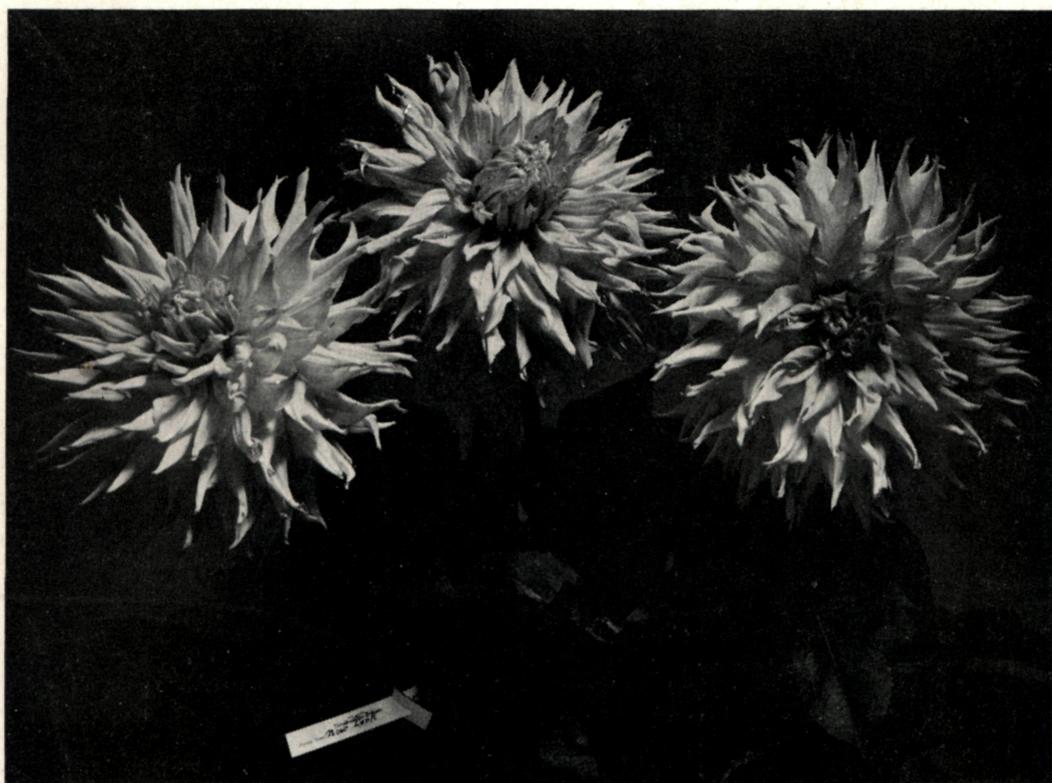


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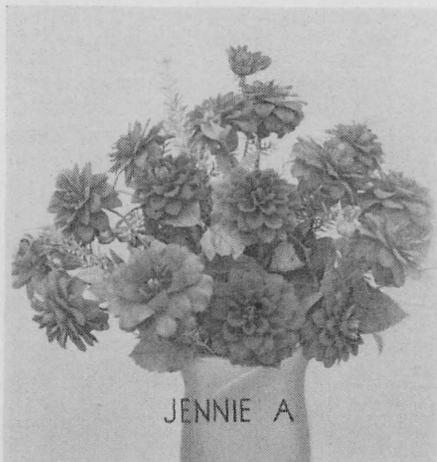
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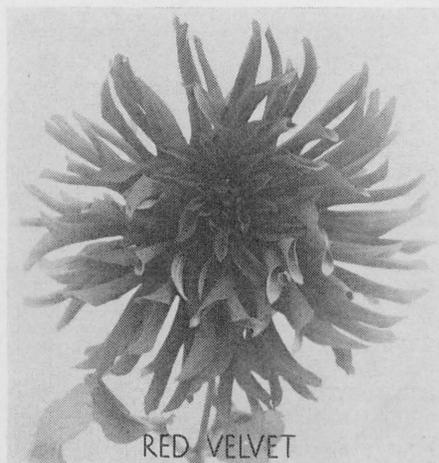


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# 34th Annual Exhibition of the American Dahlia Society Big Success

An all together lovely spectacle was the 34th Annual Exhibition of our Society held September 21st and 22nd at the Hotel Pennsylvania in New York City.

Capably directed by President Leo Pollak, the Show was managed by Henry A. Olsen who again demonstrated what careful planning means to the success of such a large undertaking. The momentous details were handled so smoothly leaving nothing wanting—and it is a very big job.

Judging under Connie Frey's chairmanship was completed so the doors were opened in advance of the scheduled time.

The show was replete with fine things—it was one of the finest in A.D.S. history. There was a weakness in the number of exhibits of Poms and Miniatures but aside from this any dahlia lover could find completeness of interest as one sauntered up and down the aisles.

The Louis B. Tim exhibit, illustrated in this issue proved a focal point for many. New plastic containers made especially to order for this exhibit enhanced the lovely picture. Well grown and artfully staged miniatures, cactus and medium dahlias, many exclusive foreign importations were noted. It was the gold medal winner.

Runner-up was a fine display of the Long Island Dahlia Society in memory of the late Ernest E. Tooker. The blossoms were brought in from the Trial Gardens at Farmingdale, L. I., which project was close to Mr. Tooker's heart. The blooms were magnificent, some of the finest in the entire show.

Last year our friends, the War Veterans from the hospital at Northport L. I., told us when accepting their Silver Cup award, that they would return in 1948 with a bigger and better display. They kept their word! This beautiful display was enjoyed from the moment the show opened and until the closing hour the next night. A large group of the men journeyed in to be with us and we appreciated their interest. If any of our amateur growers have a little surplus stock of newer varieties, this is a fine project to aid. Get in touch with Drew Mulcahy, who will be glad to see that such stock gets in the proper hands by propagating time. Yes, the men have a greenhouse and know how to propagate dahlias!

A.D.S. Gold Medals were awarded to Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens and Parella Dahlia Gardens for their fine displays featuring principally the introductions of these two growers.

Never in recent years were the judges so confounded in finding a winner in the American Home Achievement class. Five entries were all considered worthy of introduction. The medal was awarded to three thirteen inch blooms of *New Look*—the grand yellow informal decorative of Martin Guttler of Elmont, L. I. It will be introduced by Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens.

The judges decided that the other four Dahlias were such close runners-up that each was awarded an A.D.S. Gold Medal Certificate. It should be noted that the three large blooms of *New Look* were fresh and fine even at the close of the show—the second day—no bloom required replacing.

The Gold Medal Certificate winners were *Bride's Bouquet*, white formal decorative exhibited by Edward O'Keefe; *Edna D*, red straight cactus exhibited by C. M. Diffenderffer; *King Size*, red incurved cactus exhibited by Stanley Johnson and *Marilyn Dale*, lavender straight cactus exhibited by G. C. Molleneaux.

The flower grower silver bowl—The Leonard Barron Memorial Award went to *Clariam Fancy*, a beautiful medium sized yellow with old rose reverse dahlia exhibited by Roy W. Webb.

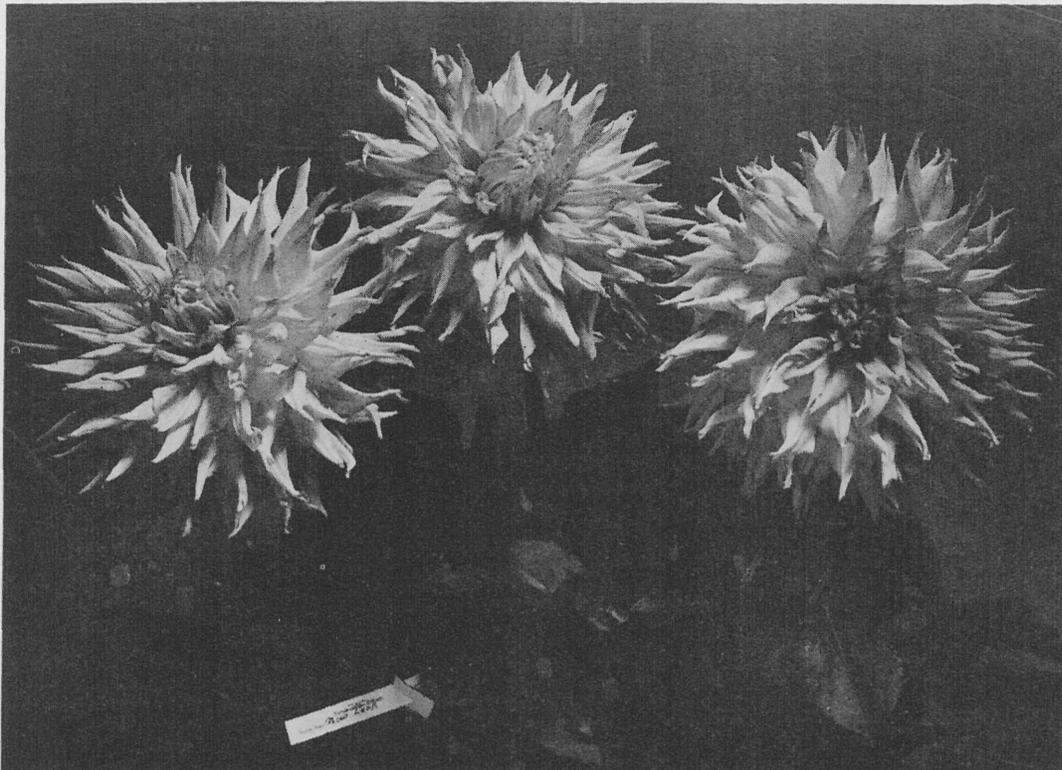
A collector exhibit of many varieties from several growers in Holland was flown here and exhibited by the Dutch Dahlia Society. The A.D.S. Gold Medal Certificate was awarded to this display with a special recognition for a group called *Topmix*. These are tiny single flowers not more than an inch wide including their daisy like yellow center. Quite a range of colors were shown in this assortment grown by F. Topvoort of Akmeer.

The first contest of the Court of Honor Class for the beautiful Silver Cup of the Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society coaxed several very fine entries. The most nearly perfect, largest bloom was a great specimen of *Maffie* grown by Dr. Fred Knocke of New York City. In the opinion of many competent judges from various sections of the country, this was the most perfect specimen of *Maffie* they had ever seen. The bloom was 13 inches across but the top petals were as long as the bottom, the entire bloom resting on an absolutely perfect stem pulpit like—no tilt whatsoever. Ask the Doctor

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Louis B.  
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Delight"  
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Winner in hotly contested American Home Achievement Medal Class.  
 "NEW LOOK"—Yellow Informal of Martin Guttler

about his unique method of trussing this bud to produce such splendid results.

The competitive classes contained countless blooms of superior quality.

Sweepstakes in Section A for Novices was won by Harvard Rivel, Hillside, N. J.

Some very creditable exhibits won coveted ribbons for Mrs. S. Gluck, Lawrence, L. I. We think Mrs. Gluck will carry off some of the prizes in "B" next year.

Mrs. A. C. Dod won sweepstakes in Section B (Amateur). Some of Dr. Ward Cook's cactus varieties were particularly good. In medium and large, Chester Nelson won with some very fine specimens, his *Axford Triumph* taking special and his *Mrs. Hester Pape* largest and most perfect bloom. He captured sweepstakes for medium and large.

Dr. Fred J. Knocke's entries (nearly a hundred in all) dominated Section C where he won sweepstakes. How few of us realize what such an undertaking entails! Ernest Lewis provided plenty of competition in the "medium" sized classes—winning many blues with his wonderful clean flowers—these exhibits have become an important part of our show.

In the large flowering, Edward O'Keefe continued to walk off with many firsts and specials. Ed's blooms were as big as usual and clean. He is a top notch grower and a skilled competitor. When the show broke down it was noted that many of his largest blooms as well as those of Dr. Knocke, Mrs. L. M. Ogden, George

Yeager and Dr. Bruce B. Preas were in very good condition. Dr. Preas again won with his yellow seedling, which is a grand flower. Sweepstakes of Miniatures and Pompons was won by A. Pietruszkiewicz—watch out for Tony in large and medium next year!!

Mrs. L. M. Ogden was sweepstakes winner for Private Estates. Special in this section was won by Mrs. A. B. Stout with "Anne Tooker", the spectacular white informal.

The Ray Smith Memorial Award offered by President Leo L. Pollak, through the Dahlia Society of New Jersey for the best Dahlia of New Jersey origins, was won by Dr. Fred J. Knocke with splendid specimens of *Crowning Glory*.

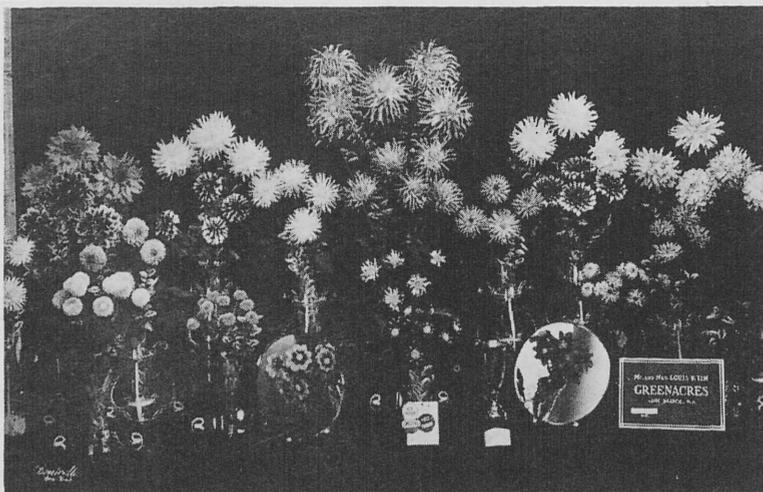
List of awards is as follows:

### Garden Club Section

Many beautiful exhibits in the Garden Club Section showed the growing interest and skill in dahlia culture of amateurs and new growers of this, queen of autumn flower.

While the large varieties of dahlias are still taking an important place at the show, it is evidenced that the trend leads towards the miniatures. For large and decorative blooms, the winners were *Silver Glamour*, a lavender and white blend, *Rudolph's Giant*, still an old favorite in the autumn class, *Arelda Lloyd*, a fine yellow, *Kelvin*,

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### Stunning Non Commercial Winning Display of Mr. and Mrs. Louis B. Tim

which won the tri-color for the best dahlia in this section, and *California Idol* another dependable and distinctive yellow. In the semi-cactus class, *Moyna*, a pink, and *Maffie*, rich red, were the winners. *Jersey's Dainty* was the best in the cactus class. *Moeder Haartsen* won the blue ribbon for miniature variety, and *Valda*, a small purple pompon, took first in that class. *Michigan Orchid*, a lavender variety and *D-Day*, a pink, also won top honors.

For the first time ever exhibited in this section, was a tiny green dahlia, shown in the educational class of general interest to the public. Not more than an inch in diameter, this little rosette of green, the Botanical Dahlia, *Verdiflora*, held the interest of many spectators who were convinced by its foliage, that this was really a dahlia, accompanied by another Botanical Dahlia, *Merkii*. The container in which these were shown, was a dried dahlia root, through which were placed small vessels of water for holding the stems of these unusual specimens. Placed on a mirror plaque, this was surrounded by soft, earthy green moss, making the entire exhibit one of exceptional interest and attraction, since it won the tri-color for special educational exhibits.

In the arrangement classes, as usual, the exhibitors displayed splendid talent in showing many valuable and useful ways for practical needs of dahlias and other garden and native flowers and plant materials.

For contrasted harmony, red and white bi-colors were well balanced in an oval, pottery bowl, while complementary harmony displayed cleverly, the use of *La Terre* dahlia with white pine foliage in a green pillow container, placed on a black base. This dahlia was also shown in *Pyra canta* brass, taking first place for metal container. One of the most refreshing and dainty exhibits on the table, showed in copper, the exquisitely delicate, peach, incurved, cactus blooms, *Virginia Pollak*. Placed on a brown plaque, irregularly carved, a copper container held rosy bronze pompons with bronze barberry foliage.

The outstanding dahlia arrangement winning the tri-color, was aptly made by the adept fingers of Mrs. George

Green, whose skillful arrangements have won many awards for her over a long period of years. Each year, her newest creations at our show, attract much attention and enthusiasm for her splendid natural use of material. She had carefully placed a low, white, oblong, pottery bowl on a black plaque, balancing in this, white miniatures, *Geneva Crystal White*, intermingled with enonymous vine.

Mixing dahlias with gladiolus requires skill to get a pleasing effect, but this was well achieved by Mr. Conover, with *La Terre* dahlias and rosy colored gladiolus with yew foliage in a low, blue-green, pottery container.

Wild cucumber with steeple bush in a low, fluted, green, pottery bowl, showed good technique and originality in use of material with moss concealing holder of plant material. Crescent styles in arrangements are still popular as was well demonstrated by the use of rosy pink gladiolus and yew in a low, red, pottery container.

A simple, yet dignified use of a basket with roses, won a blue ribbon for Mrs. Purdue, who artistically displayed a pleasing combination of dainty floribunda roses, *Smiles*, a newly patented variety, with a design that followed the basket handle.

The tri-color arrangement for other material than dahlias, was won by Mrs. Conover, who also for many years has brought some of the finest and most original uses of all sorts of plant materials, where they are eagerly viewed by the general public. Her fine sense of color and good balance, her splendid use of extraordinarily common materials, along with rare and distinctive specimens, have not only been inspirational and exceptional attractions, but will long be remembered as educational memories of an extremely gifted and talented person. In this tri-color exhibit, in a low, pink, pottery bowl, her use of tints and tones of lavender and pink with *Liliputian* and large flowering zinnias interspersed with feathery pink bamboo, was a clever piece of artistry.

GEORGENA HUMBLE, Chairman,  
Garden Club Section



TYPICAL JUDGES' TEAM—Left to right—Edward Hardecker, Clerk; W. L. Elkins, Dr. Bruce Preas and E. Warden, Judges

The committee who served at this show and achieved its great success were: Mrs. C. V. Smith, assistant chairman; Mrs. Harry Swain, Mrs. Jules E. Rosenthal, Mrs. Walter J. Purdue, Mrs. George Green, Mrs. E. S. Bulluss, Miss Janet R. Johnston, Mrs. Walter Pollak.

The prize winners were as follows:

## SHOW WINNERS

### SECTION A (Novice)

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

1st—Harvard W. Rivel, Hillside, N. J., *Bedford Beauty and Moder Ballego*.  
2nd—Mrs. S. Gluck, Lawrence, L. I.

DECORATIVE—FORMAL OR INFORMAL—3 BLOOMS, B-MEDIUM, ANY COLOR OR COLORS

1st—Harvard W. Rivel, *Ruby Glow*.

DECORATIVE—FORMAL OR INFORMAL—3 BLOOMS, A-LARGE, ANY COLOR OR COLORS

1st—H. W. Rivel, *Carl Dahl, Kelvin & Ogden Reid*.

POMPONS—5 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS

1st—Mrs. S. Gluck, *Little Edith*.

ANY OTHER TYPE—5 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS

1st—Mrs. S. Gluck, *Seedling*.

SWEEPSTAKES IN SECTION A

Harvard W. Rivel.

### SECTION B (Amateur)

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

White—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Snowball*; 2nd: Mrs. Anna C. Dod, *Snowball*.

Yellow—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Allegresse, Refuge, Yellow Princess*, 2nd: Mrs. A. C. Dod, *Marietta E.*

Dark Red—1st: Larry Heslin, *Ohio Beautiful*.

Pink—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Susie*.

Lavender—1st: Mrs. A. C. Dod, *Bedford Beauty*. 2nd: Frances Digi, *Bedford Beauty*.

Purple—1st: Larry Heslin, *Zenith*.

Lt. Blend—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Loveliness*.

Bi-Color—1st: Wm. Tilton, *Brioso*.

5 Blooms—1st: Larry Heslin, *Lovely Jewel, Bedford Beauty and Zenith*. 2nd: Dr. Ward Cook, *Miss Wahrunga, Coral Cactus, and Snowball*.

Special—Dr. Ward Cook, *Snowball*.

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

White or Yellow—1st: H. W. Rivel, *Gay*.

Lt. Red or Dark Red—1st: H. W. Rivel, *Ruby Glow*. 2nd: Dr. Ward Cook, *Deep Velvet*.

Pink or Lavender—1st: Frances Digi.

Bi-Color or Variegated—1st: Mrs. A. C. Dod, *Wanda Meade*.

5 Blooms—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Deep Velvet and Sparkler*.

Special—H. W. Rivel, *Gay*.

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

White—1st: Emil Berzau, *Edith Willkie*. 2nd: Dr. Ward Cook, *Edith Willkie*.

Yellow—1st: Chester Nelson, *Hiawatha*. 2nd: H. W. Rivel, *Almina*.

Autumn—1st: E. Berzau, *Magnificent*. 2nd: Dr. W. Cook, *Ronnie Lee*.

Lt. Red—1st: Larry Heslin, *Maffie*. 2nd: Francis Digi, *Maffie*.

Dark Red—1st: Chester Nelson, *Virginia Rute*. 2nd: Harry Franks, *Black Monarch*.

Pink—1st: Larry Heslin, *Pink Flamingo*. 2nd: E. Berzau, *Greater Glory*.

Lavender—1st: H. W. Rivel, *Essie Smith*. 2nd: Chester Nelson, *Concurrent*.

Lt. Blend—1st: Chester Nelson, *Noble Glory*. 2nd: Mrs. A. C. Dod, *Rhythm*.

Other Blend—1st: E. Berzau, *Gen. Pershing*. 2nd: Chester Nelson, *Buccaneer*.

Bi-Color—1st: Larry Heslin, *Jane Lausche*. 2nd: H. W. Rivel, *Jane Smith*.

3 Blooms—1st: Larry Heslin, *Jane Lausche and Dandy Snow*. 2nd: A. J. Mulcahy, *Dandy Snow and Stephen H.*

Special—Chester Nelson, *Virginia Rute*.

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

White—1st: E. Berzau, *The Real Glory*. 2nd: Chester Nelson, *Renee*.

Yellow—1st: E. Berzau, *Xantine*.

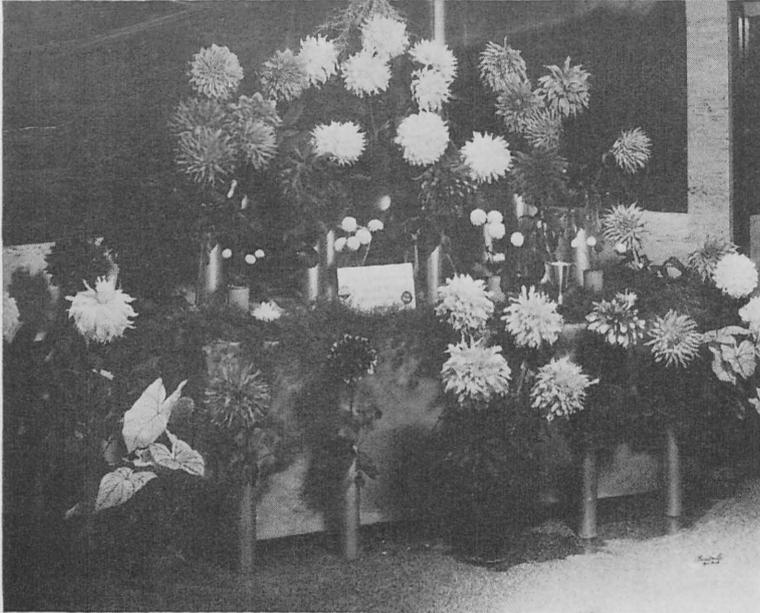
Dark Red—1st: Wm. Tilton, *Stellaette*. 2nd: Chester Nelson, *Stellaette*.

Purple—1st: Mrs. A. C. Dod, *Deep Purple*. 2nd: Mrs. E. Peterson, *Deep Purple*.

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CLARIAM FANCY—Roy Webb's winning entry for the coveted cup





Ernest E. Tooker  
Memorial Exhibit,  
staged by the  
Long Island Dahlia Society

Lt. Blend—1st: Mrs. A. C. Dod, *Five Star General*. 2nd: Mrs. G. Yager, *WAAC*.  
Bi-Color—1st: A. J. Mulcahy, *Francis H.* 2nd: E. Berzau, *Phantom*.  
Variegated—1st: Mrs. E. Peterson, *Dixie Winedot*.  
Special—E. Berzau, *The Real Glory*.

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

White—1st: Dr. Bruce Preas, *Anne Tooker*. 2nd: Chester Nelson, *Mother's Day*.  
Yellow—1st: Chester Nelson, *California Idol*. 2nd: Mrs. A. C. Dod, *Nobby's Light*.  
Autumn—1st: F. Kurzenknab, *Rita Wells*. 2nd: Chester Nelson, *Axford Triumph*.  
Dark Red—1st: E. Berzau, *Murphy's Masterpiece*. 2nd: Larry Heslin, *Murphy's Masterpiece*.  
Pink—1st: Harry Frank, *Kelvin*. 2nd: Wm. Tilton, *Pink Elephant*.  
Lavender—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Robert Ripley*. 2nd: Mrs. A. C. Dod, *John W. Sherwood*.  
Purple—1st: Chester Nelson, *Mrs. Hester Pape*. 2nd: Harry Frank, *Mrs. Hester Pape*.  
Lt. Blend—1st: Chester Nelson, *The Great Divide*.  
Other Blend—1st: E. Berzau, *Autumn Blaze*. 2nd: Francis Digi, *Silver Glamour*.  
Variegated—1st: Chester Nelson, *Dixie Winedot*. 2nd: Roy E. Sargent, *Dixie Winedot*.  
3 Blooms—1st: Chester Nelson, *Mrs. Hester Pape*. 2nd: Mrs. A. C. Dod, *Sunrays*.  
Special—Chester Nelson, *Axford Triumph*.  
Largest and most nearly perfect bloom—Chester Nelson, *Mrs. Hester Pape*.  
Sweepstakes—Medium and large—Chester Nelson.

MINIATURES—ANY TYPE—5 BLOOMS

White—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Geneva Crystal White*. 2nd: Roy E. Sargent, *Miss Innocence*.  
Yellow—1st: Harry Frank, *Little Lemon Drop*. 2nd: Mr. A. C. Dod, *Little Lemon Drop*.  
Lt. Red—1st: E. Berzau, *Jubilant*. 2nd: Mrs. A. C. Dod, *Jubilant*.  
Dark Red—1st: Harry Frank, *Dubonnet*. 2nd: Mrs. A. C. Dod, *Dubonnet*.  
Pink—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Bright Lass*. 2nd: Mrs. A. C. Dod, *Bright Lass*.  
Lavender—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Nellie Shea*.  
Purple—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Fuschia Gem*.  
Lt. Blend—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Bo-Bo*. 2nd: Mrs. A. C. Dod, *Ann Z.*  
Bi-Color—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Ricky*.  
Special—Harry Frank, *Little Lemon Drop*.

POMPONS—5 BLOOMS

White—1st: Marie Schnugg, *Bob White*. 2nd: Harry Frank, *Mrs. J. Telfer*.  
Yellow—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Brass Button*. 2nd: Marie Schnugg, *Little Jackie*.

Orange—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Gold Dust*. 2nd: H. W. Rivel, *Atom*.  
Autumn—1st: Mrs. W. C. Stange, *Edith Muller*. 2nd: Roy E. Sargent, *Amber Glow*.  
Dark Red—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Ila*. 2nd: C. Schneider, *Ebony*.  
Pink—1st: Mrs. A. C. Dod, *Rosegay*. 2nd: Mrs. Stange, *Rosegay*.  
Lavender—1st: Harry Frank, *Dec Dec*. 2nd: Dr. Ward Cook, *Rhonda*.  
Purple—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Miss Marjorie*. 2nd: Harry Frank, *Miss Marjorie*.  
Lt. Blend—1st: Harvard Rivel, *Clover*. 2nd: Harry Frank, *Little Nell*.  
Other Blend—1st: Marie Schnugg, *Little Edith*. 2nd: Dr. Ward Cook, *Little Edith*.  
Bi-Color—1st: Mrs. A. C. Dod, *Eileen*.  
Arrangement of Pompons—1st: Mrs. A. C. Dod, *Ebony and Ila*.  
Special—Marie Schnugg, *Bob White*.  
Ball Dahlias—3 blooms—1st: Mrs. A. C. Dod, *Rosy Dawn*.  
Single Dahlias—5 blooms—1st: Marie Schnugg, *Purity*. 2nd: Mrs. A. C. Dod, *Gay Lassie*.  
Collarette Dahlias—5 blooms—1st: Harvard Rivel, *Locierva*. 2nd: E. Berzau, *Dad's Favorite*.  
Orchid Flowering Dahlias—Arrangement—1st: E. Berzau.  
Sweepstakes—Miniature & Pompons: Mrs. A. C. Dod.  
Vase or Basket—7 to 15 blooms—Medium—1st: H. W. Rivel.  
Vase or Basket—5 to 10 blooms—large—1st: Mrs. A. C. Dod.  
Grand Sweepstakes in Section B: Mrs. A. C. Dod.

SECTION C (Open to all)

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

White—1st: E. Lewis, *Snowball*. 2nd: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Snowball*.  
Yellow—1st: Harry W. Miller, *Gary E.* 2nd: E. Lewis, *Gary E.*  
Orange—1st: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Nagel's Orange*.  
Lt. Red—1st: E. Lewis, *Mother Ballego and Dulcinea*.  
Dr. Red—1st: E. Lewis, *Hawaii*.  
Pink—1st: E. Lewis, *Mrs. E. J.* 2nd: E. Lewis, *Mad. Elizabeth Sawyer*. 3rd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Julius Bunge*.  
Lavender—1st: E. Lewis, *Bedford Beauty*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Mme. C. Jussiant*.  
Purple—1st: E. Lewis, *Zenith*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Zenith*. 3rd: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Zenith*.  
Lt. Blend—1st: E. Lewis, *Lonely Jewel*. 2nd: E. Lewis, *Miss San Diego*.  
Bi-Color—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Flash*.  
Special—E. Lewis, *Mrs. E. J.*

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

White or Yellow—1st: A. Pietruszkiewicz, *Michigan White*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Michigan White*.  
Orange or Autumn—1st: E. Lewis, *Rockley Orange*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Michigan Radiance*.  
Pink or Lavender—1st: A. Parrella, *Dorothy Schmidt*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Susie*.

Purple—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Lambert's Violet*.  
 Blends—1st: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Seedling*. 2nd: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Rena Masi*. 3rd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Lovely Jewel*.  
 Bi-Color or Variegated—1st: E. Lewis, *Seedling*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Sport of Michigan Radiance*.  
 5 blooms—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Purple Knight*, *Lovely Jewel* and *Michigan White*.  
 Special—Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Seedling*.

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

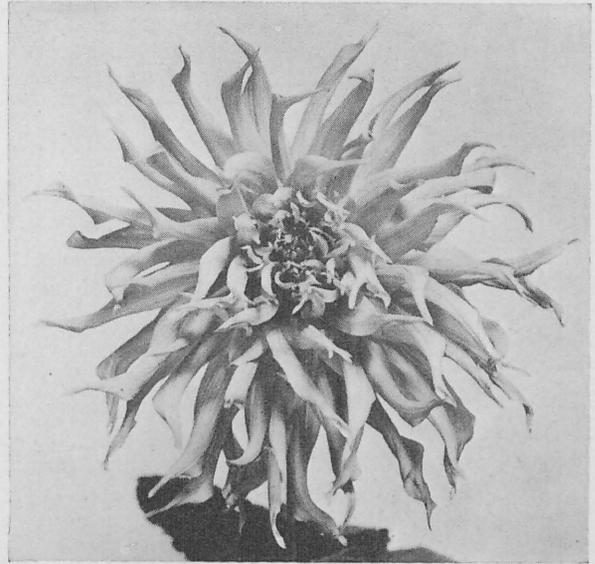
White or Yellow—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Sparkler*. 2nd: Mr. L. M. Ogden, *Bobby A*. 3rd: A. Parrella, *Gay*.  
 Red—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Deep Velvet*.  
 Pink or Lavender—1st: A. Parrella, *Frances Archer*. 2nd: A. Parrella, *D. Day*. 3rd: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Frances Archer*.  
 Purple—1st: A. Parrella, *Ruby Glow*.  
 Blends—1st: E. Lewis, *Sunnyside*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Lakeside Beauty*. 3rd: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *No. 99*.  
 Bi-Color or Variegated—1st: A. Parrella, *Gypsy Girl*.  
 5 blooms—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Sparkler* and *Deep Velvet*.  
 Special—E. Lewis, *Sunnyside*.

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

White or Yellow—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Windlassie*. 2nd: Gamston Gardens, *Windlassie*.  
 Red—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Mrs. Rita Campeau*. 2nd: E. Lewis.  
 Pink or Lavender—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Hill's Pink Supreme*. 2nd: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *14 B*.  
 Blends—1st: A. Parrella, *Caroline Kernochan*.  
 Bi-Color—1st: A. Parrella, *Wanda Meade*.  
 5 blooms—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Windlassie*.  
 Special—Dr. F. Knocke, *Windlassie*.  
 Sweepstakes—Medium—Dr. F. Knocke.

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

White—1st: E. O'Keefe, *Snowball*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Dandy Snow*. 3rd: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Snowball*.  
 Yellow—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Ronkey*. 2nd: E. Lewis, *Seedling*. 3rd: Gamston Dahlia Garden, *Clara Hook*.  
 Orange—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Stephen Foster*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Stephen Foster*.  
 Autumn—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Golden Standard*.  
 Light Red—1st: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Rosa A*. 2nd: Gamston Dahlia Garden, *Skyrocket*. 3rd: C. Diffenderfer, *Edna D*.  
 Dark Red—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Yowa Matsuoka*. 2nd: E. Lewis, *Hawaii*. 3rd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Yowa Matsuoka*.  
 Pink—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Crowning Glory*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Crowning Glory*. 3rd: Mrs. A. V. Stout, *Pink Flamingo*.  
 Lavender—1st: E. O'Keefe, *Concurrence*.  
 Purple—1st: E. Lewis, *Purple Sport*. 2nd: E. Lewis, *Purple Sport*.  
 Light Blend—1st: E. Lewis, *Straw Boss*. 2nd: Gamston Garden, *Goulburn*. 3rd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Goulburn*.



MARILYN DALE—Gold Medal Certificate winner.  
 Introducer—G. Mollineaux

Other Blend—1st: E. O'Keefe, *Miss San Diego*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Angelus*.  
 3 blooms—1st: E. Lewis, *Straw Boss* and *General Eisenhower*. 2nd: E. O'Keefe, *Miss San Diego*. 3rd: E. Lewis, *Victory Day* and *Garry E*.  
 Special—E. Lewis, *Straw Boss*.

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

White—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Northern Lights*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Edith Wilkie*. 3rd: E. Lewis, *Bill Jack*.

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EDNA D—Red Cactus  
 Awarded Gold Medal Certificate.  
 Will be introduced by  
 Rocky River.  
 Originator—C. M. Diffenderfer





Creditable display of the  
"Vets" from Northport.  
Won Silver Cup.

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Yellow—1st: Gamston Garden, *Atomic Yellow*. 2nd: Gamston Garden, *Atomic Yellow*. 3rd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Tops*.  
Autumn—1st: E. O'Keefe, *Magnificent*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Evelyn Chandler*.  
Lt. Red—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Maffie*.  
Dark Red—1st: E. O'Keefe, *Virginia Rute*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Mary Lynn Dudley*. 3rd: Gamston Garden, *Black Monarch*.  
Lavender—1st: E. O'Keefe, *Essie Smith*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Essie Smith*. 3rd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Southern Thoroughbred*.  
Purple—1st: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Tarawa*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Jean Trimble*.  
Lt. Blend—1st: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *All-America*.  
Other Blend—1st: E. Lewis, *Don L.* 2nd: E. O'Keefe, *Buccaneer*.  
Bi-Color—1st: E. Lewis, *Jane Lausche*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Jane Lausche*. 3rd: A. Parrella, *Jane Lausche*.  
Special—E. Lewis, *Jane Lausche*.

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

White—1st: E. O'Keefe, *The Real Glory*. 2nd: Crystal Dahlia Garden, *Seedling*. 3rd: Dr. F. Knocke, *White Beauty*.  
Yellow—1st: Dr. Bruce Preas, *Yellow Seedling*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Night Light*.  
Orange—1st: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Sultan of Hillcrest*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Butterfly*.  
Autumn—1st: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *No. 96*.  
Light Red—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Red Champion*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Red Champion*. 3rd: Gamston Garden, *Supreme Command*.  
Dark Red—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Commando* (Australian). 2nd: E. O'Keefe, *Bull's Eye*.  
Lavender—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Commando*. 2nd: E. O'Keefe, *Seedling*.  
Purple—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Sport of Francis H.*  
Light Blend—1st: E. O'Keefe, *Five Star General*. 2nd: Gamston Garden, *Five Star General*. 3rd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Five Star General*.  
3 blooms—1st: E. O'Keefe, *Real Glory* and *Five Star General*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Red Champion* and *Lav. Perfection*.  
Special—E. O'Keefe, *Real Glory*.

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

White—1st: E. O'Keefe, *Great Lakes*. 2nd: Dr. Bruce Preas, *Anne Tooker*. 3rd: Gamston Garden, *Great Lakes*.  
Yellow—1st: E. Lewis, *Queen Elizabeth*. 2nd: Gamston Garden, *California Idol*. 3rd: Crystal Dahlia Garden, *Seedling*.  
Autumn—1st: E. O'Keefe, *Axford Triumph*. 2nd: Gamston Garden, *Sherwood Peach*. 3rd: E. Lewis, *California Pageant*.  
Dark Red—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Murphy's Masterpiece*. 2nd: E. O'Keefe, *Murphy's Masterpiece*. 3rd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Murphy's Masterpiece*.  
Pink—1st: E. O'Keefe, *Kelvin*. 2nd: Gamston Garden, *Kelvin*. 3rd: E. O'Keefe, *Seedling*.  
Lavender—1st: E. O'Keefe, *Katie K.* 2nd: James Kelly, *Sylvia Todd*.

Purple—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Mrs. Hester Pape*. 2nd: E. O'Keefe, *Mrs. Hester Pape*. 3rd: E. Lewis, *Mrs. Hester Pape*.  
Light Red—1st: E. O'Keefe, *The Great Divide*. 2nd: E. O'Keefe, *Freda Gaylord*. 3rd: Gamston Garden, *The Great Divide*.  
Other Blend—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Ken Luff*. 2nd: Mrs. L. M. Ogden.  
Bi-Color—1st: E. O'Keefe, *Delrose*.  
Variegated—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Dixie Winedot*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Dixie Winedot*.  
3 blooms—1st: E. Lewis, *Mrs. Hester Pape, California Pageant*. 2nd: E. O'Keefe, *Kelvin, Axford Triumph*. 3rd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Kelvin, Kemp's Purple Triumph*.  
Special—E. O'Keefe, *Great Divide*.

LARGEST AND MOST NEARLY PERFECT BLOOM

Incurved or Straight—C. Diffenderfer, *Edna D.*  
Semi-Cactus—Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Lynn Fontanne*.  
Informal Decorative—George Yeager, *Mrs. Hester Pape*.  
Formal Decorative—Dr. F. Knocke, *Red Champion*.  
Sweepstakes—A-Large—Dr. F. Knocke.  
Basket—10 to 15 blooms, B-Medium—1st: E. Lewis, *Mixed*. 2nd: Louis B. Tim, *Happy Delight*.  
Vase—7 to 12 blooms, B-Medium—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Flash*.  
Basket—7 to 12 blooms, A-Large—1st: E. Lewis, *Mixed*. 2nd: Dr. Knocke, *Mixed*.  
Vase—5 to 19 blooms, A-Large—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Crowning Glory*. 2nd: A. Parrella, *Mixed*. 3rd: Anne Tooker, *Seedling No. 9*.  
Combined Sweepstakes—Medium and Large—Dr. F. Knocke.

MINIATURES—CACTUS OR SEMI-CACTUS—5 BLOOMS

White—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Geneva Crystal White*.  
Yellow—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Arabeski*.  
Special—Dr. F. Knocke, *Geneva Crystal White*.

MINIATURES—DECORATIVE—5 BLOOMS

White—1st: E. Lewis, *White Fawn*.  
Yellow—1st: Mrs. G. Yeager, *Little Lemon Drop*. 2nd: H. W. Rivel, *Little Lemon Drop*.  
Light Red—1st: E. Modell, *Pass Gate*. 2nd: George Yeager, *Jubilant*. 3rd: Dr. Bruce Preas.  
Pink—1st: E. Modell, *Mary Lynn*.  
Lavender—1st: A. J. Pietruszkiewicz, *Nellie Shea*.  
Purple—1st: A. J. Pietruszkiewicz, *Royalette*.  
Light Blend—1st: H. W. Rivel, *Bo Bo*. 2nd: L. M. Ogden, *Maria*. 3rd: A. J. Pietruszkiewicz, *Bo Bo*.  
Special—A. J. Pietruszkiewicz, *Nellie Shea*.  
Bowl—15 to 30 blooms—H. O. Alexander, *Jennie A.*

POMPONS—7 BLOOMS

Yellow—1st: A. J. Pietruszkiewicz, *Brass Button*.  
Orange—1st: Harry Frank, *Aimee*.  
Autumn—1st: Harry Frank, *Seedling P.48*.  
Purple—1st: Harry Frank, *Rosegay*. 2nd: Harry Frank, *Miss Marjorie*. 3rd: E. Lewis, *Miss Marjorie*.

Light Blend—1st: Harry Frank, *Clover*. 2nd: A. J. Pietruszkiewicz, *Betty Malone*.  
 Other blend—1st: A. J. Pietruszkiewicz, *Honey*.  
 Special—Harry Frank, *Rosegay*.  
 Bowl—10 to 20 blooms—Joseph A. Kuch, *Donnie*.  
 Smallest and most nearly perfect Pompon—O. J. Aumuller, *Little Edith*.  
 Sweepstakes—Miniatures and Pompons—A. Pietruszkiewicz.

**BALL DAHLIAS**

3 blooms—any one color—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Rosy Dawn*. 2nd: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Mary Helen*. 3rd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Mary Helen*.  
 3 blooms—2 or more colors—1st: Dr. F. Knocke, *Mary Helen* and *Supt. Amrhyn*.  
 Single Dahlias—5 blooms—1st: A. Pietruszkiewicz, *Seedling*. 2nd: A. Pietruszkiewicz, *Seedling*.  
 Collarette—5 blooms—1st: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Tribune*.  
 Anemone—5 blooms—1st: Marie Schnugg, *Marietta*.  
 Orchid Flowering—5 blooms—1st: Josephine Bazewick, *Twinkle*.  
 Special—Josephine Bazewick, *Twinkle*.  
 Arrangement of Dahlias—12 to 20 blooms, approximately 4 to 6 inches in diameter—1st: Louis B. Tim, *Little Diamond*. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Susie*. 3rd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Rosy Dawn*.  
 Basket or Arrangement of 2 or more types, under 4 inches, any number of blooms—1st: Robert Gregus. 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke. 3rd: Joseph A. Kuch.  
 Sweepstake—Balls, Singles, Collarette, etc.—Dr. F. Knocke.  
 Combined Sweepstake—Miniatures, Pompons, Ball, etc.—Dr. F. Knocke.  
 Grand Sweepstake—Section C—Dr. F. Knocke.

**SECTION D**

**PRIVATE ESTATES WITH A GARDENER**

Semi-Cactus—A-Large—1st: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *All-America*.  
 Formal Decorative—A-Large—1st: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Class*.  
 Largest and most nearly perfect bloom—1st: Mrs. A. J. Stout, *Anne Tooker*.  
 Ball—1st: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Mary Ellen*.  
 White—A-Large—1st: Mrs. A. B. Stout, *Anne Tooker*. 2nd: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Mother's Day*.  
 Yellow—A-Large—1st: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Class*.  
 Light Red—A-Large—1st: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Lynn Fontaine*.  
 Purple—A-Large—1st: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Mrs. Hester Pape*.  
 Other Blend—A-Large—1st: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Carl Dahl*.  
 Bi-Color—A-Large—1st: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Jane Lausche*.  
 Variegated—A-Large—1st: Mrs. L. M. Ogden, *Dixie Windot*.  
 Special—Mrs. A. B. Stout, *Anne Tooker*.  
 Sweepstakes—Mrs. L. M. Ogden.

**SPECIAL DISPLAY CLASSES**

**DISPLAY OF DAHLIAS—50 SQUARE FEET OR OVER  
 NON-COMMERCIAL**

1st—Louis B. Tim, Long Branch, N. J. Gold Cup. 2nd—The Long Island Dahlia Society—Silver Cup.



Spectacular bloom of MAFFIE—won the beautiful St. Louis Cup in the Court of Honor Class for Dr. J. Knocke.

**COMMERCIAL DISPLAY**

100 Square Feet—Parrella Dahlia Gardens, Bronx, N. Y. Gold Medal.  
 Over 100 Square Feet—Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, Rockville Centre, L. I., Gold Medal.

**RAY SMITH MEMORIAL AWARD**

Medal offered by President Leo L. Pollak through the Dahlia Society of New Jersey for the best dahlia of New Jersey origin—Dr. F. Knocke, *Crowning Glory*.

**COURT OF HONOR**

Greater St. Louis Trophy, the trophy to remain possession of the winner until next A.D.S. Annual Show. The exhibitor winning the award three times shall retain permanent possession. For A-Large—fine, extra quality specimen bloom—Dr. F. Knocke, *Maffie*.

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Winning Display of  
 Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens.

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Parrella Dahlia Gardens  
Commercial Display.  
Winner in its class

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## SECTION G

### UNDISSEMINATED DAHLIAS

- Incurved Cactus—B-Medium—Harry Miller, *Gary E.*, Silver Medal Certificate.  
Semi-Cactus—B-Medium—Albert Parrella, *Scarsdale Sun*, Bronze Medal Certificate. Roy W. Webb, *Clariam Fancy*, Bronze Medal Certificate.  
Informal Decorative—B-Medium—K. A. Anderson, *Flaming Sunset*, Bronze Medal Certificate.  
Miniature—Decorative—Dr. Bruce Preas—*No. 310*, Silver Medal Certificate.  
Cactus—Straight—A-Large—C. M. Diffenderffer, *Edna D.*, Gold Medal Certificate.  
Cactus—Straight—A-Large—G. C. Molleneaux, *Marilyn Dale*, Gold Medal Certificate.  
Cactus—Incurved—A-Large—Stanley Johnson, *King Size*, Gold Medal Certificate.  
Decorative—Formal—A-Large—Edward O'Keefe, *Bride's Bouquet*, Gold Medal Certificate.

### AMERICAN HOME ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

Martin Guttler, Elmont, L. I. *New Look*.

### FLOWER GROWER AWARD

Leonard Barron Memorial Trophy—Undisseminated, medium-sized dahlias, 4 to 8 inches—Row. W. Webb, *Clariam Fancy*.

### SPECIAL ENTRIES

Three blooms of any variety which won a certificate at any A.D.S. Trial Grounds last season—H. A. Anderson, Elmhurst, Illinois, *Flaming Sunset*.

## GARDEN CLUB SECTION

### SECTION "A"

#### Dahlias

CLASS 1—DECORATIVE—FORMAL OR INFORMAL—3 BLOOMS, LARGE, 8 INCHES OR OVER, 1 OR MORE VARIETIES

1st prize—Mrs. Frances Digi, 143-11 84th Ave., Jamaica, N. Y.

CLASS 2—DECORATIVE—FORMAL OR INFORMAL—1 BLOOM, LARGE, 8 INCHES OR OVER, ANY COLOR

1st prize—F. R. Kurzenknabe, 933 Main St., Hackensack, N. J.

2nd prize—G. D. Eustachio, 175 Water St., Perth Amboy, N. J.

3rd prize—Tri-color, F. R. Kurzenknabe.

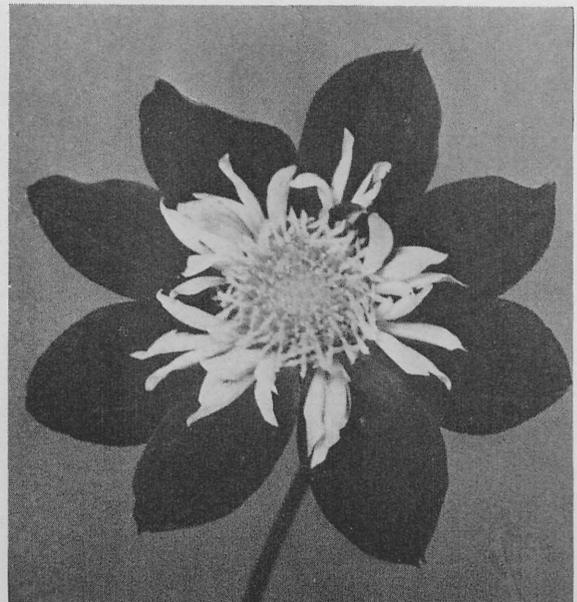
CLASS 3 SEMI-CACTUS—3 BLOOMS—LARGE OR MEDIUM, 1 OR MORE VARIETIES

1st prize—Mrs. Frances Digi, Jamaica, N. Y.

CLASS 4—CACTUS—STRAIGHT—OR INCURVED—3 BLOOMS, LARGE OR MEDIUM, 1 OR MORE VARIETIES

1st prize—G. D. Eustachio, Perth Amboy, N. J.

Photo does not do justice to **HOT JAZZ**, a focal point in the L. B. Tim display.



CLASS 5—MINIATURE—6 BLOOMS—NOT OVER 4 INCHES, 1 OR MORE VARIETIES

- 1st prize—G. D. Eustachio, Perth Amboy, N. J.
- 2nd prize—Harry Frank, Far Hills, N. J.
- 3rd prize—Mrs. W. C. Stange, 215 Reservoir Ave., Meriden, Conn.

CLASS 9—POMPON—7 BLOOMS, 1 OR MORE VARIETIES

- 1st prize—Mrs. George Green, Kensington, Conn.
- 2nd prize—Mrs. W. C. Stange, Meriden, Conn.
- 3rd prize—Harry Frank, Far Hills, N. J.

CLASS 10—EXHIBIT ANY DAHLIAS NOT SCHEDULED ABOVE, 1 OR MORE VARIETIES

- 1st prize—Mrs. Frances Digi, Jamaica, N. Y.
- 2nd prize—Mrs. W. C. Stange, Meriden, Conn.
- 3rd prize—G. D. Eustachio, Jamaica, N. Y.

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**SECTION "B"**

**Special Educational Exhibits**

CLASS 11—THE PROGRESS OF DAHLIA CULTURE FROM 1925-1948. MAY BE THROUGH PICTURES AND/OR SPECIMENS

- 1st prize—Herbert D. Green, Westwood, N. J.

CLASS 13—ANY EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT OF GENERAL INTEREST TO THE PUBLIC. ANY PLANT MATERIAL MAY BE USED. BIRD'S NESTS ACCEPTABLE, WITH NAMES OF BIRDS

- 1st prize—Mrs. Albert Dod, Bellport, L. I.
- 3rd prize—Tricolor, Mrs. Albert Dod.

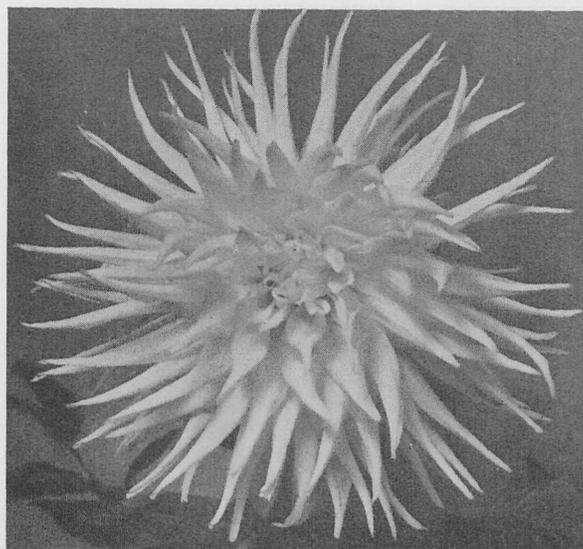
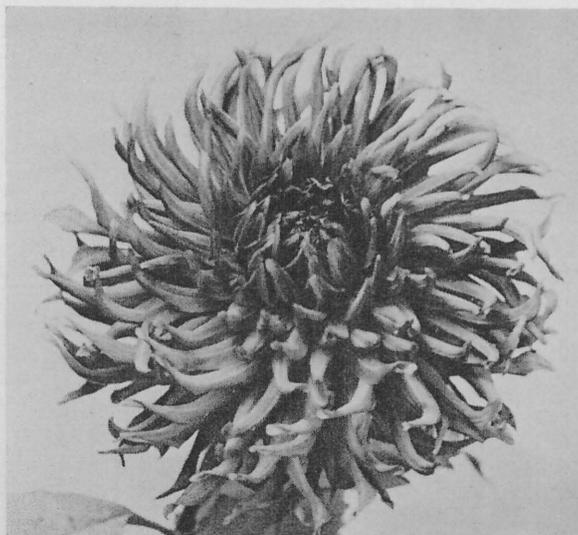
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**SECTION "C"**

**Arrangement**

CLASS 15—ANY DAHLIAS USING ONLY DAHLIA FOLIAGE AND BUDS TO DEMONSTRATE CONTRASTED HARMONY

**HAWAII**—Deep Maroon Informal Cactus of Ernest Lewis. A greatly admired dahlia and winner.



**RONKY**—Soft yellow, beautifully formed Cactus—won Blue Ribbon for Dr. Fred J. Knocke, originator.

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- 1st prize—Mrs. O. J. Anmuller, 50 E. Lincoln Ave., Valley Stream, N. Y.

CLASS 16—ANY DAHLIAS, ONE VARIETY ONLY, TO SHOW COMPLEMENTARY HARMONY WITH CONTAINER

- 1st prize—Ruth Conover, Oradell, N. J.
- 2nd prize—Mrs. Walter J. Purdue, Floral Park, N. Y.

CLASS 17—ANY DAHLIAS—GLASS CONTAINER

- 1st prize—Herbert Conover, Oradell, N. J.
- 2nd prize—Mrs. George Green, Kensington, Conn.
- 3rd prize—Mrs. Albert B. Dod, Bellport, L. I.
- Hon. Mention—Virginia Pollak.

CLASS 18—ANY DAHLIAS—METAL CONTAINER

- 1st prize—Mrs. Ruth Conover, Oradell, N. J.
- 2nd prize—Mrs. W. C. Stange, Meriden, Conn.
- 3rd prize—Mrs. O. J. Aumuller, Valley Stream, N. Y.

CLASS 19—ANY DAHLIAS—POTTERY CONTAINER

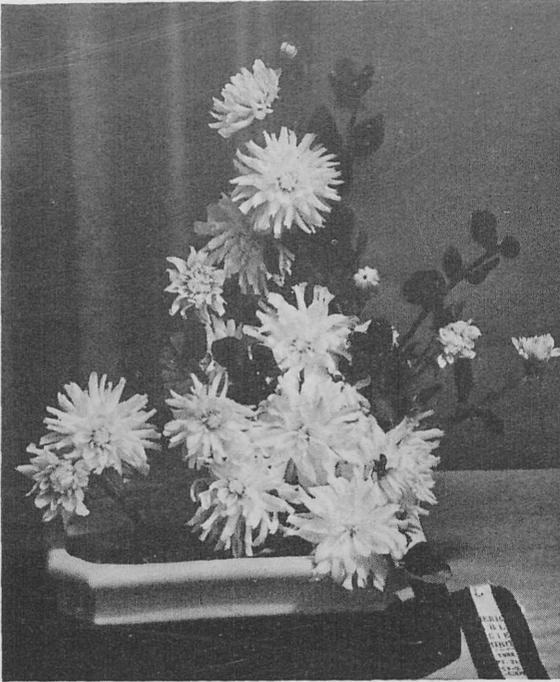
- 1st prize—Mrs. Geo. Green, Kensington, Conn.
- 2nd prize—Mrs. Walter J. Purdue, Floral Park, N. Y.
- 3rd prize—Virginia Pollak, Montclair, N. J.
- Dahlia—Tricolor—Mrs. Green.

CLASS 20—DAHLIAS WITH OTHER GARDEN FLOWERS—ANY CONTAINER

- 1st prize—Herbert Conover, Oradell, N. J.
- 2nd prize—Mrs. Walter J. Purdue, Floral Park, N. Y.
- 3rd prize Mrs. O. J. Aumuller, Valley Stream, N. Y.

CLASS 21—DAHLIAS WITH ANY NATIVE PLANT MATERIAL—ANY CONTAINER

- 1st prize—Virginia Pollak, Montclair, N. J.
- 2nd prize—Ruth Conover, Oradell, N. J.



Mrs. George Green's tri-color arrangement of GENEVA CRYSTAL WHITE—was a feature of the fine Garden Club Section.

CLASS 22—GLADIOLUS—ANY CONTAINER

1st prize—Herbert Conover, Oradell, N. J.

CLASS 23—ROSES—ANY CONTAINER

1st prize—Mrs. Walter J. Purdue, Floral Park, N. Y.

CLASS 24—ZINNIAS, ONE OR MORE VARIETIES ANY CONTAINER

1st prize—Ruth Conover, Oradell, N. J.

2nd prize—Isabel Rosenthal, Great Neck, N. Y.

Tri-color—Ruth Conover.

CLASS 25—MARIGOLDS, ONE OR MORE VARIETIES—ANY CONTAINER

1st prize—Herbert Conover, Oradell, N. J.

CLASS 28—GARDEN FLOWERS NOT SCHEDULED—ANY CONTAINER

1st prize—Herbert Conover, Oradell, N. J.

Judges—A.D.S. Show—Sept. 21, 1948

Thanks and praise to all our judges!

Conrad Frey, *Chairman*

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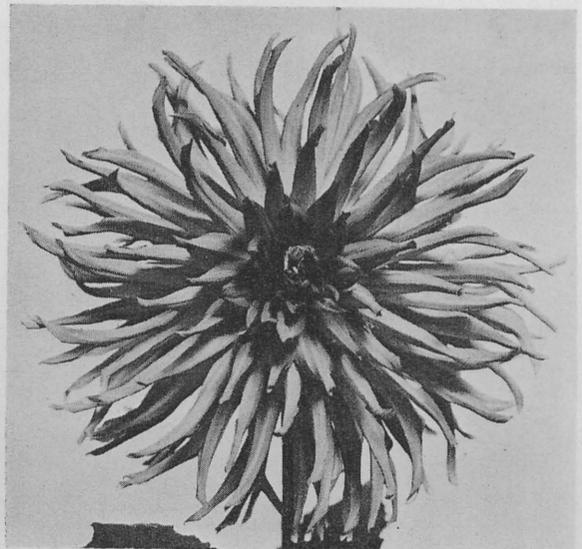
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## A.D.S. Annual Meeting and Dinner

Better note the date now as the third Saturday in January falls on the fifteenth!

It will be a great day for A.D.S. members—that fifteenth. Our meeting at 2:30 in the afternoon will be packed with interest.

Then at seven, the Annual Dinner—about the nicest dahlia gathering imaginable. President Leo L. Pollak, will be the toastmaster—all arrangements under the always capable direction of Dewey Mohr. And the price will be less than the actual cost of the dinner alone! Mr. Mohr's address is 38 Vincent Ave., Rockville Centre, L. I., N. Y.—write for reservations at once.

## Plans for 1949 A.D.S. Show

Wednesday and Thursday, September 21 and 22 have been selected as the dates for our 1949 Show—Penn top at Hotel Pennsylvania, New York, has been engaged and plans for another big show are under way.

It is expected that the long hoped for Joint Classification List will be published early enough to permit exhibitors to plan their gardens.

There will be minor changes in the schedule but in the main, last year's features will be retained.

For those who grow them big, the Court of Honor class, with its beautiful St. Louis Dahlia Society Cup to shoot at, should have great appeal. Dr. Fred J. Knocke is in possession of this trophy now and naturally will try to retain it for the "second leg."

There is a real need to bolster all the Pom and Miniature classes. We should like to see an additional dozen exhibitors interest themselves—they would be doing something of importance to balance our otherwise strongly balanced show.

We'll have complete details in the February issue!!!

## Flower Grower Honor Roll

Through the courtesy of *Flower Grower Magazine*, Paul Frese, Editor, we will publish a reprint of the 1948 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.



**BRIDE'S BOUQUET**—Ed O'Keefe's Gold Medal Certificate Winner—Introducer, Ruschmohr Gardens.

## A.D.S. Registrations

The Nomenclature Committee, Dr. Charles Connors chairman, reports the following registrations:

Nick Kindlein, Jr., 1390 South Skokie Highway, Lake Forest, Ill. *Yellow Mum*, Incurved Cactus, yellow.

Thomas F. McInerney, 7917 East End Avenue, Chicago 17, Illinois. *Chicago Tribune*, Informal Decorative, light yellow; *Erin*, B size, Informal Decorative, variegated white striped burnt orange and yellow; *Margaret May Steffen*, Informal Decorative, old rose; *Chicago*, Incurved Cactus, blend yellow and old rose; *Uncle Sam*, Informal Decorative, autumn blend; *Mary McInerney*, MFD deep violet.

Fred C. Gross, 100 Fairview Avenue, Oceanside, N. Y. *Harvest Moon*, B size, Formal Decorative, deep yellow.

Dr. Norman W. Ackerman, 2338 No. 58th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. *Agnes K.* Informal Decorative, pink and yellow blend.

Mr. James Marsh, 3904 N. Ottawa Ave., Chicago 3, Ill. *Prairie Sun*, Formal Decorative, yellow; *Pirate Treasure*, Decorative, golden tan overlaid red.

Antonio Masi, Tuxedo, N. Y. *R. B. Montgomery*, B size, Straight Cactus, bicolor red and white.

Martin Guttler, 44 Clement Avenue, Elmont, N. Y. *New Look*, Semi Cactus, deep yellow.

Mr. James E. Kelly, 91-53 191st Street, Hollis, Long Island. *Babe Ruth*, S.C. apple blossom pink.

Mr. Charles Diffendorfer, 628 N. Calvert Street, Baltimore, Maryland. *Edna D.*, A class, St. C., rose red.

Kindleins Flower Farm, 1390 South Skokie Highway, Lake Forest, Illinois. *Kindlein's Special*, red straight.

Dorff Dahlia Gardens, 945 Ephraim Street, East Liverpool, Ohio. *Eleanor Rose*, A., ID pink. *Dorothy Edith*, A., ID buff apricot.

Professor Merrill Brown, Department of Chemistry, University of Buffalo, Buffalo 14, N. Y. *The Aristocrat*, A., S.C., autumn streaked mahogany.

# The Mid-West Show At Milwaukee Was Successful and Interesting

Visitors Were Taken for a Ride to See Many Local Gardens

(Reporting and photos by Lynn B. Dudley)

Almost cordial welcome was extended to the hundreds of dahlia enthusiasts from coast to coast by the members of the host society, the Dahlia Society of Wisconsin. The show was held in the spacious first and second floors of the Milwaukee Gas Company on September 11th and 12th. There was an abundance of blooms and the quality was excellent. The classes were well filled and there was a sizable throng to see them. But let us go back to the beginning.

We left New York at five o'clock by Northwest Airline. The "we" was composed of Dewey Mohr, George Fraser, Ed Lloyd, Drew Mulcahy and the writer. We were all quite hungry and looked forward to a good meal on the plane. Ed Lloyd was anticipating a steak dinner. But a new system was in effect on this particular flight. They served us two little sandwiches, two pickles, two olives and two little plums. These were soon dispatched and to forget their hunger our afore mentioned friends started a gin game up in the front of the plane, leaving yours truly to his own devices, not even inviting him to play. But he amused ourselves in his own way and had a very entertaining trip.

We lost two hours due to the change in time going west and arrived at the Milwaukee Air Port some five hours later very hungry. There Sophia and J. Louis Roberts met us with a rush and escorted us to the Pfister Hotel where we were to stay. There we met Beatrice and Henry Olsen who had driven from New York. It did not take us long to get down into the dining room of the hotel which is noted for its food and other refreshments. We had a very good time and talked about a lot of people and their dahlias. No use going into details but we will admit that at least there were few dahlias which did not get a good going over.

We even picked a toastmaster for the Saturday night round up dinner, who, incidentally had not yet been named by the dinner committee. The writer got an instant reputation for clairvoyance by telling Dewey Mohr that Dr. Bruce Preas would toastmast. Dewey disclaimed any knowledge of the matter, except to say he thought Mr. Tihlman had been selected. J. Louis Roberts, who always rises to great heights to confirm statements that he doesn't know a thing about, said that he was sure that Preas would be toastmaster. It turned out that we were right about it although Roberts and yours truly were the most surprised people when it was announced the next day. As soon as this occurred, we decided we better not hang around for the dinner. Dr. Preas has too many things on us, like when we stole his speech when he was running the Men's Dahlia Society of Long Island. It seemed best for all concerned that we take the five o'clock plane for Detroit, which was done. We didn't learn till afterwards that our departure just about ruined

Dr. Preas evening and maybe that of the assembled guests because about half of his gags were about me or aimed at me. He didn't have anything left to intersperse in between the chapters of the scenic tour of South America.

But one last favor we did do for the dinner guests before our departure. Having had a world of experience listening to Doc's type of anecdote, we saw to it that he had a bath in our bathroom before we left to sort of set the stage for a clean show. What happened after that is not our responsibility.

But this started out to be a report of the very enjoyable time we had at the Milwaukee show so we will get back to the main subject. Many dahlia fans gathered in the hotel lobby the next morning, Friday the 10th. Mr. and Mrs. George Currie arrived from Chicago where they had seen their daughter on the way to college. After lunch we started out in a motorcade, led by George Currie to visit some of the dahlia gardens along the shore of beautiful Lake Michigan. It was a fine day, with just a tinge of Fall in the air, but warm and sunny. The farms along the route outside of the city, looked prosperous, and late harvesting was under way.

The first stop was at the garden of E. J. Heggstad at 4829 N. Larkin St., on the north side of Milwaukee. Here we saw an excellent planting. What first took our eye was the tasteful arrangement of varieties according to height. In the rear of the yard were the large exhibition dahlias, most of which had bushel baskets over them to shade them for the show on the morrow. Around the sides of the yard and in small beds dividing some sections of lawn were planted the poms

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A section of George Currie's fine garden (with J. Lewis Roberts in foreground picking up a few Honor Roll notes. That's a 1½ foot rule in his hand).



and miniatures, sometimes with cactus and medium decoratives behind them. It was not only pleasing to the eye in the harmony of planting, but every bit of space was used and demonstrated how dahlias of various types and colors may be used to create a superlative fall garden.

Our next stop was at Ben Makowski's place. He is President of the Dahlia Society of Wisconsin. Here we saw a very fine cloth house full of fine blooms, many of which we were to see again in the show the next day. His greenhouse and slat-shaded planting of tuberous-rooted begonias both got a lot of attention. Here too, we took a picture of the group, which is shown here with the names of the hosts and the visitors from thirteen states below it.

The next and last garden on the trip was that of George and Mrs. Currie's at Sheboygan, about 60 miles up the coast. Here we took more pictures, although it was getting late and the sun was beginning to set behind the forest of baskets which covered the blooms. Charles Diffenderfer had to peek up under one to see the very fine 13-inch bloom of his *Edna D.*, which was shown at the show the next day. The garden certainly proved that George's reputation for growing fine exhibition blooms was indeed well grounded. He had many seedlings which we were growing and many we had not seen before. Mrs. Currie served us light refreshments, which carried us through till we arrived at Port Washington down the coast, and had an excellent fish dinner at Smith's, a Duncan Hines stop.

Arriving back at the hotel we encountered a lot of other friends who had arrived too late to take in the trip. Among these and the new arrivals on Saturday were: Mrs. M. Gibson, Yukon Gardens, Gardena, Calif.; Lorraine Hoppe, Milwaukee; who was general chairman of the show committee; Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Kleinjohn, of Louisville, Ky., the latter being secretary of the Mid-West Dahlia Conference; Dr. and Mrs. Bruce Preas of

It got dark before visitors at Currie's Garden left for dinner at famed Smith's Fish House at Port Washington. Just as the sun was going down we snapped this one of J. Louis and Sophia Roberts, Henry and "Bee" Olsen with "Drew" Mulcahy smiling through. P. S.—That flower is JANE LAUSCHE.



Group of visitors from 13 states at Milwaukee Show as they visited the garden of President Ben Makowski at 3607 So. Whitwall St., Milwaukee. Taken in front of his cloth house. These included besides Mr. and Mrs. Makowski, Mr. Burton Elliott, New Haven, Mich.; Lew Sarett, Ravina, Ill.; Jack T. Eccleston, East Liverpool, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Olsen, Flushing, N. Y.; Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Rike, Belview Heights, Ala.; Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Goodwin, Birmingham Ala.; Mr. and Mrs. J. Louis Roberts, Chicago; George A. Shee, Louisville, Ky.; C. E. Faust, Atlanta, Ga.; Norman Lefkowitz, Bessemer, Ala.; George Fraser, Willimantic, Conn.; C. George Goodwin, S. Ensey, Ala.; Roy Schooler, Louisville, Ky.; Andrew J. Mulcahy, Floral Park, N. Y.; Ed. B. Lloyd, Montclair, N. J.; B. E. Phillips, Atlanta, Ga.; Dr. McDade, Scranton, Pa.; Charles M. Diffendorfer, Baltimore, Md.; John Rogowski, Cudahy, Wis.; Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Bluhm, La Grange, Ill.; and the pilot of the automobile tour, George Currie, editor of *The Dahlia and Exhibition Grower* extraordinary.

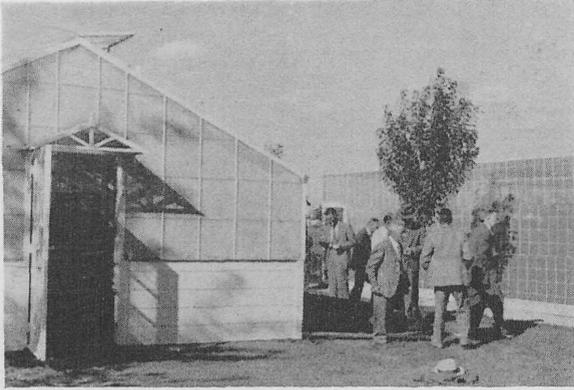
Rockville Centre, N. Y.; M. D. White, Winnetka, Ill.; R. Martin, Chicago, of Marshal Field's Garden Dept.; Wm. C. Craine, East Liverpool, Ohio; L. O. (Pat) Bennett, St. Louis; Edw. A. Schoenlan, Chicago; E. M. Lais, Madison; Dr. L. J. Steuben, Prairie du lac, Wis.; E. J. Wind, Rocky River, Ohio; Harry H. Beals, Chicago; Clifford Boyle, Valparaiso, Ind.; Mr. and Mrs. Otto Aumuller, Valley Stream, N. Y.; and many others. It was good to meet them and discuss ours and their dahlias. Everyone of them seemed to be enjoying themselves to the utmost.

We got this far in describing the trip and then discovered that we had spent all our available time up to plane time talking to people and helping to judge seedlings, so that we did not have any time left to make notes about what varieties won in the competitive classes. So this story would have ended without that important detail had not a list of them arrived through the kindness and courtesy of George Currie. This list is appended.

There was one innovation in the seedling classes in the show which deserves comment. All formation type classes in both seedling and undissemated sections and judges were instructed to award first ribbons to as many entries in the first and second year seedlings as judges deemed worthy, and meritorious awards in the class for three-year-old seedlings, and in fact for all entries deemed worthy of dissemination.

This plan worked out to the advantage of both the seedling introducer and the general public. The writer has long held the opinion that far too much emphasis is placed on the supreme seedling award (and only one in each show usually). This old system has, in the past, kept many worthy seedlings from getting the attention

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Scene at Makowski's showing greenhouse with a few of the eastern contingent milling around.

and publicity they deserved. In fact, we have a plan filed away but never presented to the executive committee of the A.D.S., which follows the same idea as tried first at the Milwaukee show. We would like to see every society adopt a modern plan which gives every worthy seedling exhibited at shows the same chance to achieve fame and be wanted by the public, as is given when the variety gets a Certificate at an official A.D.S. Trial Ground, and yes, I will include as given by an Honor Roll mention.

So we applaud this innovation in the seedling classes at Milwaukee. While, at the same time we do not approve of showing first year seedlings. In our opinion no one is benefited by exhibiting first year varieties which may not, probably will not ever be seen again. No one can be certain that a dahlia has health, vigor, good habits, etc., in one year, no matter how beautiful it is. We think this practice should be relegated to the "Lost Hope Department"; discontinued, and the same show space and energy given to worthwhile competitive classes.

But enough of our opinions, here are the winners:

#### MID-WEST DAHLIA SHOW WINNERS CLASS FOR UNDISSEMINATED DAHLIAS— 3 YEARS OLD OR OLDER

Twenty-two entries, consisting of 18 varieties. Judges awarded meritorious award ribbons to 12 entries, same being as follows:

*Bride's Bouquet*—A size white F. D., originator George L. Baker, Moline, Illinois; exhibited by Lewis J. West, Evanston, Illinois.

*Clariam Fancy*—Beautiful 7-inch salmon S. C., with yellow center, having lacinated petals; originator and exhibitor, William Wolbert, Springfield, Ohio.

*Edna D*—13-inch bright red straight cactus; originator Charles M. Diffenderffer, Baltimore, Maryland; exhibited by George Currie, Sheboygan, Wis.

*Flaming Sunset*—B sized orange flame S. C.; originated and exhibited by Arthur Anderson, Elmhurst.

*Forty-Niner*—11-inch yellow S. C., slightly shaded apricot with open formation similar to that of *Student Prince*; originator, C. W. Ballay, Palo Alto, California; exhibited by George Currie.

*Medusa*—Red and yellow blended cactus, 9 inches in diameter, of unusual and beautiful color; originated and exhibited by Glenn L. Pierce, Villa Park, Illinois.

*Prairie Sun*—Clear, bright yellow F. D., 10 to 11 inches in diameter; originated and exhibited by James E. Marsh, Chicago, Ill.

*Silver Tips*—A sized red S. C., with lighter reverse, showing at petal tips, which are forked; originators, L. C. Bennett and Fred Beckman, St. Louis, Missouri, exhibited by E. J. Heggstad, Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin.

*The Cardinal*—Bright cardinal red S. C. of good size with perfect stems and dark foliage; originated and exhibited by George L. Baker, Moline, Ill.

*The New Look*—11-inch full petaled deep yellow S. C.; originator Martin Guttler, Elmont, L. I., New York, exhibited by George Currie.

*White Magic*—Huge white S. C.; originator Elmer Shepard, Cincinnati, Ohio; exhibited by Ben Makowski, Milwaukee, Wis.

*W-82-45*—Purple incurved cactus, 9 inches in size; originated and exhibited by William Wolbert, Springfield, Ohio.

American Home Achievement Medal Winner—*The Cardinal*, with *Clariam Fancy* as runner-up.

Most Perfect Bloom in Show ("A" size)—*Mrs. Hester Pape*, Ben Makowski, Milwaukee, Wis.

Most Perfect Bloom in Show ("B" size)—*Refugee*, Joseph Heineman, Milwaukee, Wis.

Largest Bloom in Show—*Mrs. Hester Pape*, George Currie, Sheboygan, Wis.

Best Six Blooms of Mid-West Introduction—*Great Lakes*, James E. Marsh, Chicago, Ill.

Best Bloom of 1948 Introduction—*Great Lakes*, Ben Makowski, Milwaukee, Wis.

Most Meritorious Exhibit in Show—3-bloom entry of *The Cardinal*, George L. Baker of Moline, Ill. (the same entry which won the American Home Achievement Medal).

Best Ten Blooms ("A" size)—Ben Makowski, Milwaukee, Wis., consisting of: *Kemp's Purple Triumph*, *Sydney*, *Great Lakes*, *Buccaneer*, *Naren Boy* (from India), *Kelvin*, *Red Champion*, *Lynn Fontanne*, *Five-Star General*, *Mrs. Hester Pape*.

Best Six Blooms ("A" size)—John Schramel, Chicago, Ill., consisting of: *Kelvin*, *Maffie*, *Mrs. Hester Pape*, *Crowning Glory*, *Pink Flamingo*, *Pink Giant*.

Best Six Blooms ("B" size)—Jesse L. Strauss, Glencoe, Ill., consisting of: *Mrs. E. H. Diehl*, *Windlassie*, *Rev. C. A. Mulhearn*, *Mother Arsten*, *Mizra*, *Purple Heart*.

Best 2-Year Old Seedling—William Wolbert, Springfield, Ohio.

Best First Year Seedling—William Wolbert, Springfield, Ohio.

Artistic Arrangements—Best Shadow Box, Mrs. H. Degner, Milwaukee, Wis. Most Outstanding Table Arrangement, Gertrude Herrmann, Milwaukee, Wis. Sweepstakes Winner, Mrs. Carl Herrmann, Milwaukee, Wis.

Commercial Exhibits—Northbrook Dahlia Gardens, Northbrook, Ill.; Delwood Gardens, West Allis, Wis.; Greenfield Gardens, West Allis, Wis.

Dahlia Coming Longest Distance—Charles F. Pape, Carpenteria, Calif., with bloom of *Gold Coin*.

#### SECTIONAL WINNERS

##### NOVICE DIVISION

Most Perfect "A" size—*Mrs. Hester Pape*, E. Blaszyński, Milwaukee, Wis.

Most Perfect "B" size—*Snowball*, E. Blaszyński, Milwaukee, Wis.

Largest Bloom—*Lynn Fontanne*, Louis Waldner, Milwaukee, Wis.

##### SMALL AMATEUR DIVISION

Most Perfect "A" size—*Sunburst*, C. H. Rose, Minneapolis, Minn.

Most Perfect "B" size—*Nancy Ann Mitchell*, Don Wagner, Milwaukee, Wis.

Largest Bloom—*Mrs. Hester Pape*, Arthur Anderson, Elmhurst, Ill.

##### LARGE AMATEUR DIVISION

Most Perfect "A" size—*California Pageant*, Larry Pelc, Villa Park, Ill.

Most Perfect "B" size—*Nancy Ann Mitchell*, John Schramel, Chicago, Ill.

Largest Bloom—*Lynn Fontanne*, Eric Welander, Moline, Illinois.

##### AMATEUR CLOTH HOUSE DIVISION

Most Perfect "A" size—*Clara Hook*, Jessie L. Strauss, Glencoe, Ill.

Most Perfect "B" size—*St. Theresa*, G. L. Pierce, Villa Park, Ill.

Largest Bloom—*Autumn Blaze*, Clifford Boyle, Flint Lake, Indiana.

##### OPEN TO ALL DIVISION

Most Perfect "A" size—*Mrs. Hester Pape*, Ben Makowski, Milwaukee, Wis.

Most Perfect "B" size—*Refugee*, Joseph Heineman, Milwaukee, Wis.

Largest Bloom—*Sherwood's Peach*, E. J. Heggstad, Whitefish Bay, Wis.

Best Dahlia from Holland, Belgium and France—*Mon Tresor*, Larry Pelc, Villa Park, Ill.

Best Dahlia from England—*Searchlight*, Larry Pelc.

Best Dahlia from Australia and New Zealand—*Pop Harris*, George Currie, Sheboygan, Wis.

### Mid-West Dahlia Conference

The Annual Meeting of the Midwest Dahlia Conference was called to order by the President, Mr. Ben Makowski at 6:30 P.M. at the Gas & Light Building Auditorium in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on Saturday, September 11, 1948.

#### ROLL CALL OF DELEGATES:

American Dahlia Society: Henry Olsen, O. Aumiller, Edw. Lloyd, J. Strauss, H. Dewey Mohr, J. L. Roberts, W. Maytrott, G. Frasier, Dr. Bruce Preas, Dr. Edw. McDade, Harry Beals, A. J. Mulcahy and Chas. Diffenderffer.

Central States Dahlia Society: David Radke, L. J. West, F. L. Trauth, F. C. Kavorik and Harry Lynch.

Dahlia Society of Kentucky: W. F. Kleinjohn.

Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society: Rudy Leimbach and L. C. Bennett.

Dahlia Society of Indianapolis: W. F. Cuffel and Mrs. W. F. Cuffel.

Dahlia Society of Wisconsin: George Currie and H. O. Donner.

Minnesota Dahlia Society: C. H. Rose.

East Liverpool Dahlia Society: J. T. Eccleston and Wm. C. Craine.

Tri-City Dahlia Society: Erik Welender and George Baker.

Badger State Dahlia Society: E. L. Kriel.

Greater Kansas City Dahlia Society: Herman Molv.

Ohio Valley Dahlia Association: Chas. Heintzman.

South Central Wisconsin Dahlia Society: C. W. Villbrandt.

Dahlia Society of Ohio (Cleveland): E. J. Wind and V. Viers.

Dahlia Society of Toledo: Ray Burrows.

Minutes of the meeting held in East Liverpool, Ohio on September 20, 1947 were read and a motion was made by Mr. West of Central States and seconded by Mr. Villbrandt of South Central Wisconsin that they be approved as read. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was read showing a balance of \$161.48 as of September 11, 1948.

A motion was made by Mr. Radke of Central States and seconded by Mr. Mohr of the American Dahlia Society that the report be accepted and filed. Motion carried.

A recess was called in order to see if more delegates were downstairs on the Show floor.

A motion was made by Mr. Currie of Wisconsin and seconded by Mr. Kleinjohn of Kentucky that the Amendment allowing \$20.00 for the Midwest Trophy be accepted. Motion carried.

Bids for 1949 Show and Conference meeting.

Letters were read by the Secretary from the Dahlia Society of Kentucky, Dahlia Society of Minnesota and Central States Dahlia Society offering bids for the 1949 Show and Conference meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Rose of Minnesota and seconded by Mr. Welender of Tri-City that the 1949 Midwest Show be held in Minneapolis. After much discussion on the motion, Mr. Kleinjohn of the Dahlia Society of Kentucky and Mr. Radke of Central States asked the delegates not to vote for the Show to go to Minneapolis, but to consider their bids. A question was called on the motion and the vote was not in favor of the 1949 Show to be held in Minneapolis.

After much discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Roberts of the American Dahlia Society and seconded by Mr. Currie of Wisconsin that a vote be taken as to where the next Show and Conference meeting would be held by the number of votes each Society was entitled to have. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Radke of Central States and seconded by Mr. Currie of Wisconsin that the Show be held in Chicago on September 17-18, 1949. After much discussion, Mr. Kleinjohn of Kentucky again asked

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# Second Annual Show

OF THE

## Southern States Dahlia Association

Chattanooga, Tennessee - - - October 2-3, 1948

By CLARENCE R. KALLQUIST

"Thousands of dahlias illuminated the Memorial Auditorium, Chattanooga, Tennessee, in a blaze of color yesterday at the opening of the Southern States Dahlia Show." Those were the opening words of an article written by Mr. Charles Pennington, October 3, 1948, star reporter, of the Chattanooga Times. Figuratively, literally and coloratively he was correct.

Figuratively correct in that the number of dahlias entered far exceeded the number that had been anticipated. On Friday night, before the Show, the Show Committee was wondering how many tables to pull off the floor and how to rearrange the space so that the Auditorium would not look too empty. However, as late Friday night and Saturday morning rolled around the dahlias kept coming in a continual stream. The work tables were loaded to capacity and the workers on Saturday morning were kept busy carrying the entries from the work tables to the display tables. The rearrangement in the arrangement class called for closer placing, and even in a few cases they were a little crowded.

The dahlias came by air mail, air freight, air express, by automobile and by hand. Dahlias were entered from Atlanta, Birmingham, Jackson, Miss.; Leiden, Holland; Rockville Centre, L. I. and from the nearby cities of Athens, Rome, Rossville, Dalton, LaFayette, Somerville, Fort Oglethorpe, Red Bank, Soddy-Daisy, Cleveland and Ringgold. All local growers entered blooms in the Show and the response for dahlias was so great I wonder if there was any one in the Chattanooga area who had NOT entered dahlias in this show. Judging from the number of entries received the graph for dahlia shows is definitely on the upward trend with demand for larger space each year.

Mr. Pennington was coloratively correct in that the display of dahlias showed every color of the spectra from Violet through Red with even that evasive color Blue being shown—blue in contrast with some of the other colors when people are not too color conscious but that light lavenders, or light purples may be called blue. Whites were predominant in both the exhibit class and the arrangement class. *Michigan White* that good standby was entered many, many times. This *Michigan White* appears to grow nicely in Dixie and more and more folks are growing it. *Jersey Beauty* was entered many, many time but in the Singles and in the groups. This is another dahlia that never will lose its popularity and will always be the beginners dahlia. It is easy to grow, has large roots, has many blooms, and can grow in most any kind of soil. The yellows, bronze, autumn shades, reds, and blended, all had their share in the "Oh's and Ah's" of the visitors and it was difficult for the layman to determine just which dahlias were the best. The newer varieties were

also in full swing. There were numerous entries of the 1947 entries and these drew the attention of the dahlia growers themselves who vied with each other in pointing out the good and bad points of such new variety.

As the visitor entered through the main entrance to the auditorium he was confronted with an immense display of color. "Blaze" is correct. All colors vied with each other for the eye. The visitors first sight was the table carrying that lovely little dahlia—so suitable for arrangements—*L.C.K.* This table—or class—called for entries by ladies only. There were 29 entries of this dahlia. The blue ribbon went to Mrs. Frank L. O'Conner, Chattanooga, Tennessee. *L.C.K.* may be called a "dog dahlia" in the north but we in the South can take those northern "dog dahlias" and make them grow into dahlias equal to be the best in the north. Maybe the rebels have a little more care in the growing of dahlias. The view then passed on to the special class of *Cherokee Brave*. This table—or class—to be entered by men only. The winner of this class was Mr. Allen Wilson, La Fayette, Georgia. His entry also won the American Dahlia Society Bronze Medal. Mr. Wilson will cherish this Medal. There were 35 entries in this class which shows keen competition and necessitated careful judging by the Judges.

Passing on from those two classes the visitor was brought to a standstill by the large numbers of the smaller type dahlias, singles, anemomes, orchid, pompons, miniatures, and other varieties. The entries were, again, far beyond expectations and shows that folks are growing the smaller varieties as well as the larger ones.

Mr. D. R. Swingle, Hixson, Tennessee was sweepstakes winner in these classes, as well as sweepstakes winner of the entire show. His smaller varieties showed that he had spent many, many hours of hard work in keeping the plants in good condition. Mr. David S. Wells, Atlanta, Georgia was winner of a sweepstakes award in the "All Other Small Flowering Variety" section.

The Novice Class, the Amateur Class was well represented by growers from Alabama, Georgia, and Tennessee. Many of the Novices had never even entered in competition before and many were pleased to find blue ribbons on their entries when the Judges left the Show-room open to the public. These Novices—now graduated to the Amateur Class will give amateurs plenty of competition next year. Mr. Harry P. Brady was sweepstakes winner in this class and is already planning for next years Show.

Entries in the Specimen classes covered many tables and judges, again, were confronted with so many entries that additional judges were called in to assist. Here the larger type of dahlias showed evidences of much care and painstaking effort in preparing them for display.

Newer varieties were in full evidence but at the same time they, too, were in keen competition with the older varieties.

In the center of this Auditorium was a pyramid of large size. Mounted on this pyramid was a miniature windmill. This windmill carrying large vanes, or blades, was turning continuously during the period of the Show. The feature of this windmill and pyramid was the display of dahlias flown from Holland by air freight. Ballego & Sons, Leiden, Holland supplied the dahlias. They so graciously and carefully packed the dahlias, shipped them from Leiden and even though they were eight hours late according to prearranged schedule for time, they were received in good condition. The display was well received by growers and visitors and we extend to Ballego & Sons our sincere thanks. Ballego & Sons have a large collection of excellent varieties and their new catalogue now on hand shows new varieties that should prove of popular interest in this country.

A notable highlight of the Show was the setting of a wedding on the enormous stage of the Auditorium. The setting was a tableau. The background was greenery. A large bouquet of white dahlias rested on a stand in front of the altar. The five manequins, all life size, were bedecked in colorful gowns and all carried dahlias. The bride carried a gorgeous bouquet of white dahlias, the bridesmaid and attendants carried bouquets of various colors. The sod was real, taken from the lawn of Mrs. Simmonds back yard. The entire setting had been placed, and entered, by Mrs. W. H. Simmonds, Happy Cabin Dahlia Gardens, Signal Mountain, Tennessee. She was ably assisted by others of her family. Cooperation with all florists in the furnishing of much of the material and supplies while the manequins and furniture had been supplied by the various furniture and department stores. Due to space limitation it is not possible to list all those who participated in this grand setting but needless to say, we appreciated the part that each, and every one, had in it.

Two pyramids were on the floor in the front half of the Auditorium. The pyramid on the right side was complete with dahlias arranged to colors. One shelf of whites, another of yellows, another of reds, another of pinks, etc. The pyramid was exceptionally well arranged and was well planned and thought out carefully. This pyramid was entered by Mr. Earl Miller of Hilltop Dahlia Garden, Chattanooga, Tennessee. The second pyramid, on the left side was devoted to entries of dahlias and fall flowers by the various florists, most of whom cooperated nicely.

The American Home Achievement Medal was won by *Cardinal* entered by Dr. H. C. Rike, Birmingham, Alabama. This *Cardinal* a red semi-cactus, 10 x 5 inches shows considerable promise. The three blooms entered were in good condition. Mr. George Baker, of Moline, Illinois is the introducer of this dahlia which will undoubtedly be grown in many, many gardens next year.

The seedling class was exceptionally well distributed. The entries were many, the class and type of entries were well balanced. Mr. Norman Lefkovits, Birmingham, Alabama won the Southern States Dahlia Association trophy, donated by Mr. Conrad Faust, Atlanta, Georgia. This was a lovely—lemon colored yellow. It shows a future.

The undisseeded group was won by Mr. Harry P. Brady, Chattanooga, with a small ball type dahlia called *Black Beauty*. This dahlia will be heard of in future years if it can survive another winter and show good root system. The Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society Medal was

awarded to Mr. Brady. He also was awarded the Sweepstakes prize for the Novice section. We will hear from him in the Amateur and Open to All Class from now on.

The best bloom of the show—*Atomic Yellow* was entered by Mr. Conrad Faust, Atlanta, Georgia. There was close competition in this class with Mr. Earl Miller's, Chattanooga, Tennessee, *Windlassie* being a close second.

Mr. Allen Wilson, La Fayette, Georgia had a special exhibit of his own seedlings. Mr. Wilson appears to have that knack, or secret which he will not divulge, of growing seedlings into good dahlias. His seeds have created national interest and the demand on them will be rather heavy. He is especially capable of growing those smaller types of small balls—orange colored, red colored, white.

Commercial exhibits on either side of the Auditorium, along the walls created some interest, especially as to the advertising of fall planting of bulbs for spring flowers. Again cooperation was shown by those putting in these exhibits.

The arrangement section of the Show was exceptionally large. The Show Committee had placed great emphasis on the use of dahlias in arrangements and were well awarded by the number of entries. This section showed great care and thought on the part of the ladies of the various Garden Clubs and due credit goes to those ladies who made entries. The "Floating" arrangement called for great ingenuity and now the ladies have use for those dahlias that are broken off at the head. The other sections evinced considerable comment on the artistry, the use of dahlias and the judges in this section were extremely hard pressed in making their selections. However, the selections were made, no complaints were received and all are evidently satisfied. Again, these Dixiecrat Dahlia growers are spreading the use of dahlias to all that will listen to them, or read about them.

Visitors to the Show, from far off points were Dr. Bruce Preas, H. Dewey Mohr, Dr. Edward McDade, Dr. H. C. Rike, Nelson Crist, Conrad Faust, Kennedy of Nashville, Short of Nashville, West of Indianapolis, Kleinjohns of Louisville, Schoolers, Satterlees, Gibson, and so on—a large number of nationally known growers, and lovers of dahlias.

Entertainment from Friday night on through Sunday afternoon kept the group so busy that they didn't have much time to rest. The morning "perkup" breakfast of doughnuts and cinnamon buns, coffee and soft drinks served by Mrs. Clarence R. Kallquist, gave the judges a full tummy before they started on their hard work. The luncheon at the Hotel Patten gave them a full tummy for the afternoon of browsing around the Show. The get-together at Miss Muriel Peek's kept them from going to bed hungry on Saturday night.

The tour of the dahlia gardens on Sunday morning with the visit to Happy Cabin Dahlia Gardens on Signal Mountain for that lovely lunch may have kept some from going to Church but God was in his element when he heard those lavish words of praise on His Works of Nature to which so much enthusiasm had been given.

The visit to Rivermont Orchids was especially interesting and well received by those visiting that place. Mr. Clint McDade generously cooperated in the dahlia show in many, many ways. His hobby of orchid growing has grown to such an extent that he is nationally, internationally known, in fact world-known as the most foremost authority on orchids.

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# Report of A.D.S. Trial Gardens

## Report of the Eastern Trial Garden College of Agriculture, Rutgers University New Brunswick, N. J.

A wet spring delayed soil preparation and planting, and then in the middle of the growing season, the abnormal hot weather had an adverse effect upon growth. However, frost held off and the first one, October 18, was a killer.

The plants grew well throughout most of the season and it was necessary to water only three times, since we employ a heavy mulch of rye straw. The plants were kept clean of insects until late in the season, when a little spider came in after we ceased spraying.

The amount of disease is serious. This year, for the first time in our experience, there were two seedlings entered which developed the oak leaf type of virus disease. There was plenty of ring spot and the mottle mosaic. Growers should learn to recognize these diseases and eliminate them before distributing the variety. Our plant pathologist saw this summer two lots of plants of the same varieties from two growers: one lot was healthy while the other lot was stunted and poor.

There were 58 entries in the garden, some of them under re-test.

Our thanks go to the judges who helped in the scoring: Lynn B. Dudley, Warren Maytrott, Conrad Frey, Edward B. Lloyd, L. L. Pollock, L. J. West, Henry Olsen.

The following are recommended for certificates. The color descriptions are according to Ridgeway:

Stake No. 10. *Jennie A.*, MFD blood red; H. O. Alexander, 201 Maple Ave., Wenonah, N. J., flowers about 3 x 2 inches, stems 5 to 8 in., bush 3½ ft. Score 85.067.

Stake No. 13. *Pawtucket*, A., I.C., ochraceous buff reverse and suffused spinel pink; Chris J. Poulos, 225 Power Road, Pawtucket, R. I.; flowers 11½ x 8 disbudded, 9 x 5½ natural; stem 13 in.; height, pinched 5 ft., not pinched 6 ft. Score 85.125.

Stake No. 14. *Sellwood Glory*, B, FD; pansy purple edged white or pale lavender; J. Richard Beyerle, 1627 S.E. Nehalem St., Portland 2, Oregon, flowers 7 x 4 disbudded, 6 x 3½ not disbudded; stem 10 in.; height 4 ft. 6 in.; interesting cut foliage. Score 85.666.

Stake No. 15. *Otilie Zourek*, A, ID; white, creamy center. Henry Zourek, 20-37—29St., Astoria, L. I.; flowers disbudded 8½ x 6; not disbudded 7½ x 5; stem 9 in., height 6 ft. Score 85.

Stake No. 17. *Nibs*, MFD, light primrose yellow, center tipped spinel pink; Fileno A. Alleva, Yellow Springs Rd., Malvern, Pa.; flowers 3½ x 2, stems 6 to 9 in.; height 4 ft., very floriferous. Score 85.333.

Stake No. 20. *Rose Ann S.*, A, SC; geranium red; Joseph Sadauskas, 1513 Larchmont Rd., N.E., Collingswood Station, Cleveland, O.; flowers 11½ x 7 disbudded; stem 10 in.; height 4 ft. 6 in. Score 85.

Stake No. 26. *Emma Caroline*, A, FD, white; Premier Dahlia Garden, 57 Mertz Ave., Hillside, N. J., flowers 9 x 6; stem 5 in.; height 3 ft. Score 85.5.

Stake No. 30. *Clariam Fancy*, B, SC, picric yellow suffused spinel pink, staghorn; William Wolbert, Springfield, O., entered by Rock River Dahlia Garden, Rocky River, O.; flowers, disbudded, 7½ x 5, not disbudded, 6½ x 4, stem 7½ in.; bush 4 ft. Score 85.

Stake No. 34. *Silver Tips*, A, SC, rose red, tips twist, barytra yellow reverse; Bennet and Beekman, 6309 Juniata, St. Louis 9, Mo.; flowers disbudded, 9 x 6, not disbudded, 8 x 5; stem 6 in.; bush 3 ft. Score 85.

Stake 38. *Zip*, B, IC, light orange yellow suffused peach red; Dr. Henry C. Parker, National Press Building, Washington 4, D. C.; flowers, disbudded 8 x 6, not disbudded 7 x 5; stem 7 in., bush 4 ft. 6 in. Score 85.333.

Stake No. 42. *White Magic*, A, ID, white creamy center; Elmer Shepard, 1620 Elkton Place, Cincinnati, O., entered by A & S Dahlia Gardens, 50 E. Lincoln Ave., Valley Stream, L. I., flower, 11 x 7; stem, 10 in.; bush 5 ft. Score 85.

Stake No. 43. *Marilyn Dale*, A, SC, mallow purple; G. C. Mollineaux, 111 Jerusalem Avenue, Hempstead, L. I.; flower, disbudded, 9½ x 6, not disbudded 8 x 5; stem 10 in.; bush 6 ft. Score 85.25.

Stake No. 44. *Jane Perry*, A, SC, white yellowish center; Maple Dahlia Farm, P.O. Box 367, Maple Shade, N. J.; flower 9 x 5 disbudded, 8 x 5 not disbudded; stem 9 in.; bush 5 ft. 6 in. Score 85.

Stake No. 48. *Golden Treasure*, B, FD, pale lemon yellow overlaid mikado orange; Norman La Motte, Hopeville, Ga., entered by Rocky River Dahlia Garden, Rocky River, O.; flower 7 x 4 disbudded, 5½ x 3½ not disbudded; stem 9 in.; bush 5 ft. Score 85.

Stake 49. *Prairie Sun*, A, FD, primrose yellow; James Marsh, Chicago, Ill., entered by Rocky River Dahlia Garden, Rocky River, O.; flower 10 x 6 disbudded, 8 x 5 not disbudded; stem 8 in.; bush 5 ft. 6 in. Score 85.167.

Stake No. 54. ....B, St. C., picric yellow; Dahliadel Nursery, Vineland, N. J.; flower 6½ x 4 disbudded; stem 7 in. Score 85.25.

The following scored between 80 and 85, and the names will be registered.

Stake No. 2. *Bride's Bouquet*, A, FD, white, creamy center; George L. Baker, Moline, Ill., entered by Dewey Mohr, Rockville Center, L. I.; flower, 9 x 5½ disbudded; 8 x 4½ not disbudded; stem 7 in.; bush 5 ft. Score 83.

Stake No. 4. *Blue Gallilee*, A, SC., light mallow purple with coppery glint; Rees Dahlia Garden, Tilden, Ill., flower 9 x 6 disbudded, 8 x 4½ not disbudded; stem 7 in.; bush 3 ft. 6 in. Score 83.

Stake No. 6. No. 9 A, St. C.; light primrose yellow; E. E. Tooker, Rockville Center, L. I.; flower 8½ x 4 disbudded, 7 x 4 not disbudded; stem 6 in.; bush 3 ft. Score 83.

Stake No. 19. *H. Gleitz*, A, SC, white; Joseph Sadauskas, Cleveland, O.; 10 x 6 disbudded. Score 80.

Stake No. 36. *Sunkist*, B, FD, rhodamine purple with edge of pale mallow pink to white; Richard Netzley, Martinsville, Ill.; flower 7 x 3; stem 11 in.; bush 5 ft. 6 in. Score 83.

Stake No. 53. No. 187, A, SC; pomegranate purple; Dahliadel Nursery, Vineland, N. J.; flowers 9 x 5 disbudded; stem 8 in.; bush 5 ft. Score 83.

Stake No. 56. *Chine*, B, St.C., coral red; Stanley Johnston, Germantown, Pa., entered by Dahliadel Nursery, Vineland, N. J.; flower 7½ x 6 disbudded; stem 7 in.; bush 3 ft. 6 in. Score 83.

Stake No. 57. WF 80, B, FD, white, Rocky River Dahlia Garden, Rocky River, O.; flower 7½ x 5 disbudded; stem 5 in.; bush 3 ft. 6 in. Score 81.

## Mid-West Dahlia Trial Gardens American Dahlia Society East Lansing, Michigan

### 1948 CERTIFICATE AWARDS

*Islip Purity*. Stake No. 5. Formal decorative. Score 85 B. Color white. Entered by Islip Terrace Dahlia Garden, Islip Terrace, L. I., N. Y. Diameter of blooms 6 to 7 inches, depth 2 to 3½ inches. Stem 7 to 16 inches, strong, straight, flower half facing. Health excellent. Floriferousness medium. Height of plants 4 to 4½ ft. Spread 3 feet.

*Millie*. Stake No. 7. Miniature semi-cactus. Score 85 M. Color almost white. Entered by Robert J. Lundblad, 4949 West 97th St., Inglewood, California. Diameter of blooms 3 to 4 inches, depth 1 to 2 inches. Stem 6 to 10 inches, straight, occasionally a little weak, flower facing to half facing. Health excellent. Habit broadly branching. Height of plants 5 ft. 5 in. Floriferousness excellent—100 flowers on one plant Oct. 4th. Height 5 ft. 5 in. Spread 4 ft. 6 in.

*Nickie K.* Stake No. 31. Laciniated cactus. Score 85.2 B. General color effect scarlet red to nopal red at centers. Entered by Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Mich. Diameter of blooms 5 to 6½ inches; depth 2 to 3½ inches. Stem 7 to 10 inches, straight; flowers half facing to erect. Health excellent. Floriferousness excellent. Height of 5 ft. Spread 3 ft.

*Little Jimmie*. Stake No. 32. Min. Formal Decorative. Score 85 M. Color almost white. Entered by Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Mich. Diameter of blooms 2½ to 3 inches; depth 1½ to 2 inches. Stem 6 to 12 inches, straight, flower facing to half facing. Habit bushy, branching. Health excellent. floriferousness abundant—prolific. Height of plants to 5½ ft. Spread 3 ft. 6 inches. Excellent cut flower.

*2B'S*. Stake No. 34. Formal decorative. Score 85 A. Color almost white lightly suffused mallow purple. General effect mallow pink suffusion sometimes almost pale chalcedony yellow to center. Entered by Harry A. Beals, 11220 Wallace, Chicago 28, Illinois. Diameter of blooms 8 to 12 inches; depth 4 to 6 inches. Stem 6½ to 10 inches, strong, straight; flowers half facing to facing. Habit broadly erect. Health excellent. Floriferousness very good. Height 6 ft. Spread 3 ft. 6 in.

*Clariam Fancy*. Stake No. 38. Laciniated semi-cactus. Score 85 B. Color chalcedony yellow to lighter, lightly tinted on older florets mallow pink. General effect a light blend of yellow and pink. Entered by William Wolbert, 2109 Sunset Ave., Springfield, Ohio. Diameter of blooms 6½ to 8 inches; depth 3½ to 5 inches. Stem 6½ to 10 inches; straight, flowers mostly half facing. Habit ascending, branching. Health excellent. Floriferousness good. Height of plants 4 to 5½ ft. Spread 3 ft. 6 inches.

*The Cardinal*. Stake No. 51. Cactus. Score 85.3 A. Color chalcedony yellow completely overcast rose-red. General effect nopal red. Entered by Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, Rockville Centre, L. I., N. Y. Originator George L. Baker, Moline, Illinois. Diameter of blooms 8 to 8½ inches, depth 3½ to 4 inches. Stem 7 to 11 inches, strong, thick, straight, flower facing. Health excellent. Height 5 ft. 4 inches. Spread 4 feet. Floriferousness fair—late bloomer.

*45-5*. Stake No. 55. Cactus. Score 85 A. Color almost white overcast mallow purple. General effect mallow purple to lighter. Entered by Oakleigh Gardens, Grand Rapids, Mich. Diameter of blooms 8 to 10 inches; depth 3 to 5 inches. Stem 8 to 13 inches, straight, flowers mostly facing. Habit bushy, branching. Health good. Floriferousness excellent. Height 4 ft. 6 in. Spread 4 ft.

*46-3*. Stake No. 56. Semi-cactus. Score 85.6 B. Color chalcedony yellow overcast rose red blanching at the tips. General effect scarlet red with light yellow showing at the tips and increasing on the older florets. Entered by Oakleigh Gardens, Grand Rapids, Mich. Diameter of blooms 7½ to 10 inches; depth 4 to 5 inches. Stem 6 to 16 inches, strong, slightly bowed; flowers facing. Habit broadly branching. Health excellent. Floriferousness good. Height 5 to 6 ft. Spread 4 ft.

*Dr. Del Marr*. Stake No. 57. Inf. decorative. Score 85 A. Basic color pale greenish yellow lightly tinted mallow pink. General effect light autumn. Entered by Bruce D. Collins Utica Michigan. Diameter of blooms 8 to 10½ inches; depth 4 to 5 in. Stem 10 to 22 inches, straight; flower facing. Habit erect branching, vigorous. Health excellent. Floriferousness prolific. Height of plants to 6 feet. Spread 4 ft. 3 inches.

*WF-80*. Stake No. 60. Formal decorative. Score 85 A. Color almost white. Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. Originator Haugh. Diameter of blooms 7 to 9 inches; depth 5 to 6½ inches. Stem 9 to 11 inches; straight, thick; flowers half facing. Habit broadly branching. Health excellent. Floriferousness good. Height to 4½ ft. Spread 3 ft.

### VARIETIES SCORING 80 TO 84 POINTS

"....." Stake No. 1. Semi-cactus. Score 82.5 A. General color description Spectrum red and scarlet red. Entered by Schiell's Dahlia Gardens, Bay City, Michigan. Diameter of blooms 9 to 9¾ inches; depth 3 to 5 inches. Stem 9 to 12 inches, strong, slightly bowed, thick; flowers facing. Habit widely branching. Health good. Floriferousness good. Height of plants 4 ft. 9 inches. Spread 3 ft. 4 inches.

*Bellisa*. Stake No. 2. Inf. dec. Score 81.5 B. General color effect close to scarlet with yellow streaks showing through. Entered by E. A. Davinroy, Belleville, Ill. Diameter of blooms, 7½ to 8 inches; depth 2½ to 4 inches. Stem 7 to 15 inches, straight, weak. Habit bushy, branching. Floriferousness medium. Height 5 ft., 2 inches. Spread 4 ft.

*Islip Gold*. Stake No. 4. Semi-cactus. Score 81.8 A. Color greenish-yellow. Entered by Islip Terrace Dahlia Garden, Islip Terrace, L. I., New York. Diameter of blooms 6 to 8½ inches; depth 3 to 6 inches. Stem 5½ to 7½ inches, weak, slightly bowed; thick; flower half facing to erect. Health good. Floriferousness poor. Height 4 ft., 4 inches. Spread 3 ft.

*Missouri Dream*. Stake No. 6. Cactus. Score 84 A. Basic color almost white overcast amaranth purple. General effect amaranth purple. Entered by Mrs. George E. Horton, Curryville, Mo. Diameter of blooms 7 to 9 inches; depth 3½ to 5 inches. Stems 8 to 17½ inches, strong, straight. Health excellent. Floriferousness abundant. Height 5 ft. Spread 4 ft.

*Marilyn Dale*. Stake No. 8. Cactus. Score 84 A. Basic color almost white entirely suffused mallow purple. General effect mallow purple to light mallow purple. Entered by G. C. Mollineaux, 111 Jerusalem Ave., Hempstead, N. Y. Diameter of blooms 11 inches; depth 6 to 8 inches. Stem 12 to 14 inches, strong, slightly bowed. Health excellent. Floriferousness only

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fair—flowered very late. Height of plants 6 ft. Spread 3 ft., 2 inches.

*The New Look.* Stake No. 9. Score 84 A. Color greenish-yellow. Entered by Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, Rockville Centre, L. I., N. Y. Originator Martin Guttler, Elmont, L. I. Diameter of blooms 10 to 10½ inches; depth 5 to 5½ inches. Stem 11 to 14 inches, strong, slightly bowed. Habit erect branching. Health excellent. Floriferousness only medium—flowered very late. Height 5 feet. Spread 2 feet 6 inches.

*Silver Tips.* Stake No. 10. Semi-cactus. Score 84 A. Basic color greenish-yellow overcast moderately Amaranth purple. General effect rose-red. Entered by Bennett & Beckmann, St. Louis, Missouri. Diameter of flowers 9 to 10½ inches; depth 4 to 5½ inches. Stem 4½ to 8½ inches, weak, bowed; flower half facing. Habit low branching, bushy. Only one plant. Free retrieval. Height 3 feet 9 inches. Spread 3 feet 6 inches.

*My Buddie.* Stake No. 12. Semi-cactus. Score 82.3 A. Basic color almost white suffused light mallow purple. General effect mallow pink almost white toward center. Entered by Paul Hull, 1268 Crestwood Road, Toledo 12, Ohio. Diameter of bloom 7½ to 9½ inches; depth 2½ to 5½ inches. Stem 4 to 9 inches; weak, slightly bowed; flowers facing. Health very good. Floriferousness good. Height 5 feet 6 inches. Spread 4 feet.

*S-18.* Stake No. 15. Cactus. Score 83.7 B. Basic color light greenish-yellow. Older petals becoming suffused along edges and inward Amaranth purple. General effect blend of greenish-yellow and scarlet red. Entered by J. A. Greubel, 157 Third Street, Derry, Pa. Diameter of blooms 6 to 8 inches; depth 2 to 4 inches. Stem 9 to 15 inches, weak, slightly bowed; flower facing to half facing. Health excellent. Floriferousness good. Height 5 feet 6 inches. Spread 3 feet 10 inches.

*No. 201.* Stake No. 16. Cactus. Score 84 A. Basic color pale greenish yellow becoming overcast light mallow purple. Entered by Crystal Dahlia Gardens, Pawtucket, R. I. Diameter of blooms 8½ to 12 inches; depth 4 to 6 inches. Stem 8 to 20 inches, weak, rubbery. Too weak to hold flowers. Floriferousness good. Height 6½ feet. Spread 4½ feet.

*M-41.* Stake No. 17. Min. formal dec. Score 84 M. Color greenish yellow to lighter. Entered by Fileno A. Alleva, Yellow Spring Road, Malvern, Pa. Diameter of blooms 2½ to 3 inches. Depth 1 to 2 inches. Stem 3½ to 6 inches, slightly bowed; flowers facing to half facing. Habit bushy, branching, uniform. Health excellent. Floriferousness excellent. Very short stems. Height 4 feet. Spread 3 feet 6 inches.

*I-45.* Stake No. 18. Min. formal decorative. Score 82.5 M. Basic color sulfur yellow overcast oxblood red. General effect nopal red. Entered by H. O. Alexander, 201 Maple Avenue, Wenonah, N. J. Diameter of blooms 2 to 3 inches; depth 1 to 2 inches. Stem 3 to 6 inches, dark, flowers half facing to erect. Habit bushy, branching. Health excellent. Floriferousness excellent. Many open centers and short stems. Height 3 feet 4 inches. Spread 3 feet 6 inches.

*Lavanachee.* Stake No. 19. Formal dec. Score 82 A. Basic color greenish yellow overcast lightly Amaranth purple. General effect smoky Tyrian rose. Entered by Beverly Bulb and Dahlia Farms, Kent, Washington. Diameter of blooms 8 to 12 inches; depth 4 to 5 inches. Stem 5 to 10 inches, strong, bowed, a few weak stems. Flowers half facing to facing. Habit low branching. Health very good. Floriferousness good. Height 4 feet 10 inches. Spread 3 feet 6 inches.

*Molin Rouge.* Stake No. 20. Cactus. Score 83.6 B. General color description scarlet red. Entered by Beverly Bulb & Dahlia Farm, Kent, Washington. Diameter of blooms 6½ to 7½ inches; depth 3 to 4 inches. Stem 5 to 12 inches; strong, straight, flowers mostly erect, some facing. Habit branching above. Health excellent. Floriferousness good. Some bad centers. Height 5 feet 10 inches. Spread 4 feet.

*Seedling No. 10.* Stake No. 21. I. D. Score 83.2 A. Amaranth purple fading on older florets. Entered by H. B. Sickler, 47 Olive Street, Salem, N. J. Diameter of blooms 7 to 10 inches; depth 2½ to 5½ inches. Stem 4 to 6 inches, rubbery, weak, flowers half facing to facing. Habit broadly branching above. Health excellent. Lots of poor centers. Height 6 feet. Spread 4½ feet.

*Jane Perry.* Stake No. 22. Semi-cactus. Score 84 B. Color almost white. Entered by Maple Dahlia Farm, Maple Shade, New Jersey. Diameter of blooms 6 to 8½ inches; depth 3 to 5 inches. Stem 8 to 18 inches, fair, slightly bowed. Habit erect branching. Health excellent. Floriferousness excellent. One plant almost all single flowers. Height 8 feet. Spread 4 to 5 feet.

*Laurie.* Stake No. 23. Pom. Score 83.3 M. Color greenish white. Entered by Francis W. DuShane, 2040 DuShane Street, N. W., Grand Rapids, Mich. Diameter of blooms 1½ to 2½ inches; depth 1 to 1½ inches. Stem 4 to 9 inches, fair, straight, flowers half facing. Habit bushy, branching. Health excellent. Floriferousness prolific. Many open centers. Height 5 feet. Spread 4 feet 3 inches.

*Dream Girl.* Stake No. 24. I. C. Score 82.8 A. Basic color greenish yellow moderately suffused Tyrian rose. General effect variable carmine to spectrum red. Base of floret yellow showing

through. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Nashville 4, Tennessee. Diameter of blooms 7½ to 10 inches; depth 4 to 5 inches. Stem 5 to 11 inches, fair, slightly bowed; flowers facing. Habit broadly branching. Health excellent. Floriferousness medium. Height 6 feet 5 inches. Spread 5 feet.

*Gay Widow.* Stake No. 25. Semi-cactus. Score 80.5 B. Basic color pale chalcodony yellow overcast Tyrian rose fading at tips of florets. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Nashville, Tenn. Diameter of bloom 6½ to 7 inches; depth 2 to 4 inches. Stem 6 to 16 inches, fair, thin, sometimes weak, flowers facing to half facing. Habit bushy branching. Health excellent. Floriferousness very good. Some open centers. Height 4 feet 3 inches. Spread 3 feet.

*Dixie White Glory.* Stake No. 26. I. D. Score 81.1 A. Color almost white. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Nashville, Tenn. Blooms 8½ to 10 inches; depth 2½ to 4 inches. Stem 6 to 14 inches, poor, sometimes bowed, better late. Flower facing to half facing. Habit erect branching above. Health excellent. Floriferousness good. Height 5 feet 6 inches. Spread 2 feet 6 inches.

*Dixie Black Glory.* Stake No. 27. F. D. Score 83.4 B. Basic color almost white, overcast dahlia purple. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Nashville, Tenn. Diameter 6 to 8 inches. Depth 4 to 4½ inches. Stem 5½ to 12 inches, fair, straight, dark. Flowers half facing to facing. Habit erect branching. Health good. Floriferousness medium. Height 6 feet 6 inches. Spread 2 feet 3 inches.

*Judge Litton Hickman.* Stake No. 29. F. D. Score 82.3 A. Basic color bright chalcodony yellow to lighter. Overcast carmine. General effect spectrum red fading on tips and edges of petals. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Nashville, Tenn. Diameter of blooms 7½ to 10 inches. Depth 4 to 5½ inches. Stem 8 to 17 inches, strong, slightly bowed. Flower facing. Habit broadly branching. Health excellent. Floriferousness abundant. Many poor centers. Height 5 feet 6 inches. Spread 4 feet.

*LK-26.* Stake No. 30. Cactus. Score 83.6 B. 84 A. Color almost white. Entered by Lakeside Dahlia Gardens, New Baltimore, Mich. Diameter of bloom 6 to 11 inches. Depth 3 to 6 inches. Stem 5 to 9 inches, straight, not too strong. Flower half facing. Habit erect branching from base, broadly branching. Health excellent. Floriferousness excellent. Height 4 feet 6 inches. Spread 3 feet 6 inches.

*Black Hawk.* Stake No. 33. F. D. Score 81.1 B. Color oxblood red. Entered by Beals & Boyle, Chicago 28, Ill. Blooms 5 to 8 inches, depth 3 to 5 inches. Stem 5 to 11 inches, rubbery, weak, improving late in season. Flower half facing to erect. Habit ascending, erect. Health good. Floriferousness good. Principal fault is stem and some open centers. Height 5 feet. Spread 4 feet.

*Red Magic.* Stake No. 35. I. F. Score 82.5 A. Basic color light chalcodony yellow to lighter, overcast rose-red. General effect rose-red to darker at center. Entered by Elmer Shepard, Cincinnati, Ohio. Diameter of blooms 7½ to 10 inches, depth 3 to 5½ inches. Stem 8 to 13 inches, strong, straight, weak on wild plant. Flower erect to half facing. Habit erect branching. Health excellent. Floriferousness good. Some imperfect centers. Height 5 feet. Spread 3 feet.

*344.* Stake No. 37. Cactus. Score 83.1 A. Color greenish yellow. Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. Originator Dr. Knocke. Diameter of blooms 9 to 13 inches, depth 5 to 6 inches. Stem 7 to 12 inches, strong, slightly bowed, crooked at first node. Flower facing. Habit broadly branching, erect. Health excellent. Substance poor. Floriferousness good. Height 6 feet. Spread 3 feet 6 inches.

*349 Prairie Sun.* Stake No. 39. F. D. Score 84 A. Color greenish yellow. Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. Originator Marsh. Diameter of blooms 8 to 11 inches. Depth 4½ to 6½ inches. Stem 5 to 11 inches, strong, thick to slightly bowed, stems weak on wild plant. Flowers facing to half facing. Habit erect branching. Health excellent. Floriferousness excellent. Height 6 feet. Spread 3 feet 6 inches.

*D-16-46.* Stake No. 40. Cactus. Score 83.2 B and 84 A. Basic color greenish yellow overcast nopal red. General effect blend of rose red to light yellow in center. Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. Originators Webb-Lewis. Diameter of blooms 6 to 10 inches. Depth 3 to 4½ inches. Stem 4 to 8 inches, straight to slightly curved, strong. Flowers facing to half facing. Habit low bushy branching. Health good. Floriferousness excellent. Stems short. Height 3 feet 8 inches. Spread 3 feet 3 inches.

..... Stake No. 41. Semi-cactus. Score 83.1 A. Color nopal red darker toward centers, lighter towards outside. Entered by Glenn R. Hawkins, Fairmont, W. Va. Diameter of blooms 6 to 10 inches. Depth 3 to 5 inches. Stem 6 to 17 inches, thick, rubbery, becoming much bowed late, too weak to hold flowers. Flower facing to erect. Habit branches ascending; erect. Health vigorous. Floriferousness good. Height 5 feet. Spread 3 ft. 6 inches.

*Kenilworth.* Stake No. 42. Semi-cactus. Score 83.7 B. Basic color almost white, suffused mallow pink. General effect light mallow pink, centers lighter to pale chalcodony yellow. Entered by Rev. Paul N. Gresham, Asheville, N. C. Blooms 5½ to 6 inches, depth 3 to 2 inches. Stem 5 to 14 inches, straight, flowers

half facing. Habit branching erect, dense. Health excellent. Floriferousness prolific. Growth surpassing flowers. Height 6 feet 6 inches. Spread 3 feet 6 inches.

*River Jordan.* Stake No. 43. F. D. Score 83.5 B and 83.2 A. Color Rhodamine purple to lighter. General effect mallow purple. Entered by Rees Dahlia Gardens, Tilden, Ill. Diameter of blooms  $6\frac{1}{2}$  to 10 inches, depth 4 to 6 inches. Stem  $6\frac{1}{2}$  to 20 inches, strong, some stems bowed and weak, flowers half facing. Habit irregular branching. Health good. Floriferousness fair. Some bad centers. Height 5 feet 2 inches. Spread 3 feet 6 inches.

*Blue Galilee.* Stake No. 44. Score 82 A. Color light Chalcedony yellow overcast mallow purple. General effect light mallow purple with bronze cast. Entered by Rees Dahlia Gardens, Tilden, Ill. Diameter of blooms 9 to 13 inches. Depth 5 to 7 inches. Stem 3 to 9 inches. Fair, bowed, weak. Flowers half facing. Habit low branching. Health excellent. Floriferousness good. A certificate flower with a weak stem. Height 5 feet 1 inch. Spread 3 feet 6 inches.

*No. 161.* Stake No. 45. Cactus. Score 83.9 B. Basic color Chalcedony yellow lightly suffused Amaranth pink. General effect light to medium autumn. Entered by Dr. Henry C. Parker, Washington, D. C. Diameter of blooms  $7\frac{1}{2}$  to  $8\frac{1}{2}$  inches. Depth  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 5 inches. Stem  $6\frac{1}{2}$  to 10 inches, strong, straight. Flowers facing to erect. Floriferousness good. Defective centers. Height 5 feet 1 inch. Spread 3 feet 8 inches.

*Dazzle.* Stake No. 46. Semi-cactus. Score 82.5 A. Basic color Chalcedony yellow to light, lightly tinted mallow pink. General effect light autumn. Entered by Dr. Henry C. Parker, Washington, D. C. Diameter of blooms 6 to 9 inches, depth 4 to 6 inches. Stem 6 to 10 inches, strong, straight, flowers half facing to almost erect. Habit bushy branching. Health good. Floriferousness good. One plant all open centers. Height 4 feet 7 inches. Spread 4 feet.

*Ekzabeth Ann.* Stake No. 47. Min. I. D. Score 83.3 M. Basic color almost white completely overcast Bordeaux. General effect rose red facing on older forets. Entered by W. C. Carl, R. D. 1, Asbury Park, New Jersey. Diameter of blooms  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 5 inches, depth  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches. Stem 4 to  $9\frac{1}{2}$  inches, fair, slightly bowed. Flower half facing. Habit bushy branching. Health good. Floriferousness prolific. Fades. Height 3 feet 9 inches. Spread 3 feet 7 inches.

*Ireland's Pride.* Stake No. 48. Cactus. Score 82.7 A. Basic color light chalcedony yellow overcast Bordeaux. General effect carmine to spectrum red, some white tips. Entered by Fred D. Ware, Evansville, Indiana. Diameter of bloom  $11\frac{1}{2}$  inches, depth 5 inches. Stem 6 to 8 inches, slightly crooked, flowers half facing. Habit branching erect. Health one plant excellent, two plants very dwarf. Floriferousness good. Height 6 feet 3 inches. Spread 3 feet 6 inches.

*Queen Ann.* Stake No. 49. Cactus. Score 83.7 A. Basic color pale greenish yellow, fading, overcast light mallow purple. General effect dark mallow pink to lighter in the center, sometimes to distinct light yellow coloring toward the center. Entered by Fred D. Ware, Evansville, Indiana. Diameter of blooms 9 to 11 inches, depth 5 to 6 inches. Stem 6 to 15 inches, strong slightly bowed, flowers facing. Habit erect branching. Health excellent. Floriferousness medium. Height 5 feet 2 inches. Spread 3 feet.

*Red Quill.* Stake No. 50. Semi-cactus. Score 83.2 A. Basic color Chalcedony yellow overcast pomegranate purple. General effect rose red. Entered by Fred D. Ware, Evansville, Indiana. Diameter of blooms  $10\frac{1}{2}$  to 12 inches, depth 7 to 8 inches. Stem  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to  $8\frac{1}{2}$  inches, strong, straight, short. Flower half facing. Habit thickly branching, erect. Late flowering. Height 5 feet. Spread 3 feet.

*Bride's Bouquet.* Stake No. 52. F. D. Score 84 A. Color almost white. Entered by Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, Rockville Centre, L. I., N. Y. Diameter of bloom  $6\frac{3}{4}$  to 9 inches, depth 4 to  $5\frac{1}{2}$  inches. Stem 2 to  $7\frac{1}{2}$  inches, strong, bowed. Flowers half facing. Habit bushy, branching, vigorous. Health good. Floriferousness medium. Height 5 feet 4 inches. Spread 4 feet.

*Suzan Lee.* Stake No. 53. Cactus. Score 83.5 B. Chalcedony yellow lightly tinted mallow pink. General effect light autumn or old gold. Entered by Fred E. Gray, Toledo, Ohio. Diameter of blooms 5 to  $6\frac{1}{2}$  inches, depth  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 3 inches. Stem 4 to 11 inches, strong, straight, flowers mostly facing. Habit broadly branching, vigorous. Health good. Floriferousness good. Height 4 feet 10 inches. Spread 3 feet.

*H-113.* Stake No. 54. Lacinated cactus. Score 81.75 B. Color pale yellow-green lightly suffused amaranth pink. General effect light pink autumn. Entered by Oakleigh Gardens, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Originator DeRuyters, Holland. Blooms 6 to 8 inches in diameter, 2 to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches in depth. Stem 7 to 15 inches, slightly bowed to strongly curved. Habit bushy branching. Health good. Floriferousness prolific. Defective centers. Height 4 feet 8 inches. Spread 3 feet 3 inches.

*Markley's Cameo.* Stake No. 58. F. D. Score 84 B. Basic color light greenish yellow fading and becoming lightly suffused mallow pink. General effect light pink with yellow blend. Entered by Harold P. Markley, 216 So. Pennsylvania Avenue, Lansing, Michigan. Diameter of blooms 5 to  $8\frac{1}{2}$  inches, depth 2 to 4 inches. Stem 6 to  $10\frac{1}{2}$  inches, strong, slightly bowed, flowers facing to half facing. Habit bushy branching, vigorous, uniform. Health excellent. Floriferousness good. Height 4 feet 6 inches. Spread 3 feet 6 inches.

*Mrs. Lillian Markley.* Stake No. 59. F. D. Score 81.7 B. Color almost white. Entered by H. P. Markley, Lansing, Michigan. Diameter of blooms  $4\frac{3}{4}$  to 6 inches, depth  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches. Stem 5 to 13 inches, fair, curved, flower half facing. Habit bushy branching. Health excellent. Floriferousness good. Height 3 feet 6 inches. Spread 3 feet.

*CB-86.* Stake No. 61. Cactus. Score 84 A. Basic color almost white overcast Amaranth purple, blanching. General effect Amaranth purple blanching. Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. Originator Haugh. Diameter of blooms 8 to 10 inches, depth  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 6 inches. Stem  $6\frac{1}{2}$  to 12 inches, strong, straight, flowers facing. Habit erect branching. Health excellent. Floriferousness good. Height 4 feet 3 inches. Spread 3 feet.

*Purple Velvet.* Stake 62. F. D. Score 83.8 B. Basic color almost white completely overcast pansy purple. General effect Amaranth purple. Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. Originator George Baker. Diameter of blooms 6 to 8 inches, depth 3 to 4 inches. Stem 7 to 12 inches, straight to slightly bowed. Flower half facing. Floriferousness good. Height 4 feet 11 inches. Spread 4 feet.

*E-28.* Stake No. 63. I. D. Score 83.3 A. Color dark autumn. Entered by V. V. Morris, Hudson Falls, N. Y. Originator J. Eberle, Albany, N. Y. Diameter of blooms 9 to 12 inches, depth 3 to 6 inches. Stem 9 to 15 inches, strong, straight, thick. Flower facing. Health good. Substance good. Floriferousness good. Height 4 feet. Spread 3 feet.

*946.* Stake No. 64. Cactus. Score 82 A. Basic color light yellow-green overcast Tyrian pink. General effect peach red. Entered by C. N. Keiser Dahlia Gardens, Berrien Springs, Michigan. Diameter of blooms 9 to 11 inches, depth 3 to  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches. Stem 5 to 13 inches, strong, bowed. Flower half facing. Habit erect branching above. Floriferousness only fair. Height 5 feet. Spread 2 feet 3 inches.

*943.* Stake No. 65. Ball. Score 81.2 M. Chalcedony yellow. Entered by C. N. Keiser Dahlia Gardens, Berrien Springs, Michigan. Diameter of blooms 3 to 5 inches, depth 2 to 3 inches. Stems 4 to 18 inches, poor, bends at the node. Flowers half facing. Health good. Floriferousness fair. Height 6 feet 2 inches. Spread 3 feet 3 inches.

*S-41-508.* Stake No. 66. Semi-cactus. Score 81 B. Color almost white. Entered by K. Arthur Anderson, Elmhurst, Ill. Diameter of blooms 4 to 6 inches, depth 2 to 4 inches. Stem 5 to 7 inches, fair to weak, flower facing. Habit dwarf, broadly branching. Health only fair. Floriferousness medium. Height 3 feet 10 inches. Spread 2 feet 10 inches.

*Flaming Sunset.* Stake No. 67. Score 83.6 B. Basic color Chalcedony yellow suffused Tyrian pink. General effect medium autumn. Entered by K. Arthur Anderson, Elmhurst, Ill. Diameter of bloom 6 to 8 inches; depth 3 to  $5\frac{1}{2}$  inches. Stem 7 to  $10\frac{1}{2}$  inches, strong, straight, flowers facing to almost erect. Height 5 feet 2 inches. Spread 3 feet 6 inches. Health good. Floriferousness good. Better late.

*No. 17.* Stake No. 68. Cactus. Score 82.6 B. Color almost white. Entered by L. LacKamp, 543 E. 109 St., Cleveland, Ohio. Diameter of blooms 6 to  $8\frac{1}{2}$  inches, depth 3 to 4 inches. Stem 8 to 14 inches, slightly bowed to straight. Flowers half facing. Health good. Floriferousness good. Height 4 feet 10 inches. Spread 3 feet.

*Emogene Platt.* Stake No. 69. Miniature Semi-cactus. Score 83.5 M. Basic color greenish yellow fading, suffused light mallow purple. General effect pink autumn. Entered by C. H. Fulmer, 5212 Rainier Ave., Seattle 8, Washington. Diameter of blooms 3 to  $5\frac{1}{2}$  inches, depth 1 to 2 inches. Stem 3 to 7 inches, straight, thin. Flowers facing. Habit bushy branching. Health good. Floriferousness prolific. Wonderful for landscape and cutting. Height 4 feet. Spread 3 feet.

*Croydens Sport.* Stake No. 70. F. D. Score 81 B. Color greenish yellow. Entered by C. H. Fulmer, Seattle, Washington. Diameter of blooms 6 to  $7\frac{1}{2}$  inches, depth  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to  $4\frac{3}{4}$  inches. Stem  $7\frac{1}{2}$  to 16 inches, strong, bowed to straight, flowers facing. Habit broadly branching above. Health good. Floriferousness only fair. Height 5 feet 3 inches. Spread 3 feet 9 inches.

*Seedling No. 9.* Stake No. 71. Cactus. Score 83.4 B. Color greenish yellow. Entered by Ernest E. Tooker, Rockville Centre, New York. Diameter 6 to 9 inches, depth  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 5 inches. Stem  $5\frac{1}{2}$  to 8 inches, straight, flowers facing. Habit bushy, branching. Health good. Floriferousness excellent. Height 3 feet 4 inches. Spread 2 feet 6 inches.

*SD-2-46.* Stake No. 72. Cactus. Score 83 A. Bright Chalcedony yellow. Entered by Victor Steckle, Lansing, Michigan. Diameter of blooms 7 to 10 inches, depth 3 to 6 inches. Stem 6 to 12 inches, strong, straight to curved. Habit broadly branching. Health very good. Floriferousness medium. Height 4 feet 10 inches. Spread 3 feet.

*Dr. A. E. Nash.* Stake No. 76. I. D. to Semi-cactus. Score 82.1 A. Color dark autumn. Entered by Dr. A. E. Nash, 30 Forest Ave., Verona, N. J. Diameter of blooms 9 to 10 inches, depth  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 5 inches. Stem 12 to 14 inches, fair, curved. Growth of plants poor. Late flowering. Height 4 feet 10 inches. Spread 3 feet.

C. E. WILDON, Superintendent.

## University of Maryland

The Dahlia Ground here at the University of Maryland was drowned out this summer and there will be no records from here.

An explanation of this will be sent to the individuals who had entered.

CONRAD B. LINK,  
Professor of Floriculture.

## Report on the Trial Grounds At Cincinnati, 1948

We had a good dahlia season here this year although it was about two weeks late due to the weather.

In early June right after the dahlias were planted we had a hot dry spell and again in the early part of September and although we used the sprinklers, nothing beats a good rain. We feel that some of the varieties on trial might have done better and some are recommended for retrial. Below is a list of the certificate winners.

Stake No. 12. *Canary*. Entered by J. Schutte, Springfield, Ohio. Score 85 M. Bright yellow miniature on good stems, good bush growth and a prolific bloomer. Size 3 x 2 inches.

Stake No. 15. *Miss Myrtle Beach*. Entered by Golden Rule Dahlia Farm, Lebanon, Ohio. Score 85 E. Bright orange cactus to semi-cactus. Blooms held facing on good stems, good medium bush, growth size 7 x 4 inches.

Stake No. 16. *Carolina Lassie*. Entered by Golden Rule Dahlia Farm, Lebanon, Ohio. Score 85 C. Lavender Pink shaded lighter to center, good medium bush growth with good stems, blooms held facing, a good cut flower type, size 4 x 2 inches.

Stake No. 17. S.-2. Entered by Golden Rule Dahlia Farm, Lebanon, Ohio. Score 85 E. Autumn shade semi-cactus, rugged bush growth with good stems, blooms held facing, size 9 x 6 inches.

Stake No. 21. LA-1. Entered by Rocky River Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. Score 85 C. Bright Gold shaded darker to center formal decorative. Medium bush growth good stems, blooms held facing, a good cut flower variety, size 6 x 4 inches.

Stake No. 23. W-F-80. Entered by Rocky River Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. Score 85 E. White formal decorative, this variety is pure White and does not burn blooming in the hot weather we had in September without wilting or burning, medium bush growth, good stems, size 8 x 5 inches. Blooms facing.

Stake No. 30. 7-1. Entered by Dixie Dahlia Gardens, Clio, Michigan. Score 85 E. Pure Cream formal decorative the color on this variety was very good and was much admired as we have nothing like it to date. Rugged bush growth and good stems, size 8 x 4 inches. The only fault this variety had was that it bloomed a little late.

Stake No. 34. *Cardinal*. Entered by Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, Rockville Centre, Long Island. Score 85 E. Cardinal in color, very bright, blooms held facing on good stems, tall bush growth, size 12 x 6 inches.

ROBERT SEIBEL, Trial Grounds Supt.

## The Dahlia Society of Georgia, Located in Mozely Park

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Mark Twain once said, "Everybody talks about the weather but no one does anything about it." We, here in the South, have been talking about the weather and we did nothing about it.

In the first part of July we had 12 inches of rain, and 5½ inches in one day, breaking all weather records for July for 79 years. We had unseasonably cool weather and hot dry weather.

This combination of weather in the planting of dahlias was very bad, many small plants and tubers suffered, but in spite of this unusual weather in the South, the South Atlantic Trial Garden has had a fair year.

In August we had a drought with very hot weather, going to 99 degrees temperature, with very little humidity, and a new introduction that can take this type of weather has gone through the acid test.

We have one criticism to make. This is true for only a few of the growers. Some plants that were sent for trial were only rooted cuttings and it was necessary that they be grown an additional ten days to three weeks before we could set out. We believe the growers should send well matured plants for testing, and it certainly would be to their advantage.

Judges for the Trial Gardens are as follows: Nelson Crist, David S. Wells, Owen Kellum, C. E. Faust, C. R. Perry, B. L. Kennedy, B. E. Phillips, W. D. Ricks.

C. E. FAUST,  
NELSON CRIST, Supt. Trial Garden.

STAKE NO. 11—S.C.—*The Cardinal*. Scored 85. Entered by Geo. L. Baker, 1806-34th St., Moline, Ill. Color Cardinal Red Center, outer petals to Orient Red. Height of plant 5 ft., size of flower 9 x 4½. Very attractive.

STAKE NO. 8—C.—*The Doctor*. Scored 85. Entered by Shepherd Dahlia Gardens, Cincinnati, Ohio. Color Pink blending to Primrose Yellow to center. Height of plant 5 ft., size of flower 9 x 5. Attractive.

STAKE NO. 5—F.D.—*Golden Treasure*. Scored 85. Entered by Norman LaMotte, Hapeville, Ga. Color Orange Buff shading to Straw Yellow on outer petals. Height of plant 5 ft., size of flower 7 x 4. Very prolific and a good cut flower.

STAKE NO. 9—C.—*My Buddy*. Scored 85. Entered by Paul R. Hull, 1268 Crestwood Road, Toledo, Ohio. Color White overlaid Orchid. Height of plant 5 ft., size of flower 9 x 5.

STAKE NO. 15—I.C.—Scored 82.5. Entered by Fred E. Gray, Toledo, Ohio. Color Yellow Ochre shading to Orange. Height of plant 4½ ft., size of flower 5½ x 3½.  
STAKE NO 4—S.C.—Scored 82.5. Entered by Norman LaMotte, Hapeville, Ga. Color Primrose Yellow. Height of plant 5 ft., size of flower 4 x 2. Prolific.

STAKE NO. 14—F.D.—Scored 80. Entered by Rocky Run Dahlia Gardens, Rocky Run, Ohio. Color White. Height of plant 4½ ft., size of flower 8 x 5.

STAKE NO. 10—F.D.—*M L H*. Scored 80. Entered by Paul R. Hull, 1268 Crestwood Road, Toledo, Ohio. Color White. Height of plant 4½ ft., size of flower 8 x 4½.

STAKE NO. 12—F.D.—*Bride Bouquet*. Scored 83.5. Entered by Geo. L. Baker, 1806-34th St., Moline, Ill. Color White. Height of plant 5 ft., size of flower 7½ x 4½.

STAKE NO. 13—*New Look*. Plant did not bloom until late. Recommend retrial. Plant growth very good but only one bloom.

STAKE NO. 16—*Cactus Blue Galilee*. Scored 79. Entered by Reese Dahlia Garden. Color Lilac Purple. Height of plant 2¾ ft., size of flower 8½ x 4.

STAKE NO. 17—Cactus. Scored 79. Entered by Warren Maytrott, Vineland, New Jersey. Color Cardinal. Height of plant 3 ft., size of flower 8½ x 4.

STAKE NO. 2—Miniature I.D. Scored 78. Entered by H. O. Alexander, 201 Maple Ave., Wenonah, New Jersey. Color Rose Red. Height of plant 3½ ft., size of flower 3 x 2.

STAKE NO. 1—Entered by Dr. L. J. Stuber, Prairie du Sac, Wisconsin. Did not grow due to 12 inches of rain in one week. Recommend retrial.

STAKE NO. 6—Entered by Wm. Wolbert, 2109 Sunset Ave., Springfield, Ohio. Not scored. Recommend retrial.

STAKE NO. 3—S.T. Cactus. 21 P 161. Scored 82. Color Orange with suffusion Pink. Entered by H. C. Parker, Washington, D. C. Height of plant 3¾ ft., size of flower 8 x 4¾.

STAKE NO. 7—S.C. *White Magic*. Scored 80. Color White. Entered by Shepherd Dahlia Gardens, Cincinnati, Ohio. Height of plant 5 ft., size of flower 7 x 4.

STAKE NO. 18—F.D. to I.F. Scored 80. Color Empire Pink with light suffusion Primrose Yellow toward center. Entered by J. R. Dortch, Atlanta, Georgia. Height of plant 6 ft., size of flower 5 x 4.

## SOUTHERN STATES DAHLIA SHOW

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We could go on indefinitely telling of this Show. Space limits us. Perhaps in the next issue of the BULLETIN we can give a more complete list of those winners, especially of the newer varieties.

At a meeting of the Southern States Dahlia Association, on Saturday evening new officers took over duties of that Association. Mr. Nelson Crist, Atlanta, Georgia, is now President; Mr. C. Goodwin, Birmingham, Alabama is now Vice-President; Mr. George Etheredge, Jr., Chattanooga, is now Secretary-Treasurer and are ready for the Show to be held in Atlanta next year. All of us will cooperate with that Show to make it a success.

Even though we did not have as many folks visit our Show as anticipated the Show was a success. We have created more interest in the growing of dahlias. We have created interest in the growing of dahlias on a national scale. We have shown that dahlia growers are the same whether East-West-MidWest-South or Far West. We are united in one glorious part of God's work. That is perfection of His Work by study, care, patience, hard work.

The writer of this article sincerely expresses his appreciation to all persons who visited the Show; who acted

as judges; who aided in the entry of dahlias; the entry of exhibits; the entry of arrangements and in fact every one who had anything to do with any part of the Show. Newspaper publicity was extremely good; radio broadcasting was good during the last week. In fact as I see it, there was nothing that we could have improved on. It was a success. It will require considerable work on part of Atlanta and Birmingham to equal the Show. However, we are not out to beat the other fellows, we are out to sell dahlia growing to the new people who are gradually cultivating a love of flowers and dahlias, can definitely hold its place in any garden, whether it be roses, orchids, African violets or any other flowers.

My work has been completed. I am now ready to visit other cities during the winter months, to create interest in the formation of Dahlia Societies. I am ready for any work that I will be called on to assist in, but I assure you all, that next fall will see me in the role of visitor to the Mid West Shows; the East Shows; arranging for shipping dahlias for competition in other Shows and I'll be trying for those red, blue, gold, purple, prizes and trophies and let the rest of you fellows do the Show work.

Feeling a sense of Show responsibility for the success of the Show during its progress, I was unable to "visit with our visitors" as much as I would have liked—but—"the Show must go on" as you all well know and I feel amply repaid for the time I put in on the Show.

## MID-WEST DAHLIA CONFERENCE

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the delegates not to vote for Central States and consider Kentucky's bid. A question was called on the motion and the vote was in favor of the Mid-West Show and Conference meeting going to Central States Dahlia Society for 1949. Motion carried.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

President:—A motion was made by Mr. Kleinjohn of Kentucky ad seconded by Mr. Bennett of Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society to elect the President for 1949 as per Central States Dahlia Society choice. Motion carried.

Secretary-Treasurer:—A motion was made by Mr. Mulcahy of the American Dahlia Society and seconded by Mr. Lynch of Central States that Mrs. Louise Kleinjohn be re-elected as Secretary-Treasurer for 1949. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Radke of Central States and seconded by Mr. Bennett of Greater St. Louis to allow the Secretary \$20.00 towards her expenses to the Conference meeting. Motion carried.

Nothing further a motion was made by Mr. Radke of Central States and seconded by Mr. Cuffel of Indianapolis to adjourn.

MRS. LOUISE KLEINJOHN, Secretary.

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# Long Island Dahlia Society Show

The Long Island Dahlia Society held its 4th Annual Show at the Jamaica Arena, Jamaica, Long Island, New York, on Saturday, September 18th.

There were 195 competitive classes, practically all of which, surprisingly, had one or more entries.

Overcoming, by some hook or crook, the adverse weather encountered toward the end of the summer and early fall, the exhibitors outdid themselves in showing some huge magnificent blooms. Not to be outdone by these giants, the mediums, balls, miniatures, poms and anemones were there in their full glory and in quantity.

Let the male dahlia growers stop kidding themselves about the dahlia being a man's flower, as this old saw was materially disputed by the weaker sex in their number of entries on the show tables.

The largest and most perfect bloom, a *Southern Thoroughbred*, was awarded the Society's handsome gold medal. This dahlia was exhibited by John Passler, Valley Stream, New York. The tri-color winners were presented with handsome vases.

The cream of dahlia judges performed with their usual sound judgment especially so in the Home Achievement Medal undisseeded seedling class, where they were faced with 3 fine blooms of *New Look* exhibited by:

Martin Guttler of Elmont, Long Island, New York; and 3 fine blooms of *Marilyn Dale*, exhibited by Grover C. Mollineaux of Hempstead, Long Island, N. Y. Here is where they showed their true mettle. These two exhibits were so evenly alike, that after an animated pow-wow, they diverted from the usual practice of awards by awarding the Home Achievement Medal to *New Look* and the American Dahlia Society's Gold Certificate to *Marilyn Dale*. They also awarded the A.D.S. gold certificate to a fine large red formal decorative one year seedling exhibited by Albert Parella.

The dahlia judges were Dr. E. F. McDade, Lynn Dudley, Leo. Pollock, Raymond Grass from St. Louis, H. Dewey Mohr, Conrad Frey and Edward Lloyd and the arrangements judges were Mrs. Margaret Pfister and Mrs. Ethel Whitlock.

The Tri-Color winners:

Mrs. M. Guttler, *Five Star General*; Geo. F. Yaeger *Mrs. Hester Pape*; John Passler, *Southern Thoroughbred*; Leo Matusa, *Valley Queen*; Leo Matusa, basket of *Five Star General*; B. E. Pitt, *Early Snow*; Dr. F. J. Knocke, *Miss Rita Champeau*; James E. Kelly, *Smiling Susan*; Lawrence Heslin, *Purple Heart*; Mrs. Finck, basket of *Flash*; Ahlers & Garcia, *White Fawn*; Geo. F. Yaeger, *Jubilant*; M. Guttler, *Jubilant*; A. Warren, *Mrs. V. Brittain*; Dr. F. Knocke, *Rosy Dawn*; E. Berzau, basket of miniatures and anemones.

Arrangements: Mrs. M. Guttler, Mrs. Otto J. Amuller.

The A.D.S. bronze medal was awarded to 3 blooms of *Autumn Shade*, exhibited by Emil Berzau. A *Little Edith*, exhibited by James E. Kelly, was declared the smallest flower in the show.

Words cannot express the efforts and labor put forth by Thos. Kuzenka, Vice-President in Charge of Exhibitions and Shows, and his Committee and the membership in large for making this show so successful and the best to date.



Tri-color winning arrangement of *LITTLE EDITH* and *PEE WEE* by Mrs. Otto J. Amuller, Valley Stream, L. I.

The Fifth Annual Dahlia Show will be held on Saturday, September 24, 1949.

## Greater Pittsburgh Dahlia Society Holds Annual Show

Dahlia growers in the Greater Pittsburgh area held their annual show at Phipps Conservatory, Schenley Park, September 18th and September 19th. With little or no rain for the past month, and the beetles and grass hoppers doing their best to eat up the blooms, nevertheless, Mr. Arthur Banks, chairman of the show and his committee put on a successful exhibition. What the show lacked in the quality of blooms it made up for in increased attendance and enthusiasm.

The grand sweepstakes prize for entries was won by Mr. Fred E. Kording. Henry Retzer captured the American Home Achievement medal with his new dahlia, most appropriately named *Rudolph Motznik* after one of our most active members. Its a beauty and should take little time in winning national acclaim.

Walker Grieve entered the largest bloom and Joe Barry, the smallest. Mrs. L. D. Hislop added considerable class to the show with her display of dahlias, most of which were of the foreign variety. A new feature of the show which brought much comment were the "corsage" entries. Corsages made up entirely of dahlias were almost unbelievable. With the show over, our members, like the fisherman who caught no fish, can only hope that next time will be different. It will be.

JOHN F. SNYDER, Publicity Committee.

## Great Neck Show

A new standard, in both scope and quality, was set last Saturday by the Annual Fall Dahlia, Flower and Vegetable Show staged at the High School by the Men's Garden Club of Great Neck for the benefit of the local Health League. Attracting a large attendance, the affair included entries from gardeners in New York State, New Jersey, and a score of communities on Long Island. In all, 488 entries were on display in all competitive classes. In addition there was a special exhibit of the sensational dahlia introduction *New Look* by Martin Gettler, a magnificent display by Albert Parella covering 150 square feet, and including dahlias of every type, as well as Mr. Parella's fine *David Platt Memorial Exhibit*.

The same dry weather which retarded development of dahlias so that they were reaching their peak just in time for this show, delayed chrysanthemums so that only a handful were ready for showing. Vegetables and fruits also suffered at the hands of the weather. But late annuals, dahlias and the many striking flower arrangements more than made up for the weak spots.

In the opinion of the many experts who attended, the show as a whole ranked as one of the finest of the fall season in the East.

The judging was in the competent hands of Messrs. Lynn Dudley, Henry Olsen, Andrew J. Mulcahy, and Otto J. Amuller.

The list of those who won the principal awards and ribbons in individual classes is as follows:

The sweepstakes prize, a handsome silver plate offered by The Men's Garden Club for the highest total point score, was won by William Tilton, of Glen Cove, who also won the American Dahlia Society Bronze Medal for the best undisseeded dahlia seedling exhibited.

The Max Schling Silver Medal for the most outstanding exhibit in the entire show was won by Albert Parella, Bronx, for his superb dahlias.

F. M. Pratt won the Bronze Medal of the Men's Garden Clubs of America for the highest point score among members of the sponsoring clubs.

Tricolors in dahlia sections were won by: Earl Morse (2); H. A. Olsen, Flushing (2); Marie Schnugg, Floral Park (2); Mr. Tilton (2); George Yaeger, Valley Stream (2); Ahlers & Garcia, Springfield Gardens, E. Bergran, Mr. Guttler; Larry Heslin, Floral Park, Alfred Warren, Peekskill.

Flower arrangement winners were: first prizes Mrs. Lippke (3); Mrs. McHugh, Mrs. H. W. Taylor, Mr. Robinson and Mr. Pratt; second prizes to Mrs. F. M. Pratt (2), Mrs. J. Ronsheim, Mrs. Charles Scheid, Mr. Heeren and Mr. A. O. Lippke; third place winners were Mrs. P. L. Robinson (2), Mr. John J. Armstrong, Mrs. Kahn and Mr. C. G. Steiner.

The winners of first prizes in the 181 dahlia classes were: Mr. Tilton (13); Mr. Berzan (10); Mr. Parella (9); Mr. H. A. Olsen (8); Louis Smirnow (8); Ahlers & Garcia (7); Mr. Yaeger (7); Mr. Heslin (6); Earl Morse (6); Mr. Guttler (5); E. Peterson (5); Dr. Gurin (4); Mr. Pratt (4); Mr. Hess (2); Mr. Houts (2); J. E. Jones (2); Mr. Marrone (2); Mrs. Platt (2); J. H. Seebeck (2); Marie Schnugg (2); A & S Dahlia Gardens, Valley Stream, O. W. Aumuller, C. L. Barthen, Mr. Heeren, Dewey Mohr, Rockville Center, Mr. Warren.

The quality of the blooms was good considering the backwardness of the season. Excellent specimens of the following dahlias were shown: *Hoosier Marvel*, *Real Glory*, *Miss Liberty*, *Nagel's Orange*, *Kelvin*, *Edith Willkie*, *Miss Marjorie* and Emil Berzan's basket of *Collarettes*.

Mr. William Tilton's bi-color red and white informal seedling was awarded Tri-Color, equivalent to the American Home Achievement Medal. His *Lady in White*, a magnificent white cactus large like *Miss San Diego* in appearance was another fine seedling of his.

Mr. Albert Parella showed three blooms of informal red seedling which promises to be sensational. His pink seedling, a big beautiful informal was well received. One of the other outstanding features was Emil Berzan's basket of *Collarette*.

LOUIS SMIRNOW.

## Dahlia Society of Wisconsin

At the annual meeting the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Ben Makowski, 3607 South Whitnall Avenue, Milwaukee 7, Wisconsin.

Vice-President—Reinhard Otto, 4513 No. 37th Street, Milwaukee 9, Wisconsin.

Secretary—Mrs. Lorraine Hoppe, 2446 No. 61st Street, Wauwatosa 13, Wisconsin.

Treasurer—Arno Schuerer, 2004 No. 58th Street, Milwaukee 8, Wisconsin.

Regional Vice-President—A. Zade, Racine Wisconsin; E. J. Heggstad, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Max Freudenberg, Madison, Wisconsin; George Currie, Sheboygan, Wisconsin.

HERBERT O. DONNER.

## Midwest Dahlia Conference

The Annual meeting of the Midwest Dahlia Conference was held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on Saturday evening, September 11, 1948, at 6:45 p. m.

The meeting was well attended by delegates and visitors from the affiliated societies.

Three bids for the 1949 Midwest Show and Conference meeting were offered and after much discussion, voting and comment, Chicago, or Central States Dahlia Society was awarded the honor of being host to the Midwest Show and Conference meeting for 1949.

LOUISE KLEINJOHN, Secretary.

Due to unforeseen and regrettable circumstances, the originator of *White Magic* has decided not to release this dahlia in 1949. Watch for further particulars. The better domestic and foreign dahlias will be listed in our 1949 catalog. Request your copy.

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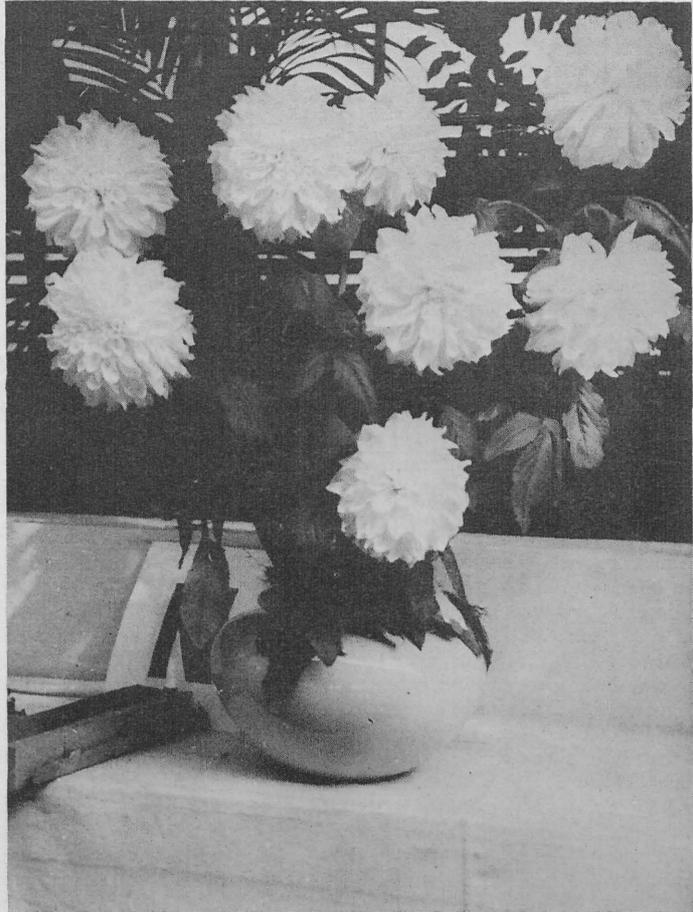
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# Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society

## 1948 Show

For a number of years I have wondered how the New York shows, sponsored by the American Dahlia Society, compared with the other shows I have seen, including our St. Louis shows. It was my good fortune to be in New York on business at the time this year's show was held at Hotel Pennsylvania, where I was stopping, giving me an opportunity to meet and work with so many of the members of the Society whom I had only known through reputation. It was a grand show and a grand bunch of fellows are connected with it! I am going to take this means of thanking all of them for the hospitality shown me.

I promised Gordon Waaser when I left that I would send him the results of our show as soon as possible, so I had better keep my promise and report that:—

The tenth annual dahlia show of the Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society was held October second and third at Missouri Botanical Garden.

Ideal growing conditions, together with not too much insect infestation, enabled our members to almost fill the display house with good quality blooms and arrangements.

We have always been proud of the mass displays which add so much to our shows, with their large vases of exhibition blooms of individual varieties. This show was no exception. A few years ago in one of my annual articles for the American Dahlia Society Bulletin, I predicted that Hubert Sandefur would develop into one of our hard-to-beat growers and exhibitors. At that time, "Sandy" grew only a few dozen plants. His garden grew along with his enthusiasm. This year he was allotted the space in the show room formerly used by our late president, Perry Wilson. Over 300 blooms were used in the Sandefur display, which included outstanding vases of *Pink Flamingo*, *Cherokee Brave*, *Mrs. Hester Pape*, *California Pageant*, *Jane Lausche*, *Milton J. Cross*, *Silver Tips*, *Sherwood's Peach*, and *Miss Liberty*. Sandy also used a large combination arrangement of *Bedford Beauty* and *Crystal White* and separate vases of *Elsie Jane*, *Piet*, *Dulcinia*, *Jubilant* and *Marmour*.

This display was accented with a very large basket of 15 *Mrs. Hester Pape*. Unfortunately, after staging the exhibit on the night before the show, someone overlooked putting water in the basket of *Mrs. Hester Pape*, and several of the blooms had to be replaced the next morning. This oversight, I am sure, caused "Sandy" to lose a chance for the award for the most outstanding vase or basket in the show. A further feature of this display was a miniature May Pole arrangement worked out with floating blooms of *Bedford Beauty* and *Crystal White*. Miniature dolls were used. This arrangement was placed on a discarded recording machine which revolved. The judges awarded a blue ribbon for this fine exhibit.

This display was in competition with Pat Bennett and Fred Beckmann's joint display, using all their own seedlings. About 200 blooms were used. One of their vases, a seedling they call *B & B*, was selected as the most outstanding vase in the show. They also displayed a large

vase of their new variety, *Silver Tips*, and a vase of their *Coral Cactus*, introduced a couple of years ago. The Bennett and Beckmann exhibit was also beautifully staged. Lot of credit is due these two growers for the work they are doing with seedlings.

We are always grateful to the two commercial growers who contribute so much toward making our shows colorful. Mr. H. E. Ward had an exceptionally fine mass display this year which was awarded first prize. In his exhibit he displayed containers of *Frieda Gaylord*, *Dave Platt*, *Hilda Fioretti*, *Kirsten Flagstad*, *Jane Lausche*, *Carol Lee*, *California Pageant*, *Col. Little*, *Maffi*, *Pink Flamingo*, *Southern Rose*, *Ray Smith*, *Ogden Reid*, *Joan Ferenz*, *Snow Ball*, *Mrs. Hester Pape*, *Clara Hook*, *Silver Tips* and five of his own seedlings, *Gen. John Pershing*, *Red Boy*, *Linda*, *Nina* and *Becky Thatcher*. This exhibit of about 350 blooms added a lot and represented a great deal of effort.

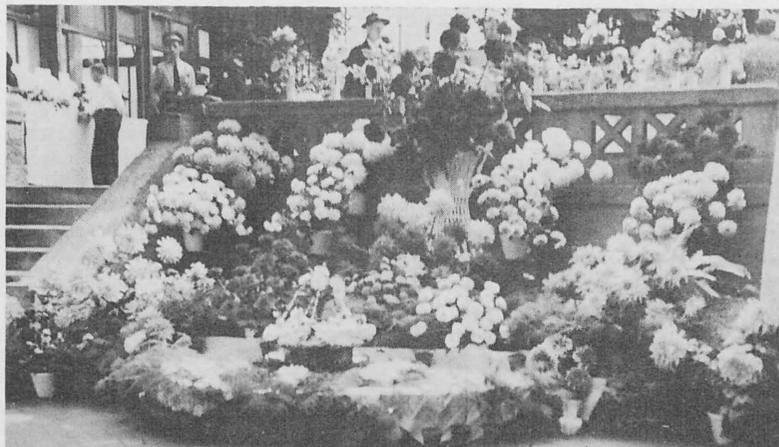
Our shows would not be complete without our good friend, A. Rees of Tilden, Illinois, with his usual interesting mass displays. The Rees' exhibit had many of his own seedlings and late introductions of other growers. It had a large quantity of blooms well grown. We appreciate this contribution.

We also were glad to welcome back as an exhibitor Mr. Ed Johanning. Twenty years ago, it was Ed who took nearly all of the top prizes at the annual fall shows. In fact, I became interested in growing dahlias when I saw the possibilities in the Johanning garden and exhibits. It is a treat to see the neatness of Ed's garden, not only of his dahlia beds all mulched with peat moss, but the general layout with its succession of color during the season.

A great deal of interest was shown in the American Home Achievement Class. Several local and out-of-town varieties were entered. In my report last year I was enthusiastic about the future of Geo. Baker's white formal which won the most perfect bloom award in the 1947 show, also the best ten in the Open-to-All and the best ten in that show. I promised to grow it this season for George to be entered in the achievement class. After giving up my big garden (doctor's orders) I moved to a very small new place with basement clay back yard. The timing was missed due to new ground and the fact that I was in New York the three weeks just before the St. Louis show, I was unable to do the job for Mr. Baker, so I had to let "George do it." He sent to me via air express eight of his white formal which he named *Bride's Bouquet*. These were arranged in a large aqua bowl. They won the award for Baker.

Keeping qualities should be considered in selecting new varieties. I have been active for a number of years in dismantling the shows the morning following the close of our shows, giving me an opportunity to observe the condition of the blooms 2½ to 3 days after they have been cut. I am still enthusiastic about *Bride's Bouquet* as they looked almost as fresh Monday morning as they did when received at the airport Friday evening.

Amateur Mass Display by  
Hubert Sandefur.  
This display won First Prize.



Bennett and Beckmann's *Silver Tips* received a gold ribbon signifying its worthiness of introduction. Dr. Steuber of Prairie du Sac, Wisconsin, entered three blooms of his very large pink with white centers which he named *Lois Steuber*. It was one of these blooms that won the President's Trophy for the largest bloom in the show.

We had many entries of worthwhile varieties in the regular seedling class. These were not competitive, but were judged for merit. In this group, George Baker's red semi-cactus, *The Cardinal*, received in addition to a blue ribbon, a gold ribbon, a recommendation of the judges as being worthy of introduction and the outstanding variety entered. Understand *The Cardinal* had a fine record in many shows this season. The three blooms that won here in St. Louis were also flown from Moline, Illinois.

For the benefit of the growers who might be interested in shipping blooms, Mr. Baker used the balloon system. That is, he half filled toy balloons with water and slipped them over the cut stems. The blooms on arrival looked as though they had just been cut from the plants.

The committee decided to include a class known as Public Choice, where individual blooms were entered specifically to be voted on by the public. Mrs. Hester Pape was selected as the variety which most appealed to them. This bloom was entered by Bennett and Beckmann.

Throughout the show the varieties most shown were Mrs. Hester Pape, *Jane Lausche*, *Silver Tips* and *Pink Flamingo* in the exhibition varieties and *Bedford Beauty*, *Crystal White*, *Little Sheik*, *Jubilant* and *Rosy Dawn* in the smaller varieties.

Other varieties well grown were *Dixie Winedot*, *Terry*, *Five Star General*, *California Idol*, *Sherwood's Peach*, *California Pageant*, *Cherokee Brave*, *Clara Hook*, *Clariam Kelton*, *Col. Little*, *Crowning Glory*, *Deep Velvet*, *Hilda Fioretti*, *Maffie*, *Kirsten Flagstad*, *Miss San Diego*, *Ogden Reid*, *Rudolph Giant*, *The Governor*, *Angelus*, *Discovery*, *Essie Smith*, *Favorita*, *Frieda Gaylord*, *Lady in Red*, *Lord of Autumn*, *Milton J. Cross*, *Mrs. Thos. Edison*, *Ray Smith*, *Sally Klein*, *Southern Rose*, *The Real Glory*, *Virginia Rute*, *World Event*, *General John Pershing*, *Michigan White*, *G. M. C.*, *Elodie K*, *Mrs. E. J.*, *Aindries Orange*, *L. C. K.*, *Norma Jean*, *Orchid Lady*, *Marmour*, *Queen City*, *Bo. Bo.* and *Ike*.

Special awards were given for the following:

V. S. Beavers—Best 3 Blooms Section A—*Gen. John Pershing*, *Jos. Klimpt*, *Virginia Rute*.

Geo. Reidel—Best 3 Blooms Section B—*Clariam Kelton*.

Geo. Reidel—Best 5 Blooms Section B—*Dixie Winedot*.  
John Ollinger—Best 3 Blooms Section C—*Mrs. Hester Pape*.

J. R. Gardner—Best 5 Blooms Section C—*Terry*.

J. R. Gardner—Best 10 Blooms Section C—*World Event*.

Frank Walton—Best 3 Blooms Section D—*Jane Lausche*.

Ed Johanning—Best 5 Blooms Section D—*Clara Hook*, *California Idol*, *Hilda Fioretti*, *Maffie*, *Ogden Reid*.

Ed Johanning—Best 10 Blooms Section D—*Old Mahogany*, *Maffie*, *California Idol*, *Ogden Reid*, *Essie Smith*, *Hilda Fioretti*, *Man O' War*, *Gen. John Pershing*, *Clara Hook*, *Mrs. Hester Pape*.

Mrs. W. Avis—Best 3 Blooms Section E—*Bedford Beauty*.

Ralph Rabenau—Best 5 Blooms Section E—*Jane Lausche*.

Ralph Rabenau—Best 10 Blooms Section E—*Mrs. Hester Pape*.

Hubert Sandefur—Best 15 Blooms Section E—*Jane Lausche*.

Bennett & Beckmann—Best 3 Blooms Section F—*Clara Hook*.

Bennett & Beckmann—Best 5 Blooms Section F—*Ogden Reid*.

Bennett & Beckmann—Best 10 Blooms Section F—  
Two each of *Michigan White*, *Clara Hook*, *Silver Tips*,  
*Mrs. Hester Pape*, *Ogden Reid*.

Bennett & Beckmann—Best 15 Blooms Section F—  
*Mrs. Hester Pape*.

Thos. Crannage—Smallest Bloom in Show—*Clover*.

E. Schlesinger—Best Vase of Pompoms—*Atoms*.

Geo. Riedell—Best Vase of Ball Type—*Marmour*.

W. N. Avis—Best Vase of Miniatures—*Ike*.

Mrs. James F. Williams had the outstanding entry in the Decorative Arrangement section . . . a living room arrangement in a boat shape bowl with apricot colored

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## Baltimore Dahlia Society

The 23rd Annual Fall Flower Show of the Baltimore Dahlia Society was held September 19th & 20th, 1948 in the Auditorium of the Sears Community Building—Baltimore, Maryland.

Growing conditions were excellent which was proven in the many fine entries exhibited and which filled the hall to overflowing it being necessary to stage the classes for Pompons as well as Hardy Garden flowers in the hallways. As usual the stage was one beautiful sight with the many baskets of outstanding blooms besides the tables crowded with lovely exhibits leading up to the stage.

Show Manager Louis Gill and his committee consisting of President Vincent Hush, Arnold Hens, Norval Jean, N. Scheel, Wm. Kumlehn and Bernard Kumlehn deserve lots of credit for the way they arranged the show and handled the details. Our thanks go out to the judges who did such a very excellent job in judging the entries for the competition was extremely keen. The following judges were present: Warren Maytrott, John Hanna, Dr. C. H. Conners, Conrad Frey, Henry Olsen, E. J. Wind, Lynn B. Dudley, Dr. Edward McDade, George Sweezey, Dr. Henry Parker, E. R. Phillips, John Bishop, Frank Goetzger, E. P. Loller, J. C. Mencke, Wm. A. Bochau, E. L. Schaun and N. A. Scheel. The Hardy Garden exhibits were judged by Mrs. Wm. A. Bridges and Mrs. Allen Pierce.

The winners in the sweepstake Classes as well as the Special Trophies were as follows: Novice-B. Kumlehn, Best Flower shown by Novice A.D.S. Medal—Otto E. Weber, Section A for growers up to 100 plants—Louis Gill, Section B for growers up to 250 plants—C. M. Diffenderffer, Section C—Open to all—Mrs. Mary Merson, Section D—Marvin Shipley, Section E—Vincent Hush. The American Home Achievement Medal was awarded to Chas. Diffenderffer's very fine red cactus which he will name *Edna D*, National Capitol Trophy for the Largest and Best Bloom was awarded to F. A. Alleva of Bryn Mawr Pa., the Governor Wm. Preston Lane Trophy was also awarded to Mr. F. A. Alleva; the Mayor Thomas A. D'Alesandro trophy to C. F. Silverio of Bryn Mawr. Sweepstakes in Pompons—N. A. Scheel, Miniatures—C. M. Diffenderffer and the Memorial Class Trophy to F. A. Alleva. The Hardy Garden Sweepstake was awarded to Mrs. Margaret Gossmann.

The auditorium was crowded the entire time the doors were open. On the afternoon of the second day one entire class of Clifton Park High School attended with their teacher the group numbering over 100 students and it took all available help at hand to explain the types and details. It is hoped that next year we will be able to stage a section for this group to exhibit. At the close of the show the flowers were given to the various hospitals and institutions of our City. It was a most creditable show and the officers and members did their best to give Baltimore a fine exhibition.

HERBERT O. ABURN, Secretary.

## Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society 1948 Show

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dahlias and quaking grass—using a Chinese man figure on bamboo mat.

Ralph Rabenau won the Edw. F. Nolte Memorial Trophy with *Five Star General*, *Maffie*, *Mecca*, *Jane Lausche*, *Crowning Glory*, *Columbia*.

Sweepstakes winners were:

V. S. Beavers—Section A—15 points.

Mrs. W. T. Scott—Section B—20 points.

J. R. Gardner—Section C—28 points.

Ed Johanning—Section D—14 points.

Ralph Rabenaup—Section E—33 points.

Bennett & Beckmann—Section F—137 points.

Mrs. James F. Williams—Section G—18 points.

Marshall Marasco—Section M—31 points.

Mrs. James F. Williams—Section O—17 points.

We appreciated having George Currie, Ed Larson, Dr. Steuber, and Fred Ware from out-of-town with us to help with the judging.

At the close of last year's show it was suggested that we get a group together that night for a dinner party. It was such a success that we decided to repeat the affair this year, only with more preparation. The dinner was held at one of our suburban restaurants where we all enjoyed a swell chicken dinner after which we were entertained for an hour and a half with an interesting floor show. Steve Tisch, one of our good growers, stole the show when he acted as an accomplice to the magician. Dancing and refreshments took up the rest of the evening. Some ordered sarsaparilla, others would have had difficulty pronouncing sarsaparilla. However, all were on the job the next day to welcome the several thousand visitors at the show.

The flowers after the show were turned over to the members of the St. Louis Book & Flower Guild who distributed them to several hospitals.

The 45 major awards and ribbons were presented to the winners at our October 8 meeting. So another year is added to our experience in growing and showing what we consider the best flower of them all.

I am also sorry to advise you that Mr. Riedell suffered a heart attack at the close of the Dahlia Show and was taken from there to the hospital. He was able to be present at our October 8th meeting and seemed so happy to receive the several awards and ribbons he won. Mr. Riedell had another attack a week later, and am sorry to say that he did not recover from this last attack. We have lost an enthusiastic member, and one of our good growers.

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## Dahlia Society of Georgia

The 15th Annual Dahlia Show of the Dahlia Society of Georgia was held in Atlanta, Ga., in conjunction with the Southeastern Fair. Many thousands of people visiting the Fair were thrilled with the spectacle of the many beautiful blooms which filled the new Benton Administration Building.

In Section "A" for novices, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Campbell, Decatur, Ga., dominated the section by exhibiting the most perfect bloom from 4 inches to 8 inches with *Bataan*; the most outstanding entry above 8 inches with *Lucky*; the largest and most perfect bloom in the three bloom entries with *Premier's Winsome*; and the most outstanding entry in the ball, miniature, and pompon entries with *Grace O'Neal*. They also won the sweepstake award.

In Section "B" covering blooms over 8 inches in diameter, the largest and most perfect bloom, *Mrs. Hester Pape*, was exhibited by Dr. H. C. Rike, Birmingham, Ala.; the best three blooms, *The Real Glory*, was exhibited by Rev. B. W. Hancock; the most outstanding entry of not less than 7 blooms nor more than 11 blooms, *Cherokee Brave*, was exhibited by O. A. Byce; and sweepstakes for the section was won by Nelson Christ. The last three named were from Atlanta Ga.

In Section "C" covering blooms above 4 inches and up to and including 8 inches, the most perfect bloom, *Michigan White*, was exhibited by Mr. and Mrs. David S. Wells; the best entry of three blooms, *Victory*, was exhibited by E. O. Kellum; the most outstanding entry of not less than 7 blooms nor more than 11 blooms, *Saint Therese*, was exhibited by Mrs. A. C. Caraway; and sweepstakes for the section was won by Mr. and Mrs. David S. Wells. All winners were from Atlanta.

In Section "D" covering miniatures, pompoms, balls, etc., Mr. and Mrs. David S. Wells dominated the section by exhibiting the most outstanding entry of miniatures, *Ike*; the most outstanding entry of pompoms, *Miss Marjorie*; the most outstanding entry of balls, *Rosy Dawn*; the most outstanding entry of singles, peony, collarettes, etc., *Fandango*; and winning the sweepstake award.

In Section "E" covering seedlings and undissemated varieties, the most outstanding entry was exhibited by M. P. Dorch, Atlanta, Ga.; the most outstanding undissemated was exhibited by Dr. H. C. Rike, Birmingham, Ala.; the most outstanding undissemated originated by an out of state grower, but exhibited by a member of the Dahlia Society of Georgia, was exhibited by M. P. Dorch.

The American Home Achievement medal was won by Norman La Motte, Hapeville, Ga., with an exhibit of *Golden Treasure*. This variety won a Certificate of Merit in the South Atlantic Trial Grounds.

The President's Cup for the best entry of three blooms over 8 inches in diameter, *Mrs. Hester Pape*, was won by Frank House, Birmingham, Ala.

The Helen Hayes Cup for the best entry of three blooms under 8 inches in diameter, *Windlassie*, was won by Conrad E. Faust, Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. David S. Wells won the award for the most outstanding entry in the small flowering varieties with *Little Edith*.

In the artistic arrangements class, Mrs. A. C. Carraway won the award for the best corsage. Mrs. B. L.

Kennedy won the award for the best arrangement of pompon dahlias under 6 inches, Mrs. E. O. Kellum won the award for the best arrangement under 24 inches, and Mrs. L. Kennedy won the award for the best arrangement in bowl under 24 inches in height.

The show was proclaimed as one of the best and climaxed a year of some of the most unsatisfactory weather for growing dahlias. We started the year with a long rainy spell which broke a record of over 75 years. This was followed in June and July with about six weeks of hot, dry weather. In August and September there was just enough rain, which combined with plenty of watering, enabled the exhibitors to make a creditable showing.

The Dahlia Society of Georgia took a very prominent part in the second annual show of the Southern States Dahlia Association held in Chattanooga, Tenn., and in the thirteenth annual show of the Dahlia Society of Alabama held in Birmingham, Ala. Reports from these shows will be found elsewhere in the Bulletin.

The South Atlantic Trial Grounds, sponsored by the Dahlia Society of Georgia, had a very successful year. The trial grounds were moved from Experiment Station, Ga. to Atlanta so that closer supervision could be given to it without so much loss of time traveling.

The new location is in Mozely Park, one of the numerous city parks in Atlanta. It has a beautiful setting, just a few feet from the lake.

Nineteen entries were received from various parts of the country and four Certificates were awarded. A complete report will be found elsewhere.

As a member of the committee having supervision over the planting, care and judging of the blooms, this writer feels that people who make entries in the trial grounds should make a point to send only the best stock available.

We received several entries which were only rooted cuttings and others which were not properly packed. When received, the plants were potted and properly hardened off before being planted.

Another entry was roots which appeared to have been used for propagating purposes.

While our committee was glad to take all the necessary precautions to insure that the entries were properly handled so that they made a good showing, it was necessary to request a replacing shipment from one exhibitor.

Next year the Dahlia Society of Georgia will be host to the Southern States Dahlia Association and we are looking forward to a good year and hope to see many of the dahlia fans which we met last year and this year and hope to meet others. We extend a cordial invitation for all to meet in Atlanta next year.

CHARLES R. PERRY, Executive Committee.

## Los Angeles County Fair

I was one of the judges at the Los Angeles County Fair at Pomona. They had two days for dahlias, Sept. 17 and Sept. 25. Mr. Carl Salbach, Mr. Curtis Redfern and Mr. G. Westcott were the other judges on the 17th and Mr. Salbach and Mr. Westcott on the 25th. In talking to the floral superintendent, Mr. Joseph Capp, I found out that they did not send any report to the A.D.S. BULLETIN. I thought that a show of its dimensions should be in the BULLETIN, so I am taking the privilege as a dahlia lover to send it in. It really was a grand exhibition.

CHAS. GARRITY.

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## Editorial

By and large this has been a very successful Dahlia year.

In spite of perplexing growing conditions in most parts of the country, the results attained are praiseworthy.

Throughout this issue of the BULLETIN, reports of the various shows evidence the increased interest in Dahlias.

Membership too, in the A.D.S. and in many of our affiliated societies has increased.

Our new president, Leo L. Pollak, had directed our activities well and his success deservedly merits his re-nomination for the office as reported by the committee in this issue.

One of the year's crowning achievements was the successful culmination in arriving at an agreement with the Central States Dahlia Society making possible the proposed publication of a unified classification list for 1949.

The A.D.S. extends thanks to all who so generously gave of time and effort. Now for a greater 1949!

## Hagerstown Dahlia Society

The nineteenth annual show of the Hagerstown Dahlia Society was held in the basement of the City Market, West Church Street, Hagerstown, Md., on September 30 and October 1.

The room was beautifully decorated which formed a background for the display of the finest specimens of dahlias on exhibition. The show was most successful both from the number and fine quality of the blooms as well as the superb staging done by our Show Superintendent, Mr. Chas. W. Zahn and his committee.

With the seasonal weather for growing dahlias, the number of exhibits were far ahead of those of other years, the colorings and varieties were outstanding. Dahlias predominated but there also lovely arrangements of marigolds, zinnias, gladiolas, roses, asters, cosmos and petunias. The tables displaying artistic arrangement was another delightful feature. *Jane Lausche* was the best dahlia in the show, exhibited by Mr. N. A. Gossman. *Sherwood's Peach* was the largest dahlia in the show, exhibited by Mr. N. W. Wolfe. Sweepstakes was won by Mr. Oscar R. Moser. The most entries in the show, Mr. Oscar R. Moser, Mrs. Roy Polsgrove second, and Mrs. H. C. Kuhn, third. In the gladiolas class, the largest number and the finest specimens ever exhibited in any of our shows. Mr. E. Bane Snyder was the winner of the most first prizes. Judges of the show—Professor J. B. S. Norton, of the University of Maryland, Mr. Henry J. Betz, Baltimore, Md., and Miss Mary Bester, Hagerstown, Md.

Thursday night of the show was known as Juvenile Amateur Night, in which the young people, up to 16 years of age participated. Friday night was for the older folks, Music Night, in which the contestants participated in "What's the Name of That Song. Prizes were awarded each evening. Mr. H. C. Kuhn was master of ceremonies, who so admirably handled this part of the program.

The attendance was the largest in the history of the nineteen shows of the Society.

Another dahlia year has made history. We aimed high, we scored our mark, so until 1949, so long.

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### The Scranton Story

Ten years ago a handful of local citizens wisely combined their Dahlia effort with the The American Dahlia Society. The dahlia was known hereabouts in a vague sort of a way, and, was exhibited in some manner of fashion at some of the local flower shows. Charley Stoeckel had the only greenhouse, and Ernest Lewis' dad used to swap the fine points of these days with Webb, Heusner, Stolz, and Holmes. Association with the national body gradually developed into an intense concern for a local branch and a small spot in the Dahlia world. These charter members must feel a certain pride in their humble beginnings, and a full satisfaction after a first decade of organized endeavor. At present we have a

few more greenhouses and the Dahlia has been advanced as the City Flower. Some Achievement Medals have been awarded. We have our own Honorary Certificate and more recently have instituted The Anthracite Award. This, just a swift resume which may serve as a remindful introductory to our tenth annual report.

At our show the miniatures are grouped in a section by themselves. Winners secure points for sectional and grand sweepstakes, which has made this section a mighty important part of the schedule. John Steele of Shamokin, Pa., exhibited superb blooms of *Wine Drop*, *Homeacres Sweetest*, *White Fawn*, and won a special with *Vesper*. Holmes-McDade won blues with *Gold Dust*, *Marjolen*,

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*Model*, and won a special with *Red Robin*. Ernest Lewis came in for a share of the winnings with *Melrose Baby*, *Betty Malone*, *Little Diamond* and two exceptional exhibits of *Mrs. J. Telfer* and *Jubilant*. Emil Berzau of Long Island fame certainly likes *Bo Bo* and *Asia*. They won specials. Roy Webb should grow *Mazie* again, having won double specials with this variety. Roy had a diversified miniature exhibit, winning sweepstakes in this section, and, with selected blooms of *Snow White*, *Rusty*, *Jermars Minatures*, *Bo Bo*, and a special prize winning exhibit of *Margaret Williams*, and *Shutte's Yellow* miniature.

Interest grew in the amateur section. Here, we noted a decided pick-up in the medium-sized dahlia. John Steele displayed *Mrs. E. J.*, *D-Day*, *Donald Brach*, *Nancy A. Mitchell*, *L.C.K.*, *Mother Ballego*, *Meisterstruck*, and won specials with *Mrs. E. J.*, *Michigan White*, and *Captain Cedarquist*. The twins from Syracuse, Mac Andrew and Garretson, came in heavy laden with *Commando*, *Rita Wells*, *Sunburst*, and *Pink Giant*. Garretson's *Breeder Justinus* was one of the finest blooms in the show. Charley Heusner, faithful navigator of the local crew, got into the winning B columns with *Lois Walcher*, *Kentucky Sun*, *Lucky*, *Bataan*, *L.C.K.*, *Bedford Beauty*, and a special ribbon for *Leah Pearl*. He also made a clean sweep of all the specials offered for Large Blooms, as follows: *The Real Glory*, *Kelvin*, *Jane Lausche*, and the Tricolor, *Goulbourn*. His exhibit won over John Steele by a narrow margin for sectional sweepstakes.

In the Open to All Section we did not confine ourselves to the winning varieties alone. We watched with keen interest and studied the new color classes as they appeared for the first time. We noted a heavy Autumn Class and the new Light Blend class, which promises to become most interesting. Various phases of classification were openly discussed while the show was in progress. In this section, once again, the medium-sized blooms were at the height of perfection. Roy Webb's exhibit consisted of *Clariam Fancy*, *Golden Treasure*, *Dandy Snow*, *Refugee*, *Red Bird*, *Mrs. Bob Jones*, *Gypsy Girl*, *Marimba* and exceptional flawless blooms of *Windlassie* and *Francis Hamilton Archer*. One of the outstanding contributions to the show was Marker's vase of Ballego's *Surprise* and his exhibit of *Muriel J.* Here we saw Stanley Johnson's *King Size* win a special, another for *Shutte's Yellow*; and winning blooms of *Silver Tips* by Webb. And, more new seedlings by another of our own membership, Hary Miller, of Easton, Pa., winning with *46J* and *Gary E.*, both medium-sized yellow cacti. Ernest Lewis topped off his exhibit with *Miss San Diego*, *Zenith*, *Gen. Eisenhower*, *Straboss*, *Front Page*, *Hawaii*, *Bill Jack*, *Pink Flamingo*, and specially-honored blooms of *Madame Sawyer*, *Victory Day* and *Red Champion*. Holmes-McDade took the sweepstakes, winning specials on Jermar's seedling, *Noble Glory*, and the Tricolor bloom, *Great Lakes*. Among others, they also exhibited *Deep Velvet*, *King Peter*, *Muriel J.*, *Allegrissi*, *Florist Beauty*, *Ballego's Glory*, *Gerrie Hook*, *Producer*, *Atomic Yellow*, *Captain Cedarquist*, and *Silver Glamour*.

In the Court of Honor, Ernest Lewis won The Show Managers Award with a basket of six large blooms of



A GROUP OF FRIENDS in Lewis' Garden in Scranton, September 4, 1948. The morning after the Scranton Show this group took their yearly pilgrimage to the hillside garden of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lewis. Those shown included Conrad Brieger of Baltimore; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Olsen, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Guttler, Charles Diffendorffer, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lewis, Dr. McDade, Roy Webb and Lynn Dudley. Mrs. Dudley snapped the picture

*Red Champion*, *Cal. Pageant*, *Sunburst* and *Mrs. Hester Pape*. The *Red Champion* bloom in this basket was also judged the Tricolor bloom of the section. In the *Basket* sections Harry Miller won specials with large and mass displays of *Mrs. E. J.* and *Gary E.* The largest and most perfect bloom in the show was *Great Lakes*, exhibited by Holmes-McDade, who, by coincidence, also had the smallest, *Gold Dust*. Our new ANTHRACITE AWARD was won by *Clariam Fancy*, striking blend of cactus formation, which was beautifully exhibited by Roy Webb. Our Honorary Certificate was given to Stanley Johnson for his new seedling, *King Size*. And last but not least, the AMERICAN HOME ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL was awarded to Martin Guttler's *New Look*. It is a giant sized, yellow semi-cactus, sturdy stem with excellent floral substance. The Medal of the American Dahlia Society for grand sweepstakes was awarded to Holmes-McDade. The fellows who judged all this was headed by none other than Lynn B. Dudley, assisted by Ed. Lloyd, Warren Maytrott, Geo. Swezey, Joe Nuneviller, Jno. Hanna, Henry Olsen, E. Brieger, C. Diffenderfer, and Bill Vooz. Jim Walsh of "The Scranton Times" did the cartooning, and floor arrangements were in the able hands of Mrs. Mary Lewis and Lena Heusner. Finis to one of our earliest shows, and one of the most enjoyable.

EDWARD F. McDADE, M.D.

Start Planning now for A.D.S. Annual Meeting, January 15, 1949. Annual Show September 21 and 22.

## 17th Annual Show of Central States Dahlia Society

The seventeenth annual show of the Central States Dahlia Society was held at Garfield Park Conservatory in Chicago on Saturday and Sunday, September 18th and 19th. Attendance at the annual shows of the society held in this conservatory are accurately clocked by the Chicago Park Board, and this year's show broke all previous attendance records of prior shows, with a grand total of 27,290 for the two days. This attendance record was set in spite of the fact that the temperature soared to 92 degrees at 4 p. m. on Sunday afternoon, the highest temperature ever officially recorded for the 19th of September in the history of Chicago.

It was a grand show, and one of the best the Central States Dahlia Society ever staged. There have been past shows when a greater quantity of blooms was exhibited, but none in recent years was better balanced, and the true dahlia enthusiast could readily find plenty of material of interest to record in his notebook.

The entries of undissected dahlias three or more years old, while not as strong as the unprecedented great showing of the Mid-West show at Milwaukee the week previous, nevertheless were the best seen at any Chicago show for many years. The winners were:

Best Formal Decorative—*Prairie Sun*, a huge bright yellow of excellent formation and fine foliage exhibited by the originator, James E. Marsh of Chicago, and to be introduced by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio.

Best Informal Decorative—*Pirate's Treasure*, a huge dahlia of an unusual shade of red overlaid on gold on the best of stems, also exhibited by Mr. Marsh. The name is particularly appropriate (gold stained with blood). This will not be released until 1950, but watch out for this one in the 1949 shows.

Best Semi-Cactus—*The Cardinal*, a cardinal red of dazzling brilliance and exquisite form, with fine stems and dark green foliage, about 10 inches in diameter, exhibited by the originator, George L. Baker of Moline, Illinois. This will be introduced by Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, Rockville Centre, L. I., New York.

Best Cactus—*Straw Boss*, a 9 to 10 inch colored cactus which looks like a sure winner in its class, grown and exhibited by Joseph Heineman of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, for the originator, Dr. H. L. Dozier, Cambridge, Maryland. This defeated some other good entries in the cactus class, and made a most favorable impression on show visitors.

In addition to the four varieties described above there were several other entries which undoubtedly are of Honor Roll quality.

The American Home Achievement Medal was awarded to *The Cardinal*, which fully deserved the honor.

In the two year old seedlings, a large lavender pink cactus, slightly incurved, exhibited by David W. Radke, Chicago, president of Central States Dahlia Society was the winner.

Never before in the history of this show has the same exhibitor won the awards for the most perfect bloom in the show, the best ten blooms, each of a different variety, and the best six blooms, also each of a different variety, but Glenn L. Pierce, of Villa Park, Illinois,

the hardworking show chairman of this show, achieved this unique honor. *Searchlight*, an eight inch pale yellow straight cactus, an English importation, was selected as most perfect flower in the show. Mr. Pierce's prize winning entry in the "Big Ten" consisted of one bloom each of *California Pageant*, *Colonel Little*, *Jane Lausche*, *Lord of Autumn*, *Pygmalion*, *Red Sea*, *Ronnie Lee*, *Stephen Foster*, *Tops* and *Yowva Matsuoka*; while his winning "Big Six" entry was comprised of one bloom each of *Alice May*, *Lord of Autumn*, *Mon Tresor*, *Searchlight*, *The Real Glory* and *Tops*.

Jesse L. Strauss of Glencoe, Illinois, again won the award for the ten best B-sized cactus and semi-cactus, each of a different variety with *Aureol*, *Blizzard*, *Eloodie K*, *Hawaii*, *Lovely Jewel*, *Miss Belgium*, *Mrs. Edward Diehl*, *Magnifik*, *Rebellion* and *Sensation*.

A huge bloom of the old-timer *Director Carl G. Dahl*, exhibited by Erik W. Welander of Moline, Illinois, was selected as the largest bloom in the show.

The sectional winners for most perfect and largest blooms in their respective sections were:

Section B (Amateur, less than 50 hills)—most perfect bloom, *Five Star General*; largest bloom, *Sherwood's Peach*.

Section C (Amateur, 50 to 100 hills)—most perfect bloom, *Bedford Beauty*; largest bloom, *Maffie*.

Section D (Amateur, 100 to 150 hills)—most perfect bloom, *Lovely Jewel*; largest bloom, *Mrs. Hester Pape*.

Section E (Amateur, 150 to 250 hills)—most perfect bloom, *Mother Ballego*; largest bloom, *Jane Lausch*.

Section F (Amateur, over 250 hills)—most perfect bloom, *Five Star General*; largest bloom, *Director Carl G. Dahl*.

Section G (Open to All)—most perfect bloom, *Voorzitter Oud*; largest bloom, *Magnificent*.

As customary at Chicago shows, the Northbrook Dahlia Gardens, Northbrook, Illinois, had a large and attractive commercial display, the highlight of which was a huge vase of the new yellow F. D., *Prairie Sun*; while that grand old man among Mid West dahlia growers, Mr. J. T. Fitchett, of Janesville, Wisconsin, had a smaller table display, chiefly featuring miniatures. No Chicago show would be complete without Mr. Fitchett's commercial display. A third commercial display was entered by Nick Kindlein of Lake Forest, Illinois, which contained some excellent specimen blooms, including several of *Allegrasse*, a new nine inch sulphur yellow incurved cactus from Holland.

*Lord of Autumn* seems to be staging a comeback since the advent of DDT insecticides and several excellent blooms of this beautiful yellow I. D., which some consider the most beautiful of all large exhibition dahlias, were found entered in different sections of the show. Three excellent new yellow incurved cactus dahlias recently imported from Holland were to be seen in this show: *Allegrasse*, *Mon Tresor*, and *Show Girl*, all of which show good promise.

Good purple semi-cactus are exceedingly rare and *Jean Trimbee* has had this class much to itself for some years. However, in the purple S. C. class in the Open-to-All  
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## Dahlia Society of Ohio

Ohio's first lady, Mrs. Thomas J. Herbert, honored a prize cactus dahlia at the Dahlia and Flower Show sponsored by the Dahlia Society of Ohio on Friday and Saturday, September 10th and 11th, in Higbee's Auditorium Cleveland, Ohio, by bestowing it with her name, Mildred Herbert.

Mrs. Herbert selected this incurved cactus dahlia for its delicate coloring of salmon pink blending into a soft shade of cream and yellow in the center. Frank Parenica, a well-known dahlia grower of Bedford, Ohio, was the originator of this dahlia which reigned as queen of the more than 5,000 dahlia blooms on display at the show.

The Mildred Herbert won the American Home Achievement Medal and Mr. Parenica added to his honors by winning awards for the most perfect bloom over eight inches, the best cactus dahlia under eight inches, the best formal decorative dahlia four to eight inches.

Gov. Herbert's silver trophy was awarded Garfield Heights Dahlia Gardens, winner of the open-to-all division. Other sweepstakes grand prize winners awarded gold cups are: Mrs. Ruth Berry, novice division; Leonard Fuerst, small amateur division; and John Burt, winner of the president's trophy in the large amateur division.

Prizes were also awarded for the most perfect pompon dahlia to William Haugh of Wellsville, Ohio, for his *Miss Majorie*; to Leo Lawrence of East Liverpool, Ohio, for the largest bloom, a *Jane Lausche*; to John Schraeder of Toledo, Ohio, for the smallest pompon, a *Tiny Tot* and to Mrs. Etta MacDowell for the best ball, an *Alice J.* John Burt, winner of the sweepstakes in the large amateur division also won a cup for the best *Mayor Ring* in the show.

Last year the most noticeable bloom in our show was the *Mrs. Hester Pape*. While there were many entries of this flower in the 1948 show, its place has definitely been taken here by *Kelvin*. There were many entries in each division of *Kelvin* and visitors, one and all, were drawn to this gorgeous bloom.

The Mildred Herbert is truly a beautiful flower, with unusually good keeping qualities. The baskets of this bloom which Frank Parenica had on display were in as good condition at the close of the show as when entered, in spite of the terrific heat and the "unrefrigerated" auditorium. The *Snowball* with which Mr. Parenica won the trophy for the best 4 to 8 inch cactus is, likewise, a good keeping bloom—but we'll hear more of *Mildred Herbert* next year.

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## San Diego, Calif., Show

Two years ago I did a little writing on dahlia doings at Rockleigh Gardens.

Well, I feel sure that the readers of it will now have recovered from the ordeal.

So how's about a little news on the show and the gardens of other growers.

Well, my store of adjectives are limited, but here goes: I was just proud of San Diego's Dahlia Show, and I have judged at several this season.

The novices should have quite a few pats on the back for the excellent quality of their blooms.

The gap between them and the more experienced amateur competitors was not as big as in former years, and their blooms showed promise of keen competitions in the near future.

The amateurs excelled in quality, and staging over any previous show.

Especially noticeable were the very artistic displays by both commercial and amateur growers.

Comstock's display was just what we have been educated to expect from Paul and Rose Marie Comstock. The ultimate in quality and arrangement.

He had very fine specimens of *Miss San Diego*, *Miss Liberty*, *Ballegos Surprise*, and *Darcy Sainsbury*.

Roy Partain, our very popular chairman, staged his usual high class collection. Of course he will disagree with me on that statement but who cares.

Mr. Paige, another modest amateur, arranged a very choice display. It was tasty and combined some high quality blooms of *Ivory Princess* and *Pop Harris*.

As for Chas. Roberson, our good natured and much-ribbed secretary (oh yes he is), did a fine job on his display. We consider him to be tops.

That lovable couple, the Larry Treadwells, made their usual artistic arrangement and of course included in it were those giant *Sherwood Peaches* and *All American*. Without these two dahlias it would not be the Treadwell display.

Other good displays were by the Tobiasons, and don't overlook the unusual display of Mrs. Post, a newcomer.

Say, there was quite a draft from that empty space left by Cy and Harriet Ramage.

The principal winning blooms were *Pop Harris*, best in show; *Sherwood Peach*, largest; what else could win it, just monotonous, isn't it? Also some very fine seedlings from Roy Partain.

Comstock displayed a collection of exceptionally fine seedlings and a visit to his dahlia garden would be a strain on the eyes, and would exhaust the supply of adjectives.

I saw some very outstanding blooms of *Miss San Diego*, *California Idol* and *Greater Glory* in the garden of Chisato and Shizu Hatakeda on the Frontier Housing Project and they got among the ribbons too. The good die young does not apply to the latter two varieties of dahlias.

In the Treadwell gardens I saw some good seedlings and one especially, a very large white, that should be one for the future.

Last season my own dahlias were a failure, but great improvements have taken place this year and worthwhile ones are *Kelvin*, a real giant, *Ashford Triumph*, *Jane*

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## THE BULLETIN, Integral Part of the A.D.S.

*This article is repeated for the benefit of hundreds of new members.*

The BULLETIN has been—somewhat appropriately—called the blood stream of the American Dahlia Society—the tie that binds us as members to a common cause.

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Each issue is planned many months in advance. More material is always prepared than actually used since we are governed largely by the amount of advertising the particular issue carries.

Unfortunately, commercial Dahlia growers are not as a rule good business men—they are not trained to the value of continued good advertising—hence they do not use BULLETIN space as much as would prove wise. It is obvious that our regular advertisers soon become the leaders in the Dahlia industry. Each issue of the BULLETIN is read by a certain number of new fans, yet how few commercial growers cater to their favor! No commercial grower should fail to have his name before the membership of the A.D.S. in every issue of the BULLETIN. None can afford to be without this representation—particularly in view of the fact that a matter of a few dollars would provide a 1-inch ad in each and every issue! And yet how few take advantage of the opportunity.

The editorial matter is prepared with the viewpoint of interest to the greatest number of readers and does not favor one section over another.

Each issue contains cultural information pertinent to the season.

Your Editor spends many hours and is engaged in voluminous correspondence months before the publishing date.

However, we must remember that our writer contributors and our advertisers are not paid employes and while we follow up and urge cooperation so as to publish on time, it is very difficult for all to line up.

This current issue was prepared by our printers for issue the first days in November, and should reach you early.

Ordinarily the average magazine sets a dead line and goes to press on that date. However, in our case frequently several of our largest advertisers are late with their copy. Were we to close without it, it would be necessary to delete much valuable editorial copy, thereby greatly reducing the effectiveness of the BULLETIN.

Fortunately we have a first class printer and a very efficient mailing house. When the green light is flashed they get the issue into the mail mighty quick.

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## CENTRAL STATES DAHLIA SOCIETY

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Section of this show, excellent blooms of *Rebellion* and the 1948 introduction, *Purple Knight*, each  $8\frac{3}{4}$  inches in diameter, were exhibited and attracted much favorable attention.

Entries in the artistic arrangements section of this show in recent years have been excellent, and those at the 1948 show were no exception. The artistic arrangements were divided into two sections, one for novices and one for exhibitors who had previously won a blue ribbon. In each of the two sections this year were featured 13 large niches, each niche to contain an artistic arrangements entry of a color corresponding to one of the 13 colors of the new color classification. Mrs. John Baer had the most outstanding arrangement in the novice section, and Mrs. Stanley Swanson in the section for experienced exhibitors.

The Central States Dahlia Society has been awarded the 1949 Mid West show, which will be held at Garfield Park Conservatory on September 17 and 18, 1949, and the writer urges all readers of THE BULLETIN to mark these dates down on their calendars, and to so arrange their vacations as to attend this show, as it will be very much worthwhile, not only from the standpoint of an outstanding show, but also because of affording an opportunity to rub shoulders with dahlia growers from all sections of the country, and compare notes and mutually exchange dahlia news and information.

## Pacific Dahlia Society

The first annual show of the Pacific Dahlia Society was held in Long Beach, Calif., on August 5-6-7 and 8th. The show was held in the Municipal Auditorium in connection with the second annual Long Beach Flower show.

More than 10,000 persons viewed the 5,000 blooms on display. Dahlias were all on the lower floor and were beautifully surrounded by exhibits set up by garden clubs and commercial dealers. All other cut flowers were on the second floor along with the florist exhibits.

The show was a 4-day affair and all the credit in the world must be given to the exhibitors who kept the displays in such fine shape. We are already making plans for next year's show and feel sure that it will be even bigger and better than this one.

The American Home Achievement Medal was won by L. O. Archibald who manages to squeeze quite a few dahlias into his spare time after teaching shop all day long at the Orange Union High School. *Apricot Swirl*, the winner, is a seedling of Goulburn and I class it as incurved cactus. Arch says it is informal. The blooms average about 11 inches and are apricot in color. This flower was not in the trial gardens this year but I predict you will hear more about it next fall.

Largest in the show was *Autumn Blaze*, shown by Yukon Dahlia World. Best in show, *Black Monarch*, also from Yukon. Smallest in show was *Clover*, by Dr. Raitt. Most outstanding exhibit in the open-to-all section was won by Mr. Archibald with his entry of *Melrose Baby*.

The commercial growers really 'made' the show. They all set wonderful displays besides putting lots of entries on the class tables. Yukon World put an entry in each of the 36 classes of miniatures in the open-to-all section besides a table display of 150 sq. ft. Thompson Dahlia Gardens had probably the longest stems on their *Victory Day* that we ever saw out here. Churchman Gardens had the best general display in the 50 sq. ft. class. Too bad that they did not have time to enter any of their blooms in competition in the open-to-all. The display set up by Allen and Son was judged the most artistic and educational among the commercials.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Duncan really showed up the novice section (and a lot of the amateurs) when they ran away with 5 trophies in their section.

The class of 1948 seedlings was the best I have viewed to date. The judges had their hands full with this one.

Have had the pleasure of visiting quite a few gardens in Southern California this past few weeks and find that the average garden is better than last year. We have had no extremely hot weather and insect damage is not as noticeable as in the past. Haven't heard any complaints about red spider this year. Saw one garden that had millions of leaf hoppers but the damage was not too bad. At this writing (Oct. 5th) mildew is showing quite badly in most of our plantings and we are having some trouble with corn ear worms and semi-loppers in the bloom. They can sure ruin a seed crop in a hurry. Personally I find that Chlordane dust, 2½%, is very effective. You must dust every few days in order to get all the bloom as it unfolds.

Visited Comstock's Garden at Solano Beach and can now see how he gets such deep color in his *Miss San*

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## Dahlia Display Winners Are Colorful Feature for Fair, Aug. 26-29 1948

Twenty four years ago the newly-organized Kitsap County Dahlia Society held its first show in connection with the county fair at Port Orchard, Washington. Quartered under the leaky roof of a lean-to next one of the Fair buildings, a heavy shower in midafternoon drenched the gay red and blue ribbons awarded by the judges at mid-day, staining flowers, baskets, and people in startling effects.

With the resumption of the county fair, held this year in Bremerton, the Dahlia Show is now offered as one of its leading features. It is staged in the spacious lounge of the Civic Auditorium, with the novice division flanking the entrance. Here are seen the various exhibits entered by those who have never before competed.

*Martha Churchill*, a beautiful salmon incurved cactus of local origin, shown by Mrs. L. Johnson, took the blue ribbon in the first class, while an exquisite pink straight cactus, exhibited by Mrs. L. J. Harvey won first place in class two. Ralph Saxton's *Evelyn Chandler*, a fine buff, led in the semi-cactus group.

Beyond them were the formal and informal decoratives, where the eye was irresistibly drawn to Ralph Saxton's *Thunderbolt*, a huge bronzy red formal, erect on its long stem, judged the best bloom in the novice division. Mrs. L. Harvey's red *Margrace* won first rating in the informal decoratives, and her *Jane Lauche*, a charming lavender, in the group flowers. Mrs. Henry H. Hall's *Arabesque*, led in the miniatures, and the best pompons were shown by Mrs. H. Hines, while the blue ribbon for ball dahlias went to J. C. DeVault. Winners of many lesser awards in this division were H. Maxton, and the Mesdames L. Harvey, Ralph Saxton, Bert Paul, F. H. Moore, H. H. Hall, and C. W. Bushnell.

Just inside the main display room was a small table presenting the highest prize winners. The great bow of golden "sweepstakes" ribbon—which entitles the holder to a years possession of the silver cup offered by the Bremer Estate—was worn by the grand red semi-cactus known as *Mary Ellen Forhan*, exhibited by R. J. Campbell, 1907 No. Callow, an employee of the Public Works Office of the Puget Sound Naval Station, who first displayed dahlias in the 1947 show. Beside the "sweepstake" was its "runner-up", with its heavy purple ribbon decorating the rose-pink *Clara Carder*, an immense informal decorative entered by R. P. Turnquist.

The largest dahlia was a twelve inch bloom of the scarlet informal decorative, *Red Giant*, grown by Thomas Forhan, and the smallest dahlia, an orange pompon *Little David*, from the gardens of John Baush.

In the Amateur division, R. J. Campbell won the special award for the best incurved cactus, with a *Martha Churchill*; best straight cactus was a *Mother Ballego*, a red shown by John Baush; the best semi-cactus was Campbell's *Mary Ellen Forhan*; a huge bloom of purple *Town Topic*, shown by Mark A. Nelson was the best formal decorative, while the exquisitely tinted orchid and cream *Freda George*, shown by John Baush, took first place in the informal decoratives.

Winners of first, second, and third places in classes one through thirty-two were Pliny Allen, John Baush, M. H. Buchanan, R. J. Campbell, Janet Eslick, W. H. Gowdy, Jessie McFate, Mark Nelson, Earl Pedrick, and Mrs. R. W. Scott.

In the Advanced Amateur division honors were divided between Thomas Forhan, R. J. Turnquist, and Smith A. Briggs. A beautiful complimentary display was made by Mr. and Mrs. N. S. McKamey of the Oyster Bay Dahlia Farms, and the wall of massed pink *Clara Carder* blooms were from the Housing Authority, brought by Pliny Allen.

Seedling classes showed a fine display of new varieties originated by local growers. The American Dahlia Society Medal for the best dahlia grown from seed planted in 1948 was awarded to H. Maxton.

The Sunset Magazine Medal for best undisseeded dahlia two or more years old, went to Thomas Forhan, who showed a group of immense red cactus dahlias, incurved and spiraled.

The American Home Achievement Medal for best undisseeded dahlia open to amateurs and professionals, was won by N. S. McKamey with a group of large creamy white semi-cactus dahlias, heavily tipped with lavender tones. Other winners in the seedling classes were Smith A. Briggs and Mrs. James Collins.

MARJORIE WHITE DAWSON, Secretary.

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## SAN DIEGO, CALIF., SHOW

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*Lansche*, Mrs. Hester Pape, Mr. E. J. Goulburn, *Black Monarch*, *Refugee*, and *Atomic Yellow*, *Red Tornado*.

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## East Liverpool Dahlia Show

The twenty-third annual show of the East Liverpool, (Ohio) Dahlia Society was held Sept. 18-19, 1948 in the spacious Memorial Auditorium in this city and was acclaimed as "the most outstanding Dahlia and Flower Show ever held here."

As one came down the stairway and took a view of the four thousand or more blooms which turned the Auditorium floor into a carpet of color were probably fewer than last years Midwest-Show, the overall picture was one of unsurpassed beauty.

There were a thousand exhibits deemed of high or higher quality than those entered in the 1947 show, and visitors from Pittsburgh, Cleveland and Chicago, stated displays as superior to recent similar shows in their home cities.

The feature bloom of the entire event was the seedling *Dorreen E.*, originated by J. T. Eccleston of East Liverpool. This 2 year old seedling copped the Junior Chamber of Commerce trophy for the most outstanding exhibit as well as the prize for the best three blooms 4-8 inches in the entire show and the Ceramic Center of the World award. This last honor won for its owner a 50-piece dinner set offered by the Edwin M. Knowles China Co.

Mr. Eccleston's creation is a cactus dahlia of deep wine color named for his wife. Its flowers measure 7 inches in diameter and each petal is 4 inches deep.

With the help of the *Dorreen E.* seedling, Mr. Eccleston was able to win the sweepstakes of the entire show with a total of 405 points and the grand prize of a 95-piece dinner set offered by the Homer Laughlin China Co.

His *Muriel Stuart* dahlia, an Australian variety deep orange in hue and was the largest bloom in the show and won a soil testing set. The flower measured 13 inches across and ten inches deep.

The horticulturist also won the award for the "largest and most perfect bloom" in the open division as well as the Senior Chamber of Commerce trophy for the sweepstakes of that division; the Mayor Harry C. Smith Trophy for the "largest and most perfect bloom" taken by his *Mrs. Hester Pape*, a giant red dahlia, an award for the most perfect dahlia 4-8 inches, fourth prize in sweepstakes for the Rose Division, the Silver East Liverpool Dahlia Society Medal, the Wisconsin Dahlia Society Medal and other smaller prizes.

Second place winner for the sweepstakes of the entire show was Leo C. Lawrence of East Liverpool with 329 points. He received the 55-piece Cameo dinner set from the Harker Pottery Co.

Other major prizes taken by Mr. Lawrence's entries included a silver cream and sugar set offered by Atty. Carrol Lynch for the largest and most perfect pom pom, the Dahlia Society of Georgia medal, the Greater St. Louis medal and lesser prizes.

The official opening of the show Saturday night was in charge of Frank N. Richmond, society president, Mr. Lawrence served as master of ceremonies for the colorful crowning of Miss Dolores French of Wellsville, Ohio, as Miss Tri-State during the "Pageant of the Dahlia Queen" under auspices of the Junior Chamber of Com-

merce. Don Smith, Jaycee president, crowned Miss French.

The Queen's Court of Honor members were attired in formal gowns of color and styles depicting various types of dahlias. In this group were Misses Martha Ellen Cunningham, Ruth Ann Reed, Mary Lou Woomer, Dolores Pethel, Helen Roth, Ruby Meade, Eileen Brown, and Dorothy Carter. Each young woman carried an arm bouquet indicating a particular type of dahlia. Miss Woomer sang a solo, "Girl of My Dreams," following the coronation.

Train bearers for Miss French were Marcia Lynn Stoffel and Billy Forrester, with Larry Boram as crown bearer. Co-directors of the pageant were Joe Roth and Al Ashdown. Mrs. Marion Gerace provided organ accompaniment.

Sunday's program included organ melodies by Mrs. Gerace and Sydney Bloor Jr., whistling solos by Mrs. Nedra Knobloch, vibraharp selections by Miss Peggy Ann Baker, organ and piano duets by Misses Evelyn Pettay and Suzanne Hulme; violin and piano duets by Mr. and Mrs. William S. Riedel; musical selections by the Bells, Miss Norma Conklin, Judy Torrence and Naomi Brown; vocal solos by Misses Dorothy Carter, Ann Seibenthal, Maxine Prescott and Betty Smith, and numbers by the Junior Melodettes and Ceramic City Male Quartet.

Mr. Lawrence made the concluding presentation of prizes and Mr. Richmond awarded a gold medal of the Dahlia Society to Mr. Smith in appreciation for the Jayce participation in the show.

Other dahlia awards included the following: most perfect miniature, Rosemary Dahlia Gardens in Martin Ferry with a seedling *Rosemary Dainty*, while Richard Heidel, a recent addition to our Society, won with the largest and most perfect bloom in the novice division sweepstakes of the novice division, an American Dahlia Society medal largest and most perfect bloom in the small amateur division and the sweepstakes in the same division, a Toledo Dahlia Society medal.

Largest and most perfect bloom in the large amateur division, a Minnesota Dahlia Society medal, Roy Smith of East Liverpool; sweepstakes in the same division, a trophy offered by John Eiferd, Mr. Lawrence; sweepstakes in the flower arrangement division, Mrs. H. Patterson of Wellsville, Ohio; best entry in the seedling division, a semi-cactus, Maurice G. Parker of Chester, W. Virginia, the Dahlia Society of Ohio medal; for the best corsage, Mrs. Frank Shane, of East Liverpool.

Joseph Hartman of Aurora won the gladiolas division sweepstakes, and a 50-piece dinner set from the Taylor, Smith & Taylor Pottery Co.

Grand champion of the division was won by George Wilson of Lisbon, Ohio R. D. 5, who received the North American Gladiolus Council medal with a seedling. Mr. Wilson also won the reserve champion of the division and took prizes for the best three spikes and the best seedling. Sweepstakes in the gladiolus division went to Mr. Hartman.

First prize in the rose division sweepstakes, the Lions Club trophy, went to Mr. and Mrs. George McCullough of East Liverpool with 150 points.

S. F. Johnston of Winona placed second with 140 points, and Leonard Kupchinsky of East Liverpool was third.

The Rosemary Dahlia Gardens received the Badger State medal and William Hough of Wellsville, Ohio won a second Georgia Dahlia Society medal. The American Home and Achievement medal, which requires a three year old seedling, was not presented.

Mr. D. F. Reynolds was show manager and Miss Myrtle Finney served as secretary. Committee chairmen included Mr. H. J. Gallimore, awards; Mrs. Frank Shane, advertising, and Mr. Eccleston, schedule; Mrs. Gallimore, Harry Johnson, Mr. Shane and Arthur Bostock comprised the welcoming committee.

An art exhibit of the work of artists in Columbiana, Hancock and Beaver Counties was held in conjunction with the flower show, with members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce Fine Arts Committee in charge. Best entries in each classification were awarded prizes.

In conclusion may I thank all who worked so many tiring hours to make this past show the successful and picturesque handiwork of mankind. Time and space will not permit the naming of all who really did their bit, but will be remembered by the entire society for their loyalty.

WM. C. CRAINE, Cor. Sec'y.

### San Leandro Dahlia Society's Annual Show

The Annual Show of the San Leandro Dahlia Society was held August 28th and 29th and the show was worthy of our city's motto (The City of Sunshine), and flower winners were as follows: In the advanced amateurs T. J. Sjoberg, Carl Lundvale and Pete Harter were the winners. Sjoberg won general display; Lundvale won best and largest. In the amateurs Frank Todaro won best general and most artistic in the open for all. He also won the Sunset Magazine medal for best seedling miniature. Other winners in the amateurs were Mrs. J. Parle, Chas. Perry, Fred Garms and Jack Sparre. The novice section winners were Mesdames R. Bigler, V. Hicks, M. Bolesworth and E. Webster. In the open-for-all, the following were winners: Carl Lundvale, Ted Sjoberg, Frank Todaro, Mrs. Parle, Mrs. Webster, and Chas. Garrity. The juvenile classes attracted lots of attention and the youngsters put up some excellent blooms. Winners in the girls were as follows: P. Bares and the Perry sister. In the boys: Theo. Bares, W. Bigler and G. Galletti were the winners. These classes were confined to boys and girls under 15 years of age and the society gave each of the first prize winners a nice trophy. In the begonia classes, Mr. and Mrs. Arbin, Mrs. Bayliss, Mrs. Hicks, and Mr. F. Burnham were the exhibitors but the winners were the Arbinis and Mrs. Bayliss. The Arbinis' display was outstanding and came in for lots of praise which they truly deserved.

The American Home Achievement Medal was won by Chas. Garrity, a large gold and yellow which he named *Golden Dream*.

Our show is open to the public and the professional and business men and women of our city give generously in prizes, and the Supervisors of Alameda County help us financially. The society show is held in the Veterans Memorial Building, sponsored by the American Legion Post No. 117.

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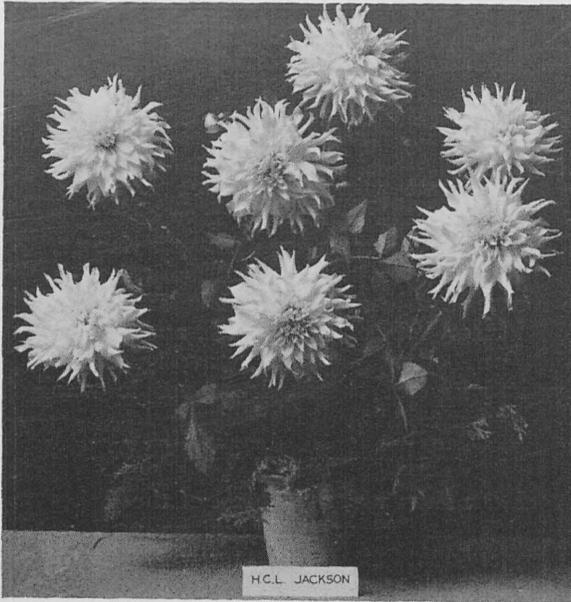
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*Diego*. You can actually throw a stone from his garden into the Pacific Ocean and the soil feels like a sponge underfoot. In about 2½ acres of dahlias I did not see one plant that I thought was diseased. More power to you, Paul and Rose Marie.

Had the unexpected pleasure of a short visit from the Dan O'Gormans of St. Louis a couple of weeks ago. Mighty glad to have any visitors from other parts any time. I would like to have you fellows come out this way when we have some good bloom in the gardens. Don't wait until we have quit disbudding and have them all tied up like a shock of corn. I strongly suspect that Pat Bennett paid a part of the O'Gormans' expenses out here so that they could see what Young Taylor was doing with his *Silver Tips*. They would see much better blooms of it today than they did when they were here.

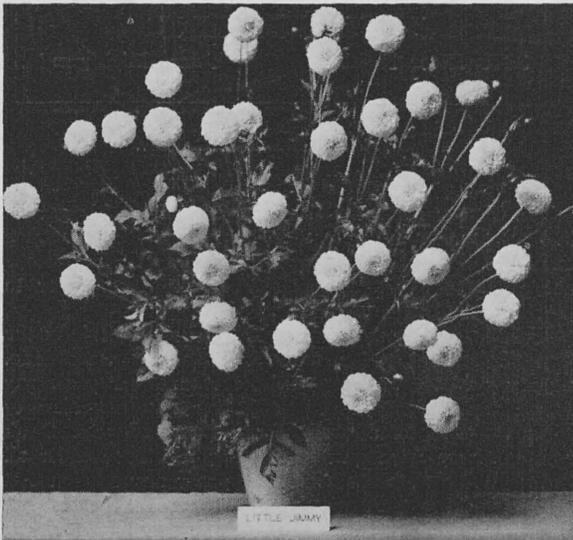
Although we do not have such a long storage period out here it is still quite a problem with the most of us. The roots never seem to go completely dormant and consequently a lot of rot develops in storage. This year I am planning on using vermiculite as a storage medium and expect better results. I get this vermiculite from one of the mail order houses that sells it as an insulating material. Much cheaper that way. I do not divide the clumps before storing except to split the crown so that the water can drain out. Out here you will find just about as many storage methods as you will growers. What works for one is no good for the next fellow.

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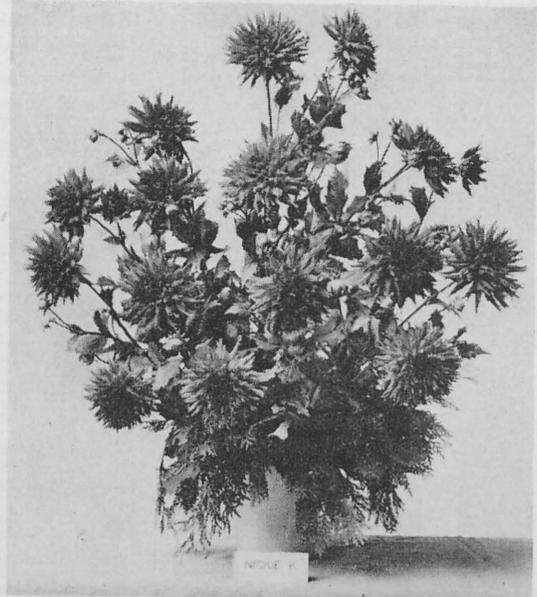
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## Virginia Dahlia Society

The Virginia Dahlia Society held its 24th Annual Show in Richmond, Oct. 5-7, in connection with the State Fair—which is held on the grounds of the Atlantic Rural Exposition—this being the third year we have shown there.

The number of exhibitors was 37, which was two more than have ever shown before. In addition there were others who had signed up to exhibit, who were kept away by the inclement weather. It rained all night before the opening day and poured all of the first day. Nothing

but the interest of our members in their favorite flower, could have brought out so many of them under these adverse conditions.

Our show was staged in a large tent, which made the situation decidedly worse. About 7 p. m., of the opening day, Tuesday, a heavy wind blew in one side of our tent, wrecking many of our best flowers and breaking many vases. Consequently the tent was kept closed until about two o'clock of the second day, with some 200 feet of tables bare. On Thursday and even on Friday many persons visited the show and admired the exhibits which were left.

The weather favored the flowers and they remained in fine condition throughout the week.

The record of blue ribbon winners was not made up, due to the wrecking of our tent, which spoiled a large part of the largest and best dahlias. However, we noted that, as is usually the case, many of the old, time-tested dahlias were winners.

The Court of Honor award for the best dahlia shown, went to *Mrs. Hester Pape*, shown by W. L. Elkins.

The American Home Achievement medal for the best seedling, was won by C. M. Diffenderfer of Baltimore, with *Edna D.*, a big red, straight cactus, which won at three other shows this year.

An attractive white cactus, with the intriguing name of *The Common Glory*, was shown by a Williamsburg member. Wonder when our seedling enthusiasts will fail to find "Glory," with some additional wording, as an attractive name for their new ones? First it was *Glory*, next *Greater Glory*, then *The Real Glory* and now a new one named for the great out-door drama which has been seen at Williamsburg for the past two summers, by multitudes of tourists from the four corners of the earth.

As our judges this year, we are indebted to Messrs. C. M. Diffenderfer and Conrad V. Brieger of Baltimore; H. C. Parker, E. R. Phillips and C. L. Armentrout of Washington; L. R. Shepherd of Norfolk and Mesdames John D. Taylor and R. A. MacMillan of Richmond, two of our ladies who have made a study of arrangements.

This year we have changed our status from an Affiliated Society to that of a Branch Society of the American

Dahlia Society and a good percentage of our members are now enrolled as members of the A.D.S.

Last spring we tried for the first time, a sale of roots, donated by our members from their surplus stock, as a means of boosting our finances and found the plan helpful and interesting.

During this year, the Grim Reaper has removed from our midst three of our ex-presidents and charter members, all of whom passed away within a period of three months. They were Judson S. Bosher, the organizer and first president; Arthur B. Bauer, president, secretary and active member for more than 20 years and Robert O. Smith.

J. A. MILLARD, Sec.-Treas.

## The Dahlia Society of Kentucky

The annual meeting, with election of officers for 1949, was held on Tuesday evening, October 19, 1948 at the Kentucky Hotel. Dinner was served at 6:30 P. M., with a fine attendance and a very interesting and inspiring meeting followed.

The following were elected to office for the coming year:

President: Mr. Wm. Bernauer.

Vice President: Mr. Carl W. Simbritzki.

Secretary-Treasurer: Mrs. Louise Kleinjohn.

Show dates were chosen for our 1949 Show, which will be held at the Kentucky Hotel, September 24-25, 1949.

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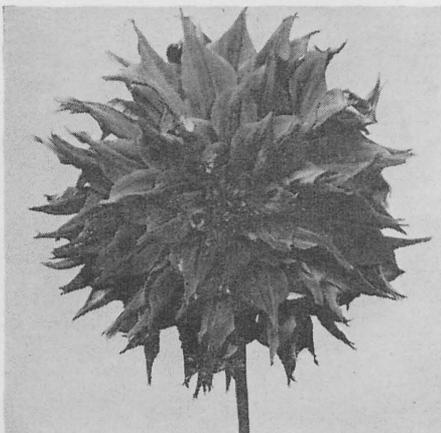
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### National Capital Dahlia Society

The 13th Annual Regional Dahlia Show of the National Capital Dahlia Society was again held at the U. S. Botanic Garden, Maryland Ave. and 1st St. S.W. on Saturday and Sunday September 25 and 26, 1948.

This show was without doubt the largest show held by this society since its organization. There were 72 exhibitors who made 1611 entries. We were running over with blooms; more space will be required next year.

The attendance was 16,786 people which was an increase of about 3,000 people over last year.

The "Foreign", 1948 American introductions and the artistic arrangement sections created quite a bit of interest as well as the novice section, of course the specimen bloom sections were not slighted in the least by the public.

The American Home Achievement medal was awarded to Mr. Charles M. Diffenderffer of Baltimore Maryland for his light red cactus which Mr. Diffenderffer has named *Edna D.* The dahlia has size without coarseness and the foliage is excellent. Competition was heavy, 6 entries in section, all good.

Following is a resume of the show:

#### SECTION A—NOVICE CLASSES

Best entry in section—Earl Mitchell, Jr., *Links Blue Triumph*. Sweepstakes: Earl Mitchell, Jr.

#### SECTION B.

Large flowering—Open to growers of less than 100 plants, Specimen Bloom, 8 inches or more in diameter.

Best entry—L. M. Clarke, *Crowning Glory*. Sweepstakes—C. L. Armentrout.

#### SECTION C

Medium flowering—Open to growers of less than 100 plants, Specimen Bloom, 4 to 8 inches in diameter. Best entry—Ernest Weidemeyer, *Mrs. E. J.* Sweepstakes—Ernest Weidemeyer.

#### SECTION D

Large flowering—Open to growers of up to 250 plants, Specimen Bloom, 8 inches or more in diameter. Best entry—Mr. and Mrs. Geo. R. Hitchcock, *Mrs. Hester Pape*. Sweepstakes—Mr. and Mrs. Geo. R. Hitchcock.

#### SECTION E

Medium flowering—Open to growers of up to 250 plants, Specimen Bloom, 4 to 8 inches in diameter. Best entry—W. H. Gannaway, *Luson*. Sweepstakes—Mr. and Mrs. Geo. R. Hitchcock.

#### SECTION F

Large flowering—Open to all, Specimen Bloom, 8 inches or more in diameter. Best entry—E. R. Phillips, *Unnamed Seedling*. Sweepstakes—E. R. Phillips.

#### SECTION G

Medium flowering—Open to all, Specimen Bloom, 4 to 8 inches in diameter. Best entry—John L. Bishop, *Windlassie*. Sweepstakes—Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Dodrill.

#### SECTION H

Large flowering—Open to all, Three Blooms, 8 inches or more in diameter. Best entry—Marvin Shipley, *Aristo*. Sweepstakes—Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Dodrill.

#### SECTION I

Medium flowering—Open to all, Three Blooms, 4 to 8 inches in diameter. Best entry—John L. Bishop, *Windlassie*. Sweepstakes—Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Dodrill.

#### SECTION J

1948 American Introductions—Open to all. Best entry—Charles M. Diffenderffer, *Anne Tooker*, Sweepstakes—John L. Bishop.

#### SECTION K

Small flowering—Open to all, Specimen Bloom, Miniatures, Pompons and singles. Best entry—Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Dodrill, *Raleigh*.

Three Bloom classes—Miniatures, pompons and singles. Best entry—Charles M. Diffenderffer, *Arabeske*. Sweepstakes—Entire section K—Mr. and Mrs. Geo. R. Hitchcock.

#### SECTION L

Seedlings—Open to all, Large flowering varieties, Specimen Bloom from seed sown in 1947-48. Most outstanding entry in section—R. W. Cross, *Unnamed Seedling*.

#### SECTION M

American Home Achievement Medal—Open to all, Three Blooms, undisminated varieties, any type, three years or older. Best entry—Charles M. Diffenderffer, *Edna D.*

#### SECTION N

Most nearly perfect dahlia over 8 inches—Mr. and Mrs. George R. Hitchcock, *Mrs. Hester Pape*. Most nearly

perfect dahlia 4 to 8 inches—W. H. Gannaway, *Luson*. Most nearly perfect dahlia under 4 inches—Charles M. Diffenderffer, *Arabeske*. Most nearly perfect red dahlia over 8 inches in diameter, to be selected from the red classes in sections B, D, F, and H. Best entry—Charles M. Diffenderffer, *Edna D*.

## SECTION O

Foreign varieties—Open to all, large flowering, Specimen Bloom, Best entry—John L. Bishop, *Madame Elizabeth Sawyer*. Sweepstakes—Mrs. Vincent McManners.

## SECTION P

Basket and vase of dahlias without other foliage. Amateurs only. Basket of dahlias over 8 inches, 5 or more blooms. Best entry—F. A. Alleva, *Big Dan*. Basket of dahlias 4 to 8 inches, 7 or more blooms. Best entry—W. H. Gannaway, *Lucky*. Vase of dahlias over 8 inches, 5 or more blooms. Best entry—F. A. Alleva, *Big Dan*. Vase of dahlias 4 to 8 inches, 5 or more blooms. Best entry—L. W. Holland, *Jersey's Beauty*.

## SECTION Q

Baskets, vases, and bowls, pompons, miniatures and other small flowering dahlias—Amateurs only. Best entry—F. A. Alleva, *Margaret Williams*. Sweepstakes—Marvin Shipley.

## SECTION R

Florists exhibit—Open to all retail florists, basket, vase and corsage arrangements. Sweepstakes—George C.

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## SECTION S

Artistic arrangements—Amateurs only, not restricted to dahlias. Best entry—Mrs. Northcutt Ely, arrangement in flat container with about ½ water exposed. Sweepstakes—Mrs. Northcutt Ely.

The society was again fortunate in securing the services of some of the outstanding dahlia judges of the country. We sincerely thank you and hope that you will be with us next year. The judges were as follows:

Mrs. Robert Ash, C. B. Ambrose, C. Merrill Brown, Henry C. Cory, R. W. Cross, Lynn B. Dudley, H. L. Dozier, Chas. M. Diffenderffer, W. L. Elkins, N. A. Gossmann, Percy Fulton, John W. Hanna, E. M. Keck, J. E. Kelly, E. McDade, Warren Maytrott, J. A. Millard, Joe Nuneviller, Henry A. Olsen, L. L. Shumadine, Mrs. Fred W. Lang, Marvin Shipley, Lewis J. West, Howard R. Watkins, H. A. Williams.

The judges and their wives enjoyed a turkey dinner at the Dodge Hotel. This "judges dinner" as we call it is looked forward to each year as it gives our members other than the show committee a chance to meet the judges and their wives.

The 1949 show of the National Capital Dahlia Society will again be held at the U. S. Botanic Garden, Maryland Ave. and 1st St. S.W. on Saturday and Sunday September 24 and 25.

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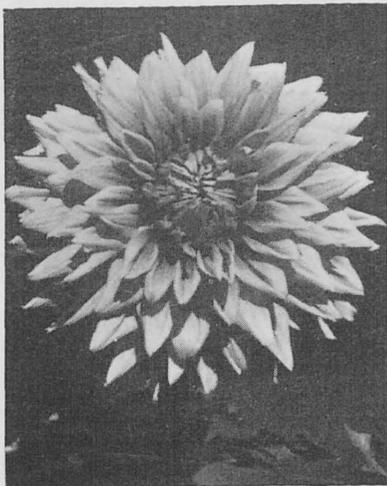
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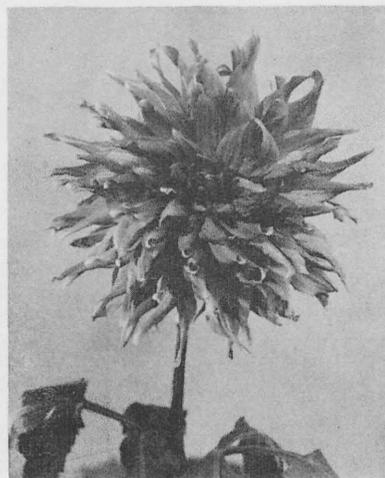


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The 20th Annual Minnesota Dahlia Society Show was held in the lobby of the Northwestern Bank on September 20 and 21, 1948.

Thirty-five exhibitors made 350 entries and exhibited 2,128 blooms. Awards were made, totaling 525 points.

Novice Sweepstakes were won by Rudolph Gustafson with 37 points. He was closely followed by T. Z. Ennis, with 35 points.

The Amateur Sweepstakes were awarded to Carl A. Nelson with 85 points, and second honors going to Maurice Engen, who had 72 points. Our President, C. H. Rose, was a close contender for second place, with 68 points.

Carl A. Nelson exhibited the Grand Champion Bloom of the Show—*Wosal*. The Grand Champion Cactus was *Valley Queen*, exhibited by Maurice Engen.

Much interest was displayed in Section D, where our wives made 31 entries. Awards were made to Madames Wm. Holmberg, L. E. Christman, C. H. Rose and Maurice Engen.

W. H. Lauer had a table display and was awarded first honors and the trophy offered by the Society.

The Bronze Medal of the American Dahlia Society was awarded to W. H. Lauer.

John Rogowski, Cudahy, Wisconsin, exhibited *Prairie Sun* for its originator, James Marsh, Chicago. The judges awarded the American Home Achievement Medal for this entry. These blooms were cut Saturday night

and judged Monday afternoon, at which time they were in perfect condition.

The judges were: John Rogowski, Cudahy, Wis.; Horace Barnes, Deephaven; Mrs. J. G. Micko, St. Paul, and Wm. Holmberg and W. H. Lauer, Minneapolis.

HAROLD M. STEPHENS, Secretary.

## Camden Dahlia and Horticultural Society

Our Flower Show of October 1-2 was a very successful affair. The quality of blooms and arrangement classes rated high and presented a very fine display. The A.D.S. Medal was awarded to Elsa Fort of Merchantville. The winning dahlia being *Kelvin*.

WATSON CONOVER, Secretary.

## The Dahlia Society of Kentucky

The 16th Annual Dahlia and Flower Show sponsored by the Dahlia Society of Kentucky was held at the Kentucky Hotel in the "Terrace Room" on Saturday and Sunday, September 25-26, 1948.

The Show was much larger than was anticipated and was well attended. Section 1, which includes growers from 1 to 100 hills is getting almost as big as Section 2, which includes our larger growers.

Purple Courier-Journal Special Award Ribbons in Section 1, for the best Cactus, Semi-Cactus, Informal

and Formal Blooms in Single Classes were won by B. Jansen on *Pink Flamingo*; C. H. Durnil on *Michigan White*; C. H. Durnil on *Oxford Triumph*; J. M. Shields on *Five Star General*. A White Courier-Journal Special Award Ribbon was won by Mr. Durnil on *Michigan White* for the best bloom in the above four Classes. Mr. Durnil also won Sweepstakes in the Single Bloom Classes. Purple Courier-Journal Special Award Ribbons were won in Classes of 3 blooms for the best entry in Cactus, Semi-Cactus, Informal and Formal by Roy Schooler, on *Mrs. E. J.*; J. E. Beckwith on *Miss Elsie Jane*; Wm. Bernauer on *Mrs. Hester Pape*; and Roy Schooler on *The Real Glory*. Best Entry in Classes of 3 blooms was awarded a White Courier-Journal Ribbon and was won by Wm. Bernauer on *Mrs. Hester Pape*.

Sweepstakes in 3 Bloom entries was won by Mr. Chester Frey.

Best Entry in 5 Bloom Classes was won by Nicholas Federspiel on *Broeder Justinia*.

Section 2: Purple Courier-Journal Award Ribbons were won for the best Cactus, Semi-Cactus, Informal and Formal by Mrs. C. J. Simmons on *Crowning Glory*; W. R. Johns on *Atomic Yellow*; Mrs. C. J. Simmons on *Ginger Rogers* and George Shee on *Big Ben*.

White Courier-Journal Ribbon was won by Mr. Johns on *Atomic Yellow* as the best bloom in the above entries.

Mrs. Simmons also won Sweepstakes in the Single Bloom entries.

Purple Courier-Journal Ribbons in Classes of 3 Blooms were won for the best entries by Mrs. Simmons on

*Snow Ball*; C. W. Simbritzki on *Ronnie Lee*; Mr. Johns on *Kelvin*; and George Shee on *Red Champion*.

Best entry in Classes of 3 Blooms was won by Mrs. Simmons with *Snow Ball*.

Sweepstakes was also won in Classes of 3 Blooms by Mrs. Simmons.

Best Entry in 5 Bloom Classes was won by C. W. Simbritzki with *5 Star General*.

Mrs. Simmons won the Grand Sweepstakes of the Entire Show.

Sweepstakes in Poms and Miniatures was won by Roy Schooler.

The Derby Entry was won by Mrs. Simmons with *Sherwoods Peach*, second C. W. Simbritzki with *Freda Gaylord* and third by L. G. Becker with *Sherwoods Peach*.

The American Home Achievement Medal was won by George Shee with *Tenny*.

The Largest and Most Nearly Perfect Bloom was won by Mr. W. Johns' with *Atomic Yellow*.

Most Perfect Bloom under 8 inches was won by C. H. Durnil with *Michigan White*.

The Most Meritorious entry in the Garden Section was won by B. Jansen on an entry of *Gladiolas*.

The Garden Club winning the Gold Dahlia Society of Kentucky Ribbon for the most points was the Beechmont Garden Club.

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The 28th Annual Show of the Burholme Horticultural Society was held September 17 and 18th, was a complete success. The quality of the dahlias were never better. We had more entries than usual making competition most keen.

The spotlight falls on the seedlings which competed for the American Home Achievement Medal. There were four excellent seedlings but finally the award went to *King Size*, a beautiful incurved cactus of ten inches in size. The judges thought that this dahlia had more distinction and was a great improvement over standard dahlias in this class. It was exhibited by Stanley Johnson of Cheltenham.

Mr. James Desmond of Elkins Park displayed decorative seedling which received much favorable comment.

The best flower of the entire show went to *King Size* which pleased everyone.

Mr. Harry Miller of Easton, Pa., showed *Gary E* which captured a first prize. This was an outstanding yellow cactus dahlia that has much appeal.

The competition in the open classes was good and among the winners were Mrs. J. E. Mendham, Easton, Pa., James Desmond, Harry Miller, Stanley Johnson.

The Amateur section drew many exhibitors and the sweepstake winner was Walter Strobel of Elkins Park with Charles G. Friedel of Lawndale, coming in second. Mr. Walter Strobels basket of *King Size* won first prize, he stated "that he was testing this dahlia in his garden

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In the section restricted for members found John Schroeck, Lawndale, and Charles Trout, Cheltenham, competing for top honors. The sweepstake finally went to John Schroeck.

The A.D.S. Medal in the class which called for five blooms of a 1948 introduction was won by Stanley Johnson for his entry of *Autumn Blaze*. The largest dahlia of the show also went to the same person for the spectacular dahlia *Amos Kirby*.

There were two new Holland Dahlias that were prize winners. These were grown by Stanley Johnson for Mr. Carlee of Haarlem, Holland. *Chime*, an eight-inch semi-cactus was the winner as the best basket while *Reconstruction*, a beautiful incurved pink won in open competition.

The first fragrant dahlia *Nagels Odorant* was also admired at the show.

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### Alabama Dahlia News

The Thirteenth Annual Show of the Dahlia Society of Alabama has come and gone but the memory of it will linger long. It will go on the society's record as one of the best yet. Not only were there more blooms than usual but the blooms were of such excellent quality that the judges found themselves with a real job when they came to select blue ribbon winners.

The society was glad to have as a judge Mr. George Currie of Sheboygan, Wisconsin. Alabama growers are always happy to have their neighbors from Georgia and Tennessee help in the judging at their show. From Georgia were Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Faust, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Perry, Mr. Nelson Crist, Mr. B. E. Phillips and Mr. W. O. Wells; from Tennessee were Mr. Clarence Kallquist, Mr. Harry K. Brady and Mrs. Guy Yaste and from Pensacola, Florida Mrs. R. C. Hart.

The arrangement section under the supervision of Mrs. H. C. Rike was the most attractive and the largest thus far. The themes for the classes were most intriguing. Originality as well as beauty was characteristic in every class. Winners in this section were; Novice Section, *Inexpensive Glamour* (Arrangement in container costing less than \$1.00), Mrs. H. W. Morgan; Blue Ribbon winners, *Fall Crescent*, Mrs. N. L. Self; *Lavender and Old Lace*; Mrs. F. F. Bass. *Indian Summer* was the theme for the garden club arrangements. The Gardenia Club of Ensley was the winner in this section.

Sweepstake winners were: Novice Section, Mr. A. P. Mann; Section B, Mr. Tom Pearson; Section C, Mr. F. M. House; Section D, Mr. C. G. Goodwin; Section

E; Mr. A. Brothers; Section F, Mrs. A. Brothers; Section K, Mrs. J. D. Staples.

The American Home Achievement Medal was won with *Golden Treasure* produced by Mr. Norman LaMotte of Hapeville, Georgia, grown and exhibited by Mr. T. M. Floyd of Birmingham. The President's Award went to Mr. T. M. Floyd also for a bloom of *Golden Treasure*. Dr. H. C. Rike won the "Jack Pot" award. The Lefkovits Trophy for best bloom of foreign introduction was won by Dr. H. C. Rike with *Allegresse*. The Hanover Award was offered for the first time this year for best bloom of a variety introduced in 1938 or before, Dr. H. C. Rike won this with a bloom of *Lord of Autumn*. The Executive Board Prize was won by Mrs. A. Brothers for having the best bloom over eight inches in the entire show which was *Mrs. Hester Pape*. The Bromberg Trophy for the best three blooms over eight inches in the entire show was won by Mr. Frank House with *Pink Flamingo*. The Hastings' Trophy for the best bloom four to eight inches in the entire show was won by Mr. Harry K. Brady of Chattanooga with *Jersey's Beauty*.

A new feature of this year's show was the *Dahlia Poll*. A card was given each person at the door and on it they were asked to write the names of the three dahlias they liked best. The results were most interesting. The highest ten were as follows: 1st: *Mrs. Hester Pape* was by far the most popular. 2nd: *The Real Glory*. 3rd: *Jane Lausche*. 4th: *Golden Treasure* and *Pink Flamingo* tied for this place. 5th: *Atomic Yellow*. 6th: *Autumn Blaze*. 7th: *Five Star General*. 8th: *Sherwood's Peach*. 9th: *Edith Mueller*. 10th: *Deep Velvet*.

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### The Orange County Dahlia Show

The 7th Annual Show of the Orange County Dahlia Society was held in the Santa Ana Y.M.C.A. Gym, August 20th and 21st, 1948. The event was well advertised and was very well attended. The show was the largest and best ever held here, as 863 individual entries by 61 exhibitors, containing over 6,000 blooms will testify. The throngs passing by the exhibits during the two days of the show enjoyed themselves thoroughly. We believe it will be hard to improve on our exhibition.

The largest dahlia of the show was a giant *Black Monarch*, exhibited by Mr. McCalla, while the trophy for the smallest went to Mrs. Gibson of the Yukon Dahlia Gardens. The prize for the Best General Display was taken by the exhibit of Laurence Archibald. This exhibit included individual specimens of almost every type of dahlia grown, in an educational display. The balance of his table was a well balanced show of beautiful dahlias. The award for the Most Artistic Display went to Dr. L. W. Sherrard, who had a very beautiful table, with arrangements dominating the exhibit. Mr. and Mrs. Herb. Churchman were awarded the giant Kiwanis Perpetual Trophy for the Best 1948 Seedling.

Churchmans also won the Rogers Jewelry Trophy for the Most Outstanding Individual Exhibit of the show with a beautiful mass display of *Sheik*. This attracted much attention from the crowd. The Excelsior Creamery Cup for the Best 2nd Year Seedling went to our A.D.S. vice-president, Adrian P. Taylor of Taylor Dahlia Gardens, for a beautiful *Bronze Cactus*. The A.D.S. Bronze

Medal, given for the Best Individual Bloom of the show, went to the Boulder Hill Gardens of El Cajon, Cal., for a beautiful bloom of *Miss Liberty*. The American Home Achievement Medal was carried off by Mr. Archibald, with 3 blooms of a large *Bronze* undisseminated seedling. He also won the American Home Achievement Medal with 3 blooms of the same seedling in the Long Beach show, two weeks earlier. The individual winners of the various classifications were too numerous to give here, but the flowers selected were well worthy of the ribbons received. The show was a huge success, mainly due to the efforts of our show manager, E. A. B. Smith, and his assistants. Everybody helped and many hands made things easy. The judges had able assistants, and did a very good job of the difficult task. In all, we set up a very high standard to shoot at in next year's show.

The Long Beach show, two weeks earlier than our show, and the Inglewood show one week later, were both entered by a number of our members, who carried off the majority of the awards. The society also entered a club booth in the Long Beach show. This was handled by Haywood Allen of the Allen Dahlia Gardens. He built the booth and furnished the majority of the flowers. A number of our members took their turn during the four days of the show, staying at the booth and answering questions. Many thanks to all who helped.

The month following the shows was occupied by our regular tours of various gardens in Southern California. On Sept. 5th, we made a tour through the western part of Orange County and into Los Angeles County, with the Yukon Dahlia Gardens at Gardena the highlight of our trip. We had pot-luck dinner here and wandered through their gardens where over 700 varieties are being grown. Two week later, we headed south and visited a number of gardens in San Diego County, ending with Col. Eddy's Trial Garden in Encinitas and Paul Comstock's at Solano Beach. October 3rd, we made the tour of our local gardens. We visited a total of 36 patches during the day. Forty-three members sat down to a bountiful pot-luck dinner at the beautiful home of our president, Dr. Raitt. We enjoyed ourselves and saw a great many beautiful flowers. We are looking forward to another successful year and are making plans for our work this next season.

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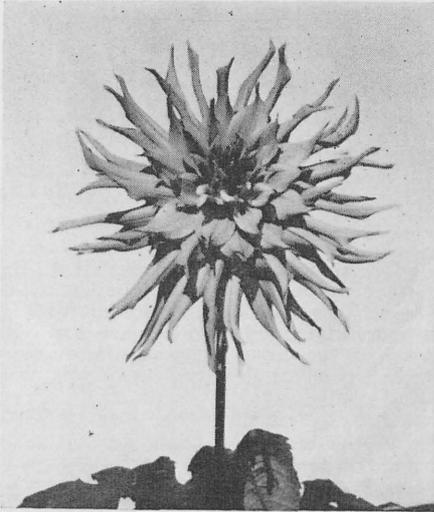
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This Fuchsia Rose Dahlia of Semi Cactus formation is a thing of beauty, proclaimed by many as the outstanding seedling of the year. Flowers held at a perfect angle on long rigid stems; bush height 5 to 6 ft. with insect resisting foliage grown in my garden 14 x 8. Won A.D.S. gold certificate at New York Sept. 21, 1948 and gold medal at Long Island Dahlia Society, Jamaica, N. Y., Sept. 18, 1948. Listed on all three Flower Grower Honor Rolls. Certificate of Merit at Rutgers trial garden, New Brunswick, N. J., score 85.25.

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*Each of the following varieties have won American Home Achievement Medals, Honor Roll listing, or Certificates of Merit from official A.D.S. Trial Grounds. In some cases a variety has all three.*

### CLARIAM FANCY

(Wolbert-Rocky River)

Seven to nine inch broad petaled semi-cactus with deeply lacinated petals. Blooms have exceptional depth and are good keepers. Light blend of pink and cream. Achievement Medals at Toledo and Indianapolis. Leonard Barron Trophy at New York. Honor Roll and Certificate of Merit dahlia.

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### EDNA D

(Diffenderffer-Loller-Rocky River)

A very large bright rose-red cactus. Fourteen inch blooms have been reported by several growers. Will probably be classed as light red. Achievement Medals at Washington, Baltimore, and Richmond. On Honor Rolls.

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(La Motte-Rocky River)

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(Beals-Rocky River)

A large cactus to semi-cactus for the dark red classes. Blooms up to 12 inches. This could be one of the "sleepers" in this years introductions as it was shown but once, winning the American Home Medal at Battle Creek that time. Honor Roll dahlia.

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A welcome addition to the yellow formal class. Well formed eight to ten inch blooms. Long stems. We regard it as best in its class. Achievement Medals at Southtown (Chicago) and Minneapolis. Honor Roll and Certificate of Merit dahlia.

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(Baker-Rocky River)

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## The Rochester Dahlia Society

The Rochester Dahlia Society's Flower Show, held Sunday September 12 in the Auditorium of the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences, started the Museum's Fall season with a record breaking attendance. More than 2,600 visitors to see the wonderful display of Dahlias. The committee feels honored at the splendid response of the public and also the large increase in the number of exhibitors whose entries built up the largest show in our history.

Section 1: Novice—Norman Lapple won sweepstakes in this section, also Tricolor for best flower in the section, a beautiful *Real Glory*.

Section 2: Amateur—Section sweepstakes won by Frank Eyer, winning the Rochester Dahlia Society Cup, also the Stuart Olver Holtz Cup for most points scored by amateur. Best bloom in Section 2—*Five Star General* grown by A. H. MacAndrews.

Section 3: Open to all—Sweepstakes won by Fred Simpson for which he was awarded the President's Cup.

### OTHER SECTIONAL AWARDS:

Section 2: Division 1—Sweepstakes—A. H. MacAndrews. Divisions 2 and 3—Sweepstakes—Phillip Kimmell. Divisions 4 and 5—Sweepstakes—Frank Eyer.

Section 3: Division 1—Sweepstakes—Arthur Garretson. Divisions 2 and 3—Sweepstakes—Fred Simpson. Divisions 4 and 5—Sweepstakes—Fred Simpson.

Section 4: Seedlings—Louis Eckel won the Democrat and Chronicle Cup for best seedling shown.

Section 5: Dahlia Arrangements—Mrs. Guy Bogard won the Tricolor for this section for most outstanding exhibit.

Section 6: Tricolor was awarded to the Men's Garden Club of Rochester, New York for the best arrangement in the Garden Club Class.

Mr. Walter Malcolm, Rochester, won sweepstakes in the gladiolus division.

Smallest bloom in the show—*Gold Dust* shown by Carl G. Meyer.

Largest bloom in the show—*Five Star General*, shown by A. H. MacAndrews, winning the Hart & Vick Challenge Cup.

Best bloom in show—*Five Star General*, shown by A. H. MacAndrews, winning the Stoyell Memorial Cup and the American Dahlia Society's bronze medal.

Prof. C. Merrill Brown of Buffalo set up an outstanding display (non-competitive) of new varieties and undissemated seedlings from his garden that was a high light of the show:—a preview of prize winners of the future.

Another outstanding (non-competitive) display was the exhibit of gladiolus by Alfred Moses of Lima, New York. Hundred of spikes of beautiful gladioli made a beautiful display, admired by all.

CARL G. MEYER, Corresponding Secretary.

## Camden Dahlia and Horticultural Society

The Twenty-fourth Annual Exhibition of the Camden Dahlia & Horticultural Society was held at the Camden County Vocational School, Browning Road, Merchant-

ville, N. J. October 1st and 2nd. Those who attended the show were in high praise for the quality of the blooms in dahlias, which always play an important part. The exhibition tables with their array of beautiful Miniatures, Balls, Pompons and always marvelous large varieties, as usual, greeted the visitors and proved that the dahlia is still "King of the Garden" especially among the men. The Garden Flowers presented a most pleasing section of the show room. This Society is well known for its high standard of arrangement classes, which grow in popularity each succeeding year both with the exhibitors and the patrons of the show. The excellency of these classes is largely due to the instructions of Prof. Harry O. Yates of the Vocational School. It can best be summed up as a great show. The American Home Achievement Medal was won by Stanley Johnson of Cheltenham, Pa. on his new introduction named *Amos Kirby*, a very meritorious dahlia. The largest bloom class went to Mrs. R. K. Snow of Palmyra, N. J. The most meritorious entry was given to Elso Fort of Merchantville, N. J. for her entry of Kelvin. H. O. Alexander of Wenonah, N. J. won a special award for a new introduction, Formal Decorative Miniature, named *Jennie A.* Many prominent visitors, dahlia growers and garden enthusiasts paid their compliments. Our circle of friends and our membership list grows larger each year and the air of good fellowship contributed to make the show another grand success for the society. We thank all those who generously aided us in our endeavors.

WATSON CONOVER, Secretary.

## Honor Roll Dahlias

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**MARCELINA** — Inf. to S.C. This dahlia is an extremely strong grower, giving you blooms 12 inches or better, color is a very pleasing shade of lavender, foliage is extremely heavy and stems to hold the very largest bloom. Grows about 6 ft. tall. On the Dudley Honor Roll.

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GORDON F. WAASER, Editor.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9th day of September, 1949.

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HARRY WECKSLER.

(My commission expires March 30, 1949)

## Portland Dahlia Society

The twenty-first annual Dahlia Show of the Portland Dahlia Society was staged, for the second time, in the Sunken Ballroom of the Masonic Temple. Heavy rains the week of the show ruined many fine blooms, so both exhibitors and spectators were greatly surprised to see the quantity of beautiful dahlias that graced the show tables.

For the first time in the history of our Society the

same dahlia won the awards offered for both the best and largest dahlias in the show. *Mrs. Hester A. Pape* was the bloom that took the Mastick Trophy for the best in the show and this same bloom won the American Dahlia Society Medal for the largest dahlia. P. F. Ker-shisnick was the advanced amateur exhibitor who grew this bloom.

*Conqueror* entered by J. H. DeVolder was judged best in the Amateur Division. Portland's own dahlia, the lovely *Charles L. Mastick*, was best in the Junior Division, and was exhibited by Karen Ross. E. Henry White's entry of beautiful *Jane Lausche* won the award for best in the Commercial Division.

*St. Therese*, the best bloom shown by a Novice, was grown by Franklin Smith.

For the first time since the war, the American Home Achievement Medal was awarded to an entry in our show. J. R. Beyerle was the exhibitor who won with his *Sellwood Glory*, a magenta formal decorative with pale pink edging on each petal and the reverse flushed with the same soft pink. A great basket of these dahlias graced one corner of the tiered table display of outstanding winners and exacted much comment and admiration from the public. This dahlia has remarkably stiff stems, heavy but graceful foliage, with lush bush growth. The keeping quality of the bloom was exceptionally good. It should win recognition as a spectacular bloom in B size class, and as a cut flower.

*Sellwood Glory* also won the Sunset Magazine Achievement Medal, and the winning of both these awards, was, in itself, a remarkable achievement.

The winning dahlias in the special entries in both Commercial and Amateur Classes were *Mme. Elizabeth Sawyer*, *Voorzetter Oud*, *Prince Beautiful*, with the best basket of large types featuring *General Eisenhower*.

Compton Dahlia Gardens of Boring, Oregon set up a spectacular display on a gold-colored floor. Large exhibits were shown in brass and copper containers with many specimen blooms of large types.

The Estacada Dahlia Gardens from Estacada, Oregon, were unable to bring in their display due to the gas shortage.

The Portland Dahlia Gardens featured many small type dahlias. *Jubilant* won the award for best basket of small types for them. One of their most interesting entries was a bowl of new anemone types.

E. Henry White had the largest display this year that he has had in more than 35 years of dahlia growing. Many lovely specimen blooms were shown and his basket of *Vader Nagels* was outstanding.

Daniel's Dahlia Tract displayed more than a hundred different varieties. *Gerry Hoek* and *Golden Leader* seemed to vie for the most attention among the new blooms shown in this large exhibit.

Many new varieties from Holland were on display with a predominance of B sizes in all but the Formal Decorative section. *Honor Guest*, *Lovely Jewel* and *Finesse Anversois* showed up well in local gardens. *Great Lakes* was beautiful and a good bloomer, as were many other new American dahlias. In spite of a very late wet spring the dahlias came through beautifully here in the northwest.

MADGE B. KERSHISNICK, Secretary.

# A. D. S. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Nominating Committee presents a slate for 1949 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.

*Be sure to mail your ballot before January 2, 1949, to A. J. Mulcahy, Secretary, 20 Marshal Avenue, Floral Park, L. I., N. Y.*

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## ... VOTE ...

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

The officers placed in nomination by the Nominating Committee to serve the American Dahlia Society for 1949, or until their successors are elected or appointed, are as follows:

- For President: Leo L. Pollak, Upper Montclair, N. J.
- For Secretary: Andrew J. Mulcahy, Floral Park, L. I., N. Y.
- For Treasurer: Henry A. Olsen, Flushing, L. I., N. Y.
- For Trustee to 1952: Gordon F. Waaser, Freeport, N. Y.

For Vice-Presidents (Vote for seven or more):

- John Allen, Seattle, Wash.
- F. A. Alleva, Bryn Mawr, Pa.
- L. C. Bennett, St. Louis, Mo.
- Prof. C. Merrill Brown, Williamsville, N. Y.
- Dr. C. H. Connors, Highland Park, N. J.
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- E. J. Wind, Rocky River, Ohio.

Note: "If you are an active or sustaining member in good standing, or a life member, your vote will be counted as two (2) votes for each officer voted for. If you are a participating (Branch membership classification) your vote will be counted as one (1) vote. Be sure to mail this ballot before January 2, 1949, to A. J. Mulcahy, 20 Marshal Avenue, Floral Park, L. I., N. Y.

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

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## A. D. S. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

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

A. D. S. By-Laws, Article II, Clause 1: "Active members at large. (Paying \$3.50 per year dues.) They shall have full voice in the Society and shall be entitled to cast two (2) votes each in the election of officers, etc."

Article II, Clause 2: "Participating members shall be members of Branch Societies who have been duly accepted into membership by the Executive Committee. Each Participating Member (paying \$1.75 per year for membership) shall have one (1) vote in the election of officers, etc."

Article II, Clause 3: "Sustaining members shall be members who desire to make a contribution each year beyond regular dues (of active members at \$3.50 per year) . . . Each Sustaining member shall have two (2) votes in the annual election of officers, etc."

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

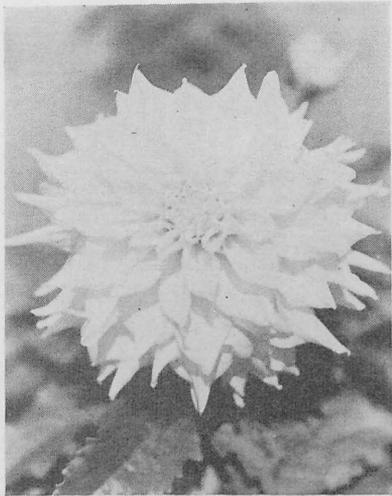
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Article VI, Clause 3: "Any member desiring to vote for a candidate for any office, other than those named by the Nominating Committee, shall have the right to write in such name on the ballot, providing written acceptance of the candidate, properly sworn to before a legal officer has been filed with the Secretary of the American Dahlia Society before January 2, 1949.

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

The two members to serve with Secretary Mulcahy as appointed by the President are: Edward B. Lloyd, Montclair, N. J., and Henry Corey, Baltimore, Md.

Supplement to BULLETIN of the American Dahlia Society, issue of November, 1948.



EMMA CAROLINE

## EMMA CAROLINE

(Swezey)

Outstanding for beauty and ruggedness, this clean white Formal and Informal Decorative may be grown to large proportions for the field grown blooms average 10 x 7 inches. The tough heavy foliage is not molested by insects. A winner of the American Home Achievement Medal. Scored 85.5 at the Rutgers Trial Grounds and on Mr. Dudley's Honor Roll, and endorsed by "Top Growers" in various locations. Bushes are rugged and strong and grow 4½ feet tall.

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Semi-Cactus. Exquisite in both color and form. A lovely true deep pink (rose pink), the beautifully formed blooms have high centers and the petals are slightly lacinated. Size 9-10 x 5-6 without forcing. Foliage dark and unusually rugged for Cactus types. Blooms held facing on long, strong stems. Regret that this was not tried out in test gardens, but it will score high and we will return money if unsatisfactory.

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## "GARY E"

(H. W. Miller)

A clear, bright yellow Incurved Cactus of charming beauty with curling, twisting petals. Average blooms are 7-8 x 5-6 inches, held facing on strong stems. Foliage excellent, height 5 feet. Has a fine show record, three "Firsts" and a Silver Certificate in "Open to All" classes and a "First" and a "Special" as "Best Cactus," five blooms, Burholm Show, Philadelphia.

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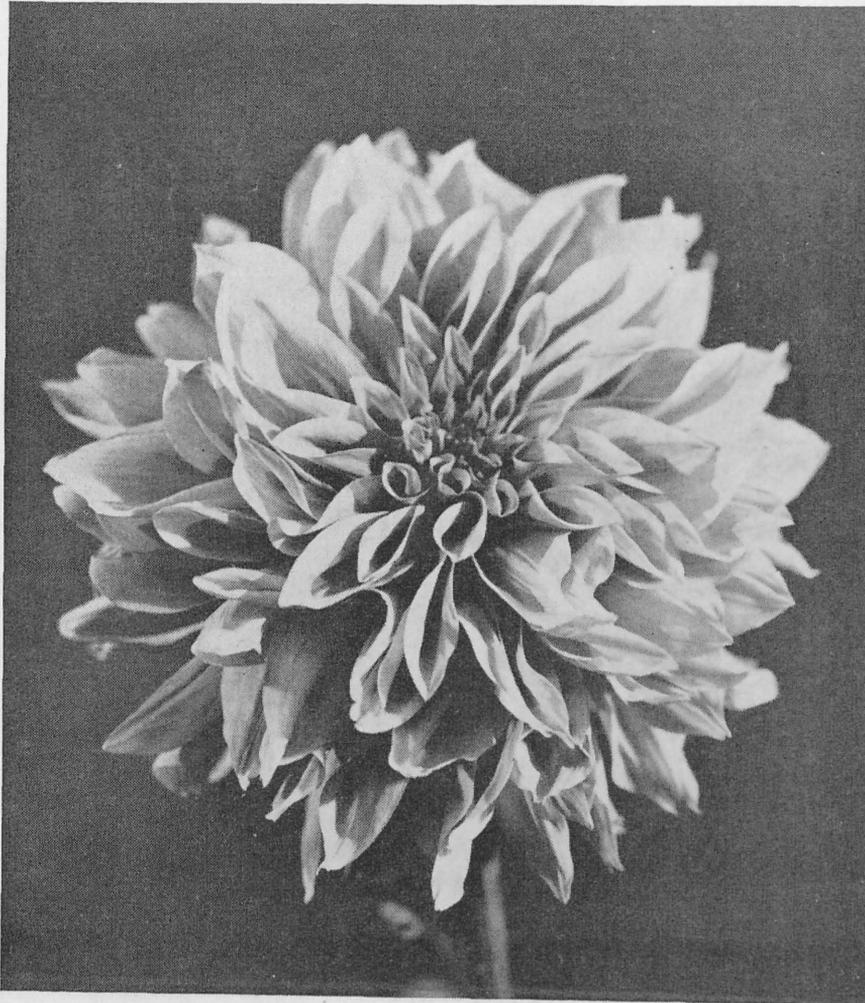
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MABEL HUMPHREYS

## MABEL HUMPHREYS

F.D. (Parella)—Color, pink suffused rose with fine tips of buff yellow. Size, 9½ in. to 11 in. by 5½ in. to 6½ in. Fine cane-like stems 10 in. to 12 in. holding flowers facing at 45 degree angle. Petals of good substance filling out flowers to good depth, tipping slightly back. Early and profuse bloomer with fine branching habit. This is the seedling shown at our garden under number 36-47. Height of plant, 4 to 5 ft.

Root \$15.00 Net  
Plant \$7.50 Net

## SCARSDALE SUN

S.C. (Braun-Parrella) — Color, light primrose yellow. Size of blooms 8 in. by 5½ in., very deep for S.C. type. Stems 8 to 10 inches, holding flowers on top and at 45 degree angle. Petals turn and twist in graceful manner making the flower very outstanding. Twice shown at the N. Y. A.D.S. Show in seedling class, receiving first and bronze medal. Also first at Jamaica, L. I., show. Early and profuse bloomer with good substance. Height of plant, 4½ ft.

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Plant \$5.00 Net

## YELLOW COWL

S.C. (Tooker-Parrella) — With the form of incurved cactus petals curved toward center. Color—Light blend of golden buff, picric yellow flush with Begonia rose toward the outside petals. Stems long, holding the flower facing. Size 10 to 12 inches. Bush 5 feet.

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