

# BULLETIN

*of the*

## AMERICAN DAHLIA SOCIETY

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Dorothy Waaser, of Baldwin, L. I., comparing miniature Cinnamon Gem dahlias with the Colin Kelly dahlia, left, fifteen and a half inches in diameter, exhibited by James Comito, of Huntingdon Valley, Pa., and the Carl Dahl dahlia, fourteen inches in diameter, exhibited by Mrs. Louise Ogden, of Tuxedo, N. Y., at the show of the American Dahlia Society at the Hotel Shelton, Lexington Avenue and Forty-ninth Street

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# DAHLIAS

## THESE DAHLIAS WILL MAKE FINE CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Why not send a dahlia root or a collection for Christmas? Tell us the amount you wish to spend and let the recipient make his own selection. We will send a Gift Card at Christmas and ship the roots at the proper planting time. They will give joy the whole year through. For your convenience we are listing not only the new introductions but some of the 1943 varieties that proved good for us.

**RHYTHM (Dozier-Dahliadel).** Our 1943 Sensational introduction that proved its worth doing its share of winning from California to our Eastern Coast, even in the worst growing season. This beautiful Cactus is unique in form, and an unusual color, cameo pink suffused soft rose, with soft lemon shadings. Awarded the Derrill W. Hart Gold Medal in 1942. Certainly a variety you don't want to miss.

Root, \$7.50; Pot Root, \$5.00; Plant \$3.50

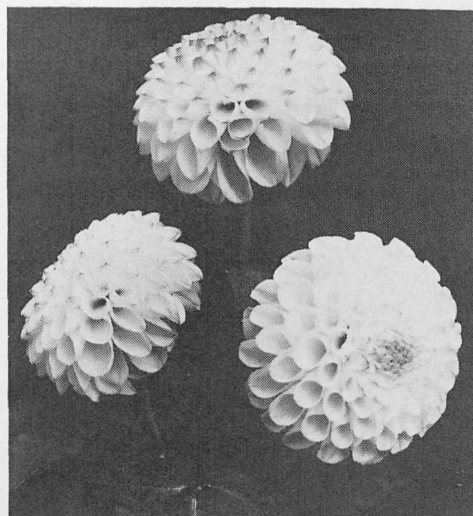
**JOHN W. SHERWOOD (Berwick-Dahliadel).** Another of our 1943 Introductions that has proved its merits and should be in every dahlia grower's garden. It is a huge Informal Decorative of a silvery mauve color with slight gold tips. Is a consistent bloomer and stands all kinds of weather. Add this to your collection.

Root, \$6.00; Pot Root, \$4.50; Plant, \$3.00



**THE DRAGON (Corbett-Dahliadel) 1944** Introduction. A large Informal Decorative, easily grows 11 x 5, in that lovely fall apricot shade. The petals actually are apricot in the center edged lengthwise on both sides with rose pink. A rugged, insect resistant plant that takes even the Texas climate and judges at Canyon scored it 85. It was a runner up at Storrs with a score of 84E. A splendid grower.

Root, \$10.00; Plant, \$5.00



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Root, \$5.00; Pot Root, \$3.50; Plants, \$2.00

We are unable to make the announcement of a name for Pittman's Giant Cardinal in this issue, but will answer all those who have sent names direct by mail.

### 1943 INTRODUCTIONS THAT PROVED GOOD FOR US

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# YOU CAN STILL GROW GOOD DAHLIAS

Although the war has taken away many of the good things of life, you can still buy good Dahlias.

We are still operating our farm at a large enough capacity to take care of the needs of most growers and will be happy to serve you again in 1944. Our two last years' introductions—*King Kong* and *Commando*, were outstanding nearly everywhere, and this year we again offer two new Dahlias which we believe are destined to become leaders.

## "MARGARET"

**White F. D. 10 x 6**

From the same strain that produced *Begonia Rose* and *Commando*. A white that is outstanding in every respect. Highly recommended by those who grew it on trial. Don't miss "Margaret."

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**GOLDEN RULE DAHLIA FARM**  
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## A.D.S. Show Splendid Success

The 29th Annual Flower Show of the American Dahlia Society added a brilliant page to the organization's many triumphs. The Banquet Hall and beautiful Reception Room of the Hotel Shelton in New York were filled with gorgeous blooms as the large throng of visitors took their first peek on Thursday, September 23d.

Until the closing of the Show at 10 P. M. on Friday, there streamed in folk from all over the United States, also visitors from England, New Zealand, South Africa and Australia. The guest registry, approximately 90 per cent complete, reads like a "Who's Who in Dahliadom."

The Show Committee, under the capable direction of Henry Olsen, show manager, was outguessed by the tremendous number of entries, since before the morning of the Show not a single entry had been placed on file in the secretary's office. Under the most difficult circumstances Mr. Olsen plowed into this maze of detail and brought order out of chaos in time for the judging. Exactly half the total number of exhibitors were entered for the first time at an A.D.S. Show.

Connie Frey's Committee of Judges is to be complimented. They turned in a splendid job, and very few complaints were heard.

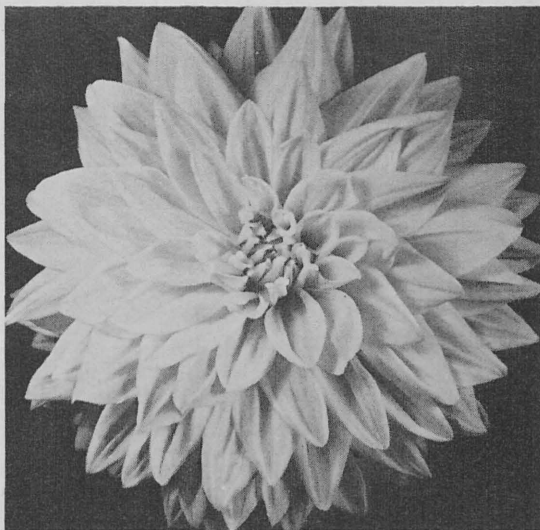
Never has an A.D.S. Show boasted finer flowers than this one. It was singular that the two outstanding varieties shown had been named for "Colin Kelly," America's Great War Hero, and "Carl Dahl," the noted Swedish botanist, for whom the Dahlia was named. One of the largest flowers ever seen at a national Dahlia Show, this magnificent specimen, "Colin Kelly," measured 15½ inches in diameter, and 9 inches in depth, and was in perfect A-1 condition. The bloom was grown by James Comito, Huntingdon Valley, Pa., and it won the award for the largest and most perfect bloom in the Show. The exceptionally large blossom of Carl Dahl was exhibited by Mrs. Louise Ogden, who won a great many coveted prizes in the various competitive classes.

By changing slightly the usual table arrangement the Poms and Miniatures were kept on one side of the large exhibition hall. Their popularity grows with each succeeding year, and these exhibits proved up to the highest standard.

The focus of any A.D.S. Show at New York is the Achievement Medal class for the outstanding undissemminated Dahlia. It was won by Mr. E. E. Tooker of Rockville Centre, L. I. His entry, "Jane Todd," was one of the largest formal decorative Dahlias ever shown. Its color is glowing Apple Blossom Pink, with silvery white shadings. It might be termed a Pink "Margaret Broomall."

The Leonard Barron Memorial Award, a beautiful silver bowl, was offered by the Flower Grower magazine, adhering to this custom of several years standing. It is given to a new variety of medium size, generally calculated to be the most useful to the Cut Flower trade. The winning entry was "Double Duty," a Watermelon Pink formal decorative, shipped some 800 miles by Air Express and was placed on the Exhibition Table in perfect condition. Dixie Dahlia Gardens, of Clio, Michigan, were the exhibitors.

In the competitive classes, Sweepstakes were won by:



MISS JANE TODD—Apple blossom pink, huge formal, winner of Achievement Medal at A. D. S. Show. Introducer—Anne Tooker

Novice: Mr. A. J. Mulcahy; Amateur Class AA: Mr. Ives Samuels; Medium Section B; Paul Doll; Sections C and D, open to all and Estates: Mrs. Louise Ogden.

Ruscmöhr Dahlia Gardens received a Gold Medal Award for a very fine commercial display of 100 square feet. Parrella Dahlia Garden, with its excellent display over 100 square feet, received the Gold Medal in this section.

Many visitors inquired about the usual magnificent displays of Dahliadel Nurseries in the Commercial, and Louis B. Tim in the Amateur Section. Difficulties in transportation as well as the labor situation, prevented these highly interesting displays to be staged at our Show, this year. For Mr. Tim, and Mr. Maytrott, it should be added that they made every possible effort to overcome the handicaps.

The Garden Club Section, under the direction of Mrs. Georgena Humble, presented some very beautiful arrangements of Dahlias and other garden flowers. Winning the Tri-color award, a most unusual display was an arrangement made entirely from corn, and shown by Mrs. H. T. Conover. Tiny ears in a group were placed at the base, and blades of corn and corn tassel at varying heights made up the background.

The vegetable classes were most interesting. Presenting some exceptionally fine specimens, Dr. Bruce Preas, of Rockville Centre, who usually romps off with his full share of Blue Ribbons and Specials in Dahlias from the tiniest Pom to the Massive Informal, turned his attention this time to vegetables from his huge Victory Garden. His exhibit occupied a corner of the Show Room, and included a wide variety of fresh garden produce, many types seldom seen. This was augmented

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by as fine an assortment of beautifully packed home canned vegetables as one could possibly ask to see. Dr. Preas won the largest number of awards in the individual vegetable classes as well.

## GARDEN CLUB SECTION

Early plans for exhibits in the Garden Club Section were greatly influenced by the country-wide development of Victory Gardens. Would there be as many Dahlias in amateurs' gardens this year? How much of the Show could be devoted to the autumn season's glorious blooms? Would exhibitors be willing to confront present difficulties in transporting their materials to the Show? Anxiously awaiting the opening day of the Show for the answers, those who for weeks had pondered over them, were elated as the tables filled with some of the finest exhibits ever set up in this part of the Show.

Our committee and exhibitors showed more than the usual enthusiasm in staging many exceptionally attractive pieces.

Horticultural classes of Dahlias included blooms of superior quality. *Jeffersonian*, *Premier's Winsome*, *The Real Glory* and *Katie K.* won blue ribbons for decoratives—*Katie K.* receiving the tri-color for the finest bloom.

*Ballego's Surprise*, *Maffie*, *Top Flight*, *Frau Bracht* and *Grand Slam* won blue ribbons for semi-cactus. *Jersey's Dainty* is still a leader in the class for cactus and with *Flash* and *Renate Muller* achieved top award.

Exceptionally fine blooms were exhibited by Mrs. Ives Samuels, of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., who won highest honors in horticulture for specimen Dahlias, with the tri-color award, five blues and one red. Mrs. C. V. Smith of Far Hills, N. J., winner of second place with three blues and three reds, also showed superb blooms.

The arrangement classes attracted much attention from admirers voicing favorable comments about the originality, color schemes and good use of the varied plant materials combined with Dahlias.

In the red, white and blue class stressing Dahlias, a white boat-shaped container, using Easter Greetings for the white sails, blue perennial asters for the mast and Red Riding Hood zinnias to represent the flag flaring from the bow of the boat, was ingenious and cleverly done.

White Dahlias with gray-green foliage in red container stressing three white blooms of Jean Kerr nestled among artistically placed broccoli leaves in a tall red Chinese vase.

Distinctive use of one Dahlia bloom of any size or type combined harmoniously with any foliage, proved most popular with exhibitors and also spectators. The outstanding exhibit in this class was spectacular in the use of skillfully curved sprays of broom foliage in a green Chinese vase, which formed the background for an exquisite bloom of Flamingo. This pink incurved cactus is a new introduction, a beauty resembling the color of the tropical bird for which it is named. This artistic piece was the handiwork of Mrs. Tom Cummings of Brooklyn. Sunrays backed with Dahlia foliage and topped with graceful grasses, *La Terre* with gray

green eggplant foliage, and golden orange with rhubarb. Swiss chard leaves received favorable comments and recognition in the awards.

Old-fashioned nosegays and corsages using Dahlias were again popular in this Show. The blue ribbon nosegay included yellow and copper-colored pompons with yellow and coppery red celosia. Another with white and red pompons had white and lavender sweet alyssum with Santalina and rhue foliage, which took some of the visitors back many years to the quaint gardens in which these plants always had a place. The choice corsage was most unusual in color. Mrs. Swain selected mulberry shades of pompons with mauve pink chrysanthemums, asters and perennial sweet peas. Coppery single miniatures with golden tagetes and variegated honeysuckle foliage, done by Mrs. Falkenbury, made an exquisitely colorful corsage. Another with *Baby Royal* and coppery salmon snapdragons made a dainty combination.

In a blue container, *La Terre*, with its glowing orange, combined well with blackberry foliage.

Roses reached autumnal perfection when their delightful fragrance permeated the surrounding Dahlias. Radiance roses with matching ball Dahlias and Arbor Vitae foliage, yellow roses gracefully poised in line design in a brown loop-handle basket, and pink roses with lacy cypress evergreens in a white Chinese bowl, left nothing to be desired in the rose classes.

Pink gladiolus with dogwood foliage in glass, zinnias, Lemon Supreme and French marigolds in antique copper and other appropriate containers, brought autumn atmosphere to the many varieties of gay-colored Dahlias.

Distinctive exhibits of plant materials for educational value and appeal to the public brought forth some interesting pieces. The tri-color for arrangement went to this class in which Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Conover of Oradell, N. J., showed in a balanced arrangement the various stages of corn. The corn tassels dripped their golden pollen from the highest part of the composition, over silken threads of young, tender ears of corn artistically surrounded by tapering corn leaves. In a tall, narrow-necked antique copper container, graceful sprays of Dolichos vine carried their glossy wine-colored, bean-like fruit. A sprouting yam with garnet stems tipped with tiny green leaves, added much interest in this class.

The greatest number of awards for artistic arrangements and for this entire section of the A.D.S. Show, went to Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Conover, who won a tri-color; 9 blues, 1 red and 1 honorable mention.

These beautiful exhibits were not only an achievement in horticulture and art, but they lent a lasting inspiration to all who saw them and eagerly carried off new ideas for more creations in their homes and future shows.

GEORGENA HUMBLE,  
Chairman, Garden Club Section.

## SECTION AA (Amateur)

CACTUS—SEMI-CACTUS OR DECORATIVE, 1 BLOOM,  
B—MEDIUM, 4 TO 8 INCHES

White—Ives Samuels, Mt. Vernon, *Michigan White*.  
Pink—Mr. and Mrs. C. Helbig, Elberon, N. J., *Pinkie*; Ives Samuels, *Nancy Robinson*.  
Purple—Ives Samuels, *Marshall Howe*.  
Blended—Mrs. C. V. Smith, Far Hills, N. J., *The Ranger*.  
Bicolor—Ives Samuels, *Flash*; Mrs. C. V. Smith, *Flash*.  
Special—most outstanding entry in Classes 10-B to 19-B—Ives Samuels, *Michigan White*.

# CACTUS, SEMI-CACTUS OR DECORATIVE—1 BLOOM, A—LARGE, 8 INCHES OR OVER

White—Mrs. C. V. Smith, *D'Arcy Sainsbury*; Ives Samuels, *Ivory Princess*.  
Yellow—Chas. Schneider, Laurelton, N. Y., *Ginger Rogers*; Mrs. C. V. Smith, *Moon Goddess*.  
Orange—Mrs. C. V. Smith, *Stephen Foster*; H. Eayleson, Glenridge, N. J., *Sunrays*.  
Red—Dr. Ward Cook, Yonkers, N. Y., *Maffie*; Mrs. C. V. Smith, *Top Flight*.  
Pink—Ives Samuels, *Katie K*; Mrs. C. V. Smith, *Jeffersonian*.  
Lavender—Ives Samuels, *Jeffersonian*.  
Purple—Ives Samuels, *Baltimore Belle*.  
Blended—Mrs. C. V. Smith, *Mayor Frank Otis*; Mr. and Mrs. C. Helbig, *Rita Wells*.  
Special—most outstanding entry in Classes 20-A to 28-A—Dr. Ward Cook, Class 23, *Maffie*.

## OTHER TYPES

Ball Dahlias—3 blooms, any color or colors—W. A. Warren, Plainfield, N. J., *Supt. Ambryn*.  
Miniatures—5 blooms, any color or colors, buds allowed—Ives Samuels, *Little Diamond*; Mr. and Mrs. C. Helbig.  
Pompons, 5 blooms, any color or colors, buds allowed—C. O. Schneider, *Miss Majory*; Mrs. C. V. Smith, *Little David*.  
Any other type—five blooms, any color or colors—Chas. C. Schneider, *Marshall's Glory*; Ives Samuels, *Buttercup*.  
Special—most outstanding entry in Classes 29-33—Chas. C. Schneider, *Marshall's Glory*.

## SECTION B

### CACTUS—INCURVED, STRAIGHT OR SEMI-CACTUS, 3 BLOOMS, B—MEDIUM, FLOWERS 4 TO 8 INCHES

White—E. A. Lewis, Scranton, Pa., *Weiser-Hirsch*.  
Yellow—E. A. Lewis, *Marietta E*.  
Orange—H. Rival, Irvington, N. J., *Orange Princess*; Walter Gordon, N. Y. City, *Orange Princess*.  
Red—E. A. Lewis, *Nancy Ann Mitchell*.  
Pink—Paul W. Doll, White Plains, *Julius Bunge*; E. A. Lewis, *Sonnet*.  
Lavender—E. A. Lewis, *Mme. Jussiant*.  
Blended—Dr. Ward Cooke, Tuckahoe, N. Y., *Judy G*; E. A. Lewis, *Ranger*.  
Bicolor—Howard Rivel, *John L. Stevens*.  
Arrangement 7-15 blooms, incurved, straight or semi-cactus. May be in any type container—E. A. Lewis, *Mme. Jussiant*, *Marietta E*, *Snowball*.  
Special—most outstanding entry in Classes 34-B to 43-B—E. A. Lewis, Scranton, Pa., *Mme. Jussiant*.

### DECORATIVE, FORMAL OR INFORMAL—3 BLOOMS, B—MEDIUM, FLOWERS 4 TO 8 INCHES

White or Yellow—Walter Gordon, N. Y. City, *Shangra-La*.  
Special—most outstanding entry in Classes 44-B to 49-B—Walter Gordon, Class 44-B, *Shangra-La*.

### CACTUS—INCURVED, STRAIGHT OR SEMI-CACTUS, 1 BLOOM, A—LARGE, 8 INCHES OR OVER

White—A. W. Egan, Bloomfield, N. J., *Edith Wilkie*; E. A. Lewis, *Edith Wilkie*.  
Yellow—E. A. Lewis, *One Grand*.  
Orange—F. R. Kurzenknabe, *Stephen Foster*; H. Rivel, *Stephen Foster*.  
Red—Chas. Schneider, *Virginia Rute*; Walter Gordon, *Top Flight*.  
Pink—Capt. F. J. Knocke, *Crowning Glory*; E. A. Lewis, *Crowning Glory*.  
Lavender—E. A. Lewis, *Southern Thorobred*.  
Blended—Edw. O'Keefe, *Mary Taylor*; E. A. Lewis, *Pygmalion*.  
Special—most outstanding entry in Classes 50-A to 57-A—A. W. Egan, Class 50-A, *Edith Wilkie*.

### DECORATIVE—FORMAL, 1 BLOOM, A—LARGE, 8 INCHES OR OVER

White—Mrs. C. V. Smith, *The Real Glory*; E. A. Lewis, *D'Arcy Sainsbury*.  
Yellow—F. R. Kurzenknabe, *Class*.  
Orange—P. W. Doll, *Sunray*.  
Lavender—E. A. Lewis, *Crocyden Acme*.  
Purple—H. W. Rivel, *King David*.  
Blended—H. W. Rivel, *W.A.A.C.*; John Metzger, Irvington, N. J., *W.A.A.C.*.  
Special—most outstanding entry in Classes 58-A to 67-A—P. W. Doll, Class 60-A, *SunRay*.

### DECORATIVE—INFORMAL, 1 BLOOM, A—LARGE, 8 INCHES OR OVER

White—H. W. Rivel, *Straight White*.  
Yellow—Walter Gordon, *Tops*; Henry Olsen, Flushing, L. I., *Tops*.  
Orange—A. W. Egan, *Sunrays*; Edw. O'Keefe, *Dawson*.  
Red—Mr. and Mrs. C. Helbig, *Maffie*; C. Schneider, *Murphy's Masterpiece*.  
Pink—Edw. O'Keefe, *Pink Giant*; H. R. Rivel, *Pink Giant*.  
Lavender—Mr. Walter Hardesty, Waterbury, Conn., *Robert Ripley*.  
Purple—P. W. Doll, *Progress*; H. W. Rivel, *Premier Majestic*.  
Blended—H. Olsen, *Waac*.  
Bicolor—F. R. Kurzenknabe, *Freckles*.



Mr. and Mrs. Louis Mansfield Ogden admiring Louis Mansfield Ogden dahlia, winner as largest informal at A. D. S. show in New York. C. Albanese, Gardener

Special—most outstanding entry in Classes 68-A to 77-A—A. W. Egan, Class 70, *Sunray*.

## SPECIAL—ANY TYPE

Largest and most nearly perfect bloom, diameter by depth, any type—Edw. O'Keefe, *Dawson*.  
Sweepstakes—Classes 34-B to 78-A—E. A. Lewis, Scranton, Pa.

## MINIATURES—ANY TYPE, 5 BLOOMS, 1 OR MORE VARIETIES, UNDER 4 INCHES, BUDS ALLOWED

White—Walter Gordon, *White Fawn*; Paul Doll, *Druidsville*.  
Yellow—Paul Doll, *Tip*; Walter Gordon, *Little Kitten*.  
Orange—Paul Doll, *Andreas Orange*; E. A. Lewis, *Andreas Orange*.  
Red—Paul Doll, *Bright Lass*.  
Pink—James Compton, *Shirley*.  
Purple—Paul Doll, *Royalette*.  
Blended—Paul Doll, *Homeacre Sweetest*.  
Bicolor—Paul Doll, *Rickey*.  
Bowl of miniatures, 10 to 20 blooms—Paul Doll, *Royal Prince*; Capt. F. J. Knocke, *Bobbie K*.  
Arrangement of miniatures in any container not less than 20 blooms—Paul Doll, *Tip*.  
Special—most outstanding entry in Classes 79-89—Paul Doll, Class 81, *Andreas Orange*.

## POMPONS, 5 BLOOMS, BUDS ALLOWED

White—Paul Doll, *Mrs. Telfer*; James Compton, *Cream Gem*.  
Yellow—Paul Doll, *Little Prince*; Ellen Bulluss, *Little Jackie*.  
Orange—Paul Doll, *Atom*.  
Red—Paul Doll, *Ida*; Capt. F. J. Knocke, *Johnny*.  
Pink—Paul Doll, *Miss French*; James Compton, *Margaret Millan*.  
Lavender—James Compton, *Joyce Gibbs*; Paul W. Doll, *Dee-Dee*.  
Purple—Henry A. Olsen, *Miss Marjory*; Paul Doll, *Miss Marjory*.  
Blended—Paul Doll, *How Sweet*.  
Bicolor—Capt. F. J. Knocke, *Eileen*; Paul Doll, *Eileen*.  
Bowl of Pompons, 10 to 20 blooms—Paul Doll, *Miss Marjorie*; Capt. F. J. Knocke, *Eileen*.  
Arrangement of Poms in any container not less than 20 blooms—Paul Doll, *Ida*; Capt. E. J. Knocke, *Eileen*.  
Special—entry most outstanding in Classes 90-100—Paul Doll, Class 92, *Atom*.

## BALL DAHLIAS—3 BLOOMS

White or Yellow—Paul Doll, *Dusky*.  
Pink or Lavender—H. W. Rivel, *Alice, J*.

## SINGLE DAHLIAS

5 blooms, any one variety or color—Paul Doll, *Purity*.  
Special—most outstanding entry in Classes 101 to 110—H. W. Rivel.

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## COLLARETTE DAHLIAS

5 blooms, any color or colors—H. W. Rivel, *Sparkle*.  
Rivel, Class 103, *Alice*, J.  
Sweepstakes—79 to 110—Paul Doll, Scranton, Pa.

## SECTION C

CACTUS—INCURVED OR STRAIGHT, 3 BLOOMS,  
B—MEDIUM, 4 TO 8 INCHES

White—Mrs. Louise Ogden, *Jersey Dainty*.  
Orange—Mrs. L. Ogden, *Nagles Orange*.  
Red—Mrs. L. Ogden, no name.  
Pink—Mrs. L. Ogden, *Julius Bunge*.  
Blended—J. B. Anderson, Westwood, N. J., *Gail Keppel*; V. Sigismundi, Teaneck, N. J., *H-42*.  
Bicolor—Mrs. L. Ogden, *R. B. Montgomery*.

## SEMI-CACTUS—3 BLOOMS, B—MEDIUM, 4 TO 8 INCHES

White—Mrs. L. Ogden, Class 113, *Nagles Orange*.  
Orange or Red—Mrs. L. Ogden, *Gretel*.  
Bicolor—Mrs. L. Ogden, *Flash*.  
Special—most outstanding entry in Classes 120-B to 127-B—Mrs. L. Ogden, Class 122, *Gretel*.

DECORATIVE—INFORMAL—3 BLOOMS, B—MEDIUM,  
4 TO 8 INCHES

Yellow—Queen's Dahlia Garden, *Arelida Lloyd*.  
Blended—Parella Dahlia Gardens, Bronx, N. Y., *Vin-Well-Paragon*.  
Bicolor—Parella Dahlia Gardens, *Wanda Meade*.  
Special—most outstanding entry in Classes 128-B to 136-B—Parella Dahlia Gardens, Class 136-B, *Wanda Meade*.

DECORATIVE—FORMAL, 3 BLOOMS, B—MEDIUM,  
4 TO 8 INCHES

White—Mrs. L. Ogden, *Miss Oakland*.  
Yellow—Rainbow Gardens, *Shangra-La*.  
Orange—Louis Fioretti, No. 3; Jane Healey, *United Nations*.  
Red—Louis Fioretti, L. I. No. 3.  
Pink—Mrs. L. Ogden, *Jersey Beauty*; Parella Gardens, *Jersey Beauty*.  
Lavender—Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Blue Rose*.  
Purple—Parella Gardens, *Marshall Hoeve*.  
Blended—Queens Dahlia Gardens, *King Peter*.  
Bicolor—Louis Fioretti, No. 4 S. F.; Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Lois Walcher*.  
Basket—Formal or informal decorative Dahlias—B—Medium, 18 to 25 blooms—Queens Dahlia Gardens Seedling, third year.  
Special—most outstanding entry in Classes 137-B to 146-B—Queens Dahlia Gardens, Class 146, special award for third year seedling.  
Sweepstakes 111-B to 146-B—Won by Mrs. L. M. Ogden.

CACTUS—INCURVED OR STRAIGHT, 1 BLOOM,  
A—LARGE, 8 INCHES OR OVER

White—Edw. O'Keefe, *Snow Ball*.  
Orange—Mrs. L. Ogden, *Golden Standard*; Henry A. Olsen, *Stephen Foster*.  
Red—J. H. Uhle, Newark, N. J., *Kilgore's Lucifer*; Mrs. L. Ogden, *Yowa Matsukoka*.  
Pink—Jane Healey, *Dominant*; H. W. Rivel, *Miss South Euclid*; Edw. O'Keefe, *Iris Read*.  
Lavender—Jane Healey, *Eze Harvey*.  
Blended—Walter Gordon, *Rhythm*; Edw. O'Keefe, *Nancy Gray*.  
Special—most outstanding entry in Classes 147-A to 155-A—Edw. O'Keefe, Class 147, *Snow Ball*.

SEMI-CACTUS—1 BLOOM, A—LARGE, 8 INCHES  
OR OVER

White—Parella Gardens, *Edith Wilkie*; James A. Kelly, *Edith Wilkie*; Mrs. L. Ogden, *American Purity*.  
Yellow—Ernest Lewis, *One Grand*.  
Orange—Henry A. Olsen, *Evelyn Chandler*; Mrs. L. Ogden, *Rita Wells*.  
Red—Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Maffie*; Henry Olsen, *Maffie*.  
Pink—Mrs. L. Ogden, *Greater Glory*; Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Clara Peth*.  
Blended—Mrs. L. Ogden, *All American*; Louis Fioretti, *All American*.  
Special—most outstanding entry in Classes 157-A to 165-A—Mrs. L. Ogden, Class 164, *All American*.

## DECORATIVE—INFORMAL, 1 BLOOM

White—Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Link's White Majestic*; Mrs. L. Ogden, *Alice May*.  
Yellow—H. A. Olsen; Salem Sunshine; Mrs. L. Ogden, *California Idol*.  
Orange—Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Rudolph's Giant*; Mrs. L. Ogden, *Watching Giant*.  
Red—Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Cherokee Brave*; Chas. Schneider, *Margrace*.

Pink—Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Molly B*; Parella Dahlia Gardens, *Katie K*.  
Lavender—Louis Fioretti, *Robert Ripley*; Parella Dahlia Gardens, *Robert Ripley*.  
Purple—Mrs. L. Ogden, *Hunt's Velvet Wonder*.  
Blended—John Johnson, *Seedling*; Henry Olsen, *W.A.C.*  
Bicolor—Mrs. L. Ogden, *Cornell*; Louis Fioretti, No. 6, L. I.  
Special—most outstanding entry in Classes 167-A to 175-A—Louis Fioretti, Class 172-A, *Robert Ripley*.

## DECORATIVE FORMAL—1 BLOOM, 8 INCHES OR OVER

White—Louis Fioretti, *Davey Sainsbury*.  
Orange—Mrs. L. Ogden, *Sultan of Hillcrest*; Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Volcano*.  
Red—Mrs. L. Ogden, No. 18.  
Lavender—James Kelly, *Croyden Acme*.  
Blended—Mrs. L. Ogden, *Mrs. Louis Ogden*.  
Bicolor—Louis Fioretti, No. 7, L. I.  
Special—most outstanding entry in Classes 176-A to 185-A—Mrs. L. Ogden, Class 178, *Sultan of Hillcrest*.  
A vase or container formal or informal decorative dahlias. A—Large, 12 blooms, any color or colors. To count same as basket in sweepstakes—Parella Dahlia Gardens.

## SPECIAL—ANY TYPE

Largest and most nearly perfect bloom, semi-cactus, diameter and depth, any color—Mrs. L. Ogden, *Greater Glory*.  
Largest and most nearly perfect bloom, informal decorative, diameter by depth, any color—James Comito, *Colin Kelly, Jr.*  
Largest and most nearly perfect bloom, formal decorative, diameter by depth, any color—Mrs. L. Ogden.  
Sweepstakes—147-A to 190-A—Mrs. L. Ogden.  
Grand Sweepstakes—111-B to 190-A—Mrs. L. Ogden.

MINATURES—ANY TYPE, 5 BLOOMS, UNDER 4 INCHES,  
BUDS ALLOWED

White—Henry Olsen, *Geneva Crystal White*.  
Orange—Mrs. Louise Ogden, *Baby Sagamore*.  
Pink—Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Fairy*.  
Lavender—Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Betsy T.*  
Blended—Elizabeth Astle, Flushing, *Little Darling*; Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Rapture*.  
Bicolor—Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Little Nemo*; R. W. Webb, Scranton, *Bright Idea and Spirit*.  
Bowl or basket of miniatures, 15 to 20 blooms, in any type container—V. Sigismundi, Teaneck, N. J., No. 2; Jane Healey, Haskell, N. J., *Genevieve G.*  
Arrangement of miniatures, 20 to 50 blooms, in any type container—Jane Healey, *Mixed*.  
Cactus—Incurved, straight or semi-cactus, 5 blooms, any color or colors—Geo. Siebrecht, Chappaqua, N. Y., *Lustre*.  
Decorative—Formal or Informal, 5 blooms, any color or colors—Geo. Siebrecht, *Chio*.  
Peony (open centered), 5 blooms, any color or colors—P. W. Doll, White Plains, *Bishop of Llandaff*.

## POMPONS—10 BLOOMS, BUDS ALLOWED

Yellow—Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Brass Buttons*; Jane Healey, *Brass Buttons*.  
Orange—Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Little David*; Mrs. L. Ogden, *Little Edith*.  
Red—Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Melrose Baby*.  
Lavender—Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Mary Mouns*; Mrs. Ogden, *Blue Pom*.  
Purple—Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Sherry*.  
Blended—Jane Healey, *Clover*; Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Clover*.  
Basket of Pompons, 15 to 30 blooms—Capt. F. J. Knocke, N. Y. City, *Little Edith*.  
Orange or Red—Mrs. Ogden, J. E. D.; Louis Fioretti, *Marshall Komoshan*.

## SINGLE DAHLIAS

5 blooms, any one variety or color—Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Marshall's Glory*.  
5 blooms, more than 1 variety or color—Mrs. L. Ogden, No. 8; Jane Healey, *Mixed*.

## COLLARETTE DAHLIAS

5 blooms, any one variety or color—Henry A. Olsen, *Tribune*.

## ORCHID FLOWERING DAHLIAS

5 blooms, any color or colors, buds allowed—Mrs. Ogden, *Ar-Y-Bryn*; Howard Rivel, *Seedling*.  
Special—most outstanding entry in Classes 217 to 230—Queens Dahlia Gardens, Class 211, *Sherry*.  
Sweepstakes—Classes 191 to 230—Queens Dahlia Gardens.

## SECTION D

## PRIVATE ESTATES WITH A GARDENER

(Commercial growers excluded)

Cactus—Incurved or straight, 5 blooms, 1 or more varieties, 4 inches or over—Mrs. Louise Ogden, *Stephen Foster*.

Semi-cactus, 5 blooms, 1 or more varieties, 8 inches or over—Mrs. L. Ogden, *All American*.  
 Decorative—Informal, 5 blooms, 1 or more varieties, 8 inches or over—Mrs. L. Ogden, *Carl Dahl*.  
 Largest and most perfect bloom—diameter by depth, any type—Mrs. L. Ogden, *Carl Dahl*.

## PRIVATE ESTATES WITH GARDENER

Collarette—7 blooms, any color or colors—Mrs. L. Ogden, *Tribune*.  
 Arrangement of Orchid Flowering Dahlias, in any container—Mrs. L. Ogden, *Ar-Y-Bryn*.  
 Orange—5 blooms, any type. A—Large, 8 inches or over—Mrs. L. Ogden, *Watchung Giant*.  
 Blended—5 blooms, any type. A—Large—Mrs. L. Ogden, *Carl Dahl*.  
 Sweepstakes—Classes 232-B to 253—Mrs. Louise Ogden.

## SECTION E

## COMMERCIAL

To the most outstanding and meritorious commercial Dahlia entry of 100 square feet—Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, 38 Vincent St., Rockville Centre, N. Y.  
 To the most outstanding and meritorious commercial Dahlia entry of over 100 square feet—Parrella Dahlia Gardens, 3380 Ely Ave., Bronx, N. Y.

## SECTION F

## UNDISEMINATED DAHLIAS

Cactus—Incurved, 3 blooms, 1 variety, B—Medium—V. Sigismundi, *H No. 42*. Bronze Medal.  
 Semi-Cactus, 3 blooms, 1 variety, B—Medium—Queens Dahlia Gardens, *S-Vanities*. Silver Medal.  
 Decorative—Formal, 3 blooms, 1 variety, B—Medium—L. Fioretti, *L. I. No. 10*. Bronze Medal.  
 Miniature Cactus—Incurved, straight or semi-cactus, 5 blooms, 1 variety—O. B. Geer, *Geneva Dainty*. Silver Medal; Geo. Siebrecht, *Lustre*. Bronze Medal.  
 Miniature—Decorative—formal or informal, 5 blooms, 1 variety—Geo. Siebrecht, *Ohio*. Silver Medal; Dixie Dahlia Gardens, *Little Sister*. Bronze Medal.  
 Decorative—Informal, 3 blooms, 1 variety, A—Large—Parrella Dahlia Gardens, *100 H-B* (Silver Medal).  
 Ball—3 blooms, 1 variety—L. Fioretti, *L. H. 14* (Bronze Medal).  
 Singles, 5 blooms, 1 variety—Jane Healey, *Purple Heart* (Bronze Medal).

## AMERICAN HOME ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

The American Home Achievement Medal—E. E. Tooker, Rockville Centre, L. I., *Miss Jane Todd*.  
 Flower Grower Award—Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan, *Double Duty*.

## SECTION H

## SPECIAL DISPLAY CLASS

10 blooms, over 8 inches—L. M. Ogden, *Carl Dahl*; Henry Olsen, *Sunrays*.

## SPECIAL BICOLOR AWARD

Best basket, large or medium, bicolor Dahlias arranged in basket, 10 blooms or more, 1 or more types, but colors in variety must harmonize—L. Fioretti, *Lustre*.

## VEGETABLE CLASSES—1943

Beans, Lima—L. M. Oatman, *Fordbrook*; John Coates, *Fordbrook*.  
 Beans, Green—Dr. Bruce B. Preas, Rockville Centre, L. I., *Cranberry*.  
 Beans, Green Snap—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Plentiful*.  
 Beans, Yellow Snap—John Coates, *Golden War*.  
 Beets, 5, Tops Off—John Coates, *Detroit Dark Red*; L. M. Oatman, *Detroit Dark Red*.  
 Cabbage, 1 Head—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Red Dutch*; R. D. Mohr, *Penn. State Ball*.  
 Carrots—John Coates, *Selective Chartay*; Dr. B. B. Preas, *Chantenay*.  
 Celery—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Golden Plume*; John Coates, *Golden Glove*.  
 Chinese Cabbage—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Bong Wong*; John Coates, *Chilli*.  
 Cucumbers—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Dutch Gherkin*.  
 Cucumbers—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Straight Eight*.  
 Eggplant—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Black Beauty*; Robert Mohr, *Black Beauty*.  
 Kohlrabi—John Coates, *Early Vienna*.  
 Lettuce—Dr. B. B. Preas.  
 Onions—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Yellow Southport*; John Coates, *White Portugal*.



**DOUBLE DUTY**—Winner of Leonard Barron Memorial Award offered by Flower Grower Magazine for best undisseminated dahlia of medium size. Introducer, Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Mich.

Parsley—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Moss Curled*; John Coates, *Henderson Emerald*.  
 Parsnips—John Coates, *Imp. Yellow Crown*; L. M. Oatman, *Henderson Hollow Crown*.  
 Peppers—Robt. Mohr, *Bull Nose*; Dr. B. B. Preas, *Long Island*.  
 Pumpkin—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Connecticut Field*.  
 Rutabagas—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Long Island*.  
 Squash, Summer—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Zucchini*.  
 Squash Winter—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Jubilee*.  
 Tomatoes—Large—Dr. B. B. Preas.  
 Tomatoes—Small—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Italian Canner*; John Coates, *Yellow Plum*.  
 Arrangement in basket, 5 or more varieties—Dr. B. B. Preas.  
 Arrangement in a flat dish suitable for a table centerpiece—Dr. B. B. Preas.  
 Any vegetable not mentioned above—Robt. Mohr, *Broccoli*.  
 Best display of vegetables—Dr. B. B. Preas, *Special*.  
 SWEEPSTAKES—DR. B. B. PREAS.

## SECTION A—GARDEN CLUB

Decorative, formal or informal, 3 blooms, large, 8 inches or over, 1 or more varieties—Mrs. Ives Samuels, Mt. Vernon, N. Y., *Jeffersonian*, *Premiers Winsome*; Mrs. C. V. Smith, Far Hills, N. J., *The Real Glory*.  
 Decorative, formal or informal, 1 bloom, large, 8 inches or over, any color—Mrs. Ives Samuels, Mt. Vernon, N. Y., *Katie K (Tri-Color)*; Mrs. C. V. Smith, Far Hills, N. J., *The Real Glory*.  
 Semi-cactus, 3 blooms, large or medium, 1 or more varieties—Mrs. Ives Samuels, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Mrs. C. V. Smith, Far Hills, N. J.  
 Cactus, straight or incurved, 3 blooms, large or medium, 1 or more varieties—Mrs. C. V. Smith, Far Hills, N. J., *Jersey Dainty*, *Flash*; Mrs. Ives Samuels, Mt. Vernon, N. Y., *Renate Muller*.  
 Miniature, 6 blooms, not over 4 inches, 1 or more varieties—Miss June Humble, Douglaston, L. I., N. Y., *Buckeye Baby*.  
 Orchid Flowering, 6 blooms, 1 or more varieties—Mrs. Ives Samuels, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.  
 Single, 5 blooms, 1 or more varieties—Mrs. Ives Samuels, Mt. Vernon, N. Y., *Purity*.  
 Collarette, 5 blooms, 1 or more varieties—Mrs. C. V. Smith, Far Hills, N. J., *Dad's Favorite*.  
 Pompon, 7 blooms, 1 or more varieties—Mrs. C. V. Smith, Far Hills, N. J., *Betty Malone*, *Atom*; Miss June Humble, Douglaston, L. I., N. Y.  
 Any type not listed above, as Ball, Peony, Black Foliage, 5 blooms, 1 or more varieties—Miss June Humble, Douglaston, N. Y.

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# Report of A.D.S. Trial Gardens

STORR'S, CONN.

By Professor Roland H. Patch

The following ten varieties were awarded certificates, having scored 85 or better:

1. Mrs. Richard G. Atkinson. Stake Nos. 1, 2, 3. Informal Dec., entered by R. Paul Comstock Dahlia Gardens, 5140 35th St., San Diego, California. (85 E). Light greenish yellow. Flowering habit good; stem 6-9¾ in., heavy, stiff, erect. Size of flowers 8½-11¾ in., depth 3¾-7 in. Height 4 ft. 6 in.

12. 39-11, Coral Blend. Stake Nos. 34, 35, and 36. Miniature Formal Dec., entered by Andrew Doermann, North Trevor Ave., Cheviot (Cincinnati), Ohio. (85.5 S). Carrot red with center petals picric yellow and the tips of some petals shading to maize yellow. Flowering habit prolific; stem 2½-8 in., slender, flowers on end facing up. Size of flowers 3½-4¼ in., depth 1¾-2¾ in. Height 5 ft. 1 in.

19. Almina. Stake Nos. 55, 56, and 57. Informal Dec., entered by George H. Swezey, Premier Dahlia Gardens, Columbia, New Jersey. (85.3 E). Lemon yellow. Flowering habit fair; stem 5-9½ in., heavy, flower on side and inclined to face down. Size of flowers 8¾-11 in., depth 4½-5½ in. Height 2 ft. 10½ in.

25. 2-5. Stake Nos. 73, 74, and 75. Informal Dec., entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, 14592 Dixie Highway, Clio, Michigan. (85 E). Tyrian rose with outer rows shading to amaranth pink and pale amaranth pink. Flowering habit prolific; stem 3¾-14 in., heavy to medium, flower on end facing side. A good stem. Size of flowers 7½-9½ in., depth 5-6½ in. Height 4 ft. 7½ in.

35. Dahliadel Ball Seedling. Stake Nos. 100, 101, and 102. Miniature Ball, entered by Warren W. Maytrott, Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, New Jersey. (85 S). Pale phlox pink with ends of petals true purple in varying amount. Flowering habit good; stem 3-9 in., medium, flower on end facing heavens. Size of flowers 2¾-4 in., depth 2-3¼ in. Height 3 ft. 6 in.

42. Edgar Guest. Stake Nos. 121, 122, and 123. Semi-cactus to Informal Dec., entered by Nick Koenig and Sons, Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Michigan. (85 E). Closed center petals pale lemon yellow, other petals picric yellow with outer rows Martin's yellow. Flowering habit good; stem 5-11½ in., heavy to medium, flower on end, many facing the heavens. A good stem. Size of flowers 6½-10 in., depth 3¾-7 in. Height 4 ft. 8 in.

45. Little Buddy. Stake Nos. 130, 131, and 132. Miniature Ball, entered by Nick Koenig and Sons, Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Michigan. (85 S). Pale lemon yellow with occasional white floret. Flowering habit good; stem 4-10 in., wiry, erect, flowers on end facing side, some face the heavens. Size of flowers 1¾-3 in., depth ¾-2¼ in. Height 3 ft. 6 in.

46. Buddy. Stake Nos. 133, 134, and 135. Miniature Formal Dec., entered by Nick Koenig and Sons, Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Michigan. (85.7 S). Carmine with ox-blood center and sheen. Flowering habit prolific; stem 3¼-10½ in., wiry, erect,

flower on end, majority facing the heavens. Size of flowers 2¾-3 in., depth 1½-2¼ in. Height 3 ft. 7 in.

47. Annabelle. Stake Nos. 136 (did not grow), 137, and 138 (did not grow). Straight Cactus, entered by Nick Koenig and Sons, Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Michigan. (85 M). Lemon yellow with ends of some petals and outer rows apricot orange. Flowering habit good; stem 4¾-8¼ in., medium, flower on end facing side. Size of flowers 5-6¼ in., depth 2¾-4 in. Height 3 ft. 6 in.

49. Nation's Pride. Stake Nos. 142, 143 and 144. Informal Dec., entered by A. E. Heil, 4106 Brownsville Rd., St. 10, Pitts, Pennsylvania. (85.6 E). Peach red with some lemon yellow, closed middle rows Brazil red with closed center petals Pompeian red. Flowering habit good; stem 12-15 in., extra heavy to medium, flower faces side. A good stem, holds the flower well. Size of flowers 9¼-10 in., depth 6-6½ in. Height 4 ft. 2 in.

## East Lansing Trial Gardens

Entries 1-21 were lost because of flooded condition of gardens in late May and early June. These are all granted free trials next year.

Entry 22. *Lieut. Ed.* Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Mich. Cactus. Score 83E.

Entry 23. 1-41. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Mich. M.F.D. Score 85.25S.

Entry 24. 1-116. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Mich. F.D. approaching large ball. Score 84C. Recommended for retrieval.

Entry 25. 1-124. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Mich. Recommended for free retrieval.

Entry 26. 2-5. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Mich. I.D. 85E.

Entry 27. *Sarrett's Pink Flamingo.* Entered by Lew Sarett, Ravinia, Ill. Cactus. Score 84E.

Entry 28. E-118-39. Entered by Premier Dahlia Gardens, Columbia, N. J. I.D. to S.C. Score 83.6E.

Entry 29. *Moscow.* Entered by Premier Dahlia Gardens, Columbia, N. J. I.D. Score 82E.

Entry 30. E-33-38. Entered by Premier Dahlia Gardens, Columbia, N. J. I.D. Score 82E.

Entry 31. E-119-39. Entered by Premier Dahlia Gardens, I.D. Score 85.3E.

Entry 32. *Almina.* Entered by Premier Dahlia Gardens, Cactus. Score 82E.

Entry 33. *No. 141.* Entered by C. N. Keizer Dahlia Gardens, Berrien Springs, Mich. Cactus. Score 83E.

Entry 34. *Beginner's Luck.* Entered by G. L. Pierce, Villa Park, Ill. Free retrieval permitted.

Entry 35. *Baby K.* Entered by Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Mich. M.F.D. Score 85S.

Entry 36. *Annabelle.* Entered by Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Mich. Cactus. 85.4C.

Entry 37. *Mother Koenig.* Entered by Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Mich. I.D. Score 82.6E.

Entry 38. *Mary Jane S.* Entered by Lakeside Dahlia

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#### CERTIFICATES

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Hawkins Dahlia Gardens, Virginia. A single with the dominant colors. A ems. Flowers, three and ter. Bushes, tall. Score

Ward Horticultural Co., ctus, large. Color, rose of the petals. Not a bi-a is almost a new color ance in the trial garden. diameter with a five to Score, 85.

#### ED ENTRIES

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Gardens, New Baltimore, Mich. Medium Cactus. Score 83C.

Entry 39. *A-201*. Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. No score. A white F.D. that flowered so late that only four judges scored this. Two judges who scored on basis of one early crotch flower gave low scores, while two judges scoring it late gave it high rating. It is therefore recommended for a free retrial.

Entry 40. S-O. Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. I.D. Score 81.8C.

Entry 41. S-41-1. Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. I.D. with tendency to S.C. Score 83.8E.

Entry 42a. S-42-1. Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. S.C. 86E.

Entry 43. *Ball of Flame*. Entered by Emmons Dahlia Gardens, Battle Creek, Mich. F.D. No score. Recommended for free retrial.

Entry 44. *Beautiful Lady*. Entered by Forest View Gardens, Fairmont, West Virginia. F.D. Score 84E.

Entry 45. 285 (40-09). Entered by A. H. Rich, Toledo, Ohio. No score. Recommended for free retrial.

Entry 46. O-52. Entered by A. H. Rich, Toledo, Ohio. F.D. Score 82.7C.

Entry 47. 39-1. Entered by A. H. Rich, Toledo, Ohio. S.C. Score 78C.

Entry 48. E.C.-7. Entered by A. H. Rich, Toledo, Ohio. No score. Recommended for free retrial.

Entry 49. *Winnie Kendall*. Entered by R. F. Row, Smith Falls, Ontario, Canada. Originator, Cuthbert Kendall, Smith Falls, Ontario, Can. F.D. Score 85E.

Entry 50. 401. Entered by H. H. Robens, Chagrin Falls, Ohio. 83.5E. Recommend retrial.

Entry 51. *General John J. Pershing*. Ward Horticultural Co., Webster Groves, Mo. I.D. to S.C. Score 85E.

Entry 52. 21279. Entered by J. L. Roberts, Chicago, Ill. S.C. Score 83E.

Entry 53. *Dahliadel Ball 1/1*. Entered by Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J. Plants destroyed. No score. Free retrial.

Entry 54. Alexander's Miniature Seedling. Entered by Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J. Plants destroyed. No score. Free retrial.

Entry 55. 32-23. Entered by J. L. Roberts, Chicago, Ill. I.D. Score 84E.

Entry 56. *Roselyn Straight*. Entered by C. J. Straight, Fairmont, West Virginia. S.C. Score 86.3E.

Entry 57. *Bochau 8-21*. Entered by Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J. No score. Retrial.

## TRIAL GARDEN REPORT

### West Virginia Branch, A. D. S.

By Oliver Shurtleff

This is one of those years when a dahlia lover would almost wish that he had never heard of a trial garden, even though said dahlia lover liked to look ahead for the new dahlia. This is especially true with a "certain" trial garden superintendent!

This year no encouragement was given to dahlia breeders to send entries to the West Virginia branch trial garden. The superintendent just knew that he

would not be able to get any dahlia "secretaries" to do the hoeing and weeding of the garden. He had a feeling that he would have to do it all himself. What with the boys from the college away in the armed forces of the nation and "down town" men working at essential occupations, this was just about literally true. The number of entries was small but all that were sent were planted and given the best possible cultivation. The year brought a larger number than usual of disappointments, both to the trial garden superintendent and to the owner of the varieties. There is no adequate solution as to why this is true. Within sight of the trial garden was a privately owned dahlia garden which did well with much less care than was given to the trial garden. Why they did so well and why some of the entries in the trial garden didn't do so well—that's what makes dahlias interesting. The itemized report follows:

#### ENTRIES RECEIVING CERTIFICATES

STAKE NO. 1. Entered by McLeod's Dahlia Garden, 564 Halliday Street, Seattle, Washington. Min. Cac. Color, "old fashioned" pink. This flower is an all season bloomer. It was the first plant to show color and bloomed up till frost. Stems and foliage were good and the flowers were well within miniature sizes. The plants grew from three and one-half feet to four and one-half feet tall.

STAKE NO. 4. Entered by Doerman Dahlia Gardens, Cheviot, Ohio. An attractive collarette. Color, red with a silver reverse. The inside "color" was cream with ivory tips. Garden visitors called it "pretty and good." The flowers were four inches in diameter. Bloomed profusely and early. Score, 85.

STAKE NO. 8. Entered by Hawkins Dahlia Gardens, Winfield Road, Fairmont, West Virginia. A single with cherry and ivory and white as the dominant colors. A very pretty single with good stems. Flowers, three and one-half to four inches in diameter. Bushes, tall. Score 85.

STAKE NO. 16. Entered by Ward Horticultural Co., Webster Groves, Missouri. Cactus, large. Color, rose with a tiny red fleck on many of the petals. Not a bi-color. The color of this dahlia is almost a new color break as judged by its performance in the trial garden. Flowers eight to nine inches in diameter with a five to six inch depth. Bushes, tall. Score, 85.

#### NON-CERTIFICATED ENTRIES

STAKE NO. 3. Entered by Wm. Wolbert, Springfield, Ohio. Informal decorative. Color of the general type of Blue River, but lighter than Blue River. A shy bloomer. Flowers, eight by four inches. Bushes, four and one-half to five feet. Score 75.

STAKE NO. 5. Entered by Strasen Floral Gardens, Austinberg, Ohio. Informal decorative. Color, La Vair rouge. A snappy flower, but had some burn. Blooms three-fourths to full facing. Flowers, nine by five inches. Bushes, five to six feet tall. Would like to see this entry have a retrial. Score, 81.

STAKE NO. 6. Entered by Glen Hawkins, Fairmont, W. Va. Informal decorative. Color, Roman gold. Flowers nine by four inches. Bushes, six feet tall. Would like to see this flower have a new trial as I particularly like its color. Score, 80.

STAKE NO. 7. Entered by Glen Hawkins. Informal  
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# Dahlia Personalities

By Prof. Oliver Shurtleff, A.D.S. Vice President

For my dahlia personality this time I want to present another one of those West Virginia dahlia growers. He is a true dahlia man. When I asked for information he gave me but a tiny bit about himself but he was generous in his information concerning his dahlia and his dahlias. I use the word "dahlia" both in the singular and in the plural forms advisedly! Most of what I shall have to say will be about one dahlia.

But, first of all, my man!

I want to introduce Earl Williams of Huntington, West Virginia, to the readers and friends of the American Dahlia Bulletin. Mr. Williams has been a dahliaist for the last ten years. He grows the flower just for a hobby. His hobby patch contains annually about four hundred hills of choice dahlias. These he grows, he says, "just for fun."

For further proof that Mr. Williams is a real dahlia man, I should like to add that I first met him at a dahlia show and when a man will grow dahlias just for fun, and at the same time, find his way to a dahlia show, he is a sure enough dahlia man. When he will do this he has been properly inoculated!

For a living, Mr. Williams tells me, he is one of those fellows that make us behave ourselves when we travel by train. He has been a railway policeman for the last twenty-three years. He is a trusted employee of his company.

Now, something else.

Two years ago Mr. Williams found a new bloom in his hobby dahlia patch. Where a "Glamour" should be, there was a fine big solid golden yellow bloom. The flower was large and massive and finely proportioned. When he checked his records he found that he had a "sport" from "Glamour." As a true dahlia man would he have saved that clump of roots and again planted them in the spring of 1943, hoping that they would again bloom the fine yellows as of the 1942 season. They did just that very thing for him. He now has several good clumps of this fine yellow dahlia.

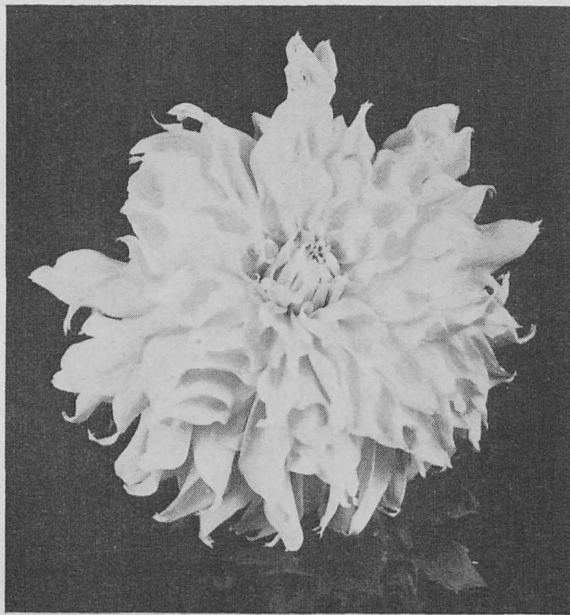
I am hoping that A.D.S. people will have an opportunity to meet both Earl Williams and his new dahlia. I commend them both to you all.

In another section of this number of the BULLETIN appears a picture of the "Glamour Sport." The flower on the left side of the picture has been cut for a period of eight days when the picture was taken.

Fairmont, W. Va.

## Alabama Show

Despite the war and adverse weather conditions, The Dahlia Society of Alabama has had a most successful year under the capable leadership of its president, C. G. Goodwin. Other officers of the Society who served this year include Graham McKinley, first vice president; Charles Thomas, second vice president; Charles Greer, third vice president; G. H. Ritchie, fourth vice president; John Self, fifth vice president; Mrs. J. F. Hull, secretary and treasurer; Dr. H. C. Rike, show chairman; T. M. Floyd, program chairman; Frank House, mem-



GOLDEN YELLOW SPORT OF GLAMOUR—grown by Earl Williams of Huntington, W. Va.

bership chairman; Dr. H. G. Simpson, publicity chairman; Norman Lefkovits, editor of Cut Worm; Paul McClain, technical adviser; Mrs. H. C. Rike, chairman garden clubs committee; Mrs. H. S. Miller, historian.

The show was held on October 7th, in much smaller quarters but nevertheless it was one of the most beautiful displays ever held by the society. The Church of the Advent very kindly put its Parish House at the disposal of the Society. Admission was free. Since it was impossible to obtain out-of-town judges, local members were used in that capacity. The show was visited by an unusually large number of flower lovers.

Norman Lefkovits received the 1943 introduction president's award and T. M. Floyd was winner of the Bromberg Trophy for the best three blooms of the show. Mr. Floyd also received the American Dahlia Society award for the best bloom measuring more than eight inches in diameter. The awards this year, other than the silver loving cup, won by Mr. Floyd, were ribbons and War Stamps which were presented to the winners in each of the many classes. Separate awards were made for one-bloom and three-bloom plants.

H. C. (SHORTY) RIKE  
Chairman Show Committee

Your Ballot for the election of officers of the A.D.S. is in this issue. Please vote and mail your ballot before January 2, 1944.

# When There's Virus in Plants or Venom in Men You Have to Destroy Them

Says Old Man Ature in a Letter to His Son, Whom He Hopes Will Learn  
About Human Nature From Dahlias

Yes, son it's a hard life. And it's a hard way I'm learning just how inhuman our enemies are. My only consolation in this God-forsaken place is the hope that when we finish the fight and put away our guns we can win the peace too—and earn the right to enjoy love and beauty and living again.

You see, poison in men's blood and souls must be done away with just as I have shown you that a dahlia plant infected with mosaic virus must be burned—so that the healthy ones may survive.

I have never forgotten what Tom Murphy, who originated "Murphy's Masterpiece" used to say about diseases in dahlias, and now I've come to think the same thing applies to men with diseased minds, like those we're fighting.

Tom Murphy, who died in 1930, said "The most important part of dahlia growing is health and disease. No man has the power to cure a diseased root. It must be destroyed and quickly. Likewise no man has the power to impart disease to a healthy root. But don't forget that roots are subject to disease or apt to be exposed to it every day in the garden, cellar or greenhouse. In other words nature has the power to keep a plant (or root) healthy or to infect it. When it becomes diseased, don't fool with it trying to make a good citizen out of it or hope someone you sell it to will have better luck with it than you have, burn it—destroy it."

He had his own ideas as to what caused this disease which he called, and others still do, too, "stunt". He said "the dahlia plant disease called 'stunt' is a root disease, it's in the 'blood' of the plant. Watch in your garden, watch every plant and when you see what I call 'sick spots' on the stalk, near the crown like rash or blotches, white or red and sometimes black, mixed up, throw it out, destroy it. Watch the clumps when you dig them too, and if you see this 'rash' or sick spots, don't plant any roots from this clump ever. No root or rooted slip from the clump which has this stunt indication is any good."

Other old timer friends of mine have pointed out these same spots on the talk above and even on the crown and said they always throw such infected clumps away quick. So you see, son what I mean when I say, in dahlias or in men virus of decay or hate must be eliminated if the healthy plants and people are to survive. They must not contaminate healthy stocks. Tom Murphy knew this. He figured out just how he could tell the diseased clumps and got rid of them quick. If we had figured out and noticed what was the rash in the minds of the Japs—there wouldn't have been that terrible lesson at Pearl Harbor.

And getting back to the dahlias. I'm sorry to say not enough growers are careful to rogue out the mosaic and ringspot affected clumps and burn them. Altogether too many clumps with rash get harvested and into the benches to produce sickly, stunted plants for which a high price is charged. Not until we and all growers learn to keep

only the healthiest, pure strains of plants, will the purchasers of dahlias be sure they can grow the new ones they buy to maturity and get all the pleasure out of them, to which they are entitled.

I did not intend to give such a lecture on this topic. But son, I want you to learn dahlias through and through and know when a new seedling is better than any other one which is or was anywhere near it in form and color. And should you ever go into the dahlia commercial business, I want you to only bring out better dahlias, more rugged, healthy ones as well as more beautiful ones than anybody else. Perfection of size or color, or form isn't everything. As Tom Murphy said "the most important thing is health or disease," don't forget that.

I suppose you have dug or are digging the roots now. I would save the seedlings which did not blossom, as you said many did not. Try them again next year. Seed may be scarce because of the poor growing conditions the past summer.

Get them stored well in the barrels and boxes. Put the drying shavings over them, or if you can't get that this year, cover clumps with fairly dry dirt leaving crowns sticking out in air. Don't let them dry too much before packing them away. An hour or two is all right, though. Watch them, too, through the winter. Look 'em over every few weeks till you cut them up.

Well, that's all now I guess. Take care of yourself. Plan your next year's garden this fall. And I like that idea of planting them 4 or 5 feet apart and putting vegetables in between. Sounds okay to me, son. Vegetables may be tougher to get and higher in price next year. We're eating a lot here and the more territory we win back, the more hungry mouths we find. Bye, now.

YOUR OLD MAN, ATURE

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Paul Frese, who is doing an outstanding job as Editor of *The Flower Grower*, is the principal speaker. Mr. Frese is thoroughly versed in Matt's horticultural—a scholarly gentleman, whose friends in the A.D.S. are legion.

The Banquet Hall at the Hotel Shelton, Lexington Ave. and 49th Street, has been engaged for the festivities; Saturday, January 29, 1944, the date.

Tickets at \$2.50 each may be had by addressing H. Dewey Mohr, 38 Vincent St., Rockville Centre, L. I.

Since the A.D.S. annual meeting will be held that afternoon at the Hotel, there will be the usual couple of hours for fellowship before dinner is served at 7 P. M.

# Ohio Shows

By F. V. R. Veirs, Associate Editor

The Fall shows have come and gone together with the alibis as usual—Seasons are too dry or too moist, or a hurricane comes along and knocks down the best flowers; whereas, in most cases, with the real experts it would take a flying fortress to do them injury. However, Cleveland has a real reason this time for not having as large a show as usual. Aside from the war, the Cleveland people could not plant dahlias until after the 15th of June, and in clay land planting was not started until July 1st. The land was too wet. The show date was the earliest in years, owing to the fact our society wanted to cooperate with the garden clubs and Victory gardens showing at the Harvest Festival, the first week in September. I cannot give the names of as many winners as I would like to give because when I was taking notes the festival management asked us to move our flowers upstairs. It was too late to start over again. I will give you the winners I have.

Patricia, a pink informal, undisseminated, was the most perfect large flower in the show—12½ by 9½ stem and foliage perfect. It was grown by H. H. Robins and originated by Mr. Huey, Paintsville, Kentucky. It is one I would like to grow but it probably will not be released this year. The largest bloom was Robert Ripley, grown and exhibited by Fred Jones, my good friend from Canton. Mr. Jones also won the sweepstakes in the small amateurs with class, Pink Giant, Ginger Rogers, Josephine Klimpt, Katie K. and others. One of the most beautiful flowers in the show was a bi-color seedling, originated by E. J. Wind and grown by Prof. Merrell Brown of Rochester, New York. The color is Rhodamine pink-tipped white but the white does not cut off short as in most bi-colors, but blended in the tips beautifully with the pink. It is very large and the stem and foliage could not be better. It is a beautiful dahlia. In fact, the best bi-color I have ever seen. Lyn Dudley would give this one first on his honor roll; it will not be introduced this year. Mr. Robins won specials on A4, a beautiful red raspberry formal, about 10 inches; 1-17 red and white bi-color formal "under 8"; and a red in-

formal Red Giant by name, and it is a real giant with excellent stem and foliage. He also won with Class in the three-bloom group. This exhibit boasted two specials. Mr. Cowie won with a beautiful bloom of Virginia Rute, three blooms of Monbia, and single bloom Yowa Masuoka. Frank Parenica's special awards were for Scarlet Leader, a red semi-cactus, Snow Ball, a white incurved cactus, Sonnet, a pink Semi-cactus, Ohio Beautiful, a red straight cactus, and a seedling named Pride of Jahco; this is a blended incurved cactus and the color is lemon yellow and pink. It is a very beautiful dahlia. Bataan, a bicolor, red and white cactus, won a special, and as far as I know was the only winner of the 1942 introductions. C. H. Smith of Toledo won a special on clover, a beautiful little blended pink pom.

The judges were Harold and Mrs. Gallimore, Mr. Eccleston, Mrs. Smith, and Mr. Shepp, all of East Liverpool; Mr. Reynolds, Mrs. Patterson, and Mr. Hough, of Wellsville, Ohio; Hal and Mrs. Hart of Perrysburg, Ohio; Mrs. Smith and Mr. Pelton of Toledo, Ohio; Miss Dorothy Baley of Cleveland; Prof. C. Merrell Brown, Rochester, New York; Harold Shannabrook of Massillon; and Val Veirs of Canton.

East Liverpool had a large as well as a very beautiful show. Dr. Richardson of Rochester was the only visitor from any great distance. We were delighted to have him. He is a grand fellow and a good judge of Dahlias. Mr. Eccleston is the president and made a wonderful toastmaster at the banquet. One of the attractions of the show was the exhibit put on by the Victory Gardeners. They not only showed wonderful vegetables but the display of canned goods was marvelous.

The American Home winner was a beautiful cactus originated and shown by Frank's Dahlia Gardens. It is a semi-cactus, old rose blending to cream with good stems and foliage. The name is Bedford Beauty.

The most perfect large flower was a gold informal grown by H. H. Robins of Chagrin Falls and originated by Merrill Brown of Rochester, New York. This bloom was about 13 inches by 9½. The foliage and stem was good. The name is "14 carat." I do not think it will be introduced this year. The largest bloom was also a seedling exhibited by Mr. Robins. It was 13½ by 10 and the color was red and yellow. American Purity, shown by Mr. Robins, won two specials. Other specials shown by Mr. Robins were: All American, Top-Flight, Stephen Foster, A-4, a raspberry red formal, Patricia, and Delta. Ohio Beautiful, a red straight cactus grown and shown by Garfield Heights Dahlia Gardens, Garfield Heights, Cleveland, Ohio, was the most perfect dahlia under eight inches. Mr. Eccleston won a lot of ribbons but the one I have noted in particular was a three-bloom vase of Snow Ball. It is the best white cactus I have ever seen. Red Giant, originated by Mr. Robins, Miss Bambridge, a lovely pink cactus, and red seedling shaded white on the end of petals. It is large and the foliage and stem are excellent. Frank's Dahlia Gardens exhibited a semi-cactus seedling 9 to 10 inches, ivory base blended to cerise that was very good, not named but the number is 252. Croyden Acme and Class were both good and I saw a splendid bloom of Columbia, Harold

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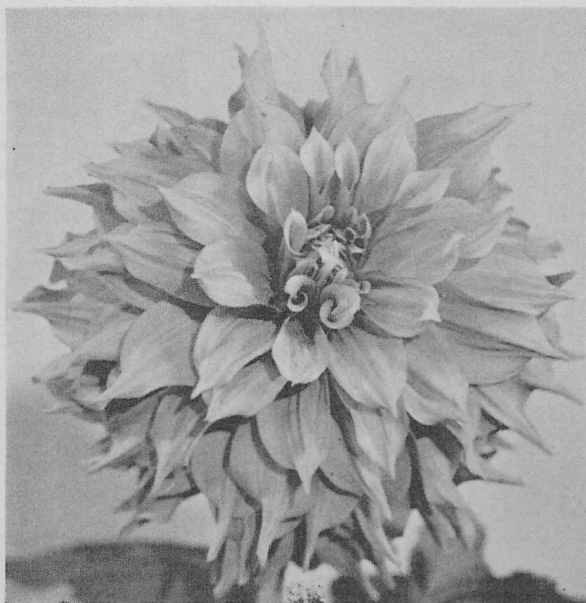
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Gallimore was sick all last Spring and his dahlias were too late for any show. Mr. Jones of Canton won with Class, Pink Giant and several others. Charley Lash won with a red formal seedling. It was very good. Sydney was much in evidence and very good.

In the amateur division—H. P. Patterson of Wellsville won the Special in Semi-cactus Class with Columbia. Informal Special was Alice May, exhibited by Frank Haines, East Liverpool, Ohio. Formal was Croyden Acme exhibited by Harry Johnson, East Liverpool, Ohio. The largest and most perfect bloom in the novice division was Croyden Acme exhibited by Mrs. May Robinson, Chester, West Virginia. The largest and most perfect Ball Dahlia was Rosy Dawn exhibited by Mrs. George H. White, East Liverpool, and the smallest Pom was Clover, exhibited by Mrs. W. M. Crawford of Wellsville, Ohio.

Sweepstakes in Open to All was won by H. H. Robins of Chagrin Falls, Ohio; sweepstakes in Novice Division was won by Abe Griffith, East Liverpool; sweepstakes of Amateur Division, won by H. P. Patterson, Wellsville, Ohio; and sweepstakes for the entire show was won by John Eccleston, East Liverpool. The judges were J. W. Cowie, Cleveland, Ohio; Fred Clark, Gibsonia, Pennsylvania; J. A. Grinble, Derry, Pennsylvania; Mrs. MacDowell, Rocky River, Ohio; H. H. Robins, Chagrin Falls, Ohio; Harold Shannabrook, Massillon, Ohio; H. P. Patterson, Wellsville, Ohio; W. J. Glowern, Jr., Cannonsburg, Pennsylvania; Charley Lash, South Euclid, Ohio; R. M. Fletcher, Sewickley, Pennsylvania; and Val Veirs of Canton, Ohio.

The Wellsville show was not as large as usual but the quality was there. The vegetable and canned goods exhibited by the Victory Gardeners were wonderful, as was the Juvenile Garden and Dahlia Exhibit. The Girl Scouts also had a wonderful exhibit of their handiwork.

I cannot give you the names of the winning dahlias, but I can tell you the names of some wonderful dahlias exhibited. Frank's Dahlia Gardens had some wonderful dahlias; among them were Night Gal, a semi-cactus about the color of Stephen Foster; a red and yellow cactus seedling much like Angelus; a red semi-cactus seedling with a long stem that was really great. In addition to those he had about five vases of cactus dahlias in the American Home class and they were all good. Mr. Eccleston had two Red semi-cactus seedlings that were great. Mrs. William McKinley Crawford exhibited a grand Cherokee Brave. She knows how to grow them. You would be surprised if you knew her politics. Mr. Jones won with Class, Pink Giant, and several others. Other dahlias that were very good were Croyden Chief, a grand informal pink, WAAC, Eventide, New Glory, Alice May, Confusius, Maffie (Maffie was good in all three shows), Rhythm, Bataan, Links Blue Triumph, Croyden Acme, Class, Frau Ida Mansfield, Snow Ball, Dominant, Enchantress, Greater Glory, Katie K., Dahliamum, Daroy Sainsbury, Marion Smith, and Wiser Hirsch. All of these were exceptionally good.

At the Garden Center show in Cleveland, there were a lot of good dahlias but the one that stood out above everything else was Bill's Splendor. It is a large pink semi-cactus from Australia.

You have noticed, probably, how few of the 1942 honor roll winners were shown in the above shows, usually I grow a lot of them myself. Were they not so good or were the fans too busy to get them?

Each year I make a lot of new friends. But this year I met very few people. I judged at East Liverpool and

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## EDITORIAL

Here on Long Island today, (Nov. 16th) we are still enjoying dahlia blossoms. Culminating an in-and-out season, this respite from Jack Frost is greatly appreciated.

Your Editor, in preparing the BULLETIN, reviews other seasons in a study to learn some hard and fast results which we may reasonably expect in each succeeding year.

The one that stands out as a beacon is this—that the Dahlia, when given a little extra attention by the grower—a little irrigation when needed; some spraying; judicious feeding, tying up and generally caring for the physical requirements, pruning and disbudding, will produce magnificent blooms regardless of the weather conditions.

Show date always falls on the day after a drenching rain, or terrific heat or tornado—yet when the doors open most blooms are as perfect as though they never saw a zephyr breeze or a dew drop.

So, plan your Shows and your gardens and give the good Lord a little help in the production of the grandest and most majestic of all flowers—the Dahlia.

As 1943 draws to a close, the A.D.S. notes that several new Branch Societies and a few new Affiliated Societies have joined the ever-growing circle which comprises the Dahlia world.

And we have a great many new individual members, ready to help and to serve and anxious for all the aid we, too, can give them.

Is there a small society in your community which is not identified with the parent organization? Let your

secretary know, so he can tell them how other local societies have grown rapidly, after contact with the A.D.S.

We must put more Dahlias in more gardens and we need your assistance to accomplish it.

## Toledo, Ohio Show

This year was really a "problem" year for Dahlia growers around Toledo, Ohio. First, we had so much rain, that for weeks our gardens were under water, and we couldn't possibly prepare the soil so, of course, our planting was delayed until about the middle of June. Then, when the water receded, the sun came out hotter than blazes and cooked the roots and wilted the plants. Some of us had to replace our stock several times. After much worrying and humoring, the plants and roots started to grow around the 4th of July, and our visions of a Dahlia Show were about blasted. The members of the Dahlia Society discussed the advisability of passing up the Show for 1943, but some of the stronger hearted growers decided "the Show must go on" and we would do the best we could with what we had, all the time each one said a prayer that nature would give us a break.

The Show Committee, under the leadership of Carl P. Sattler as chairman, and Henry J. Winey, secretary, worked hard and long. The other members of the committee included John Saalfeld, president; Ernest Balcomb, our 92-year-old member, who has been growing Dahlias more years than he can remember; Herman Bunte, Alex Lonergan, Wm. Pelton and John Schroeder. The Awards Committee included George Towslee, Hollie Ellis, Fred Grey, Jim White, Cecil B. Warner and Chas. Smith.

The Jim White Chevrolet Co. gave us the space in their large display rooms for our Show and it was held September 11th and 12th. We had between nine and ten thousand people view the flowers, and from all the questions asked, we know the interest in the Dahlia is increasing in this section of the land. This Show is always free to the public.

The judging was in the capable hands of the following nationally known judges:

Prof. C. E. Wildon, Trial Grounds, State College, East Lansing, Mich.

Merrill J. Hewitt, Teachers College, Jackson, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Emmons, Battle Creek, Mich.

E. J. Wind, Rocky River, Ohio.

Victor Steckle, Lansing, Mich.

Dr. and Mrs. Paul M. Morgan, Battle Creek, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cowie, Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Braack, Garfield Heights, Ohio.

Tally clerks were: Mrs. Henry J. Winey, Mrs. John Schroeder, Mrs. Frank Winker, Mrs. Carl Sattler, Mrs. George Preston and Mr. H. R. Grabow.

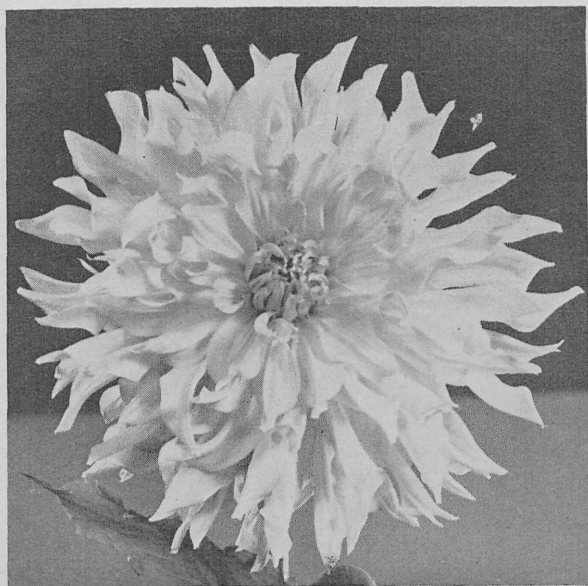
Awards were in the form of War Stamps, Bonds, Cups, Vases and other merchandise.

The President's cup for the "largest and most perfect bloom" in the Show, went to Mr. Wm. Wolbert, Springfield, Ohio. It was won on his seedling, not named.

The cup for the "smallest and most perfect pom," went to John Schroeder, Toledo, Ohio. The winning flower was *Clover*.

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## 1943 Michigan Highlights



**MOTHER KOENIG**—Large shrimp pink I.D., winner of Achievement Medal at New Baltimore, Mich.

Our spring was late like most other sections of the country with a lot of cold rains and wet ground which did not permit the planting of any Dahlias until along about June 10th or 15th. This, together with the fact that we had a rather cool summer with a good deal of rain, coupled with an early frost on the night of Sept. 17th, really gave us a pretty short season. Perhaps this was a good year to test Dahlias, because the late bloomers froze up in bud and it certainly helped to select the good performers among the seedlings.

Among the varieties already in commerce, certainly one of the top notch performers was *Dean Shurtleff*. This Dahlia from Mr. S. E. Taylor at Morgantown, W. Va., was introduced without any particular fanfare, but I believe you will find it is our No. 1 large red Dahlia without any serious contenders. *Stephen Foster* from Salem was good as usual, as were also such varieties as *Katie K*, *Michigan White*, *Nancy Ann Mitchell*, *Sunrays* and *Maffie*, among the larger flowering types and I believe we must accept these Dahlias as more or less permanent numbers that can be grown successfully by any and all amateurs or commercial men.

Among the little fellows, such Dahlias as *Little Diamond*, *Morning Mist*, *Sherry*, *Ila*, *Ebony* and *Sylvia* were outstanding, and this list too, represents what I would consider more or less permanent varieties that will perhaps be with us a long time.

Among the newer things which I had on trial, *Poet's Dream* from Salem is one of the largest and still most beautiful informal decorative that I have ever seen. It is a strong grower on good stems and I believe this Dahlia could be grown to 15 x 11 with just a little coaxing. It is one of the few huge Dahlias that I have ever seen that

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**ENGLE'S WHITE CHIEF****AN HONOR ROLL DAHLIA****"A Dahlia the Visitors All Want"**

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Cheviot (Cincinnati-11), Ohio

**CATALOG READY IN JANUARY**

## Doings At Northeastern Pennsylvania

It is quite pleasant to write the doings of a chapter which has proven itself flexible enough to carry on its entire schedule and absorb the vicissitudes of war. Where there is a desire to function, and at the same time assist the war effort, a feeling of usefulness develops, which results in a fusion of spirit. Horticultural, civic, and patriotic duties were moulded together and this chapter, with certain restrictions, struggled through a fairly successful year.

Our Nay Aug Park was planted. The response of our friends in the commercial world was just as generous as in former years. The seedling beds were filled to a capacity with some of the best plants of both Eastern and Mid-Western growers. Due to gas restrictions our own membership was unable to transport as much stock as in former years. We had a record dry season, the dryest since 1917. For that reason, our blooming season was late. However, we saw enough of the new varieties in the park to satisfy. This park is a source of information for the members of our society. Many of the best originations in the country were first seen by our membership in our Nay Aug planting. Many, many things have happened in the world since that planting, many things of the greatest import, but, such gardens as this and those in our own backyards have helped us to forget for just a moment the campaigns of other climes, and the inconvenience of war. This year we saw "Poet's Dream", one of Bill Nunneville's last selections. It's a large pink informal with lavender shadings and a

white center. Concerto is on the same color scheme but it is more of a semi-cactus type. For the second time, we planted Stanley Johnson's "Prince Beautiful." This is a dahlia which has form. Its size ran from 8 inches to 10 inches. It's a good grower, flowers freely and early. The greatest asset of this dahlia is its coloring which is unusual and different; a blend of pink and cream with each petal having a touch of gold.

Premier's Dahlia Gardens sent in a most interesting group of seedlings. "Moscow" grew informally with good depth and size. It's deep red in color and massive in formation which should be enough to move this flower up to the exhibition table. Almira grew as a straight cactus, was of good form and lemon yellow color. Link's "Sensation" grew as an informal and with the proper care should be grown to larger proportions. It is of scarlet shade with orange shadings. Link's "Black Prince" bloomed late; saw only one bloom, which was dark velvety maroon and exquisite formation. This flower was without doubt one of the best in the park.

Warren Maytrott's seedlings are always worthy of scrutiny, whether they are large or small. Pittman's "Giant Cardinal" is a dependable flower, a big dahlia, with good form and excellent foliage. Rhythm was one of the nicest in the park. This is its second year in this park and its beauty was unexcelled. Other flowers just didn't bloom because of a long dry season.

The disseminated beds were scarce in blooms and less in numbers than in former years. We'll blame that on the war. Next year is another year and we hope the beds will be overflowing to an unheard of capacity.

We held our annual show in the Y.W.C.A. Auditorium, where we heard of dahlias, mixed up with cerebral flatulence, gourmads, and ghouls. Dr. Ward Cook turned in a good job of judging and also made some diagnosis that are rare even in medical text books. He also transported some blooms of "Rhythm", which would quicken the pulse of Dozier, its originator. Lynn Dudley paced the work of the judges and was assisted by Henry Olsen, George Swezey, Paul Doll, Florence Johns, D. L. Davis, Stanley Johnson, W. Zoos, Ernest Link, Robert Stobo and H. Rivel. Dr. R. Armstrong was show chairman assisted by E. E. Holmes, Dr. E. F. McDade, R. W. Webb, C. Heusner, E. A. Lewis and Mrs. R. Armstrong. The show was held in conjunction with the Lackawanna Bond Committee whose committee took over the door and handed the receipts over to Uncle Sam. Admission was by the purchase of stamps and bonds and this committee sold an extra couple of thousand dollars in securities as a contribution to our servicemen.

A review of the show is interesting in view of the fact that many new dahlias made their appearance in competition with the older varieties. For instance, in Section C, Dr. R. Armstrong, the sweepstakes winner, exhibited a "Carl Dahl", which was judged to be the largest and most perfect bloom, and Charles Heusner won specials with "Nancy Anne Mitchell" and "Winter Morn." In Section D, Ernest Lewis won sweepstakes and his "One Grand" was the best in the section, while R. Webb won a special with "Judy G." In the Open-to-All, R. Webb won sweepstakes and a special with "King

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Peter." E. Lewis won a special with "Farncot"; W. Stolz, with "Class" and "Carl Dahl" and Holmes-McDade had the most perfect bloom in the section with Link's "Conspicuous." This bloom later on won the Show Manager's Award for the most perfect cactus in the entire show. In the miniature section Paul Doll won sweepstakes with as fine a collection of mins as ever shown anywhere; his skill in handling and growing the little ones was evident in his selection of perfect blooms for competition in the many classes in this section, which was open to all. He won with "Eileen", "Atom", "Mrs. French", "Miss Marjorie", "How Sweet", "Royal Prince", "Ila", "Mia Karsten", "Little Prince", "Bright Lass", "Betsy T", "Royalette" and Homeacres "Sweetest", which was also judged to be the most perfect in the section. He also showed blue winners of "White Fawn", "Tip", "Andreas Orange" and "Winifred." W. Stolz won a special with "Supt. Amerhyn" and E. Lewis with "Dahliadel Twinkle."

The arrangement section was dominated by the Lewises. Here they exhibited many and profuse blooms of all sizes and colors. Their basket arrangements were superb. Paul Doll entered this section with beautiful basket arrangements of "Miss Marjorie" and "Tip."

"Gay Imp", a new red and white bicolor, won in the undisseeded section. This flower was exhibited by Lynn Dudley and was on the Eastern Honor Roll. It grows informally and its originator is Theo. J. Sjoberg, 2180 48th Street, Oakland, California.

The American Home Achievement Class was the seat of much discussion and admiration. There was admiration for two entries, one the winner and the other the runner-up. Both were worthy of an achievement medal. Lew Sarrett's "Pink Flamingo" was the winner, and

Stanley Johnson's "Prince Beautiful" was nosed out on condition only. "Pink Flamingo" is a seedling out of "May Robson." It is a true incurved cactus, well balanced at all points, with tight, well rounded centers. It is classed as a clear pink with gold center. In size it is easily of the 10-inch variety, with stems which are straight, sturdy and range from 10 to 14 inches long. It is a fair root maker, which is a good compliment to a cactus variety. This lovely flower was exhibited by the Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens. In the Court of Honor, William Stolz won the President's Trophy for the largest and most perfect in the show, with a massive bloom of "Carl Dahl", and the smallest in the show was a bloom of "Miss Marjorie", as exhibited by Paul Doll. E. Lewis earned a well deserved grand sweepstakes special.

The above sketch is a birdseye view of the doings at Northeastern Pennsylvania. It reflects credit on its members and their friends. Through its president, Charles Heusner, we extend our appreciation to our benefactors; to the judges, who upheld the best tradition of the A.D.S. and to Doc Preas, who is the best pea-coal miner ever turned out in the anthracite district.

EDWARD F. McDADÉ, M.D.,  
Secretary.

## TOLEDO SHOW

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Novice Class cup went to Mr. Paul Hull, Toledo, Ohio. Small amateur cup went to Carl P. Sattler, Toledo, Ohio.

Large amateur cup went to Chas. H. Smith, Toledo, Ohio.

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## For 1944 I Offer

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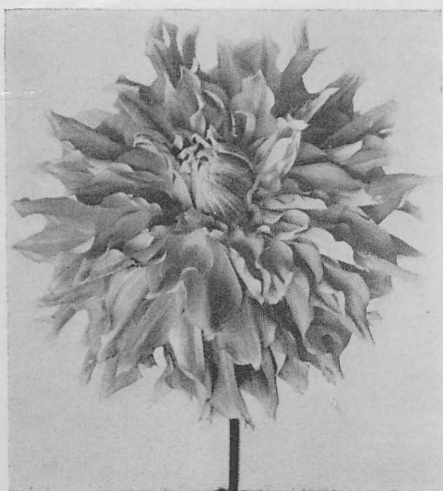
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**1943 MICHIGAN HIGHLIGHTS***(Continued from page 17)*

is beautiful. In color, it is blush pink fading to white, and for you fellows who want them big and still beautiful, here's something for you to work on. Another good one from Salem was *Salem Sunshine* that is a creamy yellow with a lemon yellow centre, informal decorative, and I also believe this one can be grown to 14 x 10 with a little coaxing. I also had their *Concerto* on trial, but it apparently blooms a little late and did not flower for me. Of the other seedlings which I had on trial that were largely from Lakeside Gardens, I can certainly recommend *Mother Koenig* a large shrimp pink fading to yellow, informal decorative which was the AHA medal winner at New Baltimore. *Edgar A. Guest*, a lovely canary yellow which has scored at both Storr's and East Lansing, and their *Buddy* which is a blood red miniature and *Little Buddy* which is a deep yellow miniature on the pom type, and both these little fellows have scored at both Storr's and East Lansing.

Lakeside Gardens have been growing seedlings for a good many years but have not introduced anything for the past three years. They have accumulated somewhere between 30 and 40 outstanding Dahlias that will be introduced as stock accumulates, and this selection represents the trial of something more than 60,000 seedlings grown.

I believe the outstanding feature of Lakeside Testing Gardens is the fact that their stuff is all grown on very ordinary soil, with little or no feeding and from average cultivation, and when they do well for two or three years under these circumstances, it seems to me that anyone should be able to grow them.

BRUCE COLLINS

**From the Hills of Old Wyoming****By Lt.-Col. Richard T. Eddy**

(Word has just reached your Editor that Col. Eddy is ill at Fitzsimmons General Hospital, U. S. Army, Denver, Colo. I am sure he would be happy to hear from his Dahlia friends).

So much has been written by me about dahlia growing in California, that some BULLETIN readers may be interested in knowing my experience with dahlias in Wyoming.

In late October, before my dahlias could be dug in California, I was called to active duty in the army at Fort Francis E. Warren, Wyoming. The post is located on the outskirts of Cheyenne, on the eastern slope of the Rockies, and at an elevation of about 6200 feet. While there is considerable snowfall, the prevailing winds, which seem to blow in all directions at the same time, (and when I say *blow*, I mean just that), carry away the snow to some unknown spot, with the result that it seldom remains on the ground locally for any length of time. The coldest day was about 26 below zero, which to a Californian is cold in any climate, wet, dry, or otherwise.

We have a greenhouse on the post, and the Superintendent graciously allocated bench space for my dahlia experiments. Some prize stock was shipped from California and about thirty American growers sent seedlings for trial. Eastern friends, and none are more generous than dahlia lovers, sent stock to replenish many of the older varieties which I had lost following a serious accident in May 1942. For some reason the tubers just wouldn't break dormancy, coax and threaten them as I would and swear as I did. So low was the humidity that the sand on the bench dried out very rapidly, needing almost constant attention, something that couldn't be had under existing conditions at the post. But when some of the less cantankerous tubers finally consented to send out a shoot from which a cutting could be taken, my troubles were not over. Indeed they had just commenced. Despite bottom heat, and the use of rooting compounds, the cuttings wouldn't root, or perhaps it is more accurate to say that they took their own sweet time to develop a rooting system—thirty days being not unusual, but on the contrary about the average time. And were they hard drinkers! Believe it or not, cuttings wilted even though placed in water immediately after being taken from the tuber! Weather conditions made early outdoor planting an impossibility, so many tubers were started in flats in the greenhouse, and held there until outside planting was considered safe.

The spring stayed cold, and it looked as though we would have snow all summer long. The ground continued too wet to plant, and the 1943 season had all the ear marks of a terrible flop. However, we had a few really nice days and the planting was finally finished—the latter part of June. While setting out the last of the green plants storm clouds appeared and I rushed to cover only to see a Hail Storm shatter many of the young plants! After that experience I felt that nothing could happen, and it didn't—for several weeks! During that time the growing season was ideal, the plants thrived and I have never seen stronger, healthier plants. Stem weakness was unknown, and with only slight disbudding huge blooms were produced. I had been told by natives that this was good dahlia country, and so it proved to be.

Of course the dahlia was first found in high altitudes in Mexico so there is no particular reason why they should not do well here also. The temperature seldom reached ninety, the nights were cool, an abundance of water was available and I was in my glory. As the early blooms developed the garden became a mecca for soldiers and townspeople, and attracted much attention. Notes were made by men on the most promising new varieties, and the older varieties expectantly watched. Everything was rosy—so I thought. But on the night before Labor Day, the thermometer took a nose dive to 26 degrees, and except for a few choice varieties planted in the shelter of the Officer's Club House, the plants were frozen stiff. Another two weeks and practically everything would have bloomed, but it was not to be. For this reason several new varieties which have proved outstanding elsewhere and which failed to develop here, I am certain would have made the Honor Roll had cold weather just held off a short while longer. Whether it was due to soil, climate, good growing conditions or extra good varieties I know not. This I do know, that never before has the percentage of good seedlings sent me proved so high as this year, and never have I grown larger and finer blooms. And all this without special care and attention.

With late planting and the short growing season I feared the tuber crop would be a failure. It was! From a majority of the planted tubers there was no increase—nothing but strings. It was necessary promptly to dig because really cold weather was apt to break at any time. The clumps (tubers) were carefully dug, laid in flats or boxes, covered with potting soil, wetted down lightly and placed in 3 ft. deep cold frames. Here they will be maintained at a temperature of about 40 degrees, moistened occasionally and watched constantly in the hope that in this way they can be carried over the winter and propagated in early spring. A few of the choicest will be shipped to California there to be benched and propagated during the winter.

Three shipments have recently reached me from Australia, with more to follow. These are already on the bench and plants will be greenhouse grown in large pots this winter so that pot clumps will be available for planting next spring. Thus while the 1943 outdoor season has come to an end, the 1944 season has opened and these new varieties from "down under" are already getting acquainted with their American rivals, pot-grown during the summer of 1943 and still thriving in the greenhouse. The King is dead—long live the King!. THE DAHLIA!

### Baltimore Dahlia Society

The Baltimore Dahlia Society like many others was compelled, due to present conditions, to cancel their show. However, with an active membership such as we have, the interest has not lagged.

The serious drought caused the blooming season to be considerably shorter, for restrictions prohibited the use of water. However, there were some very fine blooms grown as proven by the display held amongst the members at the September meeting.

Fine reports have been coming in on the Trial Garden at the University of Maryland and where the Skinner system proved very advantageous. Chairman Henry

Cory had his group working overtime scoring the blooms.

At the October meeting the members heard some very fine reports on the A.D.S. show as given by Chas. M. Diffenderfer, Talbot McAfee and Henry Cory, who assisted in the judging. Talbot McAfee was also called into service on the vegetable exhibits, a job for which he is expertly qualified.

Plans are under way for a bigger and better show in 1944 and we can only hope for conditions to improve so that we can again put on a display equal to our high standard of previous years.

HERBERT O. ABURN, *Secretary*

### TOLEDO SHOW

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Open Class cup went to John R. Braack, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

Grand Sweepstakes, was a \$25 War Bond, won by Chas. H. Smith, Toledo, Ohio.

American Home Achievement Medal was not awarded.

ADS Medal Certificate, awarded to Wm. Wolbert, Springfield, Ohio.

This was the most successful Dahlia show ever held in Toledo,

CARL P. SATTLER, *Show Chairman.*

### OHIO SHOW

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at Wellsville with a youngster my age from Cannasburg, Pennsylvania. All of you ought to know that fellow. He is my idea of a real chap and a good judge. I have tried to tell you about the best dahlias I have seen. A great many of them are undisseeded, which means there are a lot of good ones on the way. The seedlings mentioned were all shown in the "Open to All."

The Dahlia Judges at Wellsville were F. A. Jones, Canton, Ohio; John Eccleston, East Liverpool; Frank Parenica, Bedford, Ohio; W. J. Gower, Jr., Canons-

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## LAKESIDE GARDENS, NICK KOENIG & FAMILY

New Baltimore, Mich.

### South Central Wisconsin Dahlia Society

Many beautiful blooms faced the judges at our show held at Miller's Flower House, Sun Prairie, Wis., September 12th.

Sweepstakes was won by Mr. Eyvvin Barkahn, who exhibited "Gloria Bacher," "Glamour," "Prachtkerl," "All-American," "Zenith," "Mad. Jussiant" and "Ohio Beautiful" to advantage.

Largest flower was his "Glamour."

F. L. Kriel excelled in Pom Pons with "Little Prince," "Betty Anne," "Mary Munn," "Sherry," "Johnnie," "Eileen" and "Mike."

Hats off to Mr. Miller, who not only provided the site for the show, but by his exhibit, prize donations and every possible encouragement, assured the success our exhibition enjoyed.

### San Leandro, California Show

Once again the annual Dahlia Show of the San Leandro Dahlia Society is history, and once again thousands of flower lovers, including many out-of-state visitors, were thrilled by the spectacular and beautiful exhibits displayed by the local amateur and professional growers in the Presbyterian church gymnasium Saturday and Sunday.

Winner of the coveted American Achievement medal was Charles Garrity with his deep red cactus dahlia which he has named the "Spitfire."

"Best flower in the show" award went to Stanley Allen for his "Chatauqua Dawn," which, incidentally, won the same award a year ago when entered by Garrity.

Principal prize winners in the advanced amateur division were Allen, T. J. Sjoborg of Oakland and Councilman Groves of San Leandro. Allen also won the prize for the best general display.

Largest amateur class winners were Ambrose Arbini, H. E. Harter of Berkeley and Mrs. Jenny Parle.

### Root Storage

If you do not have a good place to store dahlia roots—or if the cellar is too warm and promotes dry rot or dries them out too quickly perhaps you could do as some farmers do. They often store small quantities of vegetables and fruits in special cold storage bins. This method solves the storage problem for small quantities of apples and potatoes and the like by the following device which will keep dahlia roots too. Sink barrels at the edge of the garden by leaving the open end just level with the ground. Tamp soil firmly on the outside of the barrel to prevent air from filtering in. Then late in the fall fill the barrels with dahlia roots, handling them carefully and packing them closely without breaking off roots. Fill barrels to within 18 inches of top. This can be less or more depending on severity of winter. Fill in top with straw or grass, thoroughly dry. Then cover top with boards and throw an old rug or burlap bag over the top, extending same beyond edges of barrel at least a foot. When and if snow comes, heap it over the tops of the barrels. When cutting up time comes in spring take off coverings and there you find the roots in good, firm condition for planting, we hope.

## The Dahlia Society of Kentucky

It is with great pleasure that I write about the Dahlia Show of the Dahlia Society of Kentucky, which was held on Saturday and Sunday, September 25-26, 1943 in the Ship Room of the Kentucky Hotel.

The show in general was a very pretty one. Much more than was anticipated, as most of our members stated that they would not have much for the show, but as usual we always bring them in on show date.

Sweepstakes in Section 1 was won by Mrs. Ross Griffith of Corydon, Indiana; and Section 2 by Mr. J. A. Schutte of Springfield, Ohio. Mr. Schutte also won grand sweepstakes in the entire show and was awarded the American Dahlia Society Gold Certificate.

The largest bloom in the show was shown by Mr. Wm. Wolbert of Springfield, Ohio. It was *Virginia Rute*.

The most perfect bloom, *Premier Winsome*, was shown by Mrs. C. J. Simmons, of Louisville, Ky.

Special Award Ribbons—the Courier-Journal Streamer Ribbons—were won by Mr. Al Herche of Corydon, Indiana; J. A. Schutte, Wm. Wolbert of Springfield, Ohio; Mrs. R. Griffith of Corydon, Indiana; W. B. Dietz, Al Smith, Dr. J. B. Stroud, Mrs. C. J. Simmons, George Shee, Mrs. Chas. Fieldhouse, Stephen Gude, all of Louisville, Ky.

Mr. John Peck, of Golden Rule Dahlia Gardens, Lebanon, Ohio, was awarded a special green ribbon for his small seedling, *Baby Rose*.

It was indeed a real pleasure to welcome our out of town guests and to have them with us during these trying times and the difficulty in transportation.

The banquet was also held in the Colonels' Room of the Kentucky Hotel, and was attended by 30 members and friends.

MRS. W. F. KLEINJOHN, Secretary.

## A.D.S. SHOW SPLENDID SUCCESS

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### SECTION B—ARRANGEMENT

Red, white and blue combination stressing distinctive use of any dahlias and or any flowers. Container to be any one of these colors—Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Conover, Oradell, N. J.  
 White dahlias with any gray green foliage in red container—Mrs. Tom Cummings, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
 Any Dahlias in green container—Mrs. Walter J. Purdue, Floral Park, L. I., N. Y.  
 Any Dahlias in white container—Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Conover, Oradell, N. J.; Mrs. Ellen Bulluss, Meriden, Conn.  
 Autumn Colored Dahlias in blue container—Mr. and Mrs. H. Conover, Oradell, N. J.  
 Any Dahlias with other Garden Flowers. Any container—Mrs. Frank Boes, Floral Park, L. I., N. Y.  
 Corsage using Dahlias. Other material in bouquet optional. Exhibitor to supply container of water to retain freshness—Mrs. H. D. Swain, Peekskill, N. Y.; Mrs. F. E. Falkenbury, Hartsdale, N. Y.; Miss June Humble, Douglaston, N. Y. Honorable Mention: Mrs. Ellen Bulluss, Meriden, Conn.; Mrs. Jane Henry, New York City.  
 Old fashioned nosegay including small Dahlias in bouquet—Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Conover, Oradell, N. J.; Mrs. Ellen Bulluss, Meriden, Conn.  
 Any distinctive exhibit of plant material for educational value or appeal to public—Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Conover, Oradell, N. J. (Tri-Color); Mrs. William Stickles, Malba, L. I., N. Y.; Miss June Humble, Douglaston, N. Y.  
 Gladiolus, any container—Mrs. Harold Ray, Floral Park, L. I., N. Y.  
 Roses, any container—Mrs. Wm. G. Wheeler, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Frank Boes, Floral Park, L. I., N. Y.  
 Zinnias, one or more varieties, any container—Mrs. Walter Purdue, Floral Park, N. Y.; Mrs. Frank Boes, Floral Park, N. Y.  
 Marigolds, African one or more varieties of recent introduction—Mrs. Wm. Stickles, Malba, L. I., N. Y.; Mrs. Tom Cummings, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Marigolds, French, any container—Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Conover, Oradell, N. J.  
 Purple or lavender and yellow combination of Dahlias—Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Conover, Oradell, N. J.  
 An arrangement to show distinctive use of one Dahlia bloom—Mrs. Tom Cummings, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. William Stickles, Malba, L. I., N. Y.; Mrs. Ellen Bulluss, Meriden, Conn. Honorable Mention: Mr. and Mrs. H. Conover, Oradell, N. J.  
 Any combination of Dahlias and native flowers—Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Conover, Oradell, N. J.; Mrs. William G. Wheeler, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
 My favorite arrangement—Mrs. Frank Boes, Floral Park, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Conover, Oradell, N. J.; Mrs. George Green, Kensington, Conn.  
 Dahlias in a prune juice bottle—Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Conover, Oradell, N. J.

## Suburban Dahlia Show

Winners of our Show at Baltimore:

Largest and best blooms in the Show—"Sunrays", by Tom Combs.

Smallest—"Clover", by W. L. Warner.

Best display of Poms—George Mumma.

Best bloom in novice class—"Amigo", by Mr. and Mrs. Crockett (this was one of the finest blooms in the show, an immense white).

Best color bloom in novice class—a "Virginia Shipley," by Mr. Spedden.

Class One—"Maffie", by W. Oates.

Class Two—"Blue Rose", by Lou Gill.

Class Three—"Mary Taylor", by Mrs. Lauer.

Class Four—"Red Sport of Glamour", by J. H. Nolte.

Class Five—Three gigantic blooms of "Winning Ways", by W. L. Warner.

In two sections for ball dahlias—"Rosy Dawn", won

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## BEST DAHLIA IN SHOW

### "ELIZABETH RETHBERG"

We were Winners again this year for the Best Dahlia in the Show of the Dahlia Society of California in San Francisco. This year it was our glorious Giant pink "ELIZABETH RETHBERG."

In 1942 our "AMADOR QUEEN" won for BEST DAHLIA in SHOW. This Giant sulphur yellow straight Cactus Dahlia was better than ever this year. **Root—\$5.00**

We had many wonderful large new Dahlias from our seed this year. Also had fine reports from our customers.

Hand pollinized Dahlia Seeds from our largest and best varieties.

**50 Seeds for \$5.00 Net**

Selected Seeds of large Dahlias

**100 Seeds for \$5.00 Net**

Miniature Seeds—**100 Seeds—\$1.00 Net**

Pompon Seeds — **50 Seeds—\$.50 Net**

## ALICE MEUSSDORFFER DAHLIAS

487 Hanover Street San Francisco, California

Catalog on request

in both classes, by Fred Reynolds and J. H. Nolte.

A first year seedling of pastel shades—"Cactus" and "Beautiful" was the winner in the large seedling class, by W. L. Warner.

A two year seedling, a bicolor, exhibited by Mr. and Mrs. Schwanabeck, was winner in another seedling class.

In the under 7-inch class, a new creation by Harry Quick, "Maryland Perfection" and exhibited by Mrs. J. H. Nolte, won in a large field. This bloom has keeping qualities and a rich purple color that is extremely beautiful. A bloom of "Lady in Red", by Tom Combs, was a winner in another class. Dave Quick's cactus display drew favorable admiration from the crowd. A special Victory display of flowers by Mrs. Bodenberg, registered first prize.

In the miniature class, "Little Diamond," exhibited by W. L. Warner, won the honors.

A committee from our club visited the shows in New York and of the National Capital Club of Washington. Both organizations deserve great credit for staging a show in these war times.

J. H. NOLTE.

### Washington Dahlia Society

The Washington Dahlia Society held only one show this year in Tacoma. While the number of entries was far below other years, the blooms shown were excellent and the show was well attended. "Top Flight" was the Sweepstakes bloom. Our season has been very rainy and the gardens seem to be coming in bloom slowly, but it should make good roots.

MRS. H. C. COGSWELL.

### QUALITY

## DAHLIA SEED

We expect to have good high class Dahlia seed of the following varieties:

Freda George	Indian Summer
Calif. Idol	Greater Glory
Eventide	Growing Glory
Michigan White	Enchantress
Aztec Chief	Mrs. C. J. Sowton
Cherokee Brave	Don Sowton
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Rose Marie	Sir Galahad

\$1.00 for 20 Seeds

\$5.00 for 100 Seeds

All our stock is free from  
Virus Disease

### COMSTOCK DAHLIA GARDENS

5140 35th Street

San Diego, Calif.

### A.D.S. Show Contributors

The Show Committee expresses thanks and appreciation to the large group who so generously contributed to the Show Fund. This group includes:

C. Albanese	F. O. Mott
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J. W. Brunner	F. W. Nichols
J. Brockelbank	Henry Olsen
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Henry Cory	F. Pitea
R. Clements	Dr. Bruce B. Preas
W. M. Clay	Premier Dahlia Gardens
Dr. Ward B. Cooke	C. F. Petty
F. Coates	Queens Dahlia Gardens
Miss Eliz. F. Cooke	Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens
Mrs. Tom Cummings	Mrs. Bessie Raben
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### A.D.S. TRIAL GARDENS

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decorative. Color, absolutely white. Flowers, eight by four inches. Bush, four to five feet tall. Flowers on short stems. Score, 80.

#### OTHER ENTRIES

STAKE NO. 2 Informal decorative. Picric yellow with each petal white edged. Pretty. Not scored. One plant only bloomed. Re-trial.

STAKE NO. 12. Entered by W. W. Maytrott. An informal decorative with apricot as the dominant color. The flower was most promising. Not scored as only one plant bloomed.

STAKE NO. 18. Entered by J. B. Anderson, Westwood, New Jersey. Evidently of mixed stock. One plant bloomed a seven inch cactus bloom, one plant bloomed a three and one-half inch miniature cactus. The miniature cactus was a mighty pretty flower running in color from a salmon to flesh. The larger flower had pink as its dominant color. It was also rated as pretty. One plant did not bloom. Not scored.

STAKE NO. 19. Entered by Mr. Anderson. Flowers a medium cactus, six by three inches. Pretty as shown by the one plant which bloomed. Color, gold center with shell tips.

STAKES NOS. 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 17 did not bloom. Trial garden entries which did not bloom should not be condemned because of the one failure to perform. Because of that, new trials for all non-growing varieties are recommended.

# GIANTS OF THE SHOWROOM . . . .

## *Two great Salem introductions for 1944*

Both are huge . . . Both are sturdy growers . . .  
Both have erect, stiff stems . . . Both are early and profuse.

**POET'S DREAM**—An Informal Decorative of great size and unsurpassed beauty. An A.D.S. Official terms it is the most beautiful Dahlia of all time. The color is apple blossom pink with pure white center. The petals are as delicate as an Orchid and have a glowing luster which beggars description. **Price \$20.00 per Root**

**SALEM SUNSHINE**—An Informal Decorative of pure soft yellow, surely the largest yellow Dahlia to date. At New York, A.D.S. Show Manager Henry Olsen entered it in open competition, winning the Blue Ribbon and beating a good bloom of California Idol. Expect to see fifteen-inch blooms of this great Dahlia. **Price \$20.00 per Root**

*Both are on ALL the Honor Rolls. Stock is limited—orders must be booked strictly in rotation. Reserve your requirements at once.*

(Kindly make out check to Mrs. W. Nuneviller)

**SALEM DAHLIA GARDENS**

**236 Grant Street, Salem, N J.**

## The Dahlia Society of Kentucky

On Tuesday evening, October 19, 1943, the Dahlia Society of Kentucky held their annual meeting with the election of officers. They are as follows:

President—Mr. Jos. E. Beckwith.

Vice-Pres.—Mr. Chas. Fieldhouse.

Secretary—Miss Grace Stroud, 424 E. Lee St.

Treasurer—Mrs. Chas. Fieldhouse.

Board of Directors—C. H. Durnil, W. B. Dietz and H. T. Kruse.

Mrs. W. F. KLEINJOHN.

## Kitsap County Show

The Kitsap County (Bremerton, Wash.) Show was held at U.S.O. headquarters, August 26th and 27th.

Proud winners of the sweepstakes award—a handsome silver loving cup presented by the Bremer Estate—are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sinclair. The lovely lavender, pink and cream "Freda George," grown in their back-yard dahlia gardens at 1733 Burwell Street, was adjudged best in the show.

Second award went to Carl Chilson of Olympia, who displayed a Pink Spiral. He is one of the faithful exhibitors in Bremerton shows.

Blooms on display range from the one-inch "Sweeters-baby", displayed by Thomas Forhan, 2009 6th Street, to the huge red "Maffie", 15 inches in diameter and 12 inches from front to back, grown by G. A. Hastings of Shorewood Drive.

Mrs. George Mastick of Portland, 82 years old and known wherever dahlias are sold, accompanied Mrs. F. S.

Pomeroy of Seattle, who with Mrs. Lillian Lee of Tacoma and Mrs. A. Tweed of Bremerton acted as judges.

A long list of valuable prizes, given by friends of the society, served as rewards to the members and exhibitors, some of whom won in many classes. Among the couples who entered flowers were Mr. and Mrs. N. S. McKamey, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Turnquist, Mr. and Mrs. Pliny Allen, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Schweer, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Wager, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Hastings and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Forhan. Other entries were Bob Wells, Mrs. M. H. Buchanan, Mrs. H. W. McFate, Mrs. Smith A. Briggs, Mrs. Loren G. Brown, and H. C. Cogswell.

Winning first prizes for table decorations were: Mrs. Thomas Forhan and Mrs. G. A. Hastings. Other prize-winning flowers were baskets of yellow semi-cactus "Frau O. Bracht", and the pink incurved cactus "Mascot".

## University of Maryland Trial Gardens College Park, Maryland

### LIST OF DAHLIAS SCORING 85% OR BETTER

STAKES NO. 1-2-3. No. 1 Pink. Entered by F. Taylor Thompson, 1327 Potomac Ave., Washington, D. C. Score 85.9—E. Semi-cactus, amaranth pink, streaked magenta.

STAKES NO. 31-32-33. White Christmas. Entered by Max O. Scheffel, Randolph Ave., Emerson, N. J. Score 85.3—E. Formal decorative, white.

STAKES NO. 22-23-24. Alexander's Miniature. Entered by Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J. Score 85-S. Cactus, burnt orange.

# PREMIER'S Dependable Dahlias

## . . . Introducing Three Certified and Honor Roll Seedlings for 1944 Release

**ALMINA, (Rivel-Premier)**—This beautiful formed bright lemon yellow Semi-Cactus, in some soils a Straight Cactus, reminds one of the old favorite—Charlie Reed's **ALICE WHITTIER** of years back. Bushes grow about 5 feet tall and field grown blooms average 9-10 x 5-6. Certified at Storrs and on Honor Roll. Winner at Essex County Show in class of eight Seedlings.

**ROOTS \$15.00—PLANTS \$5.00, 3 FOR \$12.50**

**LINK'S BLACK PRINCE, (Link-Premier), I.D.**—A striking bloom of giant size; color, a very deep shade of velvety maroon, (Burnt Lake, according to Ridgeway's Color Chart) holding same throughout the season, which is very important. Plants average 5 feet tall and are vigorous growers with leathery foliage and straight, stiff stems that hold the blooms facing. Certificate of Merit at East Lansing, Mich., and on Honor Rolls.

**ROOTS \$15.00 (Stock Limited)**

**PLANTS \$7.50, 3 for \$15.00**

**LINK'S SENSATION (Link-Premier) I.D.**—Extremely large and deep flowers of a mixture of orange and scarlet shades, having a twisted reverse of bittersweet-orange. Strong bushes about 5 feet tall. Foliage tough and insect-resistant. The strong stems hold the blooms facing. Certified at East Lansing, Michigan and on Honor Rolls.

**ROOTS \$15.00—PLANTS \$5.00, 3 for \$12.50**

## PREMIER DAHLIA GARDENS

**Columbia (Warren Co.), New Jersey**

### Dahlia Show of Dahlia Society of California

The Dahlia Show of the Dahlia Society of California was staged in the rotunda of the San Francisco City Hall on September 1-2. It was a very beautiful show, combining Fuchsias, Begonias, Roses and Cacti, as well as Dahlias.

In the Dahlia Section which was the largest part of the Show—First Prizes were won by—Alice Meussdorffer for best Dahlia in show on "Elizabeth Rethberg" a giant pink informal decorative; E. H. Magnuson for largest and smallest Dahlia on "Confucius" giant red and "Clover," tiny white pompon; Bob McWhirter won for best general display; Glenn T. Mack won for most artistic display; Curtis Redfern won for best white arrangement; Dan England won for best red and autumn arrangement.

**ALICE MEUSSDORFFER**

### OHIO SHOW

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burg, Pennsylvania; John Brock, Garfield Heights, Ohio; Mrs. Ray Smith, East Liverpool, Ohio; Fred Gower, Canonsburg, Pennsylvania; Mrs. John Eccleston, East Liverpool; Mrs. Cora Savage, Wellsville; and Val Veirs, Canton, Ohio.

The Garden Judges were Lloyd Lowers, Lisbon, Ohio, County Extension Agent of Columbia County, Ohio and William Jobes, East Liverpool, Ohio.

The Canning Judges were Mrs. Eva McCombs, Mrs. Alice Jenkins, and Mrs. Dale Kissel all of Wellsville, Ohio.

### Greetings from One of Our Soldier Members

To the Editor:

Having got home on my first Army furlough, I was quick to look up my A.D.S. Bulletins and other garden catalogs, etc. It was a great pleasure to read the May issue of the BULLETIN. It certainly represents a fine editorial job and gave me a very restful hour or two in perusing it. As I sit here in the garden alternately writing this note and scanning our streamlined dahlia patch, I find myself reflecting on the fact that few hours are more restful and peaceful than those spent in one's garden.

Having seen much more of the country while in the Army, I cannot help but notice the limitless room for expansion of the dahlia. Many folks I have talked to never even heard of the dahlia. Inasmuch as we have always had some in our gardens, I naturally will be rooting hard for the continued success of A.D.S. and the commercial growers.

Incidentally, I quite agree with Mr. Ward in the May issue. My soil is none too helpful to dahlias, but I have had no difficulty in growing several commercial products to extra size. Also I am merely one of the host of backyard fans.

Yours truly,

PVT. A. E. CROWE,  
97th M. R. N.,  
Ft. Sam Houston, Texas.

Also—25 Loring St., Hyde Park, Mass.

# VOTE

## FOR THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE AMERICAN DAHLIA SOCIETY, INC.

The officers placed in nomination by the Nominating Committee to serve the American Dahlia Society for 1944 are as follows:

- ☐ For President: Edward B. Lloyd, Montclair, N. J.  
☐ For Secretary-Treasurer: Dr. Ward Cook, 34 Puritan Ave., Yonkers.

### For Vice-Presidents (vote for seven or more):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Dr. Ward H. Cook, Tuckahoe, N. Y.    | Rockville Centre, N. Y.  |
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| Ridgetown, Ont., Canada                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Roland H. Patch, Storrs, Conn.        |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Georgena Humble,                | <input type="checkbox"/> E. E. Tooker, Rockville Centre, N. Y. |
| Douglaston, N. Y.   | <input type="checkbox"/> F. V. R. Veirs, Canton, Ohio          |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Nick Koenig, New Baltimore, Mich.    | <input type="checkbox"/> Roy W. Webb, Scranton, Pa.            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dr. Edward F. McDade, Scranton, Pa.  | <input type="checkbox"/> C. E. Wilson, East Lansing, Mich.     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> B. B. Melgaard, Chicago, Ill.        |  |

- ☐ For Trustee to 1947. George Fraser, Willimantic.

Note: If you are an active or sustaining member in good standing, or a life member, your vote will be counted as two (2) votes for each officer voted for. If you are a participating (Branch membership classification) your vote will be counted as one (1) vote. Be sure to mail this ballot before January 2, 1944, to Gordon F. Waaser, 378 Pennsylvania Ave., Stearns Park 6, Freeport, L. I., N. Y.

Note 2: You have privilege of voting for other A. D. S. members in place of those nominated above, providing that the written acceptance of said candidate, properly sworn to before a legal officer, has been filed with the Secretary of the American Dahlia Society.

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## HOW VOTES ARE TO BE COUNTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

A. D. S. By-Laws, Article II, Clause 1: "Active members at large. (Paying two dollars per year dues.) They shall have full voice in the Society and shall be entitled to cast two (2) votes each in the election of officers, etc."

Article II, Clause 2: "Participating members shall be members of Branch Societies who have been duly accepted into membership by the Executive Committee. Each Participating Member (paying \$1.00 per year for membership) shall have one (1) vote in the election of officers, etc."

Article II, Clause 3: "Sustaining members shall be members who desire to make a contribution each year beyond regular dues (of active members at \$2.00 per year) . . . Each Sustaining member shall have two (2) votes in the annual election of officers, etc."

Article II, Clause 4: "Life members . . . are entitled to all the rights and privileges of active members . . . (with two (2) votes in the election of officers)."

Article II, Clause 5: ". . . Honorary members shall be entitled to all privileges of the Society except voting."

Article VI, Clause 3: "Any member desiring to vote for a candidate for any office, other than those named by the Nominating Committee, shall have the right to write in such name on the ballot, providing written acceptance of the candidate, properly sworn to before a legal officer has been filed with the Secretary of the American Dahlia Society before January 2, 1944."

Article VI, Clause 4: "Returns of the balloting to be tabulated by a committee composed of the Secretary and two members of the Society appointed by the President."

The two members to serve with Secretary Waaser as appointed by the President are: Henry Olsen, Auburndale, N. Y. Albert Schuster, East Rockaway, N. Y.

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Charles E. Walker, 264 East 32nd Street, Paterson, N. J., passed away Monday, October 11, 1943. His death caused the passing of another Life Member of the American Dahlia Society. He was one of its first members and former vice-president. He was also one of the organizers of the New Jersey Dahlia Society.

Charlie, as he was best known to his friends, was a newspaper man for over thirty years but discontinued this on account of failing health. He opened a radio and accessory store which was also a meeting place for people in all walks of life, from lawyers and ministers to the common laborer. All were welcome there and discussed politics, economics, social phases of the present day.

Charlie also was an authority on photography and opera and many an amateur has gone to him for advice which he was always ready to give, and as the saying goes "Through his deeds you can count his friends." This was shown by the many prominent people attending the funeral services. The following poem was read by the Reverend in charge which was very fitting to our deceased friend:

#### "BUSINESS IS BUSINESS"

"Business is Business," the Little Man said,  
 "A battle where 'everything goes,'  
 Where the only gospel is 'get ahead,'  
 And never spare friends or foes.  
 'Slay or be slain,' is the slogan cold,  
 You must struggle and slash and tear,  
 For 'Business is Business,' a fight for gold,  
 Where all that you do is fair!"

"Business is Business," the Big Man said,  
 "A battle to make of earth  
 A place to yield us more wine and bread,  
 More pleasure and joy and mirth;  
 There are still more bandits and buccaneers  
 Who are jungle-bred beasts of trade,  
 But their number dwindles with passing years  
 And dead is the code they made!"

"Business is Business," the Big Man said,  
 "But it's something that's more, far more;  
 For it makes sweet gardens of deserts dead,  
 And cities it built now roar  
 Where once the deer and the gray wolf ran  
 From the pioneer's swift advance:  
 Business is Magic that toils for man,  
 Business is True Romance."

"And those who make it a ruthless fight  
 Have only themselves to blame  
 If they feel no whit of the keen delight  
 In playing the Bigger Game;  
 The game that calls on the heart and head,  
 The best of man's strength and nerve:  
 'Business is Business,' the Big Man said,  
 And that Business is to serve!"

—Berton Braley.

## 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.

"Pink Flamingo," Pink Incurved Cactus, by Prof. Lew Sarrett, Chicago, Ill.

"Dr. J. N. Wickham," Red Informal Decorative, by Queens Dahlia Gardens, 43-55 Robinson St., Flushing, N. Y.

"Poet's Dream"—I. D.—Apple blossom pink, and "Salem Sunshine"—I.D.—light yellow. By Salem Dahlia Gardens, 236 Grant St., Salem, N. J.

"Spitfire"—Cactus—Deep red by Charles Garrity, 351 Mand Ave., San Leandro, Calif.

## Mid-West Dahlia Conference

The annual meeting of the Mid-West Dahlia Conference was called to order by Dr. Stanley D. Tylman immediately following the banquet of Central States Dahlia Society, on Saturday evening, September 18, 1943, in the Medical Arts Bldg., in Chicago, Ill.

It was well attended by delegates from associated societies. No invitation had been received to date from any society to be hosts to the conference for 1944, and it was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned until January 22, 1944, and if no invitation has been received until then, this meeting will be held in Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. W. F. Kleinjohn, Secretary.

## DEAR FRIENDS—

*We are in the habit of announcing our new dahlias in this issue of the BULLETIN. This year we regret that we must make the announcement that we are withdrawing from the dahlia business until the wartime demand for food production is not so great.*

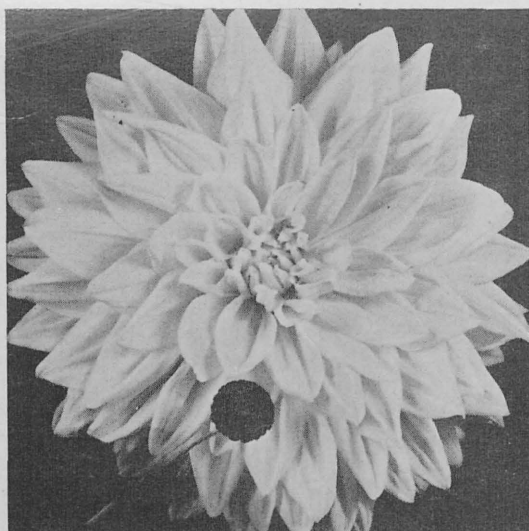
*It has been pleasant to know you and we wish the best of luck to those of you who are able to carry on. We hope to be back with you some time. Please don't forget us.*

Sincerely,

"THE BISSELLS"

**HILLSIDE FARM**

Austinburg, Ohio



**JANE TODD**  
"A Tooker origination"

Our new 1944 Introduction we believe to be the largest, most beautiful formal decorative dahlia ever exhibited. It grew 13" x 9" in our garden this year. Its color has been described as an apple blossom pink. Despite its great size, it has the delicacy of an orchid.

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## *Frances Dewey*

"A Tooker origination"

Our 1943 Introduction and Winner of the Home Achievement Medal

The Dahlia you have been waiting for!

A 14" x 9" Scarlet Red, semi-cactus. It grows on fine stems with flowers both top and facing. A really great dahlia. We unreservedly recommend this introduction.

Roots \$10 each; 4 Plants, \$10; 2 Plants, \$7.50;  
1 Plant \$5.00

## *Edith Willkie*

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### Thirteenth Annual Show of Dahlia Society of Wisconsin, Inc.

This show report of the thirteenth annual show of the Dahlia Society of Wisconsin, Inc., is being written by the writer at the request of Dr. H. O. Hoppe, our president. I cannot pass this opportunity by without expressing a few words of well merited appreciation for the service Dr. Hoppe has rendered our society during the past three years. In 1941 much of the outstanding success of the Mid West Dahlia Show of that year held at Milwaukee, was due to his untiring efforts as show chairman. Elected at our September, 1941, meeting as president of the Society, and reelected in 1942, Dr. Hoppe has piloted our organization safely through two strenuous war years, and largely due to his leadership we have continued to hold our regular monthly meetings and have held two fine annual shows which would have been creditable successes in pre-Pearl Harbor times.

This year's show was held in conjunction with a giant Victory Garden Harvest Show at the Milwaukee Auditorium on August 27th-29th, 1943, sponsored by the Milwaukee County Office of Civilian Defense and the Milwaukee Journal. The Dahlia section was assigned space in the center of the large exhibition hall, a fitting location because the Dahlias proved worthy of such honor.

Specially constructed display stands, with shelves constructed in tiers, and covered with canopies of red and white striped cloth, provided an extremely attractive setting for our Dahlia show. While the number of entries was not as large as those at our shows of recent years, largely due to the extremely early date of the show, the quality of bloom was excellent.

The center of interest in any Dahlia show to any true-dyed-in-the-wool Dahlia fan is the undissemated section. The judges unanimously awarded the American Home Achievement medal to a beautiful large incurved cactus exhibited by the originator, Prof. Lew Sarett, of Ravinia, Illinois, appropriately named *Pink Flamingo*. The color is a beautiful shell pink with a little yellow at the base of each petal which enhances the beauty of the flower and gives it life. It faces nicely on long, strong stems and is a much needed addition to the pink cactus class. The size of the blooms in this entry were between nine and ten inches in diameter.

Next to the undissemated section, the chief center of interest is the class calling for ten blooms, each of a different variety, on stems or canes at least 18 inches in length. This year's winner was Attorney E. J. Heggestad of Whitefish Bay, our capable secretary, and the varieties comprising his ten bloom entry were: *American Purity*, *Bataan*, *Golden Standard*, *Kardinal Von Rossum*, *Lynn Fontanne*, *Maffie*, *Marion Smith*, *Sydney*, *The Real Glory* and *Trojan*.

The special award for the best six blooms exhibited by an amateur was won by George Merkel of Milwaukee with one bloom each of *A. J. Parker*, *Columbia*, *Crowning Glory*, *Michigan White*, *Snowball*, and *Stephen Foster*.

A special feature in this year's premium schedule was a class calling for the best bloom of the 1943 introduction *Bataan*, for which a special award was donated by the originator, Mr. Henry J. Retzer. There were approximately ten entries in the class, most of them of excellent quality, and a bloom exhibited by Mr. Heggestad also won first in this class.

The award for largest bloom in the show was won by George Merkel with a bloom of *Columbia*; that for the most perfect bloom in the show over 8 inches in diameter by George R. Currie of Sheboygan with *Marion Smith*; and that for the most perfect bloom in the show under 8 inches in size by George Merkel with *Michigan White*.

The sectional winners in the various sections were as follows:

#### Novice Section:

Best bloom—*Progress*, Frank J. Koenig, Milwaukee.

Largest bloom—*Lynn Fontanne*, Earl Vandeen, Milwaukee.

Sweepstakes—Earl Vandeen, Milwaukee.

#### Small Amateur:

Best bloom over 8 inches—*Lynn Fontanne*, Peter Schurrer, Sheboygan Falls.

Best bloom under 8 inches—*Miss Belgium*, R. H. Otto, Milwaukee.

Largest bloom—*Lynn Fontanne*, Peter Schurrer, Sheboygan Falls.

Sweepstakes—Robert Schmitz, Milwaukee.

#### Large Amateur:

Best bloom over 8 inches—*Nancy Ann Mitchell*, E. J. Heggestad, Milwaukee.

Best bloom under 8 inches—*Queen City*, E. M. Larsen, Madison.

Largest bloom—*Lynn Fontanne*, E. J. Heggestad, Whitefish Bay.

Sweepstakes—E. J. Heggestad, Whitefish Bay.

#### Open to All:

Best bloom over 8 inches—*Marion Smith*, George R. Currie, Sheboygan.

Best bloom under 8 inches—*Flash*, Joseph Heineman, Milwaukee.

Largest bloom—*All American*, Joseph Heineman, Milwaukee.

Sweepstakes—George Merkel, Milwaukee.

#### Small Flowering:

Most perfect miniature—*Winifred*, Delwood Dahlia Gardens (Mrs. Laura Delaporte), West Allis.

Most perfect pompon—*Little Edith*, George R. Currie, Sheboygan.

Sweepstakes—George Merkel, Milwaukee.

#### Artistic Arrangements:

Best Flower Picture—Mrs. Wm. Poepp, Milwaukee, as well as Sweepstakes.

#### Seedlings:

Best First Year Seedling—Harry M. Bachman, Milwaukee.

No little credit for the success of our this year's show is due to our efficient show chairman, Joseph Duchek, and his able staff of committees who worked under him.

Out-of-the-state judges (all from Illinois) who officiated were: J. Louis Roberts, David Radke, James Marsh, and George Tysol of Chicago; Dr. Stanley D. Tylman of Lombard; Harry Franzen of Maywood; and Prof. Lew Sarett of Ravinia.

GEORGE R. CURRIE.

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## 1943 Honor Roll

Following its custom of many years Flower Grower Magazine will carry in its December issue its Annual Honor Roll story prepared under the direction of Editor Paul Frese by the three experts Lynn B. Dudley, J. Louis Roberts and Col. J. T. Eddy.

If you are not a subscriber to Flower Grower, better reserve your copy from your local newsdealer at once!

## Dahlia Society of Georgia

The final curtain of 1943 Dahlia season has been let down and our thoughts are now centered on 1944 season.

We have had a very unusual growing season, not only for dahlias but vegetables as well. All vegetation suffered due to weather conditions, extreme drought and excessive hot temperature. Most dahlias planted late did not survive the hot temperature, and the plants that did survive did not bloom due to early killing frost.

Although we were handicapped, The Dahlia Society of Georgia held its 10th Annual Show at the H. G. Hastings Company Show Room, October 8th and 9th.

The quality of blooms was very good and every type of dahlia was on parade, the small dahlias playing a very prominent part, envying the large varieties for public attention.

One section of our show was for vegetables and many fine exhibits were on hand.

The show was well attended, due to so many people getting interested in growing plants.

The winners were as follows:

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### UNITED NATIONS—1944 Introduction:

This grand Dahlia, a pure golden flower petal formation, most perfect facing on extra strong, long stems 10½ to 12 inches; a very free bloomer Informal Decorative.

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## DAHLIA SOCIETY OF GEORGIA

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The American Dahlia Society Certificate was awarded to C. E. Faust, bloom—Darcy Sainsbury. Best three large blooms in show awarded to C. E. Faust—Darcy Sainsbury. Sweepstakes—Section A, won by C. E. Faust.

Sweepstakes—Section 8, won by Mrs. A. C. Carraway. Most perfect medium bloom won by Mrs. A. C. Carraway—variety Mrs. Herbert O'Connor. Award for best three medium blooms was won by C. E. Faust—variety Mary Taylor.

Section C—the following awards were made: Mrs. C. D. Swint and W. F. Thompson—miniatures. Mr. Nelson Crist—pompons. Mr. W. F. Thompson—balls. Mr. Nelson Crist for singles. Mr. Nelson Crist won sweepstakes in this section. Mr. B. E. Phillips won the award for the most worthy entry for seedling variety. Mrs. B. L. Kennedy was awarded trophy for best arrangement of dahlias.

Vegetable award for single specimen went to Mr. Al Waters; Mr. Nelson Crist for best collection, and Mrs. C. D. Swint for best arrangement.

The trophy awarded for the smallest and most perfect bloom was awarded to Mr. B. L. Kennedy for his entry—Atom.

C. E. FAUST

### East Liverpool Dahlia Show

The 18th Annual Dahlia and Flower Show of the East Liverpool Dahlia Society was held in the High School Gymnasium on September 18th and 19th. There were approximately 10,000 blooms of various types of Dahlias and Fall flowers on exhibition.

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Much credit is due our Show Chairman Mr. George Schepp, and his committee for their arrangement of the show room. One rather outstanding feature this year was the arrangement of the tables, and the way they were built up in the center enabling the flowers to be displayed to better advantage. Many comments of approval were heard on this arrangement.

A very noteworthy division was added to our schedule this year, namely the Victory Gardens & Canning Exhibit. There were 59 sections in this division alone, and every section had some very fine exhibits. The meat section alone saved a good number of points for some one. Mrs. H. P. Patterson of Wellsville, Ohio, won sweepstakes of the canning division, with 59 entries.

Other best exhibit winners in this division were Mrs. George McCullough, Mrs. Roy Smith, and Mrs. George H. White.

The largest tomato was grown by Mr. George Schepp, while the smallest tomato was grown by Mr. Wm. Jobs.

The Novice Classes were well represented by a number of new exhibitors, as was the Amateur, and Open Divisions. In the Novice Section of Single Blooms the best exhibit went to Mrs. S. E. Fisher, while the best exhibit of three in a vase was won by Mr. Abe Griffith as well as the sweepstakes of the Novice Division. The largest and most perfect bloom of this division was grown by Mrs. M. Robinson of Chester, W. Va.

In the Amateur Division the best exhibit under 8 inches went to Mr. Frank Haynes, as did the best exhibit in classes of five in a vase. Mr. H. P. Patterson of Wellsville, Ohio, had best exhibit in single bloom over 8 inches as well as three in a vase over 8 inches, and the largest and most perfect bloom in this division W. time D. and last but not least the sweepstakes of the entire Amateur Division.

Best exhibit in the Ball Dahlia Section was won by Mrs. G. H. White.

In the open division Mr. John T. Eccleston captured the sweepstakes along with several other best exhibits awards. Mr. H. P. Patterson was winner of the second sweepstakes.

Other awards were presented to the following exhibitors: Mr. H. H. Robens of Chagrin Falls; Charles Lasch and Garfield Heights Dahlia Gardens of Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. E. MacDowell, Mrs. C. Wind of Rocky River, Ohio; Mrs. Wm. Crawford of Wellsville, Ohio; Mr. Frank Richmond of Chester, W. Va.; Mrs. G. H. White and Mr. Leo Lawrence of East Liverpool, and Franks Dahlia Gardens of Bedford, Ohio, for having the best exhibits or sweepstakes winners in their various Dahlia classes.

Frank's Dahlia Gardens won the American Home Achievement Medal for the most worthy undisseeded Dahlia which was a vase of three lovely Pink cactus with cream base, named *Bedford Beauty*, and it really is well named.

A special award was presented to little 8-year-old Dale Wilson of Chester, W. Va., as our youngest exhibitor and Dahlia grower.

At our October meeting Professor L. C. Chadwick from Ohio State University, conducted a lecture on "Wartime Maintenance of Your Garden," which was followed by a musical program. At the close of our programs a luncheon is always served by the social committee. We always have a little program after each meeting and our meetings are well attended.

MARIE A. WHITE, Secretary.

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### News of the Nation's Capital Dahlia Show

Despite the war, work, and the weather, the National Capital Dahlia Society held its annual Dahlia show on Saturday and Sunday, September 25 and 26, in the Silver Spring Armory, Silver Spring, Md. The Dahlia show was held in conjunction with the Rose show of the Potomac Rose Society and Fall shows of several local garden clubs.

Only about one-tenth the usual number of blooms was exhibited and the chief cause for their scarceness was the weather. We had no rain from the first week in June until the last week in August and add to that 52 consecutive days with the mercury hovering between 90 and 97, an all-time record for this section. Watering was restricted and many plants dried up. Some sprinkling was done regardless of the ban or we'd have had still fewer blooms.

Results of the judging follows:

#### Section A—Novice classes:

Best entry—James J. Gray—*Milton J. Cross*.

Sweepstakes—Gray.

#### Section B—Specimen bloom, over 8 inches, open to all:

Best entry—Percy Fulton—*California Idol*.

Sweepstakes—E. R. Phillips.

#### Section C—Specimen bloom, 4 to 8 inches, open to all:

Best entry—Percy Fulton—*Nancy Ann Mitchell*.

Sweepstakes—C. E. Ross.

#### Section D—Miniatures, poms, etc.

Best entries—M. Shipley, *Dubonnet*; C. E. Ross,

*Sherry*, *Little America*, and *Erica*.

Sweepstakes—Ross.

#### Section E—Basket and vase arrangements.

Winners—L. M. Clarke, Mrs. F. H. Smith, C. E. Ross, and J. L. Bishop.

Sweepstakes—Ross.

#### Section F—American Home Achievement Medal.

Winner—Tom R. Keesey—*Mazie*—a bright red with straw reverse I. D.

#### Section G—Best in show—Percy Fulton—*California Idol*.

Best bloom in show received the President's trophy and sweepstakes in the novice section was awarded the J. L. Bowling Trophy.

In the one- and two-year old seedling classes some nice seedlings were shown by Dr. Dozier, E. R. Phillips, and Dr. Parker. Phillips' seedling, a large, light pink informal, was selected as best of all and awarded the A.D.S. Bronze certificate.

Our judges were Messrs. Aburn, Cory, Dozier, Shipley, and Watkins. They did a fine job and the Society appreciates their help.

So ends the 1943 season, not a good one for dahlias, but all eyes are turned to 1944 and hopes are high for a better break in the weather. We have our fingers crossed.

We send Holiday greetings to our fellow Dahlia growers—May your Christmas be merry and white—A *White Christmas* for all.

### • Corn Borer

This pest has migrated into localities which heretofore have not been bothered by its presence.

The A.D.S. will arrange to publish in an early issue, an article written by an authority on the subject—with a view to counteract this destructive pest.

## Western Pennsylvania Branch Show

You simply "cannot keep a good man down." That's a well known fact, and when you have as fine a group as the Western Pennsylvania Branch of the American Dahlia Society, it's even more impossible to keep them down. The result of all this was that on September 25th and 26th, at the Garden Center in Schenley Park, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania we had one of the nicest Dahlia exhibits anyone could ask for. There can be no question about it, this war does complicate life considerably but, "where there's a will there's a way," and we had the will. Plans were laid during the summer to hold an exhibit streamlined as to size so that everyone would have a fair and equal chance, regardless of whether it were permissible to drive cars.

The Garden Center was an ideal size; tables were attractively set up and arranged; each exhibitor was limited to six entries, resulting in a total of a little over 500 blooms. The judges had a difficult time for the quality of the blooms was exceptionally high. The best bloom in the show was "Croyden's Acme" entered by Clarence I. Sherwood of Verona, Pennsylvania. The best bi-color, "Triumph of Czech" entered by William R. Rath of Coropolis, Pennsylvania. Special awards were given Mr. I. Sherwood, Mrs. H. W. Leyh, Mr. A. G. Banks, Mr. F. E. Kording, Mr. S. M. Holt, Mrs. Walter Duffy, Mr. C. H. Myers, and Mrs. C. E. Stoner. Clumps of new and outstanding dahlias donated by Mr. Henry Retzer of West Bridgewater, Pennsylvania, were awarded winners of first and special prizes. Mrs. L. D. Hislop, show chairman, and Mrs. C. E. Stoner, show secretary, were nobly assisted by many of the gentlemen notwithstanding the fact they were practically all extremely busy with war activities and jobs. It was this fine spirit of cooperation on the part of each and every member that made our Dahlia Exhibit the beautiful success that it was. The public were admitted free and a great many enthusiastic spectators viewed the lovely blooms during the two days.

Mrs. L. D. HISLOP  
Publicity Chairman

## REPORT OF ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Branch of the American Dahlia Society was held at the Garden Center in Schenley Park, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. After hearing a report of our Dahlia Exhibit we took time out to pat ourselves on the back for having overcome all obstacles so successfully.

The results of our annual election were as follows:

President—Mr. A. G. Banks.

First Vice President—Mr. Henry Retzer.

Second Vice President—Mr. Wm. Buresch.

Treasurer—Mr. R. D. Motznik.

Secretary—Mrs. L. D. Hislop.

Board of Directors: Mrs. C. E. Stoner, Mr. J. G. Barry, Mr. F. E. Kording, and Mr. J. D. Ross.

A vote of appreciation was given Mr. Henry Retzer for his loyal support and generous gifts to the society during the year and to Mrs. L. D. Hislop, for her work as secretary.

Mr. Retzer gave five clumps of dahlias to be drawn for. Following this, colored slides of new dahlias were shown by Mr. Banks and several hundred feet of colored movies taken by Mr. T. E. Messinger, Naturalist at

Frick Park, Pittsburgh, were shown by Mrs. Hislop. After this pleasant entertainment, refreshments were served by the ladies and we all went home feeling that growing our beloved dahlias gave us a sense of God's beauty here on earth and a sense of working with Him, that lifted us above and away from the horrors and tragedies of this war.

Mrs. L. D. HISLOP  
Secretary

## Portland Dahlia Society

What is more thrilling than a Dahlia show to us who love our Dahlias!

This year again the Dahlias have lived up to their promise and the Portland Dahlia Society can well be proud of the exhibit made under most trying conditions, unpredictable weather, extreme transportation problems and limited space for show purposes. It was held on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 1 and 2 and was kept open until 9 P. M. on both evenings.

On entering the auditorium of the Public Service Building the eye was instantly held by the beauty of the display of large type Dahlias arranged in huge baskets, tall pottery urns occupying the stage at one end of the spacious room. This was a complimentary exhibit by the Julia Compton Dahlia Gardens near Gresham. In the center was a large, low basket on a pedestal containing three dozen or more huge blooms of *Miss Glory*. This arrangement was judged the best basket of large Dahlias in the show. Flanking this were baskets of *Mothers' Day*, pure white and exquisite, *Clara Carder*, its pink beauty enhanced by these companions, *Ginger Rogers*, overflowing a harmonious container, was never more beautiful.

At the opposite end of the auditorium Mr. Scrutton of the Estacada Dahlia Gardens, exhibited his splendid foreign Dahlias, also a complimentary exhibit of all types and sizes. The center basket in this display was a large arrangement of the S. C. Consul General Quist, its soft rose shading to a lovely creamy center, perfect blooms on long strong stems, made instant appeal. This entry was judged the best basket of semi-cactus in the show.

E. Henry White won with a large basket of Foreign Cactus Dahlias, including *Bijou*, *Mon. Pierre Lundeen*, *Riele* and *Mad. Juissant*.

George A. Westgate exhibited some grand specimens of *El Rubio*, *Gay Knight* and *Mothers' Day*.

Portland Dahlia Gardens made a complimentary display of centerpiece arrangements which was lovely.

The outstanding individual entry winners, too numerous for our limited space to cover, featured *Darcy Sainsbury*, *WAAC*, *Mayor Frank Otis*, *Mothers' Day*, *C. B. Pinchot*, *Mia*, *Dubonnet*, *Doria*, *Tippy*, *Memory*, *Helly Boudewijn*, *Marjorie Emberson*.

Awards for the show were distributed at the regular monthly meeting of the society held on October 11.

The next meeting will be held on November 8 at which time members will bring lists of their Dahlias for classification as to origin, either domestic or foreign. Many of our standard Dahlias, which are of foreign origin, have become so familiar to us that they are often considered as domestic Dahlias. This work of classification is being taken up in response to an appeal from many of our members who have become "Foreign Dahlia Conscious."

Mrs. R. McCLARY.



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Won best formal decorative in Chicago and Toledo in 1942. On Eastern and Mid-West honor rolls.

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(My commission expires May, 1945)

## Burholme Horticultural Society

Once more the members of the Burholme Horticultural Society have brought before the citizens of the 35th Ward, Philadelphia and adjacent suburban communities, their Annual Flower and Vegetable Exhibition, held September 17th and 18th at Trinity Oxford Community House, Rising Sun Avenue and Disston Streets, Burholme, this being the 23rd in a series of yearly events dating back to 1920, and each year the Show Committee under the able guidance of Mr. Wm. O. Hird, has endeavored to stage an event comparable only to the "Spring Flower

Show" which, until 1943, was held in the Commercial Museum.

Considering the steady drought which has been prevalent within the twenty-five mile area of Philadelphia, since the week of July 5th, the 62 persons who made the show possible by entering 395 exhibits are certainly to be commended for their loyal support.

There were 47 entries of Dahlias, 246 entries of garden flowers and arrangements, 22 entries by the junior members and 80 entries in the Victory Vegetable Garden section.

*Section A—Dahlias, open to all*—Stanley Johnson, Cheltenham, Pa., was awarded the society's silver trophy for sweepstakes and his undessimated seedling "Prince Beautiful," Informal Decorative measuring 10 inches in diameter, colored a pleasing shade of pink, blended with gold, was awarded the American Home Achievement Medal. This is one of the highest recognitions an originator can get for a new creation.

*Section B—Dahlias—Amateurs only*—Mr. James Comito, Huntingdon Valley, Pennsylvania, was awarded a Silver Trophy by the Society as a sweepstakes prize.

*Section B—Special—Amateurs growing 50 hills or less*—D. J. Thomas, Willow Grove, Pa., was awarded a Silver Trophy by the Society as a sweepstakes prize.

*Section D—Dahlias—Open to Society members*—Mr. James Comito, Huntingdon Valley, Pa., was awarded as a Sweepstakes Prize, "The George Shade Memorial Trophy", for a total of 24 points.

Competition was very keen in Sections D and E, Garden Flowers and arrangements—Mrs. A. Hermann of Fox Chase was awarded as a sweepstake prize for a total of 39 points, a seed order value of \$5.00, donated by W. Atlee Burpee Co., and for making the greatest number of entries in these sections Mrs. Hermann was awarded a basket of fruit, donated by Gasser & Krieg, of Lawn-dale.

A Silver Trophy, donated by Mr. Ernest A. Cramer, Castor Gardens, a few years ago, for the "Junior Section", became the permanent possession of Robert Duckett for a total of 20 points. The cup was previously won by him in 1940 and 1942.

The Victory Vegetable Section, consisting of vegetables and a class for Home Canned Goods, created quite an interest, and products were entered by enthusiastic gardeners. Sweepstakes prize, a bronze medal, donated by the National Garden Bureau, Chicago, was awarded to Miss Dorothy Desmond of Elkins Park, Pa.

The Burholme Horticultural Society in the period of their existence have been constantly striving toward the Beautification of the homes of our community and since the introduction of the Victory Garden Movement lectures have been given by various members of the Pennsylvania State College Extension Service to help in the production of the necessities of life from the soil. Unfortunately, however, many Victory Gardeners have neglected to avail themselves of this opportunity and we hope that in the future when notice of such lectures is made through the local newspapers many will attend as everyone is welcome and it is free.

## The Waasers Move

The Editor's new address is 378 Pennsylvania Avenue, Stearns Park, Freeport, N. Y.

# PARRELLA DAHLIA GARDENS

*Presents the Following Introductions for the*  
**SEASON OF 1944 (See Honor Roll)**

## MARGARET DUROSS

I.D. (Denton) (cut at right)

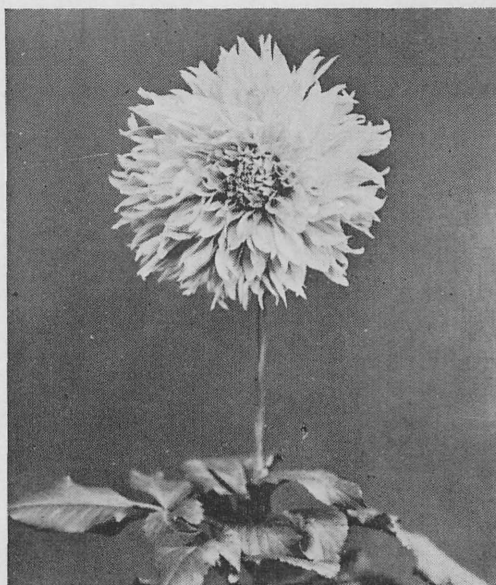
The color of this lovely dahlia is amaranth pink with amaranth purple shadings. The petals are lacinated, giving it a pin cushion effect. Blooms average about 8 inches, or better, are of good substance and best of stems. Winner of a bronze medal at the A. D. S. Show in 1942. Height of plant 4½ feet. Root \$10.00—Plant \$5.00

## JOHN ADAMS KERNOCHAN

F. D., Fioretti

A medium size bi-color which was the center of attraction on our display, at the A. D. S. Show; and a first prize winner and Bronze Medal. Color garnet red, white tips. Blooms average 8x5 inches. Are held facing on long graceful stems with very good substance. Height of plant 5 feet.

Root \$10.00—Plant \$5.00



## LADY GARTMORE

(cut at left) F. D. to I. D. (Kelly)

Carmine with ox-blood shadings on petals and on center. Blooms average 9 x 5 inches or better. Held facing on fine long stems. This variety not only has good substance but also plenty of resistance against weather elements. In fact, after a severe rainstorm Lady Gartmor was the only dahlia in our collection that wasn't effected. A great dahlia which will make a host of friends. It will compete with Anna Benedict. Height of plant 6 feet.

Root \$10.00—Plant \$5.00



NOTE: These three introductions were part of our seedling display which received a gold medal at the New York Florists' Club, October 11, 1943.

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← I. C. (Sarett)

The outstanding seedling of the year. A clear rose pink incurved cactus of exquisite color and formation. As the bloom develops, colors change: young blooms are shell pink of petal with yellow blend at the base; mature blooms are deeper pink, with gold tones at the center and slight gold tips. The blooms are beautifully formed, with excellent substance and perfect centers, pointed, tight and symmetrical. Size 8-11 inches in diameter and 5-6 inches deep. Stem 8-14 inches in length straight and strong. The bush is 5-6 ft. tall, a clean vigorous grower. Free flowering blooms, keep remarkably well on the bush and when cut. The foliage is dark green and tough, 100% insect resistant. This new pink cactus is beautiful in the garden and a sure winner on the show table. It is so sturdy, reliable and uniform, that it promises to be universally grown in the dahlia world to come.

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S. C. (Straight-Wells) ➡➡

General appearance of color is apricot yellow, shaded and streaked scarlet red, very tips of petals lemon yellow. 9-12 inches in diameter by 4-7 inches deep. Highest scoring dahlia in Fairmont 1942 (86½), also in Storrs 1942 (86). On Eastern and Midwestern Honor Rolls.

Roots \$15      Plants \$7.50—3 for \$20

### SHERWOOD'S PEACH, I.D. (Sherwood)

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