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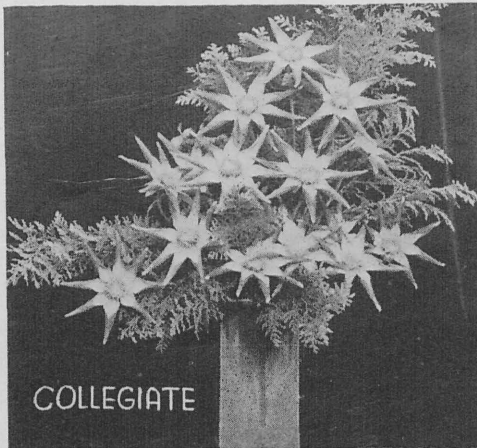
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COLIN KELLY, JR.—Joan Heineman, 2929 S. 43rd St., Milwaukee, poses with a Colin Kelly, Jr. Dahlia at the 12th Annual Show of the Dahlia Society of Wisconsin, in the Wauwatosa recreational building. The flower, which was named after the son of America's first air hero of the present war, was 14 in. x 9 in., and was grown by Joan's father, Joseph Heineman, prominent member of the Dahlia Society of Wisconsin.

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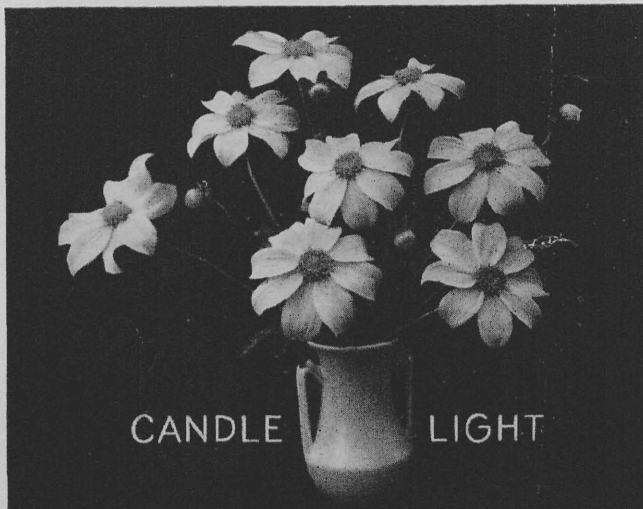
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A.D.S. Show Moves to Hotel Shelton

Facing the possibility of blackouts and perhaps having to hold our Show omitting the evening sessions, our committee was happy indeed to receive a very tempting offer to transfer the Show to the Hotel Shelton in New York City this year.

A special meeting was called by our Show Manager, Henry Olsen right after our Annual Meeting on Jan. 16th, at which time arrangements were completed for the new site.

The Show will be held Sept. 23 and 24 in the banquet hall, which has been the scene of our last few Annual Dinners. We will also have the use of the large, beautiful lounge for some of the exhibits.

If the gasoline shortage continues through the Fall, many exhibitors will be obliged to bring blooms to New York on the trains. The Hotel Shelton, Lexington Avenue and 49th Street, is across the street and a few short blocks down from Grand Central Palace. But one says, "How many blooms can a fellow carry in boxes on the train?" Not very many. Oh, no . . . Ask Eddie O'Keefe! For he it was (and the members of his family) who carried all their blooms to our last Show, all the way from Cold Spring, N. Y. . . and incidentally required the Railway Express and a couple of planes to bring home their blue seal certificates, Specials, Sweepstakes and probably everything but the pillars of Grand Central Palace . . . for their winnings were legion. Henry Corey brought some of his prize blooms up from Baltimore on the train and he, too, carried away honors from the local boys. O. B. Geer brought along a few blooms 700 miles from Geneva, Ohio, to show the boys his new seedlings. And so we entered them in tough competition—Open to all. He won hands down and on top of it all received well deserved publicity because his "Colonel Rudd" and "Wings" were in splendid condition at the close of a three-day show.

So plan now to exhibit this year. Your Society needs your best effort. Plan now what you will grow—the schedule is published in this issue for your benefit.

Border your Victory Garden with Miniatures and Poms. Grow Giant Dahlias between the rows of pole beans, corn and tomatoes. Fertilizers will be permitted for vegetable gardens—some of the valuable plant nutrients will reach your Dahlias, too!

A.D.S. Annual Meeting

Annual meeting of the American Dahlia Society was held at the Hotel Shelton, New York City, January 16, 1943. Meeting was called to order at 2:30 P. M. by President Edward B. Lloyd. Report of the Secretary-Treasurer, showing the finances of the Society in healthy condition, was read and approved. The Election Board chairman, Henry Olsen, reported the result of the mail ballot as follows:

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The report of the Board was accepted and the entire group declared elected. President Lloyd continued all of the committees of the previous year. Mrs. S. Van Hoesen, one of our charter members, announced the death on December 4th of James Duthie of Oyster Bay, Long Island. Mr. Duthie had also been a charter member. Mrs. Van Hoesen, in her very interesting manner, sketched some incidents in Mr. Duthie's long service to the American Dahlia Society, and placed emphasis on his splendid character and genial disposition. Past President, Mr. George Frazer, added a few words, and tells that Mr. Duthie, affectionately known as Sunny Jim, radiated confidence and was a bulwark of strength in the days when the Society experienced trying times. Upon an unanimous vote, the members rose in a minute of silence in honor of Mr. Duthie.

Professor Patch was unable to attend the meeting due to the transportation conditions, but his fine report regarding the Trial Gardens at the University of Connecticut, Storrs, Conn., was read by the Secretary.

Professor Oliver Shurtleff, Dean of the Teacher's College at Fairmont, West Virginia spoke briefly regarding the American Dahlia Society Trial Gardens on the College campus, remarking that his complete report had been published in the November issue of the BULLETIN.

The matter of the Fall show of the Society was then discussed from the floor. Reports regarding the availability of the Museum of Natural History with suggested labor costs (and possible blackout conditions) were given careful attention. Warren W. Maytrott reported as chairman of the Schedule Committee. The schedule is now complete and will be published in the February issue of the BULLETIN.

New classes have been added for variegated Dahlias, differentiating them from Bi-color Dahlias. Mr. Maytrott is in touch with Better Homes and Gardens maga-

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zine regarding their offering gold certificates for seedling Dahlias under 8 inches.

The Editor of the BULLETIN reported on plans for forthcoming issues, and a further improved BULLETIN, mentioning the fact that the new printers, Dispatch Press, Inc., have accomplished all that was anticipated in improved appearance and improved workmanship of the BULLETIN.

A general discussion of methods of growing Dahlias at the Trial grounds proved most interesting. Dr. Ward H. Cook, Vice-President E. E. Tooker, Past President George W. Frazer, and Conrad Frey, led in the very informative discussion.

Vice-President Henry Corey of Baltimore, gave us his views on the necessity for judges to see all of the plants very frequently to do the proper judging job. Mr. Frazer, who has had more active work in the Trial grounds than any other member of the Society, summed up his views by telling us that the Trial Gardens should primarily certify those Dahlias which the general public will find satisfactory, remarking that the majority of these growers would receive practically the same results as are obtained at the Trial Gardens. Regarding extremely large blooms, he pointed out that it is a matter of culture and not nature that produces these extra results. The entire discussion produced a splendid cross section of views of the members and demonstrated the great value of our Trial Gardens to the Dahlia growing public.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:45 p. m.

Annual Dinner

Dewey Mohr turned in his usual thorough job in arranging all the details of what proved to be one of the most successful Dahlia Dinners in the history of the Society. Again the site was the Hotel Shelton.

In spite of the Transportation difficulties which prevented many of the "regulars" from attending, the Banquet Hall was filled when Henry Corey pronounced the Invocation. May this always be the American way to open the festivities of an American Dahlia Society Dinner!

The food was luscious—the service prompt and efficient.

Our toastmaster, President Edward B. Lloyd maintained his reputation for "few words"—but never one that does not count! In his inimitable style, he introduced J. Louis Roberts and B. Melgaard, our very active vice-presidents, whose remarks were very well received.

The piece-de-resistance was the address of the evening by Vice-President Oliver Shurtleff, poet laureate of West Virginia. Prof. Shurtleff mixed homespun wit with his gift of oratory in a scholarly talk on the movement of civilization from Biblical days to the present time, plus a peer into the future.

A.D.S. Gold Medal Award to J. W. Johnston

For several years it has been the pleasure and privilege of the American Dahlia Society, on the occasion of its annual meeting and dinner, to recognize the work done, and the accomplishments by those who have labored for the advancement of horticulture, the Dahlia in particular, and the American Dahlia Society.

At our 1943 dinner we were delighted to honor one of our members whose career in horticulture and floriculture has indeed been varied and outstanding. As a grower and exhibitor of Dahlias during the early period of his interest in the Dahlia, his record as a winner and collector of awards is unequalled among our membership. During recent years, his many and varied activities have interfered with his exhibiting—but his ability in growing fine exhibition Dahlias, and vegetables, is well known especially by those of us who have been privileged to visit his gardens. His ability as a judge of floricultural excellence has made him in demand all over the country at the largest and the smallest exhibitions. Mention of the largest exhibitions, recalls that it was the genius of this man which conceived and staged at Atlantic City, an exhibition which had never before, or since, been equalled in quality, quantity, and showmanship. As godfather of the Victory Garden plan, he was responsible for the success of the movement which culminated in thousands of Victory Garden Shows all over the country; in one of which the American Dahlia Society was privileged to cooperate at the time of our annual exhibition and rain of 1942. His work, and writings, as Horticultural Editor of the New York Herald-Tribune are intimately known to all of us.

The American Dahlia Society is fortunate indeed to have among its members and officers, Vice President Jack Johnston, to whom our Gold Medal was awarded in grateful recognition of his loyal and unselfish services.

MAGNIFICENT PROJECTIONS IN TECHNICOLOR

Lights were lowered and Henry Olsen, Vice President and A.D.S. Show Manager, took over with his projector. The pictures in technicolor were all that a professional might ask for. We saw some of the 1943 introductions as well as the best existing sorts. Commando, Ranger, WAAC and Waves brought us back to our world of reality as we wended our way home with the prayer in our hearts that the next Annual Meeting might bring forth new names of Dahlias—"Lights Returned"; "All's Well" and "Homecoming."

Registrations

Application has been made with the usual fee for registration of the following names. If there is no objection within a reasonable length of time, they will be considered registered.

White Christmas—I. D., white.

White Cliffs—I. D., white, by Max O. Scheffel, Randolph Avenue, P. O. Box 169, Emerson, N. J.

Liberty—I. D., large red, by Mrs. Lillian Dollish, 704 Cathell Rd., R.D. 10, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Your Favorite Honor Roll

Prof. C. Merrill Brown, University of Buffalo

Are you one who *just can't wait* for the November issue of the BULLETIN to appear so that you may see what varieties were the big winners at the fall shows and, more especially, what new varieties are being offered for the coming year? Do you read the ads more carefully than you do the articles in this particular number?

Do you hang around the local magazine store or the reading room in the local library waiting for the December issue of *The Flower Grower* to appear? And when it does show up do you sit right down and devour every word that is written by Mr. Dudley, Mr. Roberts and Mr. Eddy? Do you get out your little book and make some very important notations therein on what you have just read?

After reading all that is said about the new Dahlias in these two publications do you find you are most impatient for the appearance of the January issue of *The House Beautiful* in order to see what Mr. Johnston has to propose on the same subject and what his recommendations are for the Dahlia Futurity for the coming year? Do you check the selections of one individual against those of another to see what agreement there is among them?

If your answer is "Yes" to these questions—and what real Dahlia fan could answer otherwise—I would like to propose to each one of you the following questions:

Do you know how many Honor Roll Dahlias have been offered during the past four years?

Do you know how many of these offerings have appeared on *all* the Honor Rolls?

Do you know how many have been on three or even two of the Honor Rolls?

Do you know how many of these new ones you have tried out in your own garden?

Do you know how many of them you are still growing?

Do you know whether the judgment of Mr. Dudley or Mr. Johnston in the East; Mr. Roberts in the Mid-west; or Mr. Eddy on the West coast is most likely to coincide with your own opinion?

Do you know what the probabilities are of picking the "winners" from the new offerings?

Do you know that you can kill a lot of time and have a lot of fun during the long winter evenings trying to dope out the answers to the above questions?

These are the days when everything pertaining to the garden becomes more valuable. Many of us will find our chief enjoyment during the summer months located there. It is now a Victory Garden. We must utilize the space to greatest advantage. We must provide room for the vegetables as well as the Dahlias. With the restrictions about to be placed on canned goods, the vegetable garden becomes more important than ever. Not only must we provide the green vegetables for the summer but we must grow enough to can for winter consumption as well. Re-read Mr. Currie's article in the recent November BULLETIN and plan accordingly. We have to do all the manual work ourselves as help of any sort is practically impossible to obtain. Our supply of fertilizer, spray and twine is limited and we want to

waste none of them if we can prevent it. Furthermore, the tendency to "play around" with a few seedlings each year necessitates the elimination of the border-line Dahlia as far as possible. All this means that we must be more discriminating in our choices and try to select the ones that are least likely to be discarded in the days to come.

With all this in mind it was a pleasure to sit down for a few evenings prior to the Holiday season and work out the answers as far as my own situation was concerned. Conditions vary exceedingly in different parts of the country and what may be a grand Dahlia in one section might be an absolute flop in some other place. This fact is recognized by having official trial grounds for Dahlias in various sections of the country. And so, it stands to reason, that our four Honor Roll selectors are going to have different ratings in different parts of the country. One may be "1-A" in one section and "4-F" in another. From the data given each one of you can work out for yourself how nearly your opinion agrees with those who select the Honor Rolls. Then, if you find that one of the four stands out predominantly over the others, the recommendations of that particular Honor Roll would be the ones most likely to yield the permanent satisfaction we all crave and should bear the greatest weight in making the new selections.

The statement "Something new has been added" fits the Dahlia fan particularly well. We *must* have some "new" interest each year and we make our additions in hopes that we have improved the whole general planting. The Honor Rolls serve to introduce new varieties to the Dahlia growers throughout the country. We *can't* try them all. We *hope* to grow the *best*. And the Honor Rolls help us to pick the best. We shall indicate our four selectors by "A", "B", "C" and "D", rather than by name. A little investigation on your part should reveal "who's who." The data assembled comes from the Honor Rolls of the past four years. Only medium and exhibition type varieties have been included in making up the compilations.

The following table indicates the number of new Dahlias mentioned on each of the respective Honor Rolls during the past four years.

	1939	1940	1941	1942	Total
"A"	31	32	25	33	121
"B"	8	32	13	35	88
"C"	12	23	14	34	83
"D"	15	12	8	17	52

The lists which follow indicate which of these have appeared on more than one list as well as the individual selections of each. If they appear on all four lists they are designated as XXXX Dahlias, three lists, XXX Dahlias, etc.

XXXX Dahlias

1939	_____
1940	*Flash
1941	*All American
1942—*Ivory Princess, *Stephen Foster, *Topflight, *Tops.	

YOUR FAVORITE HONOR ROLL

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XXX Dahlias

	"A"	"B"	"C"	"D"
1939				
*Everybody's Favorite	x		x	x
*Lois Walcher	x		x	x
Model 999	x		x	x
1940				
*Deep Purple	x	x	x	
*Eventide	x		x	x
*Pink Giant		x	x	x
*Progress	x	x	x	
*Victory	x		x	x
1941				
DeMolay	x		x	x
*Ginger Rogers	x		x	x
1942				
Bill's Splendor		x	x	x
Dean Shurtleff	x	x	x	
*Dorothy Schmidt	x	x	x	
*Mollie-B	x	x	x	
*Mrs. Thomas A. Edison ..	x	x	x	
Velvet King	x	x	x	

XX Dahlias

	"A"	"B"	"C"	"D"
1939				
Bim Bam	x			
Cracker Jack	x			x
*Hillside Sunset	x			x
Margie Parrella	x		x	
*Mayor Otis	x	x		
*Miss Santa Monica	x	x		
*Rita Wells	x		x	
*San Francisco	x	x		
*Your Lucky Star	x			x
1940				
Gay Cabellero	x		x	
*King Cole	x	x		
*Manhattan	x		x	
*Mary Taylor		x	x	
Nancy Ann Mitchell		x	x	
Pacifica	x	x		
*The Governor	x		x	
Town Topic		x	x	
*Thunderbolt	x			x
*Yellow Glory	x		x	
1941				
Carpe Diem			x	x
*Confucius	x	x		
*Crowning Glory	x		x	
*Dorothy Lamour	x	x		
*Edith Willkie	x		x	
*Hillside Joy	x	x		
*Lynn Fontanne	x		x	
Marion Smith			x	x
*Mary L. Dudley	x			x
*Ruth Nichols			x	x
Yellow Comet	x		x	

	"A"	"B"	"C"	"D"
1942				
Bill's Gold		x		x
*Columbia	x		x	
*Corrine Marcella		x	x	
*Dr. A. H. Schmitt	x		x	
First Lady	x	x		
G. M. C.		x		x
H. I. Phillips	x		x	
Hulin's Melody	x	x		
*Indian Summer	x		x	
Jos. B. Lanktree	x	x		
*King David	x		x	
Koongarra Grandeur	x	x		
Mr. H. T. Hudson	x		x	
*Orange Princess	x		x	
Pink Elephant	x		x	
Pink Profusion	x		x	
Pride of Garfield		x	x	
Regalia	x	x		
Rita Shirl		x	x	
Scarlet O'Hara		x		x
*Vin Well Paragon		x	x	
*Whirlaway	x		x	
*Wintermorn	x		x	

1939 SINGLE CHOICES

"A"

Apple Blossom	*Mrs. C. J. Sowton
*Aurora	*Nagel's Giant
Dai Wong	*Ohio Rose
*Don Sowton	Red Letter Day
*Glamour	Roulette
*Hillside Gold	Sir Arthur
*Jean Johnston	*The Bride
Kimikage	Vin Well Empress
Marietta E	Virginia Shipley
*Mrs. B. Amber	

1939 SINGLE CHOICES

"B"

*Claire Mortimer	*Golden Beauty
*El Rubio	Polaris
Gertrude Lawrence	

1939 SINGLE CHOICES

"C"

Langeloth	*Red Pilot
N. Y. World's Fair	*Thelma Cain
*Radiant Beauty	*Yellow Supreme

1939 SINGLE CHOICES

"D"

Blue Water	Paul Bunyan Charm
Burch Foraker	Pink Grand
Emessee	*Premier's Winsome
Jessie Cowles	Wagschal's Phenomen
Lousiana Rumba	

1940 SINGLE CHOICES

"A"

American Victory	*Megan Callaghan
*Aztec Chief	*Mother's Day
*Carolina Maid	*Norma Morton

*Counsel Gen. Quist
 *Evelyn Chandler
 Farar Rojek
 Heracles
 Joan Craig
 Kentucky Sweetheart
 *Maestro
 *Maffie

1940 SINGLE CHOICES

"B"

Betty Simmons
 *Chamberlain
 Clara-B
 Convention City
 Coral Lady
 Curley Tip
 Duerne's Pink Beauty
 Fair Queen
 Fandango
 John McLaren
 Lucy S
 *Mad. C. Jussiant

1940 SINGLE CHOICES

"C"

Begonia Rose
 Bill Arbury
 *Billy Larch
 *Dahliaum
 Dr. C. Y. Wong
 *Glamorous

1940 SINGLE CHOICES

"D"

*A. G. Goodacre
 *Gloria Bacher
 *Gov. Heil
 May Marion Dozier

1941 SINGLE CHOICES

"A"

Blue Moon
 *Class
 Crinkles
 Glenden Comet
 *Hillside Beauty
 *Hiltonia Apricot
 Jean Batten
 *Magic Prince

1941 SINGLE CHOICES

"B"

Alice McLean
 Dr. Fridell
 Marjorie Jamison
 My Blue Heart
 Rose Marie

1941 SINGLE CHOICES

"C"

Amy Paige
 Esquire
 F. W. Beckett

Oakland Beauty
 Producer
 Richard Watts
 *Silver Lady
 White Gate
 Wiley Post
 *Windsor Colonel

1941 SINGLE CHOICES

"D"

*Link's Gorgeous Miss Lansing

1942 SINGLE CHOICES

"A"

*Adornment Leslie Thomas
 *Dorothy Geer Mrs. Macmillian Hoopes
 Gay Imp Mrs. W. K. Du Pont
 Hon. A. E. Geigenpack Peach Dawn

1942 SINGLE CHOICES

"B"

Beth Staker Mrs. G. A. Riches
 Blaze Norman Grivell
 *Dawson Springtime
 Goldwyn Sydney
 Harold Key Van's Yellow
 Miss Lorraine W. H. Shinkfield
 Harry J. Crosely

1942 SINGLE CHOICES

"C"

Adele Henderson K. Crystal White
 Chief Kokomo Mother Hendricks
 Dr. Danner Olive Ruth Reed
 Edgar Guest *Scarlet Sport
 Joyce Petrie

1942 SINGLE CHOICES

"D"

Brenda Corry *Lady Galway
 *Chautauqua Giant Lady in Red
 Delta Madame Curie
 Dixie's Masterpiece Neos

The (*) indicates varieties grown by the author.

SUMMARY OF HONOR ROLL CHOICES

XXXX (6)	1939	1940	1941	1942	Total
"A"		1	1	4	6
"B"		1	1	4	6
"C"		1	1	4	6
"D"		1	1	4	6
XXX (16)					
"A"	3	4	2	5	14
"B"	0	3	0	6	9
"C"	3	5	2	6	16
"D"	3	3	2	1	9
XX (53)					
"A"	9	7	8	16	40
"B"	3	5	3	12	23
"C"	3	7	7	15	32
"D"	3	1	4	3	11
X (174)					
"A"	19	21	15	8	63
"B"	5	24	10	13	52
"C"	6	11	5	9	31
"D"	9	8	2	9	28

There are 249 different varieties mentioned on the Honor Rolls for the period stated. Of these it has been the author's privilege to grow 104 in his garden, as well
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WINGS—Dark Carmine, semi-cactus, Honor Roll Dahlia, which won many firsts and specials at New York, Cleveland and Wells-ville. Introduced by Geneva Dahlia Gardens

as some 82 other new introductions not mentioned on the Honor Rolls. He feels that this constitutes a large enough percentage of what has been offered to impart some value to the figures about to be presented.

The first table represents the mortality by years of the Honor Roll Dahlias as well as that of the non-Honor Roll Dahlias. The first column in each case represents the number of varieties tried in each group and the second column indicates how many of them are still being grown.

	TRIED AND RETAINED					Non-H.R.
	XXXX T-R	XXX T-R	XX T-R	X T-R		
1939	0-0	2- 2	6- 3	16- 7	32-13	
1940	1-1	5- 5	6- 5	22-14	25-12	
1941	1-1	1- 1	8- 8	15-10	17-10	
1942	4-4	3- 2	9- 7	5- 3	8- 5	
	6-6	11-10	29-23	58-34	82-40	
Mortality	0%	9%	21%	41%	51%	

The mortality among these new varieties is due to one of the following reasons: (1) diseased stock; (2) poor root makers; (3) poor keepers; (4) poor growers or (5) poor flowers. The latter includes stem and stance. In other words, they don't measure up for all around satisfaction.

The final table shows the comparison between the various Honor Rolls as we have tested them out. The first column figure is the number of new Dahlias men-

tioned on the respective Honor Rolls. The second column represents the number tried in our garden and the third column gives the number of these still on the "approved" list. This is the table that really tells the story for us!

	OFFERED, TRIED AND APPROVED											
	"A"			"B"			"C"			"D"		
	O	T	R	O	T	R	O	T	R	O	T	R
1939	31	17	7	8	5	2	12	7	4	15	5	5
1940	32	21	14	32	10	8	23	17	12	12	9	8
1941	25	16	15	13	6	5	14	7	6	8	6	5
1942	33	17	12	35	11	8	34	18	12	17	6	6
	121	71	48	88	32	23	83	49	34	52	26	24
% Tried	59			36			59			50		
% App'd	68			72			69			92		

The figures would indicate that, in the author's experience, "D's" selections of new Dahlias is more in accord with his own views than are the selections of "A", "B" or "C" in that 92 per cent of the ones tried from this list are still in good favor. However, if the new additions were limited to only those recommended by "D", many outstanding Dahlias of the past four years would have been missed entirely. On the other hand, the high percentage of agreement with "D's" selections would indicate that the new varieties appearing on his Honor Roll would be the ones most likely to prove satisfactory to me during the years to come. Another region would in all probability throw the percentage far in favor of "A", "B" or "C". That is what each of you will have to figure out for yourselves. You will enjoy doing it, I'm sure.

Summarizing the Honor Rolls in this manner and checking performance against varieties tried has been a real revelation. A XXXX Dahlia indicates a 100 per cent probability of giving satisfaction to the new grower. XXX Dahlias have proven themselves 90 per cent worthy and XX Dahlias are 80 per cent possibilities. Single choices show about a 60 per cent chance of survival with the years while those named varieties which are not mentioned on any of the Honor Rolls will suffer approximately a 50 per cent mortality. If one would limit their choice of new ones to those varieties appearing on more than one list, the chances of his being well pleased with his new additions would seem to be about seven to one. This is a decided contrast to the usual average of three out of five. The good ones missed by this procedure could be picked up in following years.

And so we find that the selections offered each year by Mr. Johnston, Mr. Dudley, Mr. Roberts and Mr. Eddy represent a real service to the average Dahlia fan. They use their time, space, energy and materials necessary to grow the new ones themselves, to say nothing of the many side trips to the trial grounds and to other gardens where the new ones are being grown. Statistics indicate that they have not labored for us in vain. To them we are deeply grateful. May their gardens continue to flourish for many years to come and may the fruits of their efforts continue to benefit us all.

Let us show our faith in them by adding a few of the new ones this year. It will help the BULLETIN; it will help the introducer; it will help the originator; and it will help bring happiness to us during our spare moments this summer.

HONOR ROLL—1943 DAHLIAS

Selections of the well known Dahlia experts: Lynn B. Dudley, East; J. Louis Roberts, Mid-West; Col. Richard T. Eddy, West Coast. Reprinted by permission of the "Flower Grower," as originally reported in their December 1942 issue.

Name of Dahlia	East	Mid-West	West Coast
Angie V.	*		
Anna Aldrich	*		
Baker's Best	*		
Bess Smith	*		*
Bright Idea	*		*
Chautauqua Princess			*
Coincident	*		*
Col. A. G. Rudd	*	*	
Colin Kelly, Jr.	*	*	*
Commando		*	
Delrose		*	
Dixie's Wine Dot	*	*	
Edna L.	*		
Esplendido			*
Frances Dewey	*		
Gail Keppel	*		
Gay Imp	*		
Genevieve G.	*		
Gold Mine	*		
Indian Giant		*	*
Irene Dunne	*	*	
John L. Stevens	*		
John W. Sherwood	*		
Judy G.	*		
King Kong		*	
Lidice			*
Marie O'Keefe	*		
Mary Ellen Forhan			*
Monarch	*		
Montebello			*
Moon Goddess	*		*
Mrs. Cortis Ray	*		*
October	*		
Pearl Harbor	*	*	*
Red Velvet	*		
Rhythm	*	*	*
Rosegay			*
Santa Claus	*		*
Shangri-La	*		
Sir Francis Drake			*
Sondra Lee Morgan		*	
Sonia	*		
Southern Thoroughbred	*		*
Sparkle	*		
Sun Tan	*		
Terry		*	
The Ranger	*	*	*
The Yank	*		
Tosca	*		
Tuxedo Beauty	*		
Vin-Well Dainty	*		
Waac	*		
Wanda Meade	*		*
White Champion	*		
Yankee Doodle			*
Yellow Kitten	*		

Australian Dahlias in Wartime

By Leo P. Fitzgerald

Perhaps readers will be wondering what is happening to Dahlias in Australia, as it is a long time since we last wrote an article for the beloved BULLETIN. Incidentally, all the issues of the said BULLETIN are coming to hand O.K., so we are quite abreast of U.S.A. Dahlia development.

In the first place, it is not at present permissible to send Dahlias to Australia, so we are using old varieties still, in addition to new Australian varieties. More of this later on. But we shall certainly have some fun, after this war is won, in comparing notes with our old American Dahlia friends. Yes, we'll be right back in our old form again, and the Dahlia itself will reach a new high in popularity when millions of homes are rebuilt and remade and when color and beauty come into demand.

As for shows and exhibitions, these are at a very low level because most exhibitors and organizers are in some way connected with the War effort. Some shows will be held next Autumn (March-April), however, and we are advocating that proceeds go to Australian and Allied Comforts Funds, etc., just as you are doing for U. S. troops.

Now, you will be interested to hear just how the Americans are settling down in Australia. Well, we have entertained them—privates, corporals, sergeants, lieutenants, not forgetting the nurses.

Some were airmen, some seamen, and some were ground troops. Without exception we found them a fine bunch of buddies, who like Australians just as we like them. In fact they are similar in many ways to Australians and they certainly get on well with the girls. But that's another story. Remember, we both have a new country—and that is a great thing to have in common.

We are at present intrigued with a big changeover from Dahlia to vegetable production. People, naturally, are growing fewer flowers and more vegetables than before. We are writing for Australian journals, and advocate a policy of self-support in vegetables. It is, we think, a duty of every Australian, to grow his own vegetables. Our covered slit-trench ("dug-out") has a foot of earth on top. In this earth we are growing onions, lettuce, beets, radishes and spinach. Vegetables flourishing in other parts of the garden are: celery, beans, potatoes, parsley, herbs, marrows and many others.

It is clear that a good Dahlia grower is a good vegetable grower. The secret lies in the knowledge of the soil, protection of plants and efficiency in watering and feeding. So far we have had very few failures and are quite enjoying the sight of Dahlias and beans and other vegetables growing up in friendly juxtaposition.

DAHLIAS OF 1942-1943

As we have said it is illegal to import Dahlias into Australia at present, so we cannot comment at first hand. However, the new Americans which we should like include: Winter Morn, White Fawn, Ivory Princess, Snow Sprite (which looked very pretty on the cover of the May issue of the A.D.S. BULLETIN).

More Ways to Use Dahlias

By Georgena Humble, A.D.S. Garden Club Show Chairman

Dahlias supply myriad blooms of varied forms, sizes and colors, giving abundant flowers for innumerable ways to use them. From early July, when they begin to blossom, all through the summer season until late fall, when their wealth of blooms is cut down by frost, their exuberance covers a long period for employing many uses.

With more space in the home garden being devoted to growing vegetables this year, it is well to select wisely the Dahlias to be grown in the limited area with the vegetables. To enjoy them fully as cut flowers in the home, with space somewhat limiting the usual supply, several uses for distinguishing an individual Dahlia will aid greatly in making the most of few blooms. You may plant more individual kinds and learn their habits by tucking in just another at the end of a vegetable row wherever space allows. Then show your skill in arranging one or more blooms to best advantage.

Start to consider simply, some ways that one Dahlia may be used. Can you picture a creamy white, waxy, pointed petaled Dahlia floating in a low, transparent, blue glass bowl, surmounted gracefully by its own foliage and buds? It is as elegant as the most delicate water lily, riding with the swans on a sunny lily pool. If you like it, you will also enjoy delicate pink, yellow and orchid blooms used similarly like water lilies, and so will your admiring friends at your luncheon or dining table, or even on your library or living room table. Use a pin holder to elevate the flower and raise it just above the surface of the water. Use any of your low flat containers in this manner, varying the color, size and type of bloom from the minutest miniature in an appropriately small container on a food tray, to the largest and most exquisite bloom, reflecting its beauty over a mirror on your finest linen on the dining table, and if your table is large, use a pair in the same manner, setting the candles in the middle of the table and a Dahlia arrangement at each end.

To feature one Dahlia in an extremely opposite way, use a long necked or tall vase with a slender neck. Size of flower and vase should be in accord with each other. This is unusual and appealing when arranged with other material of slender lines, as flowering bamboo, sprays of berried branches, graceful vines with autumn coloring or any material of line and character. Have the Dahlia as an accent at the rim of the vase which could be metal or pottery, harmonizing or contrasting in color. Even a tall glass container for this purpose is most appropriate. Show care that there is no confusion in arranging stems that show below the water line through the glass. Varying the kinds of foliage, gives an added note to the use of one Dahlia, whether in a low or tall container. Broad leaved evergreens, as rhododendron, in striking contrasted harmony of red and white, yellow and black, or red and black are especially distinctive.

A bubble arrangement, using a cactus type with a few buds, submerged in an inverted, transparent glass globe, soon produces fascinating little beads that form around the flower and glass. This can be greatly varied in color, but requires a bloom with compact, substantial

petals that last longer after submerging than a loose, soft variety.

In a small corsage, one Dahlia may be as pleasing as when several are used. Combine it with other material that will emphasize the Dahlia. Success with one will certainly make it easier with more blooms when additional flowers and foliage are secured for larger corsages. For a boutonniere, use discretion in the choice of size and color. A miniature, perfect in form, distinguishing in color to harmonize with the suit or tie being worn, a single type, small enough, or a prim little pompon, are made attractive with a tiny leaf to enhance the flower and add charm to the boutonniere. A small vial of water, especially made for the purpose, scarcely larger than the stem, keeps the boutonniere fresh and its not detectable in the button hole lapel.

One Dahlia is appropriate in a bud vase, when distinguished with proportionate foliage or graceful buds. A wall pocket, narrow window vase, violin bottle, prune juice bottle or other befitting bottle, are adaptable holders for Dahlias and particularly vary the use when buds and a wide choice of foliage show difference and originality.

With several uses in mind for distinguishing one or a limited few, it should be no task to use Dahlias in greater profusion. In a basket, in a large pottery container, in a pitcher, pottery, glass or copper, in an urn, in the colorful and attractive Mexican pottery of their native home, in pewter, brass, copper and even silver, Dahlias are adaptable. Although their own foliage and buds are satisfactory with them, brightly colored tree and shrub foliage of suitable color and texture, combine well. Evergreens are varied in form and texture, many types being feathery, as arbor vitae, cypress and juniper. These, also the broad-leaved and needle types are suitable with many Dahlias. Thin out the foliage using just enough to set off the blooms. Too much destroys the effect and subordinates the flowers.

Try a combination of gray green with red Dahlias in a red or a black container. Select the gray green from both evergreen and herbaceous plants. It is surprising how many varied arrangements can be made from these. Mullein leaves, stachys, agrostemma and such gray green leaves with heavy texture, are suitable. Use white Dahlias also with gray green foliage in red or green container for another variation. When desirous of emphasizing the purity of white Dahlias, combine them with any delicately tinted or pale blooms, fewer in quantity than the white, and you will be pleased with the effect. This also aids to the attractiveness of the pale blooms which otherwise might appear colorless or somewhat faded.

Canna leaves, colorful foliage, as rhubarb, Swiss Chard, Caladium leaves, Coleus and Joseph's Coat combine well with Dahlias in neutral or plain-colored vases. Before using, be sure that leaves are well soaked in a pan of water, to make them crisp and prevent wilting in arrangement. Sansevieria leaves are distinct, when used for a definite pattern, especially with yellow flowers, the combination attracts attention.

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"I Bequeath You My Dahlias, Son"

A letter from "old man" Ature

Yes, son, just like I told you, you'll have to carry on with the garden for me and mother this year, because I have a job to do in winning this war.

I know its asking a good deal, to put all this on your shoulders at fourteen, but with this man's world all topsy-turvey, I'd like to know that my son is both learning something about horticulture and helping mother and me at the same time.

Of course you'll have to raise some vegetables so that you can have some vitamins for your growing muscles. Mother will want to can some of them too, for winter I suppose, because its going to be tough to get canned vegetables next winter.

But I hope you can put in some of my dahlia roots too. You know what a lot of fun I got out of exhibiting them last fall at our dahlia show. Remember how I took you down the tables and showed you the blooms with the blue ribbons on the cards with old man Ature's name on them?

You didn't know it at the time, but I put my real heart's blood in those dahlias. And I spent those long hours in the garden trying to raise better dahlias than anybody else, just to make you and mother proud of me.

You see, boy, I used to look upon our home as just a place to go to and rest up from the hard grind at the office. Week-ends I first took it easy or played golf so I could go back Monday and make some more dollars and set the world afire in my profession.

Well, one day, mother asked me to spade up some flower beds for her annuals. I didn't want to do it but just to humor her, I did it. Then she brought out the seeds and began to plant them. She asked me a question or two, how to do this and that and the first thing I knew I was planting them. And would you believe it, they grew and we had them all summer in bouquets in the house. And your mother turned out to be a genius in arranging them.

I tried some perennial seed in the fall of that year and some of them grew and whetted my curiosity about a lot of more wonders of nature. Just to turn a little seed, the plant food in the soil, the sunshine and the rain into beautiful color creations gives joy. Now that's the way I charge my batteries, or did before the war, to keep me fit for whatever jobs life brings.

Then one time Doc Price, the one that helped bring you into the world, gave us three dahlia roots. That little act of kindness changed my whole life, son. And I hope it will some day result in your having a deep appreciation of life and the wonders of nature. Yes, and much more than that, son. You will learn to know people better, if you become truly acquainted with dahlias.

I know that may seem hard to understand, son, and because you will have to discover the truth of it for yourself in your own way. I'm not going to explain it in detail right now.

Instead, I'm going to ask you to help mother make garden this spring just for your old man, the marines, the tough guy that misses our walks and talks, son, more than I'll be able to tell you.

You know I've showed you a lot about planting dahlias

and I've tried to answer all your questions about them. I hope you remember everything, but maybe I'd better refresh your memory.

Let's start from the beginning, son.

The roots are packed in barrels in the cool part of the cellar. There are shavings in the top of the barrel. That lets some air in, but keeps them from drying out too much. Also, if there is one or two green roots which soften up, and rots, the shavings absorbs the moisture and keeps it from rotting other roots.

You have watched me divide the roots so that you know how to slip the knife in between the eyes on the crown, being careful not to break or cut the eyes. Use the pointed pruning shears to cut the stalk, first above where you want to slip in the knife down between the roots.

And let me caution you again son. Don't try to pull the knife toward you with the blade or point towards you or your other hand, either. Remember when I got careless and shoved the point of the knife through the clump. I cut a nerve in the index finger on my left hand. You know, son, I was lucky that time that it wasn't my right hand and my trigger finger. I'm going to need that finger quite soon, I hope.

Well, let's get back to the dahlia roots. They are pleasant to talk about.

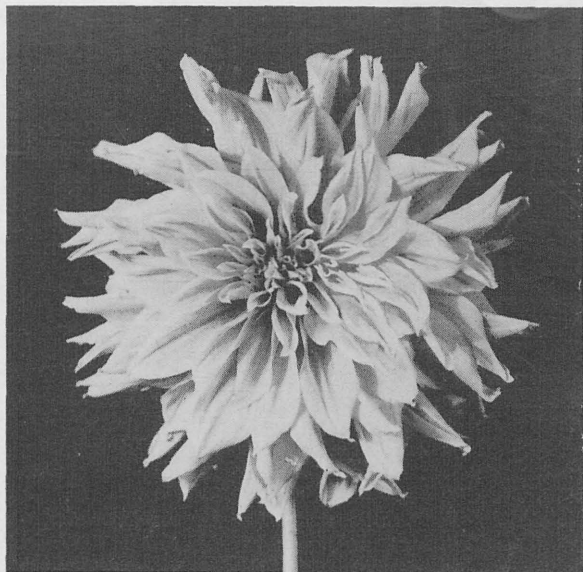
Don't forget, always to put the labels on the roots as you cut them apart. Write the same name on the labels that you'll find on the main clump. Don't ever get careless and put that clump label on the first root you divide and put it in the basket and forget which one it was.

Some day, if you get to be an "expert" on dahlias, you may be able to tell the names of 50 to 75 percent of those you see in bloom. You've got to have a photographic mind and a sense of color values to do that. Yes, and a good memory, too. Remember me telling you about Derrill Hart? He was a good friend of mine, but he was a better friend of dahlias. And could he tell a dahlia and describe it a year after getting one glimpse of it? Yes, he could son. If you grow up to know just a teenie little part of what he knew about them, I'll be mighty proud of you.

After you get the roots cut up, don't handle them much. If there's any which don't show eyes, heel them in; I mean plant them in those tubs of dirt I left in the cellar, water them sparingly and move them near the furnace. They will sprout eyes in a week or two, at least most of them. There are a few very woody ones like Margaret Broomall and Edith Wilkie, which some say are mother and daughter, that take longer to sprout. These woody-stemmed dahlias take a longer growing time before blooming too. I suggest that you not only start them early in the tubs, but plant those first of all.

I would write some more directions right here if you were a couple of years older, son, and if we could get oil for the little greenhouse. But for the duration we'll forget that. But when I come home, and the world has settled down to rebuild the ravages of this terrible, costly war, son, I'll show you how you can have a lot of fun

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SONDA LEE MORGAN—Salmon Pink Formal—A.H.A. Medal at Baltimore, Camden and Wilmington. Intro-ducer: Norman W. Swift, Wilmington, Del.

"I BEQUEATH YOU MY DAHLIAS, SON"

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pushing nature ahead a few months. I'll show you how to get eleven months of bearing out of one tomato vine, yes and how to make twenty-five or more dahlia plants out of one dahlia root you've paid \$15 for—I did not say worth \$15 son. There's a difference, you have to grow them and love them to really know what they're worth.

Now, I'm running out of ink, so I'll have to quickly tell you to get the garden spaded early. Don't bother this year to do much fertilizing. Its scarce and is supposed to be used only for garden vegetables and crops for farmers. If you can get Farmer Griffin to bring over some manure before the spading is done, all right. I have some dahlia fertilizer left. Use that later in the season, when the buds are beginning to show. Rake it in well and have it rain if you can manage it right afterwards. Or sprinkle it into the soil if its a dry season. Remember, boy, the plant food is not absorbed by the dahlias or any other plant until its soluble (carried into the ground to the roots by rain or sprinkler water. Remember those 12-foot tall dahlias in that printer dahlia man's garden on Long Island. He gets that height, some folks think, because of the shade at one end of the garden. Don't you believe it. Its because he gets every ounce of his plant food down among the roots with the extra, often applied water.

But I'm ahead of my story. I told you once, when you asked me, that our soil was good for dahlias. Maybe its not the best. Ideal soil is light, loamy, sandy soil. The rotted volcanic soil of Mexico, where dahlias come from is best for them, of course, because its full of potash. But I've put cover crops, like rye, vetch and clover on the ground in the fall and spaded it in in the spring. That puts organic matter in the soil and makes it more

Birth of a Dahlia Society

For several years Charlie Stoeckel of Clarks Summit, Pa., had an idea in the back of his head—namely, a Dahlia Society for Northeastern Pennsylvania. So, during the early autumn of 1938 Charlie invited a number of his fellow "Dahlia Bugs" to meet with him on the evening of October 21st in the parlor of the Scranton Chamber of Commerce, to sort of talk it over and see if something could be done about it.

The meeting was attended by the following: Mr. and Mrs. George Sawyer of Dallas; Wade Taylor and Sammy Kasson of Carbondale; John Gregory, Stephen Dula and Zyg. Kosmela of Plymouth; George Beck, Fred Boeth and Dr. Armstrong of Peckville; Mary Clark and Aubrey Lewis of Scranton; Orrin Keene of Dunmore and Mr. Stoeckel. Several of the other local "Dahlia Bugs", including the writer, were unable to be there because of business engagements. Those in attendance were unanimous in their desire to organize in the name of NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA DAHLIA SOCIETY "To promote the growing and exhibiting of better Dahlias and to hold an Annual Dahlia Show so their blooms could be shown in friendly competition."

The following officers were elected: President, Charles H. Stoeckel; Vice Presidents, Z. W. Kosmela, Wade Taylor, Mrs. George Sawyer and Ed Keck; Secretary, Miss Mary Clark; Treasurer, Earl Holmes.

A By-laws committee consisting of Roy Webb, George Beck and Aubrey Lewis was appointed and instructed to have the first draft of a set of by-laws ready for the next meeting, one month hence.

At the November meeting several other committees were appointed. By-laws were approved with slight changes and ordered printed in book form so that each member could have a copy. It was also decided to list the names and addresses of all Charter Members in same, as well as a list of all the officers. It was proposed by Orrin Keene that a Corresponding Secretary be added to the list of officers. The writer was nominated and elected that evening.

It was unanimously decided that we should become a Participating Branch of the American Dahlia Society.

Thus a new Dahlia society was born.

ROY W. WEBB.

porus. And dahlia roots have to breathe, you know. They need air as well as plant food, minerals and water.

Plant them, the large kinds, about 4 to 5 inches deep in our soil. If it was more sandy they could go 6 inches. Be sure soil is turned over for a depth twice as deep as the hole. Put an inch of soil over the root. Then as the sprout appears, fill in the hole.

There's a lot more to tell son, but I'll have to continue this later. I haven't told every thing. Ask me any questions you want to before I continue this. If you want to tell your friends who are helping their dads and mothers with their gardens, that I'll answer any of their questions as I can, that's all right by me.

The main thing, son, that dahlia growing teaches you, and never forget this, is that you should help everybody else to enjoy their own and your gardens more. Yes, you get a kick out of making 'em look with envy on your bigger blooms. They'll respect you for beating their big ones. Good night, son.

Dad.

Dahlia Travel

By J. Louis Roberts

"The largest and best Dahlias are exhibited at the East Liverpool show," I had been told by several people, so when I found it necessary to make a business trip to the East on September 20th to 23rd, I looked up the show dates and found I could take in the East Liverpool show if I started a few days early. The show was held in the High School "gym" on September 19th. The surrounding country is rather hilly.

To me the outstanding exhibit of the show was the seedling of John Eccleston. It was a bi-color straight cactus measuring 11 inches x 6½ inches. The color was a rose red with white tips. No doubt it will be heard from in the future. It has not been released as yet. The winner of the American Home Achievement Medal was "Terry", a pink recurved cactus exhibited by John Zazo. The size of the flowers shown was 11 inches x 5 inches.

"Molly B." reported on last year's Honor Roll and shown here, was the best I have seen this year. Some of the other winning Dahlias that I have a record of were: Darcy Sainsbury, Class, Oakleigh, Monarch, Deep Purple, Croydon Acme, Gillman's Beauty, Rita Betty, Alice May, Ginger Rogers, Sun Ray, Croydon Chief, Robert Ripley, Link's White Majesty, Lynn Fontanne, Columbia, Maffie and Evelyn Chandler.

The blooms shown were of good quality and size, but I must truthfully say that I have seen their equal at several shows. Nevertheless, it was well worth the time and I hope to be able to go again.

Having heard at East Liverpool that the Western Pennsylvania Show was in progress at Pittsburgh, I hurried back and that night (September 19) saw the combined show of the Western Pennsylvania Branch of the A.D.S. and the Men's Garden Club of Pittsburgh. It was held in the Phipps Conservatory. The setting of the show was very much like the Chicago show which is held in the Garfield Park Conservatory. In Chicago two big houses are cleared of most of the plants and the Dahlias are then set up with a background of palms and other decoratives. In Pittsburgh the Dahlias were set up in the Conservatory planting wherever open spaces could be found. Most of my time was spent in visiting with the members of both societies. There seemed to me to be a lot of baskets and vases at this show, more so than usual. It was encouraging to note that a quantity of seedlings and undissemated Dahlias were shown. "Nation's Pride", by M. A. E. Hill, won the American Home Achievement Medal. "Columbia", another Honor Roll Dahlia, was outstanding. That evening I caught the late train for Baltimore.

The Baltimore Dahlia Society's show was held in the Fifth Regiment Armory at Baltimore. It was held in conjunction with the Victory Garden Harvest Show. It opened with a parade of soldiers, jeeps and armored cars. A large platform for the bands and speakers was on one side of this large hall. Tables held the exhibits of Dahlias as well as exhibits of other garden flowers, fruits and vegetables. Exhibits by various organizations such as the University of Maryland, Florists' Club of Baltimore, etc., lined the walls.

The American Home Achievement Medal was won

by Mr. Norman Swift of Wilmington, Delaware, with "Sondra Lee Morgan", an autumn informal decorative, that measured 11 inches x 7 inches. That afternoon, Sunday, September 20, Mr. Prince drove us to Washington, and on the way stopped to see the trial grounds at the Maryland State College. I am sorry to say that they had been flooded out. We also stopped at Mr. Goetzger's garden, as well as that of Mr. Phillips. Both Mr. Phillips and Mr. Goetzger have some very fine seedlings.

While in Washington a high official of the Army told me about the fine Dahlia show the employees of the Pennsylvania Railroad put on in the 30th Street Station of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Philadelphia. Flying from Washington I arrived at the Grand Central Palace at 2:30 P. M., just in time for the show.

The New York Show was fully described in the November BULLETIN and there is very little I can add, except that I liked the Section AA (amateur) for the reason, and I quote: "For those who qualify for Section A, but have previously won one or more Blue Ribbons in Section A." You will note the encouragement given to the beginners. That's what we need in Dahlias.

Section "C" also attracted my attention. I believe it could be used to good advantage by other societies. This section is an "Open to All" section and provides for the entry of *Undisseminated* as well as named varieties. In other words the new Dahlia is tested against the older Dahlias. It is possible that a new Dahlia might not get a good test if the particular class in which it was entered did not have a few of the older varieties to compete with.

I purposely have omitted mention of the many friends I met, both old and new, at the shows. They are all dear to me. I think sometimes that is why I visit the shows. However, older Dahlia growers may be interested to know that Major Eastman, who dropped out of Dahlias, took a day off from his Army duties and attended the Baltimore show. What's that about women talking? Did you ever hear men talking about Dahlias?

Derrill Hart Award Winners

This highest honor of the American Dahlia Society is a constant reminder of the outstanding service of Derrill Hart in the service of the Dahlia. Former President of the A.D.S. and father of the Honor Roll selections of Dahlias, Mr. Hart's death was untimely and he left a void not easily filled.

The Gold Medal Certificate this year in the large flowering class for the Dahlia which scored the highest average in at least three Official Trial Gardens, is awarded to the beautiful blend, "Rythm"—an origination of Dr. Herbert L. Dozier and introduced by Dahliadel Nurseries, the very high average score being 85.42.

"Dusky", Andrew Doermann's 1943 Ball Dahlia introduction, won the Silver Medal Certificate for medium sized Dahlia with a fine average of 84.7.

There was no award for small sized Dahlia this year.

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Conrad Frey

The Camden Dahlia & Horticultural Society are planning to hold a show again this fall. The date set is Sept. 24 and 25. The place, Camden County Vocational School, Browning Road, Merchantville. Further information can be gotten from the Secretary, Miss Myra Conover, North Childs St., Woodbury, N. J.

Due to an early frost the show last year was not quite as large as before, but we had many nice exhibits of Dahlias—large and small—which were in fine shape.

In addition to the Dahlias there were many arrangements of garden flowers, which caused the judges to comment upon the fine quality of the flowers and arrangements. The classes for roses were well filled. Friday evening—just in time to catch a lot of the people leaving the show—we had a practice blackout for 30 minutes, but all seemed to take it in the right way. We missed our friends who come every year from Maryland, New York and North Jersey. Missed seeing any of Dr. H. L. Dozier's seedlings in our show; also Dr. B. B. Preas' miniatures and pompons. Others we missed were: Ed. Lloyd, Connie Frey, John C. Mencher and Harry Cary and a great many others. Due to the war we are meeting every month and have cut the January and February meetings. We hope to start again in March, when everyone will be thinking about what new Dahlias they are going to grow this year.

CHARLES H. ALLEN, JR.

BALTIMORE DAHLIA SOCIETY

The annual meeting of the Baltimore Dahlia Society, Inc., was held January 8th and the following officers elected for the coming year: President, N. A. Scheel; First Vice-President, Talbot McAfee; Second Vice-President, Harry J. Quick; Secretary, Herbert O. Aburn; Financial Secretary, George Mumma; Treasurer, John C. Mencke, Jr. Executive Board: N. A. Gossmann, Chairman; C. V. Brieger, C. M. Diffenderfer, Chris. Guckert, Louis Gill, Edw. L. Schaun, George Schirmer, George Shaffer, Roy Tracey.

President Scheel announced that Henry Cory had accepted the chairmanship of the Trial Garden Committee which assures the fact that the job will be well done. Henry Cory has many fine seedlings to his credit and each year finds him trying for something more lovely.

With the gas shortage and rationing it will no doubt have some effect on the attendance, nevertheless it will not stop the enthusiasm for our favorite flower. Show dates of September 19th and 20th were selected and committees will be announced and start functioning at the next meeting. Our membership is steadily growing and while many are busy working long hours in defense work they still find time for their garden.

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SEASON 1942

The Dahlias at Storrs during the summer of 1942 were treated almost the same as in a normal year, or at least from an outward appearance this would seem to be the case. However, beneath the surface there was a struggle going on. We were short of help and it was difficult to get things done. The regular Trial Garden as well as the Alden H. Vose Memorial Collection of orchid flowering Dahlias were successful. Our Tooker Garden did not come up to what we had hoped. Support for it was lacking so there were only nine entries in it. It will have to be given up for the duration of the war.

It is problematical as to what the season of 1943 will be like. Until there is a clearer picture and we are compelled, by the force of circumstances, to change our ideas we are going ahead with plans for the regular Trial Garden. This is what we are telling our friends.

Our Farm and Home Week Program, here at The University of Connecticut, usually held during parts of the last week in July and the first week in August was cancelled because of much work on the farms as well as a shortage of gasoline which involved travel. It seemed wise for the A.D.S. to follow suit and do the same in regard to the Field Day. This was decided upon and it was omitted. There is no thought of going ahead with this feature until peace comes again.

On the statistical side there were sixty-three varieties entered in the regular Trial Garden. Forty-two individuals away from Storrs were directly interested in this Dahlia business. Following is a list of states with the number of entrants from each one.

California	8
New York	8
New Jersey	7
Ohio	4
West Virginia	4
Massachusetts	3
Michigan	2
Pennsylvania	2
Connecticut	1
Maryland	1
New Mexico	1
Rhode Island	1

Twenty-five persons sent one variety each; thirteen sent two varieties each; and four sent three varieties each.

The judges were: Michael P. Bujak, Dr. Ward H. Cook, Lynn B. Dudley, Conrad Frey, George W. Fraser, Edward B. Lloyd, Warren W. Maytrott, Henry A. Olsen, Albert Parrella, Raymond Smith and Corinne Wadhams. The first scoring was on the week-end of September 18 and 19, and the results were used as a basis for the final estimate which was not finished until the frost put an end to the bloom. The record shows frosts here at Storrs on the nights of September 29 and 30. There were some blooms after this but from this date on they were on the decline.

The writer, in bringing this report to a close, wishes to thank, in the name of the American Dahlia Society, all who have had a part in the 1942 Dahlia project.

SCORING 85.0 AND HIGHER

49. NO. 5S. ROSELYN STRAIGHT. Stake Nos. 145, 146 and 147. Semi-cactus, entered by C. J. Straight, 311 View Avenue, Fairmont, West Virginia (86E). General appearance is apricot yellow shaded and streaked with scarlet-red; very center ends of petals are lemon yellow and closed center petals have the scarlet predominating. Flowering habit good; stem $8\frac{1}{4}$ - $13\frac{1}{2}$ in., medium to heavy, flowers on end facing side. Size of flowers $8\frac{1}{4}$ - $11\frac{1}{2}$ in., depth $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $6\frac{1}{2}$ in. Height 5 ft. 10 in.

50. NO. 1 "STALIN". Stake Nos. 148, 149 and 150. Incurved cactus, entered by John Zazo Nurseries, 1873 East Avenue, Akron, Ohio (86E). Spectrum red with center rows shading from carmine to ox-blood red. Flowering habit good; stem $3\frac{1}{4}$ - $9\frac{1}{2}$ in., medium to heavy, flowers facing side for the most part, both flower and stem improved by disbudding. Size of flowers $5\frac{1}{2}$ - $8\frac{1}{2}$ in., depth $1\frac{3}{4}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$ in. Height 4 ft. 7 in.

26. NO. 67. BAKER'S BEST. Stake Nos. 76, 77 and 78. Informal decorative, entered by Arthur Baker, R. D. 1, S.R.E., Ashtabula, Ohio (85.8E). Light greenish yellow to pale greenish yellow to sulphur yellow in outer rows. Flowering habit good; stem $6\frac{1}{2}$ -12 in., heavy, flower facing side; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers $7\frac{1}{2}$ - $10\frac{1}{2}$ in., depth $3\frac{1}{4}$ - $5\frac{1}{4}$ in. Height 5 ft. 6 in.

9. RED VELVET. Stake Nos. 25, 26 and 27. Informal decorative, entered by Germain Seed & Plant Company, 747 Terminal Street, Los Angeles, California (85E). Center rows ox-blood red shaded with Victoria Lake; outer rows carmine shaded with ox-blood red. Flowering habit good; stem 3 - $8\frac{1}{2}$ in., heavy to medium, stiff, flowers face side; good stem; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers $6\frac{1}{2}$ -8 in., depth $2\frac{1}{4}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$ in. Height 6 ft. 7 in.

23. LIGHT OF HOPE. Stake Nos. 67, 78 and 69. Semi-cactus to Informal decorative, entered by J. Ferretto, 31 Ellison Street, Paterson, New Jersey (85E). Shades from bittersweet orange through grenadine to capucine buff at ends of some petals. Flowering habit prolific; stem 6-15 in., heavy to medium, flowers facing side, a good stem; not improved by disbudding. Size of flowers $6\frac{3}{4}$ -9 in., depth $2\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$ in. Height 6 ft. 3 in.

30. RHYTHM. Stake Nos. 88, 89 and 90. Semi-cactus, entered by Warren W. Maytrott, Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, New Jersey (85E). Pale rosane purple shading to rosane pink at some edges. Some picric yellow in middle rows. Tips of closed center amaranth purple. Flowering habit prolific; stem $8\frac{1}{2}$ -13 in., medium to heavy, a good stem, flowers on end facing side; both flower and stem improved by disbudding. Size of flowers $7\frac{3}{4}$ - $9\frac{1}{4}$ in., depth 3-5 in. Height 6 ft.

51. "TERRY" NO. 2. Stake Nos. 151, 152 and 153. Semi-cactus, entered by John Zazo Nurseries, 1873 East

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Avenue, Akron, Ohio (85E). Light mallow purple. Flowering habit fair; stem 4-9 in., medium, flowers on end facing side and some face the heavens; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 6-10½ in., depth 2¼-4¾ in. Height 3 ft. 7 in.

54. NO. 114. MISS SANDRA MEHLMAN. Stake Nos. 160, 161 and 162. Informal decorative, entered by Herman Reinfleisch, Palmer Avenue, Mamaroneck, New York (85E). White, closed center petals sulphur yellow. Flowering habit late; stem 8½-13½ in., medium to heavy, flower facing side. Size of flowers 7-8½ in., depth 2-4 in. Height 5 ft. 2 in.

59. 38-2. Stake Nos. 175, 176 and 177. Ball, entered by Andrew F. Doermann, North Trevor Avenue, Cheviot, Cincinnati, Ohio (85M). Between bordeaux and amaranth purple with the center the latter color. Flowering habit prolific; stem 5¼-8 in., medium, wiry, flowers facing side; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 2¾-4 in., depth 2-4½ in. Height 3 ft. 3 in.

SCORING 80.0-84.9 INCLUSIVE

5. VIRGINIA ZOUREK. Stake Nos. 13, 14 and 15. Col-larette, entered by Henry Zourek, 20-37 29th Street, Astoria, L. I., New York (83SS). Carmine with ox-blood red sheen; second row of petals picric yellow with carmine streaks. Flowering habit prolific; stem 3-10 in., slender, wiry. Size of flowers 2¾-4 in., depth ½-1 in. Height 5 ft. 7 in.

13. Y-9. Stake 37, 38 and 39. Miniature semi-cactus, entered by Henry P. Rieper, 435 Oxford Road, Cedarhurst, L. I., New York (83S). Pale lemon yellow. Flowering habit prolific; stem 3-9 in., slender, wiry, flower facing side, lasting flower. Size of flowers 3½-4¾ in., depth 1½-2¾ in. Height 5 ft. 5 in.

33. 1-3. Stake No. 97, 98 and 99. Informal Dec., entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, 14592 Dixie Highway, Clio, Michigan (83E). White with streakings and dashes of amaranth purple. Also streaked here and there with pale amparo purple. Flowering habit prolific; stem 7½-14½ in., medium to heavy, flower on side facing down, too heavy for the stem, will droop; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 7½-11 in., depth 2½-5¾ in. Height 6 ft. 1 in.

36. RICHARD W. PETRIE. Stake Nos. 106, 107 and 108. Formal Dec., entered by Kathryn E. Waters, 940 W. Imperial Hwy., Downey, California (83M). Scarlet red with center petals carmine. Flowering habit late; stem 6½-9 in., heavy to medium, flower facing side, a good stem. Size of flowers 4½-5½ in., depth 2-3¼ in. Height 5 ft.

48. MONTEBELLO. Stake Nos. 142, 143 and 144. Informal Dec., entered by Harry A. Robinson, 324 N. Wilcox Avenue, Montebello, California (83E). Nearest amaranth purple with highlights of tyrian rose; center petals aster purple shading to bordeaux. Flowering habit fair, late in coming into bloom; stem 4½-13½ in., heavy, flower facing side. Size of flowers 7-10¾ in., depth 4-7 in. Height 4 ft. 6 in.

62. GENERAL WAVELL. Stake Nos. 184, 185 and 186. Informal Dec., entered by Omar S. Coles, 224 Lafayette Avenue, Magnolia, New Jersey (83E). From outer petals to center petals shades from scarlet-red through nopal red to garnet brown. On rim of outer petals and at bases of all petals is pale lemon yellow. Flowering habit late; stem 8 in., heavy. Size of flowers 8 in., depth 2¾ in. Height 5 ft.

16. RUTH GREENOUGH. Stake Nos. 46, 47 and 48. In-curved cactus to semi-cactus, entered by F. A. Greenough, 25 B. V. French Street, Braintree, Massachusetts (82E). Alizarine pink with shadings of old rose; middle rows shaded with picric yellow; closed center petals picric yellow with some streakings of amaranth purple. Flowering habit good; stem 6½-15 in., medium, flowers facing side, flowers too heavy for stem; not improved by disbudding; flowers come with open centers. Size of flowers 7-8¾ in., depth 3-4½ in. Height 5 ft. 5 in.

21. SEEDLING NO. 20-37. WHITE CHAMPION. Stake Nos. 61, 62 and 63. Informal Dec., to semi-cactus, entered by Kemp's Gardens, Little Silver, New Jersey (82E). White with sulphur yellow tinge to center petals. Flowering habit good; stem 6-15 in., heavy to medium, flower facing side, bloom too heavy for the length of stem, inclined to droop; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 8-12 in., depth 2½-5 in. Height 6 ft. 4 in.

29. PITTMAN'S NO. 153. Stake Nos. 85, 86 and 87. Informal Dec., entered by Warren W. Maytrott, Dahlia-dell Nurseries, Vineland, New Jersey (82E). Between Begonia rose and spectrum red, tips of some petals pale yellow-orange, inner petals carmine. Flowering habit fair; stem 6-15½ in., medium to heavy, flowers facing side; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers, 7¼-11 in., depth 3-5 in. Height 4 ft. 8 in.

35. 1-127. Stake Nos. 103, 104 and 105. Miniature formal Dec., entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, 14592 Dixie Highway, Clio, Michigan (82S). Between spectrum red and carmine with center rows ox-blood red with victorian lake sheen. Flowering habit prolific; stem 3-8½ in., slender, wiry, some medium, flowers on end, some facing side. Size of flowers 2½-3¼ in., depth ¾-1¾ in. Height 3 ft. 2 in.

38. ALEXIS SMITH. Stake Nos. 112, 113 and 114. Informal Dec., entered by Rockleigh Dahlia Garden, 7541 Seneca Place, La Mesa, California (82E). White with pale vinaceous veins giving very slight cast; center petals pale chalcodony yellow. Flowering habit late; stem 12½-15½ in., extra heavy, rubbery; stem improved by disbudding, flower not improved, showing sun-flower open centers. Size of flowers 8½-10 in., depth 2-5 in. Height 5 ft. 10 in.

41. GREENACRES BALL. Stake Nos. 121, 122 and 123. Ball, entered by Louis B. Tim, Greenacres, Long Branch, New Jersey (82M). General appearance is peach red, ends of petals toward center are apricot yellow, closed center petals nopal red. Flowering habit late; stem 5½-13½ in., slender to medium, flowers facing side, some on end facing up, will droop; slightly improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 3-4¾ in., depth 1½-3 in. Height 6 ft. 1 in.

3. KILGORE'S "FOR VICTORY." Stake Nos. 7, 8 and 9. Informal Dec., entered by Kilgore's Dahlia Gardens, Winona, West Virginia (80E) and (78.5M). Flesh-ocher with gold sheen; ends of outer rows of petals buff-yellow and closed outer petals apricot-orange. Flowering habit fair; stem 2-10½ in., heavy to medium, flowers facing side, stiff. Size of flowers 5½-7¾ in., depth 1¾-4 in. Height 5 ft. 5 in.

4. KILGORE'S GEM. Stake Nos. 10, 11 and 12. Semi-cactus to Informal Dec., entered by Kilgore's Dahlia Gardens, Winona, West Virginia (80M). Ends of petals alizarine pink shading to geranium pink toward center; curled center petals streaked with empire yellow. Flowering habit prolific; stem 4-13½ in., slender to medium, flowers facing side; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 4¾-7 in., depth 2¾-4 in. Height 5 ft. 8 in.

24. NO. 222. Stake Nos. 70, 71 and 72. Informal Dec., entered by Sandra Dahlia Gardens, 75 Winthrop Street, Framingham, Massachusetts (80E). Light rosaline purple with closed center petals magenta. Flowering habit prolific; stem 2-9¼ in., heavy to medium, flowers facing side, flower well set into the plant; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 6½-11 in., depth 2¼-4½ in. Height 4 ft. 10 in.

27. NO. 22. Stake Nos. 79, 80 and 81. Straight cactus, entered by Ralph Wells, 1109 Center Street, Fairmont, West Virginia (80E). Light mallow purple to mallow pink with some tips and petals towards center nearly white. Flowering habit prolific; stem 6-16 in., slender to medium, flowers on side, will droop; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 6¾-10 in., depth 2½-5 in. Height 6 ft. 2 in.

28. BOCHAU'S NO. 146. Stake Nos. 82, 83 and 84. Informal Dec., entered by Warren W. Maytrott, Dahlia-dell Nurseries, Vineland, New Jersey (80E). Between magenta and rosaline purple, middle rows dull magenta purple; center and outer rows liseran purple slightly streaked with Naples yellow. Flowering habit fair; stem 6½-17 in., medium to heavy, flower facing side; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 6-8 in., depth 2¼-4¾ in. Height 5 ft. 5 in.

37. GAY IMP. 38-43. Stake Nos. 109, 110 and 111. Informal Dec., entered by Theodore L. Sjoberg, Carrier 156, Grand Lake Station, Oakland, California (80M). Center ends of petals scarlet red shading to white at outer ends. Flowering habit late; stem 6-11½ in., medium to heavy, flowers facing side. Size of flowers 5½-7 in., depth 2¼-4 in. Height 5 ft. 5 in.

39. NO. 11. Stake Nos. 115, 116 and 117. Semi-cactus, entered by Chris J. Poulos, 235 Power Road, Pawtucket, Rhode Island (80E). Outer petals shade from picric yellow to pale lemon yellow, upper surface slightly lined with Begonia rose; back surface (shows) more liberally lined with Begonia rose; petals lemon yellow with nopal red streaks on back. Flowering habit fair; stem 4-7½ in., medium to heavy, rubbery, soft, flower on side, will droop; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 6½-9¾ in., depth 2-5 in. Height 5 ft. 5 in.

47. ANGIE V. Stake Nos. 139, 140 and 141. Formal Dec., entered by Harry A. Robinson, 324 N. Wilcox Avenue, Montebello, California (80E). Scarlet red with ends and backs of closed center petals pinard yellow. Flowering habit late; stem 8 in., medium to heavy, flowers facing side; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 9½ in., depth 6 in. Height 4 ft. 4 in.

53. RED STAR. Stake Nos. 157, 158 and 159. Semi-cactus, entered by Ernest W. Norton, 25 Wayne Street, Worcester, Massachusetts (80M). Scarlet-red with center near spectrum red. Flowering habit fair; stem $4\frac{3}{4}$ -11 $\frac{3}{4}$ in., wiry, flower facing side. Size of flowers $4\frac{3}{4}$ -6 $\frac{3}{4}$ in., depth $1\frac{1}{2}$ -2 $\frac{3}{4}$ in. Height 4 ft. 9 in.

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43. EI24-38. Stake Nos. 127, 128 and 129. Semi-cactus, entered by Premier Dahlia Gardens, Columbia, New Jersey (79.3E). Rosalane pink shading to pale rosalane purple with center petals rose-purple. Flowering habit prolific; stem 6-15 in., slender to medium, flower on end, some face side and some face heavens; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 7 $\frac{1}{4}$ -10 in., depth 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -6 in. Height 4 ft. 6 in.

11. NO. 12. Stake Nos. 31, 32 and 33. Semi-cactus to incurved cactus, entered by Frank D. Marker, 16 Jerome Place, Upper Montclair, New Jersey (79E). Between tyrian rose and amaranth purple with amaranth purple center petals. Flowering habit fair; stem 2-13 in., medium, flowers on side, will droop, flower too heavy for stem; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ -10 in., depth $\frac{3}{4}$ -4 $\frac{3}{4}$ in. Height 7 ft.

20. SEEDLING NO. 19-37, LIDICE. Stake Nos. 58, 59 and 60. Informal Dec., entered by Kemp's Gardens, Little Silver, New Jersey (78.8E). White tinged with sulphur yellow in outer rows growing stronger to pale and light greenish-yellow toward center rows. Flowering habit prolific; stem 2-11 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., medium to heavy, flowers facing side, bloom too heavy for stem; not improved by disbudding, throws green centers and crooked stems. Size of flowers 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ -9 $\frac{3}{4}$ in., depth 2-5 in. Height 4 ft. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.

32. VIN WELL DAINTY. Stake Nos. 94, 95 and 96. Cactus to semi-cactus, to Informal Dec., entered by Albert Parrella, 3380 Ely Avenue, Bronx, New York (78M). Rhodonite pink with picric yellow shading at base of middle rows of petals; daphne pink closed center petals. Flowering habit prolific; stem 3-10 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., slender to medium, flowers facing side; stem improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ -7 in., depth $1\frac{1}{4}$ -4 in. Height 5 ft. 9 in.

45. MURRAY BEAUTY. Stake Nos. 133, 134 and 135. Informal Dec., entered by Murray Dahlia Garden, R. D. No. 2, Fairmont, West Virginia (78E). Light mallow purple with dashes and streakings of amaranth purple. Flowering habit poor; stem 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ -9 in., medium to heavy, flower facing side. Size of flowers 6-8 $\frac{3}{4}$ in., depth $\frac{3}{4}$ in. Height 4 ft. 4 in.

55. X-P. Stake Nos. 163, 164 and 165. Informal Dec., entered by Oakleigh Gardens, Grand Rapids, Michigan (78E). Spectrum red with the backs of some of the curled petals and backs of petals showing a strontian yellow; center petals maroon. Flowering habit fair; stem 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ -11 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., medium to heavy, flowers on end facing heavens; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers, 8-10 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., depth $3\frac{1}{2}$ -5 in. Height 6 ft. 3 in.

25. NO. 23. Stake Nos. 73, 74 and 75. Formal Dec., entered by Mrs. Winifred Kindilien, 223 South Water Street, Port Chester, New York (76.3E). General appearance light corinthian red with shadings of congo pink; rose purple streakings to closed center petals. Flowering habit prolific; stem $2\frac{1}{2}$ -9 in., medium to heavy, flower facing side; both flower and stem improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 7-8 $\frac{3}{4}$ in., depth 3-5 in. Height 4 ft. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.

2. KRATZ, WM. D. Stake Nos. 4, 5 and 6. Informal Dec., entered by Henry C. R. Kratz, 349 Church Street, Ambler, Pennsylvania (76E). Outer rows have appearance of orange-buff with pale lemon yellow sheen; center rows are lemon yellow with slight suggestion of orange-buff. Flowering habit good; stem 5-12 in., slender to medium, flowers facing side; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 5-9 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., depth $1\frac{3}{4}$ -5 in. Height 5 ft. 9 in.

61. LIGHT PASTEL COLOR. Stake Nos. 181, 182 and 183. Semi-cactus, entered by Locust Valley Dahlia Farm, P. O. Box 45, Cold Spring Harbor, L. I., New York (75.6M). Pale vinaceous with center of petals pale lemon yellow; two colors combine to make lemon chrome shading in some petals. Flowering habit poor; stem 4-6 in., medium, flowers facing side. Size of flowers 5-6 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., depth $1\frac{1}{4}$ -3 in. Height 3 ft. 6 in.

10. NO. 10. Stake Nos. 28, 29 and 30. Informal Dec., entered by Frank D. Marker, 16 Jerome Place, Upper Montclair, New Jersey (75.3E). White with slight suggestion of sulphur yellow at center. Flowering habit good; stem $4\frac{1}{4}$ -18 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., medium to heavy stiff, a good stem; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 7-8 $\frac{3}{4}$ in., depth $2\frac{3}{4}$ -4 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. Height 6 ft. 9 in.

1. ANDERSEN'S MASTERPIECE. Stake Nos. 1, 2 and 3. Informal Dec., entered by L. C. Andersen, Rt. 3, Watsonville, California (75E). Light greenish-yellow with ends of outside rows sulphur yellow. Flowering habit good; stem 4-12 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., upright, medium, flower facing side; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ -10 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., depth 2-4 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. Height 5 ft. 9 in.

12. L4. Stake Nos. 34, 35 and 36. Semi-cactus to incurved cactus, entered by H. P. Rieper, 435 Oxford Road, Cedarhurst, L. I., New York (75E). General appearance light mallow purple; some of the petals have strong streakings of tyrian pink while edges are mallow pink; backs of closed center petals aster purple. Flowering habit fair; stem $4\frac{1}{4}$ -13 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., medium to heavy, flowers facing side. Size of flowers 7-11 in., depth 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -5 in. Height 6 ft. 9 in.

22. NO. 2. Stake Nos. 64, 65 and 66. Informal Dec., entered by Stanley Johnson, 406 Franklin Avenue, Cheltenham, Pennsylvania (75E). Stake 66, two colors in one plant. (1st) Lemon yellow with outer rows nearer picric yellow with shadings of vinaceous pink. (2nd) 2 or 3 plain pale lemon yellow petals, most of others pale rose-purple streaked with this yellow; petals around center have merely a suggestion of this purple with the yellow stronger. Flowering habit prolific; stem $3\frac{1}{2}$ -12 in., medium, flowers facing side. Size of flowers $5\frac{1}{2}$ -8 in., depth $1\frac{1}{2}$ -2 $\frac{3}{4}$ in. Height 3 ft. 5 in.

31. 18-40. Stake Nos. 91, 92 and 93. Informal Dec., entered by Albert Parrella, 3380 Ely Avenue, Bronx, New York (75M). Near spectrum red with white tips. Flowering habit good; stem $1\frac{3}{4}$ 8 in., slender, drooping, flower facing side; improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 5-6 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., depth $1\frac{1}{2}$ -3 in. Height 3 ft. 3 in.

40. NO. 10. Stake Nos. 118, 119 and 120. Informal Dec., entered by Chris J. Poulos, 235 Power Road, Pawtucket, Rhode Island (75E). White with sulphur yellow tinge towards the center. Flowering habit fair; stem 7-13 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., medium to heavy, flowers facing side, poor stem, will droop, flowers too heavy for substance in stem; not improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 7 $\frac{1}{4}$ -10 in., depth 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -5 in. Height 3 ft. 11 in.

44. BOBBY K. Stake Nos. 130, 131 and 132. Miniature semi-cactus, entered by Gordon F. Waaser, 269 South Grand Avenue, Baldwin, New York (75S). Between tyrian rose and amaranth purple with closed center petals Dahlia purple. Flowering habit prolific; stem 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -6 in., wiry, flower facing the side. Size of flowers 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -3 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., depth 1-1 $\frac{1}{4}$ in. Height 3 ft. 2 in.

34. 1-11. Stake Nos. 100, 101 102. Informal Dec., entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, 14592 Dixie Highway, Clio, Michigan (73M). Light greenish yellow with white tips. Flowering habit poor; stem $1\frac{1}{4}$ -9 in., slender to medium, flowers on side. Size of flowers 4-7 in., depth 2-3 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. Height 4 ft. 4 in.

52. MT. VERNON. Stake Nos. 154, 155 and 156. Collarette, entered by Henry F. Cory, Linthicum Heights, A.A.C., Baltimore, Maryland (73S). Between aster purple and Dahlia purple with highlights of Rhodamine purple; second row of petals white with streaks of aster purple. Flowering habit prolific; stem 3-8 in., slender, soft, flower facing side. Size of flowers 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ in., depth $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 in. Height 3 ft. 2 in.

60. McCOLLOUGH COLORS. Stake Nos. 178, 179 and 180. Formal Dec., entered by Locust Valley Dahlia Farm, P. O. Box 45, Cold Spring Harbor, L. I., New York (73M). Lemon yellow with ends of petals tipped and shaded with jasper red which also shows strongly at closed ends of center petals. Flowering habit fair; stem $2\frac{1}{4}$ -5 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., medium, flower facing side. Size of flowers 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ -6 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., depth $1\frac{1}{2}$ -2 $\frac{3}{4}$ in. Height 4 ft. 4 in.

42. E61-38. Stake Nos. 124, 125 and 126. Semi-cactus, entered by Premier Dahlia Gardens, Columbia, New Jersey (72.2E). Strawberry pink shading to grenadine pink, some petals show considerable light orange yellow; closed center petals nearly pale congo pink. Flowering habit good; stem 6-13 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., slender to medium flower on end facing heavens, some face side. Size of flowers 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ -9 in., depth 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -3 $\frac{3}{4}$ in. Height 4 ft. 10 in.

Recommended for Retrial

6. JANE COWL SEEDLING. Stake Nos. 16, 17 (did not grow) and 18. Recommended for retrial, entered by E. L. Usinger, Silver City, New Mexico.

7. G B PURPLE. Stake Nos. 19, 20 and 21. Recommended for retrial, did not grow well, entered by E. L. Usinger, Silver City, New Mexico.

8. ROSEDALE RED. Stake Nos. 22, 23 and 24. Recommended for retrial, did not grow well, entered by Ralph W. Lamenzo, 510 Premier Boulevard, Floral Park, L. I., New York. Between spectrum red and carmine with center petals carmine with x-blood red sheen. Stem 3-7 in., slender to medium, flowers on side facing down. Size of flowers 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ -6 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., depth $1\frac{1}{2}$ -3 $\frac{1}{4}$ in. Height 2 ft. 10 in.

14. LITTLE JIMMY. Stake Nos. 40, 41 and 42. Recommended for retrial only one plant grew, entered by George T. Gairns, 304 East 27th Street, National City, California. Mallow pink with outer rows light mallow purple. Stem $3\frac{1}{4}$ in. Size of flowers 1-1 $\frac{1}{8}$ in., depth $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{5}{8}$ in. Height 2ft. 5 in.

15. HARVARD CRIMSON. Stake Nos. 43, 44 and 45. Recommended for retrial, did not grow well, entered by F. A. (Continued on page 29)

1943 SCHEDULE and PREMIUM LIST

29th ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW

of the

AMERICAN DAHLIA SOCIETY

will be held at the

HOTEL SHELTON

Lexington Avenue and 49th Street, New York City

SEPTEMBER 23rd-24th

This is the final 1943 Show Schedule. Intending exhibitors are requested to retain it for use in making their Show entries. Additional copies will be gladly sent upon application to the Secretary.

For further particulars, information on trade space and entry cards apply to
GORDON WAASER, *Secretary*, 269 S. Grand Avenue, Baldwin, N. Y.

GENERAL RULES

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

1. **DATES AND SCHEDULE**—The 1943 New York Show of the American Dahlia Society will be open to the public on Thursday, September 23rd, at 2:00 p. m., and will close Friday, September 24th, at 10 p. m., War Time. Judging will commence promptly at 12 noon. All exhibits must be staged by 11:00 a. m. Exhibits not in place in show room at this hour **will not be judged**. During the judging, no one will be allowed on the exhibition floor except the judges and the necessary officials of the Show.

2. **ADMISSION TO SHOW**—Will be determined and announced later.

ADMISSION BEFORE OPENING—Trade exhibitors, and those setting up special arrangements and large baskets, will be allowed on the floor of the exhibition hall prior to the judging only for the period necessary to arrange the exhibit. All other exhibitors will arrange their exhibits in the room provided for that purpose, from which room the management will place the exhibits in the proper classes as entered by the exhibitors. No exhibition or part of an exhibition may be withdrawn or rearranged prior to the judging except by special permission of the management.

3. **DISTANT SHIPMENTS**—Exhibits sent from a distance should be addressed to the American Dahlia Society, Hotel Shelton, Lexington Ave and 49th St., New York City. All freight, postage or express charges must be prepaid by the sender.

4. An entry fee of \$2.00 must be paid by all exhibitors (excepting Garden Club Section) who are not members of the American Dahlia Society, Participating or Branch Societies. This fee must be remitted with list of entries or membership subscription paid.

5. **MAKING ENTRIES**—Exhibitors may have sufficient entry blanks upon request to Gordon Waaser, Secretary, 269 S. Grand Ave., Baldwin, N. Y.

The Show Management reserves the right to reject or accept entries. All entries must be registered with Clerk at Show before 10:00 a. m., September 23rd.

6. **RIBBON PRIZES**—Except where otherwise noted A.D.S. ribbons will be used for prizes. Blue—first; red—second.

7. **HONORABLE MENTION RIBBONS** will be used in classes where judges consider entries that do not receive first or second prize, worthy of recognition. One or more honorable mention ribbons may be awarded in a class where the judges deem it advisable. Honorable mention ribbons do not count in computing sweepstakes.

8. **TRI-COLOR RIBBONS** will be used for all Special Awards for the most outstanding entry in each section.

In order to conserve metal, A.D.S. Gold, Silver, and Bronze Medal Certificates will be used in place of Medals.

9. **GRAND SWEEPSTAKES**—A—Large Type, Arrangements and Baskets, First, 10 points; Second, 5 points. All other entries, 5 points for First, 3 points for Second. B—Medium (including Ball Dahlias). Arrangements and Baskets, First 7 points; Second, 3 points. All other entries, 3 points for First, 2 points for Second. Miniatures, Pompons, Singles and Collarettes, Arrangements and Baskets, 5 points for First, 3 points for Second. All other classes, 2 points for First, 1 point for Second.

10. **BASKET CLASSES**—Containers of various material having a loop handle over the top, or made of material commonly used for baskets with or without handles, will be considered baskets in the Show room. Baskets, however, must be in good condition.

11. **GRASS AND OTHER FOLIAGE** with or without berries will be allowed in all bowl, basket, arrangement and entries called exhibits. These additions should be of plant materials suitable to outdoor flowers.

12. **SUPPORTING STEM**—The use of any material to sup-

port Dahlia stems will disqualify an exhibit. Any supports used in growing exhibition blooms must be removed before placing entry on exhibition table.

13. **NUMBER OF ENTRIES**—Exhibitors will not be allowed to make more than one entry in a class except in undissemminated classes.

14. **VARIETY LABELS**—No variety shall be judged unless it is marked plainly with its correct variety name or its number if an undissemminated variety. This rule applies to baskets and arrangements of large and medium Dahlias, but does not apply to baskets, bowls or arrangements of Singles, Collarettes, Orchids, Miniatures or Pompons. Uniform labels will be furnished by the Society.

15. **CLASSIFICATION AS TO TYPE, COLOR AND SIZE**. All entries shall be made in accordance with the Official A.D.S. Dahlia Classifications to size, type and color, and will be judged accordingly.

16. **NAMED VARIETIES**—Only disseminated, named varieties may be entered in Section A, AA and B. Undisseminated varieties are allowed only in the Open to All, Undisseminated and Commercial Classes.

17. **UNWORTHY ENTRIES**—Any article unfit for exhibition will be excluded by the management and the judges shall withhold prizes when they consider entries are unworthy of awards. No second awards will be made when an exhibit is unworthy of the first award.

18. **BLOOMS** shown in competition must be grown by the exhibitor entering them, except where noted.

19. **TRADE EXHIBITS**—Trade exhibitors are to furnish all special forms of staging and containers for their exhibits.

20. **CONTAINERS** will be supplied for competitive classes except in classes calling for baskets, bowls and arrangements. No containers will be supplied for trade displays, as noted above.

21. **THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES** shall be final, and not subject to reversal by the Show management or any other committee.

22. **ADVERTISING**—Exhibitors other than those having display space for this Show will not be permitted to give away or display circulars, cards, catalogues or any advertising matter or to solicit business on the floor of the Show.

23. **REMOVAL**—No exhibition or part of an exhibit may be removed from the hall at any time during the Show, except by special permission of the management.

24. **ADDITIONAL RULES**—The management may make such further rules as it may deem necessary for the proper conduct of the 1943 New York Show of the American Dahlia Society.

25. **RESPONSIBILITY**—The American Dahlia Society shall not be responsible for loss or damage to exhibits or personal property of exhibitors, or for the return of containers, but will exercise its utmost care for the protection of all exhibits.

26. **IDENTIFICATION**—The committee suggests that those exhibitors supplying their own containers attach their name and address on the bottom of the container, as many such articles are found each year in cleaning up the Show, with no means of identification. All containers must be called for by the exhibitor at the close of the Show.

BOWL, BASKET OR ARRANGEMENT SCORE CARD

- 50 points Quality of blooms
- 25 " Arrangement including balance and proportion
- 25 " Color harmony or color effect

EXHIBITION SCORE CARD

This score card only applies to classes hereinafter specifically called exhibits.

- 50 points Quality of blooms
- 25 " Arrangement including color effect
- 25 " Range of varieties shown and diversity of types

SECTION A (NOVICE)

Only disseminated named varieties can be 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.

TYPE CLASSES

- Class 1-B Cactus—Incurved, straight or semi-cactus, 3 blooms, B—Medium, any color or colors.
- " 2-B Decorative—Formal or informal, 3 blooms, B—Medium, any color or colors.
- " 3-A Cactus—Incurved, straight or semi-cactus, 3 blooms, A—Large, any color or colors.
- " 4-A Decorative—Formal or informal, 3 blooms, A—Large, any color or colors.
- " 5-A Largest and most nearly perfect bloom, diameter x depth, any type.
- " 6 Ball Dahlias—3 blooms, any color or colors.
- " 7 Miniatures—5 blooms, any color or colors, buds allowed.
- " 8 Pompons—5 blooms, any color or colors, buds allowed.
- " 9 Any other type—5 blooms, any color or colors.
- * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 1B to 9.
- * Sweepstakes 1B to 9. A.D.S. Bronze Medal Certificate

SECTION AA (AMATEUR)

Only disseminated named varieties can be entered in this section.

For those who qualify for Section A, but have previously won one or more Blue Ribbons in Section A.

Cactus, Semi-cactus or Decorative—1 bloom, B—medium, 4 to 8 inches

- Class 10-B White
- " 11-B Yellow
- " 12-B Orange
- " 13-B Red
- " 14-B Pink
- " 15-B Lavender
- " 16-B Purple
- " 17-B Blended
- " 18-B Bicolor
- " 19-B Basket of any type Dahlias, B-medium, 7 to 15 blooms.

* Special—Most outstanding entry in classes 10-B to 19-B.

Cactus, Semi-cactus or Decorative—1 bloom, A—large, 8 inches or over

- Class 20-A White
- " 21-A Yellow
- " 22-A Orange
- " 23-A Red
- " 24-A Pink
- " 25-A Lavender
- " 26-A Purple
- " 27-A Blended
- " 28-A Bicolor

* Special—most outstanding entry in classes 20-A to 28-A

Other types

- Class 29 Ball Dahlias—3 blooms, any color or colors
- " 30 Miniatures—5 blooms, any color or colors, buds allowed
- " 31 Pompons—5 blooms, any color or colors, buds allowed
- " 32 Any other type—5 blooms, any color or colors
- " 33 Bowl, basket or other arrangement, blooms under 4 inches, buds allowed

* Special—most outstanding entry in classes 29 to 33

* Sweepstakes 10-B to 33. A.D.S. Bronze Medal Certificate

SECTION B

Only disseminated named varieties can be entered in this section.

For those other than professional gardeners who grow 250 hills or less, exclusive of Pompons, Singles, Seedlings and Miniatures, and do not issue lists of any kind offering stock for sale.

Cactus—Incurved, straight or Semi-cactus, 3 blooms, B—medium, flowers 4 to 8 inches

- Class 34-B White
- " 35-B Yellow
- " 36-B Orange
- " 37-B Red
- " 38-B Pink

- " 39-B Lavender
- " 40-B Purple
- " 41-B Blended
- " 42-B Bicolor
- " 43-B Arrangement, 7 to 15 blooms, incurved, straight or semi-cactus. May be in any type container.
- * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 34-B to 43-B

Decorative—Formal or informal, 3 blooms, B—medium, flowers 4 to 8 inches

- Class 44-B White or yellow
- " 45-B Orange or red
- " 46-B Pink or lavender
- " 47-B Purple or violet
- " 48-B Bicolor or blended
- " 49-B Basket of 10 to 18 blooms, B—medium
- * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 44-B to 49-B

Cactus—Incurved, straight or Semi-cactus, 1 bloom, A—large, 8 inches or over

- Class 50-A White
- " 51-A Yellow
- " 52-A Orange
- " 53-A Red
- " 54-A Pink
- " 55-A Lavender
- " 56-A Blended
- " 57-A Purple
- * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 50-A to 57-A

Decorative—Formal, 1 bloom, A—large, 8 inches or over

- Class 58-A White
- " 59-A Yellow
- " 60-A Orange
- " 61-A Red
- " 62-A Pink
- " 63-A Lavender
- " 64-A Purple
- " 65-A Blended
- " 66-A Bicolor
- " 67-A 5 to 10 blooms, A—large. In any type container
- * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 58-A to 67-A

Decorative—Informal, 1 bloom, A—large, 8 inches or over

- Class 68-A White
- " 69-A Yellow
- " 70-A Orange
- " 71-A Red
- " 72-A Pink
- " 73-A Lavender
- " 74-A Purple
- " 75-A Blended
- " 76-A Bicolor
- " 77-A 5 to 10 blooms, A—large. In any type container
- * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 68-A to 77-A

SPECIAL—ANY TYPE

- Class 78-A Largest and most nearly perfect bloom, diameter x depth, any type
- Sweepstakes 34-B to 78-A. Medal of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Dahlia Society

Miniatures—Any type, 5 blooms, one or more varieties, under 4 inch, buds allowed

- Class 79 White
- " 80 Yellow
- " 81 Orange
- " 82 Red
- " 83 Pink
- " 84 Lavender
- " 85 Purple
- " 86 Blended
- " 87 Bicolor
- " 88 Bowl of Miniatures, 10 to 20 blooms
- " 89 Arrangement of Miniatures in any container, not less than 20 blooms
- * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 79 to 89

Pompons—5 blooms, buds allowed

- Class 90 White
- " 91 Yellow
- " 92 Orange
- " 93 Red
- " 94 Pink
- " 95 Lavender
- " 96 Purple
- " 97 Blended
- " 98 Bicolor

- " 99 Bowl of Pompons, 10 to 20 blooms
- " 100 Arrangement of Pompons in any container not less than 20 blooms
- * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 90 to 100

Ball Dahlias—3 blooms

- Class 101 White or yellow
- " 102 Orange or red
- " 103 Pink or lavender
- " 104 Purple or violet
- " 105 Bicolor or blended

Single Dahlias

- Class 106 5 blooms, any one variety or color
- " 107 5 blooms, more than one variety or color

Collarette Dahlias

- Class 108 5 blooms, any color or colors

Orchid Flowering Dahlias

- Class 109 Arrangement of Orchid Flowering Dahlias, in any container, buds allowed

Any Other Type

- Class 110 Basket or arrangement of 2 or more types of Dahlias 4 inch or under arranged for color harmony, or effect, buds allowed

- * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 101 to 110
- * Sweepstakes 79 to 110. A.D.S. Bronze Medal Certificate

- * GRAND SWEEPSTAKES in Section B—A.D.S. Silver Medal Certificate. A—large Type, Arrangements and Baskets, First, 10 points, Second, 5 points. All other entries, 5 points for First, 3 points for Second. B—medium (including Ball Dahlias) Arrangement and Baskets, First, 7 points, Second 4 points. All other entries, 3 points for First, 2 points for Second. Miniatures, Pompons, Singles and Collarettes. Arrangements and Baskets, 5 points for First, 3 points for Second. All other classes, 2 points for First, 1 point for Second

SECTION C

Open to All

Undisseminated as well as named varieties may be entered in this section

Cactus—Incurved or straight, 3 blooms, B—medium, 4 to 8 inches

- Class 111-B White
- " 112-B Yellow
- " 113-B Orange
- " 114-B Red
- " 115-B Pink
- " 116-B Lavender
- " 117-B Purple
- " 118-B Blended
- " 119-B Bicolor

- * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 111-B to 119-B

Semi-Cactus—3 blooms, B—medium, 4 to 8 inches

- Class 120-B White
- " 121-B Yellow
- " 122-B Orange or red
- " 123-B Pink or lavender
- " 124-B Purple or violet
- " 125-B Blended
- " 126-B Bicolor
- " 127-B Basket of incurved, straight, or semi-cactus Dahlias, B—medium, 18 to 25 blooms

- * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 120-B to 127-B

Decorative—Informal, 3 blooms, B—medium, 4 to 8 inches

- Class 128-B White
- " 129-B Yellow
- " 130-B Orange
- " 131-B Red
- " 132-B Pink
- " 133-B Lavender
- " 134-B Purple
- " 135-B Blended
- " 136-B Bicolor

- * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 128-B to 136-B

Decorative—Formal, 3 blooms, B—medium, 4 to 8 inches

- Class 137-B White
- " 138-B Yellow
- " 139-B Orange
- " 140-B Red

- " 141-B Pink
 " 142-B Lavender
 " 143-B Purple
 " 144-B Blended
 " 145-B Bicolor
 " 146-B Basket—formal or informal decorative Dahlias,
 B—medium, 18 to 25 blooms
 * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 137-B to 146-B
 * Sweepstakes 111-B to 146-B. A.D.S. Bronze Medal Certificate
- Cactus—incurved or straight, 1 bloom, A—large, 8 inches or over
 Class 147-A White
 " 148-A Yellow
 " 149-A Orange
 " 150-A Red
 " 151-A Pink
 " 152-A Lavender
 " 153-A Purple
 " 154-A Blended
 " 155-A Bicolor
 * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 147-A to 155-A
- " 156 Vase or Container — Cactus — Incurved or straight, 12 blooms, any color or colors, to count same as Basket in Sweepstakes. B—medium or A—large
- Semi-Cactus—1 bloom, A—large, 8 inches or over
 Class 157-A White
 " 158-A Yellow
 " 159-A Orange
 " 160-A Red
 " 161-A Pink
 " 162-A Lavender
 " 163-A Purple
 " 164-A Blended
 " 165-A Bicolor
 * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 157-A to 165-A
- " 166-A Vase or Container—Semi-Cactus Dahlias, A—Large, 12 blooms, any color or colors to count same as Basket in Sweepstakes

- Decorative—Informal, 1 bloom, A—large, 8 inches or over
 Class 167-A White
 " 168-A Yellow
 " 169-A Orange
 " 170-A Red
 " 171-A Pink
 " 172-A Lavender
 " 173-A Purple
 " 174-A Blended
 " 175-A Bicolor
 * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 167-A to 175-A

- Decorative—Formal, 1 bloom, A—large, 8 inches or over
 Class 176-A White
 " 177-A Yellow
 " 178-A Orange
 " 179-A Red
 " 180-A Pink
 " 181-A Lavender
 " 182-A Purple
 " 183-A Blended
 " 184-A Bicolor
 " 185-A Basket of formal or informal decorative Dahlias, A—Large, 12 to 18 blooms
 * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 176-A to 185-A
- " 186-A Vase or Container—Formal or informal decorative Dahlias. A—large, 12 blooms, any color or colors. To count same as Basket in Sweepstakes

SPECIAL—ANY TYPE

- Class 187-A Largest and most nearly perfect bloom, Semi-Cactus, diameter x depth, any color
 " 188-A Largest and most nearly perfect bloom, Informal decorative, diameter x depth, any color
 " 189-A Largest and most nearly perfect bloom, Formal decorative, diameter x depth, any color
 " 190-A 18 blooms, any color or colors; any type or types; over 8 inches
 * Sweepstakes 147-A to 190-A. A.D.S. Bronze Medal Certificate
 * Grand Sweepstakes 111-B to 190-A. A.D.S. Silver Medal Certificate

Miniatures—Any type, 5 blooms, under 4 inches, buds allowed

- Class 191 White
 " 192 Yellow
 " 193 Orange
 " 194 Red
 " 195 Pink
 " 196 Lavender
 " 197 Purple
 " 198 Blended
 " 199 Bicolor
 " 200 Bowl or Basket of Miniatures, 15 to 30 blooms
 " 201 Arrangement of Miniatures, 20 to 50 blooms, in any type container
 " 202 Cactus—Incurved, straight or semi-cactus, 5 blooms, any color or colors
 " 203 Decorative—Formal or informal, 5 blooms, any color or colors
 " 204 Peony (open centered), 5 blooms, any color or colors
 * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 191 to 204

Pompons—10 blooms, buds allowed

- Class 205 White
 " 206 Yellow
 " 207 Orange
 " 208 Red
 " 209 Pink
 " 210 Lavender
 " 211 Purple
 " 212 Blended
 " 213 Bicolor
 " 214 Bowl of Pompons, 10 to 20 blooms
 " 215 Basket of Pompons, 15 to 30 blooms
 " 216 Arrangement of Pompons—20 to 50 blooms, in any container
 * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 205 to 216

Ball Dahlias—3 blooms

- Class 217 White or yellow
 " 218 Orange or red
 " 219 Pink or lavender
 " 220 Purple or violet
 " 221 Bicolor or blended

Single Dahlias

- Class 222 5 blooms, any one variety or color
 " 223 5 blooms, more than one variety or color

Collarette Dahlias

- Class 224 5 blooms, any one variety or color
 " 225 5 blooms, more than one variety or color

Orchid Flowering Dahlias

- Class 226 5 blooms any color or colors, buds allowed
 " 227 Arrangement of Orchid Flowering Dahlias in any container, buds allowed

Any Other Types

- Class 228 Basket or arrangement of 2 or more types of Dahlias under 4 inches arranged for color harmony or effect, buds allowed
 " 229 Arrangement of Dahlias, 12 to 20 blooms, approximately 4 inches to 6 inches in diameter, in any container
 " 230 Arrangement of Dahlias, not less than 20 blooms, approximately 4 inches to 6 inches in diameter, in any container

Special—most outstanding entry in classes 217 to 230

* Sweepstakes 191 to 230. A.D.S. Bronze Medal Certificate

* GRAND SWEEPSTAKES in Section C. A.D.S. Silver Medal Certificate

SECTION D

PRIVATE ESTATES WITH A GARDENER

Commercial Growers Excluded

Each variety must be marked with correct name.

- Class 231 Display of Dahlias not over 100 sq. ft. A.D.S. Silver Medal Certificate
 " 232-B Basket of Dahlias—not over 25 blooms—B—Medium, 4 to 8 inches
 " 233-A Basket of Dahlias—not more than 20 blooms, 8 inches or over

- " 234 Cactus—incurved or straight, 5 blooms, 1 or more varieties, 4 inches or over
 - " 235-A Semi-cactus, 5 blooms, 1 or more varieties, 8 inches or over
 - " 236-A Decorative—informal, 5 blooms, 1 or more varieties, 8 inches or over
 - " 237-A Decorative—formal, 5 blooms, 1 or more varieties, 8 inches or over
 - " 238-A Largest and most perfect bloom—diameter x depth, any type
 - " 239 Ball—5 blooms, 1 or more varieties
 - " 240 Single—12 blooms, any color or colors
 - " 241 Collarette—7 blooms, any color or colors
 - " 242 Arrangement of Orchid Flowering Dahlias, in any container
 - " 243-A White—5 blooms, any type, A—Large, 8 inches or over
 - " 244-A Yellow—5 blooms, any type, A—Large, 8 inches or over
 - " 245-A Orange—5 blooms, any type, A—Large, 8 inches or over
 - " 246 A Red—3 blooms, any type, A—Large, 8 inches or over
 - " 247-A Pink—5 blooms, any type, A—Large, 8 inches or over
 - " 248-A Lavender—5 blooms, any type, A—Large, 8 inches or over
 - " 249-A Purple—5 blooms, any type, A—Large, 8 inches or over
 - " 250 Blended—5 blooms, any type, A—Large
 - " 251-A Bicolor—5 blooms, any type, A—Large, 8 inches or over
 - " 252-A Collection of Miniatures—4 varieties, 5 blooms, of each variety
 - " 253 Collection of Pompons—4 varieties, 5 blooms of each variety
- * Sweepstakes 232-B to 253. Louis B. Tim Trophy

SECTION E

Read exhibition score card. Judged on point system as listed. Blooms to be grown by or for the exhibitor.

COMMERCIAL

- Class 254 To the most outstanding and meritorious commercial Dahlia entry of 100 square feet. Award, A.D.S. Gold Medal Certificate
- " 255 To the most outstanding and meritorious commercial Dahlia entry of over 100 square feet. Award, A.D.S. Gold Medal Certificate

SECTION F

UNDISSEMINATED DAHLIAS

To be entered at 11 a. m., Thursday 23rd, and judged at 3 p. m.

Must be not less than two, and preferably three years old. On long stems. No limit to number of entries. A.D.S. Gold, Silver and Bronze Medal Certificates are offered in all regular undisminated classes. The Gold Medal Certificate is to be given only to a variety that is definitely better than existing varieties in the same size, type or color classification, and only where the variety is definitely worthy of such an award. Best Dahlia in its class is not of necessity to receive a Gold Medal Certificate but may be awarded either a Silver or Bronze Medal Certificate, according to the relative value of the variety, or no award if not worthy:

- Class 256-B Cactus—incurved, 3 blooms, 1 variety, B—Medium
- " 257-B Cactus—straight, 3 blooms, 1 variety, B—Medium
- " 258-B Semi-Cactus—3 blooms, 1 variety, B—Medium
- " 259-B Decorative—informal 3 blooms, 1 variety, B—Medium
- " 260-B Decorative—formal, 3 blooms, 1 variety, B—Medium
- " 261 Miniature—Cactus—incurved, straight or semi-cactus, 5 blooms, 1 variety
- " 262 Miniature—Decorative—formal or informal, 5 blooms, 1 variety
- " 263 Miniature—Any other type, 5 blooms, 1 variety
- " 264-A Cactus—incurved, 3 blooms, 1 variety, A—Large
- " 265-A Cactus—straight, 3 blooms, 1 variety, A—Large
- " 266-A Semi-cactus—3 blooms, 1 variety, A—Large
- " 267-A Decorative—informal, 3 blooms, 1 variety, A—Large
- " 268-A Decorative—formal, 3 blooms, 1 variety, A—Large
- " 269 Ball—3 blooms, 1 variety
- " 270 Pompons—5 blooms, 1 variety

- " 271 Collarette—5 blooms, 1 variety
- " 272 Orchid—5 blooms, 1 variety
- " 273 Singles—5 blooms, 1 variety
- " 274 Any type not mentioned above—3 blooms, 1 variety

AMERICAN HOME ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

Class 275 The American Home Achievement Medal is offered for award to the originator, whether amateur or professional, of the most worthy undisminated Dahlia, whether shown by the originator or someone else. At least three blooms must be shown and entered specifically in a clearly designated separate class provided for it. The award will be made only to a new variety of adequate merit, distinction and novelty; one having distinctiveness as compared with existing varieties. It cannot be made to an unnamed seedling; in the event of a successful competing variety being unnamed, the award will not be confirmed until a name, satisfactory to the A.D.S., has been given. The winning of this Medal automatically renders the variety winning it ineligible to compete for it in any future year.

FLOWER GROWER AWARD

Class 276 LEONARD BARRON MEMORIAL CERTIFICATE OF AWARD is offered for the best variety of medium size Dahlia measuring 4 to 8 inches, 3 blooms or more. Variety to show outstanding merit as a cut flower. Special entry to be made. Sufficient stock must be available and the originator shall agree to disseminate it the following season. The variety must be named before final award is made. Award made by the Flower Grower Magazine and will be known as the Leonard Barron Memorial Award for the best new medium size Dahlia

SECTION G

ENTRIES SHIPPED BY AIR

Owing to uncertain Air Transportation, we are eliminating this Section for the duration.

SECTION H

SPECIAL—OPEN TO ALL

To the most outstanding and meritorious non-commercial entry or display. Special entry need not be made. This award is not to go to a commercial grower or to an entry of less than 3 blooms. Award, A.D.S. Gold Medal Certificate.

To give the Variegated Dahlia a chance without competition of bicolors, the following Classes have been added:

- Class 277-A 3 blooms, variegated, any type, A—Large
- " 278-B 3 blooms, variegated, any type, B—Medium
- " 279 3 blooms, variegated, Ball Dahlias
- * Special—most outstanding entry in classes 277-A to 279

SPECIAL DISPLAY CLASS

- Class 280 10 blooms, over 8 inches, 3 or more varieties in 2 containers of 6 blooms each. Trophy offered by Past President Conrad Frey

SPECIAL BICOLOR AWARD

- Class 281 Best basket large or medium Bicolor Dahlias arranged in basket, 10 blooms or more, one or more types, but colors in varieties must harmonize. Prize Silver platter offered by Past President Lynn B. Dudley

GARDEN CLUB SECTION

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Rules

- 1—Amateurs who are members of Garden Clubs, Horticultural or Plant Societies are cordially invited to exhibit in the Garden Club Section.
- 2—Only one entry in each class allowed to an exhibitor.
- 3—Entries must be staged before 12:00 Noon on the day mentioned in schedule.
- 4—All entries for this section except as noted, to be made at entry desk of Garden Club Section on September 23rd not later than 11:00 A.M. No previous entries necessary. No entry fees.
- 5—All specimen flowers must be grown by the exhibitor and must be marked true to name. No award will be made by the judges on specimens unless properly named.
- 6—In the arrangement classes, the flowers may or may not be grown by the exhibitor.
- 7—Except where it is stated that containers will be supplied, exhibitors must furnish their own.
- 8—Exhibits may be removed after 10:00 P.M. Friday evening. The committee will not be responsible for any exhibits not removed at the close of the Show.
- 9—Responsibility. The Society will not be responsible for loss or damage to exhibits or personal property of exhibitors, but will exercise its utmost care for the protection of all exhibits.

SECTION A

To be staged before 12:00 Noon, September 23rd

DAHLIAS

(Containers supplied)

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| Class | 1 | Decorative—Formal or informal—3 blooms—large, 8 inches or over, 1 or more varieties |
| " | 2 | Decorative—Formal or informal—1 bloom—large, 8 inches or over, any color |

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| " | 3 | Semi-Cactus—3 blooms—large or medium, 1 or more varieties |
| " | 4 | Cactus—Straight or incurved—3 blooms—large or medium, 1 or more varieties |
| " | 5 | Miniature—6 blooms—not over 4 inches, 1 or more varieties |
| " | 6 | Orchid Flowering—6 blooms, 1 or more varieties |
| " | 7 | Single—5 blooms, 1 or more varieties |
| " | 8 | Collarette—5 blooms, 1 or more varieties |
| " | 9 | Pompon—7 blooms, 1 or more varieties |
| " | 10 | Any type not listed above, as Ball, Peony, Black Foliage, 5 blooms, 1 or more varieties |

SECTION B

ARRANGEMENT

Suitable foliage may be used in any class at the discretion of exhibitor, but required flowers must predominate. Exhibitors to furnish containers

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| Class | 11 | Red, white and blue combination, stressing distinctive use of any Dahlias and or any flowers. Container to be any one of these colors |
| " | 12 | White Dahlias with any gray green foliage in red container |
| " | 13 | Red Dahlias in black container |
| " | 14 | Yellow Dahlias in black container |
| " | 15 | Any Dahlias in green container |
| " | 16 | Any Dahlias in yellow container |
| " | 17 | Any Dahlias in white container |
| " | 18 | Autumn colored Dahlias in blue container |
| " | 19 | Any Dahlias in copper container |
| " | 20 | Any Dahlias with other garden flowers. Any container |
| " | 21 | Corsage using Dahlias. Other material in bouquet optional. Exhibitor to supply container of water to retain freshness |
| " | 22 | Old fashioned nosegay including small Dahlias in bouquet |
| " | 23 | Any distinctive exhibit of plant material for educational value or appeal to public |
| " | 24 | Gladiolus. Any container |
| " | 25 | Roses. Any container |
| " | 26 | Zinnias, one or more varieties—any container |
| " | 27 | Marigolds, African one or more varieties of recent introduction |
| " | 28 | Marigolds, French. Any container |
| " | 29 | Any Dahlias stressing use of their buds and foliage in composition |
| " | 30 | Purple or lavender and yellow combination of Dahlias |
| " | 31 | Any Dahlias combined with other garden flowers arranged in two containers as a pair |
| " | 32 | An arrangement to show distinctive use of one Dahlia bloom |
| " | 33 | Any combination of Dahlias and native flowers |
| " | 34 | My favorite arrangement |
| " | 35 | Dahlias in a prune juice bottle |

What's In a Name?

Dr. Charles H. Connors, Chairman, Nomenclature Committee

"That which we call a rose by any other name would smell as sweet", wrote Shakespeare; but when it comes to giving a name to a variety, that is another matter. The true purpose of the name is to establish an identity. Secondly, it must be a name that will have an appeal essentially for commercial purposes. After all, to make it financially worthwhile for an originator, the name given to a variety must have some advertising value.

A name is given to a variety of a plant usually without following any particular system. It may be a place name: North Pole, Fort Monmouth. Perhaps it infers an effect upon the emotions: Exquisite, Delicious. The appellation may describe a natural phenomenon: Golden Sunset. It may designate some characteristic as to color: Dusky. It may commemorate some historical event: Independence Day. Or it may be the name of a person: Milton J. Cross, Jimmie Foxx, Mrs. John Brown, Jane Cowl. Some of these latter may be strictly local in their influence (Mrs. John Brown of Main Street) while others will appeal to the radio fan, to the follower of

the stage or the screen, to sports lovers, and so on.

The idea of maintaining a list of names of Dahlias came to fruition with the publication of the first edition of Standardized Plant Names in 1924. This was under the auspices of the American Joint Committee on Horticultural Nomenclature, and the American Dahlia Society cooperated in this. Dr. J. B. S. Norton and Dr. W. E. Safford prepared the list of names from 37 leading American catalogues of 1920 and eighty catalogues of 1921. This list was made up of the names of 73 originators and introducers and about 700 varieties, including synonyms. Dr. Norton became interested in the project, and in 1924 published "Seven Thousand Dahlias in Cultivation." In compiling this list, Dr. Norton endeavored to include every known name that had been given to a Dahlia. Originators and introducers were recorded to the number of 301. The record was based in part on the index of 5,000 names kept by the late F. H. Hall at the New York (Geneva) Experiment Station. With this list of Dr. Norton's appeared the code on

nomenclature adopted by the American Dahlia Society. Dr. Norton became the chairman of the Nomenclature Committee and carried on the work for a number of years. It was then taken over by the late Dr. Marshall A. Howe, and subsequently transferred to the writer.

When a second edition of Standardized Plant Names was in preparation, the American Dahlia Society prepared a list of Dahlias. Previous to that, the committee had gone over the index and had placed between 2,000 and 3,000 names in the obsolete file. In the list prepared in 1940, there were about 850 names of originators and introducers and about 5,500 variety names, including the names of species, synonyms and homonyms.

Where a variety is listed under two different names, these are synonyms. This frequently occurs with varieties of foreign introduction. For example, Oesterguess was introduced first in Germany, but when it came to this country it was called by some dealers Easter Greeting. Another type of synonymy that causes much trouble is often found where a multiple name is used. Jersey Beauty may be listed as Beauty. Dr. Marshall A. Howe may be found under Dr. Howe, Marshall A. Howe, Howe. Some of this confusion can be avoided by following the International Code by retaining foreign names and by using not more than three parts to a name.

Homonyms occur most often when two or more varieties are given the same name or similar names. When the list was compiled, there were apparently six varieties under the name Fairy, which confusion was further confounded by Fairyland, Fairy Model, Fairy Princess, Fairy Queen, Fairy White. Seven varieties were named Twilight. There is a variety Dixie, then a series of names Dixie Cardinal, Dixie Moonlight, Dixie Pearl, etc., and in the list of addresses there are three gardens having the name Dixie. Which is who? Then there is Charm, Charms, Charmer, Charming, which are essentially homonyms. If there is a Jersey Beauty, a Dixie Beauty, a Vin-well Beauty and so on and so on, and a customer asks for Beauty, what variety will the grower send? Then we may find a pompon, a collarette, a miniature, and a large size all bearing the same name.

Mainly because of the length of the list, the second edition of Standardized Plant Names appears without the names of Dahlia varieties. It would have required about 50 pages. In the eighteen years between the publication of the first edition with 700 varieties, and this editing, all but a few have disappeared, and it is a question whether more than a score or so are still in gardens. Such a list, then, is valuable only for a relatively few years. However, it would have given us a foundation from which to work. As it is, the publication must await an angel or the time when the American Dahlia Society has some free funds.

HOW IS THE INDEX OPERATED?

The names of the Dahlias are each kept on a separate card in a file, alphabetically arranged. Under each letter of the alphabet are three sections, obsolete, reserve, active.

Mention has previously been made of the obsolete list, those varieties believed to be no longer grown to any extent. Just what to do with these names is a problem. The International Horticultural Congress, the editors of Standardized Plant Names, and the original rules of

nomenclature of the A.D.S. frown upon the reuse of a name.

The American Gladiolus Registry has a plan for the reuse of names after a period of ten years and if the name has not appeared in a catalogue at the end of that period. We may adopt such a plan, even though it controverts standard practice. At present inactive is the American Joint Committee on Plant Names. This Committee is trying to devise a set of standardized practices for the naming and registering of horticultural plants and for filing a permanent record of each plant.

So we continue, for the present, to retain these obsolete names.

The reserve file is made up of variety names and descriptions that have not yet appeared upon the market. When the reports of trial grounds are received, each variety awarded a certificate at once becomes an identity on a card in "reserve." In this file also are placed those names which are formally registered and names concerning which inquiry may be made with respect to their availability, provided intention is expressed that the name will be used for a specific introduction which has been described sufficiently to establish its identity.

Each card has entered upon it the name of the variety, the name of the originator and of the introducer, the date of introduction, the form and size, the color description and color classification, whether patented, and what certificates and honors have been awarded.

As each catalogue is received, it is scanned first for introductions. If these are in reserve they are transferred to active. If not in reserve, a card is made and filed. In case the data are not complete, a letter is at once dispatched to the cataloguer requesting full information. In a similar way, all available publications carrying news of Dahlias are read. Honor rolls, articles, reports of shows, advertisements are all sources of names.

It can at once be seen that if anyone in his catalogue or in his writing abbreviates or misspells, or in any way alters a name, this at once sets up a chain of activities that is wasteful of time. The maintenance of this file requires the fullest cooperation of every one in any way interested.

COOPERATION

Cooperation makes for the success of any project that involves a large number of people. Cooperation in this project will entail only a little thoughtfulness and observance of the golden rule. This is not an effort on the part of anyone to obtain recognition or personal glory. The American Dahlia Society as such may assume leadership in the field, and every action on its part is for the welfare of the Dahlia.

First of all, it will be in the highest degree cooperative if every grower, who issues a catalogue, will place the name of the chairman of the nomenclature committee permanently on his mailing list. Not only do we seek new names, we seek also to eliminate cards from the files of such Dahlias as are no longer in commerce.

The same holds true of bulletins of whatever sort issued by individual Dahlia societies. These help us to become acquainted with people and at the same time supply much valuable data.

Second, observe the rules of the American Dahlia Society for naming Dahlias. The following very brief rules were adopted in 1943.

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WHAT'S IN A NAME?

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RULES FOR NAMING AND REGISTERING DAHLIAS

(1) No name shall be used for a new variety of Dahlia that is now used for a variety that is in commerce, regardless of classification (that is, the same name may not be used for a pompon, a miniature, a collarette, etc.)

(2) Before applying a name to a Dahlia variety, the Nomenclature Committee should be consulted to determine if the name is in use.

(3) Dahlia names will be registered by the American Dahlia Society for a fee of \$1.00 each, provided a description is submitted that will serve to identify the variety. Names that are registered will have prior right in the archives of the American Dahlia Society.

(4) No Dahlia variety will be registered under a name which is that of a living person, unless evidence is submitted that the person so honored has given permission for the use of the name.

(5) Varieties that have been certified in an official trial garden of the American Dahlia Society will automatically be registered at no additional charge, provided a name is submitted, the use of which is admitted by the American Dahlia Society.

Suggestions adopted by the A.D.S. Executive Committee in conformity with the International Congress are recommended to those who name Dahlias, as follows:

(a) Names should be as simple as possible and of a single word. The use of not more than three words is allowed.

(b) Connective words, such as of, the, van, de and so on will not be counted.

(c) Excessively long words and words difficult to pronounce should be avoided.

(d) Names of foreign varieties should not be translated when transferred to other languages but should be preserved in the original language. A translation may be placed in brackets after the name. Foreign names may be shortened where such abbreviation will not affect the identity of the variety.

(e) Where personal names are used, the prefix Mr., Mrs., etc., and their equivalent should be avoided.

(f) The articles "a" and "the" and their equivalent should not prefix the name (Governor, not The Governor; Bride, not The Bride).

(g) Varietal names that are apt to be confused with others are to be avoided (Alexandra, Alexandre, Alexander, Alexandria, Alexandrina).

(h) The name of an existing variety should not be submitted with a modifier such as Better, Improved, etc.

(i) The use of the garden name—Hillcrest, Chataqua, Dixie, and so on—as a prefix to another name—Beauty, Giant, Sweetheart, etc.—is not a practice that would be approved by the International Code. However, the commercial value of the practice in the case of the Dahlia is recognized and it will be tolerated.

REGISTRATION AND RECORDING

Priority in the use of a name is established first by registration, and, second, by publication. If a name is officially registered, it takes precedence over any publication. The date when the registration actually takes place is the effective date, unless priority of publication

of the name given to another Dahlia can be proven.

The majority of Dahlias introduced are not registered as to name and so are recorded. The effective date of the use of the recorded name is the first publication, whether in a catalogue or in a periodical, in the form of an advertisement or in an article that will supply sufficient information to identify it.

SUGGESTIONS TO WRITERS AND CATALOGUERS

Articles are designed to be educational and informative, and catalogues will serve a much wider purpose if they are not mere lists of varieties. It will require little more effort and no more cost to give after the name of each Dahlia the name of the introducer. Thus the printed matter becomes a record and more valuable to the reader.

Try to avoid ambiguity. To state that a variety is (Foreign) is not very informative, neither is (Dutch) or (Australian). As the American Dahlia Society does not include foreign varieties in the file until they are established in this country (at least two catalogues), it is very desirable that any one having knowledge of the source of such varieties pass it on to the public.

George H. Burkart

George H. Burkart, 59, recognized as one of the nation's foremost authorities on Dahlia culture, died August 13, 1942, in his home in Port Huron, Mich., after an illness of several months.

Growing Dahlias principally as a hobby for the last two decades, Mr. Burkart originated several varieties in the garden of his home. He became one of our leading growers, receiving scores of blue ribbons and other awards for his entries in flower shows throughout the Mid-West and Eastern States.

He was vice president of the Dahlia Society of Michigan, member of the Trial Grounds Judging Committee at East Lansing, Mich., and a member of the Wolverine Men's Dahlia Club, a Michigan organization. He was also a member of the Port Huron Flower Garden Association.

Mr. Burkart was born Feb. 12, 1883, in Detroit, but had lived in Port Huron nearly all his life. At the time of his death he was employed by the Chrysler Corporation at their Marysville plant.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Annabelle Burkart, a son, Frank E. Burkart, and two grandchildren, all of Port Huron, to whom the Dahlia world in general extends heartfelt sympathy. But human consolations are weak and poor. May a higher power do that which we cannot!

May God be with you as you walk
The darkened path today,
And may his mercy lift the load
You bear upon your way;
May faith and knowledge of His love
Be with you in your loss
And comfort you who walk beneath
The shadow of the Cross.

WILLIAM H. NUNEVILLER.

William Nuneviller

Just as we go to press, word comes that Mr. Nuneviller has passed away, following a heart attack, on February 8th.

His loss will be felt keenly by the hosts of friends he has made throughout Dahliadom for over a quarter of a century. Dahlias were a great joy to Mr. Nuneviller. He was a student of the Mendel theory of heredity and was well along in his quest for a pure strain in Dahlias. That was the impelling interest which prompted him to grow over 10,000 seedlings yearly.

In Australia, where most of his seeds were produced, the plantings were called the "Salem Patch".

"Salem" introductions have been sought after by leading growers all over the world—perhaps the most noteworthy being "Greater Glory", "Robert L. Ripley", "Stephen Foster" and "Crowning Glory", which he thought was the finest of all.

To Mrs. Nuneviller and their daughter, we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

GORDON F. WAASER.

James Smith

The passing of James Smith on September 1st adds another loss to floral culture.

His death was sudden and with little suffering, but a great shock. His ability as a grower was enviable and covered a very wide range. Mr. Smith received his training in Scotland and England and shortly after the turn of the century came to Boston and New Rochelle respectively.

He finally started business in 1914 in North Plainfield, and from here his worthy Dahlias were produced.

Mr. Smith had the distinction of being the flower grower for the Crown of England.

Mr. Smith was very well read, interesting, and with his pleasant disposition was always good company. His death grieves us all and to his widow we express our heartfelt sympathy.

FRANK E. DIXON.

Dahlia Activities in Wartime

In accepting the A.D.S. Gold Medal for meritorious service to the Dahlia, J. W. Johnstone, prominent Horticultural Editor, said: "... there will always be a Metropolitan Opera House ... there will always be a Carnegie Hall ... there will always be Dahlias."

The A.D.S. will continue all its regular activities as a society but within any limitations that prosecution of the war may involve.

We are now planning a splendid New York Show—the BULLETIN will be published regularly and without curtailment. Our Trial Gardens will operate.

All who can, should plant Victory gardens this year. Border them with Miniature and Pompon Dahlias and grow the large flowering among the rows of corn, pole beans, etc.

If you would like some suggestions, write Dr. Bruce B. Preas, Rockville Centre, L. I., who did this very thing in 1942 and incidentally won as many prizes for his vegetables as for his Dahlias!

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VIVACIOUS. Formal Decorative. Color, very striking, salmon orange—tipped heavily with white. Wiry stems hold the 6 to 8 inch blooms facing. Very attractive in both garden and show-room. Medium height.

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GLOWING BEAUTY. A Formal decorative, it will, however, come Informal in some soils. Its large size and vivid color—a glowing shade of bright cardinal—makes it conspicuous in the garden, and with its excellent qualifications for the show-room, it will be a big contender for high honors among the really good reds. Strong stems hold blooms facing on medium tall bushes and foliage is heavy and insect resistant.

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"C"—Choice of 12 Wonder Dahlias at 65c, 12 for \$7.00 (plants).

SUPER-VALUE PLANT COLLECTION "D"—6 for \$6.00, 12 for \$11.00. All American, Edith Willkie, Link's Gorgeous, Lustrous, White Majesty, Lynn Fontaine, Orange Princess, Pride of Norfolk, Ruth Nichols, Scarlet O'Hara, Velvet King, Yellow Comet.

SUPER-VALUE PLANT COLLECTION "E"—6 for \$10.00, 12 for \$18.00. Columbia, Dawson, Dean Shurtleff, Dorothy Lamour, Indian Summer, Ivory Princess, King David, Tawny Triumph, Mollie B, Peach Dawn, Pink Elephant, Pink Profusion.

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EDITORIAL

What! No pictures?

Your Editor is on the spot!

Many favorable comments regarding the November issue were received—you liked the "style" of that issue and its beautiful illustrations.

That was the result of a splendid job by our new printer, Dispatch Press, Inc., New York City (Mr. Tooker's business connection over a long period of years) . . . together with the fine cooperation of our advertisers, who went all out to help us publish the kind of a BULLETIN you liked.

We appealed to our members to do two things. First, to support our advertisers and second, to increase our membership perceptibly in order that the standard of the BULLETIN might be maintained.

This present issue costs hundreds of dollars above our receipts for advertising—hence the decision to give you the news you want, but we had to forego the illustrations which you will indeed miss.

As planting time comes around, is it too much to ask that each member send in at least one new membership?

Bills have been mailed for all current dues. Some have responded with a promptness which has been definitely helpful. If you are one who has not as yet mailed your remittance, will you not do so now while you are thinking about it? Seems just a little thing and so small amount, but multiplied by a number who might, like yourself, have overlooked it, it does present a problem in these difficult days. Help your Society to keep free from debt—the great foundation upon which we can build and grow!

We express thanks and appreciation to the many who have contributed extra amounts in addition to their dues. This is the spirit which will carry through these hectic days.

Plant as many Dahlias as your Victory Garden will permit. Invite your neighbors to enjoy them—folk will not be able to drive to beaches and resorts this year. Interest more garden lovers in Dahlias.

Dahlia Society of New Jersey

Because of the heavy snowfall, icy streets and restrictions of travel, the annual meeting was not attended by the usual large number of members and visitors. In the absence of President Ray Smith and vice presidents, Mr. E. B. Lloyd conducted the meeting. The treasurer's report showed a substantial cash balance on hand, together with two \$100 and one \$50 war bonds, and no outstanding debts. A new member was welcomed at the meeting, and regrets for the illness of Mr. F. D. Marker were expressed.

Letters of appreciation for citations presented at the 20th anniversary dinner were read from Mr. W. H. Waite and Mr. W. W. Maytrott, the latter also saying he found it impossible to attend the meetings because of ill health and pressure of business.

In place of Mr. Lynn Dudley, who was unable to get to the meeting and give his analysis of the Honor Roll of Dahlias, Mr. Henry Ohlsen, Vice President of the American Dahlia Society and chairman of their Fall Show, showed pictures of many of the Dahlias on the Honor Roll in color.

Results of the annual election:

President, Ray Smith, Cedar Grove.

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TRIAL GARDEN REPORTS

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Greenough, 25 B. V. French Street, Braintree, Massachusetts. Opened petals carmine; unopened center petals ox-blood red. Flowering habit poor; stem $1\frac{3}{4}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$ in., medium. Size of flowers $\frac{6}{8}$ - $\frac{8}{4}$ in., depth $2\frac{1}{4}$ -3 in. Height 4 ft. 3 in.

17. DAHLISON. Stake Nos. 49, 50 and 51. Recommended for retrial, no charge, stock not good enough for planting; entered by Comstock Dahlia Gardens, 5140-35th Street, San Diego California.

18. MRS. RICHARD G. ATKINSON. Stake Nos. 52, 53 and 54. Recommended for retrial, no charge, stock not good enough for planting; entered by Comstock Dahlia Gardens, 5140-35th Street, San Diego, California.

19. SIR GALAHAD. Stake Nos. 55, 56 and 57. Recommended for retrial no charge, stock not good enough for planting; entered by Comstock Dahlia Gardens, 5140-35th Street, San Diego, California.

46. 14-38. Stake Nos. 136, 137 and 138. Recommended for retrial, entered by C. M. Gates, 163 Leete Street, West Haven, Connecticut. Some petals mostly lemon yellow shading to pale lemon yellow with slight tinges of peach red, while other petals have considerably more of this color making the petals appear more apricot yellow. Backs of closed petals (in center) show even more peach red. Flowering habit late; Stem $4\frac{1}{2}$ -6 in., medium to heavy, flowers face side and some the heavens. Size of flowers 8-10 in., depth $3\frac{3}{4}$ -5 in. Height 2 ft. 8 in.

56. W84-38. Stake Nos. 166, 167 and 168. Recommended for retrial, did not grow, entered by Harley T. Peck, Lebanon, Ohio.

57. W37-39. Stake Nos. 169, 170 and 171. Recommended for retrial, entered by Harley T. Peck, Lebanon, Ohio. Outer rows of petals picric yellow with rows toward center pale lemon yellow. Stem 2 in. Size of flowers 4 in., depth $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. Height 1 ft. 4 in.

58. W70-39. Stake Nos. 172, 173 and 174. Recommended for retrial, entered by Harley T. Peck, Lebanon, Ohio.

63. WINSTON CHURCHILL. Stake Nos. 187, 188 and 189. Recommended for retrial entered by Omar Coles, 224 Lafayette Avenue, Magnolia, New Jersey.

Introducing for 1943

GENERAL WAVELL, I. D.

Scored 86.8E at East Lansing, Michigan, 1942. Color from outer petals to center shades from scarlet red through nopal red to garnet; brown on rim of outer petals and at the base of all petals is pale lemon yellow. Free branching stiff stems, grows naturally 8 to 11 inches, 6 to 7 inches deep petals going back to stems. Height 5 feet, has never been forced. Won twice as best seedling and several blue ribbons when shown in Red Class. A grand dahlia.

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Midwest Trial Grounds Report

The Midwest Dahlia Trial Gardens, located at the Michigan State College, East Lansing, Mich., had a reasonable number of entries for the season 1942. The total number of entries was 79. A number of these entries were discarded during the season because of being seriously diseased with mosaic or showing severe injury from ring spot. Again it is necessary to caution growers that it is extremely important that every care be exercised in selecting healthy, disease-free stock for propagating and that every possible care be taken to prevent disease infection in the cutting bench. It would appear that at least in some cases disease has entered the plants either during the period of rooting in the cutting bench or during the time they remained potted up previous to sending out. It should be remembered that just one cutting or one plant infected with a virus may very well cause infection in all stock in the vicinity, because of the fact that the virus is carried from plant to plant by insects. Absolute control of insects seems to be most important.

The Trial Grounds Committee under the leadership of Lloyd Hook, held several enthusiastic meetings during the year and instituted a program for the training of apprentice judges. The Trial Ground Committee was made up of the following:

Lloyd L. Hook, Chairman, Grand Rapids; Nick Koenig, Mt. Clemens; J. Louis Roberts, Chicago, Ill.; A. H. Emmons, Battle Creek; A. H. Hendricks, Clio; Barton Elliott, Grand Haven; M. J. Hewitt, Jackson; A. J. Wulff, Detroit; V. L. Steckle, Lansing; C. E. Wildon, East Lansing.

Regular judges for the season were:

V. L. Steckle, Lansing; A. H. Emmons, Battle Creek; Dr. Paul Morgan, Battle Creek; Mrs. A. H. Emmons, Battle Creek; Professor M. J. Hewitt, Jackson; J. Louis Roberts, Chicago, Ill.; Barton W. Elliott, Grand Haven.

Apprentice judges were the following:

A. J. Wulff, Detroit; Gil Bachofen, Detroit; J. L. Kress, Jackson; W. C. Behl, Jackson; Mrs. C. B. Malory, Flushing; E. M. Beach, Flint; P. R. Ford, Flint; J. Ponshair, Grand Rapids; A. H. Hendricks, Clio.

Some of these judges will doubtless become regular judges next season as the work turned in was of an especially fine order the past season.

Certificates Awarded at East Lansing

Rhythm. Stake No. 21. Lacinated incurved cactus. Score 85E. Entered by Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J. Originator Dr. Herbert L. Dozier, Cambridge, Maryland. Light sulfur-yellow becoming lightly tinted mallow-pink on older florets. Flowering habit good. Stem strong, stiff, medium dark; flowers half facing to facing. Habit of growth erect branching. Diameter of flowers 6 to 9 inches; depth $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 6 inches. Height of plants $4\frac{1}{2}$ to $6\frac{1}{2}$ feet, spread $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet. Substance good.

Yellow Kitten. Stake No. 23. Miniature formal decorative. Score 85S. Entered by Chautauqua Dahlia Fields, Lawrence L. Wallace, Mayville, New York. Light greenish-yellow (faintly tipped light pink at cen-

ter). Flowering habit excellent. Stem stiff, wiry, curved; flowers half facing to facing. Habit of growth bushy, branching. Health excellent. Diameter of flowers 2 to 3½ inches; depth 1 to 2½ inches. Height of plants 3½ feet, spread 3 to 4 feet. Substance excellent.

Thelma. Stake No. 24. Miniature ball. Score 85S. Entered by Mrs. Cortis Ray, Route 2, Greensburg, Indiana. Amaranth purple. Flowering habit good. Stem 7 to 12 inches; thin, wiry, stiff, strong, green; flowers facing to half facing. Habit of growth bushy, branching. Health good. Diameter of flowers 1¾ to 2½ inches; depth ¾ to 1¾ inches. Height of plants 3 feet 8 inches to 4 feet; spread 3 to 4 feet. Substance excellent.

Co-Incident. Stake No. 38. Collarette. Score 85.4S. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan. Light greenish yellow suffused blood-red except on margins and only very lightly on center florets. Flowering habit excellent. Stem 6 to 12 inches, wiry, dark, slightly curved; flowers half facing. Habit of growth bushy, branching. Health good. Diameter of flowers 3½ to 4 inches; depth 1 to 1½ inches. Height of plants 3 to 4 feet, spread 3 to 4 feet. Substance good. Early and productive.

Dusky. Stake No. 54. Between Miniature formal decorative to ball. Score 85S. Amaranth red. Flowering habit good. Stem 5 to 10 inches, more or less crooked, strong, wiry, flowers half facing. Habit of growth very bushy, branching. Health good. Diameter of flowers 2¼ to 3½ inches; depth 1¼ to 2½ inches. Height of plants 3 feet, spread 39 to 46 inches. Substance good.

Buddy. Stake No. 66. Miniature formal decorative. Score 86S. Entered by Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, Nick Koenig, New Baltimore, Michigan. Spectrum red. Flowering habit excellent. Stem 8 to 9½ inches, stiff, wiry, slightly curved or slightly crooked; flowers erect to ½ facing. Habit of growth very bushy and branching. Health excellent. Diameter of flowers 2 to 2½ inches, depth 1 to 1¾ inches. Height of plants 3 to 3½ feet; spread 3 to 5½ feet. Good. Received highest score in garden.

General Jimmie Doolittle. Stake No. 70. Informal decorative. Score 85.8E. Entered by Omar Coles, Echo Valley Floral Gardens, 224 Lafayette Avenue, Magnolia, New Jersey. Scarlet red. Flowering habit good. Stem 9 to 15 inches, strong, thick, stiff; flower facing to half facing. Habit of growth erect, branching. Diameter of flowers 7 to 9½ inches, depth 5 to 7 inches. Height of plants 3 to 4 feet; spread 4½ feet. Substance excellent. Fine flowers, good stem, excellent foliage.

Dahlias Scoring 80 Through 84 Points

GOLDEN SATAN. Stake No. 1. Semi-cactus. Score 82E. Entered by Berry Bowen, M.D., 911 W. Gold Ave., Albuquerque, New Mexico. Greenish yellow becoming suffused mallow purple. General description medium yellow becoming overcast peach. Flowering habit good. Stem 8 to 13 in.; dark, strong, stiff, curved, flowers facing. Habit of growth dense, bushy. Diameter of flowers 7 to 9 in.; depth 3 to 5 in. Height of plants 4½ to 6 ft.; spread 3 to 4½ ft. Substance good.

GERANIUM LAKE. Stake No. 3. Informal Decorative. Score 82.5C. Entered by Wolfe Dahlia Gardens, Shipshewana, Indiana. Amaranth red. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 6 to 14 in.; dark, strong, stiff, straight to curved; flower erect to facing. Health good. Diameter of flowers 3½ to 6½ in.; depth 2 to 4 in. Height of plants 3 to 4½ ft.; spread to 4 ft.

QUINN. Stake No. 4. Miniature Formal Decorative. Score 83S. Entered by A. K. Laukel, 255 Moran Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan. Light greenish yellow (almost white) completely overcast Amaranth red. General appearance spectrum red. Flowering habit prolific. Stem 5 to 8 in.; dark, stiff, straight or slightly crooked; flowers half facing. Habit of growth dense, bushy. Health excellent. Diameter of flowers 1½ to 2½ in.; depth 1 to 1½ in. Height of plants 2½ to ? ft.; spread 3½ to 5 ft. Substance excellent. Many open centers.

MILDRED BOYLE. Stake No. 8. Informal Decorative. Score 80.7E. Entered by Clifford L. Boyle, R. 1, Valparaiso, Indiana. Basic color sulfur yellow on margin to 3/16th, almost white through center of florets, all overcast mallow pink. General appearance bronzy brown with mallow pink tips. Flowering habit excellent. Stem 8 to 14 in.; thin, dark, curved, fairly stiff, flowers facing. Habit of growth dense, bushy. Health good. Diameter of flowers 5 to 8 in.; depth 3 to 3½ in. Height of plants 3½ to 6 ft.; spread 2 to 4½ ft. Substance good.

SEEDLING 201. Stake No. 9. Informal Decorative. Score 81.2E. Entered by A. H. Rich, 1423 E. Como Blvd., St. Paul, Minnesota. Bright greenish-yellow. Flowering habit good. Stem 8½ to 12 in.; green, stiff, strong, slightly curved to crooked; flowers facing. Habit of growth dense, bushy. Diameter of flowers 7 to 9 in.; depth 3 to 5 in. Height of plants 3½ to 4½ ft.; spread 2½ to 4 ft. Substance good.

SEEDLING P. & W. C. Stake No. 10. Semi-cactus. Score 81E. Entered by A. H. Rich, St. Paul, Minnesota. Basic color almost white becoming suffused mallow-pink, general appearance mallow-pink. Flowering habit good. Stem 8 to 13 in.; strong, stiff, straight to slightly curved; flowers facing. Habit of growth erect, branching. Health good. Diameter of flowers 7 to 9 in.; depth 3 to 3½ in. Height of plants 3 to 5 ft.; spread 28 to 45 in. Substance very good.

CORA JEAN. Stake No. 14. Score 80.7C. Entered by Eva J. Griswold, Oakville, Washington. Velvety-red flecked white. Flowered too late. Free Retrial.

SEEDLING NO. 2. Stake No. 16. Informal decorative. Score 83.5E. Entered by Stanley Johnson, Cheltenham, Pennsylvania. Flavone greenish-yellow in some places lacking, and then suffused mallow-pink. Yellow flavone sometimes tinted mallow pink. Flowering habit good. Stem 5 to 9 in.; green, strong, stiff, wiry to medium thick, straight to slightly crooked; flowers erect to facing. Habit of growth erect branching.

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TRIAL GARDEN REPORTS

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Diameter of flowers 6 to 8 in.; depth 3 to 4 in. Height of plants 3 to 3½ ft.; spread to 3 ft. 8 in. Substance good. Suggest re-trial on basis of poor performance of middle plant. Very interesting coloring.

SEEDLING 57-39. Stake No. 18. Informal Decorative to semi-cactus. Score 82E. Entered by S. E. Taylor, Rockley Gardens, R. 3, Morgantown, West Virginia. Light greenish yellow lightly suffused mallow-pink. General appearance light autumn. Flowering habit fair to good. Stem 8 to 15 in.; thick, early in season rubbery, late stems stronger, slightly curved; flowers facing to erect. Stems dark reddish color. Habit of growth erect branching. Diameter of flowers 7 to 11 in.; depth 4 to 6 in. Height of plants 4 to 6 ft.; spread 2 to 4 ft. Substance good. Very vigorous growth.

PITTMAN'S NO. 153. Stake No. 19. Informal Decorative. Score 81E. Entered by Dahlidel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J. Light sulfur yellow overcast dark rose-doree, general description dull scarlet-red. Flowering habit good. Stem 7 to 16 in., medium dark, straight to slightly curved, strong, stiff; flowers facing. Habit of growth erect branching. Diameter of flowers 6 to 8 in.; depth 3 to 5 in. Height of plants 3 to 5½ ft.; spread 2 to 4 ft. Substance good.

BOUCHAUS NO. 149. Stake No. 20. Informal Decorative. Score 83E. Entered by Dahlidel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J. Basic color sulfur yellow overcast mallow-purple. General appearance mallow-purple to lighter with bronzy cast. Flowering habit good. Stem 8 to 12 in.; medium dark, straight to slightly curved; thick, strong, flowers almost to erect to facing. Habit of growth erect branching. Diameter of flowers 6 to 9 in.; depth 3 to 5 in.; Height of plants 4 to 5 ft.; spread 3 ft. Substance good.

SEEDLING NO. 42. Stake No. 25. Miniature formal Decorative. Score 80S. Entered by Mr. Cotris Ray, R. 2, Greensburg, Indiana. Light greenish yellow slightly overcast mallow-purple. General color description bronzy-rose. Flowering habit fair. Stem 5 to 10 in.; stiff, straight to slightly curved; strong flowers half facing to erect. Habit of growth bushy branching. Health good. Diameter of flowers 3 to 3½ in.; depth 1½ to 2½ in. Height of plants 31 to 43 in.; spread 39 to 44 in. Substance good.

X307. Stake No. 27. Informal Decorative. Score 81.6E. Entered by Forbes Dahlia Gardens, 137 W. Olive Avenue, Bur-

bank, California. Basic color sulfur yellow overcast completely spectrum red. General affect velvety spectrum red. Flowering habit excellent. Stem 6 to 12 in.; stiff, curved to slightly crooked; flowers facing to half facing. Habit of growth branching erect. Diameter of flowers 6 to 10 in.; depth 3 to 6 in. Height of plants 3 to 5 ft.; spread 3 ft. Substance of flowers good.

E.61-38. Stake No. 28. Incurved Cactus. Score 84.5E. Entered by Premier Dahlia Gardens, Columbia, N. J. Originator Ernest Link, Rahway, N. J. Sulfur yellow lightly suffused mallow-pink. Flowering habit excellent. Stem 10 to 14 in.; strong stiff, flowers mostly erect. Habit of growth dense, bushy. Health good. Diameter of flowers 6 to 8 in.; depth 4 in. Height of plants 3 to 5 ft.; spread 32 to 56 in. Substance very good.

PEARL HARBOR. Stake No. 29. Informal Decorative. Score 83.3E. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan, 14592 Dixie Highway, Clio, Michigan. Basic color almost white, streaked amaranth and lightly tinted mallow-pink. Flowering habit good. Stem 5 to 9 in. Flowers erect to facing. Habit of growth dense, bushy. Diameter of flowers 6 to 8 in.; depth 3 to 5 in. Height of plants 3½ to 4 ft.; spread 3½ to 4½ ft. Substance excellent. Good novelty.

NO. 1-21. Stake No. 30. Informal Decorative. Score 82E. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan. Color bright mallow-rose to lighter. Flowering habit fair. Stem 6 to 11 in.; strong, stiff, thick, flowers half facing. Habit of growth dense, bushy. Health good. Diameter of flowers 7 to 10 in.; depth 4 to 6 in. Height of plants 3 to 4½ ft.; spread 30 to 50 in. Substance good.

NO. 1-35. Stake No. 31. Informal Decorative. Score 81.3E. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan, Greenish-yellow becoming lighter. Flowering habit excellent. Stem 9 to 10 in.; strong, straight, stiff, flowers half facing. Habit of growth erect branching. Health good. Diameter of flowers 5 to 7½ in.; depth 2½ to 3½ in. Height of plants 4 to 5 ft.; spread 2 to 4 ft. Substance good.

SEEDLING 38-78. Stake No. 34. Semi-cactus. Score 82.7E. Entered by A. H. Rich, St. Paul, Minn. Sulfur yellow overcast scarlet. General appearance bronzy-scarlet. Flowering habit excellent. Stem 10 to 14 in.; thick, dark, slightly curved; flowers facing. Habit of growth bushy, branching. Diameter of flowers 6 to 8½ in.; depth 3 to 5 in. Height of plants 3 to 5½ ft.; spread 3 to 5 ft. Substance good.

SEEDLING 0-21. Stake No. 35. Informal Decorative. Score 83.2C. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan. Almost white lightly tinted mallow-pink. Flowering habit excellent. Stem 9 to 12 in.; strong, stiff, straight to slightly crooked; flowers half facing. Habit of growth very dense, bushy habit, prolific. Health good. Diameter of flowers 5 to 7½ in.; depth 3½ to 5 in. Height of plants 3 to 4 ft.; spread 3 to 4 ft. Substance excellent.

SEEDLING 1-3. Stake No. 36. Informal Decorative. Score 83.4E. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan. Almost white flaked and streaked amaranth purple. Flowering habit excellent. Stem 8 to 10 in.; strong, stiff, thick, slightly curved to slight crooked; flowers facing to half facing. Habit of growth bushy, branching. Diameter of flowers 8 to 10 in.; depth 3½ to 7 in. Height of plants 3½ to 5 ft.; spread 3 to 4 ft. Substance excellent. A fine novelty.

SEEDLING 1-127. Stake No. 37. Miniature Formal Decorative. Score 82.6S. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan. Almost white, overcast except at tips, spectrum red. Flowering habit excellent. Stem 5 to 7 in.; strong, stiff, wiry, dark, flowers erect to half facing. Habit of growth dwarf, bushy, branching. Health good. Diameter of flowers 2½ to 2½ in.; depth 1 to 1½ in. Height of plants 2 ft.; spread to 3 ft. Substance excellent.

RED F. D. Stake No. 39. Score 81E. Entered by A. H. Rich, St. Paul, Minnesota. Spectrum red. Flowering habit excellent. Stem 6 to 8 in.; slightly curved; dark, thick flowers half facing. Habit of growth dense bushy. Health good. Diameter of flowers 8½ to 10 in.; depth 6 to 7 in. Height of plants 4 to 4½ ft.; spread 3 ft. Substance good.

HARLEQUIN (GOLD GROUND). Informal Decorative. Stake No. 40. Score 83E. Entered by Ward Horticultural Co., 109 West Cedar, Webster Groves, Missouri. Lemon-yellow streaked amaranth. Flowering habit excellent. Stem 8 to 12 in.; dark, medium thick, slightly curved, some stems slightly rubbery; flowers half facing. Habit of growth dense, bushy. Health good. Diameter of flowers 6 to 7 in.; depth 4 to 5 in. Height of plants 4 to 4½ ft.; spread 3 to 4 ft. Substance good.

HARLEQUIN (YELLOW GROUND). Stake No. 41. Informal Decorative. Entered by Ward Horticultural Co., 109 W. Cedar, Webster Groves, Mo. Greenish-yellow streaked amaranth. Flowering habit excellent. Stems 12 to 17 in.; strong, stiff, sometimes rubbery; flowers facing to half facing. Habit of growth dense, bushy, branching. Health good. Diameter of flowers 6½ to 8½ in.; depth 3½ to 5 in. Height of plants 3 to 4½ ft.; spread 4 ft. Substance good.

NO. 1-17. Stake No. 42. Informal Decorative. Score 81C. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan. General color description a scarlet and white bicolor which shows some yellow. Flowering habit good. Stem 6 to 12 in.; strong, stiff, medium dark, flowers half facing to almost erect. Habit of growth erect, branching. Diameter of flowers 5 to 7 in.; depth 2 to 3 in. Height of plants 4 ft.; spread 3 to 4 ft. Substance good.

NO. 1-111. Stake No. 43. Miniature Formal Decorative with hard red centers. Score 84C. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan. Scarlet red like Lansdorf. Flowering habit good. Stem 5 to 8 in.; strong, stiff, wiry, flowers half facing. Habit of growth dwarf, bushy, dark foliage. Health excellent. Diameter of flowers 2 to 3 in.; depth $1\frac{1}{4}$ to 2 in. Height of plants 22 to 27 in.; spread 22 to 31 inches. Substance excellent. A double Bishop of Lansdorf, foliage dark green much like Lansdorf.

CAROL BEATA. Stake No. 44. Informal Decorative Score 83E. Entered by Oakleigh Gardens, 961 Oakleigh Road, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Originator Rev. W. Lauterbach, Waupaca, Wisconsin. Light greenish yellow lightly tinted scarlet—general appearance peach. Flowering habit fair. Stem 7 to 10 in.; thick, strong, curved; flowers half facing to facing down. Habit of growth bushy, branching. Health good. Diameter of flowers 8 to 10 in.; depth 4 to 6 in. Height of plants 3 to 4 ft.; spread $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 ft. Substance good.

EUGENE LAUTERBACH. Stake No. 45. Formal Decorative. Score 80.8E. Entered by Oakleigh Gardens, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Originator Rev. Lauterbach, Waupaca, Wisconsin. Amaranth purple. Flowering habit good. Stem 9 to 15 in.; strong, curved, rubbery early in season; flowers half facing. Habit of growth tall, branching. Health good. Diameter of flowers 7 to 9 in.; depth 3 to 4 in. Height of plants 4 to 7 ft.; spread $3\frac{1}{2}$ to $4\frac{1}{2}$ ft. Substance good.

MONTEBELLO. Stake No. 48. Informal decorative. Score 80.8E. Entered by Harry A. Robinson, 324 N. Wilcox Ave., Montebello, Cal. Amaranth purple. Flowering habit fair. Stem 5 to 6 in.; thick; flowers facing. Habit of growth erect, bushy. Diameter of flowers 6 to 8 in.; depth 4 in. Height of plants 4 to 5 ft.; spread 3 to 4 ft. Substance good. Very short stems, not many blooms.

YELLOW SYLVIA. Stake No. 52. Miniature Ball. Score 82S. Entered by Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Michigan. Light greenish-yellow. Flowering habit excellent. Stem 5 to 9 in.; thin, stiff, wiry, strong, flowers half facing. Habit of growth very bushy. Health good. Diameter of flowers $1\frac{1}{4}$ to $2\frac{3}{4}$ in.; depth 1 to $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. Height of plants 3 to $3\frac{1}{2}$ ft.; spread 3 to $4\frac{1}{2}$ ft. Substance excellent. Fine color, good center, but short stem.

MICHIGAN ORANGE. Stake No. 53. Semi-cactus. Score 82.5C 81E. Entered by Lakeside Gardens, New Baltimore, Michigan. Light greenish yellow overcast scarlet-mallow. General description light scarlet. Flowering habit good. Stem 6 to 10 in.; wiry, slightly curved; flowers facing. Habit of growth erect, branching. Health good. Diameter of flowers 4 to 7 in.; depth $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 in. Height of plants 4 ft.; spread 3 to 4 ft. Substance good. Too much like Glendon's Comet.

LK 111-17 Stake No. 55. Informal Decorative. Score 84E. Entered by Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Michigan. Light greenish yellow becoming lightly suffused mallow-pink. Flowering habit fair. Stem 9 to 14 in.; strong, stiff, medium dark, flowers half facing. Habit of growth tall branching. Health good. Diameter of flowers 7 to 9 in.; depth 3 to 5 in. Height of plants 4 to $5\frac{1}{2}$ ft.; spread 3 to 4 ft. Substance good.

923. Stake No. 56. Informal Decorative. Score 81.4E. Entered by H. H. Robens, 41 Hall Ave., Chagrin Falls, Ohio. Light Amaranth red. Flowering habit good. Stem 8 to 13 in.; strong, stiff, thick; flowers facing to half facing. Habit of growth erect branching. Diameter of flowers 8 to 10 in.; depth 4 to 5 in. Height of plants 3 to 4 ft.; spread 3 ft. Substance of flowers good.

EDGAR GUEST. Stake No. 58. Informal Decorative. Score 82.6E. Entered by Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Michigan. Sulfur yellow. Flowering habit good. Stem 5 to 10 in.; strong, stiff, straight; flowers facing. Habit of growth erect branching, bushy. Health good. Diameter of flowers $5\frac{1}{2}$ to 8 in.; depth $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 in. Height of plants 3 to 4 ft.; spread 3 to $4\frac{1}{2}$ ft. Substance good.

MISS NEW BALTIMORE. Stake No. 59. Informal Decorative. Score 83.4E. Entered by Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Michigan. Sulfur yellow. Flowering habit fair. Stem 4 to 9 in.; slightly curved. Habit of growth erect, bushy. Diameter of flowers 4 to $8\frac{1}{2}$ in.; depth $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 in. Height of plants 4 to $4\frac{1}{2}$ ft.; spread 3 to $3\frac{1}{2}$ ft. Substance good.

DEEP LAVENDER. Stake No. 60. Formal Decorative. Score 82.4C. Entered by Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Michigan. Mallow rose to lighter. Flowering habit good.

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508-40. Stake No. 61. Semi-cactus. Score 83.6E. Entered by Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Michigan. Mallow-rose. Flowering habit good. Stem 5 to 10 in.; straight to curved; flowers facing. Habit of growth erect branching. Health good. Diameter of flowers 6 to 8 in.; depth $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 in. Height of plants $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 ft.; spread $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 ft. Substance good.

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TRIAL GARDEN REPORTS

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IKE. Stake No. 67. Miniature. Score 84C. Entered by Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Michigan. Spectrum red. Flowering habit good to excellent. Stem 7 to 13 in.; strong, stiff, straight to slightly curved; flowers half facing to erect. Habit of growth erect branching. Health good. Diameter of flowers $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 in.; depth $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 in. Height of plants $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 ft.; spread 4 ft. Substance excellent.

517-40. Stake No. 68. Informal Decorative to Semi-cactus. Score 82.8E. Entered by Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Michigan. Scarlet. Flowering habit fair to poor. Stem 9 to 12½ in.; thick, strong, medium dark; flowers half facing. Habit of growth erect, branching. Diameter of flowers 7 to 8 in.; depth $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 in. Height of plants 4 ft.; spread 3 ft. Substance of flowers good.

C. E. WILDON

Associate Professor of Horticulture

Ohio Valley Trial Grounds

The season at Cincinnati was a very good one, both in the trials and the planting of standard varieties in the beds adjoining the trial grounds. There were 28 varieties on trial the past season and some were very outstanding.

The weather for the most part was ideal, with plenty of rain, and only a short hot spell in late August. We have always advertised the fact that the high elevation of the Trial Grounds saves it from an early frost. This was proven again this year, most of the gardens in this area were frosted on September 26th, thus keeping many fine blooms from being shown at the Victory Show on September 26 and 27. Some few blooms in the Trial plantings were burned slightly at this time but revived and produced many fine blooms until October 26 when we received our first killing frost.

Colored photographs were taken of the varieties in the Trial grounds this year, and proved very helpful when the final scores were given. These pictures were used together with the field sheets and score cards. The Trial Grounds Committee did a fine job this year, despite the fact that some of the members are engaged in war

work and had difficulty in finding time to view the Trials. Some of the varieties did not bloom until late and some not at all, these will be given a retrial. Any information regarding the Trial Grounds please contact O. W. Mills, 3628 Kroger Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio.

ROBERT SEIBEL, *Superintendent*,
Trial Grounds.

PINK PAL. Stake No. 274. Formal Decorative. Score 85E. Entered by Dayton Dahlia Gardens, 647 N. Main Street, Akron, Ohio. Color—Clear deep pink. Flowering habit good. First bloom Sept. 1st. Cutting length of stem 18 to 24 in. Bush growth upright with good laterals. Stems long, stiff, with good proportion, blooms facing. Size of bloom 7 x 3 in.; bush height 5 ft.; spread 3 ft. Substance good.

BRIGHT IDEA. Stake 276. Miniature Formal Decorative. Score 85M. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan. Color—Crimson tipped white. Flowering habit very good. Blooms held well out of foliage, stems 12 to 16 in. in length and had good proportion. Blooms $2\frac{1}{2}$ to $1\frac{1}{2}$ in.; bush height 2 ft.; spread $1\frac{1}{2}$ ft. Was very attractive in garden and nearly all of the blooms were evenly marked through the season.

DIXIE'S WINE DOT. Stake No. 279. Informal Decorative. Score 85E. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan. Color—White splashed with wine red. Flowering habit good. First bloom September 1st. Cutting length of stem 18 in. Bush growth upright with good laterals. Stems, stiff with good proportion, blooms carried out of foliage and were facing, some few faced down due to size of bloom. Size of bloom 8 x 4 in. Bush height 6 ft.; spread 3 ft. Good substance. This variety will be useful in its color class as it is different from existing varieties.

BOCHAU NO. 176. Stake 281. Informal Decorative. Score 86E. Entered by Dahlia del Nurseries, Vineland, New Jersey. Color—Mallow purple, shaded lights to outer edge of petals, outer edge of petals pencilled gold giving decided sheen to blooms. Flowering habit very good. Blooms carried facing to half facing on good stiff stems of good proportion. Bush growth upright with good laterals. Size of blooms 9 to 15 in. Bush height 5 ft.; spread $2\frac{1}{2}$ ft. This was the most outstanding in the trial this year, and the color is very attractive and different.

DUSKY. Stake No. 293. Miniature Ball. Score 84.2B. Entered by Andrew Doermann, North Trevoe Ave., Cheviot, Ohio. Color—Carmine shaded maroon. Flowering habit good, blooms carried on good stiff stems and had good proportion. Good bush growth, height 3 ft.; spread $2\frac{1}{2}$ ft. Size of blooms 3 x 2, very good compact ball.

Varieties Scoring 80 to 84

NO. 2. Stake 275. Informal Decorative to Semi-cactus. Score 82.2E. Entered by Stanley Johnson, Cheltenham, Penna. Color—Bright gold with salmon suffusion. Flowering habit, prolific. Blooms carried facing on good stems of good proportion. Bush low in growth but having many laterals coming from base of plant. Size of bloom 7 x 3 in. Bush height 3 ft.; spread $2\frac{1}{2}$ ft. One of the plants sported, having blooms with a cream color splashed pink and yellow, was very attractive and different, could be given retrial.

NO. 1-1. Stake No. 277. Informal Decorative. Score 82-E. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan. Color—Light lavender splashed red. Flowering habit fair. Blooms carried on fair stems, but most blooms faced down somewhat due to crooked stem right at bloom. Good bush growth and laterals. Size of bloom 7 x 4 in. Bush height $4\frac{1}{2}$ ft.; spread $2\frac{1}{2}$ ft. Remarks. Color combination very good.

NO. 1-17. Stake No. 278. Informal Decorative. Score 80E. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan. Color—Flame tipped white, some blooms gold tipped white, blooms carried facing to facing up on fair stems. Not a good bush growth, somewhat loose. Size of bloom 5 in. x $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. Bush height 4 ft.; spread 2 ft. Poor growth kept this variety from scoring higher.

RHYTHM. Stake No. 282. Cactus. Score 82.8E. Entered by Dahlia del Nurseries, Vineland, New Jersey. Color—Pink shaded yellow to center of bloom, very different and attractive. Blooms carried facing up on good stiff stems well above foliage. First bloom September 15th. Bush growth good, upright with good laterals, size of blooms 7 in. x $3\frac{1}{2}$. Bush height 4 ft.; spread $2\frac{1}{2}$ ft. The back on most of the blooms burned before the blooms were fully opened, this condition kept this variety from scoring. Remarks. This variety looks like it has merit and was very different, under different growing conditions may do better.

PITTMANS NO. 153. Stake 284. Semi-cactus. Score 82.5E. Entered by Dahlia del Nurseries. Color—Flame with orange reverse, flowering habit good. Blooms carried facing on good stems of good proportion. Only one of the plants grew well but this had good growth with good laterals. Size of blooms 8 in. x 4 in.; bush height 4 ft.; spread $2\frac{1}{2}$ ft. Remarks. Recommend retrial.

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RED DECORATIVE. Stake No. 288. Formal Decorative. Score 80E. Entered by A. H. Rich. Color—Maroon very showy. Flowering habit good but did not bloom until late. Blooms carried facing on good stems. Fair bush growth. Size of bloom 7 x 3 in.; bush height 4 ft.; spread 2½ ft. Remarks. Good bright color. Recommend retrieval.

40-7. Stake No. 292. Collarette. Score 82.2 Col. Entered by Andrew Doermann, North Trevor Ave., Cheviot, Ohio. Color—Cream with yellow center. Flowering habit good, blooms carried on good stems for cutting of good proportion. Bush growth open, carrying many blooms at one time. Size of bloom 4½ x 5 in.; bush height 3½ ft.; spread 2 ft. Remarks. This variety will work well in artistic arrangements.

NO. 39-53. Stake No. 295. Collarette. Score 82.8 Col. Entered by Andrew Doermann, Cheviot, Ohio. Color—Maroon yellow center with yellow petaloids. Flowering habit good with good upright growth. Good stems of good proportion. Size of bloom 4 in.; bush height 4 ft.; spread 2½ ft.

Varieties 70 to 80 and No Blooms

G-138. Stake N. 271. Entered by Wm. Gulask, 15 Bouca Street, San Francisco, California. No bloom. Recommend retrieval.

BI-COLOR. Stake No. 272. Informal Decorative. Score 79E. Entered by Clifford Boyle, R. R. No. 1, Valpariso, Indiana. Color—Cinnamon tipped white. Flowering habit good, blooms carried facing on good stems. All the blooms had hard green centers, which kept variety from scoring. Size of blooms 9 x 6 in.; bush height 5 ft.; spread 3 ft. Remarks. Recommend retrieval.

NO. 41. Stake No. 273. Miniature Formal Decorative. Score 77M. Entered by Mrs. Cortes Ray, Greensburg, Indiana. Color—Rose with apricot reverse. Flowering habit fair. Good bush growth and stems. Size of blooms 2½ x 1½ in.; bush height 2 ft.; spread 1½ ft. Sparse bloomer.

MOZART. Stake No. 280. Ball 76-B. Entered by Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, New Jersey. Color—White. Flowering habit fair. This variety did not grow well.

WINTER MOON. Stake No. 283. Medium Cactus. Score 79.3C. Entered by Dahliadel Nurseries. Color—White shaded cream to center. Flowering habit fair. Blooms faced down, carried on long thin stems. Bush growth fair with fair amount of laterals. Size of bloom 4 x 3 in.; bush height 3 ft.; spread 2½ ft.

NO. 40-39. Stake No. 285. Entered by A. H. Rich. No bloom. Retrieal recommended.

NO. 38-63. Stake No. 286. Informal Decorative. Score 78E. Entered by A. H. Rich. Color—Violet red. Flowering habit fair. Blooms carried facing on good stems, only one plant grew well. Blooms appeared soft. Size of bloom 7 x 3 in.; bush height 3½ ft.; spread 2 ft.

NO. 12. Stake 287. Semi-cactus. Score 79.6E. Entered by A. H. Rich. Color—Clear yellow. Flowering habit fair, large blooms but faced down, bush growth poor. Size of blooms 8 x 3 in.; bush height 3 ft.; spread 2 ft.

NO. 39-45. Stake N. 289. Informal Decorative. No score. Entered by A. H. Rich. Variety just beginning to bloom at end of season. Retrieal recommended.

BOBBY K. Stake No. 290. Miniature Cactus. No score. Entered by Gordon Waaser, Baldwin, L. I., New York. Variety just beginning to bloom at end of the season. Retrieal recommended.

NO. 40-31. Stake No. 291. Collarette. No score. Entered by Andrew Doermann, Cheviot, Ohio. Variety did not bloom. Recommended retrieval.

NO. 39-25. Stake No. 294. Collarette. Score 78.6. Entered by Andrew Doermann, Cheviot, Ohio. Color—Yellow, yellow center some white petaloids. Flowering habit good. Stems a little weak, fair bush growth not insect resistant. Size of blooms 3 in.; bush height 3 ft.; spread 2 ft.

X-P. Stake No. 296. Informal Decorative. Entered by Oakleigh Gardens. Variety did not bloom until end of season. No score. Variety looked like it had merit. Recommended retrieval.

W-137-39. Stake No. 297. Entered by Golden Rule Dahlia Farm. Did not bloom. Recommended retrieval.

SCHUTTE YELLOW. Stake No. 298. Formal Decorative. Score 79.1E. Entered by Golden Rule Dahlia Farm, Lebanon, Ohio. Color—Bright yellow. Flowering habit fair. Good clean bush growth but all blooms faced down. Size of bloom 8 x 4 in.; bush height 3 ft.; spread 2½ ft.

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Trial Gardens—University of Maryland Sponsored by the Baltimore Dahlia Society

The year 1942 which started out so very promising turned out to be one of the most disastrous. Because of the very dry season of 1941, the Baltimore Dahlia Society purchased and installed a Skinner irrigation system. This was installed and used for the first time July 20th. That night it rained and continued to rain until the middle of August.

The ground became saturated with water with no opportunity to dry out. Again in October similar conditions existed. The rainfall reported at College Park was for June 5.45 inches, July 5.46, August 9.15, September 2.63 and October 9.45.

Despite this deluge of water the seedlings that survived developed remarkably well and a few deemed worthy of receiving certificates. Others showed up well enough to give indications that they might have been worthy of recognition had the season been more favorable.

We were further handicapped in getting the necessary labor to keep the garden in shape. If it had not been for the fine cooperation of Frank Goetzer and Henry Cory we would have been in a worse plight.

DAHLIAS SCORING 85 OR BETTER

Rhythm. Stakes 10, 11, 12. Incurved cactus, entered by Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J. Cameo of Shrimp Pink, suffused with rose and lemon shadings at the base of petals and center. A real break in formation, with petal tips double-serated. Profuse bloomer, set

Dusky . . .

This is my first origination; a carmine shaded maroon miniature ball. Very prolific bloomer.

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MARYLAND TRIAL GARDENS

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straight and stiff. Size of flower 7½ in., depth 3½ in., height 5 ft. 4 in.

Pittman's 153. Stakes 16, 17, 18. Informal decorative, entered by Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J. Deep cerise. Flowering habit good, stem strong, erect and graceful. Flower facing side. Size of flower 9½ in. to 10 in., depth 5 in., height 4 ft. 7 in. Score 86E.

Dorothy Hertel. Stakes 19, 20, 21. Formal decorative, entered by Benj. Hertel, Grand Rapids, Mich. Shell pink on golden yellow base. Flowering habit prolific; stem strong, thick and straight; flowers erect to half facing. Size of flowers 9 to 10 in., depth 5 to 6 in., height 4 ft. 10 in. Score 85E.

Wiley Post. Stakes 22, 23, 24. Formal decorative, entered by J. H. Patrick, Salem, N. J. Pale yellow nearing white as season develops. Flowering habit prolific, stem medium length, flower facing side. Size of flower 5½ in., depth 3 in., height 5 ft. 1 in. Score 85C.

Shipley's Miniature. Stakes 34, 35, 36. Miniature semi-cactus, entered by Marvin Shipley, Harmans, Md. Shell pink with white center. Flowering habit prolific; stem wiry, good. Flowers uniform; size 3½ in., depth 1¼ in., height 2 ft. 8 in. Score 86S.

X-P. Stakes 40, 41, 42. Cactus entered by Oakleigh Gardens, Grand Rapids, Mich. Red. Flowering habit good; stem strong; erect flowers on end facing heaven. Size of flowers 10 in., depth 4 in. x 4½ in., height 6 ft. Score 85E.

Dusky. Stakes 43, 44, 45. Miniature ball, entered by Andrew F. Doermann, Cheviot, Ohio. Carmine shaded

maroon. Flowering habit prolific; stem straight, stiff, flower facing side. Size 3½ in., depth 2½ in., height 3 ft. 5 in. Score 85S.

39-53. Stakes 46, 47, 48. Collarette, entered by Andrew F. Doermann, Cheviot, Ohio. Red with collar of citron yellow, lighter tips, sometimes streaked violet red. Flowering habit prolific; stem strong, graceful. Size of flower 5 in., height 4 ft. 8 in. Score 85S.

Other seedlings which showed promise but which did not have a fair trial due to weather conditions, nevertheless developed sufficiently to indicate they merited further trial:

Winter Morn. Medium sized white cactus, entered by Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J.

Mozart. White ball, entered by Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J.

Bochau 142. Deep lavender purple formal decorative, entered by Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J.

Despite the various drawbacks the Trial Gardens will be planning for the coming season; the Baltimore Dahlia Society, Inc., having elected Mr. Henry Cory as chairman of their committee.

The Baltimore Dahlia Society wishes to extend an invitation to all growers of seedlings to send their roots or plants to the University of Maryland, Trial Garden, College Park, Md.

The grounds will be put in the very best shape, with the necessary drainage and a complete irrigation system installed. Due to the shortage of labor only seedlings will be grown this year.

Mr. Henry Cory will be the chairman and he has secured the following to act as judges: Dr. W. R. Ballard, Dr. Mahoney, Dr. Schrader, horticulturists at the University; Mr. Frank Goetzger and Dr. H. C. Parker of Washington, and N. A. Gossman, W. R. Schaun and E. L. Schaun of Baltimore.

Planting time from May 15th to June 10th, and plants or roots should be sent to Dr. W. R. Ballard, University of Maryland, College Park, Md. The gardens will be run in strict accordance with the A.D.S. method for growing as well as judging and certificates will be awarded.

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New Jersey Dahlia Society

The 20th anniversary dinner of the Dahlia Society of New Jersey held at Essex House, Newark, November 14th, was attended by 60 members and friends. Since frost had spoiled all Dahlias, chrysanthemums in various colors were used in the lovely table decorations by Mrs. W. W. Maas, first vice president. A feature of the speakers' table was a beautifully decorated two foot wide birthday cake, the gift of Mr. Frank Marker, which was served at the conclusion of the dinner. Seated at the speakers' table were Mrs. F. H. Fisher, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. S. G. Van Hoesen, first secretary of the society; Mr. Gordon Waaser, Baldwin, L. I., guest speaker; President Ray Smith, and past-presidents Dr. C. H. Connors, Conrad Frey and Ed Lloyd, who is now president of American Dahlia Society. Other special guests were Mr. Lynn Dudley, past president of American Dahlia Society; Mr. George Cooper, of the group of three that planned the organization of the society; Mrs. E. V. Romaine, Hohokus; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shanks, Arlington; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Olsen, Flushing, L. I., and 11 members of Irvington Garden Club.

Mrs. S. G. Van Hoesen told the story of the organization of the Dahlia Society of New Jersey on which Mr. Cooper, Mr. J. A. (Daddy) Kemp and she worked for many years before the formal organization in March, 1923. Originally only people living in New Jersey were to be allowed to become members, but this was later amended to allow anyone to join. However the New Jersey Dahlia Society was formally organized in New York City, during Flower Show week of 1923, and there were 161 members the first year. That Fall the first Dahlia show was held at Robert Treat Hotel in Newark with the innovation of allowing only longstemmed Dahlias in exhibits.

Dr. Connors was introduced as the member always on the spot to perform any service required, and he had prepared some citations for the evening. In his remarks, Dr. Connors said that the New Jersey Dahlia Society was made up of progressive Dahlia growers from all parts of this and adjoining states, and from the start it set very high standards for Dahlias. It was the pioneer in permitting only long-stemmed Dahlias to be exhibited at its shows, a practice soon adopted by practically all Dahlia shows. It established the first state trial Dahlia garden in 1924, making a new scale of points to cover their high standards, among them 25 per cent for stems. This caused the American Dahlia Society to revise its standards and scale of points, and soon thereafter New Jersey gave up its trial grounds and had its members send their Dahlias for trial to the American Dahlia Society trial grounds at Storrs, Conn.

Dr. Connors stated that a committee of the society believed that some members should have special recognition for their activities in the society, and for that purpose they had chosen the certificate used in the trial

garden. These certificates were presented to the following: Mrs. S. G. Van Hoesen "for long and arduous work done in the organization of the society and as secretary for the first four years"; Mrs. H. D. Thomas "for indefatigable work for the educational displays at the International Flower Shows and for keeping the society in the eyes of the public through the press"; Mr. Ed Lloyd for "indifferently" working in setting up numerous flower shows—and always having them fully ready on time with a minimum of confusion; Mr. Conrad Frey "for always looking for an argument to help the other fellow" and in token of his term as president; Mrs. W. W. Maas for many years of activity in the society (since its organization) and special recognition of the unsung job of catering at each meeting; Mr. W. H. Waite for much helpful advice and originating the Dahlia of most profit to the most people, Jersey Beauty; James Kennedy for the aid rendered by "the clan" (father and three brothers) to all horticultural activities and in loving remembrance of the father of the clan; W. W. Maytrott for activity in growing Dahlias and help in the society; Leo L. Pollak for valuable aid in conduct of the society for three years as president and in the annual flower shows; Ray Smith, our youngest president, for taking over so ably the burden of the society where the oldsters left off.

The gold medal of the society was then presented to Miss Frances Hornfeck in recognition of many years of valuable services to the society and as secretary for fifteen years. A gold medal was presented, also, to Mrs. F. H. Fisher, for many years treasurer and now secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Fisher remarked that although her firms had received many gold medals for exhibits she set up at flower shows, this was the first medal she had received for herself!

On behalf of the Dahlia Society, Mrs. Fisher presented to Mr. Ray Smith, retiring president who is entering war service shortly, a fitted toilet case, expressing the hope of all the members that he may find it useful while away, but return in a year and bring it back with him.

Mr. Ed Lloyd was introduced as the president of the American Dahlia Society, and then "that person" who helps Mr. Lloyd so well to make the American Dahlia Society run so smoothly, the secretary of the American Dahlia Society and Editor of the BULLETIN, Mr. Gordon Waaser, who gave the principal talk of the evening. Mr. Waaser said "It is very significant that Divine Providence permits us, in a day like this, to gather together from various sections of the state as a Dahlia Society." He spoke of the functions of the Dahlia and of horticultural societies in the war; of a meeting in New York City six months ago of representatives of horticultural societies to discuss the plight of those societies in this country. Some people thought we should "lay low and go easy" on shows and growing flowers; we expect to take a cut in membership; there would be few advertisers for the BULLETIN so why not cut it down and after the war build it up again. The speaker believed that now is the best time to build and not retrogress. New Jersey Dahlia Society he said had given the American Dahlia Society three splendid presidents, Warren W. Maytrott, Connie Frey and now Ed Lloyd. He believes the societies should go ahead and have their shows and get out their bulletins—in fact make them even better. "One of the points I want to make

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tonight is this, that we must develop a greater loyalty among the membership to the advertisers in the BULLETINS. We are about to bring out the November BULLETIN and it will be one of the largest we have ever published; it will contain more fine advertising than we have had for years. Be on the job to bring about this closer cooperation among the members; we must patronize these advertisers. Every advertiser is a man of fine reputation." I do not think any society in the United States has contributed so much to the development of the Dahlia. Quite the most important Dahlia introduction was a gorgeous flower grown by Mr. Waite and exhibited by John Sheepers in a New York show years ago—Jersey Beauty.

For years everyone wanted big flowers regardless of the weak necks, and they paid no attention to good cactus and pompons; this society insisted upon long stems at shows and discarded the weak ones. They also featured cactus and pompon Dahlias. Mrs. Fisher was never beaten for the gold medal at the American Dahlia shows, and she not only had good flowers but always a most beautiful and artistic set-up. Mr. Maytrott at one show long ago set up a Dahlia garden in peatmoss beds that looked as if it had been growing there for five months.

One might continue another hour and not exhaust the series of events that demonstrate the influence of the Dahlia Society of New Jersey. Finally, I would like to impress upon you that it is your job to see that at least one person who has never grown a Dahlia has one or two tubers this Spring and that each of you bring a new member into your society so that when Ray Smith comes back in a year he will return to a society double its present size.

Mr. Lynn Dudley was introduced and asked if he could give us a list of the Dahlias to be grown next year. He replied that there would be two different reports of two different honor rolls published in early magazines, also report of the trial grounds. He paid warm tribute to Mr. Ray Smith, saying that if he went into war work and worked as hard as he did at the New York show last Fall and relieved the men as he did then, he would be sure to get ahead.

Mr. Richard VanderHeid of Hawthorne, followed with moving pictures of the New Jersey show at Kearny last October, the trial gardens at Storrs at three-week intervals last Fall, and other flower shows and gardens where Dahlias were featured, which were greatly enjoyed by everyone. One very interesting picture was that of the year-old daughter of Ray Smith standing by her father's Dahlia exhibit of flowers much larger than her head; another was of the charter member J. A. Kemp and his new White Champion. Among the charter members present were Mrs. S. G. Van Hoesen, Miss Frances Hornfeck, Mr. George Cooper, Dr. C. H. Connors, and Mr. Conrad Frey, and there may have been others whom the writer did not see, for which I beg their pardon.

MORE WAYS TO USE DAHLIAS

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The kinds of foliage available for arranging with Dahlias is extensive. That of trees and shrubs, such as copper beech, Andromeda, smoke bush as it begins to take on fall coloring, are effective when just enough

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foliage is used to emphasize the flowers in the bouquet. Be sure to eliminate with your sharp shears, any leaves that appear unnecessary for the artistic value of the composition and use it sparingly. Flowers, not foliage, should be the center of interest.

The bride's table beset with white Dahlias, her bridal bouquet and those of her bridal party may well be made of Dahlias.

For patriotic color schemes of red, white and blue, use Dahlias of red and white with other blue flowers or with a vase that completes the color triad.

Old-fashioned nosegays with Dahlias and other sweetly scented flowers are admired for their quaintness. To make one, use small Dahlias, circling them in rows around the scented bud in the center of the bouquet.

Pairs of vases for mantel decorations are effective with Dahlias. Many varieties of garden flowers and native flowers combine well with most Dahlias and interesting effects are obtained with them. Try as many color effects and harmonies with your Dahlias as you can, adapting them in any vases and you will be sure to want to grow more than your ration this year.

All Dahlias for whatever purpose used, keep as well as most flowers, when cut with particular care and consideration, treating them especially to prevent wilting. Cut in the evening and allow them to remain in water for several hours, keeping stems filled with water. Never subject them to currents of air, for breezes promptly steal their moisture and cause them to droop quickly.

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Mid-West Dahlia Conference Meeting

After much serious thought and consideration in regards to the problem of transportation, Mr. R. C. Swartz, president of the Mid-West Dahlia Conference, thought it advisable to postpone the meeting which was to be held in Fort Wayne, Indiana, on January 16, 1943, until a later date, when the weather will be more inviting and transportation, we hope, more available. We hope that members of affiliated societies will give this meeting serious thought and some society extend an invitation for the 1943 Show.

We realize we are at war, but Dahlias will always be grown and Dahlias will always be shown, and when the Dahlia fever hits, some arrangements will be made, so that the Dahlia Bug will find it possible to attend the shows—be they where they may.

Mrs. W. F. KLEINJOHN, *Secretary*.

Hagerstown Dahlia Society

The following officers for the Hagerstown, Md., Dahlia Society for the year 1943, were elected at their regular monthly meeting: President, H. C. Kuhn; First Vice-President, I. Keller Shank; Second Vice-President, Homer C. Grove; Secretary, H. K. Ramsburg, 57 Wayside Avenue; Assistant Secretary, Mrs. Wilbur H. Lewis; Treasurer, Charles W. Zahn.

The Executive Committee: Roy Polsgrove, chairman; D. A. Gossard, H. W. Wilhide, Mrs. H. C. Kuhn, Charles A. Eldridge, Miss Margaret Middlekauff and A. H. Sherman.

Our December meeting brought the 1942 season to an official close. The social part of the meeting was in keeping with the Christmas spirit, at which time gifts were exchanged.

Thus ends another happy Dahlia year, with many plans under way for 1943.

H. K. RAMSBURG, *Secretary*.

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Seedlings in the South

By Rev. Benjamin L. Knight, Marion, S. C.

It was in the late summer of 1929 while I was pastor of one of the Columbia churches that I first became interested in Dahlias. I saw some fine blooms in a florist's show window down town that attracted my attention. And later on in the season blooms used in the church by some of my members completely won me over and caused me to adopt the Dahlia as my favorite flower and my life-time hobby.

The next season I planted roots of Jersey's Beauty, plants of Jane Cowl, Kathleen Norris and other outstanding varieties. They did well and their performance increased my interest, an interest which has grown in intensity and volume with the passing of the years.

In the spring of 1937 I saw a few seedlings in a friend's garden that had grown up voluntarily from seed fallen out of seed pods the fall before. They were so healthy and promising in growth that I was convinced that seed from better Dahlias would produce better results and I resolved then and there to try my hand at growing seedlings.

Early in 1938 I bought 200 seed from growers in New Jersey and California. Their use taught me some things to do as well as some things not to do. That fall I visited a number of famous gardens in Maryland, Pennsylvania and New Jersey, met the owners, saw their seedlings and learned many valuable lessons. Since then I have been experimenting with seed from five or six California growers, keeping a check on seedlings from certain seed parents. My discoveries have been most helpful and rewarding. Today, I have about forty different seedlings, giving me a full range of colors and several distinct types. Some of these seedlings are as fine in every way as the best Dahlias I have grown from roots or plants or ever saw grown by anybody else. This is said in face of the fact that I grow a dozen or more of the new introductions every year in addition to a number of earlier leading varieties.

Seedlings can be grown in the south with little effort and attention. I grow them, and know from experience that the effort will be worthwhile. I plant the seed the last week of March in a protected spot in the garden in a sunny location after the soil has been thoroughly spaded and smoothed into a seed bed, in rows two inches apart with the seed about one and one-half inches apart and three-eighths of an inch deep; water them down after planting and two or three times a day as needed until they are up and growing. I enclose the seed bed with wire netting to keep out cats and birds. In about two weeks after planting some of the seedlings are large enough to be transplanted in their proper places in the open garden. I usually plant two seedlings to a hill, one on each side of the stake, setting them in a shallow saucer-like depression so the soil can be worked to them as they grow larger. I prepare my garden soil for the seedlings as for other Dahlias, broadcast compost and sow rye in the fall, plow under in the early spring, level the lot, set stakes three and one-half feet apart, plant and cultivate and fertilize as to needs of plants.

What an extra and lasting joy it would be to every Dahlia grower to grow some seedlings, whether they are started in the open garden or green house. It will make life fuller, happier, more beautiful.

Puget Sound Dahlia Society Seattle, Wash.

The American Dahlia Society Bronze Medal Certificate was won by Mr. J. E. Hulin, 5964-24th Avenue S.W., Seattle, Washington, for having the most points in Section "E", Undisseminated Dahlias.

Our Dahlia show this year was a combination of Dahlia show and Victory Garden Fair.

You have heard the old saying "Where angels fear to tread . . .", well, with the Puget Sound Dahlia Society it was "The ignorant or innocent rush in where angels fear to tread . . ." With last year's successful show under our belts we decided to have a Dahlia Show combined with the Victory Gardens and try in our small way to partially replace the State Fair which has been cancelled by the Army. Oh, yes, plus a benefit for Army Emergency Relief. A tremendous undertaking for a small society.

The show was held in the concourse of Sick's Seattle Stadium, the home of Seattle's Famous Rainiers, on September 17-18-19. The show dates were late, as our planting time this spring was 4 to 6 weeks late and our blooms were really at their prime in the middle of September.

In the Dahlia section of our show we had six Commercial Displays and approximately the same number of entries as last year (600) but a tremendous increase in the Novice Class (46 entries last year and 112 entries this year). We noticed a decided decrease in our out-of-town entries.

At our last meeting in October we began to realize that a meeting every month would be impossible so now we intend to have a meeting about every three months and our next meeting will be held in January preceded by a dinner, at which Mr. Hulin will be presented with the Bronze Medal Certificate.

The show was a success financially as well as a horticultural success and many a laugh can now be given at some of the foolishness we amateurs undertook.

An expense of about \$800, with only \$35 in our treasury, about one-half of our members to do the work, lack of time, gas, and tires were some of the obstacles we met and overcame; and enjoying every bit of it and foolish and willing enough to try again for a chance to promote the growing of a marvelous flower, "The Dahlia".

VIVIAN ROPER, *Secretary*.

The Dahlia Society of Kentucky

The Show of The Dahlia Society of Kentucky, which was scheduled for October 3-4, 1942, had to be called off, due to "Old Man Frost" making himself known at the wrong time. Most of our gardens were totally ruined and those that were left unhurt were not enough to go on with the Show. Most everyone was very much distressed, as it is very heart-breaking to see your hard work all done for nothing, due to no fault of yours. However, we are now making plans for our 1943 Show, which we hope can be held. Our officers for 1943 are President H. T. Kruse; Vice-President, Joe Beckwith; Secretary, Mrs. W. F. Kleijohn; Treasurer, Mrs. Charles Fieldhouse.

Mrs. W. F. KLEIJOH, *Secretary*.

Installation of Officers at N. E. Penna. Dahlia Society

The new year started auspiciously at Scranton, Pa. North Eastern Pennsylvania Dahlia Society installed new officers. One of its most popular charter members was elevated to the post of presidency. Charles Huesner has been a faithful servant and an energetic committeeman ever since the beginning of this organization. He has been most dependable in the past, and this affiliate body can expect some action when Charley begins to hit his stride.

Our society has been fortunate in the selection of its presidents. Charles Stoeckle, our first skipper, laid down a new and firm foundation, and Dr. Armstrong, his successor, carried on admirably and nailed a few ten penny spikes into a superstructure which, we think, looks pretty good. During that time we have had the support of the personnel of the ADS. Our formative years have been guided by our national officers. They have visited with us and have dined with us. We now feel that we are an integral part of a great national body. We feel that Scranton, Pa. is another "MUST" on the Dahlia map.

We, too, have vice presidents, lots of them, viz: Wm. Stolz, Geo. Beck, Earl Holmes, Mrs. H. E. Washer, and Jno. Steele. Mrs. Pearl Armstrong was named treasurer, and Dr. Edw. F. McDade is the new secretary. The following additions were made to the executive committee: H. E. Washer, J. Malloy, R. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. A. Lewis. President-elect Huesner appointed A. E. Nichols program chairman. A. E. has a few tricks up his sleeve, even to a little horseplay once in awhile. Doc Barnum Armstrong is the show chairman. Earl Holmes is the new boss of the Dahlia gardens at Nay Aug Park. These gardens will be planted with seedlings from all over the country, and other stock donated by friends, growers and originators. The stock is returned to the donors in the fall after digging.

The major functions of N.E.P.D.S. will carry on in 1943. Our annual banquet will be held at a date not yet decided upon. This is the one big social event of the year, and a local committee will make all the arrangements. Out-of-towners, who now travel by bus or rail, will be notified by mail. These socials are the very life of an organization. Without them we lose too much. The New York annual banquet was attended by the following members: C. D. Fortnam, Mr. and Mrs. R. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. C. Stoeckle, and Dr. and Mrs. E. F. McDade.

And, now, boys and girls, the deck has been shuffled for the ensuing year. Place a bet on your new president. Help him and your officers turn in another big year for your society.

DR. EDW. F. MCDADE, *Secretary*.

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Prof. C. E. Wildon, Michigan State College, East Lansing, Mich.

Prof. Oliver Shurtleff, 1264 Bryant St., Fairmont, West Virginia.

Mr. Robert Seibel, Ault Park, Principio & Heekin, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Greater St. Louis Dahlia Show

This is New Year's Day. The thermometer this morning, at seven o'clock, shows a temperature of 40 degrees. To Dahlia growers, in St. Louis, there is nothing unusual about that, but it was unusual to have a 28-degree temperature on the morning of September 27—just four days before our VICTORY GARDEN HARVEST SHOW, sponsored jointly by the Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society, the St. Louis Horticultural Society and the various garden clubs in the St. Louis area.

Our Fall shows are held in the Display House at Shaw's Garden. One might call it a huge greenhouse bordered with tropical trees, palms and ferns, growing like large umbrellas overhanging the floor space where the flowers are staged. The construction of this building, with its humid feature, is ideal for the showing of Dahlias, most of which are as fresh at the end of the show as when they are entered.

The show room was laid out with tables neatly covered with light tan material, mass display setups ready to accommodate ten of our large amateur and commercial growers, together with space provided for roses, annuals, perennials, decorative arrangements and novelties. A survey of the possibilities was made about a week before our show date. At that time, it looked like the Committee's biggest problem would be to find space for all of the blooms. This, of course, is what we had planned and hoped for up to a few days before show time. With the temperature down below 30 degrees, our plans were considerably altered—the Dahlias of all the gardens, in the outlying sections, were completely blackened. However, by the use of coverings, most of the growers were able to protect their show blooms. While the quantity was lacking, the quality was there. Walter Hildebrand, Hubert Sandefur, Jos. Zumer, Fred Schomoni, Ferd Davinroy and Steve Tisch, displayed some outstanding blooms of Virginia Rute, Maffie and Mary Lynn Dudley.

We were also glad to have a splendid display of poms, grown by Mrs. Jas. F. Williams, of Kirkwood, Mo. Mrs. Williams, like Mr. Tisch, covered her pompon plants.

Well, the show went on as scheduled and was a success as far as the returns to the Army and Navy Relief Society were concerned. Understand that several thousand dollars were turned over to the cause. I might mention, at this time, that the fee charge to attend the show was the first time any admission had ever been charged to visit the Missouri Botanical Garden, since Henry Shaw, in his will, provided a fund to maintain this beautiful

garden located in the center of the City of St. Louis.

On entering Shaw's Garden, during the show, flags of all the Allied Nations were placed around the large lily pool, which was in full bloom at the time. The path led to the display house where the cut flowers and decorative arrangements were on display. Also on display, in this house, was the Veiled Prophet Queen's bouquet of several hundred orchids, grown by the Missouri Botanical Garden. From here, the path of interest led to Henry Shaw's 90-year-old homestead, which is located on the grounds. This building was open to the public for the first time, during the show. Its furnishings are the original used by Mr. Shaw during his life. Between the Old Mansion and the Mausoleum of Mr. Shaw there is a large circular space of lawn on which a class of sailors were inducted each afternoon of the show. In the center of this space was erected a large pole on which Old Glory was flown.

Music, furnished by Army bands from nearby camps, together with visiting soldiers and sailors, gave the show a real military atmosphere.

A new feature was added to the show, this year, and, from the enthusiasm of the exhibitors and visitors, it looks like it will be an annual addition. I have reference to the vegetable and fruit section, including home canned garden fruits and vegetables.

Speaking of next year—The Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society, at their December meeting, elected their new officers for 1943. Mr. L. C. (Pat) Bennett was elected president and Mr. Edw. F. Nolte as secretary.

Mr. Bennett is one of our most enthusiastic Dahlia fans and can be found visiting our gardens during the season ready to give good advice on growing Dahlias. You will also see him at all of the Midwest shows, representing St. Louis, with his genial disposition and interest.

We feel that, under Pat's capable leadership, our Society will continue to prosper even during these trying times.

MRS. SALLY WILLIAMS, *Chairman*.

Portland Dahlia Society

The officers elected at the November meeting for the coming year are:

President, P. F. Kershnik; 1st Vice President, C. M. Ferris; 2nd Vice President, W. C. Scrutton; Treasurer, F. S. Gannett; Secretary, Madge B. Kershnik; Asst. Secretary, Ernestine Tarditi. Executive Board: J. H. DeVolder, Mrs. Earl Taylor, Mrs. T. T. Swenson.

The December meeting was devoted to a discussion of classes and types of Dahlias, and a study of the official score card.

Two Christmas trees were donated by Julia M. Compton, and the Society decorated them for Service men in the Barnes Hospital at Vancouver, Washington. A large poinsettia was sent to the Geo. A. White Service Men's Center, in Portland, by the Society.

Regular meetings are held in the men's lounge of the Public Service building, the second Monday of each month, at 8 P. M.

MADGE B. KERSHNIK, *Secretary*.

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East Liverpool Dahlia Society

The East Liverpool, Ohio, Dahlia Society is well on with its program for 1943. At our Fall meeting the following officers were elected: John Eccleston, president; W. Craine, first vice-president; J. Sager, second vice-president; Mrs. Marie A. White, recording secretary; Mrs. Frank Shone, financial secretary; H. J. Gallimore, Press secretary; T. Watkin, treasurer; G. H. Schepp, Show chairman; Mrs. C. Sager, chair-lady of Social Committee; Frank Shone, George Wilmot, Frank Wilson and Mrs. Roy Smith, directors; Miss O. R. McElroy, their secretary.

The new officers have taken over their responsibilities and from the progress they are making, and the fine cooperation that they are receiving there is little doubt but that they WILL have one of the best Shows East Liverpool has ever had.

The president has already made committee appointments, and there shall be something doing for every month until Show time. Show dates being Saturday and Sunday, September 18th and 19th.

There are interesting programs arranged to be held at the conclusion of each business meeting, for example in December there was a Xmas party with a Xmas exchange, tree, Old Santa himself and beautiful Xmas carols. January the MEN put on a treat as their forfeit for losing the membership drive, and for February there will be the color slides taken of local gardens with close-ups of many of favorite flowers. March brings in the Tuber auction; April brings us an outstanding Dahlia grower as a guest speaker. We also have a plant sale at a later date. These are some of the little things that make our meetings so interesting, and well attended.

The membership drive is well on its way to doing big things this year, and from the talk going around the men do not intend to pay any forfeit this time.

We have a war on our hands, and all of us are making every effort to win, as we surely WILL. To help, many of us are planting vegetables in our gardens, as the more we grow the more food that can be released for other countries as well as for our own boys and girls at the front. So let's give it lots of thought, and plenty of ACTION, making it a Victory Garden—our line of defense.

MARIE A. WHITE, *Secretary.*

Inglewood Dahlia & Floral Society

Following are the names of the 1943 officers of the Inglewood Dahlia and Floral Society, incumbents who succeed themselves:

President—A. J. Slatter.

Vice President—Dr. H. E. Cannon.

Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. A. R. Butler.

As our society is limited to fifty members and it is difficult to get interesting speakers for so small a group, we fill in with information quizzes that have proved popular and of value to us. We also have a plant exchange. Plans are already under way for the annual flower show we hope to give as usual under the direction of our very able president-manager.

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Burholme, Pa., Show

We wish to supplement the report of Burholme's 22nd Dahlia and Flower Show as printed in the November issue of the BULLETIN to the effect that the American Home Achievement Medal was awarded to Mr. Stanley Johnson, Pennypack Gardens, Cheltenham, Penna., for his Dahlia "Excellence", the description of which is as follows: "Informal Decorative. Brilliant rose-pink flowers supported by extra long stems. The large, deep blooms are held in a facing position, making this variety ideal for displays.

The annual meeting of the society was held Tuesday evening, November 24th, at which time the following officers were elected to serve for 1943:

President, Mr. Edwin T. Overton; Vice Presidents, Mrs. Florence Hagerman, Mr. Chas. Wipplinger; Treasurer, Mr. Chas. Weegman; Secretary, Mr. Lewis G. Dietz; Show Supt., Mr. Wm. O. Hird.

By the next issue we will be able to give some details regarding dates for our 1943 show.

LEWIS G. DIETZ, *Secretary.*

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Portland Dahlia Society

The fifteenth annual Portland Dahlia Show was held September 26th and 27th in the Civic Auditorium.

Many beautiful and fine quality Dahlias were displayed in all types and colors. Quality of bloom has been stressed in our society—only the best Dahlias stand a chance to win.

The Novice Division was particularly good as to quality of bloom and choice of Dahlias entered. Best bloom in this section "Irene Anderson" entered by J. H. DeVolder, who also won sweepstakes for the most points won.

The Amateur Division was well represented. Best bloom "Shirley Temple" was entered by Mrs. T. W. Blakeney, of Beaverton, Oregon, who also won a blue on her basket of large type mixed Dahlias featuring "San Francisco" as the point of interest. The best basket of small types was an arrangement of "Helly Boudijn", entered by Charles M. Ferris.

Sweepstakes was awarded to Mrs. M. Tarditi for the most points won in her division.

The advanced amateur division, composed of the winners of sweepstakes in amateur class, is expected to exhibit the newer and very best quality Dahlias. The honor went to "Winter Morn," of Mrs. J. G. Sture, of Gresham, Oregon.

The most outstanding vase of large type Dahlias by Arthur Tipton, of Seattle with his seedling "Dr. Fridell", which has won the Sunset Magazine and the American Home Achievement medals. A close runner up was Geo. O. Latimer's vase containing "Miss Glory", "Clara Carder", "California Idol", and "Pink Daily Mail."

The miniatures and pompon entries in this division were especially attractive as well as the fine entries of large types.

The best basket of pompons featuring "Minnie Mells", "Silver Tips", "Sherry", and "Sumeya", was entered by the President, P. F. Kershnik.

The best basket of miniatures, "Little Jenny" entered by Mrs. J. G. Sture, who was also winner of sweepstakes in her division.

The Professional class made distinctive entries featuring all types and colors in baskets and appropriate containers.

Small types gathered from all parts of the Dahlia world with the latest additions possible to obtain was featured by W. C. Scrutton of Estacada and won a special award.

The Julia Compton Gardens made a notable display of large type Dahlias, a "Mother's Day" on a long stem with fine foliage was selected as the best Dahlia in the Professional Division.

The table of Foreign Dahlias was an interesting feature of the show made up of entries from all divisions, of specimen blooms, vases, and baskets of the various types.

W. C. Scrutton, of the Estacada Dahlia Gardens, won the blue with his rose colored semi-cactus miniature, a seedling of "Worthy Matron."

The 4-H Clubs put on their usual interesting display which occupied several long tables.

In the grammar school clubs, Shirley Cram of Kellogg school, won the blue on best Orange Dahlia and also blue for her entry three large types in a vase.

In the high school clubs the best Dahlia "San Francisco", won a blue for Eleanor Zaharas of Jefferson, which also won the Francis C. Little trophy for best Dahlia in 4-H Division.

The best miniature carrying the Kershnik award was won by Joe Danna of Washington High, while Nancy Griffin of Grant High won the Gill Bros. award with the best vase of small Dahlias, the miniature "Walter Deegan." Also Nancy won the Gill award for the best single bloom "Yellow Glory". Eleanor Zaharas of Jefferson High won sweepstakes in the 4-H Division.

The new feature in our show this year was "Special Arrangements" open to all excepting professionals. Small types in pottery—choice of types in metal—white in white containers—red in red containers—arrangements in color harmony, using accessories—and arrangements suitable for dining table, using the various types of Dahlias, and Dahlias using fruit as a complement.

An outstanding dinner table arrangement was made by Mrs. Josephine Swenson, using "Yellow Gem" with sprigs of broom foliage forming a crescent, placed on a Chinese straw tray with lemons, and orange, and a cluster of Thompson's seedless grapes, forming the point of interest, as a complement to the Dahlias.

Mrs. J. J. Rae featured "Yellow Gem" with snowball foliage on a yellow platter with a cascade of purple grapes and plums as a focal point of her clever arrangement.

Arrangements of small type Dahlias in harmonious colored pottery and metal were especially attractive, such as "Golden Drop" in a fancy bronze and green container, by Mrs. T. W. Blakeney and pompons of autumn shades in copper by Madge Kershnik, and a tall arrangement of single white Dahlias in a silver platter by Mrs. J. J. Rae.

The Compton's Dahlia Gardens award for the best arrangement of miniatures was won by Mrs. M. Tarditi using the nymphia type "Gold Rose" in a large oval bowl featuring a figurine. Runner-up was a tall arrangement in a cream colored bowl of "Gold Rose, Goldina, and Helly Boudewijn, made by Madge Kershnik.

Several of the Garden Clubs made special entries.

The Peninsula Garden Club entry made by Mr. Van Hoy was a blue ribbon winner. A circle arrangement of poms with tips of circle ending in artichoke foliage at one end and Dusty Miller opposite, blended well with the copper bowl inlaid with pewter. Poms used were "Marry Munns", "Silver Tips", Minnie Wells, Takas Purple, Snymea, and Libby Rohr" to fashion this charming entry.

The Men's Garden Club basket of Charles L. Mastick won first honors in baskets, with an arrangement of Jane Cowl entered by the Maplewood Club second.

The best bloom in the show, awarded the Mastick Silver trophy, "Winter Morn," entered by Mrs. J. G. Sture of Gresham, Oregon. Largest Dahlia, "Azura," 13x8 entered by Mrs. T. W. Blakeney, Beaverton, Oregon, smallest Dahlia, a tiny Tom Thumb, entered by H. C. Bateham, Portland. Best basket of large type Dahlias, "Ballego's Glory," entered by the Julia Compton Gardens. Best basket of small type Dahlias, "Little Darling", entered by the Julia Compton Gardens.



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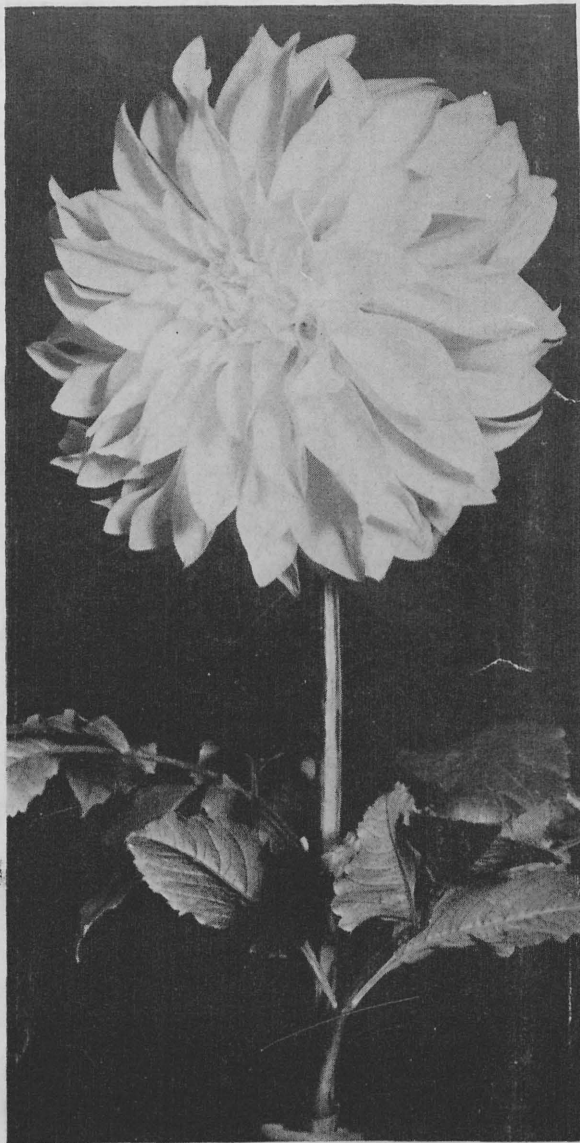
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