-cactus of the large cut flower type and the color is light tan, striped lightly with red. Mayfield Heights was second featuring their new miniatures. They also won first prize on their table of miniatures and other small flowering Dahlias all named and labeled.

Zazo won the sweepstakes and the president's cup on points and the runner up was Franks Dahlia Gardens. "Thereby hangs a tale" says Frank to Zazo at the Akron Show, "Any one can win when all he has to do is to take his blooms across the street." All right says Zazo, "Watch my smoke at Cleveland." It was a case of "Greek meeting Greek" with Zazo on top. Mr. Zazo was also a two cup winner.

The high light of the Show goes to a rank amateur, Mr. C. Foster, of Elyria, Ohio, who won the coveted A. D. S. medal for the champion bloom of the Show, with a fourteen inch bloom of *Hunt's Velvet Wonder*.

The best white I have ever seen in or outside of a Show room was a bloom of *American Purity*, exhibited by H. H. Robens, of Chagrin Falls, Ohio. The same exhibitor won the Statler cup for the best formal, with *Severigns Triumph*. He also won in the semicactus, with a twelve inch bloom of *Satan* and was tops in the yellow informal class with *California Idol*. The following day he brought in a thirteen and a half inch bloom of *California Idol* which was as good a bloom as I ever saw.

*Miss West Virginia* was the largest and most perfect cactus and *Madame George Pezant*, a beautiful red won in the three bloom cactus class.

Other winners were, red formal, Mrs. Cowie with *Oakleigh Monarch*. Straight cactus, Mrs. Cowie with *Jersey Dainty*. Dr. Bernard won the white informal with *Eva Hunt*. Mr. Hensley with *Robert Ripley*, Mrs. Hutton with *Girl of Hillcrest*, J. Speed with *Peppermint*, Wm. Moritz with *Golden Standard*, W. Bierman with *Renate Mueller*, Emil Meglione with *Lord of Autumn*, Mrs. Hutton with *Doris Cooper*, Mr. Bierman with *Delcinea*, Bedford Dahlias Gardens, *Amelia Earhart*, Mrs. Cris Wind with *Mary Helen* and Mrs. Robert Ludwig, single bloom pom with *Doris*. The smallest and most perfect bloom, first was from the Emmons Dahlia Gardens. Incurved, straight or recurved pink, Garfield Heights with *Lyrek*, Mrs. McDowell with *Miss Ohio*, Hosack Floral Gardens with *Luella Case*. In basket of twenty-five any color, Strasen Floral Gardens, Mrs. Secorie, bowl of mixed miniatures. The best baskets, perfection of bloom and arrangement to count were won by John Zazo, Strasen Floral Gardens

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## Good Will Message from New South Wales, Australia

To the American Dahlia Society:

I am writing as oversea correspondent of the Dahlia Society of N. S. W., Australia, and send your Society greetings from the members of this Society.

We are anxious to know more of the standards and ideals of your Society and wish to have any literature available for our members.

The standards set in New South Wales are the result of a conference with the Newcastle Dahlia Society which is a very strong body 100 miles north of Sydney. They have been adopted by the Horticultural Council of N. S. W. and The Royal Horticultural Society of N. S. W., besides The Royal Agricultural Society of N. S. W. which stages a six day Show for flowers, 90% of which are Dahlias, at its big Easter Exhibition, which is held for nine days and five nights and is attended by three-fourths of a million people.

After visiting Melbourne and Adelaide, and studying types and standards there, I have no hesitation in saying that the N. S. W. standards are the highest, and I believe will eventually be adopted by other States.

Throughout Australia the charm and garden cactus are fast gaining in popularity. Of the charm types the cactus and fancy or Baby Royal type are now most popular. The best varieties of charm cactus here, and known to you are *Sunshine*, *Little Pearl*, *White Pearl*, *Yellow Pearl*, *Little Dream*, *Little Snow Queen*, *Dulcie*, *Maureen*, *Sunset*, *Centenary* and *Elisabeth Pope*. There is plenty of room for new ones in this class but they must have length of stalk and fineness of petals. Charm Decoratives and Paeonies are not so popular as they are rather stiff. Orchid, single, show and star types have very few admirers. Neither have the collarettes although 90% of the varieties grown are raised locally.

Garden cactus such as *Leiden's Elegance*, *Frau O'Bracht*, *Paul Pfitzer*, *Ballego's Surprise*, *Ricle*, *Daniel Bliss*, *Galaxy*, and *Dulcinea* are most popular for exhibition. Such varieties as *Golden Age*, *Effective*, *Eemland*, *Pola Negri*, *Weisse Dame*, *Golden Standard* and *Satan* are only considered good for garden display. A number of very fine seedlings have been raised here and should be available in a year or two.

Decoratives of the large flowered type are still very popular with exhibitors and general public alike. Very few imported varieties are up to our Standard and consequently fall by the wayside. *Daily Mail* and its pink sport are still good and although classed as informal in many parts of the world, are shown here in numbers and gain their share of championship honors. *Darcy Sainsbury* a locally raised one, has probably as you know gained world-wide fame by this, and many others from here have done well in various parts of the world. *R. W. Tressider* is a flower which conforms to our standard. *Elinor Vandiveer* also secured many honors here until it refused to grow through virus or stunting about which incidentally we seek information.

The pompon type here is ahead of those in other parts of the world. I cannot recall having seen an imported variety exhibited here during the past five years.

I mention these things not in a spirit of superiority, but as a guide to growers in your part of the world so that they can make recommendations to growers here.

All here were much impressed by Mr. Ballego's address to the French Dahlia Society and readily agree that an International Dahlia Society is required and hope to see one formed ere' many years elapse.

We shall be glad to have letters from any individual members regarding Dahlias and feel sure any information required will be readily available from this end.

Yours faithfully,

F. H. Lovegrove.

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### New York Show—Cont. from page 17

**Arrangement of Geraniums (in any container)**—First, Everett Feucht; second, Mrs. George Thompson.

**Arrangement of flowers in shades of yellow, orange and bronze**—First, Mrs. William Joy; second, Mrs. George Green.

**Arrangement in a wooden container of fruit or vegetables**—First, Mrs. Prescott Hoard; second, Mrs. Fred W. Lewis.

**Arrangement of any spires or spikes**—First, Mrs. Tom Cummings; second, Mrs. Ralph Magoffin.

#### Junior Exhibits

**Decorative Dahlia**—First, Rose Napoli, Little Neck, L. I.

**Miniature Dahlias**—First, June Humble, Douglaston, L. I.; second, Bayside High School, Bayside, L. I.; third, Rose Napoli.

**Seedling Dahlia**—June Humble.

**Special Dahlias (grown by juniors)**—Rose Napoli and June Humble.

### Additional Attraction at the New York Show

Much interest was centered upon a model, to scale, of the New York World's Fair which will be opened in the Spring of 1939.

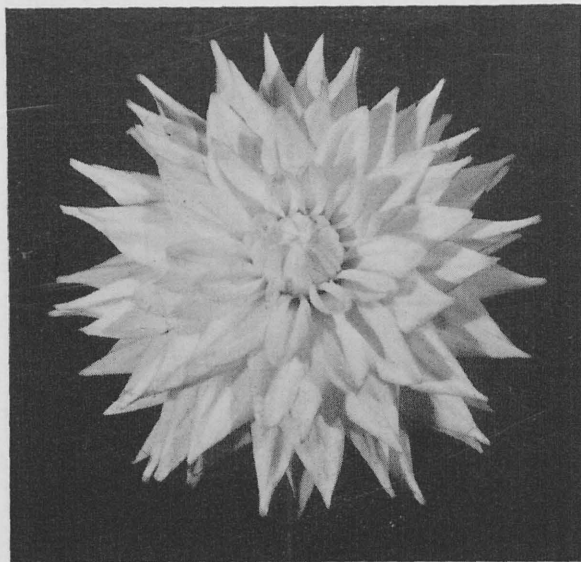
This model, approximately ten feet long and five feet wide, completely depicted every building, streets, gardens, waterways and provided as it were an advance glimpse of the great spectacle which awaits us.

The Theme Building is a model of the Trylon and Perisphere by day and by night; the theme of the Fair, "Building the World of Tomorrow."

We are indebted to the committee for providing this entertaining and educational model for our guests at the Show, many of whom tarried as long as a half hour studying its details.

# Michigan Dahlia Show

General Motors Exhibition Auditorium Scene of Splendid Display



MICHIGAN WHITE, American Home Achievement Winner of Nick Koenig, Lakeside Gardens, New Baltimore, Mich.

Magnificent blooms from the mammoth exhibition varieties down to the tiniest miniatures gave witness to the state-wide interest in what has become the most popular of flowers. More than 6,000 individual specimens were on exhibition, representing 320 classifications and occupying the 10,000 square feet of floor space in the exhibition auditorium, with artistic arrangements overflowing the lobbies and offices of the General Motors Building.

The exhibition, held with the coöperation of the General Motors officials and executives was staged by the Dahlia Society of Michigan under the inspired leadership of Bruce D. Collins, President. The coöperation of the other officers and committees was efficient and diligent.

Nick Koenig of the Lakeside Gardens, New Baltimore, justly deserved the lion's share of winnings with his meritorious exhibits. His display won the President's Cup, offered by Mr. Collins. Koenig's *Michigan White* was awarded the American Home Achievement Medal for best undisseminated Dahlia. Among his other winnings were the Ohio Dahlia Society Medal, open sweepstakes award of the Michigan State Society, and the coveted Gold Medal offered by the National organization, the American Dahlia Society. His miniature *Sylvia* and informal decorative *Katie-K* were outstanding.

Dr. C. B. Bernard, of Detroit, received the amateur sweepstakes prize given by the Michigan Society, also the outstanding Dr. A. B. Scott Memorial Trophy. Noteworthy entries were Dr. Bernard's specimen bloom

of *Margrace*, the largest bloom in the Show, measuring 12½ inches across and 8 inches in depth; and the smallest bloom, *Little Edith*, just ⅞ of an inch in diameter.

Dr. Del Mare, our member from Ridgeway, Ontario, showed the most popular bloom, a giant stalk of *Autumn Sunset*, a red blend of autumnal colorings.

For his "green" Dahlia named *Verda Flora* Mr. Albert Hendricks of Clio, won a blue ribbon in the novelty class.

Dixie Dahlia Gardens won with *Rosey Pink* in the miniature undisseminated class, also with *Mrs. William Knudsen*, a white informal decorative undisseminated.

Dahlia experts who acted as judges were: Prof. C. E. Wildon, East Lansing, director of the A. D. S. Trial Gardens at Michigan State College; Mrs. Raymond H. Sparks, Columbus, Indiana; J. Louis Roberts, Chicago; John W. L. Hicks, Detroit; B. W. Elliott, Grand Haven; Ernest Wolff and William Creighton, Grosse Pointe.

## PERFORMANCE OF 1937 INTRODUCTIONS IN MICHIGAN GARDEN

By Bruce D. Collins

President Dahlia Society of Michigan

The season of 1937 was somewhat unusual for Dahlias. Starting early in the season, we, in the middle west, received an almost superabundance of rain. It seems that it rained nearly every day, and the rains were what we call cloudbursts. Many fields were badly flooded, which resulted in some stock being drowned out and had to be replaced as late as the middle of July.

About the middle of August we had about two weeks of heat and extremely high humidity, which practically cooked the plants. However, along about September we began to get some Dahlia weather, which put the blooms in condition for the Shows, and the quality was excellent, especially in view of the season.

The writer had the pleasure of growing most of the 1937 introductions, under ordinary back yard conditions, and about the usual percentage of these introductions proved worthwhile additions to the already large list of Dahlias in commerce. Let's take a look at their performance, as recorded in my garden note-book.

*American Purity*. This fine large white semi-cactus is a real addition to the whites. It is a strong grower, producing its 10 inch and 12 inch flowers on good stems. The flowers stand the heat and rains well. The flower has a circle of tiny buds around the base of the flower, but they are not noticeable. I can recommend this Dahlia to anybody.

*Autumn Sunset*. Here is one Dahlia that lived up to the advertising claims made. A wonderful strong grower, nice foliage, producing its large autumn colored flowers in abundance on good strong stems, and bloom-



ing from early August until frost. Won prizes for most perfect bloom in Shows. A really fine addition to the autumn colors and if you try it, I am sure you will grow it a long time.

*A. F. Grmela.* An introduction from Czecho-Slovakia. A fine grower which produces its large yellow and peach red blooms in abundance on good stems. Health of the plant excellent, and one of those fool-proof Dahlias which anyone can grow. Not a particularly outstanding flower, but still a fine addition to your garden.

*Buckeye Glory.* A nice orchid pink Dahlia which performed well. Strong growth, health excellent, and quite free blooming. Stands the heat and a good addition to the orchid class.

*Buckeye Star.* A tall strong grower, which produces its semi-cactus flowers on good stems. Not particularly free flowering, nor a large flower, but a good cut flower.

*Opal.* A soft salmon rose, with lighter shadings and yellow centers. Of *Jane Cowl* formation, a strong grower, with fine foliage. Not particularly outstanding however, as amateurs all go for clean colors, and this Dahlia is rather sombre.

*Purple Mist.* A strong grower, of excellent quality, bearing its dark violet carmine flowers on good stems. One of the best in its class.

*William J. Wyllie.* Another fine Dahlia. Tough insect resistant foliage, that produces enormous flowers of sulphur yellow shading on to buff, on excellent stems. This one is of easy culture and the amateur will enjoy growing this one.

*Legionar Alois Storch.* A fine strong grower, producing its large flowers of autumn color tinted red on good stems. Foliage is very tough and very insect resistant. This Dahlia must not be pinched out at all, but allowed to grow naturally.

*Miss Oakland.* Here is the Dahlia we have all been waiting for. Experts agree that this is the finest white formal Dahlia ever produced. You simply must have this one. Of easiest possible culture, just grows wonderfully well with little or no trouble and produces its 9 inch flowers on 3 foot stems in abundance. Can stand any kind of weather and the sun does not burn it or the rain damage it. A really Super-Dahlia.

*Dream Girl.* Perhaps the best introduction from the west coast of the year. A pastel colored flower of the shade of salmon and coral pink, showing gold at the base of the petals. A strong grower, free bloomer, producing large flowers on good stems. Stands the heat and flowers last well.

*Golden Beauty.* Here is a really outstanding Dahlia. Rampant grower producing its enormous flowers on 6 foot stalks, fine foliage that with me is insect proof. If you want a large autumn colored flower that grows without any trouble, try this one.

*Kemp's Great Eastern.* An enormous flower of golden orange and reddish bronze. Strong grower, producing its large flowers on good stems. About the only thing this flower has is size. Otherwise it is coarse in appearance and lacks finish.

*Lemon-Glo.* A rather small flowered lemon yellow bloom on tall stiff stems. Strong grower, but cannot

stand the heat and for Michigan climate, it just will not do.

*Mary Tallmadge.* A strong rampant grower, producing large flowers on stiff stems. Insect resistant foliage, and the flowers are a peculiar shade of old rose.

*Mason's Purple Beauty.* A strong grower, producing perhaps the best velvety purple flowers of its color yet introduced. Foliage is tough, and this one is a worthwhile Dahlia to grace the yard of any grower.

*Miss Englewood.* Perhaps one of the strongest and toughest Dahlias in commerce. Insects do not touch it, foliage being dark and tough as leather. A rampant grower, producing its dark red flowers in abundance on fine stems. The blooms are enormous, without any particular feeding, and here is another Dahlia that the amateur who likes big flowers, easily grown, will enjoy.

*Miss Ohio.* A lovely lilac rose cactus Dahlia that is a strong grower, with insect resistant foliage. Not quite as floriferous as we expected, but still a fine cactus Dahlia.

*Fireball.* Here is a Dahlia that the fans rave about. A brilliant scarlet flower which does not burn or fade, and lasts amazingly long. One of those fool-proof flowers that will cause as much comment as any flower in the garden, and one of the kind that amateurs just must have.

*Mother Maytrott.* A very lovely white informal, with healthy dark foliage, producing large flowers on good stems. A very fine white which you will eventually own.

*Mrs. Ida Chase.* One of the loveliest Dahlias ever introduced and knowing the late Mrs. Chase as we did, no flower could have been better selected to bear her name, that would have pleased her more than this one. A fine grower, bearing its large flowers of bright lemon yellow and spinal pink bloom on good stems. It is perhaps one of the finest straight cactus Dahlias in commerce.

In addition to the above, the writer had the pleasure of testing out a few seedlings, one of which is outstanding, having recently won an American Home Achievement Medal. It is *Michigan White*. Wonderful tall grower, producing its 7 inch flowers in great profusion on tall stems. The flower is of *Star of Bethlehem* type, but larger, finer substance, and very floriferous. Will probably be introduced in 1938.

Of the previous introductions, there are still the standards by which other Dahlias are compared, growing in my garden, and we cannot close this article without noting such wonderful Dahlias as for instance among the reds, *Murphy's Masterpiece*, *Margrace*, *Mrs. George Le Boutillier*, *Man-O-War* and *Robert Emmett* which are certainly Dahlia immortals. In yellows, we have *California Idol*, *Monmouth Queen*, *Lord of Autumn* and *Kay Francis*. In pinks, *Kathleen Norris*, *Cavalcade* and *Josephine G.*, are still the old standbys. In autumn colors, we still cannot get away from such marvelous creations as *Amelia Earhart*, *Angelo Rossi*, *City of Cleveland*, *Girl of Hillcrest*, *La Reina* and *Myra Howard*.

Truly, the amateur who is going to get started growing Dahlias next season, has a marvelous selection to choose from, and while there will be the usual number of new introductions for 1938, these new comers, really have something to shoot at, when we stack them up against the old timers above mentioned.

## A. D. S. ANNUAL MEETING

The 23rd annual meeting of The American Dahlia Society was held September 25th in the Roof Garden of the Hotel Pennsylvania. It was originally scheduled for 11:00 A. M. but the interest in the Show was so great that the members could not be drawn from the Ball Room long enough to attend a meeting. Prior to the meeting, which was called to order about 2 P. M. by President Dudley, Mr. Jack Ripper, president of the newly organized Western Pennsylvania Branch, was called upon for a few remarks as he unfortunately had to leave at that time. Mr. Ripper brought greetings and told of some of the work of his organization.

President Dudley then opened the meeting with a short address telling of the various activities of the society for the past year. At the conclusion of his address he requested that the members rise in memory of the members who had passed away during the year. Dr. Marshall A. Howe, Michael Batto and Charles G. Reed being mentioned in particular.

Secretary-treasurer, C. Louis Alling, was then called upon for a report. He spoke of the work of the secretary's office telling of the increased amount of work brought about by our many new activities. He stated that it was difficult to give a concise financial report at this time as our fiscal year ended on December 31st and the unusual activity of our accounts at show time made it difficult to give a good picture of our financial condition. However, he stated that cash receipts from September 20, 1936, to September 22, 1937, had been \$7,055.44. Disbursements \$6,522.70 leaving a balance on hand of \$532.74.

Seven new affiliated societies have been received during the year and our first Branch Society organized, The Western Pennsylvania Branch. 255 new members, 186 affiliated members, 33 resignations and 5 deaths reported. The report of the secretary-treasurer was accepted.

Ex-president Thomas Leavitt presented a report for the committee on the revision of our By-Laws. These revisions having been published in our August BULLETIN. After much discussion and several clarifying alterations were made the following motion was made and passed: "That these By-Laws as amended be adopted and that they become effective and in operation on January 2, 1938, provided that the legality of the same has been certified by the Executive Committee of the A. D. S." The principle changes in the By-Laws being the widening of the scope of the branch society plan and the election of officers by a mail ballot rather than at the annual meeting.

Edward Lloyd, chairman of the Show Committee, and our very capable show manager gave a short report and thanked all the members of the committee who had worked with him. Mr. Lloyd at the close of his talk was tendered a vote of thanks for his fine work.

Ex-president, George Fraser, reported for the trial and test garden committee telling of the progress of the new test garden under the direction of Mr. E. E. Tooker. He invited all the members to visit the gardens before the frost.

Ex-president, Warren Maytrott, presented a report for the Nomenclature Committee. He stated that the name list cards now in the hands of the chairman of the committee, Dr. C. H. Connors were being revised and suggested that many of the old names of varieties now out of existence should be discarded and available for use on new varieties. The plan in mind was to publish this list in the BULLETIN and if no objection was raised in six months the names would be considered again available.

President Dudley announced that there would be no annual dinner during the show but that a dinner would be held Saturday evening, January 22nd, at New York City. He appointed a committee consisting of Dewey Mohr, Dr. Bruce Preas, Fred Knocke, Edward O'Keefe, Edward Lloyd and J. W. Johnston to make the arrangements.

Dewey Mohr, chairman of the prize committee, made a short report saying that the response had been very gratifying and there would be sufficient funds to take care of all prizes.

The Nominating Committee was then called upon for a report and through the chairman, J. A. Kemp, made the following recommendations:

President, Lynn B. Dudley, Tuckahoe, New York. First Vice-President, Conrad Frey, Nutley, New Jersey.

Vice-Presidents: John S. Vincent, White Marsh, Maryland; J. A. Kemp, Little Silver, N. J.; W. Atlee Burpee, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Mrs. F. S. Fisher, Trenton, N. J.; Curtiss Redfern, San Francisco, California; Mrs. Charles H. Stout, Short Hills, N. J.; Mrs. George W. Holland, Williamsport, Pennsylvania; Jay V. Hare, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Edward B. Lloyd, Verona, N. J.; J. W. Johnston, New York City; Earl P. Lollar, Baltimore, Maryland; Prof. C. E. Wildon, East Lansing, Michigan; Mrs. Georgena Humble, Douglaston, L. I.; Oliver Shurtleff, Fairmont, West Virginia; Gordon Waaser, Baldwin, L. I., N. Y.; R. P. Liphart, Richmond, Virginia; J. Louis Roberts, Chicago, Illinois; H. Dewey Mohr, Rockville Centre, L. I., N. Y.; Dr. Bruce Preas, Rockville Centre, L. I., N. Y.; C. B. Ambrose, Norfolk, Virginia; Dr. H. H. Smith, Rocky River, Ohio; Harley T. Peck, Lebanon, Ohio; F. L. Purrrington, Wheaton, Illinois; B. B. Melgaard, Chicago, Illinois; D. O. Eldredge, Madison, Wisconsin; Earl V. Newton, Cleveland, Ohio; H. T. Mills, Greenville, South Carolina; G. A. Richardson, Cincinnati, Ohio; Al Cavannah, Beverly, Massachusetts; Prof. Roland H. Patch, Storrs, Connecticut; Bruce Collins, Detroit, Michigan; F. V. R. Veirs, Canton, Ohio; J. J. Englert, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.





F. V. R. Veirs (left), recently elected A. D. S. Vice-President and H. H. Robens, Ohio staunch Dahliasts, admire "Lord of Autumn".

Secretary and Treasurer: C. Louis Alling, West Haven, Connecticut.

Trustee: three years, Thomas Leavitt, Assinippi, Massachusetts.

There being no other nominations, after the usual formalities, the secretary was ordered to cast an unanimous ballot for the entire list and they were declared elected.

Gordon Waaser, our BULLETIN Editor, made a short report on the BULLETIN work after which President Dudley stated that Mr. Waaser had also handled all the publicity for the Show and had secured some very fine newspaper and other publicity.

Al Cavannah brought the greetings of the New England Dahlia Society and also accepted his election as a Vice-President with thanks.

Mrs. A. B. Scott of Fairmont, West Virginia, was asked to speak and responded with very fitting remarks.

President Dudley before closing the meeting invited all interested parties who would like to help in the work of the A. D. S. to get in contact with him as there was a need for many more good workers. The meeting adjourned at 3:35 P. M.

*C. Louis Alling, Secretary.*

## House Beautiful Dahlia Futurity Medal

The "Dahlia Futurity," otherwise termed an honor roll, prepared and written by J. W. Johnston, well known Dahlia judge appears in the December issue of *House Beautiful*.

To encourage greater appreciation of Dahlias, in their initial year, the publisher announces the offering of its Dahlia Futurity Medal to be awarded at some of the Shows during 1938.

It is stipulated that the schedule must provide a new class open to all known as "The House Beautiful Dahlia Futurity." For the six best blooms of one or more varieties selected from the published Dahlia Futurity, Gold Medals will be awarded in regional or national Shows; Silver Medals in State Shows; bronze medals in local Shows.

The supply is necessarily limited. Dahlia organizations should direct inquiries to the magazine at 572 Madison Avenue, New York City, attention Miss Jane T. Krickl without delay.

While most Dahliasts eagerly await Mr. Johnston's selections each year; for the benefit of those who may not yet have availed themselves of a copy, we pass the word along that the December issue is now in the hands of your news dealer.

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*Make your reservations now for A. D. S. Get-  
Together Dinner January 22nd—See page 35*

### DAHLIA SUNDAY

*We are indebted to Mr. Edward C. Vick, well known Horticulturist of Newark, N. J., for this very fine article.—Ed.*

Sunday, October 3, 1937, Rev. H. C. Lytle, D.D., of St. Paul's Methodist Church, Newark, N. J., took as the subject of his sermon "The Delight of the Dahlia." Dahlia flowers were supplied from Dr. Lytle's garden and generously by private and commercial growers.

The front of the pulpit was covered with a fan shaped semicircular mass of large Dahlias from the floor to the top of the pulpit, judging by guess, about 12 feet long and 6 feet high. The whole chancel was decorated with masses of hydrangea paniculata flowers, quantities of bitter sweet, English ivy. Roses, Cosmos, Calendulas, Antirrhinums and other flowers were used. The hymns were My Father's World, All Things Come of Thee, and others equally appropriate.

After the evening service each one of the congregation received a Dahlia. A record attendance resulted and the local papers published accounts of the service.

# Sixth Annual Show— Central States Dahlia Society

By H. L. Franzen

The members of the Central States Dahlia Society filled to overflowing, both the exhibition hall and the Show room of the Garfield Park Conservatory with thousands of gorgeous blooms at their 6th Annual Dahlia Show held September 25th, 26th and 27th, 1937. A two day Show was originally planned but because of the capacity crowds on Sunday and the many requests to give others an opportunity to view this beautiful display of the greatest of all flowers, the Show was continued through Monday. The attendance was the largest on record and indicates the ever growing popularity of the Dahlia.

It would have been difficult to stage a show of such magnitude without the unfailing support of Mr. August Koch, Chief Horticulturist of the Chicago Park system and his assistants at Garfield Park Conservatory who not only took a personal interest in the arrangements but also provided plenty of help to assist the show committee.

Our society provides keen competition especially for the amateur as the sections are divided for growers of 50 hills or less, 51 to 100, 101 to 200 and 200 and over, so that an amateur growing a few Dahlias in a small back yard need not compete with an amateur growing several hundred hills.

The seedling section was the largest ever exhibited and many excellent new blooms were shown. Five judges worked on this section for several hours. There were three outstanding informal decoratives on which the judges deliberated at length and on their recommendations the Show committee agreed to subdivide this class into three distinct classes allowing an award to each, any other decision would have penalized such fine Dahlias. These varieties were *Grace Moore*, *Mrs. R. R. McCormick*, and *Mrs. William Knudsen*. There also was an excellent formal decorative named *September Morn*, and a very fine semi-cactus named *Dahlia Craft*. The winner of The American Dahlia Society medal was chosen from these five and it was decided by each judge voting separately and on most points scored *Dahlia Craft* won the honor.

A fine semi-cactus named *War Bonnet* was a close contender. The seedling section should be one of outstanding interest at our 1938 Show because of The Dahlia Futurity.

A most unique display was arranged by Mrs. H. J. Bluhm it being educational in that it illustrated how Dahlias are developed and demonstrated the disappointments and possibilities in growing Dahlias from seed. There also were two very interesting displays illustrating by specimen the insects and damage they do. The display also illustrated diseased plants. There were several excellent commercial displays. The first prize

going to North Brook Dahlia Gardens, North Brook, Illinois. Second prize to Omar Nurseries, Prairie View, Illinois, and third prize to Joseph E. Hines Dahlia Gardens of Chicago, Illinois.

The Dahlias winning as largest and best in there respective sections were: Section A, *Murphy's Masterpiece*; Section B, *Amelia Earhart*; Section C, *Hunt's Velvet Wonder*; Section D, *Amelia Earhart*; Section E, *Robert Ripley*; Section F, *Amelia Earhart*; Section G, *Hunt's Velvet Wonder*; Section H, *Sultan of Hillcrest*; Section J, *Robert Ripley*.

The varieties and the number of blue ribbons won by each taken from the specimen bloom classes:

One Autumn Moon, 1 American Legion, 1 Alexandria, Jr., 1 Adorable, 7 Amelia Earhart, 1 Aiko, 1 Arelda Lloyd, 3 Adirondack Sunset, 1 Amsterdam, 1 Amy Mar-

ROBERT L. RIPLEY, Giant Purple Pink Informal, won at Cincinnati—also at major shows all over the country. A 1937 introduction.





tins Garden, 1 Autumn Sunset, 1 A-W Lindenschmidt, 1 Americas Sweetheart, 4 American Purity, 1 Ballegos Magento, 1 Buckeye Bride, 1 Blue River, 1 Ballegos Glory, 3 Ballegos Surprise, 4 Bette Davis, 1 Baerne, 1 Calvalcade, 4 California Idol, 2 Challenger, 1 Clara Carder, 2 Colonel Lewis, 1 Clara Barton, 1 Chat Sunset, 2 City of Cleveland, 1 City of Racine, 3 Dulcenia, 1 Darcy Sainsbury, 2 Scheiner, 1 Dresden, 1 Dream Girl, 2 Daddy Kemp, 1 Dorothy Stone, 1 Discovery, 1 Dwight Morrow, 4 Eva Hunt, 1 Eische, 1 Elkridge, 1 Elite Sport, 1 Eagle Rock Fantasy, 1 Freckles, 1 Frau Freda Hahn, 4 Franz Berger, 4 Fort Monmouth, 2 Frau Marie Kipke, 1 Frau Ida Mansfield, 1 Fire Ball, 1 Frau O'Bracht, 1 Fort Washington.

One Frank Serpa, 6 Golden Standard, 4 Gretel, 1 Greater Glory, 1 Girl of Hillcrest, 1 Gladys, 1 Grand Slam, 6 Hunts Velvet Wonder, 1 Hillcrest Mandarin, 1 Irene Anderson, 1 Iry Choice, 1 Incandescent, 2 Jersey Dainty, 7 Jean Trimbee, 3 Josephine G, 2 Jim Moore, 3 Jersey Beauty, 3 Jersey Beacon, 1 Jessie Crawford, 1 Jimmy Fox, 2 Jane Ross, 1 Jane Dew, 1 Jessica Dragonette, 1 Jean Parturet, 1 Jane Cowl, 3 Kay Francis, 1 Kitty Mac, 1 Kentucky Sun, 1 Kathleen Norris, 1 Karl Bonawitz, 1 King Alfred, 2 La Reina, 1 La Fiesta, 2 Leland Stanford, 3 Lord of Autumn, 2 Laetare, 2 Louise Bates, 1 Miss Elsie Jane, 3 Monmouth Champion, 2 Midwest, 3 Miss Oakland, 1 Masons Purple Beauty, 3 Murphy's Masterpiece, 1 Mrs. Herbert O'Conner, 4 Margrace, 1 Mrs. Ethel Smith, 2 Miss Ohio, 1 Mrs. Rufus Dawes, 2 Miss West Virginia, 2 Mary Ellen, 3 Mrs. G. W. Middleton, 4 Milton J. Cross, 1 Mad River Chief.

One Mrs. Gar Wood, 1 Monmouth Queen, 2 Mrs. George Le Boutellier, 1 Miss Belgium, 1 Miriam Hopkins, 1 Madame Georges Pezant, 1 Mrs. I D. Ver Warner, 4 New Glory, 1 Nocturno, Oakleigh Monarch, 2 Omar Khayyam, 3 Pink Spiral, 2 Petunia, 1 Posey Marvray, 2 Purple Mist, 2 Paul Pfitzer, 3 Prachtkerl, 1 Polichinelli, 1 Pacific Splendor, 1 Pride of America, 1 Phantom, 2 Queen City, 1 Queen of the Angeles, 1 Rainbows End, 1 Rockly Moon, 1 Royal Purchase, 1 Renate Mueller, 1 Robert Emmet, 5 Robert Ripley, 1 Red Jug, 1 R. R. Rutherford, 1 Red Victor, 1 Ruth M., 2 Rudy Valle, 1 Ruby Taylor, 2 Sultan of Hillcrest, 1 Sanicha, 2 Star of Bethlehem, 7 Satan, 3 Severns Triumph, 2 Sonny Boy, 1 Shekinah, 1 Saarlands Heimkehr, 1 Thelma Todd, 1 Thomas Edison, 2 Frau Um Langemark, 1 Tom Workman, 1 The Gateway, 1 Triumph De Parissi, 2 Volcano, 2 White King, 6 WHT, 5 White Wonder, 2 Wenoka, 1 William Hogan, 1 Yellow King.

#### LEE'S DAHLIA GARDEN UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP

Mrs. J. W. Lee, noted Washington Dahlia grower, announces the sale of the commercial business and Lee's Dahlia Gardens to Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Tryon of Steilacoom, Washington.

Mrs. Lee reserves the right to continue her work of hybridizing and growing seedlings in which she has specialized for over 28 years.

## Ohio Valley Dahlia Show

By G. A. Richardson

One of the most successful shows ever promoted by the Ohio Valley Dahlia Association was experienced when upward to twenty thousand blooms were placed in the various classes for judgment. The coöperation of the estates, small and large amateurs, the Garden clubs, novices and commercial growers, was commendable. The class of the blooms was very high and keeping qualities very good. The best keeping variety (that is of ten or more blooms in one container) was the old variety *Rose Fallon*. The show in general was good with most every class having a fine display of blooms. Some rare and new varieties were seen for the first time and quite a few foreign sensations that really are good. *Ballegos Surprise* was especially well displayed. Many fine American varieties really went to town. Among those outstanding were *Buckeye Star*, *Peace*, *Grand Master* (which won the Achievement Medal) *Kentucky Sun*, *Oakleigh Monarch*, *Azura*, *Milton J. Cross*, *Volcano*, and *Golden Standard* and *Bette Davis*. Among the small varieties *Jean Kerr*, *Mary Helen*, *Supt. Ambryn* in the ball class, *Honey*, *Johnny*, *Little Edith*, *Mrs. V. Brittain* and *Little Red Riding Hood* in the pompon class, and *Baby Royal*, *Buckeye Baby*, *Fairy*, *Orchid Lady*, *Red Head* and *Paddy* were prominent in the miniature classes.

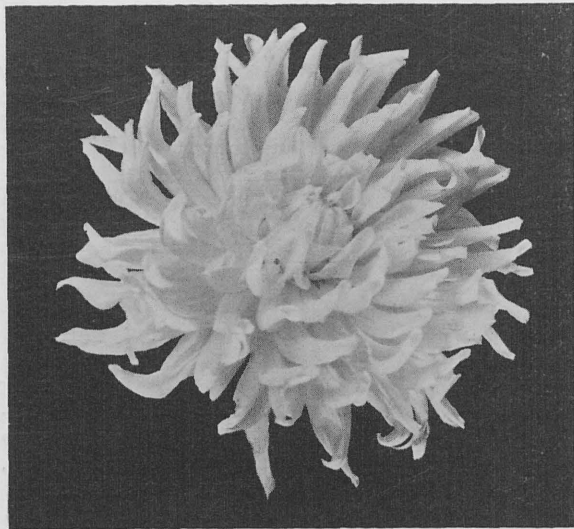
The seedling competition was very good with *Grand Master*, grown by the Creekside Gardens, a beautiful sattiney ruby red informal grown by the Richwood Gardens and a red semi-cactus grown by Mr. Huey of Ewing, Kentucky. The Mad River Gardens also displayed several fine prospects under code.

Sweepstakes in the various classes were won by Mrs. Bayard Kilgour, Jr., in the small amateur, Raymond Moffett in the large amateur, Leonard Smith Estate in the Estate class, Anderson Township Garden Club in the Garden club section and Raymond Sparks in the commercial class.

The principal winning varieties were 3 first prizes: *Golden Standard*, *Ballego's Surprise*, *Bette Davis*, *Kentucky Sun*, *Jean Kerr*; 2 first prizes, *Farncot*, *Frau Ida Mansfield*, *Jersey's Dainty*, *Tyrus*, *Amelia Earhart*, *City of Cleveland*, *Frau O'Bracht*, *Jean Trimbee*, *Blue River*, *Dwight Morrow*, *Peace*, *Azura*, *Kathleen Norris*, *Milton J. Cross*, *Volcano*, *Mary Helen*, *Supt. Ambryn*, *Little Edith*, *Honey*, *Johnny* and *Mrs. V. Brittain* led in pompom while *Orchid Lady*, *Baby Royal*, *Fairy* and *Red Head* excelled in miniatures.

Bad weather kept the attendance down the first day but from all standpoints the 1937 show was a great success. It was through the fine coöperation of all the membership and neighboring growers that the exhibition proved so commendable. Plans are being formulated for the 1938 show.

## Akron Dahlia Show



SLEEPY HOLLOW, Pink Cactus of D. T. Morgan, Jr., which won firsts in Ohio and New York.

Our Annual Show which was held on September 15th and 16th, if we are to consider quality, was one of the best shows of any size in the country. We had visitors from other parts of the country who will bear out this assertion. We take pride in our accomplishments, with no intent to belittle the other shows, or their management.

For the first time the Akron Show was on a cash prize basis. This was apparently popular, and may be continued. Our Show was not as large as some but did have 334 entries in the amateur and open to all divisions. In our open division, yellow informal decorative class we believe we had one of the strongest classes anyone has seen for a long time. Ten entire in the single bloom class and 7 in the 3 bloom class, and the worst bloom of the 31 was good enough to win first in most shows we saw.

In the commercial division the combined display of the Roxbury and Dickens Dahlia Gardens was easily the best display we saw anywhere this year. It was approximately fifty feet frontage. The Portage Lakes Dahlia Gardens with their twenty foot display also showed fine bloom and good arrangement. Kenngott Glad Gardens and Davis Flower Gardens each put on a non-competitive gladiolus display which was very good. The former was a well arranged display of baskets while the latter was of about 40 varieties shown mostly in one and three spike vases.

The coveted Roxbury Cup, offered for the best undissemminated, three year or older (large type) variety went to *Miss Parkersburg*, shown by W. E. Smith of Parkersburg, W. Va. This was a massive autumn color informal, and was good enough in the open for all divisions to beat the most outstanding bloom of *Jane*

*Cowl* we have ever seen. Each about 12 inches across and about the same color.

The winners in other seedling classes were as follows:

First year seedling, any color or type, Dickens Dahlia Gardens, with pink formal.

Second year seedling, any color or type, J. T. Morgan, Jr., with red cactus.

Third year informal, Mr. Smith, with *Miss Parkersburg*.

Third year semi-cactus, John Zazo, yellow speckled red.

Third year formal, Harold Shannabrook, yellow no. 110.

Third year, rec., inc., or str. cactus, Franks Dahlia Gardens, autumn no. 601.

Third year ball, Roxbury Dahlia Gardens, with *Mauve Beauty*.

Third year min., Lasch Flower Gardens, with buff similar in form to *Fairy*.

Third year pom-pom, H. H. Robens with yellow labeled *M.R.*

In the open to all division, the sweepstakes (most points) and the award of the President's cup, went to John Zazo, 102 points to 36 for his closest rival. In the amateur division, the sweepstakes and the Vice-President's cup, went to C. W. Foster, one of our out of town members, 27 points to 10. (Three tied for second.) The champion bloom of the Show, and the cup offered by The Akron Dahlia Society went to our President, Harold Shanabrook on his showing of his specialty, *American Legion*. This was the best of those 31 yellow blooms we have already raved about. A special award of a one year subscription to The Flower Grower, was made to Mr. S. M. Grant for the best vase or bowl of miniature or pompoms in the amateur division.

In conclusion, we have had a most successful year in obtaining new members, in our entertainment program, our show was good, we came through in pretty good shape financially; we therefore feel justified in saying that we have had a good year—and yet we hope for, yes might even say that we are even predicting a better year in 1938.

L. R. Davis, Chairman.

### Michigan Men's Dahlia Club

The Men's Dahlia Club sponsored by a group of Michigan Dahlia Society enthusiasts organized on November 5th at Detroit.

We are advised this is a strictly informal club for men only, who are afflicted with 'Dahliamania' and grow Dahlias as a hobby, who will get together now and then, to swap yarns and ideas about Dahlias and how to grow them.

Lynn B. Dudley had hoped to be among those present to inaugurate this promising group, but due to pressure of business in New York was unable to attend.

We look forward to learning of progressive results from these get-togethers, and the A. D. S. extends best wishes as well as hearty congratulations.



# Mid-Winter Dahlia Get-Together Dinner

What promises to be one of the most interesting and instructive out of season get-togethers is now being planned by the Committee under the chairmanship of H. Dewey Mohr.

Saturday, January 22nd, is the date; sponsored by the A. D. S., place to be announced later.

The dinner (price as nominal as possible) will precede a program which bristles with interest. Speeches will be brief! A showing of motion pictures in color will feature the Connecticut State College campus and grounds, intimately depicting the official A. D. S. Trial Grounds and the newly inaugurated Test and Timing Field. Professor Roland H. Patch will be with us and explain some of the details relating to the 1937 gardens.

An additional treat will be the showing of the pictures taken abroad by Mrs. Charles H. Stout during her recent sojourn. Mrs. Stout is ever alert to advance the cause of the Dahlia and we know these pictures will be brimful of interest.

Our well known amateur exhibitor, Anton Swoboda will provide his color films of Dahlias to be introduced in 1938—a splendid method of getting a comprehensive line on what we may expect to grow next season.

Two projectors will be in use so there will be little delay in changing films. Approximately 1500 feet of film in all will be shown.

But this is still but a part of what this interesting evening will hold in store for us.

Perhaps the most menacing pest to Dahlias is the corn borer or as we term it, "second generation borer" which again this season ruined more than half of all the exhibition blooms being prepared for eastern Shows.

Dr. C. H. Batchelder, associate entomologist of the Department of Plant Quarantine, Department of Agriculture, stationed at New Haven, Connecticut, has made extensive studies of this pest and methods of control. Dr. Batchelder will be present to tell us of his findings, and he is undoubtedly the foremost authority on this all important subject.

It is suggested that you write H. Dewey Mohr at 38 Vincent Place, Rockville Center, New York, for reservations. The A. D. S. believes this will be one of the finest Dahlia "parties" ever attempted and would like to have every society and group represented with us that night. Plan now to attend.

## The Dahlia Society of New England

One of the best Shows ever held in Boston, Massachusetts, was staged by the Dahlia Society of New England. The principal awards were:

The Dahlia Society of New England Gold Medal for the Supreme Exhibit, won by Rialside Dahlia Gardens.

The Dahlia Society of New England Silver Medal for first prize in class #47, Rialside Dahlia Gardens.

The Dahlia Society of New England Bronze Medal for second prize in class #47, North Shore Dahlia Gardens.

The Dahlia Society of New England Silver Medal for first prize in class #48, Success Dahlia Gardens.

The American Home Achievement Medal in bronze for the most worthy undisseeded Dahlia, Rialside Dahlia Gardens. (*Rialside King*, pink and yellow base, 11 inches.)

The American Dahlia Society Bronze Medal for the winner in class #71, Rialside Dahlia Gardens.

The Dahlia Society of New England presented the Bronze Medal as a special prize to F. P. Webber of Newport, R. I., for his display of foreign Dahlias.

*Cecil T. Morrill, Secretary.*

## Rockville Centre Dahlia Show

More than fifty persons entered three hundred exhibits in the Annual Dahlia Show held at Southside High School, Rockville Centre, L. I., September 8th, under the sponsorship of the Board of Education.

Dr. Bruce B. Preas annexed another sweepstakes award as a result of winning first place in the open classes.

Amateur sweepstakes went to John R. Nichols of Freeport.

The outstanding display was entered by Gordon F. Waaser on behalf of the American Dahlia Society. His display consisted of Dahlias of all types and sizes, covering about forty lineal feet of floor space.

The achievement medal was won by Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens whose *Sunrays* was adjudged the "most sensational bloom." This undisseeded Dahlia was of golden buff color, twelve inches in diameter.

In a non-competitive class there was a flower exhibit arranged by Miss Mary L. Donnelly for the local Garden Club. Mrs. Charles F. Whitlock, President of the Freeport Garden Club won the award for shadow boxes, while Mrs. Clifford F. Barnum, of Rockville Centre, won first in the miniature exhibit.

# The American DAHLIA SOCIETY, Inc.

ORGANIZED MAY 10, 1915



"The Society is formed for the purpose of stimulating interest in and promoting the culture and development of the Dahlia; to establish a standard nomenclature; to test out new varieties and give them such recognition as they deserve; to study the diseases of the dahlia and find remedies for same, and to disseminate information relating to this flower; to secure uniformity in awarding prizes at flower shows, and to give exhibitions when deemed advisable."

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## Editorial

The American Dahlia Society is to be congratulated for its good judgment in re-electing Lynn B. Dudley President for the year 1938.

Following the very excellent regime of Ex-president, George W. Fraser, Mr. Dudley has conducted the Society's affairs with enthusiasm and confidence. He has received the loyal coöperation of his fellow officers and committees largely because he placed the responsibility with them. The Society, ever broadening in its scope, marches on.

The quality of blooms exhibited at Shows throughout the east was above the average of several years past. Keener competition results in increasing care in the culture of Dahlias and large numbers of fine specimens found their way to the exhibition tables.

Nature too was kind to these growers—weather conditions throughout the season was conducive to good

growing. While there was a hot dry spell in August, rain fell just in time.

A serious menace is the so-called second-generation borer. This pest descended with much devastation upon some of the finest gardens, diligence in fighting it saved these magnificent Dahlia plantings from complete ruin.

Your editor's garden located within about a mile from those of Dr. Bruce Preas, E. E. Tooker and Dewey Mohr, seemed to have an almost negligible infestation. And for a time it appeared that the method used for control was proving helpful. However, this same spraying formula was employed elsewhere and the results were not as good.

We hope to be able to publish in the near future an informative article by a noted entomologist which will undoubtedly inspire us to fight this most unwanted pest.

The interesting innovation in judging seedlings inaugurated by chairman Conrad Frey was tried and found not wanting.

Thirteen judges, capable Dahliaists, amateur and commercial alike, scored their choice individually on written ballots. In each of the classes—both for the Derrill Hart Memorial Medal and the American Home Achievement Medal the judges were called upon to examine a large group of promising seedlings which did appear more worthy as a group than has been witnessed for several years. The winner in each class received an overwhelming vote. Mr. Frey continues to receive hearty congratulations, justly deserved.

Several prominent garden clubs report that there is a desire on the part of the men for fewer classes in arrangements and more stress on Horticultural perfection, specimen bloom Dahlias. Let us know your reaction. It may be possible to stir up sufficient interest to crystallize opinion on this matter. Your editor stands ready to offer full coöperation.

We miss very much the familiar "Olde Timers" Column, which is omitted in this issue due to the illness of George W. Fraser. We are happy to report that Mr. Fraser is well along on the road to recovery and will undoubtedly be able to prepare a fine story for our next BULLETIN.

# Dahlia Forum and Exchange

If there's something you would like to know—  
or some cultural or historic lore you would like  
to pass along—or if you have the itch to write  
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## EXCESS OF LIME IN SOIL

Questions by Mr. D. C. Park, 401 Euclid Avenue,  
Greenwood, Indiana:

1. *What should be done for a soil that contains an excess of lime with high supplies of available phosphorus and potash?*

2. *How high should a cover crop of rye be allowed to grow before turning under in the spring?*

Soil conditions described by Mr. Parks are very unfavorable to Dahlias and it is doubtful if a good crop could be grown in such a soil. If the plot is small the condition could be corrected by adding new soil of known acid content. In a large plot this would be impractical and fertilizer would be the only method of corrections. Sulphate of ammonia would help. The amount to apply could only be ascertained by experiment. We should use this in the spring when the ground is worked for planting.

Rye may be turned under with benefit at any stage of growth. However, the method of turning must govern this to a great extent. If hand methods are to be used it will be difficult to work if more than a foot high. It is then in a soft stage of growth and will quickly disintegrate into the soil. If it is to be plowed a good plowman can easily turn it under at most any stage of growth. A chain should be dragged ahead of the mouldboard to first lay it over.

C. Louis Alling.

*Question: from (Rev.) W. H. Lewis, 1331 Miligan Street, Newberry, South Carolina: When Dahlias are grown in very rich soil, disbudded, and the blooms cut as they are ready and the bushes kept-growing and blooming till killed by frost, will the roots be good for planting the next year?*

Will Dahlia plants ordinarily make as good roots as those grown from roots?

I am growing a few Dahlias, and I read the A. D. S. BULLETIN. I will appreciate a reply from you either directly or through the BULLETIN.

Answer:

It is always pleasant to hear from the members of the clergy—so many of whom are Dahlia enthusiasts.

Responding to your questions:

If not over-fertilized, your plants should produce strong roots which, wintered carefully should be perfectly satisfactory for planting next season.

Dahlia plants set out six inches deep produce good clumps of roots. Although in some instances not quite as large as from roots.

## New Variety Registrations

Application has been made with customary fee of \$1.00 to register the following names. If no prior rights exist and there is no valid objection within a reasonable length of time registration will be considered made.

**GOLDEN CONQUEST.** Peony type. Lemon yellow with reverse striped crimson. By Charles D. Leonard, 753 Waltham Street, Lexington, Massachusetts.

**PINK ELEGANCE.** Semi-cactus. Pink. **LITTLE BING.** Miniature red. By Indianapolis Dahlia Gardens, 6300 South Meridian Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

**TECUMSEH.** Ball, red. **COMETEER.** Cactus. Golden buff. By Golden Rule Dahlia Farms, Harley T. Peck & Sons, Lebanon, Ohio.

**ONE-GRAND.** Semi-cactus. Bright canary yellow. **TOPS.** Miniature formal decorative. Spinel pink with yellow center. By Stephenson Dahlia Gardens, 2318 Hill Street, Santa Monica, California.

**AUTUMN MIST.** Formal decorative. Oyster white with bright purple lines. **RED SUNSET.** Informal decorative. Bright Chinese scarlet. By H. H. Robens, 41 Hall Avenue, Chagrin Falls, Ohio.

**MILDRED POTE.** Informal decorative. Phlox pink. **BOBBY CARROLL.** Formal decorative. Red with yellow reverse making bittersweet effect. By Frederick E. Dixon, Derring-Do, Scotch Plains, New Jersey.

**SALMON ORANGE.** Ball. By Elsie and Mary Williams, Connorsville, Indiana.

**MAX SCHLING.** Informal decorative. Velvet maroon. **BALTIMORE BELLE.** Semi-cactus. Glowing purple red. By Albert Parrella, 3380 Ely Avenue, New York City.

Leonard Barron's story of the 1938 Dahlias is now appearing in the current issue of *Flower Grower*—a timely tip to Dahlia fans everywhere!



## The Dahlia Society of California

The twenty-third annual show of The Dahlia Society of California was once again held in the beautiful gold ball room of the Palace Hotel in San Francisco on Friday and Saturday, August 27 and 28, 1937. Opinion marked this show as the most beautiful one ever held.

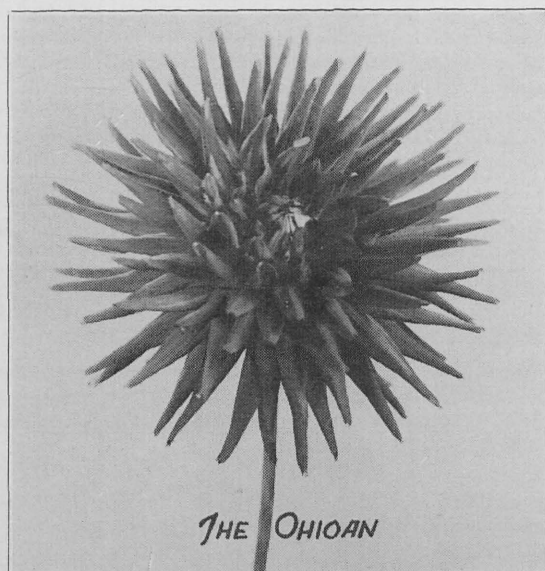
The outstanding awards were won by Frank Pelicano with the most meritorious exhibit, and the award of The American Home Achievement Medal with *Virginia Pelicano*, a white informal decorative; Curtis Redfern with the most artistic display; Ballay Dahlia Garden with the best collection of decorative Dahlias, best collection of California Dahlias, and the best 12 blooms of one variety; Star Dahlia Garden with the best collection of formal; best collection of semi-cactus, best collection of cactus, the best collection of ball Dahlias and the best 15 blooms of one variety; and yours truly with the display of collarette and miniature Dahlias.

Frank Pelicano won the most artistic display of pompon Dahlias with *Arthur* and *Yellow Gem*, the best flower in the show with *Virginia Pelicano* the same

variety that won the Achievement Medal, the best receptacle of large and small varieties combined with *Alec Craig* and *Little Dove*, and the best receptacle of Dahlias with a new type and variety *Zinnia*.

Curtis Redfern's display won the most artistic display with four large arrangements and two small ones using *Angelo Rossi*, *Snow Queen*, *Mary Elizabeth Redfern*, *Shekinah* and *Burgundy*. He also won the best receptacle of small types mixed with *Engelhardt's Liebling* and *Helen Anita*, best receptacle of Dahlias in yellows and gold with *Angelo Rossi* and *Golden Age*, in pink and lavender with *Mary Elizabeth Redfern*, *Shekinah*, *Burgundy*, *Miss Vivian* and *Engelhardt's Liebling*, in white with *Snow Queen*, *Joe Fette*, *Mrs. Charles G. Reed*, *Mrs. F. W. Bradley*, *Samaritan*, *Polaris*, and *Little Snow Queen*, and the best bloom of a Dahlia originated in California with *El Rubio*, a dark red semi-cactus of his own.

"The Giants of the Show Room" were again much in evidence at Mr. Ballay's display. He won the best 12 California Dahlias with *California Idol*, *California Rose*, *Azura*, *Satan*, *Leland Stanford*, *E. R. Fantasy*, *Palo*



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The Star Dahlia Gardens' display won best collection of Decorative Dahlias with *Kaweah, Jane Cowl, Cameo, Kathleen Norris, Betty Colter, H. R. S., King Alfred, Frank Serpa, Daily Mail, Angelo Rossi and Flamingo*; best collection of semi-cactus Dahlias with *Emily Duncan, Ambassador, Satan, Golden Standard, Miss Glory, Fair Elaine, Pink Ambassador, Galaxy, Amelia Earhart, and La Reina de Los Angeles*; best collection of incurved and/or straight cactus Dahlias with *Mrs. Tetterington, Valiant, Thomas Want, Mrs. E. Bradley, F. W. Fellows and Kathleen V. Smith*; best collection of ball Dahlias with *Yuban, Big Ben, Zelda, Esmond and Jane Shore*; best 15 blooms of one variety with *Alec Craig*; best new miniature with a red formal decorative; smallest pompon in the Show with *Tom Thumb*, and the best 25 blooms of one variety with *Conquistador*. Mr. McWhirter's exhibit was also judged the best kept exhibit at the show.

Alice Meussdorffer won the best receptacle of Dahlias in red and the best 1936 Dahlia with a pink formal decorative.

Lloyd B. Sayers won best receptacle of pompon Dahlias with *Anna Van Schwerin* and best new pompon Dahlia an amber orange one a seedling of Noel Fredericks of Pomona.

Glenn T. Mack won best collection of Collarette Dahlias with *Rubicon, El Toro, Frank Harris, Garcon, Rag Carpet and Jim*; best collection of pompon Dahlias with *Yellow Gem, Edward, Frankie, Bantam, Darkest of All, Little Beeswing, Helen Anita, Joe Fette and Mary Munns*; best collection of miniature Dahlias with *Elizabeth Pape, Ritzy, Little Snow Queen, Aberdeen, Biggy Boy and Corky*; best receptacle of miniature Dahlias with *Elizabeth Pape and Ritzy*; most artistic arrangement of miniature Dahlias with *Crimson Flag, Aberdeen, Trojan, Hotcha, and Indian*; and the best arrangement of Dahlias—Japanese Style with the red pompoms *Bantam, Dixie and Edward*.

Albert Harris an outstanding advanced amateur won in his section the best general display. He also won best three formal decoratives with *Wenoka, Cameo and Salbach's White*; best six informal decoratives with *Zamorra, Frank Serpa, Kathleen Norris, Mary Elizabeth Redfern, King Alfred and Angeleo Rossi*; best four incurved and/or straight cactus with *Thomas Want, Valiant, Mrs. Bradley and Mrs. Tetterington*; best four ball Dahlias with *Esmond, Snow Queen, Mrs. C. D. Anderson and Orb*; best receptacle of decorative Dahlias with *Thomas Edison and Anna Benidict*; best

receptacle of cactus Dahlias with *Thomas Want* and Mrs. Tetterington; and best receptacle of semi-cactus Dahlias with *Conquistador*.

Lester G. Glasson won the most artistic display for an advanced amateur; best three semi-cactus Dahlias with *Miss Glory, Satan and Conquistador*; best six California Dahlias with *Satan, Conquistador, Charles G. Reed, California Rose, Angelo Rossi and Frank Serpa*; best six pompon Dahlias with *Glow, Helen Anita, Donald Gordon, Yellow Gem, Darkest of All and Little Beeswing*; best three varieties of Collarette Dahlias with *El Toro, Rubicon and Gypsy*; best three large Dahlias of one variety with *Golden Standard*; best receptacle of pompoms with *Taka's Purple, Helen Anita and Rosea*; most artistic arrangement of miniature Dahlias with *Elizabeth Pape*; most artistic arrangement of Collarette Dahlias with *El Toro, Brick, Gypsy, Garcon and Jim*; and best bloom of a Dahlia originated outside of California with *Daily Mail*.

Dan England won the most artistic arrangement of Dahlias any type or types with the pompon Dahlias

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## Dahlia Society of California—

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*Beebe* and *Anna Van Schwerin*; and the most artistic arrangement of pompon Dahlias with *Joe Fette*, *Edward* and *Dixie*.

Mrs. R. D. McAuliffe won the best three miniature Dahlias with *Aberdeen*, *Elizabeth Pape* and *Little Jewel*.

In the amateur section the major awards were won by Mrs. W. Rippas, she also winning the best general display. She won the best two informal decoratives with *Frank Serpa* and *Monmouth Champion*; best two semi-cactus with *Satan* and *Conquistador*; best two ball Dahlias with *Yuban* and *Snow Queen*; best three Dahlias one variety with *Daily Mail*; best three California Dahlias with *Satan*, *Caprice* and *Frank Serpa*; best receptacle of large Dahlias with *Snow Queen* and *Alec Craig*; and the best Dahlia exhibited by an amateur with *Daily Mail*.

Mrs. Clara Lucy our capable chairman of the prize committee was successful in winning the most artistic display in the amateur section. She also won the best two cactus Dahlias with *Ambassador* and *Lemonia*; and the most artistic arrangement of miniature Dahlias with *Little Jewel* and *Coronne*.

The largest flower in the show was exhibited by Tom Johns, a marvelous specimen of his own origination *James Otis*.

The best three collarettes in the amateur section was won by Al. A. Smith with *El Touro*, *La Golandrina* and *Jim*.

The best two formal decoratives was won by A. C. Bennett with *Cameo* and *Faith Garibaldi*.

The most artistic arrangement of large flowered Dahlias was won by E. H. Magnuson with *California*

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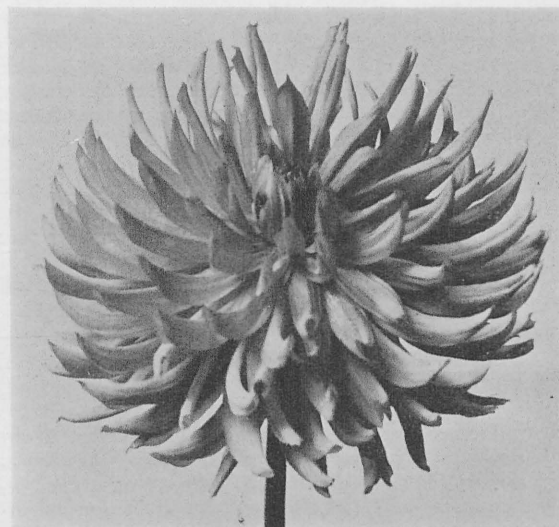
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The best four varieties of pompon was won by Mrs. C. Miller with *Yellow Gem*, *Bantam*, *Frankie*, and *Goldilocks*. She also won the best basket of pompons with *Glow* and the most artistic arrangement of pompons with *Anna Van Schwerin*.

Mrs. C. M. Kurtz's display of miniature Dahlias was given much attention, she featuring *Baby Royal* and *Ritz*.

In the beginners section the sweepstakes was won by J. L. Gaylord with Mr. C. Trumpy running a close second. Other exhibitors in this section were Fred M. Gerlach, E. W. Northon and Carl Landi.

In making this report an effort has been made to mention the names of flowers shown rather than individuals.

Glenn T. Mack, Secretary.

### Inglewood Dahlia and Floral Society Show

Our Sixth Annual Flower Show was held August 27th and 28th. We have been told not only that it was the finest which we have yet held, but that it was one of the most beautiful from end to end ever held in Southern California, which makes the Society very proud. Our one regret is that among the entries in the special class created for the American Dahlia Society Medal, to wit: best three-year undisseminated seedling, the judges stated they found none of sufficient merit to warrant the award. We expect a larger number of entries competing in this class next year, stimulated by the expectancy of this award.

Among the commercial growers exhibiting, Stephenson's Dahlia Gardens of Santa Monica, won the sweep-



stakes trophy awarded by the Inglewood Junior Chamber of Commerce with Joseph Pfluger & Son of the Rainbow Dahlia Farm, Inglewood, the runner-up, followed by M. D. Cox of Inglewood, Richard W. Petrie of Gardena and J. F. Cordes of Santa Monica.

Stephenson's large white basket arrangement of *American Purity*, *Ballego's Surprise* and *Joe Fette* was a blue ribbon winner. Their lavender basket of *Dresden*, *Miss Ohio* and *Orchid Lady* also won a first, as did their magnificent basket of autumn shades, consisting of *Strongheart*, *Angela Rossi*, *Daily Mail* and *Palo Alto*. *Shirley Temple*, *Don Juan*, *Glamour* and little *Twinkle* also were in the blue.

Among Mr. Pfluger's winners were his famous *La Reina de Los Angeles*, *Irene Anderson*, *Mrs. King*, *City of Inglewood*. Mr. Cox featured the old favorite, *Jane Cowl*, as well as *La Reina de Los Angeles*. Mr. Petrie featured his introductions for 1938, *Gracie Allen* and *George Burns*, and this year's introductions, *Frances B. Law*, *Yellow Marvel* and *Fred A. Fortine*. Mr. Cordes featured *Bette Davis* and *Grace Moore*.

In addition, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vernon, Inglewood Dahlia enthusiasts now operating the Redondo Floral Company in Los Angeles, arranged a beautiful complimentary entry in the form of a wedding altar with all white flowers featuring *Vernon's Snowball*.

This Society has a large advanced amateur following whose displays almost equal the magnificence of the commercial growers. In the exhibition of Mr. N. T. Johnson, who won sweepstakes in this division, were found the most perfect Dahlia in the Show, to wit, a

spotless bloom of *Mrs. Herbert O'Connor*, and the largest Dahlia in the Show, *Robert I. Ripley*. He was also awarded a blue ribbon for the best collection of Dahlias originating in California consisting of *California Idol*, *Miss Glory*, *Yellow Marvel*, *Angeli Rossi*, *King Alfred* and *Leland Stanford*. His best collection of miniatures was composed of *Forest Fire, Jr.*, *Little Snow Queen*, *Beechland's Gem* and *Joan*. *Vlammenspel* won as the best basket of foreign Dahlias. His other winners included *Scarlet Elegance*, *Dulcinea*, *Baerne*, *Corallina* and *Yellow Colossal*.

The very close competitor of Mr. Johnson was Mr. Sterling Tompkins, President of this Society. Mr. Tompkins is more of a specialist in smaller Dahlias in contrast to the huge flowers exhibited by Mr. Johnson. His blue ribbon flowers included *Chancellor*, *Pleasure*, *Twinkle*, *Yellow Butterfly*, *Osty*, *Anna von Schwerin*, *Burwood*, *Neville's Pink*, *Orchid Lady*, *Petie Conway*, *Beatrice von Valkenburg*, *Honey*, *Little Sunshine* and *Pink Ball*.

The Show was unfortunate enough to fall during one of the hottest weeks of the year and thus the flowers were given an endurance test. *Dresden* evidenced remarkable keeping qualities; and a three-year-old sparkling red semi-cactus seedling of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Jefferson, advanced amateur growers of Inglewood, which drew much comment from the judges because of the perfection of its blooms, became the sensation of the Show for its stamina.

We also have a lively Class C amateur group in the

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## Inglewood Show—Cont. from page 41

Society. In this division Mrs. Thomas Sleva of Inglewood won the cup presented by the Rainbow Dahlia Farm by a short margin over Messrs. Hughes and West of Inglewood.

Other sections of the Show were devoted to potted plants, cut flowers of other varieties, and flower arrangements, but as expected, the Dahlia was King without a close competitor.

We hope some of these paragraphs may be of interest to our associates in other regions as well as to yourself. Should you desire any other data, a request to the Society in care of its secretary, Mrs. Augusta K. Williams, 4239 West Century Boulevard, Inglewood, will elicit a prompt reply. Any suggestions of new ideas for stimulating interest in meetings will be welcome.

### Special Award

The Inglewood Dahlia and Floral Society is proud to report a posthumous honor accorded to its Sixth Annual Flower Show. Show manager Stanley Spaulding, as an Inglewood delegate to the State of California Junior Chamber of Commerce convention held at Santa Barbara September 24th-26th, presented the story of the Show in competition for the bronze trophy offered by Pasadena for the best undertaking in civic beautification. And Inglewoods' entry was adjudged the finest and the trophy was presented to Mr. Clifford Kreutz, President of the Inglewood Junior Chamber of Commerce, during a nation-wide radio broadcast. The Society feels that no finer recognition of its efforts could have been made.

Augusta K. Williams, Secretary.

## I VISITED THE INGLEWOOD MEETING

By Richard W. Petrie

I had a most enjoyable time visiting the Inglewood, California, Dahlia Society meeting. This is a very active group, and I want to tell you how they conducted their meeting.

One of the members and his wife gave the use of their home for the evening and the discussion was on the results of the recent show. They very profusely thanked all who had helped them make their show, and then the talk drifted more or less informally to Dahlias and kindred subjects.

Later in the evening, they raffled some plants (tickets 19 cents), tuberous rooted begonias in bloom, gloxinias as well as fuchias which had been donated by members.

The proceeds defrayed the cost of refreshments, and what fine refreshments they were. The ladies had baked cakes and there was an abundance of ice cream, coffee and punch.

The Inglewood Society Show was held in August and practically all the premiums were just ribbons. There were a few cups for sweepstakes winners and the show was held in the boys' gymnasium of the High School. It was backed by the Inglewood Junior Chamber of Commerce, a small show but a very nice one.

This is my idea of giving a show, competing for rib-

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bons. I think that the true Dahlia lover will show for ribbons and this eliminates a lot of contention and ill feeling, also possibly baseless charges which crop up when there are prizes or premiums of value offered.

### "DO YOU REMEMBER?"

*(Being some reminiscences of not the oldest Dahlia Grower)*

### Collarette Dahlias

By Glen T. Mack

The revived interest in collarette Dahlias shown by the growers should be very gratifying to florists and the growers of Dahlias for their own home use.

There is no flower that lends better to arrangements than collarettes.

Growers and especially those in California have developed a strain that have straight wiry stems, each flower held upright with its petals oval in shape and that do not droop.

As a cut flower for florists use they are easy to handle and if picked when the pollen is just starting to form on the outer edge of the center will keep for at least five days.

The Dahlia in its true form is a very regular flower and the collarette is the most formal of all. They should have eight petals with the petaloids one-third the length of the petals and three to each petal. The newer varieties have long stiff stems that hold the flower erect.

I am sure that if you wish to win at your local shows all you must do is grow some of the new collarettes. Water them every other day and disbud for large perfect blooms.

Do you remember when you saw, way back about 1920, your first blooms of *Mrs. I. de Ver Warner* and *Judge Marcan*? About that time the grand ladies of California, Bessie Boston and Jessie Seal, were publishing annually their catalogues with color pictures of Dahlias that have never since been surpassed in beauty. Mr. Waite at that time was coming out with *Jersey's Beauty* at \$15 or \$25 a root, and worth it all, as events have shown. Even in those days Charles Reed had big ideas in the line of Dahlias. At the Dahlia Show of the Cincinnati Garden Club, Mrs. Taft displayed some blooms of *Daddy Butler* that fairly took one's breath. And a few years later we all got a thrill when our first *Jane Cowel* and *Kathleen Norris* bloomed.

In those days in certain sections, it was considered unethical, to say the least, to propagate Dahlias by any method but root division, and many old timers will remember that guilty feeling they had if someone caught them propagating by cuttings.

And the trouble we had with stunts in those days. Doubtless other old growers in the mid west will recollect that we then had much more trouble of this kind than we do now.

If I remember correctly the A. D. S. had just been organized about 1920 with Richard Vincent, Jr., as president and James Duthie wrote me a letter saying that if I wanted to take advantage of the Dahlia fad, I'd

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### Do You Remember?—Cont. from p. 43

better get going right away. This idea was quite prevalent then.

I can dig up other outstanding and pleasant memories of the past history of Dahlias, and others more worthy of the name of veteran could do much more than I. One fact, however, having relation to the present stands out in my mind. The Dahlia varieties of today are without doubt better in vigor, stem and keeping qualities than the ones introduced fifteen to twenty years ago. We have made progress of the best kind. The A. D. S. and associated Dahlia Societies are to be congratulated on the fostering of this real and lasting improvement of the Dahlias, as great improvement as could be hoped for in that time.

How much the veteran Dahlia growers of the A. D. S. and California and other Dahlia centers have done! Their work is responsible for the present position of the Dahlia in public esteem. I remember the words of our beloved Derrill Hart: "I believe that the Rose and the Dahlia are the two most important garden flowers of the present."

The Dahlia of 1937 has come a long way and accomplished much since 1920. It has a long way to go and will accomplish much more in seasons to come. With all this in mind, how can we fail to have confidence in the Dahlias of the present and the future.

Harley T. Peck.

### Hagerstown Dahlia Show

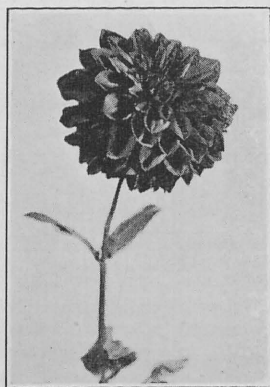
The Ninth Annual Dahlia and Flower Show staged by the Hagerstown Dahlia Society September 23rd and 24th came to a close with a new high record for entries and attendance. The Show was considered the best and largest in the history of the Society, not only by its members, but words of praise were spoken by scores of people of the general public. In spite of the adverse Dahlia season, the blooms were about the best ever exhibited in any of our Shows.

*Hunt's Velvet Wonder* with a bloom 12½ inches by 9½ inches deep, the largest Dahlia in the Show, exhibited by Mrs. Raymond Shifler, Route 1, Keedysville, Maryland. *Dean Anderson*, a truly wonderful Dahlia, was the best Dahlia in the Show, exhibited by the Success Dahlia Gardens, York, Pennsylvania. In the Gladioli class, *Picardy* carried off all honors as the best Gladioli in the Show. These were exhibited by Miss Mamie Long, Downsville, Maryland.

There were some fine specimens of seedling Dahlias shown, grown from seed distributed by the Hagerstown Dahlia Society to its members.

Professor J. B. S. Norton from University of Maryland; Mr. Henry J. Betz, a Dahliaist from Stemmers Run, Maryland, and Miss Mary Bester of Hagerstown, Maryland, were the judges of the Show. Mr. Walter S. Gibney was Show superintendent.

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## Dahlia Society of Kentucky

After the poorest growing season in ten years in this section, the Dahlia Society of Kentucky opened its doors to the public at 2:00 P. M. on Saturday, September 25th, and displayed the most beautiful Show in its history. Show Chairman L. B. Whitman and his committee, were agreeably surprised by the quantity of the blooms and the quality, neither of which was lacking.

In addition to the usual sections we added a school garden class, and a basket class for commercial growers. Both of these were very successful. The award for the commercial basket was given to Sparks Dahlia Gardens at Columbus, Indiana, on a display of fifteen blooms of *California Idol*. Second award went to Castlewood Dahlia Gardens of Louisville, Kentucky, on fifteen blooms of *Lord of Autumn*, and third award went to Castlewood Dahlia Gardens on fifteen blooms of *Hunt's Velvet Wonder*. There was also a meritorious entry from Golden Rule Dahlia Gardens of Lebanon, Ohio, fifteen blooms of *Queen City*.

The novice section sweepstakes prize was won by J. W. Pilkenton, Jr., of Louisville, Kentucky.

Small amateur sweepstakes cup was won by J. W. Pilkenton, Sr., Louisville. Large amateur sweepstakes cup went to George Gill of Louisville, Kentucky. Commercial growers sweepstakes cup went to Charles Fieldhouse, Louisville, who also was awarded the American Dahlia Society Medal for grand sweepstakes award.

The following medals were given:

Silver medal of the Dahlia Society of Kentucky. Small amateur, Al. Hirsche, Corydon, Indiana, three blooms *Carl Bonawitz*. Large amateur, Walter Dietz, Louisville, Kentucky, three blooms *Robert Ripley*. Open to all, Sparks Dahlia Gardens, three blooms of *Bette Davis*. Best three blooms in the entire Show went to Mr. Al. Hirsche on his three blooms of *Carl Bonawitz*. Best display of 25 blooms went to Charles Fieldhouse. The award was the silver medal of the Dahlia Society of Kentucky.

Ohio Valley silver medal for best basket of 12 blooms was awarded to Sparks Dahlia Gardens.

The American Home Achievement Medal was awarded to three blooms of *Pink Elegance*, grown and displayed by Sparks Dahlia Gardens. The blooms were of pink semi-cactus formation, the best seedling shown in Louisville for several years.

Best six blooms in the Show, a silver cup, awarded to Charles Fieldhouse of Louisville, Kentucky, on six blooms of *Milton J. Cross*. President's cup, for the prettiest Dahlia in the Show, was awarded to Appel-Whitman on one bloom, *G. D. Korte*.

Silver cup for the biggest and best bloom in the Show went to Charles Fieldhouse on one bloom of *Milton J. Cross*.

Attendance was the largest in the history of our Show. Good will and keen sportsmanship was the keynote of the day.

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## STEPHENSON DAHLIA GARDENS

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### Kentucky Show—Cont. from page 45

The Dahlia Society of Kentucky wishes to thank the Dahlia Society of Indiana for sending to us such excellent judges as Mr. Hemphill and Mr. Martland of Indianapolis and Mr. Raymond Sparks. We also want to thank Mr. Whitman and Mr. Weist of Maderia, Ohio, who served us very ably as judges. These men are also members of our Society.

The Dahlia Society of Kentucky believes in helping a good thing along. Immediately after our Show was over the Kentuckiana Woman's Institute, an annual home show at the Jefferson County Armory in Louisville, requested us to put on a second Dahlia Show. We accepted the opportunity.

While the Show did not make any awards to the individual, it offered an opportunity to show to the people of southern Indiana and Kentucky the Dahlia at its best. This was quite a feat because it required a Dahlia Show not for one or two days, but for almost an entire week, running from Sunday through Thursday. Nature favored us with some fine weather and the Dahlias were there in all their glory, from the huge blooms of *Cross* and *California Idol* down to the tiniest poms and miniatures. Under the fine leadership of our President, W. H. Swift, the Dahlia Society of Kentucky has gone ahead this year in a big way, and we feel sure that anything we undertake for the glorification of our "King of the Autumn Flower" will be successful.

At the annual meeting of the Dahlia Society of Kentucky, held on Tuesday, October 19th, at the Kentucky Hotel, the following officers were elected for the coming year: Mr. George Gill, President; Mr. Carlisle Hays, Vice-President. George J. Appel and Ed. Miller were re-elected secretary and treasurer respectively.

Mr. George Gill has been an active member of the Society for the past four or five years and under his leadership the Society should continue the good work that was begun by our retiring President, W. H. Swift, and go on to bigger and better Shows.

G. J. Appel, Secretary.

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This beautiful rich yellow informal decorative Dahlia can serve two purposes—for large Show bloom or grow natural for hedging or mass effect. Healthy foliage, 4 feet bush—ready branching makes it a riot of color for massing. As a cut flower it is my best keeper. With a SSE score at Storrs, Conn., in 1937 is a fair score for exhibition, but my growing this number since 1931 makes me think it will score for massing and color effect higher than any Dahlia I know of. Limited on roots.

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#### Our 1937 Introduction—KILGORE'S KING

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### Indianapolis Dahlia Society Show

The Indianapolis Dahlia Society held its Second Annual Dahlia Show and Fall Flower Festival at the Brookside Community House in Indianapolis, October 2nd and 3rd. About 1,000 entries were made by several hundred exhibitors.

Miss Patricia Ayers won the Templin-Bradley sweepstakes medal in the novice class and she also won for the largest and most perfect bloom (*Lord of Autumn*) and for the most meritorious entry (*Lord of Autumn*) in this class.

In the amateur section Mr. Charles F. Meier, Greenwood, Indiana, was the sweepstakes winner and had the largest and most perfect bloom (*Robert Ripley*). Dr. W. E. Kennedy had the most meritorious entry (three blooms *Robert Ripley*).

In the Open to All the sweepstakes prize went to the Sparks Dahlia Gardens, Columbus, Indiana. Raoul H. Ayers won for the largest and most perfect bloom (*Lord of Autumn*) and Dr. A. E. White won the American Dahlia Society medal for the most meritorious entry. (Large basket of his own seedling, named *Warfleigh*.)

Sparks Dahlia Gardens won the sweepstakes in the entire Show and the President's Cup went to Mr. Raoul H. Ayers for the largest and most perfect bloom (*Lord of Autumn*) in the Show. The Ohio Valley Dahlia Association medal was awarded to Dr. A. E. White for the most meritorious entry in the entire Show (basket of *Miss Indiana*).

The American Home Achievement Medal was awarded to the Sparks Dahlia Gardens for the best three blooms undissected Dahlias. This Dahlia is a semi-cactus about the shade of *Jersey's Beauty* and is to be known as *Pink Elegance*. This seedling was grown by Mr. R. A. Wenning of the Indianapolis Dahlia Gardens. It also took the American Home Achievement Medal at the Louisville Show. The judges were Dr. W. E. Kennedy, Mr. N. R. Hemphill, Indianapolis, and Mr. Charles Erhardt, Jr., Cincinnati, Ohio.

In the garden flower section sweepstakes and most meritorious entry awards were given to Mrs. B. F. Orr. The judges for this section were Mrs. C. Hughel, Mrs. R. C. Swartz and Mr. Arthur Heidenreich.

Mrs. Rex P. Young, Secretary.

### Kansas City Dahlia Show

Our Annual Show was held in the Municipal Auditorium, Kansas City, September 24th and 25th and despite the six weeks' drought the quantity and quality of the blooms left nothing to be desired.

Judge Allen Southern, of Independence won a Jubilesta cup for best display of eight exhibition specimens: *Washington Giant*, *Jean Trimbee*, *Andrea Ericson*, *Jane Cowl*, *Hunt's Velvet Wonder*, *Mrs. Geo. Le Boutillier*, *Kathleen Norris* and *Amelia Earhart*.

Best Dahlia in the Show, *Lord of Autumn*, was awarded a silver medal for J. A. Meidinger, of St.



Joseph, while E. M. Summers won the sweepstakes cup with a total of 123 points.

Special awards were won by Judge Southern, J. A. Meidinger, E. M. Summers, Harry Kurtz, and Fred Batcher.

The Annual Dinner of the Society was held September 24th in the Heidelberg Room of the Hotel Baltimore and was attended by forty members. J. D. Lemmer, President, presided and made the principal address.

### San Mateo County Products and Floral Fiesta

Although the San Mateo Fiesta embraces all flowers and products the display of Dahlias was outstanding considering the lateness of the date for good Dahlia specimens.

The Fiesta was held in the Bay Meadows Grandstand and Clubhouse on September 23rd, 24th, 25th and 26th, and over 60,000 visitors attended.

Mr. Ballay's display won most meritorious as well as best collection of decorative Dahlias with *California Idol*, *Azura*, *Leland Stanford*, *Pacific Splendor*, *Miss Glory*, *Palo Alto*, *California Rose*, *Frank Serpa*, *Bosphorus*, *Dresden*, *Charles G. Reed* and *Drum Major*; best collection of semi-cactus Dahlias with *Satan*, *Miss*

*Glory*, *Fair Elaine*, *Sunlight*, *Achievement*, *Cadet*, *California Peach*, *Don Juan*, *Cherokee* and *Elegance*; best collection of California Dahlias with *California Idol*, *Azura*, *Satan*, *California Rose*, *California Peach*, *Eugenia Ballay*, *Achievement*, *Leland Stanford*, *Pacific Splendor*, *Cadet*, *Charles G. Reed* and *Don Juan*; best 12 blooms of a California Dahlia with the glorious *California Idol* and best 25 blooms of one variety with *Leland Stanford*. His new Dahlias for this year were shown at advantage especially the true cactus *Gala California*. Again he had on display the new giant for 1939 an informal decorative of peach shadings *San Francisco*, the most promising flower shown in the bay area this year.

Glenn T. Mack won most artistic display with his small blooms. He won best collection of pompon Dahlias with *Joe Fette*, *Bantam*, *Edward*, *Dixie*, *Goldilocks*, *Yellow Gem*, *Little Beeswing*, *Mary Munns* and *Helen Anita*; best collection of miniature Dahlias with *Ritz*, *Elizabeth Pape*, *Aberdeen*, *Miss Vivian*, *Corky* and *Little Snow Queen*; most artistic display of pompon Dahlias with a new one *Coral* and *Joe Fette*; most artistic display of miniatures with *Miss Vivian*; and the most artistic display of collarette Dahlias with *Jim*, *El Toro*, *Brick*, *Rubicon*, *Gypsy* and *Snowflake*.

The grandstand is of concrete construction, the coolness of which kept the flowers very well some of which were not replaced for the entire four days. No doubt that the San Mateo Show ranks with the largest in the world.

Glenn T. Mack.

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## INDIANAPOLIS DAHLIA GARDENS

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## Minnesota Dahlia Show

One of the finest collections ever staged by any one exhibitor at any Dahlia Show in the country was the claim made by officers and visitors alike at the Annual Show of the Minnesota Dahlia Society held last week at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota. The large collection which won this high praise was staged by Charles Schrall, superintendent of the Ford Bell estate at Lake Minnetonka. Occupying several tables, this collection included all types.

Mrs. Schrall arranged a number of baskets which were interspersed throughout. The baskets were beautifully arranged and won unstinted praise from the public.

In this collection, not for competition, were seen superb blooms of *Lord of Autumn*, an immense yellow; *Leland Stanford*, a new dark red; *Oakleigh Monarch*, vivid red, and *Frau O. Bracht*, Mrs. George Pezant and *Renate Muller* in the cactus group. A new seedling, informal type, pinkish orange, raised by Mr. Schrall and named *Beauty of Belford*, attracted much attention. Among the dozen or so baskets arranged by Mrs. Schrall was a splendid one of *Croyden Glory*, a fine yellow.

Another fine collection, which occupied one long table, was that of Ed. W. Becker, also of Lake Minnetonka. *Milton J. Cross*, *Buckeye Glory*, *Lord of Autumn* and *Discovery*, a splendid bloom purplish red in color, were some of the fine blooms shown. This exhibitor included in his group a number of well grown miniature Dahlias; every flower was marked by good form and clarity of color.

H. W. Barnes, Northholm, Wayzata, Minnesota, staged a collection which also had a number of well grown blooms of such varieties as *Arcturus*, *Eva Hunt*, a fine white; *Tower's Empire* and *C. B. Pinchot*, dark red.

Wilfrid L. Larson & Son, Minneapolis, staged some good blooms in their collection. Here were seen *Dulcinea*, *Hunt's Velvet Wonder*, *California Idol*, Mrs. George LeBoutillier, a large red, and *Petunia*. The last named won a gold medal in England last year. This exhibitor also staged several baskets of Dahlias and Picardy gladioli. Since Mr. Larson served as chairman of the show committee and fulfilled his duties well, his collection was smaller than usual.

### Collections Not in Competition

All the collections mentioned were in the open class but were not entered for competition. All were given honorable mention ribbons, an honor well deserved, as was the special note of commendation from the judges and committee attached to the collection of Charles Schrall.

The amateurs showed up well, as was evidenced by the fact that *Lord of Autumn* staged by O. E. Lyders won the grand champion prize as the best flower in the Show. This exhibitor also won the silver cup offered as the sweepstakes prize in the amateur class. William Crowley won the cup offered in the novice class. Miniatures were popular in the amateur section, where several prizes were won by C. C. Kruhm, A. C. Ronning, who won first for pompons; O. Johnston and O. E. Lyders. The amateurs showed blooms quite as large and easily as

good as those seen in open classes at many Shows. The exhibition continued for two days and was a marked success in quality, although somewhat smaller as to quantity compared to that of last year.

### Western Pennsylvania Branch Dahlia Night

At the July 22nd, 1937, meeting it was decided our society was only in the process of organization, therefore a Dahlia Show this fall would be out of the question, but we should have some kind of an exhibit. The members agreed to hold their next meeting Saturday evening, September 18th, 1937, in the Garden Center for the purpose of having a competitive exhibition, ribbons to be awarded to first, second and third best exhibits. President Jack Ripper appointed Herman Rapp Chairman, who, with the present officers, comprised the Show committee. Schedules were sent to all Dahlia growers in Western Pennsylvania asking their cooperation in staging this Dahlia night, who responded most generously. On Friday night, September 17th, old man frost played havoc on several of our most promising counties, Butler, Washington and part of Allegheny, which was heart breaking to the Show committee, but proved fortunate, for if these counties could have been represented, the Garden Center would not have been half large enough.

Twenty-five persons exhibited over five hundred blooms, the class of flowers exhibited kept the judges busy determining which was the better bloom.

Ribbons were awarded the following in the competitive classes: Mr. John Flechtinger, C. W. Luebke, R. Mortzick, William Buresch, Fleick's Dahlia Gardens, J. C. Speilman, William Ausic, William B. Rath, Walter Churn, W. J. Gowern & Son, Joseph Greiner, J. G. Barry, Joe F. Round, C. F. Nulty, J. J. Englert, Charles Haig, Rev. A. J. Stewart, N. L. Metcalf. In the Commercial classes: Ripper's Dahlia Gardens and Retzer Dahlia Gardens; in displays: Herman Rapp, Mrs. L. D. Hislop, E. F. Dunmire and C. W. Luebke. The outstanding Dahlia was *Lord of Autumn*, shown by Mrs. John Flechtinger of Greensburg.

The Show was opened to the public on Sunday, September 19, 1937, which was viewed by eleven hundred twenty-six persons according to tabulation by the Garden Center Secretaries.

At our next meeting to be held Thursday evening, November 18th, President Jack Ripper is going to appoint his standing committees, with the thought of a real Show in Pittsburgh for 1938, also a membership drive is to be launched at this meeting.

C. W. Luebke, Secretary.

### Dahlia Society of Alabama

The Dahlia Society of Alabama held its regular meeting on August 12th at the Russell Erskin Hotel in the city of Huntsville, Alabama. Twenty-five Dahlia members from Birmingham made that trip to help a local chapter, unit No. one of the Society. The credit must

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be given to Mr. J. W. Moore of that city who is third vice-president of the original unit from Birmingham.

The welcome address was given by Mr. John P. Moore and was responded to by President T. M. Floyd from BHAM. The Society had the pleasure of hearing the song "Dahlias" that was written by one of the Huntsville song writers, Mrs. Beulah N. Ware, member of the local unit. It was sung by Miss Ruth E. Pettus who is a very gifted songstress. The Society adopted this song officially. It will be published and we Alabamans will put Dahlias and Alabama on the map.

Our show chairman, Dr. H. C. Rike, wishes to extend a cordial invitation to all Dahlia lovers that are planning to visit Florida this winter, to be sure and stop at BHAM on October 13th at the Thomas Jefferson Hotel and attend the second Annual Dahlia Show of the Society. We will be waiting for you all to get acquainted with us Birminghamians. It will be bigger and better than before. The Second Annual Dahlia Show that the Society sponsors at the Alabama State Fair Park September 27th to October 2nd, has helped to put more Dahlias in many more back yards. This season the Society has reserved more space at the State Fair Park to inject the Dahlia bug into many more flower lovers to grow more and better Dahlias. We are proud to have Mr. J. W. Moore as a member and wish we might have several MOORES scattered throughout the state we would go places. Birmingham will be well represented at the Mid West Show this year, not only in person but with entries of specimen Dahlia blooms.

Edward Bialas, Secretary.



### Englewood Dahlia Society

The Thirteenth Annual Fall Flower Show was conducted by The Englewood Dahlia Society in the Liberty School, Englewood, New Jersey, on September 18th and 19th, 1937.

Our show this year was a most beautiful sight. The perfectly grown Dahlias in their various classes were fully up to the standard set by the Englewood Dahlia Society. Most all of the new varieties were shown and in the Seedling Classes there was keen competition. A new feature this year was for the best bloom of *American Purity* grown from plants purchased from the Society.

The Special Awards were as follows:

Best Dahlia in Show, *Lord of Autumn*, F. K. Kurzenknabe, Hackensack, N. J., Silver Vase by A. P. Ramella, President. American Home Achievement Medal.

Largest Dahlia in Show, *American Legion*, William Flackman, West Englewood, N. J., Silver Vase by the Englewood Dahlia Society.

Best Dahlia grown by Member, Arthur B. Reeve, Englewood, N. J. First, Silver Vase by Society. Second, Two one-month passes to the Arthur B. Reeve, Englewood, N. J., Plaza Theatre, Englewood. Third, Bronze Medal by Stumpp & Vincent Sigismondi, Teaneck, N. J. Walter Co., Englewood & New York.

Best Dahlia 1937 Seedling, C. Bradford Brown, North Bergen, N. J. Silver Medal by Henry F. Michell Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

Best Undisseminated Dahlia, C. Bradford Brown, North Bergen, N. J. Silver Vase by Dr. J. J. Danielson, North Bergen, N. J.

Best Smallest Dahlia, James Hopper, Alpine, N. J., 50 Darwin Tulips by the Romaine Hardware Store, Hackensack, N. J.

Best bloom of *American Purity* grown by member. First, \$5.00 cash by Society, C. F. Brinkman, Westwood, N. J. Second, Red Ribbon, C. Bradford Brown, North Bergen, N. J. Third, Yellow Ribbon, William Flackman, West Englewood, N. J.

Best 3 Dahlias New Jersey Origin, Vincent Sigismondi, Teaneck, N. J. Medal by the American Dahlia Society.

#### Sweepstakes

Most Points in Open for All Classes, C. Bradford Brown, North Bergen, N. J. Silver Vase by Englewood Dahlia Society.

Most Points in 3½ to 7 inch Classes, William Dennis, Coytesville, N. J. Tuber of *California Idol* by A. P. Ramella.

Most Points in Member Classes, A. P. Ramella, Englewood, N. J. Silver Vase by the Englewood Dahlia Society.

Most Points in Other Flower Group, Mrs. Rose Rispoli, Maywood, N. J. 12 Hybrid Tea Roses by Bobbink & Atkins, Rutherford, N. J.

Door Prize, Tom Iznatt, Englewood, N. J. Two one-month passes to the Englewood Theatre, Englewood, N. J.

#### Judges

Mr. Joseph Tansey, Tuxedo Park, N. Y.

Mr. W. J. Etherington, Westwood, N. J.

Mr. Frederick E. Dixon, Scotch Plains, N. J.

Mrs. Mina C. Broadwell, East Orange, N. J.

Mrs. Ida A. Thomas, Paterson, N. J.

Mr. F. F. Rockwell, Garden Editor, *New York Times*.

#### Show Committee

A. P. Ramella, Chairman; D. Brownlee, Superintendent; C. Bradford Brown, J. W. Hanna, Vincent Sigismondi, Robert F. Haussener, M. T. Felvus, C. F. Brinkman, Fred Ehrhardt, F. X. Ostermann.

C. Bradford Brown, Secretary.

### Alameda Dahlia Society

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to the American Dahlia Society for the medal donated for our recent Show. This medal was won by Mr. Bernard Dunn, 1034 Pacific Avenue, Alameda, California, for the best Dahlia of eastern origin, with *Oakleigh Monarch*.

Your coöperation in making this lovely and most worth-while civic event a complete and outstanding success is greatly appreciated.

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### Baltimore Dahlia Society

The Baltimore Dahlia Society held its 13th Annual Fall Flower Show in the Richmond Market Armory, Baltimore, Md., September 20th and 21st. Judging by the excellence and quantity of blooms as well as the attendance the show was most successful.

Our Society is highly indebted to our judges: Warren W. Maytrott, J. W. Johnston, Professor J. S. B. Norton and Stanley Johnson as well as H. V. Wright for their untiring efforts in selecting the winners from the many classes of blooms. The winners of the sweepstakes in the various sections were as follows: Small growers up to 75 plants, Mrs. Pauline Graf, 75 to 150 plants, Roy Tracey; 150 to 250 plants, Herbert O. Aburn; 250 plants and over, N. A. Gossmann; Pompon classes, J. C. Ball; miniature classes, George Schirmer. The American Home Achievement Medal was awarded to Mr. Stanley Johnson. The Gov. Harry W. Nice trophy was won by the Maryland Dahlia Gardens. Mayor Howard W. Jackson trophy, won by N. A. Gossmann. Attorney General Herbert O'Connor trophy awarded to W. A. Bochau. The gladiolus classes were under the supervision of the Maryland Gladiolus Society and the sweepstakes were won by Miss Emma Schaun and A. M. Reeves. There were also very fine displays of Dahlias by the Capitol Dahlia Society, Havre de Grace Dahlia Society as well as the Baltimore Dahlia Social.

The Show created much new interest and President

W. A. Bochau and Show Manager George Schirmer deserve lots of credit for their efforts. Plans are now being made for 1938.

### San Leandro Dahlia Show

The San Leandro Dahlia Show was held on Saturday and Sunday, August 29th and 30th, in the Veterans' Memorial Building.

The Show was one of the best and most successful ever put on by the Society. Over 5,000 people visited the exhibition. Several out of state visitors thought we were joshing when we told them that every flower in competition was grown by an amateur. The winners in the novice classes were: Stanley Allen, Milton A. Hawter and Miss Margaret Foster.

The winners in the amateur classes were A. O. Hanson, L. Statler, R. W. Eggert, Willima Swift, Mrs. Parle, H. W. Mugglestone, Mrs. Danneheim and Albert Nashman.

The winners in the advance amateurs were: T. J. Sjoberg, A. W. Richter, James Groves, Dr. Luther Michael.

The best general display was won by T. J. Sjoberg.

The most artistic display. A gold cup given by the Lieutenant Governor Hatfield was won by Mrs. Richter. The competition was very keen in this class and the

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## INTRODUCING FOR 1938

### ROSEMARY'S BEAUTY

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Mr. H. Dewey Mohr of the Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens who also had it on trial also said: "I believe this seedling has great possibilities."

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judges were loud in their praises of the arrangement of these classes.

The best general display in the amateur's section was won by Mr. Eggerbs.

The A. D. S. Medal for best flower in the Show was won by L. Statler with *Frank Serpa*.

The largest Dahlia, *Hunt's Velvet Wonder*, was won by A. O. Hanson.

The three-year-old seedling was won by James Groves with *Max Baer*. This same exhibitor also won first on his seedling miniature.

A new silk dress given for the best display put up by a lady unassisted was won by Mrs. William Swift.

The Gladway Gardens put on a lovely display of Gladioli in which their *Be Hy Bobup* was the center of attraction.

A complimentary display by the Patricia Dahlia Gardens occupied the entire end of the Hall. This display featured *Gladys Sandford*, an English variety, also some wonderful blooms of *Mrs. Sowton* and *Croyden Wonder*, both of them from Australia.

Also prominent in this display was *Mrs. Mupus Dawes*, *Tom Workman*, *The Gateway*, *Kentucky Sportsman*, *Christine Janssen*, *Alf M. Landon* and *Freda George* and several seedlings unnamed but will doubtless be heard more about in the near future.

## Peekskill Dahlia and Gladiolus Society

Another great Flower Show at Peekskill, New York, has come to pass. The exhibition managed by the Secretary of the Society, with the able assistance of experienced committees, and with the aid of many friends of the Organization, proved to uphold the reputation the Peekskill Show has rightfully gained by producing Shows of merit.

The Fifth Annual Exhibition, with 500 entries, filled the 7,000 square feet of space in the New York State Armory with a setting of gorgeous flowers, having a background of yellow and green color combination. The Show was attended by approximately 1,000 flower enthusiasts representing five states of the Union.

The judging by Messrs. J. Johnson, C. Frey, W. Maytrott, J. MacDonald, F. Berry, J. Jamison, W. Scully, J. Grant, and E. Lloyd was well done. Not a sign of dissatisfaction was the result.

The Sweepstake Prize of the Open To All Classes was won by the Valeria Home, Inc., Oscawanna, New York, who contributed unsparingly to the success of the Show. Edward J. O'Keeffe, of Cold Spring, New York, was the winner of the Sweepstake Prize for Amateur Classes, and also winner of the Achievement Medal with seedling *Julius Bunge*, and the Amateur Seedling Class with *Lynn Dudley*.

Mr. Tage Castenschield, of Mount Kisco, New York, won the A. D. S. Medal with *Mrs. George LeBoutillier* as the Best Bloom. A fine display of seedlings shown by Mr. Wilkie Todd, of Peekskill, New York, caused much attraction, as did an amateur Dahlia display by Mrs. H. Harrington, of Buchanan, New York.

The Educational Exhibit shown by Mr. S. Bogart, of Buchanan, New York, consisting of many novelties, such as Peanuts, Tobacco, Cotton, Hemp, Grasses, etc., was an entry of great attraction.

It is always interesting to the readers of the BULLETIN to know the varieties of the Dahlias which were outstanding as winners, and with this thought in mind the following list will give the readers an idea of the type of Dahlia varieties they may expect to see at Peekskill Show:

*Greater Glory*, *Ballego's Surprise*, *Frank Anthony*, *Discovery*, *Lord of Autumn*, *American Legion*, *Mother Maytrott*, *New Glory*, *Golden Standard*, *William J. Wyllie*, *Severin's Triumph*, *Madame George Pezant*, *Miss West Virginia*, *Frieda George*, *Amelia Earhart*, *Kathleen Norris*, *California Idol*, *Murphy's Masterpiece*, *Freckles*, *Royal Purchase*, *Margrace*, *Darcy Sainsbury*, *Marshall's Pink*, *California Rose*.

Many fine exhibits of Dahlias and gladioli in baskets and vases for effect were on display.

In summarizing, the Peekskill Show was everything expected of a first class show, and we have every reason to believe that our show compares favorably with any of the Fall Dahlia Shows in the country.

We welcome you to our 1938 Exhibition.



## WINTERING DAHLIA ROOTS

For success in storing and wintering Dahlia roots, the most critical period is the first four or five weeks after digging. Storage facilities differ to such an extent that no set rule will apply generally.

Broadly, the roots will keep best in a cool humid cellar, where the temperature remains constant about forty to forty-five degrees and the air is slightly on the 'moist' side. However, since few have this type of storage space, we must try to find a method of packing which will overcome the limitation.

We must try to avoid drying out or shrivelling on one hand, and conversely stem rot and decay. Now is a good time to examine our roots and check any tenting to failure.

If excess moisture or decay is apparent, trim the bad portions away and cut the stalk very short. Sprinkle the cut portions with a mixture of lime and sulphur and set out to dry. However, if the clumps appear too dry, sprinkle with water, or soak in water for a few minutes.

Should your cellar be warm you might try either of two systems which are old standbys, and usually successful. The first is the use of a strong wooden box which should be lined with paper. Pack your clumps rather close together and cover the top with several layers of paper. A well known grower uses this method for the storage of over a thousand clumps with singular success.

If you have but a small number of clumps, they may be placed on the floor on two or three inches of ashes, as far away from your heating plant as possible. Place the clumps close together and filter fine ashes down between the tubers until the entire group is just covered with the ashes. In about two weeks add another couple of inches of ashes and repeat this process a few weeks later. In spring you will be agreeably surprised to find good roots of varieties which otherwise would not winter.

Clumps having thick heavy stalks had better be halved before being placed in storage. Very bad actors such as *Murphy's Masterpiece* should be divided as soon as dug and if there is danger of shriveling, place the tubers in boxes of dry earth and store in a cool dry place. These should be examined every two weeks.

A warning bears repetition: examine your roots now and plan to go over them carefully at regular intervals several times during the winter.

## Bellerose Garden Club Show

The Community Garden Club of Bellerose, Long Island, staged a splendid Fall Flower Show at the Women's Club House, September 11, 1937.

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John R. Nichols of Freeport was sweepstakes winner adding to his trophies the Gold Medal also the President's Silver Vase, and the Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens Award.

Mr. H. L. Stewart of Bellerose won the second prize, a silver medal and the Bunce vase.

The Bronze Medal and C. M. Freedman Award was annexed by Mrs. O. J. Aumuller, who also received the tri-color for most artistic arrangement.

The tri-color for Horticultural achievement went to John R. Nichols, while Mr. H. L. Stewart was awarded first for the most outstanding Dahlia.

Mrs. Arthur Moeller, who has been president of the club since its inception four years ago, was re-elected by acclaim. Under her supervision the club has progressed steadily and its accomplishments are known and heralded far beyond the local territory.

Also elected were: W. George Hegeman, first vice-president; Mrs. D. Percy Smith, second vice-president; Mrs. George R. Osborne, secretary; and Martin G. Ellis, treasurer.

A chrysanthemum Show is being planned for November 6th.

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### Portland Dahlia Society

At our annual Show, September 27th-28th, everything went off satisfactorily, with one exception. Sweepstakes in the Class B Professional was hotly contested and when points were counted Robert Sanders was eight ahead so the prize was awarded to him. Next morning one of the judges discovered that one entry had not been judged and when that was attended to it gave Mr. G. A. Westgate ten extra points which put him two ahead of Mr. Sanders.

But as the prizes had been given, there was nothing to be done but give another prize to Mr. Westgate and call the whole matter a tie.

Best general display, Class A, Mastick Dahlias; Class B, G. A. Westgate.

Achievement Medal, *Shirley Temple*, W. H. Brown.  
Best Dahlia, *Spotlight*, Robert Sanders.

Largest Dahlia, *Grandee*, G. A. Westgate.

Smallest Dahlia, *Tom Thumb*, Mrs. M. Brouwer.

Sweepstakes, Class A, Mrs. J. Compton.

Sweepstakes, Class B, Westgate, Sanders, tie.

Best basket in Show, G. A. Westgate.

Basket foreign Dahlias, Mastick Dahlias.

Class A, six in vase, four classes: Cactus, Mastick 1, Compton, 2; Semi Cactus, Mastick 1, Compton 2; Formal Decorative, Compton 1, Mastick 2; Informal Decorative, Mastick 1, McCarter 2; Vase Miniatures, Gill Bros., Compton; Vase Pompons, McCarter 1, Compton 2.

Class B, six in vase, four classes: Cactus, Westgate 1, W. C. Scrutton 2; Semi Cactus, Sanders 1, Westgate 2; Formal Decorative, Sanders 1, Westgate 2; Informal Decorative, Sanders 1, Westgate 2; 12 Pompons, Westgate 1, Sanders 2; 12 Miniatures, Sanders 1, Westgate 2.

Class A, Baskets: Cactus, Compton 1, Mastick 2; Semi Cactus, Mastick 1; Compton 2; Formal Decorative, Mastick 1, Compton, 2; Informal Decorative, Mastick 1, McCarter 2; Miniatures, Coggswell 1, Compton 2; Pompons, Compton 1, McCarter 2; Other small types, Gill Bros. 1, McCarter 2.

#### Amateurs

In entries of single blooms and vases: Mrs. M. Brouwer, 8 Firsts, 6 Second; Grant Heater, 7 Firsts, 4 Second; G. O. Latimer, 4 Firsts, 6 Second; G. T. Atkinson, 6 Firsts.

Baskets—Table Decorations: Best table decoration, Grant Heater 1, Mrs. William Bibelhausen 2; Best bowl Pompons, table, Grant Heater 1, T. S. Griffing 2; Best basket Pompons, Mrs. R. M. McClary 1, Grant Heater 2; Best basket Miniatures, Grant Heater 1, Mrs. M. Brouwer 2; Best basket, large type, G. O. Latimer 1, Grant Heater 2.

Sweepstakes, Amateur, Grant Heater.

Sweepstakes, 4 H Clubs: High School Division, Allen Parker; Grade School, Edwin Parker; First year exhibitors, Douglas Parker; Best Dahlias, High School, Allen Parker, *Satan*. Runner up High School, Merle Sheriff; Runner up Grades, Theo Raz; Runner up First Year, Patricia Miller.

Lena B. Little, Secretary.

### Annual Show of the Seneca Dahlia Society

The Seneca Dahlia Society of West Virginia held its Annual Show in the ballroom of the Stonewall Jackson Hotel at Clarksburg, West Virginia, on September 24th-25th. Entries were numerous but the quality of blooms exhibited was only fair. An encouraging feature of the Show was the participation of a number of neighboring garden clubs.

In the "elevens" section first prizes were won by *Rockley Moon* and *Jane Cowl*, the latter taking the silver cup sweepstakes for Mrs. E. O. Hall of Fairmont.

In the "fives" blue ribbons were awarded to *California Idol*, *Ambassador* and *Jean Trimbie*, the A. D. S. Medal sweepstakes going to Mrs. Ben Wilson of Philippi for *Ambassador*.

Among the trios *Rockley Moon*, *Kathleen Norris*, *Myra Howard*, *Dulcinea* and *Red Jug* took the honors, the last winning sweepstakes for Mr. Glen R. Hawkins of Fairmont.

Blue ribbon singles were *Ballego's Surprise*, *Kathleen Norris*, *Lord of Autumn*, *Margrace*, *Robert Ripley*, *Annelia Earhart* and *Century of Progress*. *Ballego's Surprise* took the sweepstakes award in this section for Mrs. Ben Wilson of Philippi as also the grand championship ribbon for the best Dahlia in the Show. The largest Dahlia in the Show was a specimen bloom of *Sultan of Hillcrest* also grown by Mrs. Wilson.

Pompons were well represented. A good many gladiolus were exhibited but they were of poor quality due to the lateness of the season. Annuals were also in evidence, both as specimen blooms and as arrangements.

The annual meeting of the Seneca Dahlia Society was held Friday evening. Dr. C. E. Lauterbach of Buckhannon was elected president and Mr. Marion Stewart of Clarksburg was elected secretary-treasurer.

C. E. Lauterbach.

### Revue Internationale

Dahlia enthusiasts greatly enjoyed the Revue Internationale which was staged September 25th and 26th at Garfield Park Conservatory. The international flavor was supplied by imports of small-flowering Dahlias by the Berlet Dahlia Foundation. Its sponsor, Robert E. Berlet, states that foreign roots received to date total 447, which is a larger number than were received for the famous outdoor Dahlia gardens at the World's Fair. There are 189 named varieties, from twenty-five growers in eight foreign countries, including Japan. The roots were grown by professional and amateur growers in eight states and will also be available for growing at the World's Fairs in New York and San Francisco, California.

In September, the Berlet Foundation's Dahlias were staged by Robert G. Neely, Chicago retailer, at the Annual Show of the Central States Dahlia Society.

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Cradled against my own doorway,  
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Today, this cradle is an empty shell,  
Unmindful of the beauty that it held.  
Behold! I saw a golden butterfly.

I saw a careworn sinner come to God,  
Weary from stony paths he had trod,  
Repentant, heavy-laden, seeking peace!

I saw this burdened soul transformed, made new,  
To face the way with courage, faith, and do  
The will of Him whose grace brought sweet release.

Today, I saw a Miracle Divine.

## Shasta County and Pomona, California, Shows

I had the pleasure of being at the Fair of the Shasta County where the Dahlia is gaining ground. While they were not exactly what we might term first-class specimens, I think as the judge they were a big improvement on last year. From Anderson I went to Pomona to judge at the Los Angeles County Fair. In commenting on this Show I would like to say that those responsible for this Show surely know their business. I have judged in Great Britain, Canada, New Zealand and in our own country but I never saw one better managed. The floral committee apparently have two different exhibitions of Dahlias. The first on September 17th. The second on September 25th. I was the judge at the second showing and was agreeably surprised at the excellence of the blooms exhibited. While they were perhaps not as large as what I have seen they were more of the Dahlias with a personality type winners.

Stephenson's Dahlia Gardens: best general display, first; artistic display, second; artistic basket, second; one Grand; 50 blooms, second; white basket, second; lavender basket, first; pink basket, second; tricolor basket, first; basket poms, first; 6 cactus, first; 12 California, first; miniatures, second.

MacDonald's Dahlia Gardens: general display, second; artistic display, first; basket artistic, first; (Sonia) 50 blooms, first; white basket, first; lavender basket, second; pink basket, first; tricolor basket, second; basket poms, second.

Cordes Dahlia Gardens: general display, third; artistic display, third; artistic basket, third; 50 blooms, third; miniatures, first; 12 California, second; tricolor basket, third; white basket, third; pink basket, third; lavender basket, third. Cordes Garden also won best flower in Show with *Bette Davis*.

Charles Garrity,

351 Maud, San Leandro, California.

## Interesting "Dahlia-Naming" Contest

The Dahlia Society of Ohio offered a \$50 cash prize for the best name for a seedling Dahlia grown by our friend Charles F. Lasch, 1435 Dill Avenue, South Euclid, Ohio.

To compete for this prize it was necessary to buy an advance ticket for the Dahlia Show at the Statler, September 25th and 26th. The ticket had a stub on which to write the suggested name, also the name and address of the individual entering the contest.

The plan was received enthusiastically and the advance sale of tickets was large. Incidentally the young lady who won the prize submitted a very appropriate name for the Dahlia, *Sunlasch*.

## Ohio Show—Cont. from page 26

and the Emmons Dahlia Gardens. These baskets were beautifully arranged and really outstanding exhibits of the Show.

The Emery Dahlia Gardens the owners of which are E. V. Newton and J. Thomas Watson had a very beautiful commercial display but did not compete for they borrowed a bloom or two.

I feel I should give a few high lights of the Akron Show. The Akron Dahlia Society had by far the best show they have ever had and the President is Mr. Harold Shannabrook of Massillon, Ohio, who is also a vice president of the Ohio Dahlia Society and truly an expert in growing specimen blooms.

Miss Parkersburg won the Roxbury cup, the highest award given to a undesseminated Dahlia at Akron and won over *Jane Cowl* in the informal Autumn shade class. Mr. Smith the originator brought these blooms all the way from Parkersburg.

The seventy-five foot commercial display was won by Lester Miller. Mrs. *George Le Boutillier* was featured in this exhibit and most of the blooms exhibited were specimen blooms. The one hundred and fifty foot commercial exhibit, shown by Dane and Dickers combined, was the equal if not the superior to any ever shown in the Mid West. As a background to their wonderful flowers they featured in silver letters, on black, "Champions on parade."

The real highlight of this Show, however was the yellow informal class. I have never seen or expect to see a yellow class its equal. All the best yellows were Shown. Harold Shannabrook won first and third with *American Legions*, Zazo second with *Lord of Autumn*. The other contestants were H. H. Robens with a magnificent bloom of *American Legion*. Mrs. McDowell and Mr. Smith of Parkersburg, with *America's Sweethearts* and Warren Shannabrook with a *California Idol*. The smallest and most imperfect bloom in this class would have won in most shows. To top it off Harold Shannabrook entered a bloom of *Jimmy Fox*, that came straight cactus, in the any other color class and won not only in that class but won as the best cactus in 67 entries.

Our judges at Cleveland were George R. Curry, Doctor Valendorf, Mr. and Mrs. Emmons, Mr. Wolf, C. Merrell Brown, Laurence Wallace, C. F. Reese, Warren and Harold Shannabrook, Frank Parenica, Doctor Smith, George Brown and F. V. R. Veirs. They did an excellent job and we hope they will come again.

### RICHARD MENDHAM

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We are setting our Show dates the second Saturday and Sunday in September, and we want to coöperate with the other societies. Our reason for setting our dates so early is due to the early frosts in this section, which practically wiped out our growers in 1936 and was repeated again in 1937. If it had not been for our good neighbors in Michigan and other sections of Ohio, our Show would not have been such a wide success.

The American Achievement Medal was won this year by H. H. Robens, Chagrin Falls, Ohio. The Centennial Cup was won by the Toledo grower receiving the most points, which went to H. B. Mellott, Toledo, Ohio.

H. B. Mellott, Corresponding Secretary.

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### Dahlia Society of Texas

It was with a great deal of regret and disappointment I found it necessary to return to you a few days ago the beautiful bronze medal you sent us to be awarded at our Show which was to have been held on the seventeenth of October—for the reason that we have given up the idea of a Show in 1937 as we do not think we can have a sufficient number of exhibition blooms at this time. The season in Texas appears to be extremely late this year and rather than put on a disappointing Show we thought best to call it off and plan a year ahead of time for a real one in 1938 about this same time—we do not think the weather conditions will be against us two years in succession. Some of the members have exhibition blooms at their best right now but it is uncertain how many we would have on the seventeenth so as much as we hate to give up the idea, the society has decided that is the best thing to do this year.

We had our Show financed and a very attractive booklet ready for the printer but thought it best not to try to put on a Show at all unless it could be a really creditable one as far as the number of Dahlias is concerned.

Again expressing my regret at having to write you this way and to return the medal, but hoping that 1938 will be a banner year for Dahlias and that we will then be able to award your lovely medal, I am

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Rose Hughes, Secretary.

*We congratulate this fine group upon its effort and assure them of hearty coöperation of the American Dahlia Society for next year's Show.—Ed.*

### Virginia Dahlia Society's Fine Show

The Fourteenth Annual Exhibition of the Virginia Dahlia Society was held in Richmond, Virginia, at the State Fair Grounds on September 28th, 29th, 30th, and October 1st, in connection with the Virginia State Fair, under the leadership of Mr. W. L. Elkins, President.

The Show was staged by the Henrico Garden Club, of which Mrs. A. B. Bauer is President, and the thanks of the society go to the ladies for their good work. The highest score was won by Mr. W. L. Elkins with 60 points, winning the American Dahlia Society's medal. Mr. R. P. Liphart was second with 52 points. Mr. A. B. Bauer was third with 47 points and Mr. W. G. Sale fourth with 43 points. Three hundred and eighty points were won in all and there were 22 exhibitors.

Many lovely blooms were on display from the tiny pompons and miniatures to the large varieties and was a wonderful display admired and commented upon by many. Quite a large number of persons visited the Show. Judging was in charge of Mr. W. W. Maytrott, Vineland, N. J.; Mr. George Masson, Trenton, N. J.; Mr. G. W. Fraser, Willimantic, Connecticut, and Mr. Dewey Mohr, of Rockville Centre, Long Island, N. Y. We are grateful for their presence.

The American Home Achievement Medal was won by Mr. R. O. Smith, for the best specimen bloom *Eva*

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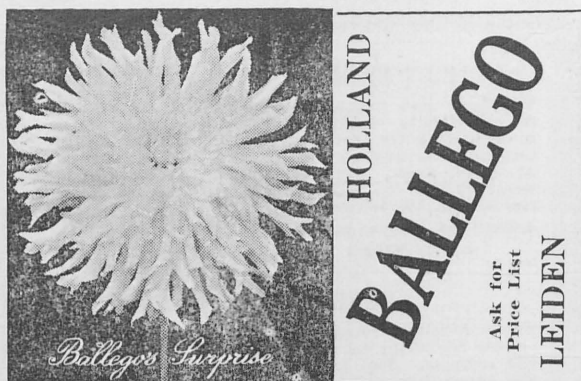
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**Virginia Dahlia Show—Cont. from page 59**

Hunt. Mr. Smith also won the cash prize offered for the best seedling, and among the larger varieties the following were winners of blue ribbons: *Royal Purchase*, *Amelia Earhart*, *Jane Cowl*, *California Idol*, *Mrs. Bruce Collins*, *Television*, *Pachtkerl*, *Volcano*, *D. W. Morrow*, *Fire Ball*, *Satan*, *Man O' War*, *Opal*, *Lord of Autumn*, *Kathleen Norris*, *City of Cleveland*, *R. A. Broomfield*, *Splendor*, *Mother Maytrott*, *Challenger*, *Betty Davis*, *Renate Mueller*, *William Hogan*, *Violet Wonder*, *Buckeye Glory*, *Frau O. Bracht*, and others.

Many believe that this was the best exhibition we have ever had.

E. Guy Williams, Secretary,  
3238 Woodrow Avenue, Richmond, Virginia.

**West Virginia Dahlia Society**

The West Virginia Dahlia Society closed its most successful year of its twelve years of existence this Fall with its biggest and most attractive show. The show was held in the city of Fairmont and occupied two rooms of the hotel where the annual show is staged. Visitors from seven states registered at the gate with the secretary. These visitors represented more than fifty cities. Total attendance at the show was about four thousand.

The annual meeting was well attended as was the annual Dahlia dinner. At the annual meeting Mrs. Bess G. Hardesty, Kingwood, West Virginia, was elected as the president for the new society year. Mrs. Hardesty will be a good president and the society is looking forward to another fine year under her leadership. The other officers are the same as for last year.

The West Virginia trial garden, under the direction of C. M. Roberts, Superintendent, had a successful year. Some mighty fine specimens were produced at the trial garden this season. Superintendent Roberts' report will be made in full shortly.

Going back to the show. A feature of the two day affair was a pageant under the title, "The Court of Flowers." This is the second pageant given by the West Virginia Dahlia Society under this title. The pageant proved such a drawing card that another will be presented at the 1938 show. The same title, "The Court of Flowers" will be used. The pageants are under the direction of the secretary.

One new exhibit was to be found at the West Virginia Dahlia Show which added much to the beauty and attractiveness of the show. This was the unit exhibit of employees of the Industrial Colliers Corporation. The men of this company grouped their finest blossoms for the exhibit. Practically every flower was a specimen bloom. A larger exhibit is being planned for the next show. The exhibit was awarded the O. V. D. A. medal for the most meritorious exhibit.

We list some of the outstanding winners of the show: Mrs. E. O. Hall, Fairmont, West Virginia; Rosemary Dahlia Gardens, Martins Ferry, Ohio; Frank O. Meyers,

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Williamstown, West Virginia; Glen R. Hawkins, Fairmont, West Virginia; Smith Dahlia Gardens, Parkersburg, West Virginia; S. E. Taylor, Morgantown, West Virginia; J. J. Lynch, Fairmont, West Virginia; Ralph Wells, Fairmont, West Virginia; Mrs. J. V. Everetts, Williamstown, West Virginia; Mrs. George Kerr, Fairmont, West Virginia; Mrs. H. C. Miller, Grafton, West Virginia; Mrs. Laura Lewis, Grafton, West Virginia; Mrs. W. C. Boone, Mononga, West Virginia; Joe T. Round, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Mrs. A. B. Scott, Fairmont, West Virginia; Mrs. W. A. Lawler, Fairmont, West Virginia; Mrs. Glen R. Hawkins, Fairmont, West Virginia.

Oliver Shurtleff.

### Washington, D. C. Dahlia Show

September 25th-26th, 1937

Two unusual Dahlias took honors at the second regional National Capital Dahlia Show, held in Washington, September 25th-26th. The first was the undis-seminated *Virginia Shipley*, grown by Henry F. Cory of Linthicum Heights, Md., which won the American Home Achievement Medal. The second was a magnificent specimen *Son of Satan*, exhibited by Harry K. Rosenberger of Baltimore, Md., declared the largest and best Dahlia in the Show.

Both specimens were the center of admiring crowds of official and diplomatic Washington that for two days thronged the auditorium of the John Burroughs School where the show was held. John L. Bishop, president of the National Capital Dahlia Show, estimated an attendance of 5,000 persons to see the two thousand and more blossoms exhibited by the several exhibitors from the District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia and New Jersey.

*Virginia Shipley* is an informal, lemon-yellow Dahlia with good foliage and stem, and as grown by Mr. Cory was about 10 inches across with a depth of 5 inches. The conventional three blossoms were shown and the competition was conducted in accordance with the rules prescribed by the donors of the award.

*Son of Satan* was awarded the silver trophy of the Society, a silver steak plater, for the largest and best blossom in the show. It was a gorgeous scarlet semi-cactus, 11 inches across with a depth of 8 inches. Three blossoms were shown by Mr. Rosenberger, all with excellent foliage, tall strong stem, and good substance.

Both *Virginia Shipley* and *Son of Satan* showed excellent keeping qualities.

Another Dahlia that earned distinction at the Washington Show was *Robert Ripley*, which was runner-up for the largest and best Dahlia in the Show. As shown by William J. Tracey it was the best Dahlia in Section A, and as exhibited by Nicholas Gossman it was the best Dahlia in Section D, an open-to-all class for growers of 500 and more plants. It was interesting to see *Amelia Earhart* winning honors in its class, while *Jessica Dragonette* also stood out among its competitors. Among commercial exhibits *Mother Maytrott* was admired.

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Among Dahlias of foreign origination to win in their respective classes were *Mme. Georges Pezant*, *Baerne*, a salmon rose semi-cactus, *Royal Black*, a deep red informal, and *Berger's Jewel*, a lilac tinted Dahlia with white tips. These exhibits were of especial interest to the Washington diplomatic corps, who were eager to see originations from their several countries on display in the United States.

The seedling class was well-filled, an unnamed informal red, a promising commercial, about seven inches in width, from the Berwick Dahlia Gardens, Baltimore, Md., winning the bronze medal of the American Dahlia Society.

A distinguished corps of judges made the awards. Judges were Oliver Shurtleff, of West Virginia, Vice-President of the American Dahlia Society, Lonard Barron and J. W. Johnston of New York City, Dr. Bruce Preas of Long Island, Stanley Johnson of Cheltenham, Pennsylvania, John C. Menke and E. P. Loller of Baltimore, and Professor W. R. Ballard, Professor A. S. Thurston and Dr. J. B. S. Norton, all of the University of Maryland.

Among the distinguished visitors were C. Louis Alling, Secretary-Treasurer of the American Dahlia Society, who came on from New York to spend a few hours at the show. Mrs. A. B. Scott, widow of the noted West Virginia originator, W. L. Elkins, president of the Virginia Dahlia Society; Dewey Mohr, of Ruschmohr Gardens; and others from distant places were also present.

Sponsors of the Show included the Secretary of Agriculture and Mrs. Henry Wallace and Secretary of the Interior, Harold L. Ickes.

Official and diplomatic Washington was prominently in attendance. In addition many Washington gardeners, who have been indifferent toward the Dahlia, were clearly impressed with the beauty of the exhibition.

Much favorable comment was received by officers of the Show upon the set-up, particularly the arrangement by color-classes. Under the supervision of President Bishop, Frank H. Goetzer was chairman of the Show committee.

Prominently displayed at the show were greetings from President Dudley, of the American Dahlia Society, and from Wallace McIlhaney, Secretary of the Dahlia Society of Southern California.

An unusual display of the general sliver cups and trophies on purple cloth attracted the attention of the public and fortified the determination of next year's exhibitors to bring better blossoms to the Show.

Among commercial exhibits that attracted great attention were those from the Maryland Dahlia Gardens of H. J. Quick, and the Dahliadel exhibit by Maestro May-trott.

Sweepstakes winners in the several sections were William L. Tracey, Baltimore; Mrs. Percy F. Fulton, Washington; Stephen James, Washington; Nicholas A. Gossman, Baltimore; H. F. Cory, Linthicum Heights, Maryland; Mrs. Theodore Ruhoff, Washington; and the Maryland Dahlia Gardens, Baltimore.

*Stephen James, Secretary.*

### Western Washington Fair

With perfect weather prevailing, uniform fine quality was the note at the opening September 22nd at Puyallup and the Dahlia displays were quite in keeping.

Featuring a basket of *Dad Smith* against a yellow-rayed circle, Franklin Gardens, Tacoma, captured first prize for a Dahlia display by a professional grower. The firm also had a noteworthy showing of the smaller types, receiving many firsts.

Second place was won by Maplewood Dahlia Gardens, Puyallup. The J. E. Hulin's Cottage Grove Dahlia Gardens, Seattle, featured *Grey Dawn*, from an English hybridizer; the Australian origination *Freda George*, and many fine seedlings of their own growing.

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Mr. J. W. Lee was awarded six blue ribbons for seedling Dahlias.

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All plants grew fine, and healthy; thrip and leaf hopper were thoroughly beaten with two sprayings, and I only lost one plant, the root being chewed up by a gopher, but it was an expensive one, and I was thankful he did not take dessert with his meal.

July 6th brought my first bloom, the variety being *Watchung Giant*, and it surely was a giant, and a beauty.

This was closely followed by *Vin Well Argonaut*, a very nice Dahlia.

Among the new ones I grew behind cloth were *Mabel Burkart*, *Mrs. Ida Chase*, *Freda George*, *Greater Glory* and *Tom Workman*. All these were really beautiful.

As my stock of above was only small I could not plant any in the open for comparison, but the following did better outside: *Cavalcade*, *Boutillier*, *Blue River*, *Sonny Boy* equal in both places, but *American Purity* was better outside, so was *Queen City*.

*Mother Maytrott* and *White Abundance* were two very fine whites.

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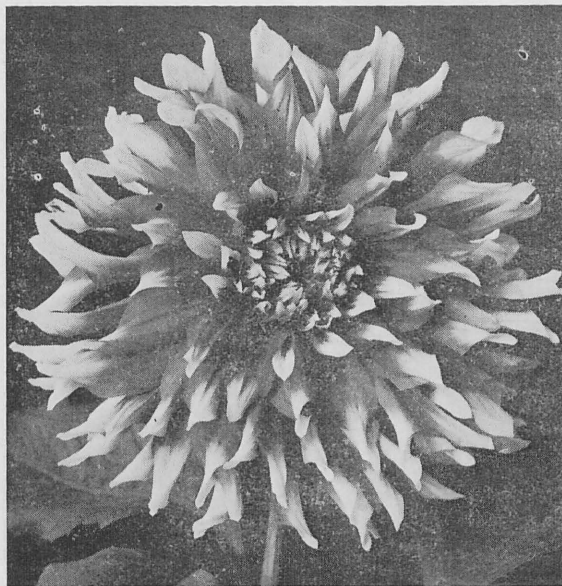
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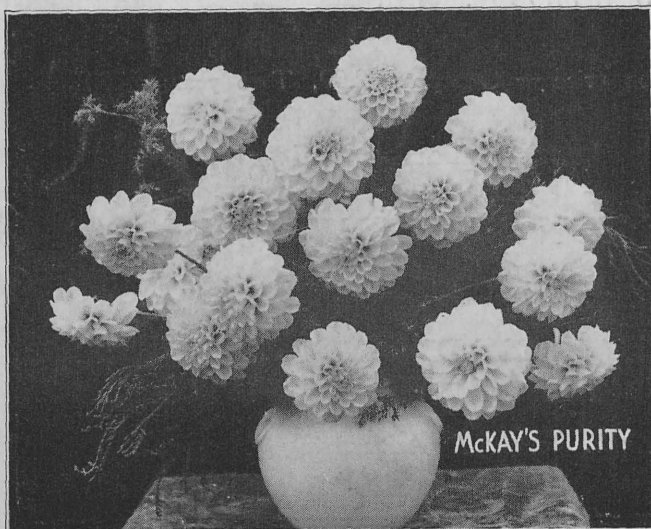
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