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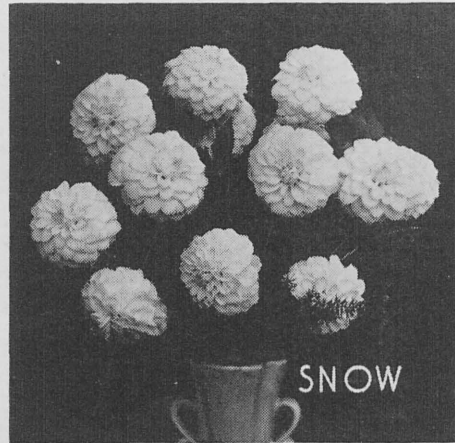
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31st Annual Exhibition of the American Dahlia Society

For several years rain and windstorms have preceded the A.D.S. Show and in this respect 1945 was not an exception.

And it did materially reduce the number of exhibits.

Yet, the Show while much smaller was replete with interesting exhibits and did contain many very beautiful blooms.

It was staged in the beautiful and spacious Roof Garden in the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City, Sept. 21 and 22.

Henry Olsen was Show Manager and his well prepared plans were smoothly executed.

Competition in general was sketchy but winners in most cases would probably have carried off almost as many honors in a larger show—the quality was that good.

Many visitors from out of town were on hand to enjoy the "atmosphere" that a New York A.D.S. Show engenders. We were particularly honored by the presence of Lt. John Dixon of the Royal Navy. Lt. Dixon, whose home is in Surrey near London was on special assignment in our country lecturing to our armed forces on the west coast from his fount of knowledge gained in the Normandy invasion. Since the war ended without the necessity of an invasion of Japan, Lt. Dixon's assignment concluded and he was ordered back to his home-land. He was granted a special leave to cover the A.D.S. Show and visit gardens, hence our good fortune in having him with us as an observer and also judge. Lt. Dixon is a member of the Dahlia Society of Great Britain and also the Royal Horticultural Society. His visit with us will lead, we believe, to a closer co-operation between England and ourselves in the advancement and culture of the Dahlia.

Incidentally, your Editor notes from the slate our Nominating Committee proposes for our Annual election, Lt. Dixon is suggested as a Vice President. Risking being accused of electioneering, my tip is that he is just the sort of a man you would be happy to vote for.

The A.D.S. award for most worthy non-Commercial exhibit was captured by Mrs. Richard C. Colt, Garrison on Hudson, New York. James MacIntyre, Supt., Magnificent specimens of *Edith Wilkie*, *Sarrett's Pink Flamingo*, *Dixie's Winedot*, and *Axford Triumph* were some of the fine things seen. If "Mac" can find the time to grow for all the open to all classes, we would have in '46, together with our regular fine exhibitors in these classes, something to write home about.

Eddie O'Keefe, of Cold Spring won the sweepstakes in Open to All with big blooms that were just as clean as whistled. *Tops*, *Axford Triumph*, *Mrs. Hester Pape*, *Colin Kelly*, *Jane Lausche*, *Miss Flintlake* and *Sarrett's Pink Flamingo* were among his best and they were grand. Ed was taken seriously ill at the close of the Show. His many friends will be happy to know that he is quite himself again.

Essie Smith exhibited by Ernest Lewis of Scranton,

Pa., was judged the largest and most nearly perfect bloom in the Show. A glance at the detailed list of winners will indicate that this entry spearheaded many winners for Mr. Lewis. Here is an exhibitor whose dahlias are always a credit to our great flower—always well grown and well staged.

In the estate section, Mrs. L. M. Ogden, Tuxedo Park, New York, again predominated. We saw some fine *Lynne Fontaine*, *Carl Dahl* and *Snowball* in this group of winners.

A newcomer in section "B"—one of our very enthusiastic workers in A.D.S., Charles A. Schneider, Laurelton, L. I., won sweepstakes and he also tied in Section AA with Laurence J. Heslin of Floral Park, L. I.—watch out for these fellows in future A.D.S. Shows—they are on their toes. They grow them well and already know some of the important pointers in Exhibition work.

Miss Marie Schnugg was sweepstakes winner in Section A—Miss Schnugg had good winnings also at the Long Island Dahlia Show a week later.

Capt. Fred Knocke had hoped to be home from his three years' work as a surgeon at the European front in time for the Show, but missed it by about a week. His good wife did not let him down, for she staged beautifully grown miniatures and mediums to win sweepstakes for small flowering in Section B. *Marshall Howe*, *Geneva Crystal White* and *Bobbie K* were particularly fine. It's nice to have Dr. Knocke back with us in A.D.S. circles where his friends are many indeed. Upon his return home he was greeted by his devoted wife, mother and Dad—and also by Dorothy and Dianne—the loveliest three year old curly top twins in all Dahliadom we are sure (yes, Fred met them for the first time—he was already overseas when they were born).

When better Poms and Miniatures are grown Mr. and Mrs. Paul Doll will grow them! We are fortunate indeed that these folks specialize, for their exhibits in "C" where they won sweepstakes for small flowering were magnificent. All the current winning varieties in Poms and Miniatures were there. And we might mention a tiny "perfect" Pom, *Little Beauty*—snow white with the outer edges faintly tinged with pink. When stock is available this gem will be introduced by Stanley Johnson.

The American Home Achievement Award went to E. E. Tooker, Rockville Centre, L. I., for a large informal decorative to be named *Great Divide*. It is an "art" flower, beautiful formation on ram rod stems. The large outer petals are pink and the inner ones clear creamy yellow. It will be exhibited as a blend.

The Flower Grower Award known as the Leonard Barron Memorial Trophy is given to the best undisseminated Dahlia four to eight inches in diameter. The sparkling pink *Lakeside Beauty* won this award. It will be introduced by its originator, Nick Koenig of Lakeside Gardens, New Baltimore, Michigan.

"Chips" a lemon yellow miniature semi-cactus with

"quilled" petals won the A.D.S. trophy for best undis-seminated dahlia under four inches in diameter. Thomas McKay, Devon, Pa., is the exhibitor.

In the seedling classes *Coral Cactus* just as the name implies won silver medal as a medium sized incurved cactus. It will be introduced by Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, Rockville Centre, L. I.

Ruschmohr also won the A.D.S. Gold medal for Commercial Display.

For Commercial Display of 100 square feet Parrella Dahlia Gardens, Bronx, New York, was awarded the A.D.S. Gold Medal.

Each of these displays while not as large or pretentious as in former years, was well staged and contained interesting well grown blooms of each introducer's varieties.

Dr. Buce Preas who has spearheaded the Victory Garden interests in the A.D.S. continued to dominate the Vegetable classes. His exhibits might have won in any large competitive County Fair—they were that good—and indeed diversified. His Victory Garden should be definitely credited as a sincere and very successful war effort. How he found the time to handle it in four years of his greatest efforts as a highly skilled surgeon we do not know. His many friends throughout the Dahlia world love him for his genial personality and his ability to grow grand Dahlias—his vegetable exhibits speak for themselves, too. But, some of us are also privileged to know Doc as a serious, sincere, deeply concerned physician and surgeon whose burning desire is to alleviate suffering and to save life.

Well, why hasn't the writer featured the Garden Club section? Let the one who has accepted the responsibility of this important part of our show tell you all about it herself. We will simply say—again—very, very well done, much credit is due Mrs. Georgena Humble and her Committee.

Garden Club Section

The reunion of many real garden lovers among the Dahlias and other autumn flowers, fruits and vegetables, evidenced a happy spirit in the Garden Club Section of this year's show. This is an event to which our committee members and exhibitors of long standing, look forward each year, with eagerness of sharing what is new in Dahlias or other garden flowers and what are the latest ideas for their use and styles for arrangement.

Whatever the season, or weather conditions, there is always a glad surprise to welcome and reward our visitors whose compliments and words of praise and admiration are freely voiced.

This year we did not know what to expect but hoped that storms would not interfere too much. By the time set for judging, our tables had been filled with many fine exhibits from New Jersey, New York and Connecticut. The blooms had braved the weather and the willing exhibitors were faithful to the cause, feeling their efforts were rewarded, as the judges exclaimed at the quality and beauty of the displays.

In the horticultural classes most honors were won by Harry Frank of Short Hills, New Jersey. He scored two tri-colors with six blues, one red and one white ribbon. A tri-color was awarded for his splendid decorative blooms of *Carl Dahl*, *Sherwood Peach*, and *Maytrot's White*. He won sweepstakes in this section, scoring blues



Photo—Dorothy Margaret Waaser
LT. JOHN DIXON, Royal Navy—Distinguished guest at
American Dahlia Society Show in New York

with *Alice May*, another decorative and in the cactus classes with *Jersey's Dainty*, *Nancy A. Mitchell* and *Golden Standard*. A second was given to *Essie Smith*, *Maffie* and *Freeman*. Again, blues scored for his miniatures, with *White Falcon*, *Fairy* and *Snow White*, also for collarettes, *Marcelle Revere*, and for his singles.

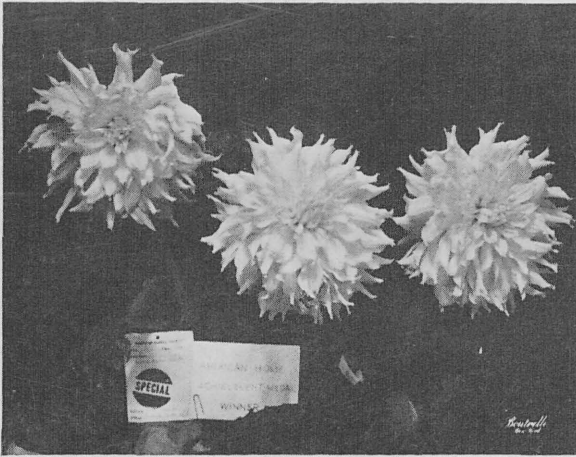
Mr. Frank's skill in vegetable gardening was equally as fine as his Dahlias. This was demonstrated with a tri-color winning tray of vegetables displaying luscious fruits of vines, cucumbers, crookneck and acorn squash, colorful tomatoes, egg plants, onions, sprouts, green peppers, green beans, lima beans and potatoes, all beautifully garnished with dark green curled parsley. Frequently throughout the show, the question, "Are these to be sold?" was answered, "No, just to be admired." Many spectators had designs on them for their healthy appetites.

Mrs. George Green of Kensington, Conn., showed some unusual varieties of small Dahlias. Her purple anemone, *Madame Faucheron*, won a blue ribbon. *Maude Adams* was also a winner in the miniature class. *Mrs. Brittain*, a lavender pompon, and *Clover*, a delicate, dainty, pale lavender, were top winners for pompons.

Mrs. Marie Schnugg of Floral Park, won a blue ribbon for an outstanding exhibit of fruit, with apples, pears and an ice-box watermelon, which caused quite a sensation to those unfamiliar with this tasty fruit. At the close of the show it was cut open and several tasted and approved the qualities of this small melon, resembling in size and appearance a citron.

Finger dexterity in the artistry of the arrangement classes, caused much curiosity, as to the ways and devices employed by exhibitors, in displaying some of the most clever compositions ever exhibited in the arrangement classes. Aside from this skill, most common materials were employed, showing not only fine art in this work, but that inexpensive and ordinary things may

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GREAT DIVIDE—Large Informal Blend was awarded American Home Achievement Medal. Introducer, Anne Tooker

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produce superior results and even excel the costly ones. Cabbage, broccoli and kale leaves, Swiss chard foliage, grasses, weeds, swamp grasses and cat tails, along with wave-beaten bits of driftwood, the modest mosses of the brookside, sprigs of evergreens and *Pachysandra* covering holders, all gave an atmosphere that welcomed words of praise and exclamation of amazement, as to how a little ingenuity can feature the too frequently unnoticed commonplace things of life. Even the stands, which heightened vases and enhanced them for their selection, harmonious color and appropriateness, were in many cases the handiwork of our artists. Some were made from well-shaped pieces of wood stained, and others cut from parts of fallen hurricane trees with their bark.

Our sweepstakes winner, Mrs. Ruth Conover, of Oradell, New Jersey, won two tri-colors with her six blue ribbons. One was for the most outstanding arrangement with Dahlias, the other for the best composition other than Dahlias. In a low, flat, cream-colored, brown-edged bowl, a perfect specimen of autumn-colored *Jane Cowl*, with a few large buds, poised against a background of green and brown cat tails, which carried the color brown at the rim of the container, to the top of the composition. Nestling to the side and back of the cat tails was a spray of the common roadside burdock, still a fresh green, with its cluster of prickly burrs, and covering the holder, spread soft fern-like green and brown moss. All this seemed to have had its purpose in telling a story of the repose along the brookside, where one gathered inspiration for carrying on his toil in the garden of Autumn's queen of the flowers. *Jane Cowl*, still an old favorite, gleamed with native material.

For the best composition not using Dahlias, Mrs. Conover's second tri-color was won with Burpee's new sensational single marigold, *Flash*, curving in pretty swirls with barberry, in a low, blue pottery bowl on a curved teak stand.

The educational exhibit of the same exhibitor's living story of medicinal plants, so beautifully arranged, will

long be remembered. Her choice was a white and green composition, balanced in a transparent glass container, placed on an oblong mirror, which reflected its full glory. A glass tube lay across a scroll sheet on which was cleverly told the story of each material used. Eupatorium—a brew of the leaves and flowers taken internally, is a laxative, and also used for catarrh and feverish colds. Basil yields an essence used as stimulant and nervine. Sassafras, the first cargo to be sent by the Virginia Colonists to the Mother Country, included much sassafras, of which a brew was believed to cure nearly every ailment of mankind. Now the flavor, which is in root, trunk, branch and leaf, is used to disguise the disagreeable taste of other drugs. Digitalis is used in treating ailments of heart. Blue Flag, the rhizome is processed to gain a cathartic, and in large doses, an emetic. The medicine is used to treat jaundice. This was indeed an educational exhibit that visitors peered into, studied, admired and left reluctantly, not only for its beauty of airy delicacy, but also for its simplicity and enlightenment of the use of these ordinary materials.

Mrs. George Green, who has shown with us over a long period of years, had some most commendable arrangements in which she used Dahlias and garden flowers from her Connecticut garden. Her use of an exquisite Chinese copper container, mounted on brown mahogany circles which she had made, included copper-colored *Buckeye Baby* miniature; *Freda*, dark red miniature and *Little Mary*, dark red pompon, all balanced with barberry foliage. Another of her much admired pieces was a red glass bowl, from which glistened silvery gray-green stachys foliage and Silver King artemesia, setting off a charming bouquet of white pompon Dahlias. Her corsage, which won a blue, was one of the most charming and unusual pieces ever shown in this class. With anemone, purple maroon Dahlias, *Mme. Faucheron*, she used harmonious sprays of calicarpus with green, unripe clusters and purple ripe clusters of tiny berries. Matching ribbons, with a slight accent of cerise, and its appropriateness of size made it a most coveted piece.

In another corsage Easter Greetings used with red celosia plumes and dark bronzey foliage of barberry, showed good taste and fine keeping qualities for this purpose.

Mr. Herbert Conover, of Oradell, New Jersey, won several blue ribbons for his skill in arranging. His gladiolus attracted much attention for boldness in color as well as fine design. In a low, flat, robin's-egg blue bowl, were gracefully curved sprays of yew for a background, against which the brilliant pink spikes of Piccardy gave a cherry note. Another delightful gladiolus exhibit used pink and dusty rose blooms with sprays of spruce in a tall turquoise vase.

Red Riding Hood zinnias used with large red ones and bronze barberry foliage was a pleasing and bright exhibit in the zinnia class.

Marigolds took to sailing in a boat of bamboo, placed on a long strip of light tan driftwood. The mast included yew and yellow plumosa cockscomb, with yellow and orange carnation and chrysanthemum varieties of African marigolds swinging against it as sails. Mr. Conover was the captain who piloted it.

Again this year we are indebted for the success of the Garden Club Section, to the splendid efforts of a fine committee and to the beautiful work of our exhibitors,

who for many years have demonstrated so well, the produce of a small garden and the skillful use of Dahlias and other garden flowers from a limited growing area of the average home gardener.

GEORGENA HUMBLE,
Chairman, Garden Club Section.

The prize winners are as follows:

SHOW WINNERS

SECTION A (Novice)

BALL DAHLIAS—3 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS
1st—Louis Smernow, *Rosy Dawn*.
2nd—Miss Marie Schnugg, *White Gate*.

MINIATURES—5 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS
1st—Miss Marie Schnugg, *Ricky*.
2nd—LeRoy W. Beatty.

POMPONS—5 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS
1st—Miss Marie Schnugg, *Brass Buttons*.
2nd—LeRoy W. Beatty, *Little Edith*.
ANY OTHER TYPE—5 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS
1st—Miss Marie Schnugg.

SPECIAL—MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN
CLASSES 1B TO 9
Louis Smernow, *Rosy Dawn*.

SWEEPSTAKES—CLASSES 1B TO 9
Miss Marie Schnugg.

SECTION AA (Amateur)

CACTUS, SEMI-CACTUS OR DECORATIVE—1 BLOOM,
MEDIUM 4 TO 8 INCHES
White—1st: L. D. Heslin, *Jersey Dainty*. 2nd: Herbert D. Green, *Michigan White*.
Yellow—1st: Herbert D. Green, *Searchlight*.
Orange—1st: Herbert D. Green, *Marcelous*.
Red—1st: L. D. Heslin, *Scarlet Leader*. 2nd: Herbert D. Green, *Stalin*.
Pink—1st: L. D. Heslin, *Julius Bunge*. 2nd: Herbert D. Green, *Jersey Beauty*.
Lavender—1st: Herbert D. Green, *Mme. Jussiant*.
Purple—1st: Herbert D. Green, *Voits Erflag*.
Blended—1st: Herbert D. Green, *My Delight*.
Bicolor or Variegated—1st: Martin Guttler, *Triplet*. 2nd: Herbert D. Green, *Wanda Meade*.

SPECIAL—MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN
CLASSES 10B TO 19B
L. D. Heslin, *Julius Bunge*.

CACTUS, SEMI-CACTUS OR DECORATIVE—1 BLOOM,
LARGE, 8 INCHES OR OVER
White—1st: Mrs. Albert Dod, *The Real Glory*. 2nd: C. A. Schneider, *The Real Glory*.
Yellow—1st: C. A. Schneider, *Joan Ferenz*.
Orange—1st: L. D. Heslin, *Sunray*. 2nd: C. A. Schneider, *Sherwood Peach*.
Red—1st: C. A. Schneider, *Murphy's Masterpiece*. 2nd: L. D. Heslin, *Maffie*.
Pink—1st: L. D. Heslin, *World Event*. 2nd: C. A. Schneider, *Essie Smith*.
Lavender—1st: C. A. Schneider, *Irene Dunn*.
Purple—1st: L. D. Heslin, *Yankee Doodle*. 2nd: Herbert D. Green, *Glamour*.
Blended—1st: Mrs. Albert Dod, *Koki*. 2nd: Bessie Raben, *Your Lucky Star*.
Bicolor or Variegated—1st: Herbert D. Green, *Dixie Wine Dot*. 2nd: Mrs. Albert Dod, *Milbies Masterpiece*.
Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 20A to 28A: L. D. Heslin, *Yankee Doodle*.

MINIATURES—5 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS
1st—Herbert D. Green.
2nd—C. A. Schneider.

POMPONS—5 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS
1st—Albert Warren, *Mrs. Britton*.
2nd—Bessie Roben, *Clover*.

BOWL, BASKET OR OTHER ARRANGEMENT—
10 OR MORE BLOOMS UNDER 4 INCHES
1st—C. A. Schneider, *White Fawn*.



Photo by Adrienne Boutrelle
**LAKESIDE BEAUTY—Pink Formal medium. Won
Flower Grower, Leonard Barron Memorial Trophy.
Introducer, Lakeside Dahlia Gardens**

2nd—Mrs. Albert Dod.
Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 29 to 33—C. A. Schneider, *White Fawn*.
Sweepstaks—Section AA—Tie—L. D. Heslin, C. A. Schneider.

SECTION B

CACTUS—INCURVED, STRAIGHT OR SEMI-CACTUS,
3 BLOOMS, MEDIUM, 4 TO 8 INCHES
Red—1st: Andrew De Grado, *Lucky*.
Blended—1st: George F. Yaeger, *Angelus*.
Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 34B to 43 B—George F. Yaeger.

DECORATIVE—FORMAL OR INFORMAL, 3 BLOOMS,
MEDIUM, 4 TO 8 INCHES
Bicolor—1st: Andrew De Grado, *Santa Claus*.
Basket of 5 or more blooms—Medium—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Marshall Howe*.
Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 44B to 51B—Dr. Fred Knocke, *Marshall Howe*.

CACTUS—INCURVED, STRAIGHT OR SEMI-CACTUS,
1 BLOOM, LARGE, 8 INCHES OR OVER
Red—1st: George F. Yaeger, *Maffie*. 2nd: C. A. Schneider, *Black Monarch*.
Pink—1st: C. A. Schneider, *Pink Flamingo*.
Lavender—1st: C. A. Schneider, *Irene Dunn*.
3 to 5 Blooms—Large—In any type container—1st: Dr. W. H. Cook, *Jane Lausche* and *Snowball*.
Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 52B to 61B—Dr. W. H. Cook, *Jane Lausche* and *Snowball*.

DECORATIVE—FORMAL, 1 BLOOM, LARGE,
8 INCHES OR OVER
White—1st: C. A. Schneider, *Real Glory*.
Pink—1st: C. A. Schneider, *Belvedere*. 2nd: Dr. W. H. Cook, *Jane Todd*.
Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 62A to 72A—C. A. Schneider, *Belvedere*.

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LARGEST and most nearly perfect. *Essie Smith*, huge Pink, exhibited by Ernest Lewis, Scranton, Pa.

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

White—1st: Louis Smernon, *Gaylord Ballay*. 2nd: Roy W. Webb, *Mrs. Howard C. Phillips*.
 Orange—1st: C. A. Schneider, *Sherwood's Peach*. 2nd: Dr. W. H. Cook, *Kirsten Flagstad*.
 Red—1st: C. A. Schneider, *Murphy's Masterpiece*. 2nd: G. F. Yaeger, *Wake Island*.
 Lavender—1st: C. A. Schneider, *Mrs. Strickland*.
 Blended—1st: Louis Smernon, *Nation Pride*.
 Bicolor—1st: Dr. W. H. Cook, *Kentucky Sportsman*.
 Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 73A to 83A—C. A. Schneider, *Mrs. Strickland*.
 Sweepstakes—Classes 34B to 84A—C. A. Schneider.

MINIATURES—ANY TYPE, 5 BLOOMS, UNDER 4 INCHES

White—1st: Dr. W. H. Cook, *White Fawn*. 2nd: John Allen, *White Fawn*.
 Orange—1st: Ernest Lewis, *Andries Orange*.
 Red—1st: Ernest Lewis, *Baby Vamp and Market*. 2nd: C. A. Schneider.
 Pink—1st: C. A. Schneider.
 Lavender—1st: C. A. Schneider, *Betsy T.*
 Purple—1st: Ernest Lewis, *Springhill Rose*.
 Blended—1st: Ernest Lewis, *Kay*.
 Arrangement of Miniatures, not less than 20 blooms—Dr. Fred Knocke, *Geneva Crystal White*.
 Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 85 to 95—Dr. Fred Knocke, *Geneva Crystal White*.

POMPONS—5 BLOOMS

White—1st: E. Lewis, *Mrs. J. Telfer*. 2nd: C. A. Schneider, *Mrs. J. Telfer*.
 Yellow—1st: E. Lewis, *Brass Buttons*. 2nd: C. A. Schneider, *Little Jackie*.
 Orange—1st: E. Lewis, *Little David*.
 Red—1st: Dr. W. H. Cook, *Ila*. 2nd: E. Lewis, *Melrose Baby*.
 Lavender—1st: C. A. Schneider, *Rosegay*.
 Purple—1st: C. A. Schneider, *Miss Marjorie*. 2nd: E. Lewis, *Miss Marjorie*.
 Blended—1st: Dr. W. H. Cook, *Clover*. 2nd: E. Lewis, *Honey*.
 Bowl of Pompoms—10 to 20 blooms—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke.
 Arrangement of Pompoms, not less than 20 blooms—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke.
 Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 96 to 106—E. Lewis, *Little David*.

Sweepstakes—85 to 116—Dr. Fred Knocke.
 Grand Sweepstakes—Section B—C. A. Schneider.

SECTION C (Open to All)

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

White—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Snowball*. 2nd: H. F. Corey, *Seedling*.
 Orange—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Nagel's Orange*. 2nd: Lakeside Gardens, *L. C. K.*
 Red—1st: E. Lewis, *Stalin*. 2nd: L. M. Ogden, *Lucky*.
 Pink—1st: Albert Parrella, *Renate Mueller*.
 Lavender—1st: E. Lewis, *Mme. C. Jussiant*. 2nd: Roy W. Webb, *Miss Ohio*.
 Purple—1st: E. Lewis, *Zenith*.
 Blended—1st: E. Lewis, *Andries Selecta*.
 Bicolor—1st: L. M. Ogden, *R. B. Montgomery*. 2nd: R. W. Webb, *J. L. Stevens*.
 5 Blooms—any color or colors—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Nagel's Orange*. 2nd: Roy W. Webb, *Zenith* and *Miss Ohio*.
 Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 117B to 126B—L. M. Ogden.

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

White—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Snowball*.
 Orange and Red—1st: Henry Corey, *Seedling*.
 Pink or Lavender—1st: Louis Fioretti, *La Verne Fioretti*.
 5 Blooms—any color or colors—1st: Roy W. Webb, *Sunglow* and *Suntan*.
 Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 127B to 136B—Louis Fioretti, *La Verne Fioretti*.

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

Yellow—1st: W. J. Etherington, *Early Glory*.
 Red—1st: Lakeside Gardens, *Ike*.
 Lavender—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Seedling No. 13*.
 Blended—1st: Louis Fioretti, *Caroline Kernochan*.
 Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 137-B to 147-B—Louis Fioretti, *Caroline Kernochan*.

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

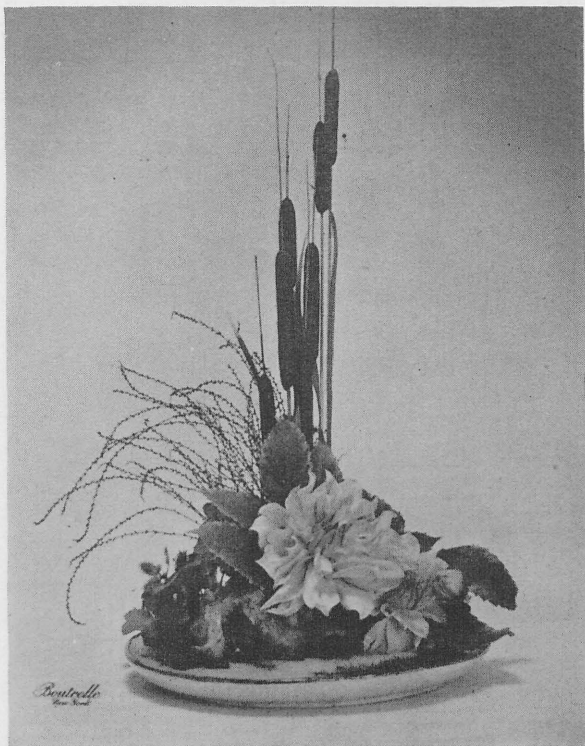
Orange—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Natalie*.
 Blended—1st: C. V. Smith, *King Peter*. 2nd: L. M. Ogden, *Bashful*.
 5 Blooms, any color or colors—1st: C. V. Smith, *Jersey Beauty*. 2nd: Roy W. Webb, *Shangri-La* and *Fireball*.
 Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 148-B to 159B.
 Sweepstakes—for medium size—L. M. Ogden.

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

White—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Snowball*. 2nd: L. M. Ogden, *Snowball*.
 Yellow—1st: W. J. Etherington, *Searchlight*.
 Orange—1st: E. Lewis, *Golden Standard*. 2nd: Louis Fioretti, *Seedling No. 23*.
 Red—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Doreen Woolman*. 2nd: Otto Heinz.
 Pink—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Pink Flamingo*. 2nd: L. M. Ogden, *Pink Flamingo*. 3rd: H. A. Olsen, *Crowning Glory*.
 3 Blooms, any color or colors—1st: C. V. Smith, *Pink Flamingo*. 2nd: L. M. Ogden, *Pink Flamingo*.
 Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 160-A to 169-A—C. V. Smith, *Pink Flamingo*.



Gold Medal Commercial Display—100 feet of Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens



Most outstanding arrangement in Garden Club Section.
Tri-color winner of Mrs. Ruth Conover

SEMI-CACTUS—LARGE, 8 INCHES OR OVER

- White—1st: E. Lewis, *American Purity*. 2nd: E. J. O'Keefe, *Edith Willkie*.
 Yellow—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Miss Flint Lake*.
 Orange—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *D-67 Seedling*. 2nd: L. M. Ogden, *Evelyn Chandler*.
 Red—1st: E. Lewis, *Lynn Fountain*. 2nd: E. Lewis, *Top Flight*. 3rd: Otto Heinz, *Maffie*.
 Pink—1st: E. O'Keefe, *Pink Flamingo*. 2nd: Louis Fioretti.
 Lavender—1st: E. O'Keefe, *Lucy Cook*. 2nd: Roy W. Webb, *Bette Davis*.
 Blended—1st: Louis Fioretti, *All America*. 2nd: E. Lewis, *Moyna*. 3rd: L. M. Ogden, *All America*.
 Bicolor—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Jane Lausche*.
 3 Blooms, any color or colors—1st: C. A. Schneider, *Maffie*. 2nd: E. Lewis, *Wings*.
 Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 171-A to 181-A—E. J. O'Keefe, *Jane Lausche*.
 Vase or Container—Semi-Cactus—large, 12 blooms any color or colors—1st: Louis Fioretti, *Hilda Fioretti*.

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

- White—1st: Roy W. Webb, *Gaylord Ballay*. 2nd: C. V. Smith, *Seedling 183-A*.
 Yellow—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Tops*.
 Orange—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Axford Triumph*. 2nd: Henry Olsen, *Sherwood's Peach*. 3rd: E. J. O'Keefe, *Sherwood's Peach*.
 Red—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Mrs. Hester Pape*. 2nd: E. J. O'Keefe, *Mrs. Hester Pape*. 3rd: W. J. Etherington, *Pop Harris*.
 Pink—1st: J. E. Kelly, *Ogden Read*. 2nd: E. Lewis, *Pink Elephant*. 3rd: E. Lewis, *Southern Rose*.
 Lavender—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Colin Kelly*. 2nd: J. E. Kelly, *Seedling K-4*. 3rd: Otto F. Heinz.
 Purple—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Hunt's Velvet Wonder*. 2nd: H. F. Cory, *Seedling*. 3rd: E. Lewis, *Glamour*.
 Blended—1st: E. Lewis, *Sydney*. 2nd: E. Lewis, *Sydney*. 3rd: L. M. Ogden, *Carl Dahl*.
 Bicolor—1st: C. V. Smith. 2nd: L. M. Ogden.
 Variegated—1st: E. Lewis, *Dixie Wine Dot*. 2nd: E. O'Keefe, *Dixie Wine Dot*. 3rd: Roy W. Webb, *Dixie Wine Dot*.
 3 Blooms, any color or colors—1st: J. E. Kelly, *Ogden Reid*. 2nd: C. A. Schneider, *Hilda Fioretti*. 3rd: W. J. Etherington,

Croyden Burgundy.
 Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 183-A to 193A—E. J. O'Keefe, *Axford Triumph*.

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

- White—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Mayor Ring*. 2nd: E. Lewis, *Darcy Sainsbury*.
 Yellow—1st: J. Fasola, *Seedling*. 2nd: L. M. Ogden, *Class*. 3rd: Bessie Raben, *Seedling*.
 Orange—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Ruth Dickoff*. 2nd: L. M. Ogden, *Sultan of Hillcrest*.
 Red—1st: C. V. Smith, *Black Prince*.
 Pink—1st: W. J. Etherington.
 Blended—1st: L. M. Ogden, *L. M. Ogden*.
 Bicolor—1st: Louis Fioretti, *J. A. Kernochan*.
 Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 194-A to 205-A—*Mayor Ring*.
 Largest and most nearly perfect bloom—Semi-cactus, any color—E. Lewis, *Essie Smith*.
 Largest and most nearly perfect bloom, Informal Decorative, any color—E. Lewis, *Glamour*.
 Largest and most nearly perfect bloom, Formal Decorative, any color—L. M. Ogden, *L. M. Ogden*.
 Special—Air Mail entry—1st: Dixie Dahlia Gardens, *Mrs. R. A. Atkinson*.
 Sweepstakes for large size—E. J. O'Keefe.
 Grand Sweepstakes for medium and large—E. J. O'Keefe.

MINIATURES—ANY TYPE, 5 BLOOMS UNDER 4 INCHES

- White—1st: C. V. Smith, *White Fawn*. 2nd: Paul W. Doll, *White Fawn*.
 Yellow—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Tip*. 2nd: Lakeside Gardens, *Little Katie*.
 Orange—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Peggy Lindley*. 2nd: L. M. Ogden, *Sycamore*.
 Red—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Chico*. 2nd: Paul W. Doll, *Jubilant*. 3rd: L. M. Ogden, *Nancy A.*
 Pink—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Joyce Ann*.
 Lavender—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Rosemary*.
 Purple—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Royalette*.
 Blended—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Spun Silk*. 2nd: Paul W. Doll, *Homacre Sweetest*.
 Bicolor—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Rickey*.
 Bowl of Miniatures—15 to 30 blooms—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Bright Tess*. 2nd: Florence Baggaly, *White Fawn*.
 Arrangement of Miniatures—20 to 50 blooms—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Bright Lass and Miss Innocence*.
 Cactus—Incurved, straight or semi-cactus, 5 blooms, any color or colors—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Little Diamond*. 2nd: Paul W. Doll, *Little Darling*.
 Decorative—Formal or Informal, 5 blooms, any color or colors—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Bright Lass*.
 Peony (open centered), 5 blooms, any color or colors—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Bishop of Landaff*.
 Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 211 to 224—C. V. Smith, *White Fawn*.

POMPONS—10 BLOOMS

- Yellow—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Brass Buttons*.

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Albert Parrella Commercial Display of over 100 feet is awarded Gold Medal



Winner in Garden Club Section. Arrangement by
Mrs. C. V. Smith

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- Orange—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Atom*.
 Red—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Ila*.
 Pink—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Mrs. French*. 2nd: Paul W. Doll, *Betty Ann*.
 Lavender—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Faultless*. 2nd: Paul W. Doll, *Joyce Gibbs*.
 Purple—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Miss Marjorie*.
 Blended—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Little Edith*. 2nd: Paul W. Doll, *Clover*. 3rd—L. M. Ogden, *Little Edith*.
 Bowl of Pompons, 10 to 20 blooms—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Ila*.
 Basket of Pompons, 15 to 30 blooms—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Little Beauty*.
 Arrangement of Pompons—20 to 50 blooms—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Little Prince*.
 Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 225 to 237—Paul W. Doll, *Ila*.
 Sweepstakes—Miniature and Pompons—Paul W. Doll.

BALL DAHLIAS—1 BLOOM

- White—Honorable Mention—LeRoy W. Beaty, *Mozart*.
 Yellow—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Mary Helen*.
 Red—1st: L. Faretti, *Marshall Kernochan*.
 Purple—1st: R. W. Webb, *Nettie M.*
 Blended—1st: Paul W. Doll, *Rosy Dawn*. 2nd: R. W. Webb, *Rosy Dawn*.
 3 Blooms, miniature ball any color or colors—1st: Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, *Little Buddy*.
 Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 238 to 249—Paul W. Doll, *Rosy Dawn*.

SINGLE DAHLIAS

- 5 blooms, any one variety or color—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Seedling No. 17*.
 5 blooms, more than one variety or color—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Seedling No. 20*.
 Special—Most outstanding entry in Classes 250 to 258—L. M. Ogden, *Seedling No. 20*.
 Sweepstakes, for Ball and Singles, etc.—L. M. Ogden.
 Grand Sweepstakes for Miniatures, Poms, Ball and Singles—Paul W. Doll.

SECTION E

PRIVATE ESTATES WITH A GARDENER

- Cactus, incurved or straight, 5 blooms, medium—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Snowball*.
 Semi-cactus, 5 blooms, large—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Lynn Fontaine*.
 Decorative—Informal, 5 blooms, large—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Carl Dahl*.
 Decorative—Formal, 5 blooms, large—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Sultan of Hillcrest*.
 Largest and most perfect bloom—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Carl Dahl*.
 Ball—5 blooms—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Mary Helen*.
 Arrangement of orchid flowering dahlias—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Au-Y-Byn*.
 Orange—5 blooms, large—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Watchung Giant*.
 Red—3 blooms, large—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Wings*.
 Blended—5 blooms, large—1st: L. M. Ogden, *Carl Dahl*.
 Special—Most outstanding entry in Section E—L. M. Ogden, *Snowball*.
 Sweepstakes in Section E—L. M. Ogden.

SECTION F

COMMERCIAL

- To the most outstanding and meritorious commercial Dahlia entry of 100 square feet, Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, A.D.S. Gold Medal Certificate.
 To the most outstanding and meritorious commercial Dahlia entry of over 100 square feet, Parrella Dahlia Gardens, A.D.S. Gold Medal Certificate.

SECTION G

UNDISSEMINATED DAHLIAS

- Cactus—incurved, 3 blooms, 1 variety, medium—Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens—*Coral Cactus*. Silver Medal.
 Semi-Cactus—3 blooms, 1 variety, medium—Lakeside Gardens, *Elodee K.* Bronze Medal.
 Decorative Formal—3 blooms, 1 variety, medium—Lakeside Gardens, *Lakeside Beauty*. Silver Medal.
 Miniature—Decorative—5 blooms, 1 variety—Lakeside Gardens, *Fuschia Gem*. Bronze Medal. Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, *Sacks Dahliaumum*. Bronze Medal.
 Miniature—Any other type, 5 blooms, 1 variety—Lakeside Gardens, *Fuzzy Wuzzy*. Bronze medal.
 Decorative—Informal—3 blooms, 1 variety, large—E. E. Tooker, *Seedling A-8*. Bronze Medal.

AMERICAN HOME ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

- The American Home Achievement Medal—E. E. Tooker, *Great Divide*.

FLOWER GROWER AWARD

- The Leonard Barron Memorial Trophy—For the best variety of medium size, 4 to 8 inches, 3 blooms or more. Variety to show outstanding merit as a cut flower—Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, *Lakeside Beauty*.

A.D.S. TROPHY

- For the best undissected variety of small size dahlia measuring 4 inches or less in diameter, 10 blooms—Thomas MacKay, *Chips*.

- Dr. Del Mar Medal for the largest and most nearly perfect bloom in entire show—E. Lewis, *Essie Smith*.

SECTION H

SPECIAL—OPEN TO ALL—A.D.S. GOLD MEDAL CERTIFICATE

- To the most outstanding and meritorious non-commercial entry or display in Show—Mrs. Richard Colt.

SECTION J

SPECIAL DISPLAY CLASS

- 10 blooms over 8 inches, 3 or more varieties in 2 containers of 5 blooms each. Trophy offered by Past President Conrad Frey—Mrs. Richard Colt.

SECTION K

VEGETABLES

- Beans—green, 12 pods—1st: Dr. Bruce Preas.
 Beans—yellow, 12 pods—1st: Dr. Bruce Preas.

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Quiz Corner

By J. LOUIS ROBERTS

A.D.S. Vice-President

Re: Leaf Hoppers

Question: Is there a positive insecticide that will keep leaf hoppers off dahlias? Each year the pest gets worse and spraying during July and August must be done on a daily basis. What insect harmless to dahlias will combat leaf hoppers?

Answer: As far as I know there is no positive repellent that will keep leaf hoppers off dahlias during the entire growing season. Some growers use Bordeaux at the start of the season as a repellent and then use an insecticide during the season to keep their plants clean. Any material put on the plant usually washes off with the first rain or sprinkling.

The new 5 per cent D.D.T. dust or powder may be successful as long as it remains on the plant. The base of this dust is usually talc, a white powder. Authorities have stated that the leaf hopper will not infest a plant covered with a white dust such as flour, talc, etc. The D.D.T. material may kill off the young forms or nymphs (which are wingless and scurry along rapidly on the under side of the leaves) as well as the adult.

Your trouble is that a new crop of leaf hoppers attach themselves to your plants from surrounding foliage. If possible, spray some of the surrounding foliage. There are some insects such as the praying mantis that kill leaf hoppers and other insects. They do not keep a planting of dahlias clean of insects and any insecticides used to kill off the leaf hopper usually kills off the friendly insects. Speaking of natural enemies of insects reminds me that it is not generally known but the garden snake, which is harmless, will consume a great quantity of insects in a day. Just observe one of them crawl through a lawn and see how many of the leaf hoppers he catches. You will be surprised.

The usual spray for leaf hoppers is of nicotine or pyrethrum base. I prefer the pyrethrum. However the strength of such sprays has not been very good in the past few years.

Re: Billbug

Question: What is the origin of the bill bore bug?

Answer: Evidently first noticed in Illinois because the scientific name is *Rhodobaenus Tridecempunctatus* Ill. It is commonly known as the cocklebur bill-bug.

Question: Where did it come from? *Answer:* See above.

Question: Is there an insecticide on the market to combat this pest?

Answer: Early sprays of the stomach poison variety are the only ones known so far. The D.D.T. dust may be useful. These sprays must be used during May and June before the bill bug lays her eggs. Damage is done in the "grub" stage and not by the adult. No poison will reach into the inside of the dahlia stalk wherein the grub feeds.

Question: Is the bill bore bug known as the "harlequin bug"?

Answer: No, the harlequin belongs to the "stink bug" family, the bill bug to the weevil family.

Questions Does the bill-bore bug live in the soil over winter or in the roots of the dahlia? Not in the dahlia tuber. I have never been able to find one wintering but have a suspicion that the adult winters in the stalk of host plants. Authorities state that they winter over in leaves and rubbish, therefore clean up any rubbish.

Question: At digging time five of my dahlia plants indicated bill-bore bugs down to the roots, some were fished out with a wire.

Answer: These were not bill bug borers but probably the common stalk borer.

Question: Should the stock be destroyed?

Answer: No.

Question: Will the tubers winter?

Answer: Yes, as well as the rest of your stock, providing you split the clumps, clean out the debris left by the borer and dust with sulphur.

Question: Will the use of the roots for cuttings transmit the bug to the rooted cuttings. In other words, will the bill bore bug leave the root and start up the green sprout before the cutting is made?

Answer: No, I have never in 30 years found a bill bug in a root. Eggs are laid in June by the female on the stalk or leaf stem.

Send your perplexing questions to J. Louis Roberts, 12147 Harvard Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

The Greater Pittsburgh Dahlia Society

The annual meeting of the Greater Pittsburgh Dahlia Society was held Thursday evening, October 18, 1945 at the Garden Center in Schenley Park, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. A lively, detailed report of our Eighth Annual Dahlia Show was followed by the regulation annual reports of standing committees. We have recently changed not only our name but our fiscal year, so that it now starts January 1st; so the Society voted to pay for the November A.D.S. BULLETIN for all paid-up members.

Mr. A. G. Banks gave a splendid summary of the 1945 dahlia introductions and Mr. N. D. Hislop showed kodachrome pictures taken this fall of both new and old dahlias. Reverend A. J. Stewart ably conducted our annual elections and we are happy to announce the following officers for 1946:

President—Mr. J. D. Ross.

1st Vice-President—Mrs. C. E. Stoner.

2nd Vice-President—Mr. Wm. Buresch.

Treasurer—Mr. R. D. Motznik.

Secretary—Mrs. L. D. Hislop.

Board of Directors:

Mrs. C. Isherwood.

Mrs. S. M. Holt.

Mr. A. G. Banks.

Mr. K. F. Kaesmeier.

With 56 members, new and old, present, the social hour with refreshments, following the adjournment of the meeting, afforded an opportunity for good dahlia fans to hold forth on their pet subject—dahlias—"far into the night."

ELIZABETH F. HISLOP (Mrs. L. D.)

Secretary.

1945 Mid-West and Ohio State Dahlia and Flower Show A Huge Success

With an attendance of several thousand from Saturday noon to Sunday evening, September 22 and 23 the 14th annual Dahlia Society of Ohio show in conjunction with the Mid-West Conference and Ohio State Show was held in the exhibition hall of the Masonic Auditorium, Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

The large exhibition hall containing about 16,000 square feet of space was completely filled with the finest dahlias thus producing a grand display of color. There were 949 entries in competition. With adverse weather conditions such as we have had we say the blooms were mighty good. All in all we had a very fine show and we know those of you who visited us during the show period enjoyed their stay with us.

We were very fortunate that gas rationing was abolished and it gave many of the dahlia lovers an opportunity to again travel by auto to see this exhibition of ours. We were grateful to have such out-standing dahlia "connoisseurs" to be with us and act as judges of the show. The Mid-West and A.D.S. was well represented with dahlia growers from Canada, Wisconsin, New York, Michigan, Illinois, Missouri, Indiana, New Jersey, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Minnesota and our home state. If I missed your state please excuse me for I was a mighty busy man during the show and I am not infallible.

A banquet was held in the dining room on the premises and there were 154 dahlia fans seated at their respective places. Mr. Alfred Sraill, our president welcomed the delegates and then turned the introduction part over to Mr. E. J. Wind. Mr. Wind, then called upon each society to rise in a body as introduced. After the banquet the Mid-West conference meeting was held and election of officers for the year 1946 were elected. The Dahlia Society of St. Louis put in a bid for the 1946 Mid-West Conference and this was made into a motion and seconded that St. Louis be the host to the 1946 Mid-West Conference.

The following is a list of our winners at the show:

Novice Division: Sweepstakes won by Mr. C. M. Patch of Chagrin Falls, O. and was awarded dahlia roots as a prize.

Amateur Division: Sweepstakes won by Mr. Stanley Brown of Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Brown also won 1944 amateur sweepstakes. He was awarded a beautiful silver trophy Cup.

Open to all Divisions: Mr. E. J. Wind of the Rocky River Dahlia Gardens won Sweepstakes and was presented with the gold trophy which was donated to our society by our congenial Governor Frank J. Lausche. The runner up was Frank's Dahlia Gardens of Bedford, Ohio.

The most outstanding entry of the show was awarded to the Frank's Dahlia Gardens. The entry consisted of a beautiful basket of medium size cactus varieties of the most beautiful pastel shades.

The largest and most perfect bloom in the entire show, *Jane Lausche* width times depth was awarded to the Rocky River Dahlia Gardens. Size was 12 inches by 7 inches.

The largest dahlia bloom in the entire show. *Southern Thoroughbred*, size 14 x 8¾ was won by Mr. James

Cowie of Cleveland, Ohio.

The most perfect ball, *Rosie Dawn*, prize was awarded to Rocky River Dahlia Gardens.

The most perfect bloom, 4 to 8 inches, *Ohio Beautiful* was won by Frank's Dahlia Gardens.

The best bloom of *Mayor Ring* in the entire show was won by the Garfield Heights Dahlia Gardens. Mayor Raymond H. Ring of Garfield Heights donated a beautiful bronze achievement trophy to the winner.

The Mid-West Dahlia Conference Plaque was awarded to the Frank's Dahlia Gardens. On exhibition were six blooms of *Bedford Beauty*, a deep lilac pink with a circlet of white around base. It is in the 4 to 8 inch class, and was an American Home Achievement winner last year.

The Best Ohio Origination class of dahlias was won by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens. The origination flower being *Jane Lausche*. It is the most beautiful bi-color semi-cactus, lavender, tipped with white, size about 12 x 7. Won Achievement Medals in three 1944 shows and listed on all three Honor Rolls.

The best seedling, *Clariam Dawn* was won by Mr. Wm. Wolbert of Springfield, Ohio.

The best cactus 4 to 8 inches in the entire show was won by Frank's Dahlia Gardens. The bloom was *Love-liness* a soft pink with yellow center.

The best cactus over 8 inches, *Snowball* was won by Frank's Dahlia Gardens.

The American Home Achievement Medal was won by Mr. H. H. Robens of Chagrin Falls, Ohio. It is an informal red, over 8 inches and at times it has a tendency to run semi-cactus. The judges had to use keen judgement in picking out the winner for this was one class that had the most entries entered for the award. The originator of the dahlia is Mr. Chas. F. Pape of Santa Barbara, California. It has been named *Mrs. Hester Pape*.

The Best Collection of 1945 introductions consisted of a vase of *Mrs. R. G. Atchison*, *Stellaete*, *Southern Rose*, *General Pershing* and *Ogden Reid*, and was won by the Rocky River Gardens.

The smallest pom, "*Clover*" in the entire show was won by Mrs. Gertrude Strasen of Strasen Floral Gardens of Austinburgh, Ohio.

As an innovation we had Mrs. J. Chegin, otherwise known as "Hildegarde", demonstrate flower arrangements at two performances. This was a treat for the women folks and Mrs. Chegin put on a two hour demonstration each day. Dahlias were predominating in her arrangements.

In the flower arrangements section Mrs. Chas. J. Nimeth of 3568 Chelton Road, Shaker Heights, Ohio won sweepstakes with a score of 52 points.

EDWARD A. PAPESH,
Secretary, Dahlia Society of Ohio.

I have made a compilation of the winners at our show and they are as follows. I have allowed 3 points for first, and 2 points for second:

Name of Dahlia (OVER 8 INCHES)	SCORE
1. Class	13

2. Real Glory	11
3. Tops	10
4. Mrs. Hester A. Pape	8
5. Terry	8
6. Clariam Kelton	8
7. Wendy B	7
8. Virginia Rute	6
9. Nancy Mitchell	6
10. Jane Lausche	6
11. Revv Pugh	5
12. California Idol	5
13. Dahliamum	5
14. Gaylor Ballay	5
15. Crowning Glory	4

4 TO 8 INCHES

1. Snowcrest	10
2. Michigan White	10
3. Laetare	10
4. Lois Walcher	10
5. Kardinal Von Rossum	8
6. Bataan	7
7. Punctuel	6
8. Santa Claus	6
9. Cheer Leader	6
10. Frau Ida Mansfield	6
11. Bedford Beauty	6
12. Wanda Meade	5
13. Queen City	5
14. H. Bouydwyn	5
15. Ohio Beautiful	5

BALL DAHLIAS

1. Rosy Dawn	15
2. Charlotte Caldwell	8
3. Dainty Ball	8
4. Supt Amrhyn	7
5. Clara Clemens	6
6. Kentucky Snowball	6

MINIATURES

1. Andries Orange	10
2. Fairy	10
3. Buckeye Baby	10
4. White Fawn	10
5. Geneva Crystal White	8
6. Ming	8
7. Tip	6

POM POMS

1. Rosegay	11
2. Sherry	10
3. Clover	10
4. Betty Malone	8
5. Brass Button	8
6. Mrs. Telfer	7
7. Cram Gem	3

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Scores from the A.D.S. Trial Grounds

Dahlias Scoring 85.0 and Over at the American Dahlia Society Trial Garden

Storrs, Connecticut, 1945

8. MARTHA BOELLNER. Stake Nos. 22, 23, and 24. Semi-Cactus, entered by Dr. L. B. Boellner, 316 N. Main St., Roswell, New Mexico. (85A 85B). Scarlet red, center with a flush of carmine, velvety sheen. Flowering habit prolific; stem 3½-15½ in., medium, holds flowers well up, flower on side facing side. Improved in both flower and stem by disbudding. Size of flowers 5¾-9½ in., depth 2-5½ in. Height 4 ft. 7 in.
9. Bingo. Stake Nos. 25, 26, and 27. Ball, entered by Wm. H. Ball, 1001-L St., S.E., Washington, D. C. (85B). Carmine, center darker. Flowering habit good; stem 5-17 in., slender to heavy. Size of flowers 3-4½ in., depth 1¼-2¾ in. Height 5 ft. 2 in.
14. 12-42, AUTUMN GLORY. Stake Nos. 40 (did not grow), 41, and 42. Informal Dec., entered by R. Paul Comstock, Comstock Dahlia Gardens, 5140-35th St., San Diego, California. (85A). Florets at base lemon yellow shading to between capucine yellow and orange. Has a glistening sheen. Flowering habit good; stem 10-15½ in., heavy to extra heavy, holds blooms well up, a good stem. A few face the heavens. Stem larger in disbudded plant. Size of flowers 6-9 in., depth 1¾-5½ in. Height 5 ft. 11 in.
25. No. 2185, BALLAY'S C/4. Stake Nos. 73, 74 and 75. Informal Dec., entered by C. W. Ballay, Palo Alto, California. (85A). Base of florets strontian yellow. General effect is amaranth pink with a slight blend of rhodamine purple. Flowering habit good; stem 4½-12 in., medium to extra heavy, stiff, holds blooms well, flowers face side. Improved in both stem and flower by disbudding. Size of flowers 8-9¾ in., depth 3-5 in. Height 5 ft. 1 in.
29. WIND'S S-43-1. Stake Nos. 85, 86 and 87. Straight Cactus, entered by E. J. Wind, Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, 19111 Story Road, Rocky River, Ohio. (85B). Center white shaded to hair margins of rhodamine purple. Outer florets are rose color with light tips which show the reverse. Flowering habit prolific; stem 3½-12 in., slender to medium, wiry, blooms face side. Size of flowers 4-7½ in., depth 1¼-3½ in. Height 4 ft. 9 in.
31. FIVE STAR GENERAL. Stake Nos. 91, 92 and 93. Formal Dec., entered by Cy Ramage, 103 2nd Ave., Chula Vista, California. (85A). Base of florets pale lemon yellow, but flower is rhodamine purple on white—tips fade to light mallow purple. Flowering habit good; stem 5½-11 in., medium to extra extra heavy, blooms face side, erect, stiff. A good stem. Improved by disbudding, color deepens. Size of flowers 8-10¼ in., depth 3-5 in. Height 5 ft. 6 in.
33. SNO-WHITE. Stake Nos. 97, 98 and 99. Formal Dec., entered by Benjamin W. Hertel, 1532 Hall S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan. (85B). White. Flowering habit fair; stem 3-11 in., medium to heavy, holds flower well up, bloom faces side. Improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 5½-7½ in. Depth 2-4 in. Height 5 ft. 3 in.
41. Coral Cactus. Stake Nos. 121, 122, and 123. Incurved and Straight Cactus, entered by L. C. Bennett, 6309 Juniata St., St. Louis 9, Missouri. (85B). Center florets are citron yellow at base with the general effect of the bloom old rose. Attractive color. Flowering habit prolific; stem 4-15 in., slender and wiry, facing blooms, Slightly improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 6-8½ in., depth 2-4½ in. Height 5 ft.
43. No. 86. Stake Nos. 127, 128 and 129. Miniature Informal Dec., entered by Warren W. Maytrott, Dahlialdel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J. (85M). Center white with outer florets showing faint phlox pink. Flowering habit prolific; stem 1½-5½ in., slender, wiry, facing blooms. Size of flowers 2½-3¾ in., depth ¾-2 in. Height 3 ft. 9 in.
60. REFUGEE. Stake Nos. 178, 179 and 180. Incurved and Straight Cactus, entered by Edward M. Keck, White Haven, Pennsylvania. (85.2B). Pale lemon yellow with a glistening sheen—bright color. Flowering habit prolific; stem 3-13 in., slender to medium, facing, stiff, erect, a good stem. Size of flowers 5-8 in., depth 1½-3½ in. Height 5 ft. 7 in.
71. K 42-5. Stake Nos. 211, 212 and 213. Informal Dec., entered by George H. Swezey, Premier Dahlia Gardens, Columbia, N. J. (85A). White. Flowering habit late; stem 5-13 in., medium to heavy, facing. Size of flowers 6½-10 in., depth 2-5 in. Height 5 ft. 5 in.
74. SUNBURST. Stake Nos. 220, 221 and 222. Formal Dec., entered by W. E. Smith, Smith's Dahlia Garden, 1605 Oak St., Parkersburg, West Virginia. (85A). Unopened center florets apricot buff, others are pale yellow, but the apricot buff persists in many florets. Finished off with a glistening sheen. Flowering habit prolific; stem 6-12 in., extra heavy, facing, holds flower well. Size of flowers 7-10 in.; depth 2-5 in. Height 4 ft. 6 in.
75. STARTLING. Stake Nos. 223, 224 and 225. Miniature. Orchid-flowering, entered by Mrs. Charles F. Berry, Crescent Road, Longmeadow, Massachusetts. (85M). Scarlet red. Flowering habit prolific; stem 5-11 in., slender and wiry, facing the heavens. Size of flowers 3½-5½ in., depth ¾-1 in. Height 5 ft. 10 in.
77. 0119, LITTLE LEMON DROP. Stake Nos. 229, 230 and 231. Miniature Formal Dec., entered by Lakeside Gardens, Nick Koenig & Sons, New Baltimore, Michigan. (85M). Picric yellow. Flowering habit prolific; stem 2½-10½ in., slender, wiry, all that could be desired. Size of flowers 2½-3¾ in., depth 1-1¾ in. Height 3 ft. 3 in.
78. 0100, LAKESIDE ANN. Stake Nos. 232, 233 and 234. Straight Cactus, entered by Lakeside Gardens, Nick Koenig & Sons, New Baltimore, Michigan. (85B). Center florets pale lemon yellow. Outer florets salmon-buff. Striking combination of color. Flowering habit prolific; stem 3½-11 in., slender to heavy, stiff, erect, majority of blooms face the heavens, improved by disbudding. Size of flowers 5-8¾ in., depth 1¾-4½ in. Height 4 ft. 5 in.

Plan to send your best seedlings to the A.D.S. Official Trial Grounds in 1946.

Certificate Awards at Mid West Trial Gardens East Lansing, Mich.

MISS SAN DIEGO. Stake No. 12. Lacinated Cactus. Score 85.8 E, 85.6 C. Entered by Comstock Dahlia Gardens, San Diego, California. Color, a pink-yellow blend.

FRIEDA GAYLORD. Stake No. 21. Informal decorative. Score 85 E. Entered by C. W. Ballay, Palo Alto, California. Color, mallow pink with light yellow highlights.

MRS. E. J. Stake No. 25. Cactus. Score 85.3 E. Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. Color, Tyrian pink.

SEA FOAM. Stake No. 36. Formal decorative. Score 85 C. Entered by Wolfe Dahlia Gardens, Shipshewana, Indiana. Color almost white.

BARRIE'S RED SIGNAL. Stake No. 40. Red ball. Score 85 S. Entered by J. Barrie, 3351 Brygger Drive, Government Way, Seattle, Washington. Color spectrum, red.

GAY LASSIE. Stake No. 54. Large single. Score 85 S. Entered by Forest View Gardens, Fairmont, West Virginia. Color light greenish yellow completely overcast except at ends of the petals with carmine.

FIVE-STAR GENERAL. Stake No. 63. Formal decorative. Score 86 E. Entered by Cy Ramage, Chula Vista, California. General color description pink with light yellow toning.

MRS. EDW. DIEHL. Stake No. 74. Cactus. Score 85.8 C. Entered by Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Mich. General color effect peach-red.

LITTLE LEMON DROP. Stake No. 76. Miniature formal decorative. Score 85.1 S. Entered by Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Mich. Color greenish-yellow.

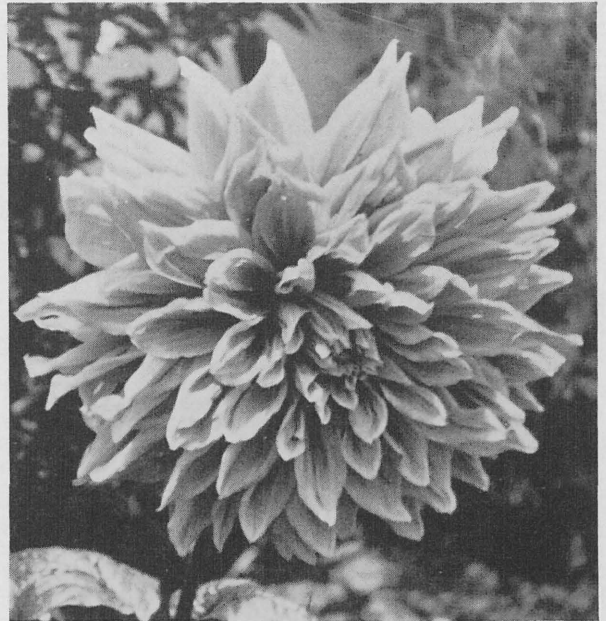
The Ohio Valley Dahlia Association Trial Grounds Report, Ault Park, Robert Seibel, Supt.

There were fifty varieties on trial at the Park the past season, and the entries came from, Ohio, Michigan, New Jersey, California, Washington, Missouri, Virginia, Illinois, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina and West Virginia.

The season was average with some hot dry weather in August, and the sprinklers were put to good use. We had some tarnish bug injury, but the plants soon came along well. Some of the standard varieties were about two weeks late in blooming, but we had a long season, there being no killing frost here at this writing, October 26th. The judges made a good job and tried to see the entries as often as possible. There was an average of twelve separate scores on each entry. Here are the following entries and scores:

STAKE No. 3 No. 87. Miniature Formal Decorative. Entered by Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J. (85M). White blending to light lavender to center of flower. Prolific bloom, good stems. Size 2½"x2". Bush 3'x30".

STAKE No. 9 *Miss San Diego*. Cactus entered by Comstock Dahlia Gardens, 5140 35th St., San Diego, Calif. (85C) Pink shaded yellow to center of bloom. Flowering habit good, good stem,



FIVE STAR GENERAL—Scored at three ADS Trial Grounds. Will be introduced by Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens

Medium bush growth. Size of bloom 7"x4". Bush 4'x3'. Formation of bloom very pleasing, bloom facing.

STAKE No. 16—*Snow White*. Miniature ball entered by Andres Doerman, Cheviot Rd., Cheviot, Ohio. (85.1M). White flowering habit prolific good bush growth, some blooms hand over, not tough to detract. Size 3"x2½". Bush 4½'x3'.

STAKE No. 20—42-14-5. Informal Decorative. Entered by J. B. Anderson, 459 Fairview Ave., Westwood, N. J. (85E). Gold with slight bronze reverse. Flowering habit good, good bush and laterals, blooms facing. Size 9"x6". Bush 4'x30". Good long stems.

STAKE No. 22—*Five Star General*. Formal Decorative. Entered by, C. Ramage, 105 2nd Ave., Chula Vista, Calif. (85E). Cream base overlaid pink or light lavender very pleasing color. Flowering habit good, blooms facing, good bush growth and stems. Size 9"x6". Bush 5'x3'. This variety can be growing large. Color very different from existing varieties.

STAKE No. 26—S-43-1. Cactus. Entered by, Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. (85.8E). Deep pink with white centers very good; color combination. Flowering habit good, blooms facing. Medium bush growth with well proportioned stems. Size 5"x3". Bush 4'x30". Very different color.

STAKE No. 36—5-5. Semi-Cactus. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan. (85E). Rosy pink blended lighter to outer petals. Flowering habit prolific, blooms facing. Rugged bush growth with long stems. Size 8"x4". Bush 6'x3½'. Very good.

STAKE No. 46. *Polar Queen*. Ball entered by The Ohio Valley Dahlia Association. (85S). White. Flowering habit good, medium bush growth, with fair stems. Size 4"x3". Bush 3'x2'.

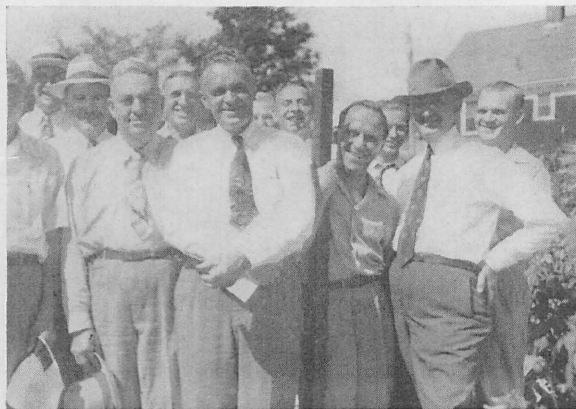
STAKE No. 48. *Gay Lassie*. Entered by The Forest View Gardens, Route #3, Winfield Rd., Fairmont, West Virginia. (85M). Deep maroon with faint white edge to petals, yellow center. Flowering habit prolific. Very good bush growth and excellent stems. Size 3" to 3½" in diameter. Bush 5'x30". This variety attracted very much attention. Very good.

STAKE No. 1—*Cheadle Park*. Semi-Cactus. Entered by John T. Eccleston, Chestnut St., East Liverpool, Ohio. (81.8E). Wine red with slight silver reverse. Flowering habit fair. Size 9"x4". Bush 3'x2'. Variety did not grow well, but has possibilities, retrieval recommended.

STAKE No. 7—*Coral Cactus*. Cactus entered by Ward Horticultural Co., Webster's Groves, Missouri. (80.1E). Coral pink blended yellow to center of bloom, very good color combination. Flowering habit good, medium bush growth. Size 7"x4". Bush 3½'x4'x30". The stems were weak causing blooms to face down.

STAKE No. 10—*Autumn Glory*. Informal Decorative. Entered by Comstock Dahlia Gardens, 5140 35th St., San Diego, Calif. (80E). Flowering habit good, blooms facing, good bush growth and stems. Color orange shaded buff to outer petals. Not a pleasing color, blooms a little flat. Size 8"x5". Bush 6½'x30".

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JUDGES AT STORRS—Left to right: C. Frey, E. E. Tooker, Dr. Ward Cook, Prof. R. H. Patch, W. Maytrott, Pres. Ed. Lloyd, H. D. Mohr, J. B. Anderson, E. Borgen and W. Kline

Trial Ground Scores

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STAKE No. 21—*Guilford Red*. Formal Decorative. Entered by Guilford Dahlia Gardens, 818 Ross Ave., Greensboro, N. C. (82.8C). Good bush and laterals. Blooms facing but a little flat. Deep red in color. Size 7"x3". Bush 5"x30".

STAKE No. 24—*Mrs. Hester Pope*. Informal Decorative. Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens. (80E). Color wine red. Good bush and lateral. Blooms facing, appear flat. Some fading to outer petals. Size 9"x4". Bush 4½"x3".

STAKE No. 35—5-1. Informal Decorative. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan. (80E). Scarlet shaded buff to outer edge of petals. Good bush growth with some crooked stems, most blooms faced down too much. Size 7"x3". Bush 5"x3". Not a bad color.

STAKE No. 40—4-5. Semi-Cactus. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan. (81C). White. Very succulent bush growth. Stems good with blooms facing. Size 6"x3". Bush 3½"x30".

STAKE No. . . . *Michigan Orchid*. Formal Decorative. Entered by C. N. Keiser Dahlia Gardens, Berrien Springs, Michigan. (82.8E). Lavender color with good bush growth. Stems crooked at bud, but most blooms were facing. Not a free bloomer, but color was very good. Size 7"x3½". Bush 5"x3".

VARIETIES SCORING BELOW 80

STAKE No. 2—*Myra Phillips*. Semi-Cactus to cactus. Entered by Oakleigh Gardens, Grand Rapids, Michigan. White with greenish centers.

STAKE No. 4—*Taffeta*. Formal Decorative. Entered by Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J. Color Taffeta.

STAKE No. 5—#80. Semi-Cactus. Entered by Dahliadel Nurseries. Orange centers shaded buff to outer edge of petals.

STAKE No. 6—6-C. Informal Decorative. Entered by J. R. Carlisle, Amelia, Ohio. White.

STAKE No. 8—*Satan's Disciple*. Informal Decorative. Entered by Rainbow Gardens, Prospect St., Baldwin, N. Y. Scarlet blending buff to outer edge of petals.

STAKE No. 11—*Tidewater Queen*. Semi-Cactus. Entered by Captain R. Cross, 4611 Colley Ave., Norfolk, Virginia. Wine red with silver reverse.

STAKE No. 12—*Pink Mum*. Entered by Paul Grohall, 811 Keith Ave., Waukegan, Illinois. Stunt. Retrial offered.

STAKE No. 13. Cactus. Entered by Franklin Gardens, 9030 East D St., Tacoma, Washington. Lavender. Retrial recommended.

STAKE No. 14—*Theresia*. Formal Decorative. Entered by L. L. Pollak, 257 Upper Mountain Ave., Montclair, N. J. Pink blended and veined gold.

STAKE No. 15—*W. A. Heldreich*. Semi-Cactus. Entered by E. L. Miller, R. R. No. 7, Chattanooga, Tenn. Flame blended buff to outer edge of petals.

STAKE No. 17—*Miss Doris Williams*. Informal Decorative. Entered by H. P. Williams, Great Falls, S. C. Red with gold reverse.

STAKE No. 18—42-6-13. Semi-cactus. Entered by J. B. Anderson, Westwood, N. J. Apricot blended to orange.

STAKE No. 19—42-3-12. Entered by J. B. Anderson, Westwood, N. J. Stunt. Retrial offered.

STAKE No. 23—T-2. Semi-cactus to cactus. Entered by Rocky River Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. Maroon with white tips, some plain maroon.

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A Possible Cure for Chlorosis

I wish to draw the attention of the readers of the BULLETIN to what I consider a very remarkable product, placed upon the market during the past year. It is called "Jimp", and, upon my suggestion, the manufacturers are going to advertise it in the BULLETIN.

It is a preparation containing iron in a form easily assimilated by the leaves of plants, and with me has shown its value in bringing back green color to any plants suffering, through various causes, from chlorosis, which is improper functioning of the chlorophyll of the leaf, resulting in yellowing. This is especially true of plants showing hopper burn. I had several plants this year as yellow as mustard, but after spraying with "Jimp" an improvement was noted within ten days and continued through the season, until they became greener than the most vigorous plants I possessed. Even light yellow veins, so common in many varieties, assumed a green color, and in every case where "Jimp" was used a distinct improvement was observed. So much do I think of this product that every plant I send out next spring will be sprayed with it.

Of course it is not contended that "Jimp" will cure virus diseases, but there are many forms of yellowing that apparently are not due to a virus, and seem to be caused by some deficiency in growth. In these cases the use of "Jimp" will be found to be outstanding.

Much is expected, by the dahlia grower, from D.D.T. I received a preparation of it in liquid form for botanical purposes in mid September. It was too late to notice any accumulative effect. There seems to be some little risk in using the preparation, as some of the dahlia leaves began to curl and distort in certain varieties. I used it at a strength of 1 in 128, which is approximately three tablespoonfuls to a gallon. This, I think, is too strong, and next year I am going to use 1 tablespoon to a gallon, starting early in the season. My hope is that it will keep away leaf hoppers, our greatest pest in this locality, thrips and other tiny insects attacking the leaf buds, and stalk borers. May be I expect too much, but after all the sensational claims for D.D.T. this is pardonable.

H. E. WARD,
Ward Horticultural Co.

Revised Derrill Hart Medal Requirements

At the meeting of the Executive Committee, August 23, 1945 the rules regarding the award of the Derrill Hart Medal were amended as follows:

"The Derrill Hart Medal (type of metal not specified) shall be awarded to the highest scoring undissemated large, medium and small flowering variety which receives an average score of 85 or over in three official trial gardens over a period of not more than two seasons. Thus, no variety is to be eligible for this award unless its average score is at least 85. If more than one variety in any size classification scores 85 or over, the award goes only to that variety in its size classification which obtains the highest score.

A.D.S. Show date, Sept. 24 & 25, 1946, at New York City.

Long Island Dahlia Show

The first annual dahlia show of THE LONG ISLAND DAHLIA SOCIETY was held on Saturday, October 6th at Jamaica Hall, Jamaica, L. I., as originally scheduled, despite the killing frost, the earliest since 1888, a few days before.

Putting it mildly, the Show was a huge success. The blooms were really large and very striking in color and many a bloom had wilted at the close of the show. Exhibits came from all over Long Island, New York State, New Jersey and Connecticut. The hall was crowded at all times from the time the doors opened until closing time.

The larger and outstanding blooms were Ray Smith, competing in both the open and undessiminated seedling classes as was Lt. Lally, Ogden Reid, Sherwood's Peach, Dixie's Wine Dot, Maffie, Top Flight, Freckles, Inuit, Dir. Carl Dahl, Angeles, Rudolph's Giant, Edith Willkie, Deep Purple, Cornell, Glamour, V-Day and many others.

There were all some very fine and blooms of perfection in the medium, miniature, ball and pom pom classes.

Some fine blooms of a Sport of Dixie's Wine Dot were flown in by plane from Cleveland, O. were on display. They arrived in perfect shape and were beautiful and held their own right up to closing time.

Blue ribbon winners were Mrs. A. Markfelder, George F. Yaeger, Thos. Kuzenka, Edw. Kern, Jos. Krauth, W. J. Everington, Mrs. L. Heslin, Henry Olsen, Miss Marie Schmugg, C. A. Schneider, Peter Garcia, L. Smir-

now, M. Doxey, Max O. Scheffel, Albert Parrella, E. Borgen, Jas. C. Kelly, Mrs. Mae Yaeger, B. Pitt, Rushmohr Dahlia Gardens, Miss Lillian O'Connell and Mrs. O. J. Aumuller.

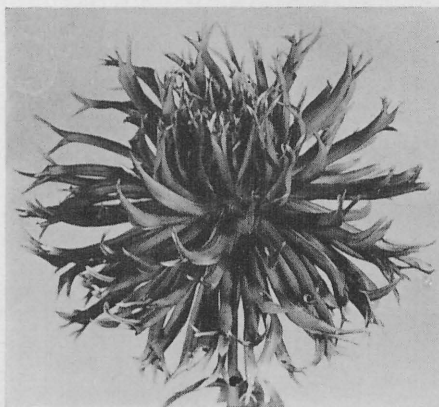
The seedling classes were well represented and really had the judges stumped for quite a while as there were many excellent and outstanding seedling blooms. On the final summing up, in the large size classes, it was voted that a vase of 3 blooms of a brilliant orange, semi cactus was the winner. The originator of this gorgeous dahlia is Mr. Sarrett, who in the past has originated some very fine varieties and still winning their share of blue ribbons. The proud exhibitor was the Rushmohr Dahlia Gardens. The runners up, with special awards were Max O. Scheffel with his outstanding "Ray Smith" and Grover C. Mollineaux with a 11" bloom, incurved cactus "Ivy L." color begonia rose and yellow blend. A F. D. bi-color, purple with white tips exhibited by Albert Parrella, "Coral Cactus" and incurved cactus exhibited by Henry Olsen and a striking yellow semi cactus 1944 Y, exhibited by Grover C. Mollineaux were the winners in the medium size classes. A white ball, and a deep maroon pom pom "Bobby" exhibited by the Rushmohr Dahlia Gardens were the winners in their respective classes.

The special winners were as follows:—

For the largest and most perfect bloom "Sherwood's Peach" 14"x8½"—Henry Olsen.

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Central States Dahlia Society— 14th Annual Show

For the fourteenth time, our free show was staged in Chicago with the cooperation of the Garfield Park Conservatory staff, now headed by Mr. Wm. Blaising, Chief Horticulturist. Mr. E. F. Schampel was Chairman, and to him goes the credit of staging the first show at which the milk bottles were covered. Silver paper was used for this and some of our aesthetic members were greatly pleased.

Park officials reported a counted attendance of 4,339 for Saturday and 14,079 for Sunday. During most of Sunday afternoon, September 16th, the aisles were crowded. Our Secretary, Mr. Geo. Schnulle, signed up 7 reinstatements and 41 new members. Messrs. Harry Franzen, Lew Sarrett, Geo. Currie and James Marsh kept a careful record on all unclassified entries.

Our new class this year was for the 10 best cactus and semi-cactus dahlias from four to eight inches in diameter. The Garden Bureau award was obtained by J. Louis Roberts for this class and it was won by Jesse L. Strauss.

There was keener competition in the seedling class than last year. The American Home Achievement medal was won by 'Pink Mum', an interesting intense pink incurved cactus. This new pink was exhibited by the introducer, Paul Grohall of Waukegan, Illinois. Individual written ballots were used in the seedling class by a group of able judges. Some votes were cast to give the Achievement Medal to 'Miss FlintLake' a large autumn or orange semi-cactus and also for 'Freda Gaylord' an informal with unusually wide apply blossom pink petals.

Dahlia Society of San Leandro

The San Leandro Society held their annual show on August 25 and 26 in the Veterans Memorial bldg and was declared by many who saw it as one of the most successful held by the society. It was estimated that between 5,000 and 6,000 persons attended the show in the two days.

Many of the prizes offered were given by the business and professional men of our city which is known as the City of sunshine and flowers. Our City Fathers and the Supervisors of Alameda Co. also assist financially and this helps us to make our show one of the most successful on the Pacific Coast.

Our Judges were Professor Butterfield of the University of California, Mr. Shulte of Santa Cruz, Mrs. R. D. McAuliffe of San Francisco and Mrs. Geo. Helms of San Leandro and all were loud in their praises of the quality of the blooms.

The best flower in the show was won by P. Harter with a lovely bloom of *Jane Crowl*. The Largest Bloom was won by Chas. Perry with *Rita Ballin*. Mrs. J. Parle won best flower in Amateur section with a nice bloom of *Christine Janssen*, a nice yellow cactus. The most Artistic display was won by W. Danner. Best general display was won by Ted Sjoberg. Ted also won the A.D.S. Bronze Certificate with a lovely vase of nine semi-cactus. The American Home Achievement Medal was won by a new pink cactus *Jean Grimwood* originated by Chas. Garrity who also won the Sunset Magazine Medal for the best miniature seedling. The prizes this season consisted mostly of war stamps as it was not possible to get trophies.



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An array of two Sweepstakes, one Special Award, twenty-two first Prizes, six Second Prizes and three Third Prizes, was the recognition paid to the Dahlia entry from the floral department of Knott's Berry Place and Ghost Town of Buena Park, at the outstanding Huntington Beach Country Fair, held at Huntington Beach, California, August 16th-19th, inc.

At the Santa Ana Dahlia Show a week later the Special Award for the best commercial display of Dahlias and a fair share of awards granted in all competition, followed along in the same specific direction, all of which gives you some idea of the kind of Dahlias grown at Knott's. In fact Knott's tubers are shipped to thousands of Dahlia enthusiasts all over the country, and their variety, sturdiness and inexpressible beauty guarantee their reputation.

Knott's Berry Place and Ghost Town thrilled thousands of Dahlia lovers at their own sixth annual Dahlia Show, August 4th and 5th. The demonstration made it evident that when Mother Nature takes out her paint brush and starts to work, mere man might just as well go back and sit down. There were the gorgeous *Troubador*, 10 inches across in soft winey shades splotched with red. The dainty "Paul Winters", resembling a cluster of perfectly graduated deep pink shells. "Starlight", with crimson flame and pointed petals. The *City of San Gabriel* with streaks of red against spun gold. *Sir Galahad's* petals of coral pink that turn and wrinkle. The "Blue River" beauty in shades of deep orchid. The exquisite pearly white "Memory" demanding attention. "Jane Cow!" with her satiny lemon shades. The good old "Town Topic", its cerise beauty gently tipped with white. "Heart's Delight" spreading broad prism pink petals with sharply pointed ends. The cute little pink *Pom*, saying—"Me, too". *Mayor Frank Otis*, strong and commanding in pale bronze and mocha hues. *Red-and-Gold* with center of gold and contrasting flame. *My Pet*, with its chintzy daintiness. *Mary Lea* radiant in its wine color dress. The little *Pom* beauties, two inches or under, and all the way up to the decorative types measuring 16 inches in diameter, give the Dahlia lover something to dream about, to plan for and to finally possess. One could go on and on and seemingly never reach the end of this floral rainbow of beauty.

The Seedlings, always a joyous surprise, constantly interchange and graduate their glorious colors. These 1945 Seedlings leave you breathless by their very difference. Seems as though the designers in Mother Nature's workshop had a gay time mixing new shades and whipping new dots, dashes, circles and streaks into their surprises. They dare you to adequately describe the results of their color chemistry in word pictures. No—your real thrill must come from your own personal contact.

It is encouraging to know that Dahlia growing is less difficult than that of many other flowers. Mostly the plants are grown from tubers, but the public is fast learning that Dahlias grown from seed provide a decided interest, because of the surprise that awaits their efforts—and seed producers are always producing something new that justifies this joy of anticipation.

Walter Knott and his family have always accentuated the fundamental things of life, and sometime back when

daughter Marion decided upon a hobby, a flower-nursery won first place in her ambitions. In keeping with the Knott policy it had to feature the best in the category and keep step with the very newest. It has made giant strides in its ramifications, with Mrs. T. R. Norris at the helm in the lath house where nature lovers pay homage to fuschias, begonias and ferns; in the extensive gardens, where Bob Wilson oversees the floral needs for landscaping, rock gardens and exquisitely arranged baskets and bouquets for the interior. But when it comes to Dahlias, John C. Hart has complete supervision of the growing of these wonder blooms that associate the name "Knott" with some of the most beautiful Dahlias that are grown all over the United States. He is always bringing out another new one. In fact he has very few of those he started out with six years ago. This year he will keep for trial at least 50 new varieties, and out of that 50 at least 15 are entitled to be called outstanding. He understands their nature and their needs and actually forgets the hands of the clock when lost in the rays of their activity.

While many states in the Union grow magnificent Dahlias, the year-around growing season in California gives it a decided edge over most places, and in California the blooming period stretches over four and a half months.

The method used at Knott's Berry Place and Ghost Town are the same as those used by all expert Dahlia growers. In preparing the annual descriptive booklet, which is available to all who desire it, Knott's endeavor to give you specific instructions concerning the dividing of clumps and the care of tubers during the dormant period. Many growers lose their plants at this time through lack of knowledge on this care essential.

Any place along the coast where there is a fog and less extreme heat is more advantageous for the growing of Dahlias. They're a job,—just like painting a sunset, composing an aria, or throwing back the curtains of time to reproduce an age-old Ghost Town—but the matchless joy of achievement is worth immeasurably more than the effort entailed.

Growing a specified kind of plant develops a new mental energy. John Hart will tell you that you actually find a new lease on life when you start seriously studying your Dahlia catalogue; when you begin planting, watching, comparing—and actually peering into the treasure chest which Mother Nature so cheerfully opens to those who are willing to put forth a little effort to find this lane that leads to individual accomplishment and happiness.

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Maybe That Jap, Takami, Did Us A Good Turn Without Intending To, Says Ature—

It's a different world than it was before the war, son, and although you just missed getting into it, the effects of the war will greatly change your future, I'm afraid.

Many paid the supreme price for others' greed for power. We who are left and particularly you youngsters, will keep on paying as long as you live for the economic aftermath of the world's most destructive and devastating catastrophe.

The only way to rebuild humanity with as few scars as possible is for each of us to work as hard as we can in producing new goods, new ideas, new processes, new tolerances, new security and live so that the world will progress. We must, as citizens, shoulder our share of reconstruction and rebuilding.

If we could outlaw selfishness for a few decades, the job would be simpler of accomplishment, too.

One good way to overcome selfishness and create tolerance of the rights of others is to have a hobby like ours—dahlia culture. Of course, those who have other outdoor hobbies, and who like flowers other than dahlias can also commune with nature and find contentment. I speak of dahlia growing as a means to a contented, live-and-let-live existence because I know more about that hobby as a means to an end.

Everybody is more human for having a hobby. The only thing to guard against is to avoid making your hobby a bore to others. I've known people to pursue their hobbies so hard and to persist in trying to get others to adopt it as theirs, that they become boring.

If you want to guard against that, here is a simple suggestion. If others bring up your hobby of dahlia growing, talk to them about it as long as they seem interested. Just don't always bring it up first and talk about it to all people all the time. Some people just never will have a "green thumb" and don't want one. But I believe the war did make garden enthusiasts out of a lot of people who never knew the joy of creation of food and flowers before.

But this philosophizing has gone far enough. What I intended to write in this letter was that I have visited a number of dahlia gardens this fall since I got back from you know where. I was lucky to be sent to several localities where I remembered there were some dahlia people. I even visited a dahlia show or two, and did I have a wonderful time? No need to answer. I saw Val Viers, Lew Sarrett, Stanley Johnson, H. H. Robens, E. J. Wind, Dr. Preas, Dewey Mohr, H. L. Dozier, J. Louis Roberts, E. E. Tooker, Dr. Parker, E. Merrill Brown, Lynn Dudley, Dr. Cook, Gordon Waaser, and a lot of other dahlia guys and listened to them rave over the new varieties which have appeared on the show tables these last three years of war.

I could not see that the war had dampened their enthusiasm about this First American Flower. Some of them looked a little thinner and some showed more gray hairs or less hair than when I saw them last. But they hadn't let rationing and extra work keep them out of the excitement and health producing avocation of dahlia culture. I have no doubt but that many of these men kept at it through sheer courage and with a lot of intestinal fortitude. Some of them, I am told, held down two jobs to

help win the war. That they also kept their dahlias growing only demonstrates that dahlias do wonderful things to and for men.

I heard a lot about some new dahlia pests and diseases. Several said that the spotted cucumber beetle had developed a taste for dahlia petals. I remember you said you had a lot of them and it was the only bug which lived thru the first slight frost and kept on eating the blooms in late fall. Well, we will have to try D.D.T. on this new dahlia eater, won't we?

Everybody said leaf hoppers were worse this year than in many seasons. That is odd, because in the east you said it was a very wet season. In the west it was dry in some localities. Yet east and west all reported depredations by this hungry sap sucker. Some plant pathologists have found that leaf hoppers transmit plant viruses. In fact, I recall reading that in 1901 the first definite proof that some connection existed between insects and plant viruses was obtained by (now hold on to your chair) Takami, a Japanese worker, who succeeded in transmitting the "stunt" disease of rice from diseased to healthy plants by means of an insect, the leaf hopper. *Nephotettix, apicalis*.

So you might say that even back then the Nippies transmitted virus and they even got insects to do their dirty work. They also sent us the scourge of the Jap beetle.

But even from them we can learn. And if leaf hoppers, as could well be, are spreading the virus of mosaic and ringspot all through our gardens, we had better find a control, and quickly, for the leaf hopper. Even if they don't do this they sure hold back young plants when they should be thriving and they create unsightly plant growth by making the lower leaves turn yellow by sucking out the chlorophyll.

Watch the leaf hoppers son, and get something which will kill them, that's the advice of your old man.

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Donors to the A..D.S. Show

Loyal friends again had an important part in the successful New York show. Always generous, this group gave generously and justly receive the thanks and appreciation of the Committee—John Allen, J. B. Anderson, William A. Bochan, John J. Boyle, C. Merrill Brown, Mrs. Hazel Burns, W. Atlee Burpee Co., Mrs. William H. Carman, Dr. Ward H. Cook, Mrs. Elizabeth F. Cooke, Henry F. Cory, Joseph B. Daily, Whitman Danielson, Paul W. Doll, Lynn B. Dudley, Abram I. Elkus, Conrad Frey, F. P. Garretson & Co., M. M. Graham, Mrs. George Green, Elmer Heisey, MacMillian Hoopes, Charles F. Hoser, E. B. Lloyd, F. R. Kurzenknabe, Frank D. Marker, Dr. E. F. McDade, John C. Metzger, Frank Miller, H. Dewey Mohr, Grover C. Mollineaux, Andrew J. Mulcahy, Frank Pitea, Leo Pollak, Premier Dahlia Gardens, Rainbow Gardens, H. K. Ramsburg, Ives Samuels, Max O. Scheffel, Mrs. C. V. Smith, Louis B. Tim, E. E. Tooker, Gorden F. Waaser, Thomas Walker, Roy W. Webb and Mrs. Sarah Wood.

New Jersey Dahlia Society Flower Show Has Record Attendance

The twenty-third annual flower show of the Dahlia Society of New Jersey held Saturday and Sunday September 15th and 16th at the Regional High School gymnasium, brought out the largest attendance at one of these shows in many years. So good was the attendance that members of the society expressed the wish that the 1946 show again be held in Springfield.

The show was a little late in getting started because of the distances traveled by many of the exhibitors. However, the slight delay was rewarded by the beautiful display of large and small dahlias, gladioli and other varieties of flowers. Over three hundred entries were displayed in the flower department and more than one hundred in the vegetable and canned goods section.

Max O. Scheffel of Emerson won the Ray Smith Court of Honor display with a large bloom of his own origination named the "Ray Smith" in honor of a former president of the Society who lost his life on the way to Iceland during the war. H. Dewey Mohr of Rockville Centre, New York, won the American Home bronze medal for his three blooms of Bennetts Coral Cactus.

Jack Schneider of Little Falls was the winner of the prize for the best dahlia of New Jersey origin with three blooms not less than three years old. For three finest dahlias by a member of the society, the winner was John C. Metzger of Irvington.

Grand sweepstakes winner member of the society was Mrs. A. E. Nash of Verona and the runner-up was Mrs. Charles V. Smith of Far Hills. Sweepstakes winner for non-members was Joseph Fasola of Far Hills and second place was taken by Edward Schrak of Bernardsville.

In the unclassified section consisting largely of "glads" a special award was given to Mrs. Marion Renner of Bloomfield, who had an exceptional array of gladioli. For more than one spike per container, the winner was Edmund J. Kearns of Netcong.

In the canned goods section Mrs. William F. Struble of town had a walkaway with the sweepstakes. Mrs. Elizabeth Mitnacht also of town, came in second.

William N. Peigelbeck, vocational agricultural teacher of the Regional High School managed the show and is due for some high praise for the way it was handled. Otto F. Heinz, the local Postmaster was chairman of the show committee and his handling of the advertising is credited for bringing out the large numbers who attended.

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Other 1945 winnings: American Home Achievement Medal and "Largest and Most Perfect" in the "Court of Honor" at Scranton, Pa.; American Home Achievement Medal, one First in "Open to All" specimen S.C., and First in "Large Baskets in the National Capital Dahlia Soc. Show" at Silver Spring, Md.; one First each in S.C. specimen; S.C. 3-bloom and "Seedling" classes; also awarded a Tri-Color to 3-bloom entry for "Best" in the entire S.C. Section, all in the Dahlia Show of the Long Island Dahlia Society, at Jamaica, Long Island.

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Northeastern Pennsylvania Dahlia Society

Northeastern Penna. Dahlia Society's Victory Show

Getting out from between the sheets, leaving the white linens behind about 4 A. M. and travelling down lanes and through countryside on an annual pilgrimage to the rugged hills of the Anthracite, might shatter the nervous systems of some ordinary mortals. Inextinguishable vitality must be innate to the soul of a dahlia judge. Such merely physical inconveniences fail to thwart the one tract, but mindful purposes of these people. Of such stuff are these men made of: Ed. Lloyd, Dr. Cook, Warren Maytrott, E. J. Wind, Dr. H. L. Dozier, William Vooz, Paul Doll, Stanley Johnson, Henry Olsen, David L. Davis, John Hanna and W. G. Blatchford. For they did travel here and judge. Northeastern's show became not only a memorable event, but also an occasion indelibly stamped with final national authority.

The schedule allowed multiple entries in the amateur sections. Dr. Russel T. Wall won specials with *Victory* and *Nancy Anne Mitchell*. Show chairman Charley Heusner won sweepstakes in his section and won specials with *The Shining One*, *Judy G.*, and *Jean Trimbee*, which was also the tri-color bloom of the section. Roy Webb led the field in section D, winning specials with *Royal City*, *C. Mastic*, *The Shining One* and *United Nations*. Other specials in this section were given to Ernst Lewis for *Lucky*, *Jersey Dainty*, *Southern Rose*, *Goulbourn*, and the largest and most perfect sectional tri-color ribbon winner, *Jane Lausche*.

The scores were pretty even going into the open. Here, Ernest Lewis hit a stride, and won specials with *Essie Smith*, *Jane Lausche*, *Snow Flurry*, *Moyna* and *Rhythm*. Other specials were pinned on *Fireball*, *The Shining One*, *Sunglo* and *Class* by Webb; *Bennets Coral Cactus* by Ruschmohr; *Seedling 511* by Stanley Johnson; and tri-color *Essie Smith* by Lewis. The largest bloom in the Court under a special class was *Tawara* by Webb, and the tri-color was *Ray Smith*, the most perfect of three other perfect blooms of this strikingly beautiful new creation of Max Scheffel, Emerson, N. J. This exhibit won the American Home Achievement Medal by a unanimous vote of the judges. The smallest in the show was *Miss Marjorie* by Doll, who won miniature sweepstakes and



specials on *Ibis*, *Pink Lassie*, *Clover IIa*, and *Jubilant*. The president's trophy was decided upon by selecting the best of all of the tri-color winners. This ticklish decision was awarded to Lewis' *Essie Smith*.

These are the highlights of the show, but of course, not all. *Victory* was the boss of the formals. *Essie Smith* topped *Jane Lausche* in the semi-cactus class, with competition in points being "as close as pages in a book." *Essie* had more opposition in the sections. Both won tri-colors. Both were good enough to win over old and new, such as *Kirsten Flagstad*. This was shown as an orange informal by your humble scribe. It could have been shown as a formal on the day before. This dahlia is a real flower and should be with us for some time. This wasn't a show for informals. They placed. Stanley Johnson christened his new pom, *Faultless*, and it is just that. It is one of the best new pompons seen in these parts in many a moon. We saw some of DeGrados seedlings as exhibited by past president Charley Stoeckle, a large buff, and a medium lavender formal. We had a close up of Bennets Coral Cactus; Dozier's *Snow Flurry*, a white semi-cactus, which certainly looks like a snow flurry; and *Ray Smith*, which was a sight to behold.

Our medium sections were replete with many late releases. We see an improvement in this type of exhibit. The HONOR ROLLS have guided the exhibitor in this direction during the most recent past and truly, this show could be a silent tribute to the editors of these rolls. We saw prize blooms of *D-Day*, *Stalin*, *Lucky*, *Susie*, *Bataan*, *Suntan*, *The Shining One*, *Judy G*, *Michigan White*, *Wicssher Hirsch*, *Mme. C. Juissant*, *Lois Walcher*, *Jno. L. Stevens*, and *Sunglo*, which turned out to be the big cheese in the medium section. Roy Webb exhibited it and won the Show Managers award for the best medium in the show.

Our schedule, once again, called for a separate section for all kinds of smaller dahlias. This method has been bearing fruit. Some of the credit must go to Paul and Florence Doll. They kept plugging for years and finally attracted more of our membership to this type of exhibit. We saw and enjoyed their yearly exhibit. We also saw blue ribbon blooms of *Little Diamond*, *Betsy T*, *Baby Vamp*, *White Caps*, *Alice J.*, *F. H. Archer*, *Rosy Dawn*, *Red Delight*, *Whisper*, *Marshal's Glory*, *Eileen*, *Little David*, *Brass Buttons*, *Mrs. J. Telfer*, and *Jubilant*, which were grown and shown in this section by our local growers. It may not be very long before Paul will get the competition he has long desired.

NAY AUG PARK. These Scranton trials were just as popular as in former years. Returnable stock donations were sent in from far and near. At show time the park was visited by some of our show officials, and inspected especially for abnormal conditions. Out of three hundred hills, only one plant was suspected of virus disease. This again is a silent, yet vehement tribute to growers and introducers of new creations. If this park is any criterion, the average exhibitor may be assured that these front line personalities are doing everything humanly possible to cull out disease. Parella's late introductions consisted of *Alma K.*, *Hilda Fioretti*, *Joan Phillips*, and *Sweet Lavender*, one of the most popular, a lavender-tipped white bi-color. Ruschmohr's planting consisted of well known introductions of *Pink Flamingo*,

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Editorial

It is November sixth—Here on Long Island as your Editor works out final details to place this issue on the press I am surrounded with beautiful Dahlia blooms in every room in our home and the garden is a fairyland of color—no frost here yet.

And to add to this lovely setting, Mr. Tooker dropped in an hour ago to bring us a spectacular bloom of *Jane Lausche*. At this very late date the flower is just about perfect—full centered, stiff stemmed. And the color is deeper and richer than the early season—the snow white tips greatly enhance its beauty.

Because of the long season and the profusion of bloom many motorists who can see one of our Dahlia borders from the road have stopped. We feel that a number of new fans will show Dahlias next season as a result.

We welcome among our advertisers Burnett Bros., one of New York's fine seed and bulb houses, who announce on page 38 their first Dahlia introduction in many years.

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National Capital Show Report

The National Capital Dahlia Society's annual show was again held in conjunction with a large Victory Garden Exhibit sponsored by several local horticultural clubs, on Saturday and Sunday, September 29 and 30, at the Silver Spring Armory, Silver Spring, Md.

The morning of the 29th loomed bright and sunny and as the day progressed the sun got sunnier and us hotter and hotter. The surprising thing was the only things that did not wilt were the blooms. Committee and judges started shedding clothes and finally wound up with shirt sleeves rolled up and collars open. The committee feared some of our judges from way up North would pass out before judging was completed. But they were hearty souls and staggered through to the end. Dewy Mohr, Lynn Dudley, and Dr. Cook got a taste of our "frying eggs on the Capitol steps" weather. Brow mopping was the general occupation all through the judging.

In spite of the heat blooms were of excellent quality and made of sterner stuff than us humans and held up in the pink until show closing Sunday night.

Our entries were fewer than the year previous due to July's heavy rains drowning out many plants in this vicinity. Some of our members were completely drowned out, namely, Percy Fulton and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ross. The latter were missed in the medium and pom and miniature sections. Percy grows the big fellows.

I find much interest centers around the seedling, undisseeded, and AHA classes, so will try and give the results from memory.

Our one-year seedlings and 2-year undisseeded were entered in one class this year as specimen blooms. The class A Dahlias was a honey with about 15 entries and what entries. The winner under number OI-44, a large orange informal, shown by Max Scheffel, did not impress me as much as the four varieties given honorable mention.

A lavender straight cactus or semi-cactus of Dr. Parker is something new and needed in the lavender classes. Bloom was a bit young to form an opinion as to what it really can be like. Watch for LC-45 in the future.

Another one to look for in the future is Phillips AC-44, a large long-petalled blended cactus that is an eyeful.

Scheffel has in his 23-44 the future winner in the *Golden Standard* class. A large orange cactus of unusual formation.

And last but not least of the A varieties was a white cactus of semi-cactus entered by Marvin Shipley. It was a bit battered by rains 2 days previous to the show. I'm watching for it next year.

In the class B varieties the winner was YBC-44, variegated cactus, yellow streaked red, entered by Max Scheffel. Look up variegated cactus varieties to learn how much this one is needed.

The winner of the miniature seedlings was O-11-K, a purple formal, entered by Mr. Kline.

The American Home Achievement Medal class brought out 6 hopefuls. Judging centered around three, *Michael Black*, *Coral Cactus*, and *Ray Smith*. All were in suspense until the final decision was made and *Ray Smith* awarded the Blue ribbon. Phillips entered fine blooms of *Michael Black* and Lee Clarke fine *Coral Cactus*. Scheffel had splendid blooms of *Ray Smith*, a lavender tipped white semi-cactus shading to silvery lavender center and silvery

lavender reverse. All are worthwhile varieties and are to be introduced in 1946 I am told.

Among the winning varieties were found: *East Row*, *King David*, *Class*, *Silver Jubilee*, *Delmarva*, *Dean Shurtleff*, *Ogden Reed*, *Colin Kelly*, *Yankee Doodle*, *Mothers Day*, *Sherwood Peach*, *Carl Dahl*, *Yawa Matsuoka*, *Dozier's No. 1*, *Ray Smith*, *Edith Willkie*, *Roslyn Straight*, *Cossack*, *Victory*, *White King*, *Lois Walcher*, *Milady*, *Gaily*, *Nancy Ann Mitchell*, *Coral Cactus*, *Mad*, *Jussiant*, *Ross Crest*, *Orange Princess*, *Maid of Honor*, *James Snow*, *Tarawa*, *Michael Black*, *Pamela Mary Joyce*, *Lynn Fontanne*, *All American*, *Links Vivacious*, *King Peter*, *Lucky* and *Gretel*.

Winners among the poms and miniatures were: *Dubonnet*, *Sylvia*, *Red Robin*, *Little Diamond*, *Blanche Beaver*, *Springville Rose*, *Snowsprite*, *Andreas Orange*, *Forest Fire, Jr.*, *Johnnie Peppin*, *Betty Ann*, *Miss Marjorie*, *Mrs. J. Telfer*, *Yellow Gem*, *Jerry*, *Ileen*, *Betty Malone*, *Little Edith*, *Pequots Yellow*, *Mia Karsten*, *Dads Favorite*, *Bishop of Landaff*, and *Heidi*.

In the basket class for large varieties a beautiful combination of *Alice May* and *Ray Smith* won for Frank Goetzger.

In the basket class for medium varieties a knockout arrangement of *Coral Cactus* won for Lee Clarke.

Marvin Shipley won sweepstakes in arrangements of poms and miniatures.

Mrs. J. L. Bishop won the special class for an arrangement of small dahlias in any type container.

The largest perfect Dahlia was Phillip's *Mother's Day* and the smallest perfect Dahlia was Shipley's *Miss Marjorie*.

Section sweepstake winners and best entry in each section were:

Section A, For Novices—Sweepstakes, Loraine Blueford. Best entry, Mrs. Barr, *Gretel*.

Section B, Specimen, Open to all—Sweepstakes, E. R. Phillips. Best entry, C. H. McLendon, *Yawa Matsuoka*.

Section C, Specimen, open to all—Sweepstakes, G. R. Hitchcock. Best entry, L. M. Clarke, *Coral Cactus*.

Section D, 3 bloom, open to all—Sweepstakes, J. L. Bowling. Best entry, Bowling, *Tarawa*.

Section E, 3 blooms, open to all—Sweepstakes, J. L. Bowling. Best entry, Bowling, *Links Vivacious*.

Section F, Miniatures—Sweepstakes, G. R. Hitchcock. Best entries, Bowling, *Blanche Beaver*; Marvin Shipley, *Betty Malone*; G. R. Hitchcock, *Mia Karsten* and *Dads Favorite*.

Section G, American Home Achievement Medal—Max O. Scheffel, *Ray Smith*.

Section H, Largest and smallest perfect blooms—E. R. Phillips, *Mother's Day*; Marvin Shipley, *Miss Marjorie*.

Section I, Baskets and vases—Goetzger, Clarke, McLendon, Shipley, and Mrs. Bishop. Sweepstakes, Shipley.

Our judges were: Lynn Dudley, Dr. Ward Cooke, Dewy Mohr, Max O. Scheffel, Dr. H. L. Dozier, Howard R. Watkins, Connie Brieger, Stephen James, and Henry Cory. We thank them for a nice job well done.

Our prizes were several bags of fertilizer and garden materials, \$150 in War Stamps, the A.D.S. Bronze and National Capital Gold Certificates, and the American Home Achievement Medal.

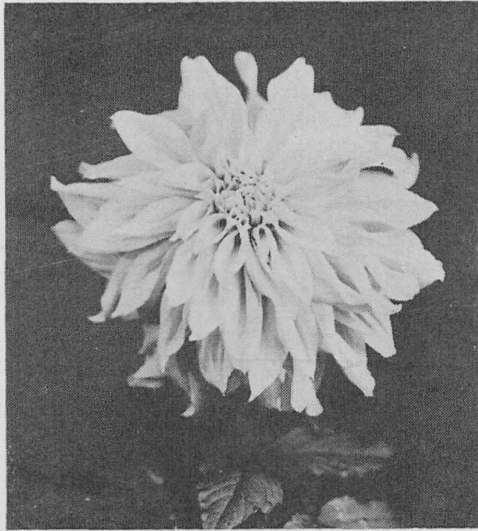
THE PARRELLA DAHLIA

SYLVIA TODD I.D. (Kelly-Parrella)—The color of this marvelous dahlia is Rose Pink with deeper shading of Liseran Purple. Blooms average 10 to 11 inches or better without forcing with great depth. Flowers are held facing on strong, stiff stems. Foliage light Green, but resistant to insects. Plant is an open grower with good branching habit. The beauty of this dahlia is hard to describe, but must be seen in bloom to be appreciated. Height of plant 4 feet. An Honor Roll dahlia.

Root \$12.50 net.

Plant \$6.

Three plants \$15.



SYLVIA TODD

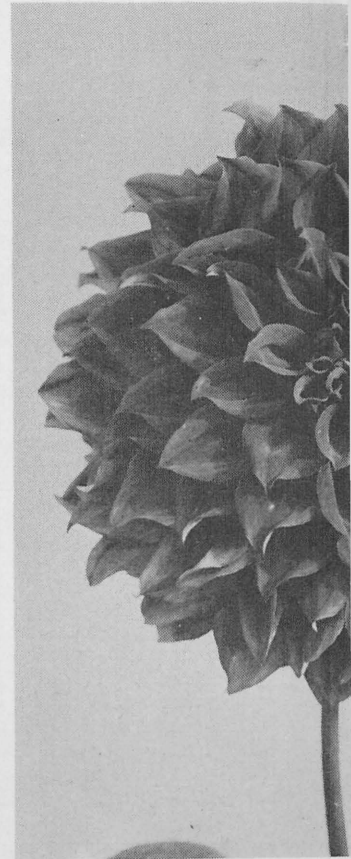
CAROLINE KERNOCHAN I.D. (Fioretti-Parrella)—This medium size dahlia which for the last three years has been a sensation at the A.D.S. New York Shows and a constant winner of first, special and medal. For those who have seen this dahlia no introduction is necessary. But for those who have not seen it, let me say it is something entirely different from what you have ever seen before. The blend of the color combination is entirely new and unusually exquisite. No words can give an accurate description. Color: Center pale Lemon Yellow. Outer petals blushed deep Rose Red. A fine growing plant with insect resisting foliage. Blooms are held facing on long cane-like stems. Size of blooms 7 inches. Height 4½ feet. An Honor Roll dahlia. *Photo on p. 29 of this issue.*

Roots \$10 net.

Plant \$5.

3 plants \$12.

ANN Z. M.F.D. (Boram-Parrella)—A lovely new miniature of Lemon Chrome, blushed Old Rose. Size of blooms average 2½ to 3 inches. Tight center. Flowers held on best of stems. A free and prolific bloomer and a grand miniature in every respect. Height 3 feet. Root \$3 net.



SUPREME COMMAND I.D. to F. trum Red all through the flower. received a silver medal at the A.D.S. in size but it is also beautiful in a n 7 inches or better. Plant is a vigorous. Flowers are held facing and on top foliage. Height of plant 5 to 6 feet. this is it. Due to the severe storms A.D.S. Shows, we were unable to ex

Root \$15 net.

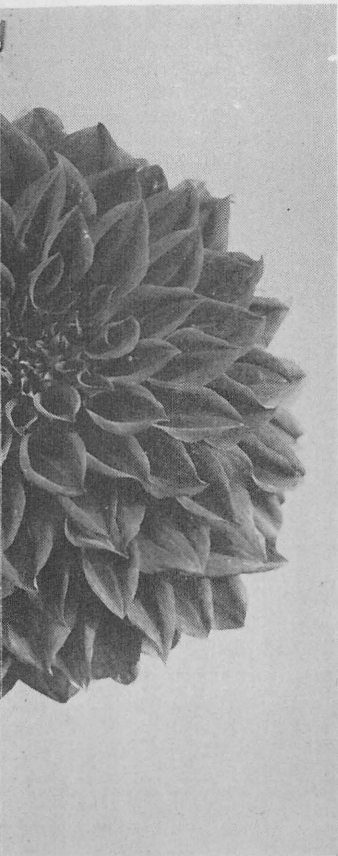
Plant \$

Do not overlook our Super Dahlia S factory with our customers in the pas 100 Seeds \$5 Net. 50 Seeds \$

WRITE FOR CATALOG B

PARRELLA DAHLIA GARDENS, 3380 Ely Ave.,

GARDENS *presents the following instructions for the season of 1946. (See Honor Roll.)*



D. (Boram-Parrella)—Color: Spec-
One tone. The huge dahlia which
Show of 1943, is not only very large
ew shade of red. Size 11 inches by
as grower with fine branching habit.
of cane-like stems. Insect resisting
If you are looking for a large dahlia,
just previous to the 1944 and 1945
hibit same. An Honor Roll dahlia.

7.50. Three plants \$20.
Seeds which have proven very satis-
st years.
\$3 Net. Trial Packet \$1 Net.

READY FEBRUARY 1ST

Bronx 66, N. Y.

SUN GAY S.C. (Hamblyn-Parrella)—Color: Scarlet to Scarlet Red. General appearance Grenadine Red. With us this dahlia has been grand for the last two years. The formation and color combination of this flower is very pleasing to the eye. The plant is a vigorous grower with excellent branching habits. Foliage immune from insects. Blooms average 9 to 10 inches and 4 to 5 inches in depth. Are held facing on best of stems. Height 5 feet. **Sun Gay** received certificate at East Lansing Trial Grounds with score of 85E in 1944. Also won first prize as a seedling at London Dahlia Society Show in September 1943. An Honor Roll dahlia.

Root \$12.50 net. Plant \$6. Three plants \$15.



SUN GAY

FLORISTS' BEAUTY F.D. (Parrella)—It gives me great pleasure to offer this very fine commercial bi-color dahlia to our customers as well as to the florist trade. This is the flower we have long been waiting for. **Florists' Beauty** is one dahlia that for its keeping quality after being cut, cannot be beaten. Can you imagine four blooms cut on Monday, October 1st and the same shown the following Saturday, October 6th, at the Long Island Dahlia Society Show. My two entries, one in the seedling class and the other in regular class, both receiving a first prize. The blooms shown on Saturday were in far better condition than on the day they were cut. Color: Amaranth Purple. Fine white tips, pointed petals. Size of blooms 6 to 7 inches. Held on long perfect stems. All flowers facing. Good growing plant with best of foliage. Height of plant 4 to 5 feet. An Honor Roll dahlia.

Root \$5 net. Clump \$10 net. Plant \$2.50, 3 for \$6.

The reason we are releasing **Florists' Beauty** at such reasonable price is that we have a large amount of stock on hand. This dahlia really is worth a great deal more. (Clumps are all root grown) which assure you good divisions.

East Liverpool Dahlia Show

The highlight at East Liverpool was the eleven-to-eleven vote for the Achievement Medal. "Mrs. Hester Pape" and "Sunburst" were the contenders, and in my opinion both deserved the Achievement Medal at any show. "Mrs. Hester Pape" is a magnificent Red that comes semi-cactus sometimes and informal more often. It is magnificent either way, but these blooms were semi-cactus. The originator is Charles S. Pape of Santa Barbara, California. They were grown and exhibited by H. H. Robins of Chagrin Falls, Ohio. "Sunburst" is a gorgeous golden yellow, originated and exhibited by W. E. Smith, Parkersburg, West Virginia. The largest dahlia was "Sherwood Peach", exhibited by Frank Haynes. "Tops" was best in Large Amateur" and best over-8-inch in the show, exhibited by Srail, president of the Cleveland society. Best under-8-inch was "Jersey Dainty", exhibited by Cowie of Cleveland. The smallest dahlia was "Clover", exhibited by Mrs. McDonald. Other specials and blue ribbon winners were: "Delta", exhibited by Donald Robinson; "Sylvia", exhibited by E. G. Rudel; "Market Glory", exhibited by J. Shone; "Class", exhibitor Perry Johnson; "Cedarquist", Srail, a semi-cactus seedling, exhibitor, Mrs. Patterson; "Pink Flamingo", exhibited by Cowie; "Premiers Majestic", exhibitor, Harry Johnson; "The Shining One", exhibitor, William Hough; "Wanda Mead", exhibitor, Rosemary Dahlia Gardens; "Josephine Klump", exhibitor, Mrs. Harold Gallimore; "Kelvin", exhibitor, H. H. Robins; "World Event", exhibitor, John Eccleston; "Pamita", Margaret Joyce and H. H. Robins. The above dahlia was best in its section, also largest and best in the Open-to-All. "D-Day", exhibitor, H. H. Robins; "Pink Flamingo", exhibited by Leo Lawrence; "Little Ester", exhibitor, Paul Goddard; "Pink Flamingo", Frank Haines; "Romie Lee", exhibitor, Ross Dorff; "Sydney", exhibited by Cowie; "Clover", J. T. Welkins; "Sylvia", exhibitor, J. Shone; "Geneva Crystal", exhibitor, J. Shone; "M. Revere", exhibitor, John Eccleston; "Geneva Crystal White", William Hough; and "Mrs. Hester Pape", exhibited by F. V. R. Veirs. "Mrs. Hester Pape" also won in the three-bloom class—exhibited by E. J. Wind.

Among the visitors from a distance were: Prof. Merrill Brown, Buffalo, New York; Leo Wallace, Maysville, New York; Andrew Doerman, Cincinnati, Ohio; and Mrs. Florence Baker, Toronto, Canada. In the opinion of your reporter, who judged with Mrs. Baker, she is a grand judge and the best of company.

Owing to the lateness of the growing season, the show was the smallest in number of entries, but the quality was there as usual.

Midwest Dahlia Conference

The annual meeting of the Mid-West Dahlia Conference was held in Cleveland, Ohio, at the Masonic Temple on September 22, 1945 with president Alfred P. Strail, presiding.

The meeting was called to order at 8:20 P. M., immediately following the banquet, which was well attended. Delegates were present from the following societies: American Dahlia Society, Dahlia Society of Indianapolis, Dahlia Society of Kentucky, Dahlia Society of To-

Wellsville Show

The Wellsville show was exceptionally fine. The day was cool and the flowers certainly held up. A great many flowers not noted below should be mentioned, but space permits only winners of special awards or new dahlias.

The American Home Achievement Medal was awarded to Mrs. Ralph Heintz, a 6-inch straight cactus. The color is cream center, blending to orange and red at tips of petals. Several other beautiful cactus were close competitors in this class. The originator is Frank's Dahlia Gardens. Frank certainly can produce and grow cactus dahlias.

The best flower in the show was "V-Day", exhibited by W. E. Smith, Parkersburg, West Virginia. "V-Day" is a large informal and the color, I think, is Old Rose. The color is solid all over and the bloom was beautiful. The winner, Amateur Section, was "Alice May", exhibited by H. P. Patterson. The best in the Under-Eight-Inch class was "Bedford Beauty" from Frank's Dahlia Gardens. The largest bloom was "Sherwood Peach", exhibited by J. W. Cowie and the smallest was "Clover", exhibited by H. W. McRoberts. Other winners were "Jersey Dainty", exhibited by William Crane; "Adolf-Meyer", exhibited by William Haugh; "Jane Lausche", exhibitor E. A. Papish; "John A. Konahan", exhibitor Mr. Ross; "Darcy Sainsbury," exhibitor H. P. Patterson; "Alice May", exhibited by H. P. Patterson; "Cherokee Brave", exhibited by Harry Herbert; "Pink Flamingo", exhibitor Frank Haynes; "Rose Dawn", exhibitor Paul Goddard; "Little Sheik", a red and white bi-color miniature from Frank's Dahlia Gardens; "Golden Standard", exhibitor Charles Stoner; "C-44", a pink semi-cactus, exhibitor Jack Eccleston; "Pamilla Grace Joyce", exhibited by H. H. Robins—it is a yellow semi-cactus and looks good; "D-Day", exhibited by J. W. Cowie; "Fay Noble", a new white Australian, exhibited by H. H. Robins; "Enchantress", from Chustain Dahlia Gardens; "V-Day", originated by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Cleo, Michigan, and exhibited by W. E. Smith; "Oriental", Franks Dahlia Gardens; "Enchantress", Rosemary Dahlia Gardens; "New Diamond", exhibited by G. C. Cornell; "Twinkle", exhibited by G. C. Correll. Mrs. Hester Pape won in the Red Informal and the Purple Semi-cactus; the Red one exhibited by myself; and the purple by Mr. Robins.

ledo, Dahlia Society of Wisconsin, Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society, Central States Dahlia Society, Ohio Valley Dahlia Association, Dahlia Society of Ohio.

The meeting was well represented by the various Societies and the Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society of St. Louis, Mo., offered a bid for the 1946 show which was accepted.

Mr. Walter A. Hildebrand, president of Greater St. Louis was elected the new president of the Mid-west Dahlia Conference and Mrs. W. F. Kleinjohn was re-elected Secretary-Treasurer.

There will be no mid-winter meeting of the Conference, due to the fact, that the 1946 show has been awarded the Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society, so now we can all start making plans to be in St. Louis on September 28th, 1946.

MRS. W. F. KLEINJOHN, Secretary,
Mid-West Dahlia Conference.



“SUNBURST”

A new sensational Yellow Dahlia for 1946. Winner of Achievement Medal and special award for largest and best blooms on the second day of show at East Liverpool, Ohio. Winner of first prize in the single and three bloom class at the Wellsville, Ohio, show in 1944. SUNBURST scored 85-A at Storrs Trial Grounds. Color greenish yellow, lightly overcast mallow-pink. Unopened center florets apricot buff, others are pale lemon yellow, but the apricot buff persists. Finished off with a glistening sheen. Size of flowers 11 in. by 8½ in. deep. Blooms facing on 10 in. to 14 in. strong cane-like stems. Flowering habit good, unopened centers. Medium early bloomer. Height of plant 4 to 6 ft. with leather-like foliage. Due to the large amount of stock I have accumulated of SUNBURST, I am releasing this wonderful dahlia at: Roots \$10 net. Plants \$5 net. Clumps \$25 net. I also have several large clumps of “ESSIE SMITH” dahlia—my 1944 introduction—grown from tubers at: Roots \$5 net. Plants \$2.50 net. Clumps \$12.50 net. Order direct from this advertisement. All stock guaranteed.

SMITH'S DAHLIA GARDENS

(W. E. Smith)

1605 Oak Street, Parkersburg, W. Va.

Shall I Register My Seedlings?

Originators and introducers are urged to register their new named varieties with the official Nomenclature Committee, Dr. Charles H. Connors, Chairman.

It is only necessary to send name and description, together with fee of one dollar for each registration to Dr. Ward H. Cook, Secretary, 34 Puritan Avenue, Tuckahoe, N. Y. You will avoid any possibility of duplicating a name already in use—which possibility may reduce the sales value of your introduction. The fee also includes publication of the notice of the registration in the BULLETIN.

All varieties that scored 85 or over in any official A.D.S. Trial Garden are automatically registered free.

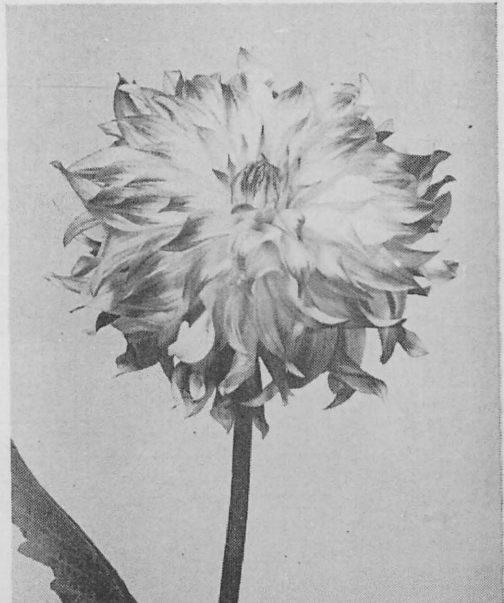
Flower Grower Honor Roll

Through the courtesy of *Flower Grower Magazine*, Paul Frese, Editor, we will publish a reprint of the 1945 Honor Roll in our next issue.

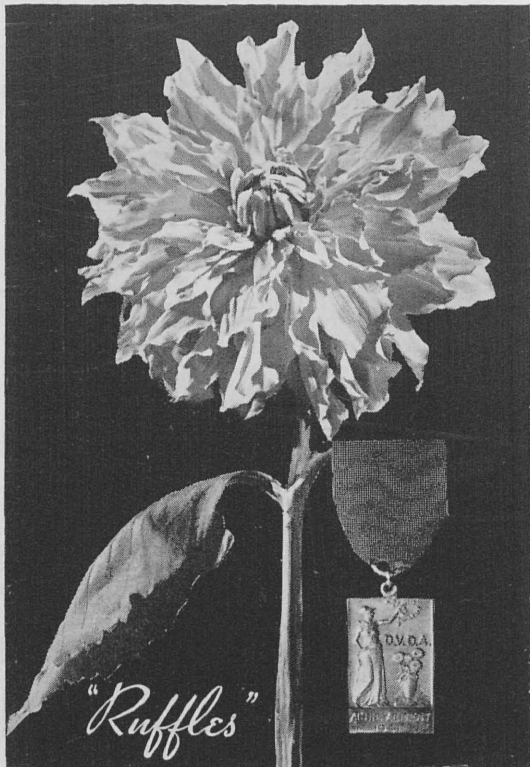
This compilation, prepared by three Dahlia experts, is eagerly awaited by all Dahlia growers. These specialists, Lynn B. Dudley in the East; J. Louis Roberts, Mid-West and Col. R. T. Eddy, Far West, grow many prospective seedlings and are able to check them throughout the growing season. Each also travels to many shows and gardens.

The A.D.S. feels that *Flower Grower Magazine* is making an important contribution to Dahlia culture by carrying these reports and the experts are commended for their untiring (and unselfish) efforts.

CAROLINE KERNOCHAN—I. D. Yellow in center petals, outer petals Peach Red. This Dahlia has won many prizes in the shows in 1944 and 1945. Introducer, Parrella Dahlia Gardens



Introducing
"The Ruffled Dahlia"



Beautiful large, long stem
Shell Pink Ruffled (or I. D.)

It has so many ruffles that it is a new type dahlia. Highest award and praise. Won the Gold Ohio Valley Dahlia Achievement Medal at Cincinnati, Ohio, for size stem and new achievement in dahlias. Since then we have grown it four years from bulbs (no plants). The large clumps hold it so erect that staking is not usually necessary.

\$10 per strong division. Plants \$5.

Usual terms to the trade

R. O. WENNING
R.R.6, Box 380 Indianapolis, Indiana

Dahlia Society of Toledo
Toledo, O.

It is with pleasure that I can give you the following report on the Tenth Annual Dahlia Show, of the Toledo Society, staged in the Jim White Chevrolet Co.'s Display Rooms, on September 15th and 16th.

Due to the untiring efforts of our Show Committee, we had one of the finest shows put on anywhere, a show which any Society could be proud of. Mr. George Towslee was Chairman of the Show Committee, assisted by Frank Winker as Secretary and John Schroeder, floor manager. Others on the Committee were: H. Leslie Kidney, Albert Schlagheck, Fred Wieland, Howard Grabow, C. B. Warner, John Saalfeld, Dr. E. M. Meyer, Fred E. Gray, Ronnie Blackburn, Alex Lonergan, Jim White. Assisting this group were: Mrs. Hazel Winey, Mrs. Lawrence Lemon, Mrs. John Schroeder, Mrs. Carl Sattler, Mrs. Frank Winker, Mrs. Henry Hille, Mrs. H. Leslie Kidney.

We had a number of out-of-town growers, who had never entered dahlias in a show before, and those who won were thrilled to know they could win a prize even though they were not members of the organization.

Our shows are always free to the public, and this year the attendance was between 7,000 and 8,000 persons. At each show we try to have a new innovation, and this year to break the quiet which usually prevails at a Flower Show, we installed a sound system, and at short intervals broadcast soft, quiet music which would be appropriate for an occasion of this kind. When members of the Dahlia Society or their friends came into the show, we announced their names over the speaker and dedicated a number to them. The reaction to this was overwhelming, and it created a feeling of good fellowship, which could not have been attained in any other way.

Our list of judges was an excellent one:

John R. Braack, Garfield Heights Dahlia Gardens, Garfield Heights, Ohio.

Wm. C. Behl and J. L. Kress, Jackson, Mich.

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

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

Roy Hill, Hill Dahlia Gardens, Battle Creek, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks, Clio, Mich. (Dixie Dahlia Gardens).

William Wolbert, Springfield, Ohio.

Prof. C. E. Weldon, East Lansing Trial Gardens, East Lansing, Mich.

Victor Steckle, Lansing, Mich.

Mrs. Wm. O. Bonser, Toledo, Ohio.

Mr. John Glauser, Toledo, Ohio.

AWARDS—American Home Achievement Medal won by Nick Koenig, Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Mich., for his seedling "Mrs. Ed. Diehl".

The ADS Medal Certificate, Mr. Fred E. Gray, Toledo, Ohio, for the Most Outstanding Basket of large Flowering Dahlias in the Open Class. The dahlias were "Jean Trimbee". The largest, most perfect bloom in the entire show was a seedling No. W-154-43 entered by Wm. Wolbert of Springfield, Ohio.

The medal from the Dahlia Society of Ohio was awarded to Harold C. Gunmoe, Detroit, Mich., for the smallest, most perfect Pom in the entire show, "Little Edith".

- Smallest most perfect Pom in the Novice Class—"Little Edith".
 Small Amateur Class—"Sherry".
 Large Amateur Class—"Clover".
 Open Class—"Little Edith".
- Largest most perfect Bloom, Novice Class—"Maffie".
 Small Amateur Class—"Michigan White".
 Large Amateur Class—"Cherokee Brave".
 Open Class—"W-154-43".
- Largest most perfect Ball, Small Amateur Class—"Supt. Amrhein".
 Large Amateur Class—"Charlotte Caldwell".
 Open Class—"Maude Adams".
- Sweepstakes in the different divisions:
 Novice Class—H. Leslie Kidney, Toledo, Ohio.
 Small Amateur Class—C. R. Hastings, Toledo, Ohio.
 Large Amateur Class—John Schroeder, Toledo, Ohio.
 Open Class—John R. Braack, Garfield Heights, Ohio.
 Grand Sweepstakes for entire show—John Schroeder, Toledo, Ohio.

CARL P. SATTLER, President.

Trial Grounds Scores

(Continued from page 16)

- STAKE No. 25—S-42-2. Formal Decorative. Entered by Rocky River Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. Orchid shaded almost white to outer petals.
 STAKE No. 27—*Hiawatha*. Informal Decorative Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens. Clear yellow.
 STAKE No. 28—Entered by Rocky River Gardens. Stunt. Retrial offered.
 STAKE No. 29—Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan. Stunt. Retrial offered.
 STAKE No. 30—*Lemonade*. Miniature Formal. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan. Bright yellow.

- STAKE No. 31—B3. Informal Decorative. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens. Some bloom white veined pink, some clear pink. No true color. Retrial recommended.
 STAKE No. 32—B-4. Formal Decorative. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens. Light pink shaded cream to center. Retrial recommended.
 STAKE No. 33—5-2. Cactus to Semi-Cactus. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens. White.
 STAKE No. 34—0-11. Informal Decorative. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens. Rosey pink with gold overcast.
 STAKE No. 37—5-15. Informal Decorative. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens. Yellow.
 STAKE No. 38—5-9. Formal Decorative. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens. Yellow.
 STAKE No. 39—5-6. Semi-Cactus. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens. Light purplish red with silver reverse.
 STAKE No. 41—4-6. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens. Stunt. Retrial offered.
 STAKE No. 42—5-10. Informal Decorative. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens. Deep maroon.
 STAKE No. 43—5-11. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens. Stunt. Retrial offered.
 STAKE No. 44—5-14. Formal Decorative. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens. Deep maroon.
 STAKE No. 49—*The Winner*. Informal Decorative. Entered by J. A. Schutte, 157 E. Harding Rd., Springfield, Ohio. Yellow.

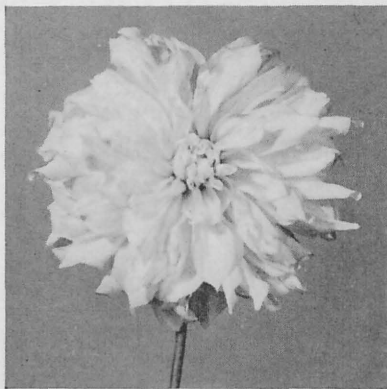
NOTICE OF CHANGE OF ADDRESS

All plants and roots for the Trial Grounds at Ault Park, are to be sent by express, if possible, as we have no Parcel Post Delivery to the Park. Address: Care of Robert Seibel, Ault Park, Cincinnati 26, Ohio, or Robert Seibel, Heekin & Principio Ave., Cincinnati 26, Ohio.

The Dahlia Society of Kentucky

Annual meeting and election of officers was held on October 23, 1945. Following officers were elected:
 President—C. W. Simbritzki.
 Vice-President—J. W. Carr.
 Secretary—Mrs. W. F. Kleinjohn.
 Treasurer—Mrs. Harry Baerveldt.

MRS. W. F. KLEINJOHN, Secretary,
 726 Barret Avenue,
 Louisville 4, Ky.



ORANGEADE, F.D.: Min. 3 in. Indian orange. An entirely new color. A free bloomer on a low spreading bush. Certificate of Merit at Ohio. On Western and Mid-West Honor Rolls. **ROOTS \$5. PLANTS \$1.50**

LEMONADE, F.D.: Min. 3 in. Lemon yellow. A good companion for Orangeade. A seedling of Sylvia. Extremely free bloomer. On Eastern Honor Roll. **ROOTS \$5. PLANTS \$1.50**

WINNERS FOR 1946

DESCRIPTIONS

DELROSE (left): Slocum-Dixie, I.D., 10 in. x 6 in. White with yellow border on each side of petal. The deep yellow border gives the blooms plenty of contrast. Received Certificate of Merit, East Lansing in 1941. On Mid-West Honor Roll 1942. Due to the illness and death of Mr. Slocum it was not introduced at that time. **ROOTS \$15. PLANTS \$5.**

GLACIER, S.C.: 7 in. x 4 in. Pure white with twisting petals. Excellent cut flower. Long stems. An open grower. This variety has had a hard time in trial gardens and show rooms, as when disbudded it grows to 8 in., making it too large for a cut flower and too small to compete with large varieties. Money returned if dissatisfied. **ROOTS \$10. PLANTS \$3.50.**



ORANGEADE AND LEMONADE

DIXIE DAHLIA GARDENS

14592 Dixie Highway

Clio, Mich.

The Dahlia Society of Kentucky

The Thirteenth Annual Show of the Dahlia Society of Kentucky was held in the Ship Room of the Kentucky Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky, on September 29th and 30th. The Show was well attended and a number of new members were taken in from the many interested visitors who attended the show and we feel that we are on the upward grade to have better and bigger shows in the years ahead.

Sweepstakes in the Small Amateur, Section 1 was won by Mrs. W. F. Kleinjohn. Largest and most perfect bloom in Section 1 was also won by Mrs. Kleinjohn with "Cherokee Brave".

Sweepstakes in Section 2 was a tie between Carl Simbritzki and George Shee. Largest and most perfect bloom in Section 2 was won by Carl Simbritzki with "Tops". Sweepstakes in Classes of three blooms was won by George Shee.

Best entry of three blooms was also won by George Shee with "Rita Wells". Sweepstakes in Poms and Miniatures was won by Mrs. Ross Griffith of Corydon, Indiana. Sweepstakes of entire show was won by George Shee scoring 121 points and was awarded the American Dahlia Society Gold Certificate.

Largest and most nearly perfect bloom in entire show was won by Carl Simbritzki with "Tops".

Most perfect bloom over 8 inches was won by Carl Simbritzki with "Royal Robe".

Most perfect bloom under 8 inches was won by Carl Simbritzki with "Darcy Sainsbury".

Section 1. Special Courier Journal Ribbons were awarded to Mrs. W. F. Kleinjohn for best Cactus entry with "Crowning Glory"; Mr. J. W. Carr for best Formal entry with "Commando"; Mrs. W. F. Kleinjohn for best Informal entry with "Cherokee Brave".

Section 2. Special Courier Journal Ribbons were awarded to C. H. Durnil for best Cactus entry with "Nancy Ann Mitchell"; C. H. Durnil for best Semi-Cactus entry with "Michigan White"; Carl Simbritzki for best Formal entry with "Darcy Sainsbury" and Carl Simbritzki for best Informal entry with "Royal Robe".

Open to All Section, Special Courier Journal Ribbons were awarded to C. H. Durnil for best entry of three Cactus blooms with "Nancy Ann Mitchell", James W. Strickler, of Corydon, Indiana, for best entry of three Semi-Cactus Blooms with "Virginia Rute", and George Shee for best entry of three Informal blooms with "Rita Wells". Best entries of 25 Poms and 25 Miniatures were won by Mrs. Harry Baerveldt and were awarded Special Courier Journal Ribbons.

The American Home Achievement Medal was won by Wm. Wolbert of Springfield, Ohio, with three blooms of "Clarion Dawn".

Most meritorious entry in Garden Flower section was won by Mrs. H. Baerveldt.

Most meritorious entry in Victory Garden Section was won by Mr. Jos. E. Beckwith.

MRS. W. F. KLEINJOHN, Secretary.

A.D.S. Dinner January 19, 1946
A.D.S. 1946 Show Sept. 24-25, 1946

Burholme, Pa. Show

The 25th Anniversary Show sponsored by the Burholme Horticultural Society September 21st and 22nd at the Trinity Oxford Parish House, Rising Sun Avenue and Disston Streets, Burholme proved to be a huge success.

Sixty-five persons entered a total of 480 exhibits in the 102 classes which provided for Dahlias, Garden Flowers, Novelties and Arrangements, Vegetables and Victory Garden Canned Vegetables.

In section A—"Dahlias open to all," Mr. Stanley Johnson of Pennypack Gardens, Cheltenham, Pa. was awarded the Sweepstake Prize of a \$5.00 seed order donated by W. Atlee Burpee Company for a total of 44 points, Mr. Robert Fordyce, Rowland Park, Cheltenham, Pa. was next with 18 points. The sub-section of this class—"Open to all private gardens, Institutions and Commercial Growers" was entered by Mr. Thomas McKay, Devon, Pa. who won a total of \$13.00 in cash, Mr. Stanley Johnson who won a total of \$7.00 in cash and Maple Dahlia Farm, Maple Shade, N. J. who won \$1.50 in cash.

In Section B—Dahlias "Open to members of the Society who grow less than 50 hills," Mr. Charles Trout, Cheltenham, Pa. was awarded the Sweepstake Prize consisting of a seed order valued at \$3.00 donated by the Michell Seed House for a total of 23 points. Mrs. Alice Shade of Wyncote was next with 4 points.

In Section C—Dahlias "For Amateurs Only" Mr. Charles Friedel, Lawndale was awarded for one year the "George Shade Memorial Trophy" for a total of 26 points, Mr. Walter Strobel, Elkins Park was runner up with 16 points.

These three Dahlia sections were judged by Messrs. Geo. Glading, Newark, N. J., John Root, Dr. F. Moore, Collingswood, N. J. and Geo. Masson, Yardville, N. J.

Mrs. A. Hermann won the Pink Dogwood Tree, offered by the DeKalb Nurseries, Norristown, Pa. for the Sweepstake prize in sections D & E—Garden Flowers—Novelties and Arrangements; she had a total of 37 points. Mrs. Florence Hagerman had a total of 35 points, although Mrs. Hagerman won the special prize for making the greatest number of entries in these sections. Her entries totalled 39.

The National Garden Bureau of Chicago, Illinois offered a Bronze Medal as a sweepstake prize in section F—Victory Garden Vegetables. This was awarded to Mr. Louis Conito of Richboro, Pa. who had 12 points. Mr. Fred Hoerley of Huntingdon Valley was next with 10 points.

Messrs Curtice White, Johnsville, Pa., Chas. Hallowell, Huntingdon Valley, Pa. and Louis Manger, Phila., judged the Garden Flowers, Victory Garden Vegetables and the Victory canned Vegetables and Fruits.

Miss E. S. Williams, Bristol, Pa., Mrs. Geo. Glading, Wenonah, N. J. and Mrs. F. F. Moore, Collingswood, N. J., judged Novelties and Arrangements.

Much credit for our successful show is due our show superintendent Mr. William O. Hurd for his untiring efforts and his contacts with the horticultural trade. He is associated with the seed firm of Henry F. Mitchell, Philadelphia.

Catalogs Received, Season of 1945

The Dahlia growers listed below have sent their catalogs or price lists to the Secretary. If your name does not appear in this list, Mr. Commercial Grower, you may have missed an opportunity to reach some buyers of Dahlia stock who have written to the Secretary for information as to where some special variety may be secured. Many such requests are received and we like to be helpful both to the inquirer and to those who have Dahlias to sell.

If you have stock available for the wholesale trade, please indicate this fact, too.

Besides, we want to keep ourselves posted concerning all Dahlias currently in commerce. Therefore, the Secretary will welcome receipt of the catalogs of every commercial grower now in business.

A. A. Ames, 203 So. Naches Ave., Yakima, Wash.

Baker Dahlia Gardens, 15 Edgewood Ave., Toronto, Canada.

Ballay Dahlia Gardens, 4309 El Camino Real, Palo Alto, Calif.

Berwick Dahlia Gardens, Chesley Ave., Hamilton, Baltimore 14, Md.

Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J.

A. F. Doermann, Cheviot, Cincinnati 11, Ohio.

Dorff Dahlia Gardens, 945 Ephraim St., E. Liverpool, Ohio.

Emmons Dahlia Gardens, R.F.D. 7, Box 153, Battle Creek, Mich.

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Garfield Heights Dahlia Gardens, 9902 Robinson Ave., Garfield Heights 5, Ohio.

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Edward F. Haussener, 223 East Central Blvd., Palisades Park, N. J.

J. E. Haslin, Cottage Grove Dahlia Gardens, 5964 Delridge Way, Seattle 6, Wash.

Lakeside Gardens, New Baltimore, Mich.

Wilfred I. Larson & Son, 4374 Coolidge Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.

Oakleigh Gardens, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Parrella Dahlia Gardens, 3380 Ely Ave., Bronx 66, N. Y.

Premier Dahlia Gardens, Columbia, Warren County, N. J.

Rainbow Gardens, 8 Prospect St., Baldwin, L. I., N. Y.

Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, 19111 Story Rd., Rocky River, Ohio.

Rosemary Dahlia Gardens, Box 429B, Martins Ferry, Ohio.

Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, 38 Vincent St., Rockville Centre, L. I., N. Y.

J. H. Schutte, 157 E. Harding Rd., Springfield, Ohio.

Smith's Dahlia Gardens, 1605 Oak St., Parkersburg, W. Va.

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A.D.S. Dinner

Plans are under way for gala A.D.S. Annual Dinner. Dewey Mohr heads up the Committee again and notices will be mailed as soon as arrangements with a New York Hotel can be completed.

Reserve the date January 19, 1946 at seven P.M. The dinner follows our A.D.S. Annual Meeting which will convene in the afternoon.

Plan now to make Jan. 19th your A.D.S. day—you are assured a very good time.

Judges, A.D.S. Show, New York, September 20, 1945

The A.D.S. is indebted to its Committee of Judges and expresses appreciation of their services.

Chairman, Conrad Frey.

John Allen, Dr. Charles Connors, Dr. Ward H. Cook, Henry Cory, Charles Diffenderffer, Lynn B. Dudley, George Fraser, Paul Frese, Stanley Johnson, F. W. Johnston, Edward B. Lloyd, Warren Maytrott, J. MacIntyre, H. Dewey Mohr, Edward O'Keefe, Dr. Bruce Preas, George Swezey, Ernest E. Tooker, Gordon F. Waaser, Roy W. Webb.

Tennessee Dahlia Society at Chattanooga

We haven't seen a write up from Dixie for quite a while, so here's one from the Tennessee Dahlia Society of Chattanooga, Tennessee. The Choo Choo City.

Our show was held in the Ball Room of Hotel Patten, it was a very beautiful show, and we had a great variety of blooms, despite the very little rain we have had all season. We had a number of new members exhibiting.

The highest honor of the show was accorded Mr. J. W. Swingle for twelve beautiful blooms of Producer. The three best large blooms were exhibited by Mr. D. R. Swingle. They were Indian Giant, Cherokee Brave and Oakleigh Monarch. The best individual bloom was California Idol exhibited by Mr. B. E. Phillips of Atlanta, Ga. The best cactus Dahlia was grown by Mr. Earl Miller, it was Rhythm, with Snowcrest a close second.

One of the most interesting features of the show was the Artistic Arrangement Section in which the Garden Clubs of the vicinity took part. There was lots of competition in this class.

Other outstanding First Prize Winners in the show were Maffie, Carl Dahl, Rosy Morn, D. Day, Victory, Batan, Dahliamum, Begonia Rose, Real Glory, Darcy Saisbury, Nancy Mitchell, Lois Walcher and Crowning Glory.

There was also an exhibition of small and Pon Pon Dahlias. Proceeds from sales at the show will be donated to the Chinese Childrens Relief Fund. At the close of the show the blooms were sent to the Army Hospital at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. near Chattanooga.

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This arrangement in the Garden Club Section by Mrs. George Green received a great deal of attention

A.D.S. Show

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- Beans—Lima, $\frac{1}{2}$ pt. shelled—1st: Otto F. Heinz. 2nd: Dr. Bruce Preas.
 Beets—tops off, 3—1st: Dr. Bruce Preas.
 Broccoli—1 stalk—1st: Dr. Bruce Preas.
 Cabbage—1 red—1st: Dr. Bruce Preas.
 Cabbage—1 white—1st: Dr. Bruce Preas. 2nd: Louis Fioretti.
 Cabbage—1 Chinese—1st: Dr. Bruce Preas.
 Carrots—5—1st: Dr. Bruce Preas. 2nd: Stanley Majchizyk.
 Celery—1 stalk—1st: Dr. Bruce Preas.
 Corn—3 ears—1st: Dr. Bruce Preas. 2nd: Otto F. Heinz.
 Cucumbers—3 large—Dr. Bruce Preas.
 Egg Plant—1—1st: Dr. Bruce Preas. 2nd: Louis Fioretti.
 Onions—5—1st: Dr. Bruce Preas.
 Peppers—3 large—1st: Marie Schnugg. 2nd: Dr. Bruce Preas.
 Potatoes—yellow, 3—1st: Dr. Bruce Preas.
 Pumpkin—1—1st: Dr. Bruce Preas.
 Squash, summer—1—1st: Dr. Bruce Preas.
 Squash—winter, 1—1st: Joseph Marinello. 2nd: Dr. Bruce Preas.
 Tomatoes—large red, 3—1st: Dr. Bruce Preas. 2nd: Louis Fioretti.
 Tomatoes—small red, 5—1st: Otto F. Heinz. 2nd: Marie Schnugg.
 Tomatoes—large yellow, 3—1st: Dr. Bruce Preas. 2nd: Stanley Majchizyk.
 Tomatoes—small yellow, 5—1st: Marie Schnugg. 2nd: Otto Heinz.
 Any vegetable not mentioned above—1st: Otto Heinz. 2nd: Dr. Bruce Preas.
 Best display of vegetables—Dr. Bruce Preas.

SWEEPSTAKES IN SECTION K—DR. BRUCE PREAS.

GARDEN CLUB

SECTION A

Dahlias

- Class 1—Decorative—Formal or informal—3 blooms, large, 8 inches or over, 1 or more varieties—Tri-color—1st: Harry Frank, Far Hills, N. J. 2nd: Herbert D. Green, Westwood, N. J.
 Class 2—Decorative—Formal or informal—1 bloom, large, 8 inches or over, any color—1st: Harry Frank, Far Hills, N. J.; 2nd: Mrs. Richard Goodwin, Great Neck, N. Y.

- Class 3—Semi-Cactus—3 blooms—large or medium, 1 or more varieties—1st: Herbert D. Green, Westwood, N. J. 2nd: Harry Frank, Far Hills, N. J.
 Class 4—Cactus—Straight or incurved—3 blooms, large or medium, 1 or more varieties—1st: Harry Frank, Far Hills, N. J.
 Class 5—Miniature—6 blooms—not over 4 inches, 1 or more varieties—1st: Harry Frank, Far Hills, N. J. 2nd: Diane Faltenbury, Bronxville, N. Y. 3rd: Mrs. Geo. Green, Kensington, Conn.
 Class 7—Single—5 blooms, 1 or more varieties—1st: Harry Frank, Far Hills, N. J. 2nd: Mrs. Geo. Green, Kensington, Conn.
 Class 8—Collarette—5 blooms, 1 or more varieties—(a) 1st: Harry Frank, Far Hills, N. J. Anemone (b) 1st: Mrs. Geo. Green, Kensington, Conn.
 Class 9—Pompon—7 blooms, 1 or more varieties—1st: Mrs. Alfred Warren, Peekskill, N. Y. 2nd: Mrs. Geo. Green, Kensington, Conn. 3rd: Harry Frank, Far Hills, N. Y.
 Class 10(a)—Exhibit of Fruit and/or Vegetables grown by exhibitor—1st: Marie Schnugg, Floral Park, N. Y.
 Class 10(b)—1st: Harry Frank, Far Hills, N. J.
 Tri-Color—Harry Frank, Far Hills, N. J.
 Sweepstakes—Harry Frank, Far Hills, N. J.

SECTION B (Arrangement)

- Class 17—White Dahlias with gray-green foliage in red container—1st: Ruth Conover, Oradell, N. J. 2nd: Mrs. Geo. Green, Kensington, Conn.
 Class 18—Red and white Dahlias in white container—1st: Herbert Conover, Oradell, N. J.
 Class 19—Any Dahlias in green container—1st: Mrs. C. V. Smith, Far Hills, N. J. 2nd: Herbert Conover, Oradell, N. J.
 Class 21—Autumn-colored Dahlias in copper container—1st: Mrs. Geo. Green, Kensington, Conn.
 Class 22—Any plant material in a shell—1st: Mrs. Geo. Green, Kensington, Conn.
 Class 23—Combination of Dahlias and other garden flowers—1st: Herbert Conover, Oradell, N. J.
 Class 24—Dahlias and native material in any container—Tri-color—1st: Ruth Conover, Oradell, N. J.
 Class 26—Gladiolus. Any container—1st: Herbert Conover, Oradell, N. J. 2nd: Mrs. C. V. Smith, Far Hills, N. J.
 Class 27—Zinnias, 1 or more varieties. Any container—1st: Ruth Conover, Oradell, N. J.
 Class 28—Marigolds, large flowering. Any container—1st: Herbert Conover, Oradell, N. J.
 Class 29—Marigolds, French. Any container—1st: Ruth Conover, Oradell, N. J.
 Class 30—Old-fashioned nosegay stressing use of Dahlias—1st: Mrs. Harry Swain, Peekskill, N. Y. 2nd: Ruth Conover, Oradell, N. J.
 Class 31—Corsage, stressing use of Dahlias (container required)—1st: Mrs. Geo. Green, Kensington, Conn. 2nd: Ruth Conover, Oradell, N. J.
 Class 32—My favorite exhibit—1st: Herbert Conover, Oradell, N. J. 2nd: Mrs. Richard Goodwin, Great Neck, N. Y.
 Class 33—Special—Any educational exhibit—1st: Mrs. Ruth Conover, Oradell, N. J.
 Tri-color—Ruth Conover, Oradell, N. J.
 Sweepstakes—Ruth Conover, Oradell, N. J.

Frost and The Dahlias

The brittle fingers of frost caressed the dahlias last night,
 And his icy kisses stucked every petal with Autumn.

The hoary breath of frost powder puffed every leaf with
 mid-night,
 And his crystal touch stiffened every stem into an onyx
 column.

Jealous frost hardened the earth above the dahlia bulbs
 last night,
 And sealed deep in the dahlias' wombs the secret of
 reproduction.

Wooded and won in the glory of a moon-drenched Autumn
 night,
 The dahlias sleep until next May, in the rapture of
 frost's adoration hymn!

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In 1937 the American Dahlia Society established the Derrill Hart Medal Awards. This medal is awarded each year for the seedlings in the three size classes. A. Large; B. Medium, and M. Small, which score the highest average score at three or more trial gardens, including the Storrs Trial Grounds. Such average score can be accumulated over two years if desired.

At the time these medals were designed and moulded, a Derrill Hart Medal Fund was established. This fund was sufficient to pay the initial costs. The fund was to remain active and any future contributions were to be used to allay the cost of the actual medals as struck for those winning them.

Since the scarcity of metals has prevented the striking of the actual medals, medal certificates have been awarded. It is the intent of the A.D.S. to substitute actual medals for these certificates when they can be obtained.

But, in order to accomplish this, it is desirable to augment the Derrill Hart Medal Fund. Recent voluntary subscriptions have been made to this end and this society would appreciate further subscriptions in order to provide continuity for this valuable award.

Any contribution from \$1.00 up will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Those who have in the past had the value of their seedlings heightened by receiving this award, know its value and could be among those making contributions. But anyone who is interested in maintaining and perpetuating this National A.D.S. recognition of the highest scoring Dahlias each season, is invited to send a subscription to Secretary Ward Cook, 34 Puritan Ave., Tuckahoe, N. Y. This fund will be segregated and used only for this purpose.

Registrations

The appropriate fee having been paid, the following names have been registered by our Nomenclature Committee:

COLONEL LITTLE. C. B. Ambrose, Norfolk, Va. AID bl. R with Y (named in honor of Lieut. Col. Murray A. Little, personal friend and former employe of originator).

ATOM BOMB. C. B. Ambrose, Norfolk, Va. AID red.
DEEP VELVET. George Baker, Moline, Ill. Description to follow.

MISS LIBERTY. R. Paul Comstock, San Diego, Calif. AID scarlet with white tips.

SKY ROCKET. Lew Sarett, Ravinia, Ill. Semi-cactus, vermilion-scarlet.

SUNBURST. W. E. Smith, Parkersburg, W. Va. AID bl. orange with yellow.

THE WINNER. Jerome A. Schutte, Springfield, Ohio. AID yellow.

GREAT DIVIDE. E. E. Tooker, Rockville Centre, N. Y. AID light blend.

SUPREME COMMAND. Albert Parrella, Bronx, N. Y. AFD to ID red.

FLORIST BEAUTY. Albert Parrella, Bronx, N. Y. BFD bicolor red and white.

MOTHER-OF-MINE. Rev. B. L. Knight, Marion, S. C. Description to follow.

JEAN GRIMWOOD. Charles Garrity, San Leandro, Cal. Cactus, flesh pink.

MYRNIE. Charles Garrity, San Leandro, Cal. Miniature decorative, cream.

RAY SMITH. Max O. Scheffel, Emerson, N. J. Semi-cactus, large size, lavender.

ESSIE SMITH. W. E. Smith, Parkersburg, W. Va. Semi-cactus, large, orchid pink.

LUCKY. Jerome A. Schutte, Springfield, Ohio. Medium size, straight cactus, red.

CORRIENE SUE. Ross H. Dorff, East Liverpool, Ohio. Informal decorative, true purple at center and on base of petals blending on outer petals of phlox purple and Rhodamine purple, size 10 to 13 in., depth 7 to 8 in. Sport of James Ross.

D-DAY. Albert Hendricks, Clio, Mich. Medium size, formal, decorative pink.



Arrangement of Zach's Mum received Special and Tri-color

V-DAY. Albert Hendricks, Clio, Mich. Informal decorative, large, mulberry rose blending with bronze.
FRANCES H. Charles Garrity, San Leandro, Calif. Formal decorative, size not stated, bicolor, royal purple, tipped white.

The Orange County Dahlia Society had a most successful Dahlia Show on August 24th and 25th. We had a splendid turn out of both flowers and people.

With V. E. Day and V. J. Day just passed people seemed more interested in planting tubers of Dahlias than in the past four years.

The Bronze Medal Certificate of the A.D.S. was presented to Dr. G. Emmett Raitt, (Our President) for the best Dahlia in the show. *Pink Ambassador*.

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Dahlia Society of Wisconsin

The members of the Dahlia Society of Wisconsin still have freshly in mind the success of their fifteenth annual show held September 8 & 9, 1945 at the Milwaukee Gas Light Company Building, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Much of the credit for the success of our show must go to Show Chairman Ben Makowski and his committees, and to our president, W. E. Kemen.

Although our growing season was clouded with some of the coldest weather during the early summer period and the hottest weather during the show and the week preceding the show, the quality and quantity of blooms was such as to make the membership justly feel proud.

On the whole the show was outstanding in all its departments. The large bloom sections were of good quality and included many of the 1945 introductions. The show was outstanding in its display of the small flowering varieties, including a number of the novelties. The Artistic Arrangement section was worthy of commendation due to a great extent to the efforts of Mrs. Earl Vandeen and Mrs. Eric Bourghton, who were in charge.

The undisminated section was full of interesting one and two year seedlings, and in the American Home Achievement Medal Class there was some good competition. The winner of the Achievement Medal was a three bloom entry of "Alcazar", a large bright purple cactus originated by C. W. Ballay of Palo Alto, California and grown by George R. Currie of Sheboygan, Wisconsin.

In the disseminated classes we had some new and enthusiastic exhibitors in the Novice Section, and their blooms echo a resounding warning of keener competition in advanced sections in the future. The chief center of interest in the disseminated classes is the ten bloom class and the six bloom class. These classes require that each bloom be of a different variety, on stems or canes not less than 18 inches in length.

In each of these classes the judges were instructed to use the scorecard system, and in addition to the scores of the individual blooms, were instructed to give consideration to variation of type to a maximum of ten points and to variation of color to a maximum of ten points.

The winner in the ten bloom class, for which the Minnesota Dahlia Society medal was offered, was E. J. Heggstad of Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin, with one bloom each of A. J. Parker, Bill's Splendor, Class, Exquisite, Katie K., Lynn Fontaine, Mother Koenig, Sarett's Pink Flamingo, Sunrays, The Real Glory.

The award for the best six blooms, for which the N. E. Pennsylvania Dahlia Society Silver Medal was offered, went to E. L. Kriel of Madison, Wisconsin with one bloom each of—Dixie's Wine Dot, Gen. Pershing, Kilgore's Lucifer, Lynn Fontaine, Sydney, and Tops.

In the special classes the award for the best commercial exhibit was won by Delwood Gardens, West Allis, Wisconsin, with a beautiful built up arrangement of well selected blooms with a black velvety background.

A Silver Dahlia Belt Buckle was offered by Mr. Carl Herrman for the best bloom of Essie Smith, with Mr. George Currie, Sheboygan, Wisconsin the winner.

An attractive vase offered by Mr. Emile Mauer for the most outstanding dahlia in the Show over eight inches in diameter was won by Mr. George R. Currie, Sheboygan, Wis., with a bloom of Dean Shurtliff.

The award for the most perfect bloom in the Show over eight inches in diameter was won by Frank Koenig,

Milwaukee, with a bloom of Sarett's Pink Flamingo; that for the most perfect bloom in the show under eight inches in diameter by Geo. R. Currie with a bloom of Ballay Rouge; and for the largest bloom in the Show, the President's Cup was won by Mr. Joe Heineman with a bloom of Lynn Fontaine.

In the several sections of the Show the winners were as follows:

Novice Section:

Best Bloom—Axford Triumph—Eric Bourghton, Milwaukee, Wis.

Largest Bloom—Gen. Pershing—Eric Bourghton.

Sweepstakes—Eric Bourghton.

Small Amateur:

Best bloom over 8 inches—Mrs. Geo. Le Boutillier won by Alex Seny, Milwaukee.

Best bloom under 8 inches—Michigan White—R. H. Otto, Milwaukee.

Largest bloom—Lynn Fontaine—Harry Ploog, Madison, Wisconsin.

Sweepstakes—R. H. Otto, Milwaukee.

Large Amateur:

Best bloom over 8 inches—Clarion Kelton—E. M. Larson, Madison, Wis.

Best bloom under 8 inches—Mary Taylor—Max Freudenberg, McFarland, Wis.

Largest bloom—Maffie—E. M. Larson, Madison.

Sweepstakes—Max Freudenberg, McFarland, Wis.

Amateur Cloth House:

Best bloom over 8 inches—Sarett's Pink Flamingo, Frank Koenig, Milwaukee.

Best bloom under 8 inches—Snowball, Frank Koenig.

Largest bloom—Glamour—Frank Koenig.

Sweepstakes—Frank Koenig.

Open to All:

Best bloom over 8 inches—Crowning Glory—George Currie, Sheboygan.

Best bloom under 8 inches—Ballay Rouge—George Currie,

Largest bloom—Lynn Fontaine—Joe Heineman, Milwaukee.

Sweepstakes—E. J. Heggstad, Whitefish Bay, Wis.

Small Flowering:

Most perfect miniature—Golden Youth—Jos. Duchek, Milwaukee.

Most perfect pompom—Miss Marjorie—E. J. Heggstad. Sweepstakes—Jos. Duchek.

Artistic Arrangements:

Best flower picture—Mrs. Carl Herrmann.

Sweepstakes—Gertrude Herrmann.

The out-of-state judges who so generously contributed of their time were: J. Louis Roberts, David Radke, James Marsh, and H. L. Commings, all of Chicago; Harry Franzen, Maywood, Ill., Prof. Lew. Sarrett, Ravinia, Ill., and George L. Baker, Rock Island, Illinois.

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Ault Park Season of 1945

We had the opportunity again this year, to grow some of the new introductions. These plants were supplied by the Golden Rule Dahlia Farm, Lebanon, Ohio.

Three or more of these plants of each variety were planted in two different parts of the garden. Some of them did very well, and others were a complete failure; some might have done better in different localities, but here is how they grew in Cincinnati.

Flaming Glory. I. D. Very odd reddish color blending to a burnt orange. Good bush growth and stems, blooms facing.

Corrine Sue. Stunt.

White Champion. S.C. to I.D. Tall rugged bush growth, should be pinched back early and encourage laterals. Very large blooms, and some tended to face down.

D. Day. F.D. Light pink in color. Good bush growth and laterals coming from base of plant. This is a prolific bloomer and a good cut flower variety. Blooms about the size of Jersey Beauty and a good keeper.

Southern Rose. I.D. Good bush and laterals. Blooms a little flat held facing. Color is a deep pink which fades somewhat in full exposure, but not enough to detract the general appearance.

Black Monarch. S.C. Very dark velvety maroon in color. Bush growth very rugged and spreading. Good stems on blooms, which are held facing. Very good color, but could bloom better, late.

L.C.K. Cactus. Color autumn shade. Low spreading bush growth with fair stems. Blooms are medium sized, held facing and could bloom better.

Ogden Reid. F.D. Deep rose pink in color. Good bush growth and stems coming from base of plant. Blooms are very large and deep. Some of the blooms hung down, but most were held facing. Blooms held up well and were the largest of the new varieties we grew.

Clarion Kelton. I.D. Color is light red with yellow shadings; some blooms deeper red giving a smoky effect but a very good color. Bush spreading in growth with good cane like stems. Prolific bloom held facing. This variety was very outstanding.

Buddy. Min. F.D. Color dark red. Very good bush growth and good stems. Prolific bloom.

White Xmas. I.D. Clear white; did not bloom until late but had rugged bush growth. Blooms very deep and are held facing.

Stellaette. I.D. Dark velvety red in color and blooms can be grown quite large. Very rugged open bush growth, and good stems; blooms held facing. Could bloom more freely.

Silver Jubilee. I.D. Deep pink with white tips very pleasing color. Good bush growth and blooms are carried well out of the foliage. The stems were very weak on the early blooms and they faced down. Later in the season, the stems were better and most blooms were held facing.

Hilda Fioretti. S.C. Rose pink with yellow tips giving a blended effect. Very good bush growth with long cane like stems. Blooms held facing; the blooms are not large, but are very prolific. This variety was very outstanding.

Dr. Kenneth Taylor. I.D. Bright orange red in color. Very good bush growth and many laterals coming from base of plant. Blooms held facing and very prolific; the blooms are medium size and held up very well. This variety was the most outstanding in the garden.

Kirsten Flagstad. F.D. Golden autumn color; good bush and laterals. Blooms carried facing on long cane like stems well out of the foliage. This variety bloomed very early and held up well.

General Pershing. S.C. Plant growth same as *Virginia Rute*. Autumn shade in color, blooms very large, color a little dull.

Joan Phillips Jr. I.D. Mallow pink with white tips. Did not grow well; blooms appear flat; not a bad color.

Belvedere. I.D. Silvery pink, good color that does not fade. Very low heavy bush growth variety and should be pinched out early to encourage laterals. Blooms very large, but a little flat. Most blooms had elongated centers. This one is worth trying again.

Essie Smith. S.C. Lavender pink; did not make a good bush growth. But this seemed to be the general condition in the Cincinnati area. Color is very good and will try it again next year.

Ballay Rouge. Bright red in color. This variety was listed as an incurved cactus but, grew more informal decorative here. The petals were long but did not quill enough. Good bush and stems. Blooms held facing and good color and blooms hold up well.

Whirlaway. I.D. Bright yellow in color. Low rugged bush growth. Large blooms held facing are carried out of the foliage on good stems.

Lucky. S.C. Good red color. Good medium height bush growth many laterals coming from base. Blooms held facing on good long stems. Prolific bloomer good cut variety.

Silver Glamour. I.D. This is a new one as it is a sport of *Glamour*. Has the same rugged bush growth and stems of *Glamour* but has a silver overcast, very attractive; watch for this one.

Orange Flame. F.D. This variety was developed at Ault Park, from my own seed and I have never had a plant to stunt

in the four years that I have grown it. Good bush growth with long stems and a good cut variety.

Jane Lausche. S.C. Rosey mauve with white tips. Good bush growth and very good stems; good color combination, blooms held facing very large.

Sunset Special. S.C. Deep orange, a little dull. Good bush, growth and stems; bloomed very late.

Sgt. Williams. This turned out to be *Watchings Giant* and was a great disappointment to many. This old variety has a good color but all the blooms face down, caused by a crooked stem at the bud.

Pink Flamingo. S.C. This variety was not grown at Ault Park this year, but seems to do very well here in Cincinnati, as I saw some fine plants and blooms in their other gardens. I gave this variety a very poor write-up last year, as it was a failure here but we can't be right all the time. So, Mr. Sarrett, my apology. Some of these varieties may have done better in other gardens, but this is the way they grew here.

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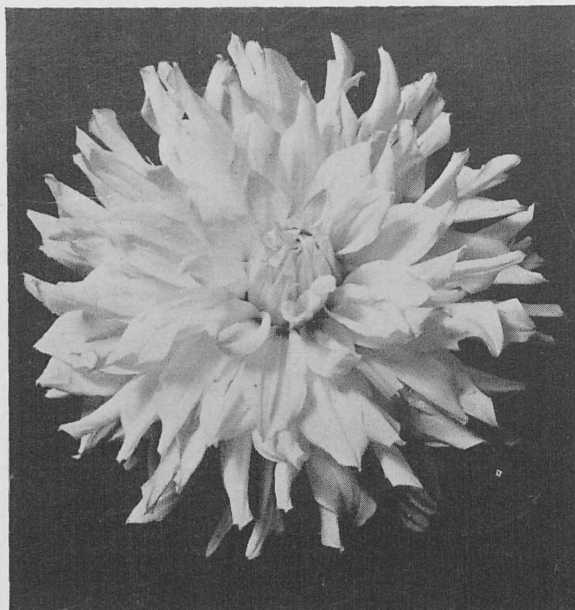
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Minnesota Dahlia Show 1945

Unfavorable weather just previous to show time made members of the Minnesota Dahlia Society wonder just how many and what kind of blooms would be available for exhibition at our Seventeenth Annual Show held at the Northwestern National Bank, Minneapolis on September 10th and 11th. However, the combined efforts of many of our members again made it possible to stage a show worthy of the Minnesota Dahlia Society and one that was enjoyed by a large number of interested visitors.

The Grand Champion of the Show this year was a magnificent bloom of "WOSAL", exhibited by Mr. L. V. Jordan, St. Paul. Other winners in the Grand Court of Honor in their respective classes were GINGER ROGERS exhibited by W. L. Edwards, CROYDEN ACME exhibited by Maurice Engen, HUNT'S VELVET WONDER exhibited by Wm. Holmberg, GAYLORD BALLAY exhibited by George Tyacke, CHEROKEE BRAVE and DIXIE'S WINE DOT exhibited by R. S. Bryant, SHERWOOD'S PEACH exhibited by A. C. Ronning and SYDNEY exhibited by Oscar Johnson.

The Grand Champion of the Cactus Court of Honor was MARIE O'KEEFE exhibited by R. S. Bryant. Mr. Bryant also won on his entries of CROWNING GLORY, MME. C. JUSSIANT, JERSEY DAINY and STEPHEN FOSTER. Other winners in this Court were KING CUP exhibited by Oscar Johnson, ZENITH exhibited by W. H. Lauer and SON OF SATAN exhibited by Ralph Trask.

Mr. W. H. Lauer was the winner of the sweepstakes and the Cup in the Amateur Class, Mr. S. D. Peterson won second place in this class. In the Novice Class, first

place was won by Maurice Engen, second place by W. L. Edwards.

In the Open Class, first place was won by R. S. Bryant, second by Wm. Holmberg and third by W. I. Larson. Other displays in this class entered for non-competition were those of Mr. E. O. Lyders, Mr. E. W. Becker of the Winston Estate and Mr. Horace Barnes of the Bennett Estate. Again every display in this class was outstanding in every way, blooms were good and arrangements excellent.

Judges for the show were Mr. George Currie of Sheboygan, Wisc., Mr. Horace Barnes of Wayzata, Mr. Louis Fischer of Hastings, Mr. Geo. H. Johnston and Mr. L. W. Lindgren of St. Paul, Mr. Wm. Holmberg and Mr. A. C. Ronning of Minneapolis.

MRS. A. R. OWEN, *Secretary.*

Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society

The Bronze Medal Certificate of the American Dahlia Society, was won by the President of our Dahlia Society Mr. Walter A. Hildebrand, whose vase of three, consisting of two *Southern Thoroughbred's* and one *Jane Lausche* blooms, were the largest in the Show, and the total diameter was forty inches. These three were the winner in the largest bloom class, in our show.

Mr. Hildebrand went on to win various prizes in the other classes, which you will receive notice of from our publicity committee.

ROBERT B. MCKEE.

Chairman of the Awards Committee.

Alabama Dahlia News

On the morning of October 10th it looked as if Jack Frost had blitzed the 1945 Show to be held next day by the Dahlia Society of Alabama for the house tops were white with frost in many sections. Some kind dahlia loving fairy must have been on duty for though many growers almost had heart failure, the damage done was very slight. The 10th annual Show opened as scheduled, October 11th, and was a grand success in every way. The Terrace Room of Hotel Tutwiler was filled with dazzling beauty and color when the doors opened at 2:00 P.M. The public thronged the room from then until closing time, 10:00 o'clock that evening. The many expressions of delight and appreciation heard on all sides made those who had worked so untiringly glow with pride and satisfaction. Mr. Norman Lefkovits, Show Chairman and Mr. T. M. Floyd, Co-Chairman are to be congratulated on the 1945 Show.

On either side of the entrance were two handsome containers, one of twenty-five blooms of *World Event*, the other, twelve blooms of *Winedot*. These were grown and exhibited by T. M. Floyd. Throughout the room were hundreds and hundreds of blooms of all types, varieties and colors making the place beautiful beyond description. Many of the tested varieties of years past were to be found but noted also were new and interesting ones making their first appearance. *Essie Smith* was there, so was *General Pershing* as well as *Kirsten Flagstad*, *Jane Lausche*, *Joan Ferenz*, *V-Day*, *Southern Rose*, *D-Day* and *Sunset Special*.

Essie Smith, grown and exhibited by T. M. Floyd was judged the best single bloom in the entire show and was awarded the Hastings Trophy. Three blooms of the ever beautiful *Lord of Autumn*, grown and exhibited by Dr. H. C. Rike were judged the best three blooms in the entire show and were awarded the Bromberg Trophy.

Winners of sweepstakes in various sections were, W. C. Darby, Dr. H. C. Rike, T. M. Floyd and J. C. Fleck. The Edgewood Garden Club had the best entry in section for Garden Clubs and Mrs. Pat Russell had the most outstanding artistic arrangement.

Of special interest was the small flowering dahlias grown and exhibited by Mrs. H. C. Rike. This display occupied the entire end of the room and here it was demonstrated that the dahlia can be used for all kinds of arrangements. They were used with fruit, with various kinds of foliage as well as being arranged for table, mantle, altar or whatever one would use flowers. Many have thought dahlias not adaptable to various uses thus this exhibit proved to be an eye-opener as well as being most beautiful.

The Dahlia Society of Alabama feels very proud of their 1945 Show not only because of the good blooms found there but also because of the increased interest on the part of the public at the show and since through various inquiries. In addition, many questions have been asked at the Garden Center of Federated Garden Clubs of Birmingham concerning the culture of dahlias.

MAUDE GOODWIN, Reporter.

SORRY FOLKS . . .

that I have nothing new to offer. Rather than rushing my seedlings on the market and having you disappointed by hasty judgment, I am taking a little longer time to get other's opinions and trial grounds reports to satisfy myself that they are worthy of introduction.

In the meantime don't overlook *Tarawa*, which has been winning its share of ribbons and also my collection of ball, col-larette, cactus and other large types which will be described in my price list out in January. Send for your copy.

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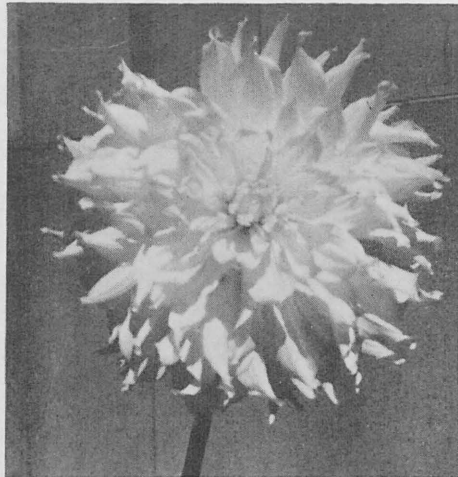
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Baltimore Dahlia Society

The 20th Annual Fall Flower Show of the Baltimore Dahlia Society is now past history however, we are indeed proud of the very excellent exhibition staged under the direction of Show Manager C. F. Guckert and his committee. Considering the adverse growing conditions there were considerably more exhibits this year than last.

The show was staged in the Sears Community Auditorium in Baltimore on September 23rd & 24th. On entering the lobby leading to the showroom everyone awed at the wonderful bloom displayed in baskets and which occupied the entire stage; the main floor being occupied with tables filled with vases of entries. The competition was very keen and the judges had their work cut out in making the final decisions. The winners of sweepstakes in the various sections were: Section A—Talbot McAfee; Section B—Dr. H. C. Parker, Section C—C. M. Diffenderffer; Section D—E. P. Loller; Pompons—George Mumma; Miniatures—Herbert O. Aburn. The Mayor, Theodore R. McKeldin trophy was awarded to Dr. H. C. Parker for a beautiful basket of "Silver Jubilee", the Governor Herbert R. O'Connor trophy was awarded to Earl P. Loller. The American Home Achievement award went to three very fine blooms of "Mrs. Hester Pape" a dark informal, grown by Chas. M. Diffenderffer for the originator Mr. Chas. A. Pape of Santa Barbara, Cal.

There were also fine displays of Hardy Garden flowers as well as a section for Victory Garden vegetables. The sweepstake winner in the Hardy Garden section was Mrs. Herbert O. Aburn. We are indebted to the following judges who did a swell job: W. A. Bochau, J. C. Mencke,

Wm. Schaun, E. L. Schaun, George Schirmer, E. P. Loller, N. A. Scheel, C. M. Diffenderffer, C. V. Brieger and W. L. Tracey on dahlias, Mrs. W. R. Bridges and Mrs. J. L. Strickland, Hardy Garden flowers and George Mumma and Talbot McAfee on vegetables. Mr. N. A. Gossman, chairman of the Board of Governors was in charge of the judges. The attendance was excellent and included visitors from all Eastern States. There were also quite a few members received.

Delaware State Show

The twenty-third annual dahlia show of the State of Delaware Dahlia Society was held on Tuesday and Wednesday, September. 18 and 19 in the auditorium of Conrad High School of Wood Crest, Delaware.

With a well-planned setting of commercial displays and individual entries the auditorium made a gorgeous display of color and art.

Again this year we combined our show with an orchid display which the public enjoyed very much.

Dr. Dozier of Cambridge, Md., won the American Home and Achievement medal with a red cactus which he named (Blackout).

Mr. Warren Houk of Richardson Park won the National Dahlia Society Bronze certificate for the most perfect bloom in the show with a Sunray.

Mr. Hauk also won blue ribbon for best floor display. H. E. Ball won first for best table display.

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South Central Wisconsin Dahlia Society, Inc.

Despite two blistering hot days with the mercury hovering around 90 degrees three days before the show, the South Central Wisconsin Dahlia Society, Inc. held the most successful show since its inception.

The Show was held in the Madison Gas & Electric Co. Bldg. September 2nd & 3rd, and it has been estimated that well over 10,000 persons viewed the display during the two day Exhibit.

Mrs. Laura Delaporte of West Allis, H. L. Cummings and E. F. Schampel of Chicago judged the specimen blooms and Mrs. H. J. Blum of La Grange judged the arrangements with the following results.

Best formal, Darcy Sainsbury, grown by Max Freudenberg, Madison.

Best informal, Sydney, grown by Max Freudenberg, Madison.

Best semi cactus, Maffie, grown by Harry Ploog, Madison.

Best cactus, Mary Taylor, grown by Max Freudenberg, Madison.

Best Bloom in show, Maffie, grown by Harry Ploog, Madison.

Largest bloom, Lynn Fontaine, grown by E. J. Haggestad of Milwaukee.

Best first year seedling, yellow cactus, grown by Herman Haugan, Madison.

Best miniature, Dubonnet, grown by E. L. Kriel, Madison.

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The Rochester Dahlia Society Rochester, New York

Our annual show held Sunday, September 23, 1945.

After a summer crammed with vicissitudes of heat, wind and rain, the Annual Show loomed as a huge undertaking to the committee, who were somewhat discouraged when a cold wet spell, a few days before the show, threatened to spoil the prospects of a worthwhile show. Nevertheless, dahlia growers are a resourceful lot, and our section seems to be blessed with a number of those who will not be defeated. With the aid of tents, old umbrellas, bushel baskets and other devices, our members managed to surmount the difficulties, and the result was the entry of a wonderful lot of blooms.

Thirty exhibitors entered into the competition, and entries were well divided into the sections provided, which resulted in a well balanced show.

Section AA: Exhibitors growing less than 25 hills had a fair representation, but excellent entries. Miss Mary Terrule took special award for best entry in this section with Jersey Beauty, and Mrs. Cuddeback won sweepstakes with a total of 28 points.

Section A. 25-75 hills. Strong competition in this section with 10 exhibitors scoring points. The sweepstakes prize was won by Mr. A. H. MacAndrews, who also received the award for the best bloom in the section for his Stephen Foster.

Section B: More than 75 hills. Louis Eckel's James Ross beat all entries in this section, while Clarence Meyer took sweepstakes for most points.

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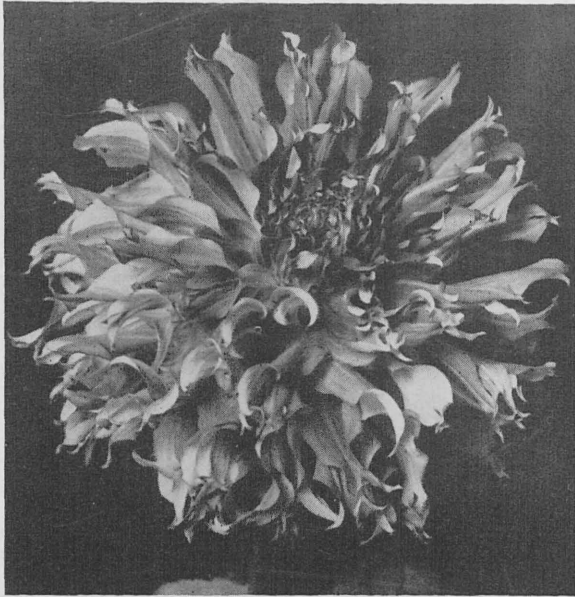
"SNOW DRIFT"—Formal D.—A seedling of "Darcy Sainsbury" with fine long straight stems, blooms 9 to 12 in. and deep. A nice clean white that should win in specimen bloom class. Owing to wet weather did not get this one planted in time for the shows. On Eddy's Honor Roll. **Roots \$15.00**

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New Dahlia, 'Colonel Little,' Takes Top Honors at Exhibit

A handsome new large-flowering dahlia, the Colonel Little, originated by C. B. Ambrose, of Norfolk, took all three top honors at the first annual dahlia show given by the Norfolk branch of the Virginia Dahlia Society.

Outstanding in Country

The new dahlia was described by Dr. H. L. Dozier, of Cambridge, Md., one of the judges, as the outstanding new seedling he has seen in the course of judging five shows this season.

Colonel Little dahlia won the blue ribbon and medal as the best new unreleased seedling in the show, the Court of Honor Award as the best single specimen, and in massed flowers the \$10 award as the best basket of large dahlias exhibited. It was named in honor of Lieut. Col. M. A. Little, of Norfolk, who has just returned from service overseas.

Won in Richmond, 1944; also 1945 in Seedling Class. On Col. Eddy Honor Roll for 1946. Large root, \$10 net. Clump, \$25 net.

NORTHEASTERN PENNA. SHOW

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Gen. Pershing and Joan Ferenz. Garfield Heights, Rocky River, and Stanley Johnson sent dozens of seedlings to interest local fans. An unprecedented rainfall, the heaviest since 1927, drenched the park for weeks at a time, kept some of the bushes softer than usual. We, therefore, withhold comment upon seedlings. Dahliadell, Premier, John Hanna, William Stolz, and Claude Good were lavish in their contribution to the park and donated stock of the latest in domestic and foreign varieties. The rest of the park was miscellaneous and miniatures from the gardens of Paul Doll, E. Lewis, Earl Holmes, and Dr. E. McDade. Outstanding blooms at the park were those of *Taffeta*, *Wendy B.*, *Margaret Gossamer*, *Iselberg*, *Real Glory*, *Commando*, *White Majestic*, and *Snowball*.

Such are the high spots of our VICTORY show. Our thanks go out to those who judged, and especially to those who exhibited. As I conclude the wind is nipping, there's a feeling of snow in the air. The off season is on. Prospects of better growing for 1946 are brighter, less borers, more DDT, and I am reminded of an old American proverb—"Hats off to the past; coats off to the future."

EDWARD F. MCDADE, M.D.

SOUTH CENTRAL WISCONSIN

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Best Pom pon, Clover, grown by Mrs. J. S. Dietz. In the arrangement section, Mrs. E. L. Kriel won sweepstakes and also the most outstanding arrangement with two beautiful Josephine Klempt dahlias combined with white gladioli and artemisia.

LONG ISLAND SHOW

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For the smallest and most perfect bloom "Miss Marjorie" a pom pom—B. Pitt.

For the best pom pom—"Bobby"—Rushmohr Dahlia Gardens.

For the best ball—"Frank Smith"—Peter Garcia.

For the best miniature—"Little Parisienne"—Miss Marie Schmugg.

Sweepstakes with 44 points—George Yaeger.

Most number of Tri-Colors—Rushmohr Dahlia Gardens.

Winner in the medium class—Louis Smirnow.

Most number of blue ribbons—George Yaeger.

A vote of thanks for their excellent judgement was extended to the judges—Lynn Dudley, Henry Olsen, H. Dewey Mohr, Dr. Ward H. Cook, Albert Parrella, O. J. Aumuller, Mrs. E. Whitlock and Mrs. Chas. Pfister.

The winner of the drawing for \$50 worth of dahlia roots was Rudolph Kraemer, Hempstead, L. I.

Attending the show was a sister of Lt. Lally who sacrificed his life in combat just a year ago. The three fine large blooms of Lt. Lally, originated by James C. Kelly and exhibited by George Yaeger was presented to the sister with the request that she give them to the mother of Lt. Lally.

O. J. AUMULLER, Secretary.

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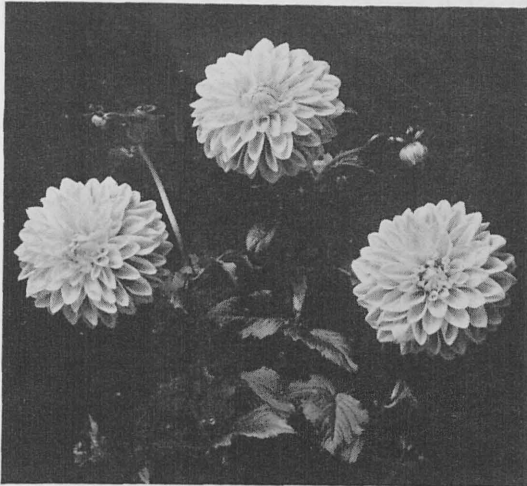
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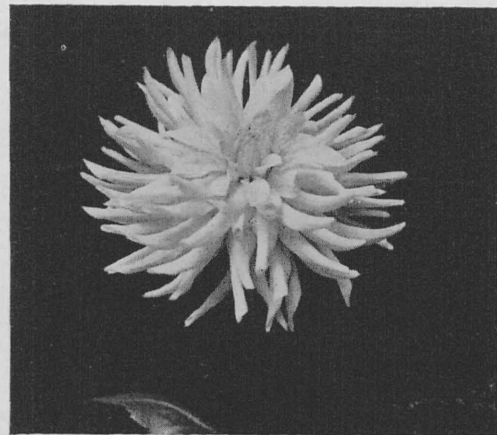
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KITSAP SHOW

The 21st annual dahlia show of the Kitsap County Dahlia Society was presented on September 15th and 16th at the new Civic Recreation Center, Bremerton, Wash.

For almost the first time, sufficient space was available without overcrowding, due not only to a more spacious display room, but to the efficient planning of N. S. McKamey and the Show Committee who had blue-printed their plan of arrangement.

One long table lined the wall completely around the room, broken only by the three entrances and the fireplace. The fifty foot table under the west windows was draped in black cloth, as were the six long tables in the center of the room, at right angles to it.

Venetian blinds kept out the direct sunlight and supplied the background for the baskets of exquisite blooms, all grown, arranged, and exhibited by members of the local society.

Uniform black containers displayed the entries of single blooms in the first fifty classes,—red, white or cream, pink, rose or salmon, yellow, orange or amber, lavender or mauve, purple variegated, and blended, of the five leading types,—Incurved Cactus, Straight or Recurved Cactus, Semi-Cactus, Formal Decorative, and Informal Decorative.

Thirty-six other classes were devoted to pompoms, miniatures, singles, and other types, with baskets, bowls, and arrangements, and to the seedlings. The general public found most pleasure in the artistic combinations of beautiful form and color, but dahlia enthusiasts lingered longest over the seedlings and the scores of single entries

which gave the judges from two to twenty competing blooms to select from in nearly all of the fifty possible classes.

Just inside the main entrance was the table displaying specially honored dahlias. "Mary Ellen Forhan", a grand, deep red semi-cactus, originated six years ago by Thomas Forhan, was (as in 1943) awarded the trophy as the best dahlia in the show. The "runner-up" was an immense flower of "Mayor Frank Otis", grown by Carl Chilson of Olympia, and in perfect condition. Exceeding it in measurements, but not so nearly perfect, was a deep bloom of the velvety red "Maffie", just under fifteen inches in diameter, shown by Pliny Allen. At its side stood Tom Forhan's tiny "Sweetzer's Baby", smallest dahlia shown.

"Lavender Lady", an incurved cactus with close rolled petals originated by Pliny Allen, took the blue ribbon in its class, and "Martha Churchill" in delicate salmon tones, with its long petals incurved and twisted, originated by R. P. Turnquist and exhibited by Robert Sinclair, won the award for the best dahlia in the incurved cactus section.

The end table devoted to seedlings was of great interest with its many beautiful and striking blooms. The A.D.S. medal went to N. S. McKamey's pink cactus of nearly eight inches diameter, with tightly rolled petals, its center blending into a soft yellow. This was from seed planted in 1945, while in the class for undissected dahlias two years old, George A. Hastings won with a white informal decorative about eight inches across.

Carl Chilson won the Sunset Magazine medal for the best three undissected dahlias three years old or more. The Novice section presented some very well grown dahlias, and the exhibit of dahlias arranged for table decorations was constantly surrounded by an admiring throng.

Distinguished visitors present were: J. H. DeVolder, president of the Dahlia Society of Portland, Ore., and Mrs. DeVolder; T. T. Swenson and Mrs. Swenson, Secretary of the Portland Society; Mr. and Mrs. Ferries, prominent dahlia growers, and Mr. Ferries is president of the Portland Chrysanthemum Society. A chrysanthemum show will be staged later in Bremerton, Leonard Wagner, the president of the Kitsap County Dahlia Society, being particularly devoted to these flowers, and enthusing many of the dahlia growers to produce wonderful chrysanthemums.

The judges of the Dahlia Show were from Seattle, with Mrs. F. S. Pomeroy, Mr. P. A. Schaeffer, and Arthur Davies teamed on individual flowers, while floral groups and arrangements were judged by the Mesdames Alex N. Gow, G. A. Christianson, and Felix Bowles.

MRS. M. H. BUCHANAN.

DELAWARE SHOW

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Our specimen blooms were a little under par this year due to a three-day northeaster which preceeded our show to the very day.

Some of the boys were completely ruined; but are determined to make a come-back next year.

We had the best Gladiolus display it has ever been the writers privilege to witness at a dahlia show. More power to you Glad. boys. The two flowers seem to go together naturally.

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The Hagerstown Dahlia Society held its Sixteenth Annual Dahlia and Flower Show September 27 and 28. The basement of the City Market resembled a flower garden where hundreds of choice blooms were on display. Despite the weather conditions the number of exhibits measured up to previous years and the colorings and varieties were outstanding. Attendance was the largest in the history of the sixteen shows of the Society.

A steady flow of flower lovers visited the show throughout the day and evenings and the S. B. Jaynes concert orchestra of 17 pieces was an attractive feature of the show. Miss Ida Diehl of Shady Grove, Pa., had a wonderful display of antique buttons.

Dahlias predominated but there were lovely arrangements of Marigolds, Roses, Zinnias, Gladiolus, Cosmos, Asters and Petunias. Tables displaying artistic arrangements was another delightful feature. Mr. Oscar R. Moses had the largest dahlia, a 1945 seedling, and Mr. Park W. Loy the best dahlia in the show, "Hunt's Velvet Wonder." Mr. Charles W. Zahn had the best yellow, bi-color and red; Mrs. Roy Polsgrove the best pink and Mr. A. H. Sherman the best purple bloom in the show.

Mr. Homer Grove had the best formal; Mrs. Roy Polsgrove the best informal and H. K. Ramsburg the best cactus in the 1945 introductions. Sweepstakes was won by Mr. Oscar R. Moser. Mr. Moser had the most entries in the show, with Mrs. Roy Polsgrove second and Mrs. H. C. Kuhn third. In the gladiolus class Miss Mamie Long captured the most prizes with Mr. E. B. Snyder, second. The out-door-grown rose class was the largest we have ever had yet. Mr. C. P. Gerrard came

out first with prizes with Mrs. Roy Polsgrove second. In the artistic miniature arrangement Mrs. C. P. Gerand won first prize with Mrs. H. K. Ramsburg second and Mrs. M. B. Keener third.

Judges included Prof. J. B. S. Norton from the University of Maryland; Mr. Henry J. Betz of Baltimore and Miss Mary Bester of Hagerstown, Md. Mr. Charles W. Zahn was show superintendent and H. K. Ramsburg, secretary. H. K. RAMSBURG, Secretary.

ROCHESTER SHOW

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Section C. Open to all. Clarence Meyer scored the greatest number of points in this section, and Howard Stephany's Pink Giant was judged the best bloom.

Special Awards: Best bloom in show: James Ross entered by Louis Eckel, winning the American Dahlia Society Bronze Medal Certificate and the Society's Stoyell Memorial Cup.

Largest bloom: Maffie entered by Clarence Meyer.

Smallest bloom: Betty Ann entered by Mrs. L. Cuddeback.

Sweepstakes winner: Clarence Meyer taking the President's Cup for most points in Section C, and A. H. MacAndrews won the Rochester Dahlia Society Silver cup for most points in Section A.

Another show is over, the committee is happy over the success of the project. This was made possible by the fine cooperation of all members who worked hard to make it worthwhile and the exhibitors who managed to enter fine flowers in spite of unfavorable weather.

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Portland Dahlia Society

The 18th Annual Show of the Portland Dahlia Society, held September 28th and 29th, was in many respects one of the best we have ever held. The beautiful floor displays, which took such a prominent part in our exhibits before the war were, of course, still missing, but the number of entries in the various classes, the quality of bloom and diversity of varieties made up a show that was unsurpassed in our history. The attendance was unusually large throughout the show and the first afternoon one could only move with the crowd.

Our president, J. H. DeVolder, was unable to take an active part, as he was just recuperating from a serious operation, but he is to be congratulated on his show chairman Past President P. F. Kershnik and Leander Anderson who, with their many assistants, did so much to make our show a success.

Henry A. White, florist and commercial grower, whose health has prevented him taking an active part for many years, entered the best dahlia in show, a superb bloom of "Grand Soleil D'or" and also won best basket with a beautiful showing of the same variety, as well as best basket small types, with "Tip", a Holland miniature.

Largest bloom was entered by Show Chairman, P. F. Kershnik, an immense perfect bloom of "Tops", so perfect in fact that extra judges had to be called in to decide between this bloom and "Grand Soleil D'or" for best in show.

Smallest perfect dahlia was "Tom Thumb", shown by Jim Rosenau.

Best dahlia in Amateur Section was "Pink Daily Mail", entered by J. R. Carpenter, while P. F. Kershnik carried off like honors in advanced amateurs with his "Tops". In the new entrants Mrs. Robert Curtis won best in Novice Section with "Valentino".

Sweepstakes winners in various sections were: Mrs. T. T. Swenson in Advanced Amateurs; Carlton A. Richter in Amateurs and Mrs. Zoe DeVolder in Novice Class.

One of the noticeable things in the entries were the number of late varieties shown in perfect condition in all sections. These included "Tops", "Jane Lausch", "Bataan", "Kitty Hawk" and others too numerous to mention in the large class, while many of the latest originations in both miniature and poms, both domestic and foreign, were in evidence and these were in amateur, not professional, entries. It is quite evident that our amateurs are rapidly discarding their old favorites for newer and better ones, although such old standards as "Jane Cow", "Jersey Dainty", (Note—what's happened to "Jersey Beauty"?) "Valentino", were among the blue ribbon winners. We wish it were possible to give a list of all the blue winners, for that is what our dahlia fans all want to know, but space (and the editor) prohibits.

We remarked that the commercial floor displays were lacking again this year, but our commercial growers were there with table displays. Henry A. White made a grand corner table display with many of his foreign importations, most of which were in the large types and all in perfect condition. These were all in basket or vase arrangements. In the corner directly opposite Robert Saunders showed giant blooms of domestic varieties, both new and old. The Compton Dahlia Gardens

brought an immense basket of beautiful "Eleanor Francis", which caused much comment from the visitors, while the Estacada Dahlia Gardens showed many of the latest Australian miniatures and poms in vases.

The 4-H Club School Exhibitors as usual had many entries, over one and twenty. The Kershnik award for best small dahlia was won by Barbara Rosenau, with a perfect bloom of "Little David", "Pompon" and the Francis C. Little Memorial Cup was awarded to Frances Hudziak on an entry of "Monarch of the East".

Many perfect specimens of Charles L. Mastick, internationally known dahlia of Portland origination, were displayed and the Charles L. Mastick Cup was won by Mrs. Earl Taylor.

In the Garden Club Section the blue went to the Peninsula Garden Club on a graceful arrangement of M. Pierre Lundeen, pink cactus, using autumn foliage in a shaded pottery pitcher. This was placed on a double oak standard resting on a dark brown mat with a yellow mat for background. Second honors in this section went to Multnomah Garden Club with an arrangement of orchid poms in an oblong container, using long sprays of heather for width and height and a figurine in the foreground.

In the Amateur Section the blue for "arrangements for men only" (wives not allowed to help) was won by P. F. Kershnik using Petit Sonne, L.C.K., and Doreen Crane with Bishop of Llandaff foliage skillfully placed in a shaded dark green to yellow pottery bowl.

The second in this class merits special mention. Earl Taylor, the local nimrod who in the past has been equally famous for both his fishing and hunting stories and the disgust with which he has looked on his wife's dahlia hobby apparently ventured into the patch sans his usual guard of disdainful superciliousness and got bit by the bug. First aid measures usually adopted by members of the fishing fraternity proved unavailing. Faithful to his first love however, he showed up with an arrangement of red poms perkily parked in the center of the frying pan he uses in camp for the fish he cannot let the game warden see. Despite such shocking disregard of the points usually considered in selecting a "container" Earl now has a red ribbon to prove his winning was not just a fish story.

Space and the editor prohibits mentioning but a few of the complimentary arrangements shown by other organizations. The Men's Garden Club were represented by a large brown basket containing a fine arrangement of Charles L. Mastick with a cluster of orange poms for contrast and height attained by using long stems of brown seed pods.

The Camelia Society used a white vase containing white miniatures and white snapdragons with a cluster of red miniatures on one side at the base. The vase was placed on a white mat and was backgrounded by a white scroll.

The Oregon Orchid Society used a Mexican rug for a background and a Mexican treasure chest overflowing with pompons in harmonizing colors. A cloth of gold drape outlined one side of the rug and concealed the support of the treasure chest. A Dean Collin's poem "A Field of Dahlias", printed in gilt on harmonizing paper, was a fitting contribution to this arrangement.

The Sunset Achievement Medal for best undeseminated dahlia was awarded to T. G. Keechle for an immense red semi-cactus.

1946 Honor Roll Dahlias

CLARIAM DAWN, F.D.—10x5 (Wolbert-Rocky River). Rich autumn shades of deep gold. A fine exhibition variety. Winner of the Viers Cup for the "best seedling in the entire show" at the Midwest Show at Cleveland. American Home Achievement Medal at Louisville. On Midwest and Eastern Honor Rolls.

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CHEADLE PARK, S.C.—10x5 (Eccleston-Rocky River). Very dark, reddish-purple with lighter purple on the reverse of petals. A very free bloomer. Classified as a purple, it will compete in a class which has long been weak at shows. On Western and Midwest Honor Rolls.

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HIAWATHA, S.C.—10x5 (Devney-Rocky River). A clear, deep yellow of excellent formation and substance. Extra long stems. Tall plant. Certificate of Merit at East Lansing in 1944. On Western Honor Roll.

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MRS. E. J., St.C.—6x4 (Rocky River). Clear, brilliant pink with white at centers and very lightly tipped white. Exceptionally good substance. Named in honor of our faithful helper and silent partner, Mrs. E. J. Wind. Winner of three Certificates of Merit in 1945 as follows: Storrs with a score of 85; East Lansing, 85.3; Cincinnati, 85.8. On Eastern Honor Roll.

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MRS. HESTER A. PAPE, I.D.—12x5 (Pape-Rocky River). A really big fellow which will be hard to beat on the show table. Color is reddish-purple. Has been a consistent winner in "red", and "purple" classes in open-to-all competition. American Home Achievement Medal winner at Cleveland and Baltimore and tied for this medal at East Liverpool. Plants are tall. A good grower and profuse bloomer. This is a variety that any one can grow. On Western and Midwest Honor Rolls.

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DOUBLE VICTORY, M.S.C.—(Goddard-Rocky River). An outstanding miniature of carmine red with serrated petals. A good grower and producer of many fine specimen blooms. Has many winnings to its credit including the American Home Achievement Medal at East Liverpool in 1944 where it defeated two fine large Honor Roll varieties. On Western Honor Roll in 1944 and Eastern Honor Roll in 1945.

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The Ohio Valley Dahlia Show

The Ohio Valley Dahlia Association held its 1945 show at the Westwood Town Hall, in suburban Cincinnati, with an amazing number of new entrants, and a fine collection of blooms. An unusually adverse season led many to believe that the show would not live up to the expectations for the O.V.D.A., but it will take a worse season than this to stop the spirit that wins in the Ohio Valley.

Since no admission fees were charged either from visitors or from those entering dahlias, the schedule and prize list had to be limited. This worked to very good advantage as there were only two divisions for entrants, those growing under 100 hills of large dahlias, and the open-to-all.

The quality of blooms was good compared with other shows which we saw. Many of the new members are particularly interested in artistic arrangements so there were a large number of baskets, and vases, beautifully arranged. Mrs. Scott, one of the talented members of the O.V.D.A. entered 14 corsages, featuring dahlia, and each was "prettier than the other."

The Cincinnati Park Board, under the skillful hands of Mr. Robert Seibel, furnished at least fifteen baskets and bowls of dahlias grown in Ault Park. Two large floor baskets of Blue Horizon, cut Friday, were still in excellent shape Sunday night when the show closed. Being particularly fond of red dahlias your reporter was thrilled by Cherokee Brave, shown in a white vase. I have noted that there is a strong feeling among Cincinnati fans for cactus dahlias. This, no doubt, accounts for the heavy showing in all colors of the cactus classes. Mr. Seibel says baskets of Reile and Lucky were among those receiving most attention from admiring visitors.

Mr. Wind of Rocky River Garden had two entries of his new dahlia, Mrs. Hester A. Pape five blooms were entered in the informal decorative class for five or more blooms and certainly deserved the blue ribbon then received and no doubt, would have been given further recognition, if there had been additional prizes for such entries. Three blooms of these dahlias undisseeded class held up well and were very beautiful. Rocky River entry of straight cactus dahlias, pink lighted at the center with white, were the talk of all who saw them. All five blooms were in good condition at the end of the show, and one bloom, which was included in an assortment taken home by a visitor after the show, was still in fair shape on Tuesday.

E. R. Heitzman won sweepstakes in the open-to-all section with A. L. Weller as runner-up. The winners in the amateur group were Louis Deckelmeier, sweepstakes, and Martin Abel as runner-up. New dahlias—new members—and renewed enthusiasm, lead your reporter to look forward to a finer show than ever next year.

FERNE MOFFETT, Show Secretary.
(Mrs. Raymond H. Moffett)

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A.D.S. Annual Dinner.....January 19, 1946
A.D.S. ShowSept. 24-25, 1946

Notes From 'Val' Viers' Garden

In my garden this year I had Mrs. Hester Pape—a Red informal usually, but comes semi-cactus sometimes—winner of three American Home Achievement medals, possibly more. H. H. Robins and Harold Gallimore, both great dahlia growers, say it is the best Red they ever grew. Sunburst, a pure yellow informal early in the year, but for me it is autumn shade late in the season. It is a winner of the American Home Achievement medal and other awards; the originator is W. E. Smith, Parkersburg, W. Va. Myra Phillips, a white sent to me by L. L. Hook, Grand Rapids, Michigan, in my opinion, is the most artistic dahlia I ever saw. The bush here was small but Mr. Hook informs me it usually grows to 5 or 6 feet. The last bloom here was 12½ inches and the stem was perfect. Coral Cactus was originated by Pat Bennett, St. Louis, Missouri; the color is Old Rose with coral center; stems and foliage are good. It is a very early and prolific bloomer and will add greatly to the cactus class under 8 inches. Cheadle Park, originated by Jack Eccleston, East Liverpool, Ohio, is a velvety red with touches of silver on the outer edges of the petals. It is a semi-cactus with good stems and foliage; it is on Col. Eddie's Honor Roll and has won many awards in the last two years, but has not been exhibited much this year owing to the illness of Mr. Eccleston. It can be grown to 12 inches. Mr. Pape has one here that has been much admired. The name is "Brushfire". The name describes the color. It is a 12-inch cactus and just about as deep. The stem is none too long but it has class. Dr. Del Mar and his wife from Toronto, Canada, thought it was the best dahlia at Cleveland. "White Angel", another dahlia from Mr. Pape, is a great white informal. It has been described as a formal to me, but here it is a real informal. Last but not least is a red formal miniature, originated by Paul Goddard of Salinesville, Ohio; it won the American Home Achievement Medal at East Liverpool three years ago and many other awards that year and last year. I had other great dahlias here but they will not be disseminated this year. My dahlias were a month later blooming this year and some on trial did not bloom. The first part of the season the leaf hoppers got out of control. Later I sprayed with Dupont Deenate W. 25, D.D.T.; two and a half tablespoons to the gallon or two and a half pounds to the hundred gallons. It certainly does the work for leaf hoppers and Tarnish Bugs.

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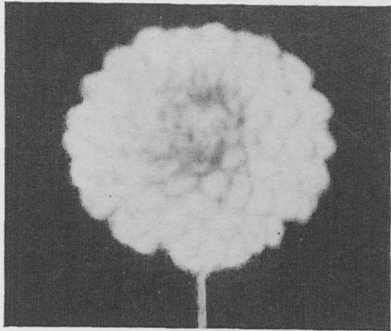
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Every year we throw out our chests and brag about the lovely natural surroundings of the spacious Phipps Conservatory. There is no need for crowding, and we can spill water freely on the floors without dire consequences (don't you wish *you* could say as much?), also our blooms have a beautiful natural green background, far superior, we think, to a large oblong or square auditorium. Our hosts, the conservatory staff, are outstanding in their gracious cooperation, so that it becomes a pleasure to hold our show within their high glass domes. True quality was in evidence all through our show this year. We only wish more of our dahlia friends from other organizations could have been here to see our show, and we sincerely hope that by another year the war will be far enough in the background so that many more friends can attend.

Our schedule of 375 classes covered every possible type of entry for both open to all and amateur divisions. It was planned with special consideration for the small grower, and most classes had a fair number of entries. Our judges did a careful, fair job of awarding prizes with the following results:

American Home Achievement Medal Certificate, won by Mr. Ed. Ritter's blooms of *Miss Verona*, an informal decorative bi-color, 8 inches, white with tanish pink center.

The American Dahlia Society Silver Medal Certificate, by Mrs. C. E. Sevner for Grand Sweepstakes; Mr. J. D. Ross was runner up.

Largest Most Perfect Bloom. Mr. A. G. Banks' bloom of *Ogden Reed*.

Smallest Bloom. Mrs. C. E. Stoner's bloom of "*Clover*".

Besides cash awards given by the Society, prizes of roots or cash were given by Mr. Henry Ritzer, Mrs. C. E. Stoner, Mrs. L. D. Hislop, Mr. J. D. Ross, Mr. R. D. Motznic and Mr. S. M. Holt.

All real dahlia enthusiasts like to know the outstanding prize winners, so we list the following varieties that won special awards:

Mary Taylor, Stephen Foster, Maffie, Michigan White, Irene Dunn, World Event, Jersey Beauty, Suntan, Dahliamum, Kentucky, Superintendent Amryhn, Snowcrest, Zenith, White City, Miss Verona, Wosal, Bataan,

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Again, in closing, let us say that we are proud of our 1945 Eighth Annual Show and extend a cordial invitation to one and all to come to our 1946 Ninth Annual Show, for we have them better and bigger each successive year.

ELIZABETH F. HISLOP, Secretary.

A. D. S. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Nominating Committee presents a slate for 1946 as listed on the ballot which is printed as a Supplement to this issue.

Active members in good standing shall be entitled to cast two votes. Sustaining and life members, the same.

Participating members shall be members of Branch Societies who have been duly accepted into membership by the Executive Committee. Each Participating Member shall have one vote.

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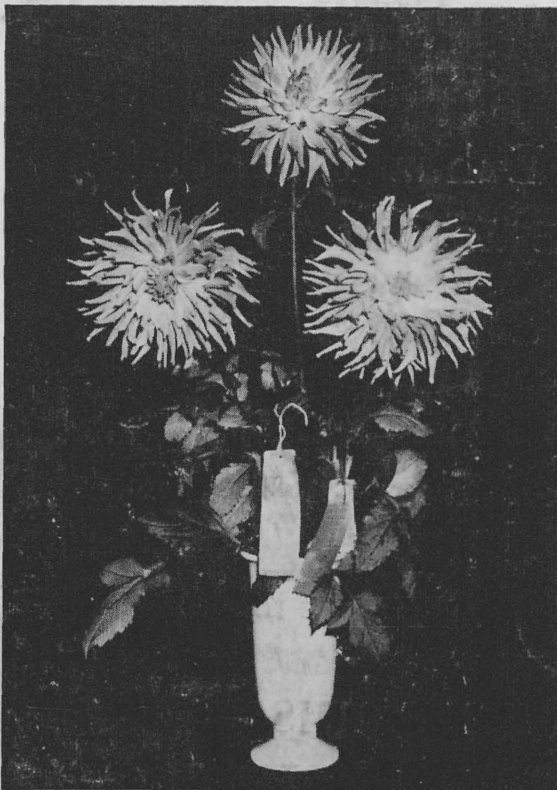
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