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A. D. S. 27th ANNUAL EXHIBITION AT NEW YORK

Returning to the site of its first Show of a generation ago, the American Dahlia Society staged its 27th Annual Exhibition at the American Museum of Natural History September 24th and 25th.

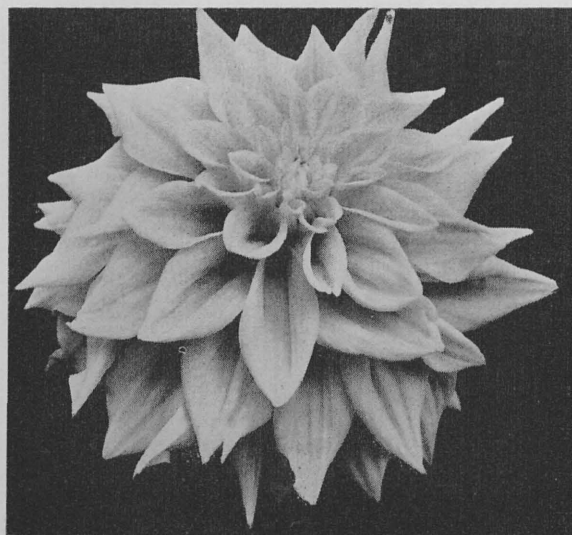
Spectacular Giant Decoratives vied with beautiful arrangements of the smaller types to captivate the large number of visitors, who at times, crowded the spacious Exhibition Hall.

Flanked at either end by the mass displays of the Commercial growers, the competitive classes—several hundred in number—occupied rows of long tables in the center.

A magnificent display of Mr. and Mrs. Louis B. Tim of Long Branch, N. J., proved the "piece de resistance", winning the coveted A. D. S. Gold Medal. In a black velvet setting, arranged tastefully in vari-shaped black containers were well grown blooms of many foreign varieties as well as domestic novelties. A bi-color single, each petal of distinct rose with darker blotch at the center, *Mia Karsten*, was particularly admired. The always popular *Bishop of Llandaff*, bright red single with bronze foliage, also *Little Diamond*—rose miniature cactus and *Greater Glory*, lavender pink and white semi-cactus enhanced the setting for the three huge blooms of *Edith Willkie*, snow white semi-cactus which beamed proudly from the top of this stunning display.

The American Home Achievement Medal for the best large flowering Dahlia was awarded to Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, Rockville Centre, Long Island, whose entry was

PINK PROFESSOR (Called Cordes' Pink Seedling at New York, Baltimore and Washington Shows)—Salmon Pink Formal with all Jersey's Beauty's good qualities, but branches more readily and produces more flowers. Will be introduced by Dahliadel.



a beautiful informal decorative of rich radiant pink, ten to twelve inches in diameter and deep in proportion. The petals twist slightly enhancing its beauty. *Molly B* is its name. It also won the A. D. S. Gold Certificate.

Doctor F. J. Knocke of New York City won a blue ribbon and special as best seedling miniature with his miniature cactus *Bobbie K*—a rich purplish garnet in color.

The judges worked long and arduously on the large group of entries competing for the Flower Grower Silver Award. This is known as the "Leonard Barron Memorial Award" in honor of the late and much esteemed editor. It is presented annually for the best undeseminated Dahlia of medium or small size. Parrella Dahlia Gardens, Bronx, N. Y., was adjudged the winner with a lovely light mauve semi-cactus Dahlia, *Dorothy Schmidt*. The runner up was *Orange Princess*, brilliant fine petalled incurved cactus of Geneva Dahlia Gardens.

Throughout the Show were various exhibits of *Flash*, the 1939 winner of this award also *Snowcrest* which was last year's winner. That they were worthy is evidenced by the blue ribbons they captured in the present Show.

It was observed that there was a noticeable lack of exhibits of medium flowering Dahlias in the various sections. Here then is the opportunity for Garden lovers to make their bow as exhibitors. Such Dahlias are of easy culture, lend themselves admirably in the Garden borders and are greatly admired on the Show table.

Red Duchess was adjudged best seedling pom—this was entered by John Allen of Rockville Centre, Long Island.

Best collarette was *Chorister* of Henry F. Cory—A. D. S. bronze medal winner.

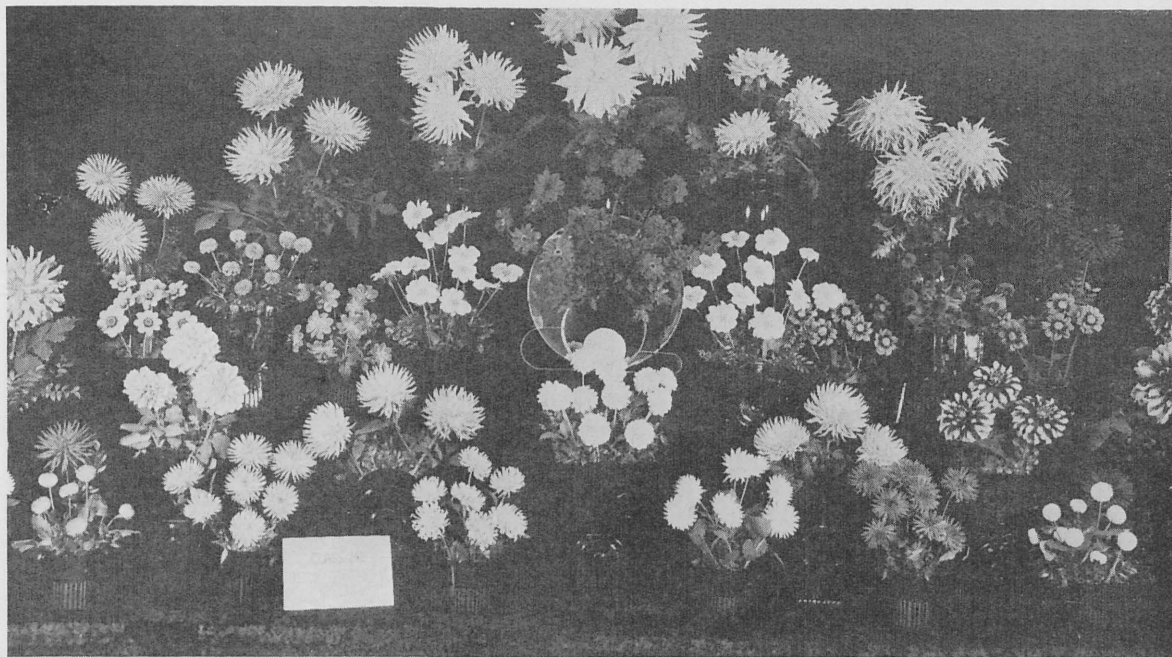
In addition to above mentioned seedling class winners many new Dahlias were noted. A few of which were: *Dorothy Geer*—rose pink bronze medal winner for best formal decorative medium. *Geneva Chrystal White*—a clear white miniature cactus of beautiful form. These Dahlias are originations of Geneva Dahlia Gardens, Geneva, Ohio.

Salem Dahlia Gardens, Salem, N. J., showed *Stephen Foster* autumn hued giant semi cactus on stems four feet long, a Dahlia which had been honored in six Shows thus far in the 1941 season. Also *Bill's Splendor*, a deep rich pink informal decorative of large size and *Mrs. W. K. DuPont*, clear light lavender informal decorative which grows to immense proportions.

Golden Rule Dahlia Farms of East Lebanon, Ohio, displayed some fine blooms which were shipped in from their Gardens. *Tosca* a medium cactus, yellow suffused pink was greatly admired as was also their large flowering *Season's Best*, the color of which is soft peach.

Not to be outdone in shipping blooms from distance, Washburn Dahlia Gardens of Kokomo, Indiana, captured the Silver Medal with *Chief Kokomo*, mulberry formal decorative, a florist's size flower, larger than miniature requirements. These blooms had been shipped 750 miles.

A silver medal was also awarded to Charles Garrity of San Leandro, California, for long distance shipping.



A.D.S. Gold Medal Winner for Best Non-Commercial display. Exhibited by Mr. and Mrs. Louis B. Tim, Long Branch, N. J.

—Photo Albert Humble

His variety *Pickle Puss* is a miniature cactus of orange blend.

Honorable mention went to Harry Robinson of Montebello, California, for a reddish purple informal decorative medium *Montebello* resembling in color the striking *Director Marshall Howe*.

George T. Cairns packed a small box of blooms at National City, California, 2950 miles to go! The hot weather did some damage to the flowers but nevertheless they received tribute from admiring fans. The blooms, *Little Jimmy*, tiny rose pink pompons were half an inch across!

The Dahlia Society of New Jersey won the President's Cup for the best club display, a splendid exhibit of diversified types arranged on a long table.

The Lynn B. Dudley Silver Vase was awarded to Mr. and Mrs. Louis B. Tim for a beautiful basket arrangement of splendidly grown *Mia Karsten* described in an earlier paragraph. Mr. Dudley's Silver Platter was awarded to Mrs. J. M. Ogden for her exhibit of *Flash*.

Macmillan Hoopes, DuPont executive, won the House Beautiful Gold Medal with six excellent specimens of *Growing Glory*, this year's sensational introduction of Salem. It is a huge incurved cactus of rose pink with lighter center. J. Ferguson is the gardening superintendent and his entries throughout the Show were up to his usual high standard.

There was spirited competition for the Editor's Cup, offered annually by the writer for the largest and most perfect bloom in the Show. The variety, *Carl Dahl*, 14½"

x 8", captured this award for Chester Nelson of West Hartford, Connecticut.

Contrasted was the tiny bloom class. John Allen of Rockville Centre, Long Island, won Dahliadel's pottery vases with a half inch bloom of *Little Edith*.

Mrs. Charles H. Stout's medal for seedling of New Jersey origin was won by Mr. and Mrs. Louis B. Tim with *Greenacre Ball*.

In the writer's studied opinion this Show boasted the finest individual basket or vase of giant Dahlias ever seen at New York. Arranged in a tall soft green vase, 20 blooms of *Edith Willkie*, snow white semi cactus poised majestically in the very center of the show room—and justly so. This you will recall, was the variety which won the Achievement Medal at the World's Fair last year competing against some of Dahlia's most magnificent varieties. The blooms in the present exhibit were uniform—twelve inches across and stood erect on long stiff stems. Even the foliage was top notch. At the close of the Show the exhibit was in almost perfect condition in its entirety—so much so that one magazine photographed it at five o'clock on the second day. E. E. Tooker of Rockville Centre, Long Island, is the originator of this great Dahlia.

Garden Club Section

Dahlia blooms of superior quality, comparing favorably with those grown by experienced and expert gardeners, colorful Gladiolus, rich golden Marigolds, gay

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MOLLY B—Large Pink Informal, Achievement Medal and A.D.S. Gold Certificate Winner. Introducer—Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, Rockville Center, L. I.

—Photo Albert Humble

A. D. S. Show—Cont. from p. 7

Zinnias, various other garden flowers, native materials and many uncommon and interesting berries were displayed this year at one of our finest exhibits, by the amateur Garden Club members.

The horticultural classes included varieties and types of Dahlias. Of these, the finest display, winning the tri-color for the best Dahlia exhibit, was shown by Mrs. C. V. Smith, Far Hills, N. J., with five large blooms of *Jeffersonian*, *Dahlmann*, *Meeghan Callahan*, *Darcy Sainsbury*, and *Link's Blue Triumph*. Other winning Dahlias in this class were *Milton J. Cross*, *Royal Robe*, *Robert Ripley*, *Premier's Winsome*, and *Jane Drew*. *Katie K.*, *Mother's Day*, and *Eugene* won top honors for the best individual blooms of decorative types.

The cactus types were superb, showing crisp, well grown blooms of *Flash*, *Ballego's Surprise*, *Julius Bunge*, *Magic Prince*, *Renate Muller*, *Iceberg*. *Baerne*, *Star of Bethlehem*, and *Jessie King*.

Mrs. Charles Bahr, Verona, N. J., again this year upheld her reputation for growing fine pompons, winning with perfect, tiny, ball-like specimens of *Johnny*.

A spectacular basket display of *Beacon Gladiolus*, rich in autumn coloring and set off with harmonizing brightly tinted maple foliage, was shown by Clarence D. Fortnam, Tyles Hill, Pennsylvania.

In this part of the Show, as appears usual at most pre-

sent day Shows, the center of interest appealing to a majority of the thousands of visitors, was around the decorations in the arrangement classes, in which our exhibitors showed tremendous progress and advancement in style, design, use of color and skill in handling Dahlias and other plant materials used for this art. Crowds were attracted to these appealing compositions, many of which were unique for their originality, stressing a splendid sense of the exhibitor's individuality.

The most meritorious exhibit and tri-color winner in the arrangement classes was an exquisite, horizontal composition of coral pink, incurved cactus Dahlias, and jade colored berries, with front and back design, poised gracefully in an olive-green Venetian glass container. We are proud of Mrs. Otto Langhans, Jamaica, Long Island, for showing such dexterity in this splendid use of Dahlias.

Tree foliage, evergreens, shrub twigs and berried sprays of *Pyracantha* or *Firethorn*, *Royal Privet*, *Winterberry*, *Snowberry*, and clusters of native berries were added touches of interest, arousing much curiosity on the part of spectators for whom these were promptly named.

Our exhibitors again this year inspired a large, interested and admiring public, which voiced the opinion, that such an educational field of nature's beauty and glorious flowers should be extended over a longer period, for the enjoyment of others, who had not seen it during its brief two-day showing.

Commercial Displays

The Commercial displays, staged at either end of the Exhibition Hall were as fine as one could desire.

The A. D. S. Gold Medal was awarded to Dahliadel Nurseries of Vineland whose tastily arranged hundred square feet nosed out Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens' fine display in the final judging. Dahliadel featured their 1942 variety *King David*, a violet purple informal decorative of large size; also *Winter Morn*, staghorn petalled white cactus medium. *Mozart*, a white Ball Dahlia was very good as were quantities of *Mary Taylor*, pinkish gold cactus; *Guiding Star*, bright yellow orchid flowering; *Governor*, large light yellow formal decorative and *Ila*, one of the finest red poms of rich color and good form.

Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, Rockville Centre, Long Island, displayed a greater percentage of large blooms. *Mollie B*, 1942 pink informal was the spearhead of this exhibit. Much admired, also was *Ivory Princess*, large semi-cactus of excellent form, broad petalled, color, ivory white (which had won the A. D. S. Gold Certificate as best Semi-Cactus). *Real Glory*, white formal; *Ginger Rogers*, yellow informal; and *Mary Lynn Dudley*, deep red huge semi-cactus, this introducer's 1941 Dahlias were displayed in profusion. *Jeannette*, a red and white bi-color and *Clara Peth*, large semi-cactus of pale lavender pink with center petals snow white looked very good. *Mrs. Thomas A. Edison* a ten inch informal decorative is the brightest dazzling red seen in any Dahlia in a long time, a velvety beauty. This display was awarded the A. D. S. Bronze Medal.

Parrella Dahlia Gardens, Bronx, N. Y., presented some very fine quality blooms, well arranged. *Dorothy Schmitt*, the Flower Grower award winner naturally proved the center of attraction. It is a much needed variety, medium semi-cactus, lilac in color. *Vin well Paragon*, large informal decorative of creamy yellow showed much promise. It has a pink suffusion which adds refinement to the flowers as the slightly twisting petals reveal its overtones. *Lynn Fontaine*, 1941 huge bright red semi-cactus and *Town Topic* bi-color informal were excellent. A large *Hulin* seedling of autumn color will doubtless give a good account of itself.

Alice J, the new pink ball featured the silver medal winning exhibit of C. Louis Alling, West Haven, Connecticut. Many fine prize winning varieties were shown, principally *Jessica Dragonette*, huge semi cactus of peach color; *Virginia Rute*, deep red semi cactus; *California Idol*, still one of the best yellow informals and *Colonial Grenadier* a fine blend looked very good here.

Queens Dahlia Gardens, of Flushing, Long Island, built up good stock of standard varieties, these again were featured. *Sunrays* one of the best autumn hued informal decoratives vied with *Kattie K*, large lavender pink informal decorative and *Arelida Lloyd*, a yellow *Jane Cowl*. Many other good varieties were shown.

Flowerfields Bulb Farm, Flowerfields, Long Island, had a large exhibit of standard varieties. *Andreas Orange*, splendid orange cactus miniature was excellent. So was *Snowsprite*, white cactus miniature. Many cut flower poms were shown, among which *Yellow Gem*, *Edith Mueller*, yellow tipped red, and *Indian Chief*, red were

best. These are good garden poms, prolific and colorful.

There was keen rivalry in the competitive classes in each section. Sweepstakes for novices was awarded Mr. H. W. Rivel whose exhibits particularly *Nancy Ann Mitchell* were indeed worthy.

In the 250 hill class, Sweepstakes was won by Henry Olsen of Flushing, Long Island, who nosed out Doctor Fred J. Knocke and Edward O'Keefe of Cold Spring, N. Y. In these classes were seen some of the best grown Dahlias in the Show. Outstanding varieties were *Maffie*, huge red semi cactus; *Mothers Day*, white formal; *Straight's White*, white informal; *Ballego's Surprise*, white cactus; *Marion Smith*, pink informal; *El Rubio*, huge informal, deep red; *Nancy Ann Mitchell*, scarlet cactus, medium; *Glamour*, purple informal; *Mary Lynn Dudley*, huge dark red semi cactus; *California Idol* and *Lord of Autumn*, yellow informal; *Marietta E*, yellow incurved cactus, and *Sunrays*, autumn informal.

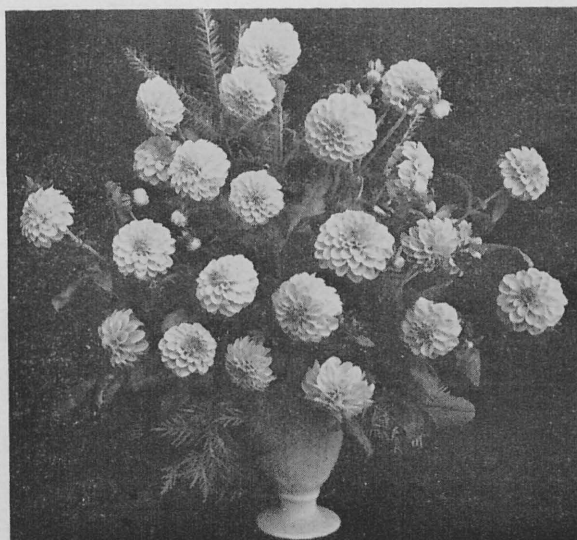
Open to all sweepstakes for large flowering was won by Mrs. F. Montgomery, of Tuxedo Park, N. Y., baskets of standard varieties were particularly good.

Doctor Bruce B. Preas dominated the pompon and miniature classes—also arrangements for sweepstakes. The quality of the blooms as well as showmanship in staging was appreciated by expert and uninitiated alike. *Ila*, bright red pom; *Miss Marjorie*, tiny purple pom; *Little Edith*, gold tipped red pom; *Mrs. J. Telfer*, snow white pom; were well nigh perfect. In fact every entry of this exhibitor was worthy of the careful consideration of the judges.

In the estate section Mr. Ed Ilsley of Devon, Pennsylvania, King Irvin, Superintendent, won the sweepstakes handily. As in previous exhibitions, bi-color Dahlias and the well known autumn formal *Volcano* were featured.

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LITTLE SUSAN—President Conrad Frey's lovely miniature formal seedling. Beautiful Tyrian Rose. Introducer—Dahliadel Nurseries.





EDITH WILLKIE—A Breath-taking Display of this Snow-white Semi-Cactus Thrilled the Crowds. This photo taken 5 p.m. on closing day of the New York Show.

—Photo Albert Humble

A. D. S. Show—Cont. from p. 9

Of a cultural nature was an exhibit of Morgan T. Riley of New York City. Two full grown plants in tubs of wash sand were shown. They had been grown on the roof of an Apartment House in New York and were fed entirely by chemicals. The solution was seen dripping into the pots. The plants were healthy and vigorous, foliage clean and the blooms which were not quite matured, showed good color.

AWARDS AT SHOW

SECTION A

Only disseminated named varieties entered in this section. For those other than professional gardeners who have never received an award at an A. D. S. Show, except in the Garden Club Section, 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, any color or colors—Harvard W. Rivel, Irvington, N. J., *Nancy Ann Mitchell*; Dr. Ward H. Cook, Tuckahoe, N. Y., *Miss Ohio*, *Julius Bunge*.

Decorative—Formal or informal, 3 blooms, B-Medium, any color or colors—H. W. Rival, *Penn Star*; Harry Briggs, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., *Fire Ball*.

Cactus—Incurved, straight or semi-cactus, 3 blooms, A—Large, any color or colors—H. W. Rivel, *Yellow Comet*, *Figaro*, *Amelia Earhart*.

Decorative—Formal or informal, 3 blooms, A—Large, any color or colors—Charles Searles, South Orange, N. J., *Watchung Giant*; H. W. Rivel, *Mother Maytrott*, *Ginger Rogers*, *Catherine Norris*.

Ball Dahlias—3 blooms, any color or colors—H. W. Rivel, *Mary Helen*.

Miniatures—5 blooms, any color or colors—Michael March, Valley Stream, L. I., *Joyce Ann*; H. W. Rivel, *Little Nemo*.

Pompons—5 blooms, any color or colors—Michael March, Mrs. Telfer; Dr. W. H. Cook, Mrs. Britain.

Any other type—5 blooms, any color or colors—H. W. Rivel, *Dahlia del Whisper*; Dr. W. H. Cook, *Tribune*.

Special—most outstanding entry—H. W. Rivel.

Sweepstakes—H. W. Rivel.

SECTION B

For those other than professional gardeners who grow 250 hills or less.

CACTUS—INCURVED, STRAIGHT OR SEMI-CACTUS, 3 BLOOMS, B—MEDIUM

White—Dr. W. H. Cook, *Snow Crest*; Henry A. Olsen, Flushing, N. Y., *Snow Crest*.

Yellow—H. A. Olsen, *Marietta E.*; Roy W. Webb, Scranton, Pa., *Marietta E.*

Orange—R. W. Webb, *Glendon's Comet*; Herbert D. Green, Westwood, N. J., *Miss Belgium*.

Red—H. A. Olsen, *Nancy Ann Mitchell*; John Metzger, Irvington, N. J., *Nancy Ann Mitchell*.

Pink—H. A. Olsen—*Julius Bunge*.

Lavender—H. D. Green, *Mme. Jussiant*; Dr. Fred Knocke, New York, *Mme. Jussiant*.

Purple—R. W. Webb, *Ella Mae*.

Blended—L. F. Fox, Bellrose, L. I., N. Y., *Enkart's Prima*; Dr. W. H. Cook, *Enkart's Prima*, *Polichinelle*.

Bicolor—Dr. W. H. Cook, *Laetare*; W. A. Warren, Plainfield, N. J., *Farncot*.

Arrangement, 7 to 15 blooms, incurved, straight or semi-cactus—Dr. F. Knocke, *Julius Bunge*, *Snow Crest*; R. W. Webb.

Special—most outstanding entry—L. F. Fox.

Orange—Arthur Roberts, Waterbury, Conn., *Leiden's Orange*.

Red—Dr. F. Knocke, *Dr. Marshall A. Howe*.

Purple—Dr. F. Knocke, *Dr. Marshall A. Howe*.

Bicolor—H. D. Green, *Lois Walcher*.

Basket of 10 to 18 blooms, Dahlias—B—medium—Dr. F. Knocke.

Special—most outstanding entry—Dr. F. Knocke.

Sweepstakes—Dr. F. Knocke.

CACTUS—INCURVED OR STRAIGHT, 1 BLOOM, A—LARGE

White—Edward J. O'Keefe, Cold Spring, N. Y., *White Gate*.

Yellow—Dr. F. Knocke, *Jean Parturet*.

Orange—Mrs. W. W. Carmen, Summit, N. J., *Golden Standard*; H. D. Swain, Peekskill, N. Y.

Red—Mrs. W. W. Carmen, *Yours Matsuoka*; F. R. Kurzenknebe.

Pink—Chester Nelson, West Hartford, Conn., *Crowning Glory*; Dr. F. Knocke, *Crowning Glory*.

Blended—E. J. O'Keefe, *Mary Taylor*; H. D. Green, *Enkart's Prima*.

Special—most outstanding entry—Mrs. W. W. Carmen.

SEMI-CACTUS, 1 BLOOM, A—LARGE

White—Dr. F. Knocke, *Ballego's Surprise*; L. F. Fox, *Ballego's Surprise*.

Yellow—H. D. Swain—*Yellow Glory*; H. A. Olsen, *Yellow Comet*.
 Orange—H. A. Olsen, *Evelyn Chandler*.
 Red—E. J. O'Keefe, *Lynn Fontaine*; Dr. F. Knocke, *Maffie*.
 Pink—F. R. Kurzenknabe, *Greater Glory*; H. A. Olsen, *Greater Glory*.
 Lavender—H. D. Swain, *Bette Davis*; R. W. Webb, *Bette Davis*.
 Purple—H. D. Green, *Jean Trimbee*.
 Blended—Chester Nelson, *All America*; L. F. Fox, *Enkart's Prima*.
 Bicolor—H. A. Olsen, *Figaro*; C. E. Hobbs, *Figaro*.
 Special—most outstanding entry—H. D. Swain.
 Sweepstakes—H. A. Olsen; Dr. F. Knocke.

DECORATIVE—FORMAL, 1 BLOOM, A—LARGE

White—E. J. O'Keefe, *Darcy Sainsbury*; C. Nelson, *Darcy Sainsbury*.
 Yellow—L. F. Fox, *Xantine*; H. A. Olsen, *Class*.
 Orange—E. J. O'Keefe, *Bill's Gold*.
 Red—H. A. Olsen, *Oakleigh Monarch*; H. D. Green, *Oakleigh Monarch*.
 Pink—H. D. Green, *Big Four*; H. A. Olsen, *Canterbury*.
 Lavender—Mrs. C. V. Smith, Far Hills, N. J., *Link's Blue Triumph*; E. J. O'Keefe, *Ruth Nichols*.
 Purple—E. J. O'Keefe, *Tim Murphy*; H. W. Rivel, *Deep Purple*.
 Special—most outstanding entry—E. J. O'Keefe.

DECORATIVE—INFORMAL, 1 BLOOM, A—LARGE

White—E. J. O'Keefe, *Mothers Day*; H. A. Olsen, *Straight's White*.
 Yellow—H. D. Swain, *California Idol*; H. A. Olsen, *Milton J. Cross*.
 Orange—F. R. Kurzenknabe, *Watchung Giant*; H. A. Olsen, *Sun Rays*.

Red—H. A. Olsen, *El Rubio*; Mrs. C. V. Smith, Far Hills, N. J., *Cherokee Brave*.
 Pink—H. A. Olsen, *Marian Smith*; Mrs. W. W. Carmen, *Miaarea Pote*.
 Purple—Mrs. W. J. Hunter, Westwood, N. J., *Croyden's Violet*; C. Nelson, *Glamour*.
 Blended—C. Nelson, *Carl Dahl*; H. D. Green, *Maid Marion*.
 Bicolor—E. J. O'Keefe, *Cornell*.
 Special—most outstanding entry—H. D. Swain.
 Largest and most nearly perfect bloom, any type—C. Nelson, *Carl Dahl*; Mrs. W. W. Carmen, *Carl Dahl*.
 Sweepstakes—H. A. Olsen.

MINIATURES, ANY TYPE, 5 BLOOMS

White—H. A. Olsen, *Miss Innocence*; Mrs. W. J. Hunter, *Snow Sprite*.
 Yellow—H. A. Olsen, *Tip*; Paul Doll, White Plains, N. Y., *Tip*.
 Orange—Dr. F. Knocke, *Andries Orange*; P. W. Doll, *Peggy Lindy*.
 Red—Mrs. W. J. Hunter, *Dubonnet*; L. F. Fox, *Sylvia*.
 Pink—P. W. Doll, *Bright Lass*.
 Lavender—Dr. F. Knocke, *Betsy T.*; Mrs. W. J. Hunter, *Royalty*.
 Purple—Dr. F. Knocke, *Royal Letter*; P. Doll, *Wine Drop*.
 Blended—P. W. Doll, *Petite Sonne*; Mrs. Ellen Bulluss, Meriden, Conn., *Little Jennie*.
 Bicolor—R. W. Webb, *Sprite*, *Blue Stars*; Mrs. Ellen Bulluss, *Royal Prince*.
 Bowl of miniatures—Dr. F. Knocke; R. W. Webb.
 Special—most outstanding entry—Dr. F. Knocke.

POMPONS, 5 BLOOMS, BUDS ALLOWED

White—P. W. Doll, *Mrs. J. Telfer*; Miss Florence Johns, White Plains, N. Y., *Mrs. J. Telfer*.

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Gold Medal Commercial Display of Dahliadel Nurseries—One of the Most Artistically Beautiful Exhibits the Maytrotts have ever Staged.

—Photo Albert Humble





BOBBIE K—Blue Ribbon and Special Winner as Best Seedling Miniature. Rich Purple Garnet in Color. Originator, Dr. F. J. Knocke, New York City.

—Photo Albert Humble

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Yellow—H. A. Olsen, *Little Prince*; W. A. Warren, *Brass Buttons*.
 Orange—L. F. Fox, *Aime*; Mrs. W. J. Hunter, *Atom*.
 Red—P. W. Doll, *Ila*; L. F. Fox, *Ila*.
 Pink—P. W. Doll, *Betty Ann*; H. A. Olsen, *Mrs. Brittain*.
 Lavender—Mrs. Ellen Bulluss, *Dee Dee*; H. A. Olsen, *Mabel Amos*.
 Purple—P. W. Doll, *Miss Marjorie*; H. A. Olsen, *Miss Marjorie*.
 Blended—Mrs. Ellen Bulluss, *Bright Eye*; Mrs. W. J. Hunter, *Little Edith*.
 Bicolor—P. W. Doll, *Eileen*; H. A. Olsen, *Eileen*.
 Bowl of pompons—P. W. Doll; R. W. Webb.
 Arrangement of pompons—Dr. F. Knocke.
 Special—most outstanding entry—Dr. F. Knocke.
 Sweepstakes—P. W. Doll.

BALL DAHLIAS—3 BLOOMS

White or Yellow—R. W. Webb, *Mary Helen*.
 Orange or Red—R. W. Webb, *Charlotte Caldwell*.
 Pink or Lavender—W. A. Warren, *Supt. Amhryn*; R. W. Webb, *Supt. Amhryn, Lavender Delight*.
 Bicolor or blended—J. Metzger, *Rosy Morn*; H. W. Rivel, *Rosy Morn*.

SINGLE DAHLIAS

5 blooms any one variety or color—P. W. Doll, *Purity*; L. F. Fox, *Pequot Yellow*.
 5 blooms more than one variety or color—H. A. Olsen, *Marshall's Gloria, Seagull*.

ORCHID FLOWERING DAHLIAS

Arrangement of orchid flowering Dahlias—Ellen Bulluss, *Dahliadel Twinkle*.
 Basket or arrangement of 2 or more types of Dahlias—Ellen Bulluss, Dr. T. T. McLean, Islip, L. I., N. Y.
 Special—most outstanding entry—Ellen Bulluss.
 Sweepstakes—Ellen Bulluss.
 Grand Sweepstakes in Section B—H. A. Olsen.

SECTION C

Open to All. Undisseeded as well as named varieties entered in this section.

CACTUS, INCURVED OR STRAIGHT, 3 BLOOMS, B—MEDIUM

Orange—R. B. Montgomery, Tuxedo Park, N. Y., *Naegel's Orange*.
 Red—Dr. Bruce B. Preas, Rockville Centre, L. I., *Dulcenia*; Queens Dahlia Gardens, Flushing, L. I., *Nancy Ann Mitchell*.
 Pink—R. B. Montgomery, *Julius Bunge*; Dr. B. B. Preas, *Julius Bunge*.
 Lavender—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Mme. Jussiant*; Louis Fioretti, Tuxedo Park, N. Y., *Mme. Jussiant*.
 Blended—R. B. Montgomery, *Reile*; L. Fioretti, *Reile*.
 Bicolor—R. B. Montgomery, *Mrs. R. B. Montgomery*.
 Special—most outstanding entry—R. B. Montgomery.

SEMICACTUS—3 BLOOMS, B—MEDIUM

White—L. Fioretti, *Michigan White*.
 Yellow—L. Fioretti; R. B. Montgomery, *Beaute*.
 Orange or Red—Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Adolph Mayer*; W. H. Ostrander, Kingston, N. Y., *Gypsy Girl*.
 Pink or Lavender—R. B. Montgomery, *Julius Bunge*; L. Fioretti, *No. 19*.
 Blended—R. B. Montgomery, *Baerne*; Frank Pitea, North Haledon, N. J., *Buckeye Star*.
 Bicolor—R. B. Montgomery, *Flash*; W. H. Ostrander, *Froliche Pfals*.
 Special—most outstanding entry—R. B. Montgomery.
 Sweepstakes—R. B. Montgomery.

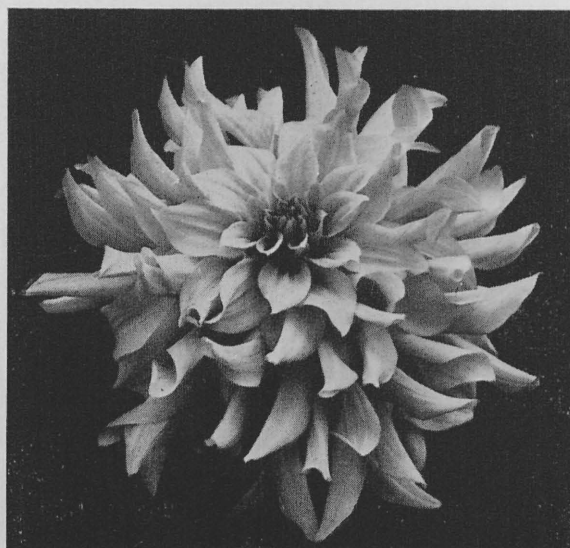
DECORATIVE—INFORMAL, 5 BLOOMS, B—MEDIUM

Pink or Lavender—L. Fioretti, *June Hoffman*.
 Purple or Violet—Reinhold Greinberg, Wayne, Pa., *No. 435*.
 Bicolor or Blended—R. Greinberg, *No. 425*.
 Special—most outstanding entry—R. Greinberg.

DECORATIVE, FORMAL, 5 BLOOMS, B—MEDIUM

White or Yellow—R. Greinberg, *Mrs. Bradley Geist*; L. Fioretti, *Darcy Sainsbury*.
 Purple or Violet—Albert Parrella, 3380 Ely Avenue, New York, *Marshall Howe*.
 Bicolor or Blended—L. Fioretti, *Siren*; R. Greinberg, *No. 422*.
 Basket, formal or informal decorative Dahlias—Albert Parrella, *Alfred Lunt*; R. Greinberg, *Mrs. Bradley Geist*.

PEACH DAWN—Soft Salmon Pink Semi-Cactus seedling of Lynn B. Dudley of Honor Roll fame—will be introduced by Dahliadel Nurseries.



Special—most outstanding entry—L. Fioretti.
Sweepstakes—R. Grienberg.

CACTUS, INCURVED OR STRAIGHT, 3 BLOOMS, A—LARGE

White or Yellow—R. B. Montgomery, *Golden Yellow*.
Orange or Red—R. B. Montgomery, *Golden Standard*; E. J. O'Keefe, *Stephen Foster*.
Pink or Lavender—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Crowning Glory*.
Special—most outstanding entry—Dr. B. B. Preas.

SEMI-CACTUS, 3 BLOOMS, A—LARGE

White or Yellow—E. E. Tooker, Rockville Centre, L. I., *Edith Willkie*; R. B. Montgomery, *American Purity*.
Orange or Red—Mrs. W. W. Carman, *Amelia Earhart*; F. Pitea, *Amelia Earhart*.
Pink or Lavender—R. B. Montgomery, *Greater Glory*; F. Pitea, *Jim Birch*.
Purple or Violet—A. Parrella, *Baltimore Belle*.
Bicolor or Blended—L. Fioretti, *Figaro*, R. B. Montgomery, *Figaro*.
Special—most outstanding entry—E. E. Tooker, *Edith Willkie*.
Vase or Container, Semi-Cactus Dahlias—E. E. Tooker—*Edith Willkie*.
Sweepstakes—R. B. Montgomery.

DECORATIVE, INFORMAL, 3 BLOOMS, A—LARGE

Yellow—L. Fioretti—*Lord of Autumn*.
Red—Mrs. W. W. Carman, *Murphy's Masterpiece*; F. Pitea, *Virginia Rute*.
Pink—Gordon Waaser, Baldwin, L. I., *Mrs. Macmillan Hoopes*; Queens Dahlia Gardens, *San Francisco*.
Lavender—G. Waaser, *Mrs. G. B. Du Pont*.
Purple—R. B. Montgomery, *Glamour*.
Blended—C. Nelson, *Carl Dahl*; Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Freida George*.
Bicolor—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Jeannetta*; W. H. Ostrander, *Kentucky Sportsman*.
Special—most outstanding entry—L. Fioretti.

DECORATIVE, FORMAL, 3 BLOOMS, A—LARGE

White or Yellow—L. Fioretti, *Darcy Sainsbury*.
Orange or Red—R. B. Montgomery, *Sultan Hillcrest*; L. Fioretti, *Sultan Hillcrest*.
Pink or Lavender—L. Fioretti, *Victory*, R. B. Montgomery, *Victory*.

Special—most outstanding entry—R. B. Montgomery.
Largest and most nearly perfect bloom, Semi-Cactus—E. J. O'Keefe, *Mary Lynn Dudley*.
Largest and most perfect bloom, Informal Decorative—C. Nelson, *Carl Dahl*.
Largest and most nearly perfect bloom, Formal Decorative—R. B. Montgomery, *Sultan of Hillcrest*.
Sweepstakes—R. B. Montgomery.
Grand Sweepstakes—R. B. Montgomery.

MINIATURES, ANY TYPE, 5 BLOOMS

White—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Snow Sprite*.
Yellow—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Dahliadel Joy*.
Orange—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Buckeye Baby*.
Orange—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Seedling*; Philip C. Boutellier, Irvington N. J., *Petite Prince*.
Pink—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Joyce Ann*; W. H. Ostrander, *Pink Gem*.
Lavender—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Little Diamond*.
Blended—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Seedling H. D. N. #1*.
Bicolor—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Little Nemo*.
Arrangement of miniatures—Louis B. Tim, Long Branch, N. J., *Bishop of Llandalf*.
Cactus, Incurved, straight or semi-cactus—Dr. F. Knocke, *Bobby*; Dr. B. B. Preas, *H. D. M. No. 3*.
Decorative—Formal or informal—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Red Robin*; W. H. Ostrander, *Sylvia*.
Peony (open centered), 5 blooms—P. LeBoutillier, *Seedling No. 308C*; Dr. B. B. Preas, *Bishop of Llandalf*.
Special—most outstanding entry—Dr. F. Knocke.
Sweepstakes—Dr. B. B. Preas.

POMPONS, 10 BLOOMS, BUDS ALLOWED

White—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Mrs. Telfer*.
Yellow—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Brass Buttons*; A. Parrella, *Yellow Gem*.
Orange—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Little Edith*.
Red—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Doria*.
Pink—John Allen, Rockville Centre, L. I., *Pink Duchess*; Dr. B. B. Preas, *Mrs. Brittain*.
Purple—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Miss Marjorie*.
Blended—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Clover*.
Bicolor—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Eileen*.
Bowl of Pompons—L. B. Tim.

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Ruschmohr's Fine Display Featured Their
1942 Introductions as well as those
of Recent Years.

—Photo Albert Humble





Tri-Color Arrangement in Garden Club Section. Coral Pink Semi-Cactus Dahlias in Olive-Green Venetian Glass by Mrs. Otto Langhans, Jamaica, L. I.

—Photo Albert Humble

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Basket of Pompons—L. Fioretti.

Sweepstakes—Dr. B. B. Preas.

BALL DAHLIAS, 3 BLOOMS

Orange or Red—L. Fioretti, *Marshall Kernochan*.

Pink or Lavender—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Supt. Amhryn*, L. Fioretti, *Supt. Amhryn*.

Bicolor or Blended—L. Fioretti, *Wolverine Gem*.

SINGLE DAHLIAS

5 blooms any one variety or color—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Noonan No. 1*; W. H. Ostrander, *Yellow Babe*.

COLLARETTE DAHLIAS

5 blooms any one variety and color—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Wine*.

ORCHID FLOWERING DAHLIAS

5 blooms any color or colors—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Imp*.

Basket or arrangement or 2 or more types of Dahlias—L. B. Tim; W. H. Ostrander.

Special—most outstanding entry—L. B. Tim.

Sweepstakes—Dr. B. B. Preas.

Grand Sweepstakes—R. B. Montgomery.

SECTION D

Private Estates with a Gardener

Display of Dahlias—L. B. Tim.

Basket of Dahlias—Edward Ilsley, Devon, Pa., *Jersey's Beauty*.

Basket of Dahlias—E. Ilsley, *Darcy Sainsbury*.

Cactus, incurved or straight—Mrs. L. M. Ogden, Tuxedo Park, N. Y., *Golden Standard*; E. Ilsley, *Golden Standard*.

Semi-cactus—Mrs. A. V. Stout, *Greater Glory*; E. Ilsley.

Decorative, informal—Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Carl Dahl*; Mrs. A. V. Stout, *Lord of Autumn*.

Decorative formal—E. Ilsley, *Sultan of Hillcrest*; Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Sultan of Hillcrest*.

Largest and most perfect bloom—Mrs. A. V. Stout, *Carl Dahl*.

Pall—Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Jayseedee*; Mrs. A. V. Stout, *Supt. Amhryn*.

Single—Mrs. A. V. Stout, *Pequot Yellow*.

Collarette—Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Tribune*; Mrs. A. V. Stout, *Blue Bells*.

White—E. Ilsley, *Darcy Sainsbury*; Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Alice Mae*.

Yellow—Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *California Idol*.

Orange—E. Ilsley, *Volcano*; Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Monarch of the East*.

Red—E. Ilsley, *Aztec Chief*.

Pink—Mrs. A. V. Stout, *Jeffersonian*; Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Premier Winsome*.

Lavender—E. Ilsley, *Glamour*; Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Robert Ripley*.
Purple—Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Hunt's Velvet Wonder*; E. Ilsley, *Eventide*.

Blended—Mrs. A. V. Stout, *Frieda George*; Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Carl Dahl*.

Bicolor—E. Ilsley, *Phantom*; Mrs. A. V. Stout, *Radiant Beauty*.

Collection of miniatures—E. Ilsley; Mrs. A. V. Stout.

Collection of pompons—Mrs. A. V. Stout; E. Ilsley.

Grand Sweepstakes in Section D—E. Ilsley.

SECTION E

Commercial Exhibits

Most outstanding and meritorious entry—Dahldel Nurseries.

Dahlia Trade Exhibit of 100 square feet—C. Louis Alling; Flowerfield Bulb Farm.

Dahlia Trade Exhibit of 80 square feet—Dahldel Nurseries.

Dahlia Trade Exhibit of 50 square feet—Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens; Parrella Dahlia Gardens.

SECTION F

Undisseminated Dahlias

Semi-cactus Medium—L. Fioretti, #19 *Light Pink* (Bronze Certificate).

Formal Decorative Medium—G. Waaser, *Dorothy Geer* (Bronze Certificate).

Miniature Cactus—Dr. F. Knoche, *Bobby* (Silver Certificate); G. Waaser, *Geneva Crystal White* (Bronze Certificate).

Miniature Decorative—Forman T. McClean, *McL #5* (Bronze Certificate).

Semi-Cactus, Large—Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, *Ivory Princess* (Gold Certificate); F. Pitea, *Alma Mater* (Bronze Certificate).

Informal Decorative, Large—Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, *Mollie B.* (Gold Certificate).

Pompons—John Allen, *Red Duchess* (Bronze Certificate).

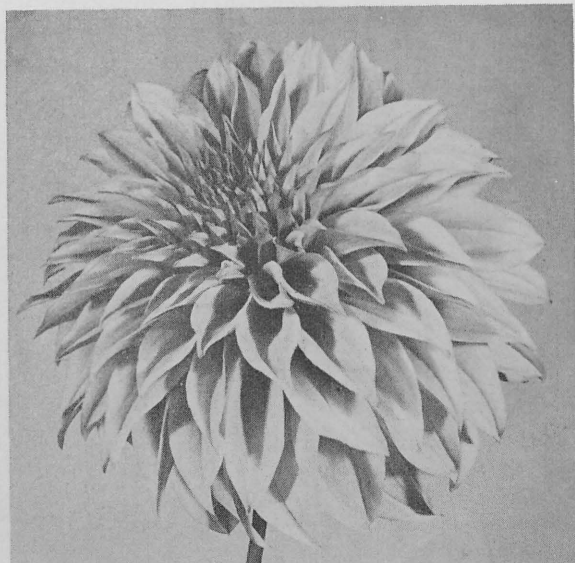
Collarette—Henry F. Corey, *Mount Vernon* (Bronze Certificate).

American Home Achievement Medal—Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, *Mollie B.* (Achievement Silver Medal).

Flower Grower Award—Parrella Dahlia Gardens, *Dorothy Schmidt* (Leonard Barron Memorial Trophy).

DOROTHY GEER—Best Formal Decorative, medium. This Medal Winner is Nearly Perfectly Formed. Rose Pink in color. Originator, Geneva Dahlia Gardens, Geneva, Ohio.

—Photo Albert Humble



Excellent Commercial Display of Parrella Dahlia Gardens, Bronx, N. Y., featuring DOROTHY SCHMIDT, LYNN FONTANNE and others of this growers well-known introductions.

—Photo Albert Humble



SECTION G

Entries Shipped by Air

Shipped 300 miles or more—Baker Dahlia Gardens, 15 Edgewood Ave., Toronto, Can.

Shipped 750 miles—Washburn Dahlia Gardens, Kokomo, Ind., *Chief Kokomo*; Honorable Mention—George F. Cairns, National City, Calif., *Little Jimmie*.

Undisseminated Varieties—Charles Garrity, San Leandro, Calif., *Pickel Puss*; Honorable Mention—Charles Garrity, *Malcolm Dell*; Honorable Mention—Henry A. Robinson, Montabello, Calif., *Montabello*.

Trial Garden Variety—Honorable Mention, Washburn Dahlia Gardens, *Chief Kokomo*.

SECTION H

Most outstanding and meritorious non-commercial entry or display—Louis B. Tim (A. D. S. Gold Medal).

Court of Honor, largest and most perfect bloom—Chester Nelson, *Carl Dahl* (Gordon Waaser Silver Cup).

Smallest and most perfect bloom—John M. Allen, *Little Edith* (Dahliadel Nurseries Pair of Vases).

Special Society Class—New Jersey Dahlia Society (President Conrad Frey Silver Cup).

House Beautiful Dahlia Futurity—Glenden Dahlia Gardens, *Crowning Glory* (House Beautiful Dahlia Futurity Gold Medal).

New Jersey Society Award—Louis B. Tim, *Greenacre Ball* (Mrs. Charles H. Stout Medal).

Special Bi-color Award, large or medium—Mrs. T. M. Ogden, *Flash* (Lynn B. Dudley Silver Platter).

Special Bi-color Award, small types—Louis B. Tim, *Mia Karsten* (Lynn B. Dudley Silver Vase).

GARDEN CLUB SECTION

Decorative, formal or informal, 5 blooms, large, 1 or more varieties. First—Mrs. C. V. Smith, Far Hills, N. J. (Tri-color). Second—Miss Virginia Stout, Short Hills, N. J.

Decorative, formal or informal, 1 bloom, large. First—Mrs. C. V. Smith. Second—Ives Samuels, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

Semi-Cactus, 5 blooms, large or medium, 1 or more varieties. First—Mrs. C. V. Smith, Far Hills, N. J. Second—Ives Samuels.

Cactus, straight or incurved, 3 blooms, large or medium, 1 or more varieties. First—Mrs. C. V. Smith. Second—William A. Warren, Plainfield, N. J.

Miniatures, 12 blooms, 1 or more varieties. First—Miss Virginia Stout, Short Hills, N. J. Second—Mrs. Ellen Bulluss, Meriden, Conn.

Orchid Flowering, 12 blooms, 1 or more varieties. No entries. Single and/or Collarette, 6 blooms, 1 or more varieties. First—Mrs. C. V. Smith. Second—Miss Virginia Stout.

Pompon, 12 blooms, 1 or more varieties. First—Mrs. Charles Bahr, Verona, N. J. Second—Miss Virginia Stout.

Any type not listed above, as Ball, Peony, Black Foliage, 10 blooms, 1 or more varieties. First—Miss Virginia Stout.

Special Class, Basket of Gladiolus. Mr. Clarence D. Fortman, Tyles Hill, Pa.

SECTION B

Arrangement

Any Dahlias in a yellow container. First—Sophie Schwaner, Valley Stream, N. Y. Second—Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Conover, Oradell, N. J.

Any Dahlias in a blue container. First—Mrs. Michael March, Valley Stream, N. Y. Second—Mrs. H. Olsen, Flushing, N. Y.

White Dahlias in a white container. First—Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Conover. Second—Mrs. C. V. Smith.

Yellow Dahlias in a black container. First—Mrs. George E. Green, Kensington, Conn. Second—Mrs. Edith Slowey, Valley Stream, N. Y.

Any Dahlias in tones of one color, any container (Monochromatic harmony). First—Mrs. and Mrs. Herbert Conover. Second—Mrs. George E. Green.

Red Dahlias in a green container (Complementary harmony). First—Mrs. G. E. Roberts, Valley Stream, N. Y. Second—Miss Edith Slowey.

Yellow and violet combination. Any flowers, any container. First—Mrs. Ives Samuels. Second—Mrs. Edith Slowey.

Dahlias and/or other flowers shown as a pair. First—Mrs. George Lofland, Forest Hills, N. Y. Second—Mrs. Michael March.

An arrangement expressing autumn. Any flowers. First—Mrs. Michael March. Second—Miss Virginia Stout.

Old Fashioned nosegay on paper frill not over 12 inches in diameter. Small Dahlias required in bouquet. First—M. B. Swain, Peekskill, N. Y. Second—Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Conover.

Corsage using Dahlias. Other material in bouquet optional. (Exhibitor to supply container of water to retain freshness.) First—H. D. Swain, Peekskill, N. Y. Second—M. B. Swain.

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My favorite arrangement. Any material to express originality and individuality. First—Mrs. Otto H. Langhans, Jamaica, N. Y. (Tri-color.) Second—Mrs. William Stickles, Malba, N. Y.

Any novelty arrangement showing distinctive use of Dahlias and/or other flowers. First—Mrs. Ives Samuels. Second—Mrs. G. Roberts, Valley Stream, N. Y.

Gladiolus. Any container. First—Mrs. William J. Owen, Peekskill, N. Y. Second—Ruth Walsh, St. Albans, N. Y.

Roses. Any container. First—Mrs. Frank P. Boes, Floral Park, N. Y. Second—Mrs. George Lofland.

Zinnias, one or more varieties. Any container. First—Mrs. William O. Joy, Jamaica, N. Y. Second—Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Conover.

Marigolds, one or more varieties. Any container. First—Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Conover. Second—Mrs. Otto H. Langhans, Jamaica, N. Y.

Berried branches, one or more varieties. Any container. First—Mrs. William O. Joy. Second—Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Conover.

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Elmer H. Heisey
E. Hand
Macmillan Hoopes
House Beautiful
Edward Isley
Stanley Johnson
William Kline
Dr. Fred J. Knocke
Mrs. Virginia Kortrey
John H. Lange
Stanley Laws
R. P. Liphart

Albert Parrella
E. S. Paine
Charles F. Petty
Frank Pitea
T. E. Popp
Charles Paris
C. R. Peacock
Queens Dahlia Gardens
Joseph Rigali
H. K. Ramsburg
Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens
Harvard W. Rivel
Mrs. Charles H. Stout
Harry D. Swain
George H. Swezey
Miss Virginia Stout
W. S. Simmons
Miss Margaret Smith
August Schott
Charles Spoonheimer
Miss Sophie Schwaner
Robert F. Talbot
Louis B. Tim
P. Tullman
Valeria Home
R. W. Webb
Miss Maude M. Wilson
Miss Emma C. White
Gordon Waaser
A. Schuster, Committee Chairman

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Mid West Dahlia Show Sept. 19-20, 1942

Following the annual mid west dinner in Milwaukee a meeting of the Mid West Dahlia Conference was held at about 11:30 P. M. President George Currie was in the chair. The report of the Secretary, Mrs. W. F. Kleinjohn was read and accepted which was followed by routine business. An invitation was extended by Mr. Ralph Swartz of the Indianapolis Dahlia Society to hold the annual Mid West Show in Indianapolis in 1942. This invitation was accepted and the dates set for Saturday and Sunday, September 19 and 20. Mrs. Kleinjohn was selected to serve as secretary for the coming year and the president to be the person serving as president of the Indianapolis Dahlia Society for 1942.

Silver Medal Display of C. Louis Alling, West Haven, Conn. ALICE J. and COLONIAL GRENADIER were featured in a setting of well-grown late introductions.

—Photo Albert Humble



SEED SPECIALIZATION IN CALIFORNIA

—and a New Kind of Dahlia Show



Mr. H. Lodge, proprietor of the Rockleigh Dahlia Gardens, La Mesa, California, who was one of the A. D. S. Judges in 1939 and concerning whom you had a very interesting write up by Dean Shurtleff in the BULLETIN, has sent the enclosed article for publication in the forthcoming BULLETIN.

Mr. Lodge judged a Show held here in Carlsbad, September 20, 1941, and gave great satisfaction because of his wide knowledge of good Dahlias and his fair minded judging.

The new society referred to by Mr. Lodge in his article may sponsor a California "Seed Parent and Exhibition Grounds" for Dahlias a little later and if so you may expect further news about developments here. One primary object of the new society is to try to increase the percentage of good Dahlias from a limited number of seeds such as may be sown in an ordinary back yard garden. If the average grower could have the encouragement of getting a really good one from the first season's planting it would go far to encourage the high ideal of "Dahlias in every garden." Three or four of us out this way have made such progress in the past three years that we feel further experimentation in hand hybridization and the study of Seed Parents and Genetic lines will show the same results which have been shown by line breeding in developing seed corn or in producing champion pigs and cows by the agricultural experts.

We have conducted a world wide correspondence about what are the good Dahlia Seed Parents and we have assembled here in one place over two hundred seed parents which have been recommended by successful growers. Out of all this may come a strain or strains which may make Dahlia history. At any rate the evident enthusiasm of an experienced and conservative judge of Dahlias like Mr. Lodge, makes us feel that we have made a good start in the right direction.

S. E. Taylor, R. D. 174, Carlsbad, California.

I was honored by being appointed judge of what was, to me, a new kind of Dahlia Show recently held at Carlsbad, California. It proved to be so interesting to Mrs. Lodge and myself that we thought it might be of interest to Dahlia growers who read the A. D. S. BULLETIN.

So far as I know it was the first Dahlia Show devoted entirely to the display of Dahlia Seedlings and it was sponsored by a new society known as the California South Coast Dahlia Society, the membership of which is restricted to those who grow Dahlias from seed.

At first it was doubted if a Show could be held, which would be of interest to the public, without showing some of the named varieties or Honor Roll Dahlias but since the purpose of this Show was to emphasize new Dahlia originations from seed and especially to educate the public to the idea that one can plant Dahlia seeds in the spring and get both flowers and tubers that same season, it was decided to hold a seedling Show and to offer prizes for the usual classes of pompons, miniatures, singles, collarettes, orchids, cactus and the larger exhibition sorts.

The result was most gratifying to the sponsors and to the public. The Oceanside, Carlsbad area, about midway between Los Angeles and San Diego, is almost ideal for Dahlia seed growing and for raising Dahlias from seed as the soil is fine and the area is almost frostless. Indeed there has been no frost at all there for the past three years. This means that when the cooler nights come, about the middle of October, there is no danger of freezing and the centers of the flowers open and the seed pods have plenty of time to ripen in the sun on into November. For that reason, California is becoming the Dahlia seed raising center of the nation. And because of the particularly favorable conditions around Carlsbad, there are several enthusiastic growers of seedlings who have large plantings.

Mrs. Lodge and myself were surprised and gratified to

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PRELIMINARY TRIAL GROUNDS REPORTS

Complete Reports will appear in February Bulletin

The University of Connecticut Storrs, Connecticut

List of Dahlias Scoring 85% or Better

No. 5. *Kathryn E. Waters*. Entered by Richard W. Petrie, 445 Daisy Avenue, Long Beach, California. Score 85M. Formal decorative.

No. 7. *Elizabeth Goucher Chapman*. Kathryn E. Waters, 940 West Imperial Highway, Downey, California. Score 85M. Miniature. Formal decorative.

No. 9. *Olive Ruth Reed*. Kathryn E. Waters, 940 West Imperial Highway, Downey, California. Score 85M. Miniature Ball.

No. 15. *The Bobs*. Raymond H. Moffet, 6033 Hammel Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio. Score 85S. Pompon.

No. 36. *California Sunset*. R. W. Franson, 1615 West 47th Street, Los Angeles, California. Score 85M. Miniature. Formal decorative.

No. 56. *Royal Velvet*. Samuel Lavinthal, 514 Sanhican Drive, Trenton, N. J. Score 85E. Informal decorative.

No. 57. *White Fawn*. Dixie Dahlia Gardens, R. D. No. 2, Clio, Michigan. Score 85.5M. Miniature. Formal decorative.

No. 58. *No. 1*. Dixie Dahlia Gardens, R. D. No. 2, Clio, Michigan. Score 85E. Informal decorative.

STEPHEN FOSTER—Large Incurved Cactus—Orange Buff suffused Tyrian Rose won the Achievement Medal at the Mid-West Show. Also at five other shows. Introducer—Salem Dahlia Gardens, Salem, N. J.



No. 63. *Bess Smith*. J. B. Anderson, Pier 3, North River, New York, N. Y. Score 85E. Informal decorative.

No. 65. *White Angel*. F. A. Greenough, 25 B. V. French Street, Braintree, Massachusetts. Score 85M. Informal decorative.

No. 66. *Mrs. Anna Kline*. William Kline, 149 Mill-run Avenue, Baldwin, L. I., N. Y. Score 85E. Informal decorative.

No. 73. *Adele Henderson*. Herman Rindfleisch, Palmer Avenue, Mamaroneck, N. Y. Score 85E. Formal decorative.

No. 85. *Chief Kokomo*. G. H. Washburn, Washburn Dahlia Gardens, Kokomo, Indiana. Score 85M. Formal decorative.

No. 110. 99. *Conrad Frey*, 245 High Street, Nutley, N. J. Score 85E. Informal decorative.

No. 120. *No. 1, 1940*. Doctor Bruce B. Preas, Merrick Road, Rockville Center, L. I., N. Y. Score 86E. Informal decorative.

Mid West Trial Gardens

List of Dahlias Scoring 85% or Better Season 1941

Seedling 516. Stake No. 6. Informal decorative to semi-cactus. 85.3E. Entered by Oakleigh Gardens, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Arline Dick. Stake No. 13. Informal decorative. 86E. Entered by R. M. Berry, 454 Oxford Street, London, Canada.

Garnet. Stake No. 15. Formal decorative. 85E. Entered by Henry C. Parker, National Press Building, Washington, District of Columbia.

Miss Mt. Clemens, Stake No. 31. Semi-cactus to cactus. 85.4E. Entered by J. Wilson Petrie, 68 Eldredge Street, Mt. Clemens, Michigan.

Joyce Petrie. Stake No. 32. Cactus. 85E. Entered by J. Wilson Petrie, 68 Eldredge Street, Mt. Clemens, Michigan.

Mrs. Thomas A. Edison. Stake No. 34. Informal decorative. 85.25E. Entered by Chautauqua Dahlia Fields, Mayville, N. Y.

Miss Voy Keiser. Stake No. 37. Informal decorative to semi-cactus. 85E. Entered by C. N. Keiser Dahlia Gardens, Berrien Springs, Michigan.

Delrose. Stake No. 38. Informal decorative. 85E. Entered by O. W. Slocum, Ionia, Michigan.

East Row. Stake No. 42. Formal decorative. 85E. Entered by Golden Rule Dahlia Farm, Lebanon, Ohio.

The Shining One. Stake No. 43. Informal decorative. 85.2E. Entered by Golden Rule Dahlia Farm, Lebanon, Ohio.

Indian Giant. Stake No. 67. Informal decorative. 85E. Entered by A. H. Emmons, R. F. D. No. 7, Battle Creek, Michigan.

C. E. Wildon, Supt.

MID-WEST DAHLIA SHOW

Fine Exhibition at Milwaukee Well Attended

To have been one of the thousands of fascinated Dahlia fans who saw this memorable Show was an unforgettable pleasure and to have been one of the fortunate hundred or more who had even a small part in its success was a thrill long to be pleasantly remembered. The drawing power of this Show impressed this observer profoundly. Not only were the sponsoring society and the other affiliated societies of the Mid-West Dahlia Conference strongly represented but keen enthusiasts from practically every State within a radius of 750 miles were there in numbers. The contagion of enthusiasm and good fellowship was compelling. The management had every detail so well organized that smooth team work resulted naturally. Among the outstanding personalities I can't refrain from mentioning genial, unruffled George Currie and Doctor H. O. Hoppe, that mighty dynamo who I am sure gives Mrs. Hoppe full credit for her very evident share in their joint success. The Show committee was large enough and every member had his special task well in hand. The clerical job was handled in a really professional manner. The badges and ribbons were notable. A sufficient number of experienced judges were on hand and were so carefully assigned that the judging proceeded smoothly, yet was unhurried.

The schedule provided truly fair competition for all types of exhibitors: novices, non-members, small amateurs, large amateurs, cloth house growers, open to all. Girls and boys of ten or twelve years deftly and busily helped fathers and mothers set up their entries with equal, intense enthusiasm. There will be plenty of coming generations of Dahlia growers out Milwaukee way.

In so large a Show there were of course many inferior exhibits but there was also an abundance of perfection. They know how to grow Dahlias in the Mid-West and the growers aren't afraid to show their blooms. However, so fine a display was at a disadvantage in the setting chosen: a loft floor in the Hotel Schroeder. The Show was perhaps a bit weak in miniatures and miscellaneous types, while the staging of pompons left something to be desired. Moreover, there are distinct advantages in separating the medium sized varieties from the large varieties in competition. However, particular emphasis was placed upon perfection with special awards as distinguished from size which also was carefully judged by special judging teams. This Show gave the Eastern visitors a good deal of food for thought.

In the always interesting seedling classes there were some fine things. To this writer's mind one of the real sensations of the Show was a very large rhodamine purple globular flower, semi-cactus to informal decorative in type, on superb stems and with splendid foliage. The three blooms grown and exhibited by Mr. G. L. Pierce of Villa Park, Illinois, were cut from the same first year seedling plant which furnished his first prize exhibit a week before at the Central States Show. Here's hoping Mr. Pierce harvests a strong clump and that it winters well!

Competition in the Air Mail Class—for large blooms travelling the longest distance—was exciting. Although Henry F. Corey of Linthicum Heights, Maryland, sent some excellent blooms which arrived in fine condition,

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Ohio Valley Dahlia Association Trial Grounds

List of Dahlias Scoring 85 or better — Season 1941

Stake 238. *Bl. Mother Cabrini*. Entered by Joe Cadrobbi, 1229 N. W. Highway, Park Ridge, Illinois. Score 85C. Informal decorative.

Stake 239. *Indian Summer*. Entered by Frank Goetzer, Mt. Rainer, Maryland. Score 85E. Semi-cactus.

Stake 243. *Blue Rose*. Entered by C. N. Keiser, Berrien Springs, Michigan. Score 86E. Formal decorative.

Stake 252. *White Faun*. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, 14592 Dixie Highway, Clio, Michigan. Score 85. Miniature formal decorative.

Stake 256. *Shining One*. Entered by Golden Rule Dahlia Farm, Lebanon, Ohio. Score 85C. Informal decorative.

Stake 257. *Bess Smith*. Entered by J. B. Anderson, Pier 7, North River, New York City, N. Y. Score 85E. Informal decorative.

Stake 265. *8-R*. Entered by A. H. Rich, 1242 Como Boulevard, St. Paul, Minnesota. Score 85E. Formal decorative.

Of the 38 entries in the Cincinnati Trial Grounds 7 scored 85 or better. A full report of all entries will appear in the February issue of the BULLETIN. The past season was far from ideal for growing Dahlias and no doubt under more favorable growing conditions, more of the entries would have won a certificate.

The Committee feels that certain of the seedling entries are worthy of a retrial and will be so advised.

Robert Seibel, Superintendent.

Fairmont, West Virginia, Trial Gardens

Stake No. 4. *Snow Maiden*. Informal decorative to formal decorative. Entered by Dahlidel Nurseries, Vine-land, N. J. Score 85.

Stake No. 7. *Jersey Maiden*. Single. Entered by Dahlidel Nurseries. Score 85 1/6.

Stake No. 8. *Mozart*. Ball. Entered by Dahlidel Nurseries. Score 85 3/4.

Stake No. 9. *Dean Shurtleff*. Informal decorative. Entered by Shelby E. Taylor, Morgantown, West Virginia. Score 85 5/6.

Stake No. 17. *Bess Smith*. Informal decorative. Entered by J. B. Anderson, Pier 3, North River, New York City. Score 85.

that doughty exhibitor Doctor Bruce Preas of Rockville Centre, Long Island, won by a nose with his *All American* even over his neighbor, Dewey Mohr's entry of *Deep Purple*. Doctor Preas' flowers were mailed just a few miles farther away from Milwaukee than his rival's.

Finally, let me record that the social side was pleasantly featured. Our hosts outdid themselves in making their guests wish to return.

Doctor Ward H. Cook, Tuckahoe, N. Y.

A list of special award winners and the varieties with which they were won is as follows:

Most perfect bloom in the Novice Section—*La Reina* exhibited by Reinhard H. Otto of Milwaukee—Dahlia Society of Wisconsin silver medal.

Largest bloom in the Novice Section—*Marion Smith* exhibited by George Merkel of Milwaukee—Dahlia Society of Michigan silver medal.

Most perfect bloom over 8 inches in the Small Amateur Section—*Katie K.* exhibited by Theodore Simon of Racine, Wisconsin—Dahlia Society of Wisconsin silver medal.

Most perfect bloom under 8 inches in the Small Amateur Section—*Victory* exhibited by Theodore Simon of Racine, Wisconsin—Dahlia Society of Indianapolis medal.

Largest bloom in Small Amateur Section—*Glamour* exhibited by W. E. Kemen of Wauwatosa, Wisconsin—Minnesota Dahlia Society medal.

Most perfect bloom over 8 inches in Large Amateur Section—*Yellow Comet* exhibited by Edward C. Haase of Racine, Wisconsin—North Shore Dahlia Society medal.

Most perfect bloom under 8 inches in Large Amateur Section—*Marietta E.* exhibited by Edward C. Haase of Racine, Wisconsin—Dahlia Society of Alabama medal.

Largest bloom in Large Amateur Section—*Murphy's Masterpiece* exhibited by G. L. Pierce, Villa Park, Illinois—Central States Dahlia Society medal.

Most perfect bloom over 8 inches in Small Amateur Cloth House Section—*American Purity* exhibited by W. A. Millager of Kenosha, Wisconsin—Dahlia Society of Wisconsin silver medal.

Most perfect bloom under 8 inches in Small Amateur Cloth House Section—*Nancy Ann Mitchell* exhibited by Doctor H. O. Hoppe of Wauwatosa, Wisconsin—Western Pennsylvania Branch of A. D. S. medal.

Largest bloom in Small Amateur Cloth House Section—*Miss Parkersburg* exhibited by Doctor H. O. Hoppe of Wauwatosa, Wisconsin—East Liverpool Dahlia Society medal.

Most perfect bloom over 8 inches in Open to All Section—*Frau O'Bracht* exhibited by Mrs. J. G. Sample Estate, Andrew Eide, gardener, of Lake Forest, Illinois—Dahlia Society of Georgia gold medal. This same bloom won a silver cup donated by Garfield Heights Dahlia Gardens as the best bloom in the entire Show over 8 inches.

Most perfect bloom under 8 inches in Open to All Section—*Michigan White* exhibited by Mrs. J. G. Sample Estate, Andrew Eide, gardener, of Lake Forest, Illinois—Northeastern Pennsylvania Dahlia Society gold medal. This bloom also won a silver cup donated by Garfield Heights Dahlia Gardens as the most perfect bloom under 8 inches in the entire Show.

Largest bloom in Open to All Section—*Director Carl G. Dahl* exhibited by Thomas Nooyan of Appleton, Wisconsin—Racine County Dahlia Society gold medal. This bloom also won the gold loving cup of the Dahlia Society of Kentucky as the largest bloom in the entire Show.

Six most perfect blooms in Large Amateur Section—Rogowski Brothers of Cudahy, Wisconsin, won American Dahlia Society medal with one bloom each of *Confucius*, *Nocturno*, *Margrace*, *California Idol*, *Crowning Glory*, and *Triumph of Czecho-Slovakia*.

Ten most perfect blooms in Open to All Class—George R. Currie of Sheboygan, Wisconsin, won South Central Wisconsin Dahlia Society silver cup with one bloom each of *Yvona-Matsuoka*, *Chenarr's Dahlia*, *Hunt's Velvet Wonder*, *Alice May*, *Glamour*, *Mary Congdon*, *Zanthic*, *Ballego's Surprise*, *Marion Smith* and *Virginia Ruth*.

Best bloom of *Dr. Cheon Yin Wong* exhibited by Theodore F. Schroeder of Mukwonago, Wisconsin, won the President's Cup.

Dahlia bloom over 8 inches travelling longest distance—*All American* exhibited by Doctor Bruce B. Preas of Rockville Centre, Long Island, N. Y.—Silver cup donated by Mr. and Mrs. Carl H. Herrmann.

Best commercial exhibit—Northbrook Dahlia Gardens, Northbrook, Illinois—Silver cup donated by Joseph Heineman. This exhibit was also awarded the Ohio Valley Dahlia Association silver medal as the most meritorious exhibit in the entire Show.

Best bloom of *Jonathan Gilbert*—W. A. Millager of Kenosha, Wisconsin—ten dollars in cash donated by Thomas E. Popp, Greenfield Dahlia Gardens, West Allis, Wisconsin.

House Beautiful gold medal for best six blooms listed in J. W.

Johnston's "Dahlia Futurity" article in January issue of *House Beautiful Magazine*—George R. Currie of Sheboygan, Wisconsin, with three blooms of *Class* and three blooms of *Crowning Glory*.

Best bloom of a disseminated Dahlia originated in the Middle West—Doctor S. D. Tylman, Lombard, Illinois, with a bloom of *Jeanette*—Silver cup donated by F. V. R. Veirs, Canton, Ohio.

Best six blooms of a Mid-West introduction exhibited by the originator or introducer—Northbrook Dahlia Gardens, Northbrook, Illinois, with Mrs. H. C. Phillips—Mid West Dahlia Conference Trophy.

Best three cactus blooms under 8 inches in diameter—Joseph Stonek of Racine, Wisconsin, with three blooms of *Beaute*—Large Red Wing Pottery vase donated by Frank's Dahlia Gardens, Bedford, Ohio.

American Home Achievement Medal—Salem Dahlia Gardens, Salem, N. J., with three blooms of a large autumn colored incurved Cactus, *No. A-23*, grown by Joseph Stonek, Racine, Wisconsin.

Best flower picture placed in a shadow box—Mrs. Harry Bostock of Madison, Wisconsin—Vase donated by Mrs. H. O. Hoppe.

The winners of sweepstakes were as follows:

Novice Section—George Merkel, Milwaukee, Wisconsin—Silver cup donated by E. M. Larsen.

Small Amateur Section—Theodore Simon, Racine, Wisconsin—Silver cup donated by W. E. Kemen.

Large Amateur Section—Rogowski Behtrors, Cudahy, Wisconsin—Silver cup donated by Theodore F. Schroeder.

Small Amateur Cloth House Section—Alfred Engling, Lombard, Illinois—Silver cup donated by Doctor H. O. Hoppe.

Open to All Section—George R. Currie, Sheboygan, Wisconsin—Silver cup donated by Thomas C. Christiansen.

Small Flowering Section—Doctor Bruce B. Preas, Rockville Centre, Long Island, N. Y.—Bronze medal of Dahlia Society of Wisconsin.

Artistic Arrangements:

First—Mrs. W. Popp, Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin—pottery vase.

Second—Mrs. Harry Postock, Madison, Wisconsin—pottery vase.

Third—Mrs. H. O. Hoppe, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin—pottery vase.

Sunday's Activities at Mid West Show

Visitors to the Mid West Dahlia Show on Sunday, September 21st, started the day by accepting the invitation of the Milwaukee Sunday Breakfast Club to attend the breakfast program of that organization at the Hotel Wisconsin. So many Dahlia people attended that it taxed the seating capacity of the dining room to the limit. Part of the program was broadcast by radio, including the talks by Doctor H. O. Hoppe, the Show chairman, and George R. Currie, president of the Dahlia Society of Wisconsin, Inc. Quite a number of the Dahlia enthusiasts present were called upon for short extemporaneous remarks. Fred R. Zimmerman, Wisconsin Secretary of State, who is also a former governor of the state, also spoke briefly.

The breakfast program concluded in time for those present to get back to the Schroeder Hotel in time to participate in the Dahlia tour which left the hotel at ten o'clock. Automobiles were provided for those who didn't have cars, or who preferred not to drive their own cars, the arrangements for the tour being under the direction of Mr. W. E. Kemen, Vice-President of the Dahlia Society of Wisconsin, Inc. A city police motorcycle escort was provided as far as the city limits and from there two motorcycle officers from the county sheriff's department took over. It was a real thrill to drive along at a fairly rapid pace through red traffic lights and past arterial stop signs without stopping, with no fear or trembling of running amiss of any officer of the law.

The first stop was at the beautiful sunken garden of Milwaukee's Mitchell Park. From there the cavalcade proceeded through West Allis, a suburb which adjoins Milwaukee on the south west, to the Dahlia gardens of

Janet Currie, eight year old daughter of George R. Currie, President of Wisconsin Dahlia Society, with TOPS, huge Yellow Semi-Cactus. Winner of Achievement Medal at Central States Dahlia Society Show in Chicago. Dr. H. L. Dozier is the originator.



Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Popp, proprietors of Greenfield Dahlia Gardens. The Poppes have two cloth houses joined together, a large one holding in excess of two hundred plants of the large flowering varieties, and a smaller one for poms and miniatures. In addition to the Dahlias in the clothhouses, there is a fairly extensive field planting. Many of the newer varieties were to be seen here.

The next stop was made several miles to the west just over the county line in Waukesha County at the beautiful Delwood Dahlia Garden of Mrs. Laura Delaporte. This garden is truly one of nature's beauty spots, being almost entirely surrounded by fine trees. Other flowers besides Dahlias are grown, but the Dahlias predominate. An overhead watering system is maintained and the fine growth of the Dahlia bushes to be seen in this planting were probably in some measure due to this. Many beautiful blooms were to be seen here.

From Mrs. Delaporte's garden, the tour next proceeded to Whitnall Park, which is a Milwaukee County public park near Hales Corner, Wisconsin, where there are extensive plantings of shrubs and other plants and beautiful gardens of flowers of many varieties. This was the last stop before proceeding to the Norris Farm near Mukwonago where all out of the state visitors to the Mid West Show were guests for luncheon of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore F. Schroeder, Mr. Schroeder being the manager of the farm. The farm is situated about twenty-five miles southwest of Milwaukee and has over seven hundred acres of excellent farm land. The farm was established by Mr. D. W. Norris, a Milwaukee philanthropist, for problem boys under eighteen years of age. Approximately one hundred fifty people were entertained by the Schroeders at luncheon that noon, the luncheon being served buffet style in the dining hall of the summer camp on the farm.

In addition to an excellent meal, the Schroeder's hospitality included a liberal supply of bottles of the amber fluid which made Milwaukee famous, cooled to the right temperature. Before luncheon was served, a group picture was taken by Mr. F. L. Purrington of Wheaton, Illinois, who has two hobbies—photography and Dahlias.

After luncheon, many visited Mr. Schroeder's Dahlias, as he is an amateur grower possessing a fine cloth house. Some who had their own automobiles left directly on their return journey, while others returned to the Schroeder Hotel at Milwaukee to take a final look at the Dahlias on display at the Show.

All in all this day proved to be most enjoyable and marked an all time high in Dahlia good fellowship. The weather also added much enjoyment to the occasion as the bright warm sunshine made it an ideal day for a program of this kind.

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A. D. S. Field Day, Storrs, September 13

The annual A. D. S. Field Day at Connecticut University on September 13 brought together a large delegation of Dahlia "fan". Professor Patch should be given much credit for the splendid appearance of the gardens despite the unfavorable dry season.

The visitors occupied the forenoon in the inspection of the plants. At one P. M. a meeting was held in Guley Hall where words of welcome were extended by the college authorities. Professor Patch acted as master of ceremonies and, as usual did a most thorough and satisfactory job. Mr. James Laidlow of Middletown, Conn., showed a very beautiful collection of colored photos of many flowers, bird and other subjects of particular interest to flower lovers.

The group then adjourned to the tent adjacent to the gardens where a talk was delivered by Mr. Paul Frese, editor of the Flower Grower who spoke of Dahlias from an editor's standpoint.

Mrs. Georgena Humble gave a very instructive talk on flower arrangement featuring various types of Dahlias in different containers. It has been said that most of our show lack good arrangements. It is unfortunate that more of our members could not have witnessed Mrs. Humble's demonstration. Short talks followed by various A. D. S. officers and the meeting adjourned at about 4 P. M. when the visitors again gathered in the gardens for a final inspection.

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

Perusal of the Show Reports indicates a most successful Dahlia year—and this in spite of difficult weather conditions in many sections of the country.

All of which proves that with proper facilities for watering, one may have a fine Dahlia garden year in and year out.

Some Shows boasted fewer blooms and possibly fewer entries than in other years, but upon analysis one finds that most of the regular exhibitors were able to enter quality that was tops.

Your Editor had the finest garden he has ever experienced—more very large blooms in proportion than usual—the reason was extra attention, more spraying, more frequent cultivation and judicious use of overhead irrigation. All of which demonstrates that we are not dependent entirely upon ideal weather conditions but if we are willing to do the necessary to compensate for weather extremes, top notch results can be obtained.

The A. D. S. is about to launch a program which will especially consider the novice's proper place in our Shows. It is felt that many small Dahlia growers—some of whom are workers in various Garden Clubs—would become regular exhibitors with the proper encouragement. And it is the purpose of the Society to do all in its power in this direction. If you have any suggestions, let us hear from you.

The second term of President Conrad Frey is drawing to a close. It has been a great pleasure for the Officers and Committees to work with Mr. Frey whose leadership has been sound and efficient. Much progress has been made during his tenure in office. He will pass along to his successor a Society working together in harmony with much accomplished, much to be done in the future—and a Treasury in good financial condition. Best of all, Mr. Frey will remain active in the affairs of the Society—a strong worker under the incoming 'Chief'.

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A. D. S. Annual Meeting and Dinner January 24

The annual meeting of the Society will be held Saturday, January 24, at 2:30 P. M., in the Hotel Shelton, New York City. Reports of the various standing committees will be presented as well as that of the Election Board and any other business which may come before the meeting.

There will be a general get-together and social hour after the meeting and the annual dinner will be served at 7:00 P. M. Dewey Mohr and a capable committee are in charge of arrangements so a fine dinner and a grand time is assured. There will be talks on interesting Dahlia subjects as well as some very fine Dahlia pictures in color. Presentation of medals to certain Dahlia pioneers will be made, and adjournment will be at an early hour. Remember the date, January 24. We'll be looking for you.

1942 A. D. S. Show Thursday and Friday, September 24 and 25

At an Executive Board meeting held on October 31 it was voted to hold our 1942 Show Thursday and Friday, September 24 and 25. The location to be the same as the past Show, The American Museum of Natural History which proved a most ideal place for the Show and very satisfactory to visitors and exhibitors alike. Our sincere thanks is extended to the authorities of the Museum who cooperated so finely with us.

Election Ballots Enclosed With This Issue

Ballots for the election of officers to serve the Society for 1942 are enclosed with this issue. Don't neglect to mail your ballot and return it not later than January 1.

Registrations

Application for the use of the following names have been made. If there is no objection within a reasonable length of time they will be considered registered.

MOUNT VERNON, Collarette. By Henry Corey, Lithicum Heights, A. A. C. Maryland.

SALBACH'S ORANGE, Miniature Semi-Cactus, orange. YELLOW SPIRAL, pinard yellow, Informal Decorative. By Carl Salbach, Berkeley, California.

NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA DAHLIA SHOW



At the Court of Honor Class—left to right: Dr. R. H. Armstrong, Earl E. Holmes, E. M. Kech, R. W. Webb, Dr. E. F. McDade and O. F. Keene.

for the best cactus of "B" size in a basket containing six blooms was E. M. Keck of White Haven, Pennsylvania, with a yellow variety which we were unable to get the name of. Winner of the largest and best bloom in the entire Show was E. M. Keck with *Katie K.* The Northeastern Pennsylvania Dahlia Futurity was won by William J. Stoltz with a basket of six "A" size blooms. Grand Sweepstakes for the most points in the entire Show was won by R. W. Webb.

Section A, Novice: Sweepstakes was won by P. J. Malloy of Dunmore, Pennsylvania. Mr. Malloy also won the special in this section with *Murphy's Masterpiece*.

Section B, Sweepstakes was won by Charles Heusner of Scranton, Pennsylvania. Specials were won by James Greene of Scranton, Pennsylvania, with *Murphy's Masterpiece* and *Golden Beauty*. Charles Heusner with *Nancy Ann Mitchell*. Paul W. Doll of White

Plains, N. Y., with *Gretel*. And Mrs. Aubrey Davies of Edwardsville, Pennsylvania, with *W. H. T.*

Section C: Sweepstakes was won by E. M. Keck. Specials were won by C. D. Fortman of Tyler Hill, Pennsylvania, with *Scarlet Leader* and *Queen City*, and E. M. Keck with *The Real Glory* and *Katie K.* Some of the best blooms in the Show were exhibited in this section by E. M. Keck, C. D. Fortnam, Herman Engelhardt and Albert Nicholls.

Section D: Sweepstakes was won by R. W. Webb. Specials were won by Herbert Lewis and Son with *Marietta E.* and by Dr. R. H. Armstrong of Peckville, Pennsylvania, with *Nancy Ann Mitchell* and *Greater Glory*, his *Greater Glories* winning three specials: the largest bloom in the section, best single "A" size bloom and best three "A" size blooms in the section. This was a very heavy section and many splendid blooms were exhibited.

Section E: Sweepstakes was won by William J. Stolz. Specials were won by Herbert Lewis and Son with *Nancy Ann Mitchell*, and by William J. Stolz with *Iselberg*, *Sunrays* and *Darcy Sainsbury*. *Darcy Sainsbury* winning for Mr. Stolz both in the single "A" size and the three bloom "A" size classes. This section was open to all and most of the exhibitors showed some of their best blooms here, making the section very large and the competition very keen.

Section F: included all specimen bloom classes for Ball, Miniature, Pompon, Single, Orchid Flowering Collarete and Anemone Dahlias. Open to all, and all blooms, except arrangements seedlings and Court of Honor, of these types were exhibited here. Grand Sweepstakes for this section was won by R. W. Webb. Sweepstakes for Ball Dahlias was won by R. W. Webb. Sweepstakes for Miniatures was won by Paul Doll. Sweepstakes for Pompons

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The Third Annual Dahlia Show of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Dahlia Society (Branch of American Dahlia Society) was held on September 5-6, 1941, at the Scranton Young Women's Christian Association.

While the quantity was somewhat curtailed on account of the hot, dry weather the quality was of a very high standard. Perhaps more top quality blooms were shown this year than ever before. Some of the best blooms shown were: *Katie K.*, *Director Carl Dahl*, *Greater Glory*, *Croydon's Acme*, *The Real Glory*, *American Victory*, *Nancy Ann Mitchell*, *Maid Marion*, *Scarlet Leader*, *Wayville Beauty*, *Sunrays*, *Flash*, *Lois Walcher*, *Cornell Eventide*, *Freda George*, *Cherokee Brave*, *Marietta E.*, *Moonbia*, *Mary Taylor*, *Zenith*, *Killgore's Idol*, *Killgore's Purple*, *Mary Lynn Dudley*, *Bette Davis*, *Yellow Comet*, *Ballego's Surprise*, *Zanthic*, *Dean Anderson*, *Robert L. Ripley*, *Glamour*, *Rita Wells*, *Premier's Winsome*, *Maffie*, *Darcy Sainsbury*, *Evelyn Chandler*, *Croydon's Violet*, *Golden Standard*, *Son of Satan*, *Tim Murphy*, *One Grand*, *Grand Master*, *Barbara Hutton*, *Murphy's Masterpiece*, *Silver Lady* and *Iselberg*.

Winner in the Court of Honor class calling for largest and best bloom was William J. Stolz of Hazleton, Pennsylvania, with *Director Carl Dahl*. Winner in the Court of Honor class calling for the smallest and best bloom was R. W. Webb of Scranton, Pennsylvania, with *Margaret Williams*. Winner in the House Beautiful Dahlia Futurity class was Doctor Edward F. McDade and E. E. Holmes of Scranton, Pennsylvania, with a mixed vase containing one each *Confucius*, *Mary Lynn Dudley*, *Noel Marvin*, *Hillside Joy*, *Crowning Glory* and *Ginger Rogers*. Winner of the class calling for the best three cactus Dahlias in the Show was Herbert Lewis and Son of Scranton, Pennsylvania, with *Marietta E.* Winner of the class calling for the best bi-color in the Show was R. W. Webb with *Lois Walcher*. Winner of the class calling

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was won by R. W. Webb. Sweepstakes for Single, Orchid Flowering, Collarette and Anemone was won by Herbert Lewis and Son. Special for Ball Dahlias was won by R. W. Webb with *Alice J.* Special for Miniatures was won by Herbert Lewis and Son with *Worthy Matron*. Special for Pompons was won by E. M. Keck with *Clover*. Special for Singles, etc., was won by C. H. Stoeckel of Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania, with *Mia Karsten*. Other small Dahlias to win blue ribbons were: *Kentucky Snowball*, *Mary Helen*, *Peacherino*, *Doermann's Seedling*, *Orchid Ball*, *Mrs. C. D. Anderson*, *Rosy Dawn*, *Clara Clemens*, *White Pearl*, *Petit Some*, *Andries Orange*, *Sylvia*, *Betsy Tooker*, *Wine Drop*, *Royal Prince*, *Blue Star*, *Mrs. J. Telfer*, *Brass Button*, *Atom*, *Johnny*, *Nerissa*, *Margaret Williams*, *Miss Marjorie*, *Minnie Mouse*, *Pequot Yellow*, *Collegiate*, *Satin White*, *Mia Karsten*, *Guiding Star* and *Mercedes Ann*.

Section G: Sweepstakes resulted in a tie between Henry Fells of Dunmore, Pennsylvania, and J. R. Steele of Shamokin, Pennsylvania. Special for the best arrangement of "A" size Dahlias was won by Henry Fells. Special for the best arrangement of "B" size Dahlias was won by J. R. Steel. Special for the best arrangement of miniatures was won by R. F. Talbot. Special for the best arrangement of orchid flowering and single Dahlias was won by R. F. Talbot. Special for the best arrangement of pompons was won by R. F. Talbot. This section was open to all and was known as the Arrangement Section.

Sweepstakes in the Undisseminated Section was won by George H. Swezey of Hillside, N. J. Mr. Swezey also won the special for the best entry of Dahlias in this section, however, the records are not clear as to whether the special was given for *Link's No. 1-40* or *Link's No. 5-1-39*. Charles H. Stoeckel won in the miniature class in this section with his *Jean S.*, a very fine little formal decorative of orange or possibly blended color.

Medals and outstanding trophies were awarded as follows: American Dahlia Society, Doctor R. H. Armstrong. House Beautiful Dahlia Futurity, Doctor E. F. McDade and E. E. Holmes. The Dahlia Society of Alabama, R. W. Webb. Central States Dahlia Society, George H. Swezey. Dahlia Society of Georgia, J. R. Steele. The Ohio Valley Dahlia Association, E. M. Keck. East Liverpool Dahlia Society, Herbert Lewis & Son. The Dahlia Society of New Jersey, R. W. Webb. Western Pennsylvania Branch of the A. D. S., Paul W. Doll. Dahlia Society of Wisconsin, Herbert Lewis & Son. Stump & Walter Co., Henry Fells. Northeastern Pennsylvania Dahlia Society medals to P. J. Malloy, James Greene, Charles Heusner, E. E. Holmes and William J. Stolz. The President's Trophy, William J. Stolz. Z. W. Kosmela Trophy, E. M. Keck. The Aubrey M. Davies Trophy, Herbert Lewis & Son. Dahlia Trophy, Herbert Lewis & Son. E. M. Keck Trophy, R. W. Webb. Show Chairman's Award, E. M. Keck. The Andrew F. Doermann Plaque for Ball Dahlias, R. W. Webb.

Our Show committee is indeed thankful to all who so kindly contributed to our prize list. Also to the several loyal friends who gave so freely of their time to the judging of this our Third Annual Dahlia Show. These are two of the things which added so greatly to the success of everything.

Much credit and thanks is due Doctor E. F. McDade and his able assistants or Co-chairman as he wants them to be known, Mr. and Mrs. Stoeckel, Mr. and Mrs. Webb, Doctor and Mrs. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. Washer, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholls, Mr. and Mrs. Beck, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, Mr. Herbert Lewis, Mr. John Melville, Mr. Fred Hall, Mr. Z. W. Kosmela, Mr. Wallace M. Depew, Mrs. McDade, Mr. Sam Kasson and Mr. and Mrs. Orrin Keene.

We set the date for our 1942 Show as September 4 and 5.

R. W. Webb, Secretary.

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Never count your chickens before they are hatched!—thus runs the ancient legend.

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But first the clump must be wintered successfully. In a recent article in the BULLETIN on root storage we mentioned several methods which have been found successful.

However, many still store their roots in newspaper lined boxes and baskets—sometimes finding the crop in good shape in spring—more times the losses have been considerable.

Few realize that losses, for the most part, occur in the first month after storage.

Clumps should be properly cured before packing. Go over the clumps two weeks after storage and again a few weeks later,

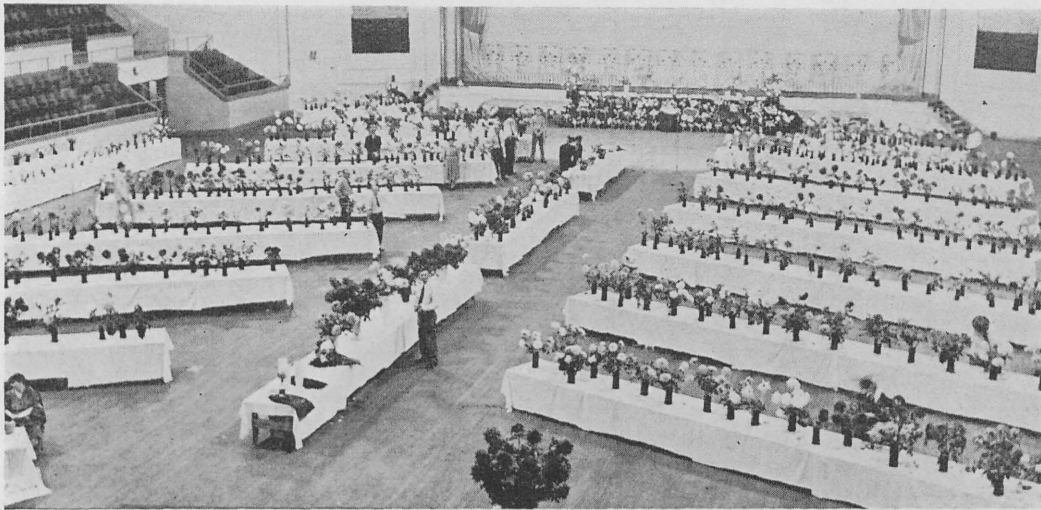
If the stalks and crowns are sound and dry, with no sign of mould, but the roots tend to shrivel a bit, transfer the clumps to wooden boxes and pack around the roots soil that is not too wet. It is nature's insulator and will keep the roots plump enough for your requirements.

Should there be signs of mould, decay or rot, trim back the stalks and cut away all affected portions. Dust with sulphur and allow to dry for a day or two—then pack into boxes again.

Instead of covering tightly with paper, place one layer of paper over the top loosely and each day for a few hours remove the paper entirely. After a week the clumps will be ready for permanent packing or for placing in boxes of soil (on the dry side).

We examine our stock in storage every two weeks and in this manner protect 'our dividends from Dahlias.' If care is exercised and your wanted varieties come through the winter with flying colors you will be able to expend your entire Dahlia budget for new varieties to add to your garden pleasure. This is the prudent way of building a top notch collection.

ALABAMA DAHLIA SHOW



View of the Sixth Annual Show of the Dahlia Society of Alabama.

The Birmingham Auditorium was aflame with color on Tuesday, October 7th, when the Dahlia Society of Alabama transformed the scene into a vast Autumn flower garden with their sixth annual Show.

The largest crowd ever to attend a Dahlia Show here during the six years of the society saw hundreds of Dahlias of every size from the tiny pompons to the giant variety and of every imaginable hue.

Mrs. H. C. Rike used one entire end of the hall in a beautiful non-competitive display of the small flowering varieties.

The award offered by the House Beautiful was won by Doctor H. C. Rike.

The beautiful trophy given by Bromberg Jewelry Company, this city, for the three best blossoms in the Show was won by C. P. Underwood. *Bernice Geer* was the variety.

The presidents cup was given for the best single bloom of a 1941 variety. T. M. Floyd was winner with *Class*.

Cherokee Brave won the Dahlia Society of Wisconsin medal for W. C. Darby as the largest and most perfect bloom in the entire Show. A bloom measuring over ten inches.

Fred Brosmer won both the Northwestern Pennsylvania Dahlia Society Medal and the award of the Dahlia Society of Alabama with *Jersey Dainty*.

Maffie won as the best semi-cactus, John Self was the exhibitor. F. H. Cross showed the best formal decorative *Darcy Sainsbury*.

Again W. C. Darby won with *Cherokee Brave* as the best informal.

Sweepstakes winners were C. P. Underwood, section

A; C. G. Goodwin, section B; Fred Brosmer, section C; T. M. Floyd, section D; J. J. Pate, section J.

The \$10.00 cash award offered for the best display of the garden clubs was awarded to the Edgewood Garden Club. This beautiful arrangement was made with *Jane Cowl* Dahlias and persimmon branches.

Doctor H. C. Rike is president of the society and Doctor H. G. Simpson was Show chairman, John Self co-chairman.

Mrs. J. F. Hull, *Chairman of Publicity*.

Puget Sound Dahlia Society

On September 6, the Puget Sound Dahlia Society awarded the Bronze Medal from the American Dahlia Society to Mr. Thos Forhan, 2006-6th Avenue, Bremerton, Washington, for having the most points in Section "E" Undisseminated Dahlias Class in our Show.

The Seattle Dahlia Show was a success. There were 596 entries in competition, some entries coming from 200 miles away. We had 46 entries in the novice, 197 in the amateur, 186 advanced amateur, 104 open class and 63 in undisseminated Dahlias.

Our Show and the Tacoma Show were acknowledged the best in the Northwest, both for blooms and staging. We expect to have an even better Show next year.

We wish to thank the A. D. S. for the medal offered and assure you there will be some very keen competition next season.

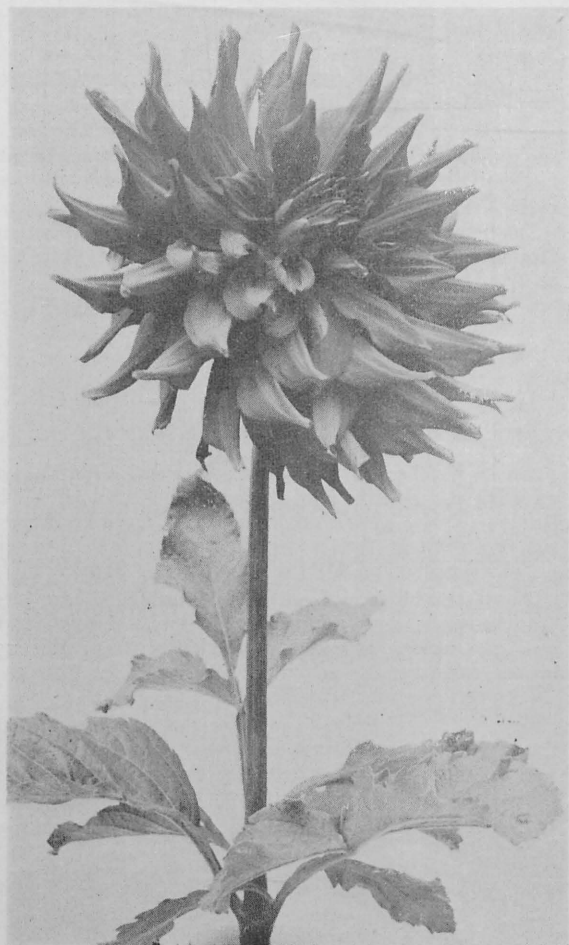
Mrs. L. Roper, *Secretary*.

RAMBLINGS AND NATIONAL CAPITAL NOTES

Whoever said "Don't count your chickens before they are hatched" sure said a mouthful. In the August BULLETIN I painted a rosy picture of a bountiful harvest of Dahlias for the September Shows in this section. I wrote of the nicely spaced rains that were doing our plants the world of good. The article was written early in July. It seems I no sooner had it in the mails when old Sol decided to work harder and Jupiter Pluvius to go on a strike. What little moisture did fall was no more than the sweat of Jup's brow caused by the burning heat of Sol's constant rays.

The strike of Pluvius took its toll of Dahlias, especially from those who were unable to water. And regardless of the watering all plants suffered from Sol's steady labors. Clouds would appear and hopes would rise that Pluv's strike would end, but they were short-lived and seemed to make Sol work the harder. Five, six, seven and then

TOP FLIGHT—Large Blood-Red Semi-Cactus. Winner of Achievement Medal at Boston, Wilmington and Richmond. Originator, Dr. H. L. Dozier, Cambridge, Maryland.



eight weeks with August and September far under their quotas for rain and no break in sight. Is it any wonder Shows were below par this year. Not just one Show, but all Shows along the East coast.

The Suburban Show at Baltimore on September 18 and 19 was the first in this section and not up to standard. Blooms were fairly numerous but quality was lacking as a whole. Some good blooms were on hand though, and the Show's best was Mrs. Pauline Graff's *Rita Wells*. Others that were fine were *Miss Glory*, *Cherokee Brave*, *Hon. A. E. Giegengack*, winner in the seedling class, *Maffie*, *Virginia Rute*, and *Yowa Matsuoka*. 1941 varieties were conspicuous by their absence. However, the first Show under their new name of Suburban Dahlia Club was a credible effort when one looks back and compares it to the Shows of larger societies. Here's for better going next year, boys.

Further evidence of the dry spell's toll was found at the Baltimore Dahlia Society's Show on September 21 and 22 by the many vacant classes. But in spite of the lack of quantity many blooms of quality were on hand. Best bloom was *Stephen Foster* but only after a nip and tuck fight with fine specimens of *Rita Wells*, *Sunrays*, *Virginia Rute*, *Maffie*, *Cherokee Brave* and *Greater Glory*. The last to give way was *Rita Wells* and she only lost out by a knats eyelash. I'm glad I was not one of the judges as both blooms had loyal supporters.

Of the seedlings shown I liked *Top Flight* best and next would be my own *Indian Summer*, but the judges thought differently and a white of Mr. Nunveller's got the nod and the achievement medal. So you see all Dahlia fans do not agree and that is as it should be as it adds zest to competition. Glenden Gardens won the Futurity medal with fine blooms of *Crowning Glory*. Again 1941 varieties were conspicuous by their absence.

The next move was to Richmond on September 23 and Pluv's strike was again in evidence as the entries here were cut in half of what they were in former years. The Court of Honor was ruled by *Maid Marion* and she was every inch a queen worthy of her throne. In another section we found *Maffie* and *Yowa Matsuoka* in a struggle for best bloom. *Maffie* finally won. These were the best specimens of either variety we saw in our travels. *Top Flight* was the Achievement Medal winner and rightly deserved it. It also won the \$25 prize for the best single bloom of an undisseeded Dahlia.

Then home to Washington to prepare for our Show. I had plans all made to continue on to New York but a sudden illness of my wife's mother sent her hurrying there instead and left me home as chief cook and supervisor of our three young Goetzgers.

Came the dawn of September 27 and we were prepared for the worst but, at it turned out, fared better than all. At that we did not have the number of blooms of former years. Friends who were at New York and other large Shows say we topped them all. If that be so, we have our many friends to thank for helping make our Show as successful as it was. The boys from both the Baltimore and Suburban Societies were on hand as were those from Richmond. Delaware was represented by Glenden Dahlia Gardens and New Jersey by Dahliadel with a fine commercial display.

Our Show was staged in Harding Hall of the Government Printing Office. On the same floor as the Hall is the G. P. O. Cafeteria which was well patronized by our exhibitors and visitors alike. All thought the food fine and reasonable in price. They liked the convenient large room we had for setting up and arranging blooms before placing on the Show tables. This is where I should say "I told you so," as I wrote of them in the August BULLETIN. Many hoped we would have the same place for our Show next year as they thought it an ideal setting for the Dahlias. None are hoping harder than ourselves and what 1942 will bring remains to be seen.

We had quite a number of outstanding blooms, some of which were *Ballego's Surprise*, *American Purity*, *Greater Glory*, *Hon. A. E. Giegengack*, *Top Flight*, *Garnet*, *Gypsy Girl*, *Flash*, *Yellow Glory*, *Jersey's Dainty*, *Enkart's Prima*, *Indian Summer*, *Crowning Glory*, *Powerhouse*, *Moonbia*, *Yowa Matsuoka*, *Cherokee Brave*, *Virginia Rute*, *Murphy's Masterpiece*, and others. Glenden Gardens cloth house grown Dahlias were beauties to behold and made one wish he could have a cloth house, too.

My *Hon. A. E. Giegengack* was selected as best in Show. I would have put my chips on George Graff's *Greater Glory* to win that honor. Both blooms were fine but I thought the *Greater Glory* a shade the better. I was floating in the clouds when the judging was over. An Achievement Medal and best in Show were too much for me in one day. The boys say it took my wife's return on Sunday night to bring me down to earth.

Section sweepstake and best bloom winners were:

Section A—Sweepstakes—Mr. and Mrs. John J. Srnka.

Best bloom—Paul W. Clarke—*Burch Foraker*.

Section B—Sweepstakes—Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ross.

Best bloom—Doctor H. C. Parker—*Garnet*.

Section C—Sweepstakes—H. W. Anderson.

Best bloom—George U. Graff—*Greater Glory*.

Section D—Sweepstakes—W. L. Tracey.

Best bloom—Tracey—*Yellow Glory*.

Section E—Sweepstakes—Glenden Gardens.

Best bloom—Glenden Gardens—*American Purity*.

Section F—Sweepstakes—Charles T. Kline.

Best bloom—Kline—*Jersey's Dainty*.

Section G—Sweepstakes—F. H. Gotezger.

Best bloom—Goetzger—*Indian Summer*.

(Only one entry in the whole section—the trophy was a gift.)

Section H—Ball Dahlias for Doermann Plaque—Sweepstakes—Mrs. Pauline Graf.

Best bloom—Graf—*Superintendent Ambryn*.

Section J—Seedlings and undissemated Dahlias.

Among the one and two-year seedlings that looked impressive were *Cutie* (Dozier) a delicate yellow and bronze miniature cactus; *Little Catherine* (Dozier) bright red miniature formal; *Garnet* (Parker) formal purple; *Moon Goddess* (Dozier) a large pale yellow informal, this also won at Richmond; *Mount Vernon* (Cory) a beautiful purple and white collarette, this won the A. D. S. Medal at New York; *Dozier's Surprise*, a nice light yellow cactus that also won at Baltimore; a pink and white centered cactus by Parker and *Dozier's Serenade*. Maryland Dahlia Gardens had several winners in the seedling classes but all were under number and I did not get them down. Dozier won with *Gypsy Girl* and Parker with

Garnet, both unreleased seedlings, in the open competitive classes.

Undisseminated 3-year olds—

Formal—*Hon. A. E. Giegengack*—bright amaranth red.

Informal—Maryland Dahlia Gardens.

Semi-cactus—*Indian Summer*—golden yellow suffused orange.

Cactus—Maryland Dahlia Gardens.

Best undissemated—A. D. S. Medal—*Indian Summer*.

American Home Achievement Medal winner—*Indian Summer*.

Runner-up—*Hon. A. E. Giegengack*.

Section K—Foreign collection—Glenden Gardens.

Basket of Dahlias over 8 inches—Glenden Gardens—*American Purity*.

Basket of Dahlias 4 to 8 inches—Fred Winkler—*Glow*.

Best in Show—*Hon. A. E. Giegengack*.

Section L—Sweepstakes—Henry F. Corey.

Section M—Retail florists—George C. Shaffer Co., Inc.

Section N—Best commercial display—Dahliadel Nurseries.

Section O—Other flowers—Mrs. J. Sazama.

Best arrangement—Mrs. W. A. Shiner.

Best miniature arrangement—Mrs. Marvin R. Shipley.

Section P—Roses—Sweepstakes—A. G. Davis.

Section Q—Garden club arrangement—Neighborhood Garden Club, Arlington, Virginia.

Our judges were Messrs. C. P. Miller, Charles Smith, J. A. Millard, William J. Stolz, W. W. Maytrott, D. T. Morgan, Jr., J. B. Eastman, H. J. Quick, C. Louis Alling, Earl Loller, and N. A. Gossman. We extend our thanks to all for a fine job and appreciate their aid.

Yes, we have our eyes on 1942 already and our wish for all is for real Dahlia-growing weather. We thank those who helped make our past Show the success it was and extend the invitation for all to come back in '42.

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THE MICHIGAN DAHLIA SHOW

As Sponsored by the Wolverine Men's Dahlia Club,
The City of New Baltimore, and Lakeside Gardens
September 13, 14, 1941

Uncle Sam's Defense Program interfered with our Dahlia Show this season, by virtue of the General Motors building having to stage a Defense Show in the Auditorium, during the time when we usually have our annual State Dahlia Show. We did not know about this, until almost a month before the Show, which put us on a rather hot spot. We just could not eliminate the annual Show altogether, so, by getting the Wolverine Men's Dahlia Club boys together with Nick Koenig, and the Civic Clubs of the City of New Baltimore, we soon whipped up plans for staging a Dahlia Show and Field Day combined, at New Baltimore.

No small city in the country has a better Mayor, Council, or Civic Group, who are anxious and willing to do anything possible for their leading citizen Nick Koenig and his family. The Auditorium of St. Mary's High School was beautifully decorated and one of the finest Shows we have ever held, was staged right under one of the worst growing seasons Michigan has ever had.

Proof of the interest in Dahlias, as well as the swell job of advertising and promoting, which was done by the Civic groups of New Baltimore, was the fact that more than 50,000 people visited the Show and the gardens during September 13 and 14. Twenty additional State Police were required to handle the traffic on Saturday and Sun-

day, and cars were lined up for more than 3 miles either side of New Baltimore, trying to get in to see the Show. You could not have attracted more people with a 3-ring Circus Free, and with Sally Rand thrown in for good measure. It means something in these hectic days to be able to get so many people out to see Dahlias.

Nick Koenig was in his glory as people greeted him, both in the garden and in the Show room. A sound-car stationed on the garden grounds passed out information to the crowds, and kept things going with music and entertainment. This Show proved one thing, and that is, the fact that a Garden Display combined with a Show is really the way to show Dahlias, and if it were possible, it should be done all over the country. It is one thing to see a beautiful bloom on a Show table, but it is something else to be able to go across the street and see the plant and more blooms growing in the garden.

The banquet, which was held on Saturday evening, September 13, packed the dining hall with more than two hundred guests. The speaker of the evening was none other than Edgar A. Guest, the Detroit Free Press Poet, who is known from Coast to Coast, both for his poetry and his broadcasts. Eddie, as he is familiarly known to Detroiters, is a staunch friend of Nick Koenig's and Nick has named one of his fine new seedlings *Eddie Guest* in his honor. The presentation of trophies was made at the conclusion of the banquet, and everyone declared it to be the finest and largest crowd of Dahlia folks that we have ever gotten together.

As usual, Lakeside Gardens put on a beautiful complimentary display on the Stage of the Auditorium which attracted the crowds, and the Show itself was outstanding for the quality of bloom, the keen competition, and the large number of worthwhile seedlings. Judging was handled by such keen judges of Dahlias, as Professor C. E. Wildon, Jake Groll, and the owners of Garfield Heights Dahlia Gardens, who came all the way out here to judge and bring some of their fine blooms.

The miniatures, pompons and small Dahlias were judged by Mr. Richard Sayward and Mr. William Creighton, two of the finest gardeners and plant growers in the country, Mr. Sayward being head gardener for the Newberry Estate, and Mr. Crichton, being head gardener for the E. B. Whitcomb Estate, both Show places in Detroit's ritzy suburb, Grosse Point. Mr. Arthur Laukel also a great gardener and plant grower assisted in the amateur classes.

List of Outstanding Awards

Most Outstanding Arrangement—Floor basket of Michigan White, by Clarence Asman, Port Huron, Michigan.

Michigan Horticultural Society Friendship Award—(A new class for pompons and miniatures, undisseeded, on same basis as Achievement Medal.) *Little Katie*, Lakeside Gardens, New Baltimore, Michigan.

American Home Achievement Medal—*A-23*, Stephen Foster, awarded to Salem Dahlia Gardens, Salem, N. J., entered by Clarence Asman, Port Huron, Michigan.

Largest Bloom in Show—*Maffie* by Harold C. Gummoe, Detroit, Michigan.

Most Perfect Bloom Over Eight Inches—*Premier's Majestic*, Gordon Nutt, Port Huron, Michigan.

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Best Bloom of 1940-1941 Introduction—*Mary Taylor*, Harold C. Gummoe, Detroit, Michigan.

Best Bloom of a Michigan Introduction—*Michigan White*, Doctor Del Marr, Ridgetown, Ontario, Canada.

Small Amateur Sweepstakes—Joe Howard, Detroit, Michigan.

Large Amateur Sweepstakes—C. J. Addington, Detroit, Michigan.

Open Sweepstakes—George Meyers, Detroit, Michigan.

Amateur Display—John W. L. Hicks, Detroit, Michigan.

*Bruce D. Collins, President,
Dahlia Society of Michigan.*

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Inglewood, California, Dahlia Show

The A. D. S. Bronze Medal which was awarded to Seedling Dahlia *Angie V* at the Inglewood Dahlia Show, September 23, the highest honor which can be given an undisseminated Dahlia in the southwest.

This Dahlia also won the Sunset Magazine Achievement medal at the same time.

Unfortunately due to insufficient stock *Angie V* will not be placed on the market this season.

The judges commented on the unusually good substance and depth of this Dahlia. It has long, straight

stems, with the blooms facing; insect resistant foliage; an excellent bush growth, and is a very free bloomer. The color is rosate-vermillion. The ends of the petals are shaded lighter, and it does not burn or fade. It can be grown to ten inches without forcing, having a depth of from six to seven inches.

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The Patricia Dahlia Gardens was again winner at the California State Fair, this makes the seventh straight win for these gardens who exhibit their blooms in the Alameda County exhibit, the three judges scored the thirty-eight individual blooms 90 per cent, the outstanding blooms according to the judges were: *Azura*, *Berenice Tyleman*, *Seegee*, *Marion Dill*, *Mary Lynn Dudley*, *Pink Giant*, *Gilman's Beauty*, *Gladys Sandford*, *Croydon Vivid*, *Mothers Day*, *Chat Dawn* and *King George*. There were other seven counties competing at the fair in the Dahlia classes.

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GREATER ST. LOUIS DAHLIA SOCIETY

Usually one of the last to hold its Show, the Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society, pushed up its exhibition date from the middle of October to September's last week. By and large, this was a mistake because all September was divided into three parts, bad, worse and worst for Dahlia growing while October has been superb.

As is customary, our Show was held jointly with the St. Louis Horticultural Society in the Shaw Garden Show room. After filing by a general mixture of perennial exhibits, the attendants arrived at the Dahlias and to Dahliaists it was most gratifying to see their interest pick up and to hear the extra exclamations over the beauty of this flower.

Does any other Dahlia Show have a public's choice section? This is a most popular feature of our Show and with great interest we wait to see what Dahlia appeals most to the hoi polloi. *Freda George* got the most votes last year and was in it again this year, but the fickle public switched to *Cornell*, a red-and-white bi-color grown by Raymond Grass.

Whereas *Amigo* stampeded our Show last year as sweepstake seedling winner, all quiet on that front this year with the American Home Achievement medal not being awarded. But we did have good seedlings, a most refreshing part of the Show. Barton Bibb, whose father before him was an originator, is a most indefatigable breeder and is especially noted for his *Golden City*, a yellow red-striped sport of *Queen City*. Among the Bibb seedlings, I was struck by a Polichinelle-type mul-

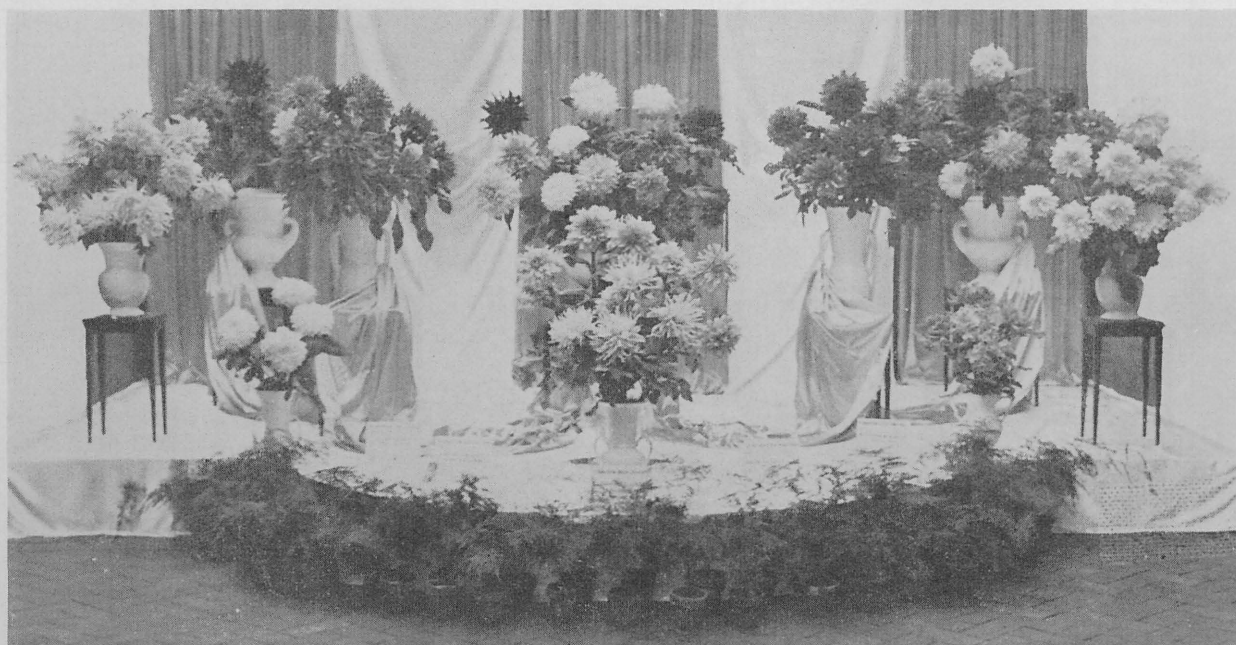
berry red Dahlia with as much arrogance and better coloring than its forerunner.

Claud Kitson, biggest member of our society, still holds out for miniatures, though sadly enough his wife goes in for big ones and so between them I guess they'll lick the platter clean. His *Bonnie Blue*, a diminutive lass, was a runner-up on *Cornell* in the public choice section, but his *Hazel* was a better keeper. And if Officer Kitson didn't win for the smallest bloom with *Little Edith* (or one that looks like it) every year, I feel our Show would fold up and close its doors.

There are happy surprises each year and one this time was Richard Kramske's commercial display. He won top honors with it, the Amigo Fund Trophy. In it, as elsewhere in the Show, some of the older ones were prominent and good. The coveted honor of the Show's most perfect bloom also went to Kramske on his *Gillman's Beauty*, a pink lavender that unquestionably is an excellent keeper.

Cameras were clicking around the Raymond Grass exhibit, but no wonder. So much arresting beauty would stop any camera fan in quest of the extraordinary. An untiring worker for the good of our Dahlia Society, he works equally hard in his patch with results which each year just about caps the climax at our Show. When the doors were first opened and the judges admitted, with unerring step and unwavering decision they marched right up to his vase of *Crowning Glory*, a semi-cactus of ravishing beauty all 10-12 inches across, and decked it with

Mass Amateur Display shown by Raymond H. Grass, President of Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society, won first award for Best Vase of 15—also Best Vase of 10 and Most Outstanding Vase in the Show. Winning the A.D.S. Bronze Medal with CROWNING GLORY, huge pink Incurved Cactus.



ribbon which carried with it the American Dahlia Society bronze medal. And no one could question the wisdom of their choice. All that its name implies, *Crowning Glory* was the crowning event of the Show.

Mr. Grass won others of the prizes in the higher brackets, his vase of 15 receiving the Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society trophy. In it *Progress* was the largest; and *All American*, a symphony in mulberry tones on a semi-cactus pattern, was perhaps the most outstanding. *Rudolph's Giant*, *Premier's Winsome*, *El Rubio*, *Brilliant Lady*, *Trojan*, *Charlotte Collis*, *Class*, *Maffie*, *Tim Murphy*, and the ever-aristocratic *Lord of Autumn* together with others helped bring home the prize. When I mentioned he lacked orange color in his displays, he complained of few good orange Dahlias. Ye Breeders, please take notice! We want more orange Dahlias. We can't let *Oriental Glory* carry all the load.

Mrs. Jasper Blackburn, our society's godmother and all-around benefactress, awards each year a trophy for the best amateur display and the whole of Mr. Grass' efforts consisting of 105 gorgeous blooms won him this distinguished prize. His *Crowning Glory*, as the most outstanding vase or basket, was included in this as well as the best vase of 10 blooms in which *Marion Smith* and *Pink Giant* went to town. He also had a vase of *Silver Lady* that vied with *Crowning Glory* for first notice. *Silver Lady* has a future with florists. A bride carrying this Dahlia would do so knowing that no finer or more exquisite bridal bouquet was ever invented at the hands of man.

F. W. Beckman, another untiring worker in his Dahlia field, received second prize in the amateur display field. He had a fine *Amigo* display and since that is the child of our society (thanks to Mr. Edward F. Nolte, its originator), we always like to see bigger and better *Amigos*. Beckmann runs a little to yellows. But that is O. K. "Thar's gold in them thar" Dahlias of his. *California Idol*, *Frau Bracht*, the *Governor*, and others showed good growing, the part of every Dahlia Show that is so important but not in tangible evidence when the public sees the display. Perhaps his *Burch Foraker* represented the best growing since it captured for him that most desirable prize—largest bloom at the Show.

In the particular sections, L. C. ("Pat" to us) Bennett grabbed prizes right and left in Section B. Give him one *Glamour* root in the Spring and that Fall he'll come home with ten prizes. In his basket of 10, *Golden Beauty* dominated but *Pink Giant* lasted best. He also had a freak at the Show. Sometime we might add a "freak" section and put him in charge of it. This "thing" he entered was a Dahlia that got no farther than trying to bloom. Reminded me of that awful "green rose" on the market.

Robert B. McKee won most of the prizes in section C. He got the sweepstakes in it. He topped his basket of 5 off with *Discovery*, a credit to himself in particular and to the Dahlia world in general. He puts the best bib and tucker on *Monmouth Champion*, an old variety, does it over by good growing and presto! something like a new model appears to grace the Show table.

Last Spring we had a membership drive and W. A. Hildebrand won it by getting 11 new members. For this effort, Raymond Grass, our society's president, donated one root of the highly prized and much sought after *Maffie*. Hildebrand went home happy and from there

on began a new era in his life which centered around the welfare of *Maffie*. He built a house over it. When the bud for the Show bloom gave evidence of too rapid development, he put several cloths over it to retard growth. At nights he got up to inspect its welfare. About 3 days before the Show a raging storm struck, and leaving the sanctuary of peaceful sleep and comfortable quarters, Hildebrand went forth to take up a night of vigil to see that the tornadic winds did no harm to *Maffie*. This is the true saga of a true Dahlia fiend. Anyway, his *Maffie* was at the Show, a challenge to all who would grow fine Dahlias.

I made some random notes as I wandered around the Show room. Not entered for competition but very striking was H. E. Wards vase of *White Jersey's Beauty*. Always on the watch for good keepers I noticed *Rhoda*, grown by Mrs. James F. Williams. Mrs. Soehle of Edwardsville, Illinois, went back to the dim past and resurrected *Judge Marean* as an entrant in the public choice section. I believe it ran third and looking at it I decided next year to have a plot designated "OLD TIMERS" and in it grow some very lovely varieties.

Jim Gast, a novice, exhibited three very good *Watchung Giant*. I greatly admired the *Amigo* with which Al. Geitz won the Amigo Fund vase for the best exhibition bloom in the same section. Balls, mostly those two time-tested standbys, *Maud Adams* and *A. D. Livoni*, received lots of praise from the public. Sometimes I think the balls are the most Dahlia-like of all Dahlias.

Another year I hope sun, heat, and corn worms won't ruin us so, and we can report really wonderful things from the Saint Louis sector. Two bad years in succession have given us Dahlia nightmares. Our Show wasn't up to standard, and we aren't a bunch to spread the mustard when there isn't any there. But just wait until we get a decent season. We'll tell you all about it.

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The San Leandro Dahlia Society held their Annual Show on Saturday and Sunday, August 23 and 24 in the Veterans Memorial Building and it was admitted to be the finest we have had.

Our Show is unique in that it is the only absolute Dahlia Show in the Bay Area. While most of the other Shows have had to bring other flowers in to attract the public, San Leandro can still draw record crowds with Dahlias only.

The A. D. S. Medal was won by L. Statler for the most perfect Dahlia. The same exhibitor also won largest flower, and the Sunset Magazine Medal for the best new miniature; the American Home Achievement Medal was won by Charles Garrity of the Patricia Dahlia Gardens with his *Seegee*, a seedling of *Ruby Taylor*, the same exhibitor won the House Beautiful Futurity Medal with four blooms of *Jean Batten* and two blooms of *Mary Lynn Dudley*. Other prominent winners were Stanley Allen and Frank Zell, Fred Garms, Mrs. J. Parle, and Al Mugglestone in the amateur classes and L. Statler, T. J. Sjoberg in the advanced amateurs; in the open for all the winners were L. Statler, T. J. Sjoberg, Stanley Allen, Frank Zell, C. Garrity, Fred Garms and Mrs. J. Parle. For the musical programme Mrs. Catherine Marsh takes the honours, the programmes for both days were excellent and thoroughly enjoyed by all those present making the whole affair one of the best.

Charles Garrity, Secretary.

California Notes

Here we are again at the end of another season and I guess many of us are glad it is over for another season, yet what a kick we get out of it when we look back. True some things have not turned out as we would have liked, but the other guy got a break and even if we think we did not get our dues perhaps next time it may be the other way round.

I saw some real good sports while at the Los Angeles County Fair at Pomona, those guys down there are real sports and realise that the judges are only human after all. And say those fellows sure put on a Show and have some real flowers. I like to pat the growers in this vicinity on the back as we were the only society that put on a real Dahlia Show, that is only Dahlias were on display, we had a grand Show.

As far as the Dahlias are concerned they have two separate Shows, the first on Friday and Saturday, September 12 and 13. I was not present at this one but the Manager, Mr. Fred Rossiter, furnished me with a list of the winner's names. Mr. H. L. Schmidt of El Monte was first in both best general and most artistic displays; H. A. Robinson of Montebello being second with the Pompon Dahlia Gardens of El Norte, third. In the general classes Smith was again the leading winner with Robinson a close runner up. Other winners were McDonald Dahlia Garden of Bellflower, Pompon Dahlia Gardens of El Norte, Leedford Dahlia Gardens, Los Angeles, Mrs. Selma Zielger, Lyle M. Michelson. Largest Dahlia was won by Robinson. Smallest by Mrs. Sams. The Achievement Medal was won by H. L. Robinson with a large deep red decorative. I understand that the reason of



ANGIE Y—A.D.S.—Bronze Medal Winner. Harry A. Robinson, Montibello, Cal., originator.

Stephensons non exhibiting was owing to the loss of his wife during the season and wish to express our sympathy with him in his bereavement. Mrs. McDonald was also ill hence her display was not as fine as usual.

The second Show was on Saturday and Sunday, September 20 and 21, I had the privilege of assisting with the judging. Here McDonald Dahlia Gardens, H. L. Schmidt and H. A. Robinson won the general and artistic in the order named. In the amateur classes the chief winners were Doctor H. E. Cannon, A. C. Delkin and Ralph Jump. The Florists displays and arrangements were won by Giatra's Flower Shop, Pollock's Flower Shop and Virginia Roerett.

Other Shows that I visited were Shasta County Fair where they are getting real Dahlia minded up there. At the California State Fair there was a grand Show also. The Alameda Dahlia Society held their Show the week before San Leandro and had a very good Show, most of the exhibitors came from over the bay and the Show was well worth seeing.

A few of the newer Dahlias I would like to mention, since they have done well here: *Bernice Tyleman*, *Mary Lynn Dudley*, *Pink Giant*, *Mary Taylor*, *Gilman's Beauty*, *Arthur Frances*, *Croydon Vivid*, *Mothers Day*, *Norma Morton*, *Lucy S.* and we had a little miniature, *Pickle Puss*, by name.

We in this country have a lot to be thankful for when all the rest of the world are in arms. When I think of my own country and what they are going through I sure feel thankful that I am in America and that means a lot. I happen to be Scotch, you see, and realize that I have a lot to be thankful for, and if lots of your readers only knew as much about things over there as some of us who have lived there I do not think there be enough Defense Bonds to go round.

Charles Garrity.

OHIO SHOWS

By F. V. R. Veirs, Associate Bulletin Editor

The thirteenth and fourteenth of September seemed to be choice days for Shows in the Mid-west, as Cleveland, Akron, Toledo, Detroit and Battle Creek Shows were held on those dates. We missed seeing the other Shows and we missed the fans who would have been here had the dates not conflicted. The flowers in Cleveland were up to, and above par in many cases and the Show room in the ball room of the Hotel Carter was well arranged for flower exhibits. The lighting and air-conditioning facilities were all that could be desired.

The banquet in the evening was well attended and was a real success. Mrs. MacDowell and her staff of assistants did a wonderful job.

The American Home Achievement medal was won by *Columbia*, a semi-cactus. The color is a bright Autumn shade. It is a seedling of *Amelia Earhart*, exhibited and originated by Mr. Morgan of Cuyhaga Falls, Ohio. It is the greatest Dahlia originated in the mid-west we think. In fact it will take a great Dahlia from any section or any time to beat this one. The blooms at Cleveland were all above twelve inches and with great depth. The stems are perfect. It is a great addition to the Dahlia world and has every indication of winning many ribbons in the future. It is a nice grower and all the plants at Mr. Morgan's garden were healthy and robust.

A single bloom of *Stephen Foster* was exhibited at Cleveland. *Stephen Foster* is an incurved cactus, and according to Ridgway, the color is empire yellow with grenadine reverse and spectrum red facing. Grown under cover for Show purposes it is a beautiful bright orange for me. In the field it is a bright autumn shade. It was awarded the prize as the best cactus in the Show. The bloom at Cleveland was eleven and a half inches by nine and was exhibited by Mr. H. H. Robens. The foliage of *Stephen Foster* is thick and leathery and the bush grows to seven feet. The originator is William Nunneville of Salem, N. J.

The House Beautiful Medal was awarded to a basket of *Hillside Joy* and *Hillside Gold*, exhibited by Walter Bissel the originator of both varieties.

Sweepstakes and the 100 foot commercial were won by E. J. Wind of the Rocky River Dahlia Gardens. The award for the 50 foot commercial went to The Hensley Dahlia Gardens. Other blue but mostly gold ribbon winners were *American Purity*, *Jane Cowl*, *Pink Giant*, *Hawkesbery Queen*, *Sunrays*, *Gillman's Beauty*, *Josephine G.*, *Greater Glory*, *Snow Crest*, *Governor Reil*, *R. A. Broomfield*, *Haslerova*, *Latere*, *Mrs. C. D. Anderson*, *Little Diamond*, and *Tip*, a miniature yellow cactus. Poms were very much in evidence the smallest of which was a perfect little bloom of *Little Edith*. It takes a real one to beat *Little Edith*. Mrs. J. Telfer a white and *Ila* maroon colored pom were very good.

Among the winners of premiums and ribbons were Mrs. Earl Beck, amateur sweepstakes, Max Berthold, J. W. Speed, R. H. Howells, Jack Lewis, J. J. Walton, Fred A. Jones, Arthur Hunter, J. W. Cowie, Strassen Floral Gardens, Hillside Farms, H. H. Robens. Burke Estate, W. Haugh, Jack Eccleson, Frank's Dahlia Gardens, Mrs.

MacDowell, D. T. Morgan, Paul Goddard, W. Hangs, Mrs. Cris Wind, C. F. Lasch, E. L. Savage, W. M. Crawford, H. Melliott, Hensley Dahlia Gardens and Rocky River Gardens.

The judges were H. H. Robens, Chairman, Miss Dorothy Bailey, George Shepp, John Eccleson, Fry Renolds, Mr. and Mrs. McKinley Crawford, George Wilmont, Harry Melliott, Bly Meyers, John Strassen, Harold Shanabrook, Walter Bissel, and F. V. R. Veirs.

At the State Show in East Liverpool the quality of the bloom was excellent as usual but many visitors who would have been present were absent owing to the Mid West Show at Milwaukee but most of the Ohio Dahlia Society fans were there in full force and they brought their blooms.

The American Home Achievement Medal was awarded to *Columbia*, Mr. Morgan's great Dahlia. The blooms were just as good or better than at Cleveland. It also won the largest and best flower award. It has to be good to do that at East Liverpool where they grow them big and fine. The American Home class was the best I have helped judge for a long time. Three or four entries ordinarily would have won but *Columbia* was just too good. Here again *Stephen Foster* was a blue ribbon winner in the open to all. *Josephine Klimpt*, a white semi-cactus, grown and exhibited by H. H. Robens was the most perfect flower in the Show. This particular

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bloom measured 11 inches by 9. Mr. Robens says it can be grown larger. It has a perfect stem and the foliage is excellent. The origin of this Dahlia is not quite clear but I understand it comes from England.

The House Beautiful award went to a beautiful plum colored pom by the name of *Ebony*. *Velvet King* a new one of Walter Bissel's was very good. It is a red informal. Other sectional winners were *Kilgore's Lucifer*, *Town Topic*, *Langlosh*, *Kardinal Von Rossum*, *Oakleigh Monarch*, *Cherokee Brave*, *Darcy Sainsbury*, *Jane Cowl*, *Hillside Sunset* and *Floral Beauty*. *Floral Beauty* is a formal white with center of flower and edges of petals lavender, a very beautiful combination. It was exhibited by Smith Dahlia Gardens. *Alice May* and *Straight's White* were both very good. *Katie K.* and *Premier's Winsome* as usual were good.

At Wellsville the Achievement medal went to *Schenley Park* a beautiful pink and white cactus with the best of stems. It should win the cactus classes under eight inches. The blooms shown were just about perfect. The exhibitor and originator was Frank's Dahlia Gardens, Bedford, Ohio. Frank exhibited another Dahlia that I thought was a great cactus and should win many ribbons in future Shows. It is *Snow Ball*. The color is white. *Delta*, a formal Lavender, exhibited by H. H. Robens, and coming from Australia, was a knockout. It is a large Dahlia and the petals fold back over the stem. It is very unusual and very beautiful. There were many wonderful Dahlias at Wellsville, where the quality seemed better

than at either of the above mentioned Shows, but none better than *Dorothy Geer*, a formal rose pink with lighter shades at the end of the petals. The bloom shown at Wellsville was a nine inch bloom with a wonderful stem, perfect foilage and the petals folded all the way back to the stem. This Dahlia has the most perfect center I have ever seen on a Dahlia. It won the Achievement medal at The Missouri Valley Dahlia Association. I have been told it won at Pittsburg, New York, Kansas City, and was the best in the section at Wellsville. The originator is the Geneva Dahlia Gardens, Geneva, Ohio. Other winners were *Greater Glory*, *All American*, *Scarlet Leader*, *California Idol* (the most beautiful yellow that I saw this year. Grown and exhibited by Chastain Dahlia Gardens): *Croydon Acme*, one of the largest formals, *Rosy Dawn*, *Miss Florence Smith*, *The Ohion*, *Dominant*, *Miss Woonanga*, *Paul Pfitzer*, *Josephine Klimpt*, *E. B. Hutchins*, *Haslerove*, *Oakleigh Monarch*, *Joyce Louise*, *Trojan* and *Pink Giant*.

All in all it has been a very good Dahlia year as the Shows in this section were very fine. The Dahlia roots should be good as Dahlias are still blooming profusely, which is unusual except in protected places. This is the twenty-third of October.

Wellsville Glad-Dahlia Club Wellsville, Ohio

The annual Dahlia banquet found eighty-five Dahlia lovers at the table. President W. M. Crawford presided as toastmaster calling on I. T. Fleck of Pittsburgh, who was the supervisor of judges, and on the following who acted as judges: Fred Gower and W. J. Gower, Junior, Mrs. E. McDowell, J. W. Cowie, E. J. Wind, Frank Parenica, F. Gray, and Mr. Brock, of Cleveland district, and Jack Ripper, George Hambleton, J. A. Gruebel and George Wilmot of the Pittsburgh district, F. V. R. Veirs of Canton and O. B. Geer of Geneva, Ohio. H. J. Gallimore of East Liverpool spoke as did several others from neighboring societies.

The Wellsville Club held its annual election October 6 when the following officers were chosen: President, F. D. Reynolds; First Vice-President, and Dahlia Show Chairman, W. M. Crawford; Second Vice-President and Glad Show Chairman, E. L. Savage; Secretary, Mrs. W. M. Crawford; Financial Secretary, H. R. Driggs; Treasurer, C. G. Herbert; Board of Advisors, H. P. Patterson, W. S. Haugh, and Paul Meade.

Under the leadership of these officers the club plans an active season. The annual turkey dinner of the club will be held December 1. The November meeting will present singers of radio fame, while the January meeting will be in the nature of a hilarious surprise. Something special is planned for each meeting of the coming year. If you are in the vicinity of Wellsville on the first Monday of each month, do not fail to visit the Wellsville meeting which is held in the I. O. O. F. Hall at eight o'clock.

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With these prospects just three days before the Show, everyone was amazed to see the large gymnasium, one of the largest in the state of Ohio, filled almost to capacity with gorgeous blooms. Everyone were good sports and brought what they had. But the amount of storm damage was very slight. The largest bloom was selected from a group of fourteen. It was *Carl Dahl* measuring over 14 inches, while the largest and most perfect bloom was *American Purity* just an inch smaller. Both were grown and shown by H. H. Robens of Chagrin Falls, Ohio.

The most perfect bloom under eight inches was one of the three blooms in the Achievement Medal winner. The cactus *Scheneley Park* from Frank's Dahlia Gardens at Bedford, Ohio, was the Achievement winner. The House Beautiful Futurity Medal was awarded to Chastain Dahlia Gardens of East Springfield, Ohio.

Frank's Dahlia Gardens won the sweepstake awards for the entire Show, for the Senior section, for the under eight inch single bloom section, and for the arrangement section. Chastain Dahlia Gardens won the sweepstake of the over eight inch single bloom section. Mrs. George White of East Liverpool was novice sweepstake winner. J. T. Eccleston of East Liverpool was the winner of the Junior Sweepstake which included all the

poms and miniatures.

Rosemary Dahlia Gardens showed many new flowers and were awarded many firsts. Garfield Heights, Hillside Farms, W. J. Gower and Son of Cannonsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Cuyahoga Dahlia Gardens were all heavy winners. Geneva Dahlia Gardens showed a fine entry of *Dorothy Geer*, while a very fine entry of *Columbia* was shown by the Cuyahoga Dahlia Gardens. A very large and perfect bloom of *Rosy Dawn* shown by Paul Meade of Wellsville was the best ball Dahlia in the Show. L. J. Smurthwaite of East Liverpool exhibited a *Hillside Gold* of wonderful proportions and beauty. *All American* as shown by W. J. Gower, Jr., was a very fine flower.

It would be hard to mention all the fine flowers exhibited by the sixty-nine exhibitors in the Show. At a later date a complete list of winners will be compiled. It is the opinion of the Wellsville Club that such a list of winners from each Show published would be a great help in selecting the varieties that are really worth while. It is our hope that many such lists will be made available to the Dahlia public through the BULLETINS.

An innovation in this year's Show was an art exhibit by the Ohio Valley Art Club. This is a club of local and district artists who have been doing remarkable work. Two of the members have had canvases hung in art shows in the metropolitan galleries. Forty pictures were on display and the interest was keen. Several of the Dahlia winners were painted by the artists as a part of their collection.

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The Tenth Annual Ohio Valley Dahlia Show

The Dahlia has again proved its unique ability to hold the center of attention. The fine display at the tenth Annual Dahlia Show of The Ohio Valley Dahlia Association was a real victory for the Dahlia. It proves that throughout weeks of drought and parching sun the lover of Dahlias will work and and manage to bring his favorite flower through to its climax of beauty. Even repeated windstorms, of unusual violence, could not prevent the ardent fans from bringing blooms to the Show in goodly numbers.

The blooms were not as abundant as they have been in more favorable years. However the grand array of fine blooms was well worth while—a real tribute to a flower and those who grow it.

If you are resourceful, you can succeed with Dahlias—even under the worst conditions. Those who do not have what it takes to raise Dahlias—a will to plan adjustments in all gardening conditions—should stick to common flowers. The Dahlia is for those who love a magnificent burst of bloom. What other flower can claim such a large following of ardent growers?

A new feature of the Show was a section designed to attract young growers. A special appeal was made to boy scouts and 4-H clubs who attempt garden projects as well as to all unattached junior growers under seventeen years of age. This was won by Lois Jepson, R. R. 10, Madisonville, Cincinnati, Ohio. The runner-up was Anita Jepson, R. R. 10, Madisonville, Cincinnati Ohio. Each was awarded a small vase.

The junior section does not replace the novice section which was won this year by A. H. Ignatius, Mount Washington, Cincinnati, Ohio. He was awarded a Roseville vase.

The small amateur sweepstakes was won by William Bertele, 550 Enight Avenue. With 117 points he was awarded the Winconsin Dahlia Society medal. The runner-up with 87 points was C. H. Durnil, Louisville, Kentucky, who was awarded the Dahlia Society of Ohio medal.

The open-to-all sweepstakes was won by Judson Moffett, an amateur grower, 6071 Lantana Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, with 130 points. The award was the Central States Dahlia Society medal. A. L. Weller, another amateur grower was runner-up with 113 points. He was awarded the Dahlia Society of Indianapolis medal.

The Garden Club sweepstakes was won by the Anderson Township Garden Club. The award was the East Liverpool Dahlia Society medal.

The prize for 100 square feet trade space went to the Golden Rule Dahlia Farm, Lebanon, Ohio. The award was Northeastern Pennsylvania Dahlia Society medal.

Grand sweepstakes of the entire Show was won by Judson Moffett, 6071 Lantana Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio. The American Dahlia Society Silver medal was the prize for this honor.

A class for special and unique arrangements was initiated this year.

This class is intended to demonstrate the versatility of the Dahlia. Useful and unusual arrangements for show-ers, both bridal and birth, weddings, table bouquets and other home decorations. "Containers symbolic of the



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occasion (cribs, baby carriages, etc.), as well as special flowers and materials which suggest a proper setting are used."

This class proved the most popular of all container and arrangement classes. A large number of entries were made and the grand prize, the Dahlia Society of Georgia medal was won by Mrs. J. A. Scott, Indian Hills, Cincinnati, Ohio, with a collection of dainty little hats for ladies, designed for special occasions, Dahlias predominated in the trimming. They were not merely unique they were exquisite. The entry met the approval of three expert lady judges who really know flower arrangements and who placed them ahead of entries that were hard to beat in any Show. The spectators, too, gave this entire class much of their time. We are convinced that we have only begun to show the public what can be done with Dahlias.

In a special class for large containers suitable for resting on the floor, Washburn Dahlia Gardens of Kokomo, Indiana, was the winner. The Racine County Wisconsin Dahlia Society medal was awarded.

Doctor White's annual trophy for an outstanding entry in the Cincinnati Show was awarded to the most artistic arrangement of large flowering Dahlias. The winner was a large arrangement of *Peace*, entered by Presley E. Caldwell of Richmond Dale, Ohio.

Walter Meyer of Maderia, Ohio, won the White Gate Trophy donated by the B. W. Lamson Estate. The winning entry was a beautiful arrangement of *Baby Royal* in a copper container.

The Golden Rule Trophy offered each year by Harley T. Peck for the best keeping entry of a cut-flower variety of Dahlias went to W. Rentzschke, Madisonville, R. R. 10, Cincinnati, Ohio, for his entry of *Queen City* which gave no evidence of soiling after two days in the Show.

The American Home Achievement medal was awarded to J. A. Schutte, 157 East Harding Avenue, Springfield, Ohio, for his seedling *East Row*, which will be introduced by the Golden Rule Dahlia Farm of Lebanon, Ohio.

The Ohio Valley Dahlia Association Achievement medal was awarded to an exhibition seedling originated by R. O. Wenning of Indianapolis, Indiana. The entry was made by Doctor A. E. White of Indianapolis. The seedling named *Ruffles* and is colored a most exquisite shade of pink. More will be heard from this variety.

A cut flower variety, the *Shining One*, was awarded the Ohio Valley Dahlia Association Achievement medal in a class for seedlings between four and eight inches. This entry was by the Golden Rule Dahlia Farm, Lebanon, Ohio.

An entry of pink lady in the miniature seedling class was awarded the Ohio Valley Dahlia Association Meritorious medal. This seedling was originated by Presley E. Caldwell of Richmond Dale, Ohio.

The President's trophy was awarded to Robert Seibel for his arrangement of a fine display for the Cincinnati Park Board by whom he is employed.

On the whole, a Dahlia Show is always a reunion of Dahlia lovers, an opportunity to convert new growers and a boost to the general promotion of the Dahlia. Now is the time to push the Dahlia further to the front, while

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The Eleventh Annual Ohio State Dahlia Show, East Liverpool, Ohio September 20-21

The Eleventh Annual Ohio State Show in conjunction with the Sixteenth Annual East Liverpool Dahlia Show was held in the spacious High School Gymnasium, Saturday and Sunday, September 20 and 21.

This year's State Show was by far the largest and best Show to date. With the staging of the Show in the High School Gym, which was our first attempt at holding it in said quarters, the committee deserves a unanimous vote of thanks for the fine way in which they handled the large amount of exhibitors and exhibits.

Mr. Roy Smith and Mr. L. J. Smurthwaite, Show Chairman, and their aids, surely deserve a great deal of commendation for their efforts, and many fine comments were heard in their behalf.

There was a total of 28 different localities represented in this year's Show for a total of 89 exhibitors and 1648 exhibits of Dahlias, Glads, and all kinds of fall flowers.

The cities represented besides our own were as follows: Wellsville, Alliance, Bedford, Mederio, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Austinburg, Chagrin Falls, Salineville, Richmond Dale, South Euclid, Martins Ferry, Rocky River, Cuyahoga Falls, Perrysburg, Canton, Toledo, Fairview Villiage, Madisonville, and Toronto in Ohio. Canonsburg, Pittsburgh, Beaver, Midland, Smiths Ferry in Pennsylvania, and Parkersburg, Phillipi, Chester, and New Cumberland in West Virginia.

There were divisions to take care of the novice, small amateur, large amateur, and also the more experienced growers. Each division was well represented by the respective growers.

We are happy to announce there were six new novices this year, those who never exhibited in a Dahlia Show before. There were also 12 newcomers to the small amateur group, those who grow less than 100 hills. I would like to warn some of the more seasoned growers that they better be on their toes in the future, as by the type of specimen blooms shown by these small growers, we feel certain they are going to make all of us sit up and take notice hereafter.

The Gymnasium was crowded to over-flowing and we had to use the spacious halls upstairs to take care of the many various classes and it was very conservatively estimated that there were at least 15,000 bloom of all kinds of fall flowers.

Some of the outstanding exhibits were as follows. The display of the Wellsville Glad-Dahlia Club and also the one of Mr. and Mrs. Metzger of Wellsville, Ohio, came in for their share of praise, as they added very much to the beautiful display of color.

Outstanding competitive exhibits were the three specimen bloom of a new undisseeded Dahlia named *Columbia*, which will be released in 1942. These three blooms were awarded the beautiful American Home Achievement Medal, also one of them was judged the largest and most perfect bloom of the entire Show, measuring 12¼ by 9¼. Another one of the bloom was judged the largest bloom in the entire Show, meas-

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uring $12\frac{3}{4}$ by $9\frac{3}{4}$. A very outstanding and worthy entry, and was exhibited by D. T. Morgan of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

Largest and most perfect bloom in the novice division, *Carl Dahl*, exhibited by William Crane of Smiths Ferry, Pennsylvania.

Largest and most perfect bloom in small amateur division, Croydon Acme, exhibited by Mrs. George H. White of East Liverpool, Ohio.

Largest and most perfect bloom in large amateur division, *All American*, exhibited by W. J. Gowern, Jr., of Canonsburg, Pennsylvania.

Largest and most perfect bloom in open division, *Josephine Klump*, exhibited by H. H. Robens, of Chagrin Falls, Ohio.

Largest and most perfect ball Dahlia in Show, *Rosy Dawn*, exhibited by John T. Eccleston, East Liverpool, Ohio.

The best bloom coming the greatest distance was exhibited by B. W. Lamson of Cincinnati, Ohio. The best exhibit sent by Express or Air Mail was exhibited by A. J. Schlaheck of Toledo, Ohio.

Sweepstakes winners were as follows: novice division, Mrs. George H. White of East Liverpool, Ohio; small amateur division, Mrs. George H. White of East Liverpool, Ohio; large amateur division, John T. Eccleston, of East Liverpool, Ohio; open division, Mr. Frank Parenica of Frank's Dahlia Gardens, Bedford, Ohio.

Sweepstakes of the entire Show were won by Mr. John T. Eccleston, of East Liverpool, Ohio.

Outstanding events attached to this year's State Show were as follows: The annual banquet at the Mary Patterson Memorial Home, Saturday evening at six p. m., when 115 persons listened to the beautiful soprano voice of Miss Christine Sager of Chester, West Virginia, holding everyone's attention while she sang two beautiful numbers.

President George H. Schepp presided and introduced many visiting guests, who responded with very appropriate words of praise and comments on this, the Eleventh Annual Ohio State Show. All stated that this year's Show was by far the best one to date, and expressed their assurances of again returning next year.

Mayor O. Earl Greenwalt gave the address of welcome and assured the out-of-town visitors the full co-operation of the city officials while guests of the city. Mr. William Watkin, Safety-Service Director, also expressed his appreciation to all.

The crowning of the Show Queen was held Saturday evening at 8:30 p. m., when Miss Bonnie Morgan of East Liverpool, was crowned Dahlia Queen by President George H. Schepp. Miss Morgan's Court consisted of the following young ladies: Miss Cheryl DeBee of East Liverpool, Miss Dollie Sager of Chester, West Virginia, Miss Bessie May Henthorn of Wellsville, Ohio, and Miss Ada Mary Welsh of Newell, West Virginia. It was a very beautiful ceremony with Miss Christine Sager of Chester being the soloist, accompanied at the piano by Miss Jean Cowles of East Liverpool, and on the flute by Miss Alice Ann Springer of East Liverpool.

Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock the public presentation of awards was held with the finest array of prizes yet

offered at any Dahlia Show. Mr. George H. Schepp and the Queen's Court presided in the presentation of the awards to the various winners.

The Annual Meeting of the Affiliated Societies was held at 9 o'clock Saturday evening when Mr. George H. Schepp, State President, presided over a very enthusiastic meeting of representatives of the following Dahlia Societies: Cleveland, Toledo, Akron, Wellsville, and East Liverpool. The representation again praised this year's Show as the largest and best and thanked the East Liverpool Society members for their fine hospitality. They awarded the 1942 State Show to Cleveland, Ohio, and the 1943 Show to Wellsville, Ohio.

At 10 o'clock Sunday evening, the Eleventh Annual East Liverpool Dahlia Show came to a close with every one tired and worn out but still happy that the Show was carried out successfully to its final conclusion.

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The Camden Dahlia and Horticultural Society

By Vernetta Price

In spite of the drought which did much damage to Dahlias, the annual Show of the Camden Dahlia and Horticultural Society which was held in the Camden County Vocational School, Friday and Saturday, September 26 and 27, had a splendid turn out, and in classes other than Dahlias and gladioli which were affected by the weather, there was a noticeable increase in the number of entries.

While everyone in the society put forth his best effort to make the Show a success, much credit is due to Mr. Charles Paist, show manager; Miss Myra Conover, secretary; and Mr. George Eldridge, whose untiring efforts preceding and during the Show, put it across.

The usual fine group of judges was also secured for the event and included the following: Dahlias, Doctor C. H. Connors, Agricultural Experiment Station, New Brunswick; Conrad Frey, Nutley; Samuel Leigh, Audubon; William B. Groff, Jr., Bridgeton; Bennett K. Matlack, Berlin.

Garden Flower Judges: Frank Baker, Philadelphia; John Huntress, Vineland; Miss Ruth Smith, Merchantville; Frank S. Bartolet, Haddonfield; Miss Anne B. Wertsner, field secretary, Pennsylvania Horticultural Society; Harry O. Yates, Jr., professor of floriculture, Camden County Vocational School.

The A. D. S. Medal for the most meritorious entry in the amateur Dahlia classes was won by Doctor Bruce Preas, of Rockville Center, N. Y., with a collection of pompons, *Miss Marjorie*, *Ebony*, *Doria*, and *Clover*. *Thunderbolt*, an informal red cactus type, was adjudged the largest and most nearly perfect bloom of the Show. This was exhibited by Omar Coles, of Magnolia, N. J.

A. E. Long, of Mt. Ephraim, N. J., won the Mrs. Charles H. Stout Trophy for the most meritorious miniature. The winning bloom was *Little Diamond*, a pink cactus type.

The most meritorious spike of gladioli was *Birdie Snow*, exhibited by W. J. Larson, of Laurel Springs, N. J., who was awarded the Stump and Walter Medal.

Varieties which were winners in the different classes are as follows: Large Dahlias, *American Purity*, *Darcy Sainsbury*, *The Governor*, *Golden Prince*, *Jane Cowl*, *Blue River*, *Judge Samuel Seabury*, *Glamour*, *Progress*, *Freckles*, *Royal Purchase*, *Miss West Virginia*, *Hillside Sunset*, *Adolf Mayer*, and *Oakleigh Monarch*.

Medium Dahlias, *Snowcrest*, *Kentucky Sun*, *Marietta E.*, *Mme. C. Jussiant*, *Memory*, *Lilac Glory*, *Miss Ohio*, and *Queen City*. *Memory* is a new Dahlia which also won in the seedling classes.

Pompons, *Ebony*, *Doria*, *Clover*, *Miss Britain*, *Yellow Gem*, *Reginald*, *Betty Ann*, *Bob White*, *Sherry*, and *Honey*.

Miniatures, *Bishop of Landoff*, *Little Diamond*.

Largest and most nearly perfect, *Thunderbolt*, an informal red cactus type.

At the October meeting of the society, Mr. Eugene H. Michel, of Riverton, N. J., was speaker. "Hardy Chrysanthemums" was the topic which was illustrated by Mr. Michel. Mr. Charles Paist and Miss Charlotte V. Payntor were appointed by Doctor Frank F. Moore, president, to the nominating committee for new officers.

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When reality exceeds your fondest expectation, then indeed you have just cause for rejoicing, so, we are all feeling particularly happy over our fourth annual Dahlia Show. Just as we expected, the setting of green provided by the Phipp's Conservatory in Schenley Park, where the Show was held this fall, was lovely beyond description. It was almost as if you were walking through beautiful gardens filled with prize Dahlia blooms.

As one entered the Conservatory the Ripper Dahlia Garden exhibit was on the right and the Ritzer Dahlia Garden exhibit on the left. Direct ahead, in the circular center was Mr. Fred Clark's large collection of unique and colorful gourds, augmented by large baskets of Fred Springer and Jersey Dainty Dahlias. With deft hands, a most active imagination and suitable harmonious colors, Mr. Clark had fashioned out of gourds, every imaginable kind of an animal, lamps, post boxes, and baskets. In this center, also was a space set aside for baskets or single blooms brought by the members as a memorial to esteemed and beloved members who have passed into the Life Eternal. The beautiful blooms testified that they were not forgotten.

Following the winding paths through rare tropical plants our first large room contained section B, open to all exhibitors, the next for section A open to members who do not issue lists of stock for sale and still another large room for sections C and D for pompons, minia-

tures and seedlings. Mr. Charles Meyer's miniatures were outstanding and his painstaking arrangement in many small artistic containers a true work of art.

Frank's Dahlia Gardens of Bedford, Ohio, won the American Home Achievement Medal for a delicately colored and beautifully formed seedling, which was appropriately named Schenley Park in honor of the Conservatory. The sweepstakes award, a handsome large cup presented by the county commissioners was won by Mr. Walter Luffy. Many other medals and prizes were won by deserving exhibitors too numerous to enumerate. The pompon and seedling class was unusually large and the generous entries throughout the Show of Frank's Dahlia Gardens, Geneva Dahlia Gardens, Fleck's Dahlia Gardens and Chastain's Dahlia Gardens all added beauty and quality to the fine entries of our enthusiastic members.

Colored photographs, both moving pictures and still pictures were taken by countless camera enthusiasts. Our total attendance was estimated at 11,000—yet there was not the slightest semblance of being crowded. This was due largely to the arrangement of paths in the conservatory that keep spectators circulating in one direction. The coöperation of the conservatory officials and helpers was splendid and we are most grateful to them. Arranging was made very easy and at night the green plants and walks were thoroughly sprinkled and the

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moisture brought the few drooping flowers back to the pink of perfection ready for the next day. Never before have our blooms been in such fine condition when the Show terminated. They were in great demand to be taken home; contrasted to the many blooms thrown away at previous Shows.

The skill of our worthy judges was often taxed to decide between the high quality of bloom; but everyone felt that the following gentlemen meted out the fairest of decisions in all classes: Mr. Oliver Shurtleff, Mr. Ralph Wells, Mr. O. B. Geer, Mr. Frank Parenica, Mr. Albert Hunt, Mr. W. M. Tomlinson, Mr. Henry Cook, Mr. Arthur Bonsey and Mr. Thomas Hoskins.

For the benefit of our friends far and wide who were unable to attend our Show some of the outstanding blooms were: *Maffie, California Idol, San Francisco, Norma Morton, Hillside Joy, William R. Shinkfield, Greater Glory, Sunrays, Robert Ripley, Michigan White, Charlotte Caldwell, Burch Foraker, Your Lucky Star, Class, Schenley Park, Fire Ball, Madame Jussiant, Captain Cedarquist, Consul General Quist, Alice May, The Governor, Figaro, Angelus, Town Topics, Governor Heil, Dahlia Mum, Victory, Zenith, Hillside Gold and McKay's Purity*. A great deal of credit for the success of the Show was due to the untiring efforts of our Show Chairman, Mr. Charles Meyers, and our Show Manager, Mr. Charles Buresch. It really was a grand Show.

We gathered at the Garden Center for our fall election on the 17th of October, had a good attendance, the following officers: Mr. Arthur G. Banks, President; Mrs. L. D. Hislop, First Vice-President; Mr. Edward Stein, Second Vice-President; Mr. I. T. Fleck, Secretary; Mr. R. Motznik, Treasurer, and Messrs. L. E. Kording, Walter Luffy, J. G. Barry and William Buresch, members of the Board of Directors.

Under the able management of Mr. Carl Hogsett our new program chairman we are looking forward to a rare treat for our November meeting in the form of one of the finest collections of colored photographs of Dahlias in existence. Moving pictures and still pictures, in color, taken by Mr. T. E. Messenger whose skill and equipment are superlative.

Mrs. L. D. Hislop, Publicity Chairman.

Burholme Horticultural Society Show

Some very fine specimens of flowers were exhibited at the Twenty-first Annual Show of the society held Friday and Saturday, September 26 and 27, at the Trinity Oxford Community House, Burholme.

One hundred and one persons entered 658 exhibits in the Show and the quality of material shown was termed the best of the season by the judges.

The Burholme Horticultural Silver Trophy, sweepstake prize for Section A "Open to All" was awarded to Mr. Stanley Johnson, Cheltenham, Pennsylvania, for a total of eighty-seven points. The J. V. Horn Trophy, sweepstake prize in Section "B", amateurs only, was again awarded to Mr. James Comito, Huntingdon Valley, Pennsylvania, for a total of sixty-eight points. Mr. A. N. Sponseller of Hatboro, Pennsylvania, was runner up with eleven points. The George Shade Memorial Trophy, sweepstake prize in Section "C" members class, was retained by the society due to a tie, Mr. James J. Des-

mond, Elkins Park, and Mr. Charles Friedel, Lawndale, each won thirty-nine points.

The judges of the Dahlia Section, Messrs. Clarence West, John Root, Fred Foster, H. R. Lippincott, George Masson and George Glading noted the basket of nine Dahlia blooms entered by Mr. D. J. Thomas, Willow Grove, most meritorious and awarded him the Silver Medal from Michell Seed House.

In the Dahlia Futurity Class sponsored by House Beautiful Magazine, James Comito's Huntingdon Valley, Pennsylvania, exhibit of six blooms *Blue Moon* was awarded The House Beautiful Medal.

The American Home Achievement Medal offered for three blooms undessinated seedling was awarded to Mr. James J. Desmond, Elkins Park, for Salem Dahlia Gardens for their seedling *Stephen Foster*, cactus light orange buff with shading of tyrian rose.

Competition was very keen in the Garden Flower sections D and E. Mrs. Stella Plank, Fox Chase, was awarded a pink dogwood tree donated by DeKalb Nurseries, Norristown, for winning a total of 24 points, Mrs. Mabel Dietz was runner up with a total of 17 points.

The judges of the Garden Flower sections, Mrs. George Glading, Mr. Louis Mauger and Mr. and Mrs. Curtice White considered the miniature formal garden made by Mr. Davis A. Gettel as the most meritorious exhibit in this section and awarded him the Floyd Bradley Achievement Medal donated by the Templin Bradley Company, Cleveland, Ohio.

Miss Elsie Chancellor, Rockledge, was awarded the Ernest Cramer Silver Trophy for winning eight points in the Junior Section.

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Hagerstown Dahlia Society Show

The Hagerstown Dahlia Society opened their Thirteenth Annual Dahlia Show to the flower loving public on the evening of September 25, 1941, with one of the most gorgeous displays ever made in the history of the Society. The Show was staged at the State Armory on North Potomac Street, Hagerstown, Maryland.

The auditorium of the Armory presented a picture of loveliness with hundreds of the finest specimens of Dahlias on exhibition. Many displays were very artistically arranged in order to show the flowers off to best advantage. In connection with the beautiful array of Dahlias many other flowers, such as gladiolus, roses, zinnias, marigolds, asters, cosmos and petunias were exhibited.

The largest Dahlia in the Show was exhibited by Mr. N. A. Gossman, the smallest by Mr. Charles W. Zahn, while Mr. A. H. Sherman had the best Dahlia bloom in the Show. Mrs. Raymond Shifler had the best pink bloom. Mr. H. K. Ramsburg the best white. Polsgrove Dahlia Gardens, the best purple. Mr. A. H. Sherman best yellow and the best red and bi-color by Mr. N. A. Gossman.

Sweepstakes were won by Mr. N. A. Gossman, Mr. N. A. Gossman had the most entries in the Show, Polsgrove Dahlia Gardens, second, and Mr. Oscar R. Moser, third, Mrs. E. F. White won first on best display, twelve feet or more, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Kuhn, second, and Mr. A. H. Sherman, third prize. In the 1941 introductions: for the best formal and informal, Mr. N. A. Goss-

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man won first, while Mr. A. H. Sherman won second and third. Cactus class, Grovers Dahlia Gardens won first, Mr. N. A. Gossman, second and third. Polsgrove Dahlia Gardens won first in the miniature class. Pompon class, Polsgrove Dahlia Gardens won first with Mr. H. K. Ramsburg, second.

In the gladiolus class, the specimens were fine and larger in number than former years and were a creditable addition to the Show. Polsgrove Dahlia Gardens and Mr. Oscar R. Moser had a nip and tuck race for the winnings.

Judges of the Show: Professor J. B. S. Norton and Doctor W. R. Ballard from University of Maryland, Mr. Henry J. Betz, Raspeburg, Maryland, Miss Mary Bester, Mrs. Harry R. Rudy and Miss Mary Harter, Hagerstown, Maryland. Mr. Walter S. Gibney was Show superintendent.

While 1941 has been a hard year on Dahlia culture, with an usual shortage of rainfall and extreme hot weather which was very destructive, yet we are proud of our accomplishments, we are proud of our Dahlia Show which was one of the best ever held.

The entire membership seems to stand at attention and resolved to grow more and better Dahlias, if possible put on a larger and better Dahlia Show in September, 1942.

H. K. Ramsburg, Secretary.

Corydon, Indiana, Dahlia Society

The Corydon, Indiana, Dahlia Society held its annual Show at Corydon, Indiana, October 27 and 28 and had approximately 1200 blooms of first quality not withstanding the hurricane from Gulf of Mexico, struck the gardens on the night of September 25, leaving the greater part of the plants either wholly or partially destroyed. Some growers rescued about forty per cent of their blooms in shape to show on the following Saturday which showed their determination to make a creditable exhibit.

About eight Louisville, Kentucky, growers made entries and a number of others came over later to visit with the local growers. The cactus varieties seem to be gaining ground, with both exhibitors and visitors, one *Marietta E.* won first in its class and special award for both specimens in the Show.

Miniatures and poms were numerous and of excellent quality.

Rita Wells was awarded a blue ribbon for largest Dahlia in the Show.

The Indiana State Dahlia Show was advertised for Linton on the same day as the Corydon Show but for reasons couldn't be held at Linton. Corydon was asked to combine with Indiana State, a few members of Indiana Society were here, but most of them sent word their gardens were destroyed by the storm and didn't Show.

The Corydon Society will hold their 1942 Show on the third Saturday of September, 1942.

Mrs. Al Herecke, Jr., Secretary, Corydon, Indiana.

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The Baltimore Dahlia Society held its 17th annual Show in the Fifth Regiment Armory, Baltimore, Maryland, September 21 and 22, and while we like all other Shows in this section suffered from the very severe drouth we had a most successful Show.

The staging was superbly done by Show Manager, George Schirmer and his Committee and from the time the doors were thrown open until the close of the Show they were on the job to see that a glad hand awaited every visitor and exhibitor. It was most pleasing to note the increased interest shown in the smaller garden sections where the competition was very keen. This was particularly noticeable in the Novice Class where just one point decided the winner of the Baltimore Dahlia Society Trophy. The seedling section was well represented and the winner of the Achievement Medal was the Glenden Dahlia Gardens who won with three very lovely white informal decorative blooms. The House Beautiful Medal was also awarded to the Glenden Dahlia Gardens for their vase of *Crowning Glory*.

The Society again had a very fine display of trophies as well as cash and merchandise awards and it goes without stating that the competition was extremely keen. Trophies were awarded as follows: Mayor Howard W. Jackson Trophy to Howard Dutton, Governor Herbert R. O'Connor Trophy to Glenden Dahlia Gardens, Baltimore Dahlia Society Trophy to winner of sweepstake in Novice Class to H. Anderson, National Capital Dahlia Society Trophy for sweepstake winner of 25 plants or less to Mrs. C. McCormick, Glenden Dahlia Garden Trophy to winner of sweepstake in Class B to George Shaffer, Radio Station WITH Trophy to winner of sweepstake in Class C to W. R. Andrews, John W. Sherwood Trophy to winner of sweepstake in Class D to W. L. Tracey, Florist's Club of Baltimore Trophy to winner of sweepstake in Class E to Earle P. Loller, President George F. Shaffer Trophy to sweepstake winner in Class F to N. A. Gossmann, Henry Cory Trophy to winner of sweepstake in Pompons to W. R. Andrews, Baltimore Dahlia Social Trophy to winner of sweepstake

in Miniature classes to Mrs. J. E. W. Lindquist and the Emma Schaun Trophy to the sweepstake winner in the Hardy Garden section to Mrs. George Shaffer. Entries were received from all over the East as well as the Mid West and one by air mail from California. The A. D. S.



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Medal awarded for the Best Bloom in the Show was very closely contested and finally won by the Glenden Dahlia Gardens. The attendance was very fine and judging from the names of the visitors listed on our record the Dahlia still leads in interest and drawing power. The judging was very capably handled by Warren W. Maytrott, Professor J. S. B. Norton, O. B. Geer, Stanley Johnson, R. C. Ferguson, Macmillan Hoopes, John Vincent, W. A. Bochau, N. A. Gossmann, John C. Mencke, Jr., N. A. Scheel, C. W. Diffenderffer, Harry J. Quick, W. L. Tracey and George Shaffer. The Hardy Garden section was crowded with entries particularly the section for "Arrangements" and the judging was handled by Mrs. W. R. Bridges and Doctor W. R. Ballard. One class in particular calling for an arrangement of hardy garden flowers by men brought out some very unusual as well as interesting pieces; the winner was David Quick.

Judging by the interest shown 1942 will get a good start towards a bigger and better Dahlia Show for our membership is steadily growing with many applications being received at the Show which means more growers hence more exhibitors.

Herbert O. Aburn, Secretary.

Minnesota Dahlia Society Show September 9 and 10, 1941

The thirteenth annual Show of the Minnesota Dahlia Society was held in the lobby of the Northwestern National Bank Building in the City of Minneapolis on September 9 and 10. A more appropriate setting for a flower Show than this beautiful bank lobby, extending an entire city block in length with its beautiful marble columns and balustrades and high ceiling, would be hard to find. In spite of the hurricane which swept the Twin Cities and vicinity the week before, our Show was fully equal to our 1940 Show in both quality and quantity of blooms. The bank lobby was filled to overflowing with outstanding blooms.

The center of interest at our Shows is the Court of Honor. This year's Court of Honor was sub-divided into nine color classes, and special entry is required to be made by exhibitors in these nine separate color classes. The exhibitors select their very best blooms from this class. The winners in each class receive a special ribbon and the Grand Champion of the Show is selected from these nine winners. This year the blooms in the Court were very outstanding. This year's Grand Champion was a magnificent bloom of *Lord of Autumn* exhibited by R. S. Bryant of Hopkins, Minnesota. This bloom was one of the finest ever exhibited at any of our Shows. Among the winners in the Court of Honor, which were particularly outstanding, and were runners-up for Grand

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The Parrella Dahlia Gardens Offer the Following Prize Winners and Honor Roll Introductions for 1942

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Portland Show—Cont. from p. 49

Portland, Oregon; Julia Compton, Boring, Oregon; Erich Becker, Newberg, Oregon; George Latimer, Portland, Oregon; Robert Sanders, Portland, Oregon; and Robert Strang, Portland, Oregon.

The Show was formally opened by City Commissioner Kenneth Cooper, introduced by the President of the Dahlia Society, P. F. Kershisnik. Music was furnished by a 14 piece orchestra and was enjoyed at intervals during each day of the Show.

A new feature was the non-competitive table of Dahlias never before shown in Portland which vied in popularity with the splendid showing of seedlings. The blue ribbon winner in this division was a miniature straight cactus, standing erect on a stiff stem in shades of pink to rosy lilac, named *Eugenia*, originated by Mrs. G. Kitchen of Newberg, Oregon. This splendid cut flower was as fresh at the end of the second day as when brought into the Show room.

Mrs. Charles L. Mastick entered a non-competitive array of her fine Dahlias grown in Astoria, Oregon, among them being *Pacific Splendor*, *Gray Dawn*, *Mutso-no-Hikara*, *Mrs. William Knudsen*, *Illumination*, a new orange informal decorative from Canada, a Brown origination, also a noteworthy collection of foreign miniatures. The Mastick Dahlias have now been liquidated and no one has authority to use that trade name in the future.

The Professionals had tables near the center aisle for

their single entries, which in itself was a worthy exhibit, aside from their very outstanding special displays.

The Sunset Gardens, entering for the first time, made effective arrangements in color harmony, combining the colors of flowers and containers with drapes in the same tints and hues, highlighting their exhibit in yellow and autumn shades, in small and large type Dahlias. They won on their outstanding basket arrangement of *Little Jewel*. We welcome the Carlbergs and wish them success in their Dahlia business.

The Sanders Gardens had a beautiful exhibit of their usual interesting array of fine blooms winning many ribbons on single entries, baskets and bowl arrangements.

The Gill Brothers display attracted much attention with its central feature, a shadow box containing a delightful arrangement of pink pompons. Many pleasing baskets, and beautiful bowls with harmonizing flower arrangements added greatly to this display, a basket of pompons winning first in Professional Division.

The Julia Compton Gardens won sweepstakes on their outstanding display. A huge Horn of Plenty overflowing with Dahlias of the largest type was a highlight in their entry of most spectacular Dahlias. A large basket of beautiful *Eleanor Francis*, was judged best in the Show and running a close second was a basket of perfect and dazzling *Miss Glory*. The men particularly liked a huge basket of *Ballego's Glory*. The quantities of blooms of all types in this display would in itself constitute a real Dahlia Show and won numerous ribbons.

The Estacada Dahlia Gardens made an exhibit entirely

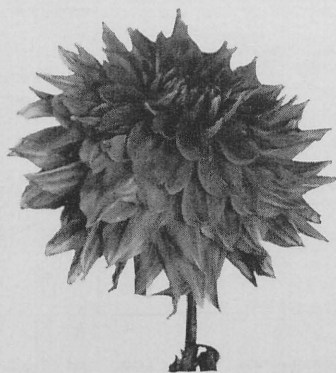
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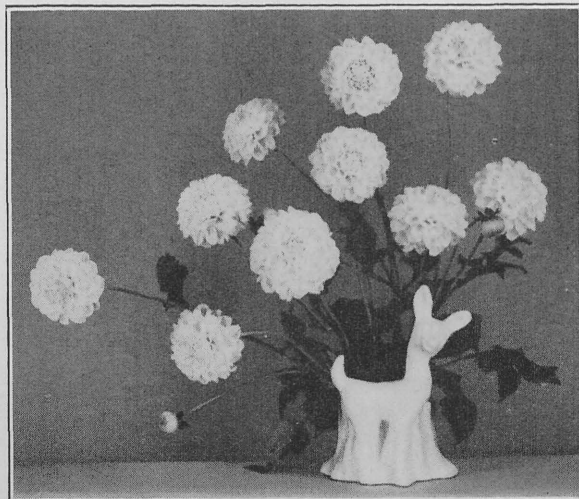
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of Foreign Dahlias and won the special award in that division as well as many other ribbons. They featured small types although their large types were new and outstanding and their poms are the best to be had, some new ones tightly quilled unlike other poms. *Basra*, the miniature informal decorative, shading from violet to plum with its curly petals, was a most attractive basket arrangement, as was also a basket of the ball Dahlia, *Wien*. *Vermillion Brilliant* was all its name implies, and stood out against its background of black draperies to catch the eye from any part of the building. This display would have been outstanding in anybody's Dahlia Show.

The entry made by the Portland Dahlia Gardens featured miniatures and pompons for which this garden is noted and was a distinctive attraction of the Show. The highlight of their display was the American and British flags made entirely of small Dahlias in true colors placed on the wall against a black background framed in green leaves. This display won its share of ribbons.

The 4-H Club Division was located near the main entrance so as to show off to the best advantage the fine entries these youngsters put on. There were several long rows of tables for their exclusive use. Best Dahlia in this division was *Pink Daily Mail* exhibited by Eleanor Zaharis, winning the little trophy. Sweepstakes: first year exhibitors, Dorothy Engberg, Kennedy School; all other elementary exhibitors, Ruth White, Beach School; high school, Mary Lou Barnard, Girls Polytechnic. The Kershnik award won by Bill Anderson for his *Little Darling*, a pink and cream miniature.

Novice Division: The best Dahlia in this section was *Golden Standard* exhibited by Captain E. S. Bradford, who also won sweepstakes. Many of the novice class grow as fine Dahlias as amateurs but have never exhibited before.

Amateur Division: This section is one of the largest exhibits of the Show and the numerous types and fine quality of blooms and good arrangement in special entries make it one of the most popular. *Jan Olieslagers* was judged the best bloom in this division and was entered by Mrs. J. G. Sture, who also was a sweepstakes winner.

Advanced Amateur Division: Just four contestants in this division this year, being the graduates from the amateur division, but these four, however, made a display covering several large tables because they grow the best stock in all types of Dahlias and are capable of vieing with professionals in showmanship and quality of bloom.

Robert Strang, grew the large, long stemmed *Charles L. Mastick* that was judged best bloom in this section, and also to him went the honor of exhibiting the largest Dahlia in the Show, a *California Idol*. The smallest perfect Dahlia came from this division also, a *Schweitzer's Baby* grown by President P. F. Kershnik. An entry for this class was airmailed special delivery from San Diego, California. A tiny half inch quilled pompon *Little Jinne*, which received a special award, not being received in perfect condition could not win as best smallest Dahlia.

President P. F. Kershnik won sweepstakes with his many prize winning entries.

The advanced amateurs entered many special arrangements of Dahlias of all types in vases, bowls, and baskets. Their dinner table arrangements and small type basket arrangements made one of the outstanding exhibits of the Show.

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Suburban Dahlia Club

Our second annual exhibit is now history and it is the consensus of opinion that for beauty, setting and blooms it rates among the best we have seen. This 1941 Show was a paid admission Show and all proceeds were handed to the Boy Scouts of America, Hamilton Troop. Scoutmaster Platz advises our Show manager that money secured from our Show will amply build their camp at Loch Raven with excess funds available for other worthy purposes. If we have accomplished no other good deed than helping these young Americans we of the Suburban Dahlia Club are proud of our efforts and results. Our Show was judged by Messrs. Tracey, Goetzger, E. Schaun, William Schaun, Harry Quick, W. Oates, W. L. Warner and H. Bauer. The compliments that followed were conclusive proof that these gentlemen did a fine job.

We list some new features:

The card table display. Each member was invited to bring one card table and he or she was given unlimited vision to display, decorate or show anything pertaining to the garden. The results were gratifying. The three prizes were sums of money. Results: Display of all kinds and sizes of gourds topped by a centre of asters, first prize, J. H. Nolte. Display that was marked, "Simply Zinnias", this table was a mass of Zinnias from the miniature through the fantasy to the huge Dahlia flowered with most of the colors showing, second prize, Florence Nolte. Display of Garden flowers, set off in a bed of clematis, third prize, Mrs. C. V. Brieger.

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Our second feature was the seedling class—here we segregated the Dahlias according to size and formation. First prize, a mammoth red formal exhibited by Frank Goetzger (this would give any of them a run for their money). An incurved white cactus that was as good the closing night as it was when entered by Harry Quick, first prize under eight inches. A miniature of orange coloration by W. L. Warner, first prize. A red single with bronze foliage, first prize by J. H. Nolte.

Through the courtesy of one of Baltimore's largest department stores we were loaned the services of two of their expert decorators, Messrs. Grant Stinor and Andrew O'Connor (nephew of our Governor). They had an electrically lighted colonial garden on the stage in colors with wall arches and Greek colonnade. Their exhibit included a huge map of the United States with a display of the various State flowers and a description of each flower.

Our third feature and we believe original with us was the club seedling class. In the spring our Treasurer, W. L. Warner, grew and donated a seedling plant to each member with the instructions that it be marked Club Seedling and regardless of the result if it bloomed at Show time it be entered in Club Seedling Class. The results were a revelation to all of us. The seedling exhibited by Harry Quick was an extremely beautiful miniature that was by far the best in this special class. There was also a prize for the worst seedling. This went to E. Klein and several of the other participants kicked at this decision claiming theirs was by far the worst. Despite this friendly ribbing Klein got the money.

Our next class bearing money prizes was the largest and best and the smallest and best. Largest, *Rita Wells*, 14½ inches by Pauline Graf. Smallest, *Honey*, one inch by Mrs. Emery. P. S.—You men please note the ladies really made us look silly here.

More money was distributed in the various basket classes: Harry Quick, first, basket of fifteen assorted; W. L. Warner, first, basket of ten assorted; J. H. Nolte, first, basket of eight assorted.

In the basket class of poms Ida Gill took first honors with the finest basket of poms that I have ever seen. For a novice grower this speaks well for Ida. Her father our loyal Louis Gill will have plenty to talk down this coming winter from daughter, Ida.

In the garden classes among members Pauline Graf swept the honors with most firsts, followed by Mrs. Brieger, Mrs. Nolte, Mrs. Meeks and Mrs. Warner.

A new class of our Show was for local gardeners (amateurs). A fine basket of wild flowers by Scout Weuthner was first in that section. A gloxinia exhibited by Mrs. Ernst was a thing of beauty. Cactus display by Mrs. Platz secured much comment. A huge coxcomb by "Pop" Nolte was really big. A large display of cacti and ferns by David Quick of Lorraine Cactus County rounded off a Show we are justly proud of.

We were honored by the appearance of Mayor Howard Jackson on the second night. His Honor was a donor of one of the many cash prizes received. In the boy scouts exhibit of scout handicraft our club supplied three worthy prizes and an exhibit covering two large tables drew favorable comment.

The total number of entries was four hundred and

twenty-nine. No charge was made for any entry and again Suburban rang the bell with all bills paid in full, money in the bank and fifty dollars in cash prizes distributed. We are going places and nothing can stop this Club. At this writing we are making final plans for a second Show October 3 and 4 in Chapel of Nativity, with exactly the same schedule as pertained to our Show for the Boy Scouts.

J. H. Nolte, Show Manager.

Southwestern Trial Ground

The Southwestern Trial Ground on the Campus of West Texas State College at Canyon, Texas, desires to extend an invitation to Dahlia growers to reserve some of your seedlings and named varieties for trial here next season. This will be our first season, so we will need several hundred roots or plants to start off with.

Our trial ground is being sponsored by the Southwestern Dahlia Society, with present membership from Amarillo, Canyon, Dimmitt and Hereford, Texas, and we hope soon to extend our membership to many more cities in this section. The Amarillo Garden Club has been very active in helping to organize our Dahlia society and to get our trial ground established.

This trial ground plot is in an especially desirable location for display. It is on Highways 60 and 87 and on State Highway 217 leading to Palo Duro State Park, and is on a plot adjoining the Panhandle Plains Museum, which attracts thousands of people each year.

The Southwestern Trial Ground will be under the direct supervision of Doctor J. A. Hill, President of the college. Doctor Hill has always been a Dahlia fan and has always seen to it that Dahlias were ever a part of the college landscaping. He is widely known in this section as the leading citizen of the Panhandle.

Doctor A. M. Meyer, of the college faculty is chairman of our trial ground committee. Doctor Meyer got this job through his ability to make things grow over at Stafford Hall where he lives. He does most of this physical gardening himself and calls himself a "plain dirt gardner" and has had a great deal of experience in growing Dahlias. Doctor Meyer's influence is felt throughout this section where he is so well known and admired as an educator and as a citizen.

Mr. A. L. Tarlton, campus gardner, will be directly in charge of our Dahlia growing. Mr. Tarlton is an ex-student of West Texas and is an ex-county agent, and is fully capable of doing such a job well, as evidenced by his ability to transform bare spots over the campus into beautiful lower beds so effectively.

We are indeed fortunate in having such men as we have here at West Texas so interested in giving their time and energies to growing Dahlias in order to render a service to their community.

Long before this trial ground was planned, the Dahlia was adopted as West Texas's college flower by the student body. The college colors are maroon and white. So, it is planned to plant a row of taller growing garnet red and maroon, then a staggered row of taller growing white Dahlias on two sides of our trial plot most exposed

to view. Then in a smaller bed, a letter pattern of West Texas in low growing miniatures.

There will be a charge on seedlings of \$2.00 for three plants or roots. No charge will be made for named varieties. Each plant will bear the name of the variety and donor's name. All clumps will be returned at digging time if desired. Rules and scoring will be the same as those of official A. D. S. trial grounds, and Certificates of Merit will be awarded to seedlings scoring 85 or more.

We have an altitude here of 3,500 feet, and have growing conditions typically representative for the Southwest, and this garden should become the means of helping to stimulate wide interest in Dahlias in this section. Dahlias are not widely grown here, although they should easily become our most important flower.

We want to invite you to drive by and see our trial ground and visit our college next season, and assure you an interesting and worthwhile stop-over.

If you desire to send seedlings or named varieties to our trial ground next spring, please communicate with R. E. Harter, Canyon, Texas, Secretary-Treasurer of the sponsoring society.

East Toronto Dahlia Society

The East Toronto Dahlia Society Show was held on September 13. The season was very dry in Canada and it was astonishing that so many fine blooms could be shown. Much credit should be given to the amateur growers for the high quality blooms shown and every member made an effort to show something. A very fine display was staged by the London, Ontario, Dahlia Club. It was acclaimed by many to be the best Show ever held by the Society and now we are looking forward to a better one in 1942.

The Dahlia Society of Kentucky

The Dahlia Society of Kentucky held its regular monthly meeting October 21 at Kentucky Hotel. We had a very interesting meeting as the reports of our Show Committee was heard as well as report of our delegate Mr. Ed Miller to the Mid West Show held in Milwaukee. Mr. Ed Miller reports having had a wonderful time and assured us the Show was a huge success and the writer joins him for it was the first Mid West Show I have attended outside Kentucky and I shall never forget the magnificent blooms nor the wonderful way the Show was conducted.

Mr. Ed Miller went as alternate for Mr. W. Swift who was unable to attend due to illness in his family.

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Dahlia Society of Kentucky—Cont. from p. 53

The Dahlia growers in Kentucky had a very trying time this year; the weather seemed to pull against them. First it was so terribly hot and dry, then the Dahlias that braved the heat and drought were put to another test, a severe wind and sand storm about the middle of September but with all we had a very fine Show.

The election of officers for the ensuing year also took place with the following results: Mr. H. Kruse, President, 997 Vine Street; Mr. C. Smybriski, Vice-President, 1215 Ahlsland Avenue; Mrs. R. W. Wendler, Secretary, 1511 Texas; Mrs. C. Fieldhause, Treasurer, Kenwood Road at Fay; Directors: Mr. J. C. Hays, Mr. George Gill, Mr. C. H. Durnel.

The Kentucky Dahlia Society is assured a very successful year with the corps of officers they have elected.

Mrs. B. W. Wendler, Secretary.

Seed Specialization in California—Cont. from p. 17

find hundreds of blooms and a most interesting Show when we entered the beautiful rooms of the Carlsbad Hotel where the Show was held, by kind permission of the proprietors of this famous Health Resort. Some very outstanding seedlings were shown and were a credit to the amateurs and novices who grew them. There were also display baskets of whites and reds and yellows and garnet which would have compared favorably with the usual displays in our regular Dahlia Shows.

The best bloom in the Show was a beautiful semi-cactus which reminded me of *Ballego's Surprise* and was a perfect specimen, on a fine stem, with nice clean foliage. It was grown by Mr. Winters of Oceanside from seed furnished him by S. E. Taylor of Carlsbad, California. This is the first season Mr. Winters has ever grown Dahlias and he was naturally gratified to carry off high honors from his first seedlings.

Several baskets of especially fine blooms were shown by Mrs. Shulte and Mr. Taylor of Carlsbad and by Professor Brady of Oceanside. Outstanding was a basket of white semi cactus and informal decoratives grown by Mr. Taylor and shown in the foreground of the accompanying photograph. The finest Dahlia in the Show, referred to above, is the top center Dahlia which was placed in this basket for the picture.

A new miniature, that should become popular, was shown by Mr. Hagar of Oceanside and it has just about everything a good miniature should have.

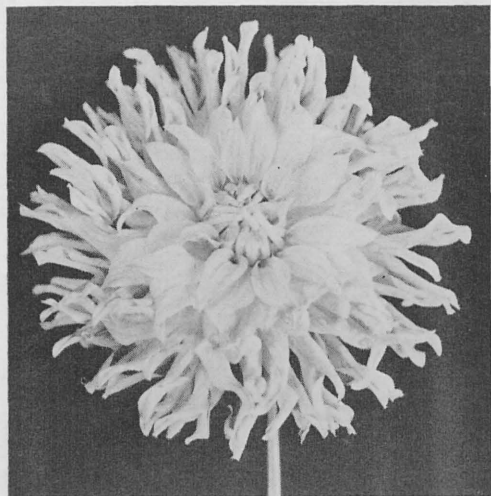
From the enthusiasm shown by members and visitors, everything points to bigger and better Dahlias from more carefully selected and hand hybridized seeds in this part of Southern California.

Professor F. J. Brady of Oceanside is President of the California South Coast Dahlia Society and J. M. Whitley of Carlsbad is Secretary-Treasurer. A bulletin on "How to Grow Dahlias from Seed and Where to get Good Dahlia Seeds" will be furnished to the members and all will be urged to "Go to town" next summer to grow seedlings to be exhibited at the Second Annual Seedling Show, arrangements for which are all ready being made.

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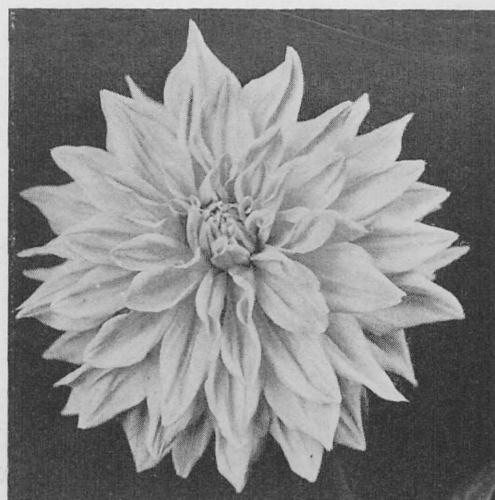
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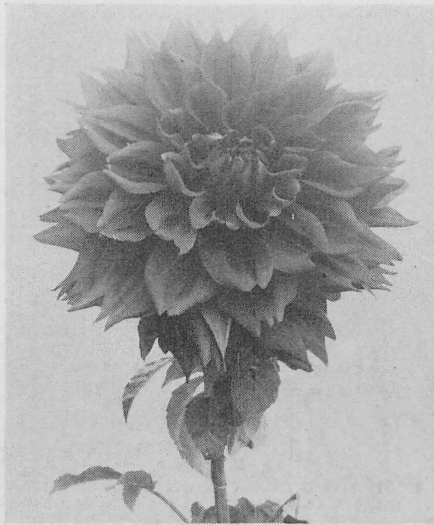
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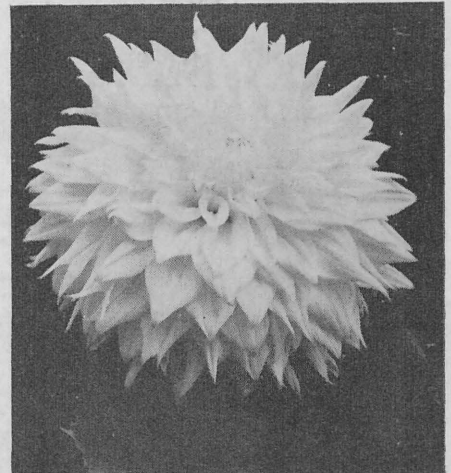
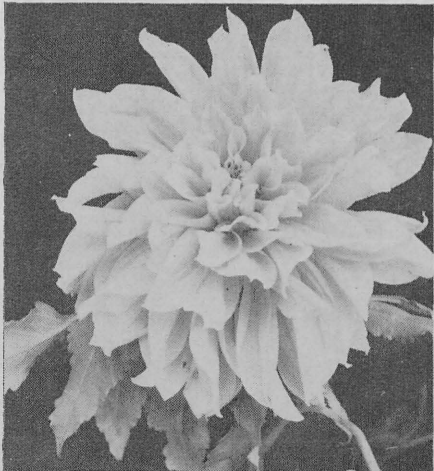
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