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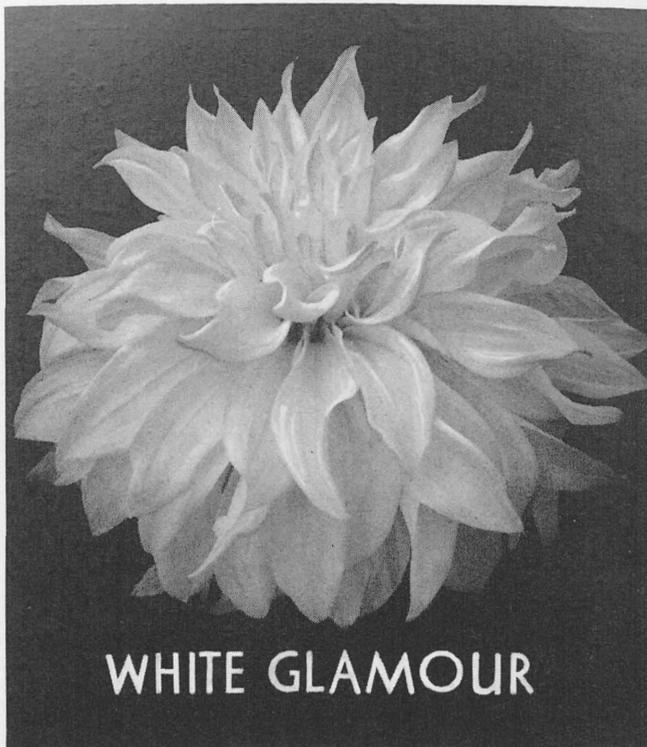
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The American Dahlia Society Show

One Long To Be Remembered

One of the most difficult, and believed most disappointing of recent dahlia growing seasons resulted in our 34th Annual Exhibition becoming one of the best displays in many years. The artistically decorated Colonades Ballroom of Essex House provided a setting than which there could be none more fitting for a floral display seldom equalled, and thought by many to have been possibly surpassed only by our New York World's Fair exhibition.

Entering the Ballroom the splendid exhibits of President Pollak, the Evergreen Farms, the Parrella Dahlia Gardens, and Brookdell Gardens made a most spectacular scene. Special mention, and much commendation should be given at this point to Leo Pollak's display, the culmination of the labor of a week end gardener whose duties in Washington gave him little time in his New Jersey garden, but whose concentrated effort produced the great results shown in his display. Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, true to their boast of never having missed an A.D.S. exhibition, were represented with a small but excellent showing of their introductions, after receiving the dis-benefit of a near tornado following a drought on Long Island.

The results of many weeks of planning by the Show Committee were seen as soon as one entered the Ballroom, where a well conceived floor plan displayed more truly exhibition quality blooms than had been seen for some years. Section A, upon which we count to develop our future big winners, was well filled and John Steele won the sweepstakes, also winner of most outstanding entry—a well grown and exhibited *Mme. Elizabeth Sawyer*. Harry Frank, President of the Dahlia Society of New Jersey, walked off with sweepstakes in the Amateur Section B, also winning the A.D.S. Trophy for best undisminated small size dahlia and the Doctor Edward McDade Trophy—winning both with his white formal miniature *Agatha*, which was further an Achieve-

ment Medal winner at the New Jersey exhibition this year in Newark.

Our hard working Secretary, Fred Knocke, and his even more hard working wife set up a dahlia show of their own in Open-to-All. Winning the Margaret Gordon Waaser Memorial Trophy was a tribute to their floral-cultural ability during the growing season, their showmanship at exhibition time, and resulted in the satisfaction of winning that which they had aimed at since planting time—the Trophy. Fred had outstanding entries in all classes, winning sweepstakes as well as the Trophy. His *Pride of Parkersburg*, also winner of the Louis B. Tim Trophy, was really a triumph of growing perfection.

Seedling and Special Display classes on the stage were of more than usual interest this year. Chester Nelson's basket of 15 huge perfectly grown and exhibited *Mrs. Hester Pape*, was doubtless the most spectacular as well as massive display of the exhibition. Many interesting seedlings were introduced to the merciless attention of Conrad Frey's judges, and the result was that for the first time in our 34 years, a variety won both the American Home Achievement Medal for variety with no limit on size, and the Leonard Barron Memorial Trophy of The Flower Grower for "B" size. The winner of the two awards is a "B" formal decorative cream white with tinted Persian rose, and originated by Herman Rindfleisch of Mamaroneck, N. Y. It will be introduced by the Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens. Betty Blossom, Garden Editor of Home and Garden, has consented to sponsor this flower with her name.

Henry Olsen, in addition to his many fine entries of large exhibition blooms throughout the show, dominated the miniature and pompon section, winning sweepstakes in both, with *Arabesque* in the miniatures and with *Margaret Williams* in the pompons as most outstanding entries. A.D.S. Seedling Sweepstakes were won by John Adelung of Nutley, N. J. in the informal decorative and



Brookdell Gardens
captured gold medal
for their first A. D. S.
Commercial display.
Helen and Anthony
Pietruszkiewicz have been
loyal members of our
Society for many years.





Artistic Prize Winning display of Evergreen farm is one of the finest exhibits in the show



ball type classes, by the Parrella Dahlia Gardens in the formal decorative class, and by Harry Frank of Far Hills, N. J., in the miniature class—again a winner with his *Agatha*.

At the conclusion of the judging, once more Fred and Mrs. Knocke stepped up to receive the award for the most meritorious and outstanding non-commercial entry in the exhibition. Our congratulations!

During recent years it appeared that the trend was towards exhibiting—and growing—the “B” types and smaller varieties. However, the large “A” dahlia was back this year in all its glory and excellence, resulting in one of our most spectacular and successful exhibitions.

EDWARD B. LLOYD.

Garden Club Section

By GEORGENA HUMBLE

The colorful fall season was spectacularly ushered in at the American Dahlia Society Show, with a rich wealth of exquisite dahlia blooms, reaching up from vases and baskets, standing atop rows of tables that stretched the entire length of the long exhibit room. As one entered, a breath-taking view met his gaze to the right, to the left and in front of him, where gay blooms extended an enticing welcome to each visitor.

The Garden Club Section invited a closer inspection of this queen of autumn blooms, intimately combined with containers to display new ideas of exhibitors in various combinations and uses of dahlias.

The horticultural classes showed some good quality blooms which included some of the newest as well as old reliables for exhibit purposes. *Emma Caroline*, a large white decorative, received top award in the class for three large decorative blooms. *Renaissance*, an orange semi-cactus, was also a blue ribbon winner. Three perfect specimens of *Snowball* won the tri-color award as the best horticultural dahlia exhibit, these having been shown by Mrs. H. D. Swain of Peekskill, N. Y., as peak of her garden glory. These blooms grew in excellent condition for the duration of the show and were enjoyed

for several days after, by an invalid who thought their beauty and purity excelled all others.

Geneva Crystal, *Baby Fonteneau*, *Mrs. Bytham*, *Mrs. Gil Willows*, *Bette Ann*, *Eventide*, *Windlassie* and *Ferser Beauty* were winners in classes for the smaller types.

The composition in the arrangement classes were exceedingly beautiful and attracted the detailed interest of spectators who made many favorable comments of the artistic appeal in this part of the show.

In the class awarded \$25 in cash by the management of Essex House, a composition to enhance the dahlia in combination with any other plant material, proved popular with exhibitors who brought several large pieces so different and beautifully done, that the judges had difficulty deciding which was best of all. Their final choice was a display in an elaborately decorated, gold-trimmed urn of mist color, displaying orange dahlias, with a high accent top of golden celosia *Plumosa*, while from each side, pale yellow gladiolus nestled among gray-green fruited sprays of eucalyptus. Yellow spotted and striped croton leaves were a front feature with more large brilliant orange dahlias. Mrs. Leo Pollak of Montclair, New Jersey, was the lucky winner of this award. Several other compositions in this class were attractively done. Autumn colored dahlias backed by beech sprays and bronzy castor-oil plant foliage were used to set off a tawny colored sculptured head figure on a block pedestal placed on a brown circular base. Another exhibit showed white formal decorative dahlias poised against bronze canna foliage, with bunches of matching brown and green grapes. Still another attracting much interest, displayed in a green oblong pedastalled container, a most unusual combination of a fascinatingly crescent-curved spray of embryo palm with red semi-cactus dahlias flanked among harmonizing red and green rhubarb Swiss chard foliage. Even banana tree sheafs were used as an erect backing with red semi-cactus blooms nestling in variegated funkia leaves.

In the class for original use of containers and new ideas for decorative value of dahlias, we found delicate

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pink and white blooms displayed in an ornamental white and pink, gold trimmed, tall pitcher-shaped container with sprays of spirea and Baltic ivy and berries. Michigan White Dahlias, combined with curved sprays of broom and andromeda in a beautiful shell, was a highly commended composition. *Forest Fire, Jr.* dahlias supplied an idea for an informal supper table as shown in a composition with an antique slaw slicer, with bunches of green berried fruits, limes and peaches among *Pieris Japanisa* and *Andromeda* foliage. Still another attraction was a copper chafing dish on a copper tray combining *Forest Fire, Jr.* with wheat, coppery colored, southern grass seed pods and scarlet maple leaves. Even a pair of boxing gloves proved interesting as used with brown dock, gray green ink berries, Joseph's Coat and red dahlias on a brown board base.

One of the most clever and artistic compositions of the show was made by Mrs. Holtz, Upper Montclair, N. J. A dramatic, spectacular and subtly colored arrangement using tones of plum color in a two handled plum pottery container, showed perfect balance with *Jersey Beauty*, mauve pink and bronzey-purple canna leaves, large bunches of dark, black California grapes shaded to violet and purple rust Tokay grapes. Small narrow egg-plants, blue purple plums completed the balance at the base, tying in colors of the entire exhibit on harmonizing baseboards.

The tri-color for arrangement classes showing the exhibitors interpretation of the general public's idea of a prize winning dahlia arrangement, was won by Mrs. Engle of Harrison, N. Y. In a fluted spreading copper bowl, soft yellow decorative large-flowering dahlias, perfectly balanced with green-orange canna leaves, and a large piece of transparent quartz to give base interest, was exactly what pleased the spectators. This kept in splendid condition and was so much admired to the close of the show, a request was made to have it shown later on television.

The sweepstakes for arrangement classes was won by Mrs. Goldson, Woodmere, L. I., with 1 first, 2 seconds and 1 third award.

AWARD WINNERS

SECTION A (Novice)

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

- 1st—John R. Steele, *Mme. Sawyer*.
2nd—John F. Plevinski, *Laburn*.

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

- 1st—Maxwell Cummings, *D-Day, Golden Treasure*.
2nd—Mrs. Leo Probus, *Jersey Beauty, Kernochen, Golden Treasure*.

CACTUS, INCURVED, STRAIGHT, OR SEMI-CACTUS
3 BLOOMS, A-LARGE, ANY COLOR OR COLORS

- 1st—John R. Steele, *General Eisenhower, Cardinal*.
2nd—Dan Kavanaugh.

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

- 1st—John R. Steele, *Great Lakes, Pfarrer, Rojek*.
2nd—J. Ramsey, *Arthur Godfrey, Milton Cross*.

LARGEST AND MOST PERFECT BLOOM
DIAMETER BY DEPTH, ANY TYPE

- 1st—John R. Steele, *Mrs. Hester Pape*.

BALL DAHLIAS—3 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS

- 1st—Mrs. Leo Probus, *Kentucky Snowball, Rosy Dawn*.



Chester Nelson won the large cash prize with this stunning exhibit of 12 MRS. HESTER PAPE.

MINIATURE—5 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS
BUDS ALLOWED

- 1st—John R. Steele, *Dieu des Poms*.
2nd—Mrs. Leo Probus, *Little Herman, Bo Bo*.

POMPOMS—5 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS
BUDS ALLOWED

- 1st—John R. Steele, *Betty Anne, Celestia*.
2nd—Maxwell Cummings.

ANY OTHER TYPE—5 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS

- 1st—John R. Steele, *La Cierwa*.
2nd—Mrs. Leo Probus, *Roy's Single*.

SPECIAL—MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY
IN CLASSES A-1B TO A-9

- John R. Steele, *Mme. Sawyer*.
SWEEPSTAKES—A-1B TO A-9
John R. Steele.

SECTION B (Amateur)

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

- 1st—F. Kurzenknebe.
2nd—Harry Frank.

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

- 1st—D. Kavanaugh.
2nd—Maxwell Cummings, *Brother Justinus*.

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

- 1st—Harry Frank, *Jersey Beauty*.
2nd—Dr. & Mrs. Strassburger, *Jersey Beauty*.

CACTUS—INCURVED OR STRAIGHT
1 BLOOM, A-LARGE, ANY COLOR

- 1st—Harry Frank, *Patricia Spollen*.
2nd—F. L. Deichfer, *Patricia Spollen*.

SEMI-CACTUS
1 BLOOM—A-LARGE, ANY COLOR

- 1st—F. L. Deichfer, *Maffie*.
2nd—G. D'Eustachio, *Jane Lausche*.

DECORATIVE FORMAL
1 BLOOM, A-LARGE, ANY COLOR

- 1st—F. L. Deichfer, *Don Jose*.
2nd—Harry Frank, *Five Star General*.

DECORATIVE—INFORMAL
1 BLOOM, A-LARGE, ANY COLOR

- 1st—F. L. Deichfer, *Pirate Treasure*.
2nd—Edward W. Beck, *Kelvin*.

LARGEST AND MOST NEARLY PERFECT BLOOM
DIAMETER BY DEPTH, ANY TYPE
Mrs. Leo Probus, *White Fantasy*.

Largest Commerical
Display won gold
medal for
Albert Parrella



BALL DAHLIAS
3 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS

- 1st—Harry Frank, *Mary Helen*.
2nd—Mrs. Leo Probus.

SPECIAL—MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY
IN CLASSES B1-B TO B10
Harry Frank, *Patricia Spollen*.

VASE OR BASKET—ANY COLOR OR COLORS
9 TO 15 BLOOMS, 4 TO 6 INCH DAHLIAS

- 1st—Harry Frank, *Saint Therese*.
2nd—G. D'Eustachio, *Mosquito*.

VASE OR BASKET—ANY COLOR OR COLORS
5 TO 9 BLOOMS, LARGE DAHLIAS OVER 8 INCHES

- 1st—James Desmond—*Patricia Spollen*.
2nd—Mrs. Leo Probus, *Silver Tips, Commander, Governor Heil*.

SWEEPSTAKES
Harry Frank

SECTION C (Open to All)

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

- White—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Snowball*; 2nd Dr. W. Cook, *Snowball*; 3rd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Snowball*.

- Yellow—1st: A. J. Cole, *Flirt*; 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Capt. Silverman*; 3rd: C. L. Divine, *Yellow Special*.

- Orange—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Orange Princess*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Orange Princess*; 3rd: Henry Olsen, *Orange Princess*.

- Dark Red—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Grandezza*; 2nd: Evergreen Farms, *Seedling*.

- Pink—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Doris Hilliard*; 2nd: C. L. Divine, *Mme. Sawyer*.

- Lavender—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Lyrick*; 2nd: F. Kurzenknahe; 3rd: Martin Guttler, *Bedford Beauty*.

- Purple—1st: Harry Miller, *Marion Glen*; 2nd: Harry Miller, *Marion Glen*; 3rd: Martin Guttler, *Marion Glen*.

- Light Blend—1st: E. J. D'Keefe, *Amonnier Chandelon*; 2nd: Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Fairyland*; 3rd: Harry Miller, *Mrs. E. J.*

- Dark Blend—1st: C. L. Devine, *Renaissance*.

- Bicolor or Variegated—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Victory Girl*.

5 BLOOMS—1 OR MORE COLORS

- 1st—Dr. Fred Knocke, *Fire Gleam*.
2nd—Harry Miller, *Marion Glen*.
3rd—Henry Olsen, *Mme. C. Payen*.

SPECIAL

MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES C1-C13
Dr. Fred Knocke—*Doris Hilliard*

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

- White or Yellow—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Edgar Guest*; 2nd: Sister Angelia, *Margaret*; 3rd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Willy Flaton*.

- Orange or Autumn—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Goonghara Radiance*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Golden Rectitude*; 3rd: C. L. Devine, *Horos*.

- Red or Dark Red—1st: Max O'Scheffel, *Fonteneau*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Nickey Kay*; 3rd: Keck Stephens.

- Pink or Lavender—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Dodge*; 2nd: Sister Angelia; 3rd: D. Kavanaugh, *Josephine G*.

- Purple—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Purple Knight*.
All Blends—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Bataan*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Brother Justinus*; 3rd: Sister Angelia.

5 BLOOMS, 1 OR MORE COLORS

- 1st—Dr. Fred Knocke—*Edgar Guest*
2nd—Dr. Fred Knocke—*Dodge*

SPECIAL

MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES C14-C21
Dr. Fred Knocke, *Edgar Guest*

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

- White or Yellow—1st: D. Kavanaugh, *Avelon*; 2nd: A. Parella, *Gay*; 3rd: Evergreen Farms, *Willy Flaton*.

- Orange or Autumn—1st: John Lyons, *L. I. Sunset*.

- Pink or Lavender—1st: D. Kavanaugh, *Kentucky*; 2nd: D. Kavanaugh, *Beauty Supreme*; 3rd: Fred Knocke, *Jersey Beauty*.

- Purple—1st: Mrs. S. Gluck, *Marshal Howe*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Purplex*.

- All Blends—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Betty Blossom*; 2nd: Keck Stephens, *Seedling*; 3rd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Mary Shinkfield*.

- Bi-color or Variegated—1st: James Kelly, *Jack of Hearts*; 2nd: A. Parella, *Jack of Hearts*; 3rd: John Lyons, *Gypsy Girl*.

5 BLOOMS, 1 OR MORE COLORS

- 1st—Harry Miller—*Ruby Glow*
2nd—John Lyons—*Ruby Glow*
3rd—E. Lewis—*Ambassador van Kleffens*

SPECIAL

MOST OUSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES C22-C29
Harry Miller, *Ruby Glow*

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

- White or Yellow—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Windlassie*; 2nd: Harry Miller, *Seedling 912*.

- Pink or Lavender—1st: Harry Miller, *Victory Eclipse*; 2nd: Sister Angelia.

- Bi-color or Variegated—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Wanda Meade*; 2nd: A. Parella, *Wanda Meade*; 3rd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Wanda Meade*.

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5 BLOOMS, 1 OR MORE COLORS

- 1st—Dr. Fred Knocke—*Windlassie*
 2nd—Dr. Fred Knocke—*Windlassie*
 3rd—C. L. Devine

SPECIAL

MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES C 30-C 37

Dr. Fred Knocke, *Windlassie*

CACTUS—INCURVED

3 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS, 4 TO 6 INCHES

- 1st—Dr. Fred Knocke—*Silveretta*
 2nd—Ernest Lewis—*Borain*
 3rd—D. Kavanaugh—*Seedling*

CACTUS—STRAIGHT

3 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS, 4 TO 6 INCHES

- 1st—Emil Berzau—*Finesse Anversoise*
 2nd—Dr. Fred Knocke—*Rose Fletcher*
 3rd—C. L. Devine—*Hoeks Yellow*

SEMI-CACTUS

3 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS, 4 TO 6 INCHES

- 1st—E. J. O'Keefe—*Kaba Belle*
 2nd—Dr. Fred Knocke—*Willy Flaton*
 3rd—Sister Angelia

DECORATIVE—FORMAL

3 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS, 4 TO 6 INCHES

- 1st—Max Sheffel—*Gypsy Girl*
 2nd—Dr. Fred Knocke—*Ruby Glow*
 3rd—G. D'Eustachio—*Garry Hoock*

DECORATIVE—INFORMAL

3 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS, 4 TO 6 INCHES

- 1st—Sister Angelia—*N 17*
 2nd—Dr. Fred Knocke—*Shirley Westwell*

SPECIAL

MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES C 38-C 42

Emil Berzau, *Finesse Anversoise*

SWEEPSTAKES C 1-C 44

Dr. Fred Knocke

CACTUS—INCURVED OR STRAIGHT

1 BLOOM, A-LARGE, 8 INCHES OR OVER

- Yellow—1st: Emil Berzau, *Darle V*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *King Chamitte*.

- Orange—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Patricia Spollen*; 2nd: E. O'Keefe, *Patricia Spollen*; 3rd: Harry Frank, *Patricia Spollen*.

- Autumn—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Myrtle Beach*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Gold Coin*; 3rd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Kaspar Ludwigs Memoirs*.

- Red—1st: E. O'Keefe, *M. P. Savanau*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Giant Spider*.

- Dark Red—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Yowa Matsouka*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Detroit 250*; 3rd: Henry Olsen, *Detroit 250*.

- Pink—1st: Henry Olsen, *Sarets Pink Flamingo*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Pink Supreme*.

- Lavender—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Irene Dunn*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Irene Dunn*.

- All Blends—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Valley Queen*; 2nd: Chester Nelson, *Reality*; 3rd: H. D. Swain, *Golden Jupiter*.

- Bi-color or Variegated—1st: Chester Nelson, *Hypnose*; 2nd: Emil Berzau, *Hypnose*.

3 BLOOMS, 1 OR MORE COLORS

- 1st—Chester Nelson
 2nd—Emil Berzau
 3rd—Dr. Fred Knocke

SPECIAL

MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES C 45-C 56

Dr. Fred Knocke, *Miss Myrtle Beach*

SEMI-CACTUS

1 BLOOM, A-LARGE, 8 INCHES OR OVER

- White—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Edith Wilkie*; 2nd: Chester Nelson, *Graf Folke Bernadotte*.

- Yellow—1st: Chester Nelson, *New Look*.

- Orange—1st: Ed. O'Keefe, *Seedling*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Miss Vohland*.

- Autumn—1st: E. O'Keefe, *Special Award*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Ronnie Lee*; 3rd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Amelia Earhart*.

- Red—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Lynn Fontaine*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Forest Ranger*; 3rd: Max O'Sheffel, *Top Flight*.

- Dark Red—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Kowad Royal*; 2nd: Dr. Cook, *Virginia Rute*.

- Pink—1st: Dr. Cook, *All American*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Mustang*; 3rd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Mustang*.

- Lavender—1st: Martin Guttler, *Marilyn Dale*; 2nd: Chester Nelson, *Marilyn Dale*; 3rd: Henry Olsen, *Marilyn Dale*.

- Purple—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Chaedle Park*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Ada N*; 3rd: Ernest Lewis, *Vals Delight*.

- Light Blend—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Sensation*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Sensation*; 3rd: Keck Stephens, *Seedling*.

- Flame or Dark Blend—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *William Evans*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Roselyn Straight*.

- Bi-color—1st: Ed. O'Keefe, *Jane Lausche*; 2nd: Ed. O'Keefe, *Jane Lausche*; 3rd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Jane Lausche*.

- Variegated—1st: Ed. O'Keefe, *Seedling*; 2nd: Chester Nelson, *Seedling*.

3 BLOOMS

- 1st—Mrs. L. M. Ogden—*Lynn Fontaine*
 2nd—Emil Berzau—*Graf Folke Bernadotte*
 3rd—A. J. Cole—*Marilyn Dale*

SPECIAL

MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES C 57-C 70

Dr. Fred Knocke, *Edith Wilkie*

DECORATIVE—FORMAL

1 BLOOM, A-LARGE, 8 INCHES OR OVER

- White—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *The Red Glory*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Darcy Sainsbury*; 3rd: Sister Angelia, *M. Caroline*.

- Yellow—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Prairie Sun*.

- Autumn—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Kirsten Flagstadt*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Kirsten Flagstadt*; 3rd: Martin Guttler, *Kirsten Flagstadt*.

- Red—1st: Emil Berzau, *Pop Harris*; 2nd: Martin Guttler, *Eric Chief*; 3rd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Pop Harris*.

- Dark Red—1st: Alfred Warren, *Bull's Eye*.

- Pink—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Virginia Taggart*; 2nd: Ed. O'Keefe, *Stardust*.

- Lavender—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Lavender Perfection*; 2nd: Chester Nelson, *June Nolan*.

- Purple—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Deep Purple*.

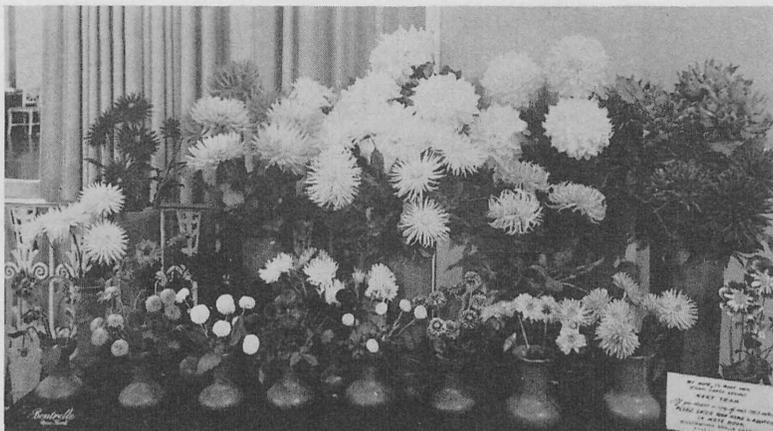
- Light Blend—1st: Martin Guttler, *Five Star General*; 2nd: Fred Knocke, *Five Star General*; 3rd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Five Star General*.



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 Northport, Long Island
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Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens
winning display featured
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Gold Medal Award.



Flame or Dark Blend—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Julia Keech*; 2nd: Dr. Cook, *Arthur Godfrey*.
Bi-color—1st: Harry Frank, *Francis Hanna*; 2nd Dr. Fred Knocke, *Miss Liberty*.

3 BLOOMS

1st—E. O'Keefe
2nd—A. Parella

SPECIAL

MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES C 71-C 84
Dr. Fred Knocke, *The Real Glory*.

DECORATIVE—INFORMAL

1 BLOOM, A-LARGE, 8 INCHES OR OVER

White—

Yellow—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Sunburst*.

Orange—1st: Harry Miller, *Seedling*; 2nd: Harry Miller, *Seedling*.

Autumn—1st: Emil Berzau, *Croydon's Masterpiece*; 2nd: Dr. Cook, *Pirate Treasure*; 3rd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Axford Triumph*.

Red—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Red Champion*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Murphy's Masterpiece*; 3rd: Henry Olsen, *Red Chief*.

Dark Red—1st: Ed. O'Keefe, *Mrs. Hester Pape*; 2nd: Dr. Cook, *Mrs. Hester Pape*; 3rd: Ed. O'Keefe, *Mrs. Hester Pape*.

Pink—1st: Ed. O'Keefe, *Kelvin*; 2nd: Chester Nelson, *Kelvin*; 3rd: A. J. Cole, *Kelvin*.

Lavender—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Rudolph Matznick*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Stella A*.

Purple—1st: Dr. Cook, *Kemp's Purple Triumph*.

Light Blend—1st: Keck Stephens, *Seedling*; 2nd: Keck Stephens, *Seedling*.

Flame or Dark Blend—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Autumn Blaze*; 2nd: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Autumn Blaze*.

Bi-color—1st: Dr. Fred Knocke, *Tiara*; 2nd: F. L. Deichfer, Jr., *Tiara*.

Variegated—1st: Ed. O'Keefe, *Dixie Wine Dot Sport*; 2nd: Sister Angelia, *Dixie Wine Dot*.

3 BLOOMS

1st—Ed. O'Keefe, *Tidal Wave*.

2nd—Martin Guttler, *Kelvin*.

3rd—Dr. Fred Knocke, *Pirate Treasure*.

SPECIAL

MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES C 85-C 98

Emil Berzau, *Croyden's Masterpiece*

SPECIAL

ANY TYPE, LARGEST AND MOST PERFECT BLOOM
INCURVED OR STRAIGHT CACTUS

Dr. Fred Knocke, *Valley Queen*

LARGEST AND MOST PERFECT BLOOM
SEMI-CACTUS

Dr. Fred Knocke, *Pride of Parkensburg*

LARGEST AND MOST PERFECT BLOOM
DECORATIVE—INFORMAL

Dr. Fred Knocke, *Pirate Treasure*

LARGEST AND MOST PERFECT BLOOM
DECORATIVE—FORMAL

Dr. Fred Knocke, *Arthur Godfrey*

SWEEPSTAKES—C 45-C 102 FOR A-LARGE DAHLIAS

Dr. Fred Knocke

SPECIAL BASKET AND ARRANGEMENT CLASSES

VASE - BASKET—ANY COLOR - COLORS, 12 - 20 BLOOMS

1st—Dr. & Mrs. Fred Knocke, *Miss Rose Fletcher*.

2nd—Emil Berzau, *Karolinchen*

BASKET—ANY COLOR OR COLORS, 10 TO 15 BLOOMS
1st—Dr. & Mrs. Fred Knocke, *Lyric*.

VASE—ANY COLOR OR COLORS, 7 TO 12 BLOOMS
1st—Dr. & Mrs. Fred Knocke, *Orange Princes* and *Windlassie*.

BASKET—ANY COLOR OR COLORS, 7 TO 12 BLOOMS
1st—Dr. & Mrs. Fred Knocke, *Sensation*.

VASE—ANY COLOR OR COLORS, 5 TO 9 BLOOMS
1st—Dr. Fred Knocke, *Giant Spider*.

2nd—Louis Comito, *Patricia Spollen*.

GRAND SWEEPSTAKES IN SECTION C (C 1B TO C 107-A)

Winner of the Margaret Gordon Waaser Memorial Trophy

Dr. Fred Knocke.

SECTION D

MINIATURES

CACTUS, INCURVED OR STRAIGHT OR SEMI-CACTUS
5 BLOOMS, UNDER 4 INCHES, BUDS ALLOWED

White—1st: Henry Olsen, *Geneva Crystal White*; 2nd: Mrs. Samuel Gluck, *Geneva Crystal White*.

Yellow—1st: Henry Olsen, *Arabeske*.

Autumn—1st: Henry Olsen, *Autumn Babe*; 2nd: D. Kavanaugh, *Sabine*.

Pink—1st: Ed. J. O'Keefe, *Jubilant*; 2nd: C. L. Devine, *Little Diamond*; 3rd: D. Kavanaugh, *Little Diamond*.

Lavender—D. Kavanaugh, *Destine*.

Purple—1st: Henry Olsen, *Lomberts Violet*; 2nd: Dr. W. H. Cook, *Fuschia Gem*.

Light Blend—1st: C. L. Devine, *Mab*; 2nd: Henry Olsen, *Hazel Harper*.

Bi-Color or Variegated—1st: Henry A. Olsen, *Little Sheikh*.

5 BLOOMS, 2 OR MORE COLORS

1st—C. L. Devine, *Hazel Harper*, *Little Diamond*.

2nd—Dr. Cook, *Gen. Crystal White*, *Jubilant*.

3rd—Henry Osen, 5 Mixed.

SPECIAL

MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES D 1 TO D 13

Henry Olsen, *Arabeske*.

MINIATURES—DECORATIVE, FORMAL OR INFORMAL,
5 BLOOMS UNDER 4 INCHES, BUDS ALLOWED

White—1st: Evergreen Farms, *White Fawn*; 2nd: John Lyons, *White Fawn*; 3rd: C. L. Devine, *White Fawn*.

Yellow—1st: F. L. Deichfer, *Lemon Drop*; 2nd: D. Kavanaugh, *Y. Kitten*.

Orange—1st: Henry Olsen, *Peggy Lindley*.

Autumn—1st: Henry Olsen, *Buckeye Baby*.

Red—1st: John R. Steele, *Passe Partout*; 2nd: D. Kavanaugh, *Glow*; 3rd: Keck-Stephens Gardens, *Seedling*.

Dark Red—1st: Henry Olsen, *Freda*.

Pink—1st: E. R. Phillips, *50 M3*; 2nd: Henry Olsen, *Baby Fonteneau*; 3rd: D. Kavanaugh, *Andres Pink*.

Purple—1st: Dr. Cook—*MOF 2*; 2nd: Henry Olsen, *Royaletta*.

Light Blend—1st: A. Parella, *Duke*; 2nd: F. L. Diechler, *Duke*; 3rd: Mrs. Samuel Gluck, *Bo Bo*.

Flame or Dark Blend—1st: Evergreen Farms, *Decoy*.

Bi-color or Variegated—1st: D. Kavanaugh, *51WK 1*; 2nd: Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Red Robin*; 3rd: Ed. J. O'Keefe, *Funny Face*.

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5 BLOOMS, 2 OR MORE COLORS

1st—Dr. Cook, *MOF 1*, *Cheryl Ann*, *Little Lemon Drop*.
2nd—Marie Schnugg, mixed.Peony—1st: Marie Schnugg, *Bishop of Landoff*; 2nd: D. A. Kavanaugh, *Rosenoff*.

5 BLOOMS, MINIATURE BALL

1st—John R. Steele, *Tip Top*.2nd—Queens Dahlia Gardens, *Dainty Ball*.

SPECIAL

MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES D 15 TO D 29
E. R. Phillips, *050-M-3*.

SWEEPSTAKES—Henry Olsen

POMPONS—5 BLOOMS, BUDS ALLOWED

White—1st: Alfred Warren, *Mrs. Telfer*; 2nd: E. O'Keefe, *Mrs. Telfer*; 3rd: H. D. Swain, *Mrs. Telfer*.Yellow—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Little Jackie*; 2nd: H. D. Swain, *Little Jackie*; 3rd: Louis Comito, *Little Jackie*.Orange—1st: Henry Olsen, *Clarise*; 2nd: John Lyons, *Atom*.Autumn—1st: Dr. Cook, *Spring*; 2nd: Keck-Stephens, *Zonengoot*; 3rd: Harry Miller, *Gold Dust*.Red—1st: H. D. Swain, *1 LA*; 2nd: John Lyons, *Red Baby*.Dark Red—1st: Louis Comito, *Ebony*; 2nd: D. Kavanaugh, *Doria*.Pink—1st: Henry Olsen, *Mrs. V. Brittain*; 2nd: E. O'Keefe, *Mrs. V. Brittain*; 3rd: John R. Steele, *Betty Ann*.Lavender—1st: Henry Olsen, *Margaret Williams*; 2nd: John Lyons, *Margaret Williams*; 3rd: Keck-Stephens, *Seedling 1 B*.Purple—1st: Dr. Cook, *Miss Marjorie*; 2nd: Frank Kurzenkabe, *Sherry*; 3rd: Henry Olsen, *Miss Marjorie*.Light Blend—1st: Harry Miller, *Clover*; 2nd: D. Kavanaugh, *Morning Mist*; 3rd: D. Kavanaugh, *Von Shinn*.Flame or Dark Blend—1st: Marie Schnugg, *Little Edith*; 2nd: Frank Kurzenkabe, *Little Edith*; 3rd: E. O'Keefe, *Little Edith*.Bi-Color—1st: Henry Olsen, *Eilleen*.Special—most outstanding entry in classes D 32 to D 43—Henry Olsen, *Margaret Williams*.

Bowl of Pompons, 10 to 20 blooms—Evergreen Farms, mixed.

Smallest and most nearly perfect pompon—James Kelly, *Miss Marjorie*.

Sweepstakes D 32 to D 47 or pompons—Henry Olsen.

Single Dahlias, 5 blooms, any color or colors—D. Kavanaugh, *Fragrance*.Collarette, 5 blooms, any color or colors—1st: C. L. Devine, *La Gioconda*; 2nd: John R. Steele, *La Cierwa*.Orchid Flowering Dahlias, 5 blooms, any color or colors—Marie Schnugg, *Imp*.Special—most outstanding entry in classes D 47 to D 52—C. L. Devine, *La Gioconda*.

Sweepstakes—C. L. Devine.

Grand Sweepstakes in Section D (D 1 to D 53)—Henry Olsen

SECTION E

SPECIAL DISPLAY CLASSES

12 to 15 A-Large blooms, any color or colors, any type or types—1st: Chester Nelson, *Mrs. Hester Pape*.

Display of dahlias 50 square feet or over—Leo Pollak, Display.

15 to 25 blooms, A-Large or B-Medium, straight or incurved cactus, one or more varieties in one container—Evergreen Farms, collection of cactus.

RAY SMITH MEMORIAL AWARD—Max Sheffel, *Ray Smith*.Special—Open to all, most outstanding and meritorious non-commercial entry—Dr. and Mrs. Fred Knocke, *Rose Fletcher*.

SECTION F (Commercial)

To the most outstanding and meritorious commercial dahlia exhibit under 50 feet—Ruschmohr Gardens.

To the most outstanding and meritorious commercial dahlia exhibit under 100 feet—Brookdell Gardens.

To the most outstanding and meritorious commercial dahlia exhibit of 100 feet—Evergreen Farms.

To the most outstanding and meritorious commercial dahlia exhibit of 150 feet—Parella Gardens.



Fine display of A.D.S. President Leo L. Pollak.

SECTION G

A.D.S. Show Award Seedling Sweepstakes

Decorative-informal, 3 blooms, 1 variety B-Medium—1st: John Adelung—84 points.

Decorative-formal, 3 blooms, 1 variety B-Medium—1st: Albert Parrella, *Vanita*—85.3 points.Ball—3 blooms, 1 variety—1st: John Adelung, *Pink Ball*—85 points.Miniature—decorative—formal or informal, 5 blooms, 1 variety—1st: Harry Frank, *Agatha*—85.4 points.THE AMERICAN HOME ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL is offered or award to the originator whether amateur or professional, of the most worthy undisseeded dahlia, whether shown by the originator or someone else—Herman Rindfliesch, *Betty Blossom*—86 points.THE FLOWER GROWER AWARD or LEONARD BARRON MEMORIAL TROPHY is offered or the best variety of medium size dahlia measuring 4 to 8 inches, 3 blooms or more—Herman Rindfliesch, *Betty Blossom*—85.4 points.THE A.D.S. TROPHY offers a valuable trophy for the best undisseeded variety of small size dahlias measuring 4 inches or less in diameter, 10 blooms—Harry Frank, *Agatha*.

SECTION J

Court of Honor

THE LOUIS B. TIM TROPHY is awarded for entries to consist of one bloom, A-Large, any type or color, either disseminated varieties or seedlings. Largest and best A-size bloom—Dr. and Mrs. Fred Knocke, *Pride of Parkersburg*.THE MRS. LOUIS B. TIM TROPHY is awarded for entries to consist of three blooms, B-Medium, one variety, any type or color, disseminated varieties or seedling, best 3 blooms, B-type—Evergreen Farms, *Terpo*.THE DR. EDWARD McDADE TROPHY is awarded for the entry to consist of 5 blooms, small, one variety, any type or color, disseminated varieties or seedlings, best display of miniatures—Harry Frank, *Agatha*.

Garden Club

SECTION A

Class 1—1st: Mrs. Wesley Hunter; 2nd: Mrs. S. M. Babcock; 3rd: Mrs. H. Feuer.

Class 2—No exhibits.

Class 3—1st: Mrs. A. J. Kalmiss; 2nd: Mrs. S. Gluck.

Class 4—1st: Mrs. H. D. Swain, tri-color; 2nd: Mrs. A. J. Kalmus.

Class 5—1st: Mrs. H. D. Swain; 2nd: Mrs. F. Falkenbury; 3rd: Mrs. S. Gluck.

Class 6—No exhibits.

Class 7—No exhibits.

Class 8—1st: Mrs. H. D. Swain; 2nd: Mrs. F. Falkenbury; 3rd: Mrs. H. C. Naumaum.

Class 9—1st: Mrs. S. Gluck; 2nd: H. D. Swain.

SECTION B

Class 10—1st: Mrs. L. Pollak; 2nd: Mrs. G. Hirsch; 3rd: Mrs. R. Holtz.

Class 11—1st: Mrs. E. B. Dean; 2nd: Mrs. Frances Digi; 3rd: Mrs. E. B. Headden.

Class 12—1st: Mrs. R. Holz; 2nd: Mrs. J. E. Johnson; 3rd: Mrs. G. Goldson.

Class 13—1st: Mrs. Frances Digi; 2nd: Mrs. G. Goldson; 3rd: Mrs. Elizabeth Groszberg.

Class 14—1st: Mrs. G. Goldson; 2nd: Mrs. F. Digi; 3rd: Mrs. R. Holtz.

Class 15—1st: Mrs. G. D. Engle, tri-color; 2nd: Mrs. G. Goldson; 3rd: Mrs. G. Hirsch.

We are delighted with the work of our Garden Club Section Committee.

GARDEN CLUB SECTION COMMITTEE

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Dates Set for 1953 A.D.S. Show

Again in cooperation with the Horticultural Society of New York, the A.D.S. will stage the 1953 Show at Essex House, Central Park South, New York City, September 22 and 23.

Details will be published in the Spring BULLETIN.



Croyden's Masterpiece won Tri-Color for Show Manager, Emil Berzau.

Judges 1952 A.D.S. Show

We extend grateful appreciation to our fine group of judges who performed the noteworthy task of judging this very large show with practically no criticism. Our thanks to the following:

Chairman, Conrad Frey; Section Assistants, Messrs. Mohr and Waaser; Judges, Messrs. Maytrott, Dudley, Lloyd, Dr. Connors, McDowell, Worden, Hardisty, Webb, Elkins, Dr. McDade, Pres. Pollak, Mulcahy, Diffenderffer, Breiger, Dr. Parker, Mason, Franks, Aumuller, Dr. Preas, Noonan, Johnson, Yaeger, Mrs. Wood, Hanna, Phillips, Keck, Faust, Connell, Dr. Cook and Olsen; Clerks, Mrs. Barsdell and Messrs. Stephens, Daniels, Steckel, Boyles and Bob Mohr.

A.D.S. Annual Meeting and Dinner

January 17th, 1953, should be marked off on your calendar for our annual big doings. Again at the Hotel Statler in New York.

Executive Committee Meeting will be called to order at 10 A. M. . . . Annual Meeting of the Society to which every member is urged to be present—at 2 P. M.

The dinner, under the capable chairmanship of Dewey Mohr, will be served at 7 P. M.—a splendid program is anticipated.

Our out-of-town guests should make hotel reservations NOW since at the time of these meetings the larger convention of the National Dry Goods Association will be in session.

Combined Exhibition
Mid-West Conference and Southern States Dahlia Ass'n
 and
The Dahlia Society of Kentucky

Louisville, Ky., Sept. 20-21, 1952

On September 20th and 21st—and for many days prior thereto and several thereafter—the Dahlia Society of Kentucky was host to, and sponsored the combined exhibition of the Mid-West Dahlia Conference and the Southern States Dahlia Association. Reference is given to the many days prior to the date of the exhibition, since it is recognized an undertaking and display of this magnitude in conception and result, does not take final form overnight. The annual Mid-West Show has always been in addition to a highest ranking display, in reality a convention of dahlia enthusiasts. When combined with the annual exhibition of the Southern States Dahlia Association, the result was a triumph for the host Society, the Dahlia Society of Kentucky, that will long hold a top spot on the record books of dahlia exhibitions and conventions. Delegates and exhibitors were present from 21 of these United States—from Connecticut to California and way points. In recognition of the importance of this affair, the American Dahlia Society sent all its principal officers, several Past Presidents, and numerous delegates. A poll of all the delegates showed a unanimous vote in recognition of the success of the host Society's efforts and hospitality.

On Friday afternoon two bus loads of visitors were taken on a tour of the city and several Dahlia Gardens, ending up at the Wallitch's Nurseries with refreshments by Mr. John B. Floyd and Mr. A. W. Adams.

Prior to the opening of the exhibition, members of the host Society shed many tears in the presence of the visiting delegates. "Our gardens are all burned up in the terrible heat—we had a drought—we will have no blooms." We had been taken to the local gardens and shown the evidence. However, we must have been dejected at some points, since of the 56 exhibitors in the 400 classes, 20 winners were from the Louisville area where the growing season had been all bad and even worse than that. For instance, the Kentucky Derby, largest bloom in best condition—*Sherwoods Peach*—was won by Mrs. Carrie J. Simmons of Louisville. George Shee also did some fast over night growing with his *Big Mo*, after suffering a "complete loss" through climatic adversities. Blooms of the members of the host Society received competition from exhibitors in Chicago, Milwaukee, Birmingham, Atlanta, Chattanooga, Ohio and Kansas City, to name just a few points. Space will not permit a complete list herein of all the winners, however, congratulations to the following highlights of the Show:

Sweepstakes in Section 1 was won by John Mills of Louisville, Ky.; Sweepstakes in Section 2 was won by Paul Hale of Brighten, Ill.; Sweepstakes in Section 3—"B" dahlias was won by Mrs. Carrie J. Simmons of Louisville, Ky.; Sweepstakes in the Pom and Miniature Section was won by Mrs. Edwin J. McGuire of Alma, Mo. GRAND SWEEPSTAKES of the Show was won

by Paul Hale of Brighten, Ill., and was awarded the Gold Medal of the American Dahlia Society.

Another outstanding display, both in dahlia culture and showmanship, was Jim Marsh's winning entry of a Midwest introduction in which he exhibited 6 perfect blooms of his *Great Lakes*. Also the winning of the Southern States introductions of *Sylvia Ann* exhibited by Wyndal Carter of Atlanta, Ga. The Largest Bloom "A" type Dahlia in the Single bloom entry classes was won by Larry Pelc of Villa Park, Ill., with his splendid *Nearest Blue*. Most Perfect Bloom "A" dahlia in Single Bloom entry classes was won by Paul Hale with *Marilyn Dale*. Best Bloom "B" Dahlia was won by Glenn Pierce of Summit Gardens, Villa Park, Ill., with *Finesse Anversoise*.

For displays of all types and colors of the dahlia, arranged and displayed as could only be expected from such master experts, the displays of the Happy Cabin Dahlia Gardens of Signal Mountain, Tennessee, and of the Golden Rule Dahlia Garden of Lebanon, Ohio, more than came up to expectation, and doing their customary part in making any exhibition at which they are present a success.

The spectacular spot in this great dahlia exhibition was the table on which the American Home Achievement Medal contestants were awaiting the attention of the judges. Five outstanding and beautiful dahlias were entered and exhibited in this class—the winner being an origination of James Marsh, *Prairie Fire*, a sensational "A" size orange semi-cactus variety. In the opinion of the judges, this dahlia has everything and a long and prize winning career is anticipated for *Prairie Fire*.

The annual meeting of the Midwest Dahlia Conference was held on Saturday P. M., providing opportunity for all members and delegates to congratulate themselves on having that attractive lady, Louise Kleinjohn, on duty to put over a show such as was on view then in the Kentucky Hotel. In recognition of her job well done, she was reelected to do it again, and that she will do it again in Cleveland on September 12 and 13, 1953 at the Hotel Hollendon, no one has the slightest doubt.

The show concluded with a banquet and entertainment, at which time the prizes were awarded to the winners, and the Distinguished Service Medal to Secretary Louise Kleinjohn in imperfect but hearty recognition of her distinguished services. Mr. Stanley Beckhart acted as Toastmaster in his customary happy manner, introducing President Leo L. Pollak of the American Dahlia Society who gave one of his inspiring and interesting talks.

The dinner and entertainment were excellent, the speaking not too long, and the hospitality of the Dahlia Society of Kentucky was, and is, something that will long be happily remembered by all those fortunate enough to have been present.

ED. B. LLOYD.

SPEAKER'S TABLE AT MID WEST-SOUTHERN BANQUET



LEFT TO RIGHT: Mrs. B. L. Kennedy, Mr. B. L. Kennedy, President of Southern States Dahlia Association; Mrs. Stanley Beckhart, Mr. Stanley Beckhart, Toastmaster; Mrs. Louise Kleinjohn, Secretary-Dahlia Society of Kentucky and Midwest Dahlia Conference; Mr. Leo Pollak, President American Dahlia Society; Mr. Roy Schooler, President Dahlia Society of Kentucky; Mrs. Roy Schooler, Mr. Wm. Bernauer, Co-Chairman, Entertainment; Mrs. Wm. Bernauer; Mr. John Floyd, Co-Chairman, Entertainment Committee; Mrs. John Floyd.

Midwest Dahlia Conference

The Nineteenth Annual meeting of the Midwest Dahlia Conference was held in the Ship Room of the Kentucky Hotel on September 20, 1952 at 5:00 P.M. This meeting was the largest ever held during my time as secretary, with the Southern States Dahlia Association as guests. Much interest and enthusiasm was shown, and the Conference is definitely on the upward trend.

The Dahlia Society of Ohio of Cleveland, Ohio will be host to the Midwest Dahlia Conference and Midwest Dahlia Show for 1953. The dates are Saturday, September 12th and Sunday, September 13th at the Hotel Hollenden. Start planning your vacation now, so you can be there.

LOUISE KLEINJOHN, *Secretary*.

The Rochester Dahlia Society

Rochester, N. Y.

The Rochester Dahlia Society held its 13th Annual Flower Show Sunday, September 7, 1952, at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences in Rochester, New York.

Despite a very dry, hot growing season, we were fortunate in having several hundred excellent blooms on our tables for the Show. The judges, headed by C. Merrill Brown as chairman, were as follows: A. H. MacAndrews, Arthur Garretson of Syracuse; George Brunjes, Ed. Stayments, Charles Liskovec of Elmira; Roy Webb of Scranton; Warren Maytrott of Vineland and Frank Eyer, Robert Connal of Rochester; and Walter Malcolm of Rochester who judged the gladiolus section.

Our flower arrangement and garden club sections, which were managed by the Ridgeview Garden Club in cooperation with us, were judged by Mrs. Wendell Brewer and Mrs. James Havens. The tri-color for this section was won by Mrs. F. J. Shaddock and the most blue ribbons by Mrs. Frank Bennett. The best garden club exhibit was entered by the Laurel Garden Club.

Below are listed the winners in the Cultural Sections.

Most perfect bloom—*Rika Ballin* grown by C. Merrill Brown.

Largest bloom—*White Magic* grown by C. Merrill Brown.

Most promising seedling and winner of ADS Bronze Medal—*2-51* grown by Louis Eckel.

Smallest bloom—*Top Mix* grown by C. Merrill Brown.

Best commercial exhibit—Display of *Gladiolus* by Alfred Moses of Lima, N. Y.

Highest percentage of blue ribbons—Frank Eyer.

Awards in Novice Section—Best bloom *Jane Lausche* by John Frenz. Sweepstakes won by 13-year-old Gerard Herring.

Amateur Section—Best bloom—*5 Star General* by A. H. MacAndrews. Sweepstakes Division 1 won by Carl Meyer. Sweepstakes Division 2 and 3 won by Phillip Kimmell. Sweepstakes Division 4, 5, 6, 7 won by Phillip Kimmell.

Open to all Section 3—Best bloom—*Rika Ballin* entered by C. M. Brown. Sweepstakes Division 1 won by C. Merrill Brown. Sweepstakes Division 2 and 3 won by Robert Connal. Sweepstakes Division 4, 5, 6, 7 won by C. Merrill Brown.

Special awards were given to the following:

Best semi-cactus—type A—*Rika Ballin*—C. Merrill Brown.

Best semi-cactus—type B—*Red seedling*—C. Merrill Brown.

Best cactus—type A—*Mrs. Bertha Shone*—C. Merrill Brown.

Best cactus—type B—*Seedling*—C. Merrill Brown.

Best FD—type A—*5 Star General*—A. H. MacAndrews.

Best FD—type B—*Clariam Forever*—C. Merrill Brown.

Best ID—type A—*Shirley Wright*—C. Merrill Brown.

Best ID—type B—*Red and White*—Robert Connal.

Best miniature entry, Decorative—*Zest*—Robert Connal.

Best miniature entry, Cactus—*Mrs. Rose Fletcher*—C. Merrill Brown.

Best Ball—*Supt. Amhryn*—Thomas J. McCleary.

Best Gladiolus in Section 6: *Quiberon* entered by Walter Malcolm.

The cooperation of all the members of the Society and the Show Committee, headed by Frank Eyer, Carl Meyer and Louis Eckel, gave us one of the best shows of our history.

MRS. THOMAS MCCLEARY,
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Orange County Dahlia Society, Inc.

September 12, 1952.

The 1952 annual dahlia show of the Orange County Dahlia Society, Inc., has come and gone, leaving a memory of many beautiful blooms. This year, the show was patterned after the A.D.S. show of specimen blooms and color classifications. With Dr. L. N. Sherrard as the efficient show manager, exhibitors were able to show their blooms and to have them efficiently judged with a minimum of time and effort.

Lonnie Frazier of Huntington Beach, a comparatively new grower and exhibitor, won the lions share of the show awards. The awards were: best amateur single bloom, advanced amateur single bloom, and three blooms, Kiwanis cup for the best 1952 seedling, and the best single bloom in the entire show. H. O. Allen won best commercial display and largest bloom in the show, Hobart Jordan won best 1951 seedling, John Hart, the American Home Achievement Medal, L. O. Archibald best 7 and mass display and smallest in the open class. El Nido Gardens, for the best 1 and 3 blooms in the open class, most artistic display, Mrs. Arthur, best entry in the entire show, Elden McNeil with 5 blooms of *Abbott*, best arrangement, Mrs. L. N. Sherrard. Mrs.

Zelda Osborn of Garden Grove won sweepstakes for the second consecutive year.

Soon after the show, the members formed a motor caravan and visited members' gardens, viewing their results in dahlia culture. The tour stopped at the home of our president, Dr. G. Emmett Raitt, where we enjoyed a swim and a picnic dinner before going on to visit other gardens in the afternoon.

With the 1952 show over, members have already started planning for next year, always trying to grow better dahlias and to have a more beautiful show.

At the September meeting of our Society, the following officers were elected:

Dr. G. Emmett Raitt, President; Laurence O. Archibald, Vice-president; Haywood Allen, Second Vice-president; Eldon McNeil, Third Vice-president; John Steen, Secretary and Frank Cannon, Treasurer.

A feature of the meeting was a demonstration of dahlia judging by Noel Scott of Glendale, Calif. He used a judging schedule developed by Mr. Berry and himself. The schedule, if adopted and followed by the show judges, should help in giving each bloom a fair and impartial judging.

LAWRENCE O. ARCHIBALD,

A.D.S. Trial Gardens

Eastern Trial Garden
Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N. J.
October 20, 1952

The season just past was of a nature the less said the better. The terrific heat and lack of rainfall in July resulted in a severe set-back to dahlias and other garden plants from which they did not recover until late in the season. As an outcome of this, the number of varieties certified is much lower than usual and no listing is given of any with scores lower than 85.

The committee felt that any that came through with a certifying score certainly deserved the honor. However, there were a number that failed to attain this, that might have done so with better growing conditions. Accordingly, such as appeared to have promise will be retested next year.

There were a total of 49 seedlings in the garden, representing all of the dahlia growing sections of the country, and also Holland. Planting was practically completed before June 10, only a few late-comers being planted later. A mulch was applied as soon as planting was finished and the soil warmed up. Irrigation was used only to maintain the soil in a moist condition.

There was the usual incidence of virus diseases. As usual some failed to do well because of poor shipping and sometimes of overgrown plants.

We should like again to call attention to the lack of thorough consideration in the selection of seedlings. Many "B" dahlias come with stems too long and foliage too coarse. This year, a number had stems too short, were crotch. Good proportion in all parts is a very desirable characteristic.

The following have been recommended for certification:

Stake 5—*Prairie Fire*, entered by Rocky River Dahlia Garden, Rocky River, Ohio, originated by James Marsh; "A" dahlia, informal decorative, Azalea pink; 10 in. x 6 in.; stems 8 in. disbudded. Score 85.

Stake 13—*No. H 4, Maude Crawford*, entered by Rocky River Dahlia Garden, Rocky River, Ohio, originated by Haugh; "B" (BB) dahlia, semi-cactus, primrose yellow; 5 in. x 3½ in.; stems 7 in. Score 85.

Stake 14—*Cook MOF 2*, entered by Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J.; miniature, formal decorative pointed rays, between lilac purple and orchid purple; 3½ in. x 2 in.; stems 7 in. Score 85.

Stake 19—*Betty Blossom*, entered by Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens, originated by H. Rindfleisch, Mamaroneck, N. Y.; "B", formal decorative, creamy yellow slightly suffused amaranth rose, 8 in. x 5 in., stems 9 in. Score 85.5.

Stake 26—*Bingo*, originated and entered by Robert R. Klein, Washington 18, D. C.; "B" dahlia, formal decorative, pointed rays, fuschsein pink, 8 in. x 5 in., stems 10 in. Score 85.

Stake 28—*W 5 R*, entered by Comstock Dahlia Gardens, San Diego 16, California; "B" dahlia, straight cactus (to semi), white, opening center slightly tipped light phlox purple which fades away, 7½ in. x 5 in., stems 12 in. Score 86.

CHARLES H. CONNORS,
Superintendent.

Long Island
Agricultural & Technical Institute
Farmingdale, New York

1952 Report

This summer has been a rather difficult one for the growing of Dahlias due to the extremely high temperatures during July and August. Here at Farmingdale, the temperature never dropped below 75-80 degrees Fahrenheit for days and at times reached a height of 100 degrees Fahrenheit in the shade, of course such temperatures are unfavorable for good plant growth and the late plantings June 15 to July 1st never got off to a good start.

May I suggest that in this part of the country the Dahlia, whether from plants or tubers ought to be planted by June the 5th to insure good root action before the high temperatures are with us.

Timing for the September shows might well be done by cut back or pinching in the early part of July.

The committee composed of Messrs. Berzau, Guttler and Pitt deserve much credit for their continued effort in scoring the entries.

CERTIFICATE WINNERS

No. 2—*Florence Chadwick*, entered by Comstock Dahlia Gardens, San Diego, Cal., straight cactus. Size 7 to 8 inches, good stem, fine position. Color white with a tint of heliotrope on tips of petals. Bush height 5 to 6 feet. Score 85.3.

No. 22—*Clariam Lury*, entered by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, Ohio, formal decorative. Size 7 to 8 inches, strong stems, blooms facing. Color light persian rose. Score 85.1.

No. 24—*Little Peter*, entered by A.D.S., straight cactus, miniature. Size up to 4 inches. Color oriental red. Prolific bloomer. Bush height 4 feet. Score 85.1.

No. 33—*Bingo*, entered by Robert R. Klein, 2011 Quincy St., N.E., Washington, D. C., informal decorative. Size 8 inches, very deep, stems good, position facing. Color light persian rose. Bush height 3 feet. Score 85.

No. 35—*Nick's Orchid*, entered by Lakeside Gardens, New Baltimore, Mich., semi cactus. Size 7 inches. Color light blend, light phlox purple with white. All blooms facing. Good producer, bush height 4 ft. Score 85.

CHRISTIAN RISSMEYER,
Superintendent.

Portland Dahlia Society

The Portland Dahlia Society Show on September 13 and 14, 1952 marked its 25th anniversary. P. F. Kershnik was show chairman, with J. H. DeVolder co-chairman. and the Masonic Ball Room a proper setting for the colorful Dahlia display.

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The American DAHLIA SOCIETY, Inc.

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The Netherland National Dahlia Show

The Netherland National Dahlia Show has been organized this year by the Royal Horticultural Society and the Netherland Dahlia Society, it was held September 12th-14th, 1952.

The following dahlias have been selected as the best in their classes:

Best all-around dahlia 1952: *Tornado*, B-SC, striking orange, darkening hued in centre of deep blooms.

Best decorative dahlia 1952: *Terpo*, B-ID, non-fading blood red seedling of Victory Day.

Best cactus dahlia 1952: *Ami George*, A-StC, delicate rose giant on longest stems; carries easily 12 flowers per season.

Best miniature dahlia 1952: *Favourite*, min-SC, elegant salmon blooms; excellent for basket-making.

Best dahlia for cutting 1952: *Purity*, B-SC, purest white; regular formed flowers on long stems; very free flowering.

Best pompon 1952: *Reflex*, tender malva tainted pompon of perfect shape; good qualities as a cut flower.

Best bedder 1952: *Nellie Geerlings*, brilliant scarlet, single dwarf-bedder; rich flowering.

The Annual Show has been a success and many American importations have been shown. Several, among *Jermars Peach*, were awarded a Certificate of Merit of our Society.

J. ENHOFE,
Recording Secretary.

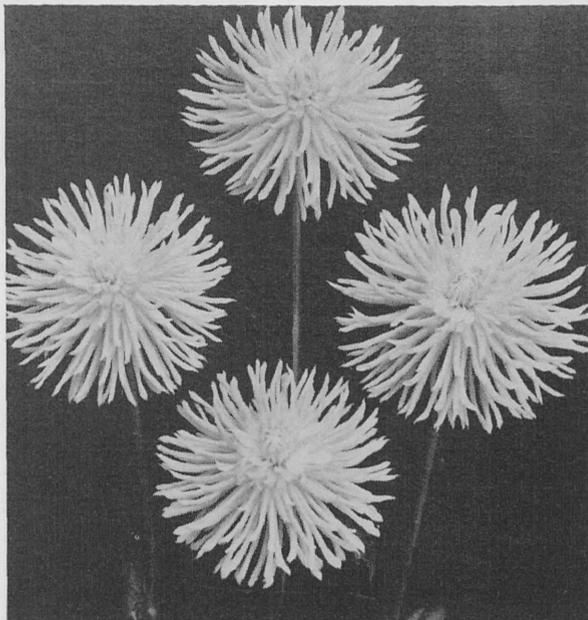
National Capital Dahlia Society

The 17th Regional Dahlia Show of the National Capital Dahlia Society broke all records with 102 exhibitors and 2,211 individual entries in 18 sections and 586 classes. Thanks to Show Chairman Geo. E. Dodrill and Staging Chairman Thomas Yano, it was our best staged show to date. Trophy Chairman C. L. Armentrout had the best collection of trophies and awards—64 in number—ever displayed at a Washington show.

Probably the outstanding feature of the show was the artistic arrangements section. Its "Election Year" theme attracted no less than 163 entries—a new record. Mrs. H. A. Linger won the best entry award while Mrs. Alberta Mattera won the sweepstakes award.

The American Home Achievement class had five excellent entries. The medal was won by Frank Tomcsak of Jamaica, Long Island, with *Alabaster* a "B" size pure white formal of perfect formation. A.D.S. Sweepstakes awards were won by E. R. Phillips with his semi-cactus "B" size 48-12, a pretty blend of pink and yellow with ruffled petals, and by Kek-Stephens with *Collector's Item*, an "A" size flame informal. The seedling section had 133 individual entries. H. C. Parker won sweepstakes and the best entry award with an "A" size purple formal, while H. F. Cory won a N.C.D.S. certificate with a white semi-cactus "A" size dahlia.

The John L. Bishop award for the best "A" size dahlia in the show went to A. T. Hens of Baltimore for his *Powderpuff*. The Jordan trophy for the best 3-bloom "A" size entry went to A. Egan of Bloomfield, N. J. for his seedling. The Mason trophy for the best "B" size dahlia went to E. R. Phillips for a bloom of his 48-12. The



AMI GEORGE—
Best cactus dahlia 1952—Royal Netherlands Show.

Hitchcock trophy for the best miniature was won by John A. Sherwood of Baltimore with *Ruby Charm*, while C. M. Diffenderffer won the Hatfield trophy with *Atom* adjudged the best pompon in the show. Winners of other trophies were Messrs. E. R. Phillips, A. S. Mason, H. C. Parker, Stanley Mehr, John B. Gilmer, L. M. Clarke, Mr. & Mrs. G. R. Blount, Rixey F. Gray, James E. Alford, Geo. R. Hitchcock and H. S. Haskell.

A fine job of judging dahlias was done by Messrs. C. B. Ambrose, Emil Berzau, C. V. Brieger, H. F. Cory, C. M. Diffenderffer, W. L. Elkins, Frank Goetzger, N. A. Gossman, John Hanna, J. E. Kelley, Frank Marker, Warren Maytrott, Dr. Edward McDade, J. A. Millard, H. Dewey Mohr, Henry Olsen, B. E. Pitt, N. A. Scheel, Chas. Stoeckel, Howard R. Watkins, Roy Webb, H. A. Williams, Geo. F. Yaeger, Martin Guttler, T. Kuzumka and Ed. Peck. A well-attended judge's dinner at the Dodge Hotel concluded the festivities.

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Dahlia Society of New Jersey

On September 6th and 7th, 1952, the Dahlia Society of New Jersey held its 30th Annual Show in cooperation with the Essex County Park Commission. The show was held in the Greenhouse of Branch Brook Park, Newark, N. J., and was well attended.

The winners in Section A were:

Court of Honor—Harry Frank of Far Hills with *Pride of Parkersburg*.

American Home Achievement Medal—Harry Frank with his white seedling *Agatha*.

Ray Smith Memorial Medal—Max Scheffel of Montvale with his own seedling *No. 7*.

Cash award by the Society in memory of Mrs. Stephen G. Van Hoesen—Max Scheffel for 3 blooms of *Ray Smith*.

The Recreation Department of the Essex County Park Commission's Trophies—3 Cups. This section is open only to residents of Essex County and is judged on the total number of points for all classes of this show.

1. Dr. and Mrs. Paul Strassburger of Belleville.

2. Leslie Del Tufo, Belleville.

3. Mrs. Russell Rothlein, Irvington.

Section B—Sweepstake winners:

1. W. Bardell, Woodcliff Lake; 2. L. C. Frank, Far Hills; 3. Mrs. McCarthy, Union.

Section C—1. Henry Olsen, Elmont, L. I.; 2. Harry Frank; 3. A. Fuschetti, Summit.

Section D—Dahlia Arrangements:

1. Dr. and Mrs. P. Strassburger; 2. Mrs. L. L. Pollak, New York City; 3. Mrs. Armstrong, South Plainfield, and Mrs. McCarthy.

Section E—Other Flower Arrangements:

1. Mrs. P. Madsen, South Plainfield; 2. Mrs. J. Armstrong; 3. Mrs. Russell Rothlein.

Mrs. L. L. Pollak was awarded a tri-color for the most outstanding Dahlia arrangement in the show.

Section F—1. Harry Frank; 2. Gamston Gardens, Rivervale; 3. Max Scheffel.

Section G—1. Harry Frank; 2. A. S. Pietruszkiewicz, Pompton Plains.

A.D.S. Seedling Award—

Cactus—Incurved or Straight, A or B: W. Bardell.

Decorative—Formal or Informal, A or B: W. Bardell.

Semi-Cactus, A or B: W. Bardell.

Miniatures, any type—Harry Frank

Pompons—John Adelung, Nutley.

HELEN PIETRUSZKIEWICZ, Secretary.

Burholme Horticultural Society

The 32nd Annual Show of the BURHOLME HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY featuring Dahlias, was held in the large auditorium of the Jardel Recreation Center, Burholme, Pa., on September 19th and 20th, 1952. The Show was dedicated to Wm. O. Hird for his thirty years of faithful service as show superintendent.

The Dahlia entries were not as great as in the past several years, but the quality of all exhibits was exceptionally good. Prolonged heat spells and drought along with the hurricane storm took their toll of the prize Dahlias.

The Best Dahlia of the show went to James Desmond of Elkins Park, Pa., for his fine specimen of *Powderpuff*.

The Best Basket went to Harry Miller of Easton, Pa.,

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for his variety "Dahliaumum". The American Home Achievement Medal was awarded to the Keck and Stephens Gardens of Ferndale, Pa., for a new dahlia called *Collector's Item*. The winners of the A.D.S. Sweepstakes Awards were Henry Brusca, Phila., for his medium size rose pink seedling, and Stanley Johnson, Cheltenham, Pa., for his medium size bi-color dark red tipped white.

The Sweepstake Winner of Dahlia Classes open to all was James Desmond, with close competition from Louis Comito of Rosemont, Pa., and Harry Miller. In the Section for Dahlias Grown by Amateurs, Mr. Desmond again emerged victor, although closely contested by F. V. Daniel of Elkins Park, and Walter Strobel, also from Elkins Park, Pa.

The AMERICAN DAHLIA SOCIETY MEDAL was offered for the best display of five blooms of a 1952 introduction. The winner was James Desmond with the variety *Patricia Spollen*.

Other winners were Charles G. Friedel, George M. Boyles and Charles T. Trout.

While the different varieties of Dahlias exhibited seemed endless, the most prominent were—*Patricia Spollen*, *Tidal Wave*, *Darl V.*, *Magnetic*, *Fantasy*, *Arthur Godfrey*, *California Pagaent*, *So-Big*, *Frills*, *Helena*, *Comito Snow*, *Croyden Masterpiece*, *Maffie*, *Whitehalls*, *Mrs. Hestettr Pape*, *Jane Lausche* and *Marion Glenn*.

The judges for the Seedlings were Lynn B. Dudley, Dr. Ward Cook and John M. Root. The other classes were ably covered by Maryland MacAvoy, George G. Johnson and Charles K. Hallowell.

CHARLES (CHIC) HAUSMANN,
Publicity Director.

Baltimore Dahlia Society

The Baltimore Dahlia Society staged its 27th Annual Fall Flower Show in the Sears Community Building, Baltimore, on September 14th and 15th. As has been the custom, the show again produced an outstanding display of the finest in dahlias as well as hardy garden flowers and arrangements. Show Manager Louis Gill and his committee deserve credit for their fine staging of the dahlias and this can also be said of Mrs. Edna Gill and her committee who so ably handled the Hardy Garden and Arrangement section. The attendance was fine and judging by the many fine compliments we can be assured of a goodly number of new growers in 1953. The judging was under the capable handling of Mr. Chas. Diffenderfer and we are indebted to the following judges for a job very well done: Leo L. Pollak, Roy W. Webb, C. L. Armentrout, Conrad Frey, E. R. Phillips, N. A. Scheel, J. L. Bowling, L. M. Clarke, Conrad Brieger, Dr. Bruce Preas, Walter Hardesty, Edward Lloyd, Dr. Edward McDade, Edward L. Schaun, Dr. Henry Parker, A. F. Mulcahy, Stanley Johnson, Otto Aumuller, H. Dewey Mohr and to the Hardy Garden judges—Mrs. William Bridges and Mrs. John Strickland. The winners in the various sections were as follows: Sweepstake winner: Novice—Paul Hunter; Section A—"A" type—John Sherwood; Section A—"B" type—Julius Chodak; Section B—"A" and "B" types—Louis Gill; Section C—"A" type—Arnold Hens, Section C—"B" type—A. S. Mason; Section D—R. Lamenzo; Section E—Mrs. Edna Gill; Section I—there was a tie between George Mumma and Chas. Diffenderfer; Section J—Chas. Diffenderfer and John Sherwood. The Mayors silver trophy was awarded to Mr. C. F. Silverio of Bryn Mawr, Pa.; Governor McKeldin trophy was won by W. L. Tracey; the Memorial trophy by Chas. M. Diffenderfer; the Court of Honor award for "A" type went to Louis B. Weber and for the "B" type was awarded to Chas. Diffenderfer. The American Home Achievement Medal was awarded to Louis Comito of Rosemont, Pa. for three very fine large white dahlias.

HERBERT O. ABURN.

Virginia Dahlia Society

The 29th Annual Show of the Virginia Dahlia Society is a thing of the past now. To say that the show was a success is to put it mildly. The extremely poor growing season in Virginia made all those concerned with the show staging very dubious of its outcome. Final results, however, proved this pessimism without grounds. Where all the lovely dahlias came from is one of the usual mysteries.

All the growers that were contacted in early September said they would not have a thing for the show. We did notice, however, that some of those pessimistic growers arrived at The Old Dominion Room of Miller and Rhoads in Richmond, Virginia, with great arm loads of dahlias, probably from the so-called smoke filled rooms of dahlia-dom. Be that as it may, we had a wonderful show, the biggest in quantity as well as quality in the society's history.

The Grand Champion of the show was *The Cardinal* grown by E. C. Belcher of Chester, Virginia.

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LISA A., A dahlia, S.C., salmon pink, originator, Charles Garrity, 351 Maud Avenue, San Leandro, Calif.

HAZELHILL'S JEWELL, "A", F.D., purple. Originator, J. F. Chamberlain, Rt. 2, Box 154 A, Dallas, Ore.

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Dahlia Society of Ohio

The twenty-second annual Dahlia Show of the Dahlia Society of Ohio was held on September 15th and 16th. In spite of the generally poor season for dahlias, the show compared favorably with previous years. While perhaps only about sixty percent of the usual number of dahlias were exhibited, those shown were fine specimens worthy of exhibition.

Small Amateur Sweepstakes was won by Mrs. Angela Danko who was Chairman of the Arrangement Division. Leonard Fuerst, our Show Chairman, was runner-up. Because both of these members did a superb job in their show capacities, they are to be congratulated that they found time to exhibit a sufficient number of specimen blooms to win these awards.

Large Amateur Sweepstakes was won by Chas. J. Schaeffer who was awarded the Governor Lausche Cup.

Garfield Heights Dahlia Gardens won the open-to-all sweepstakes by a large margin. There were many competitors in this division, but Jack Brack exceeded them all in the number of specimen blooms exhibited.

The American Home Achievement was won by *Prairie Fire*.

The best "A" Dahlia in our show was won with a bloom of *Virginia B. Taggart* and the best "B" cactus type Dahlia was won with a bloom of *Aumonier Chandelon*. Both of these winners were exhibited by a "Small Amateur" and a fairly new Dahlia grower, Mrs. Lloyd Davies.

There were many exhibits and strong competition in the Arrangement Division. Chairman Angela Danko had arranged the schedule so that in every class, Dahlias were required. Special attention was given to a class of arrangements by school children which was in keeping with a special division instigated by E. J. Wind for exhibition blooms grown by school children.

Jane Lausche, our Governor's gracious lady, cut the ribbon to open our show. She was presented with a bouquet of her namesake, *Jane Lausche*. A bloom of this variety was the largest bloom in our show.

RUTH BERRY, A.D.S. Correspondent.

VIRGINIA DAHLIA SOCIETY

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The American Dahlia Society's Bronze Medal for the most outstanding seedling was won by Mr. W. L. Elkins of Richmond, Virginia.

The American Home Achievement Award was won by Charles A. Diffenderffer of Baltimore, Maryland.

The Bam's Novice Cup presented annually by Bam's Jewelry, Inc., of Richmond, Virginia for the first time this year was won by Miss Doris Grimstead of Sandston, Virginia, with 22 points.

Over all show Sweepstakes went to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Eddins, of Lakeside, Virginia.

Officers for the year 1952-53 were elected on October 9, 1952 and are: President—Mr. A. A. Martin of Highland Springs, Virginia, First Vice President—Mr. Frank Busch of Richmond, Virginia, Second Vice President—Mrs. V. D. McMannus of Williamsburg, Virginia, and Secretary and Treasurer—Mr. E. L. Massei of Richmond, Virginia.

KEN CLARK,
Chairman of Publicity.

Hagerstown Dahlia Society's Fine Show

The Twenty-third Annual Show of the Hagerstown Dahlia Society was held in the basement of the City Market House, September 25 and 26.

The exhibition was opened to the flower loving public at 5 P.M., on Thursday, September 25 and again Friday from 9 A.M. to 9 P.M. at which time prizes were officially awarded to the winners for the hundreds of choice blooms on display. Although the principal classes featured dahlias, prizes were also awarded for zinnias, marigolds, roses, gladioli, asters, petunias, flowering and non-flowering potted plants, and baskets of mixed flowers artistically arranged.

Flower lovers from this county and surrounding areas in Pennsylvania and West Virginia poured into the local Market House to view the gorgeous display of flowers. Our attendance greatly exceeded that of former years. The Show was pronounced by the public, beautiful and a grand success, despite the extremes of weather, hot and cold, wet and dry and insect pests.

Best dahlia in the Show was exhibited by M. B. Keener, the largest dahlia by H. K. Ramsburg, smallest dahlia by Mrs. Roy Polsgrove, tallest dahlia with bloom by Mrs. B. F. Hoover. Sweepstakes, a trophy from the Governor of Maryland was won by Mrs. Roy Polsgrove. Mrs. Polsgrove had the most entries in the Show, Oscar R. Moser second and M. B. Keener, third.

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Most of the prizes for the 1952 introductions went to Homer C. Grove. For the best display of roses, outdoor grown, Mrs. Walter Turk, for the best display of gladioli, E. Bane Snyder, who exhibited many and some very fine specimens.

Judges of the Show: Professor J. B. S. Norton, from the University of Maryland; Mr. Henry J. Betz, Florist of Baltimore, Md.; Miss Mary Bester, local florist of Hagerstown; Mr. Chas. W. Zahn, was Show Superintendent.

As the dahlia season comes to a close may we all continue to work together for the betterment of the most beautiful of all flowers, the Dahlia.

H. K. RAMSBURG, Secretary.

PORTLAND DAHLIA SOCIETY

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Because of the early date and late season there was a scarcity of large "A" sized Dahlia in both Amateur and Commercial divisions.

Awards were won as follows:

Marilyn Dale, best in the show "A" size, Mastick Trophy.

Frills, best in the show "B" size, Francis C. Little Cup.

Corona, best 5 in a vase, any size or type, Portland Dahlia Society Medal, Advanced Amateur.

Renaissance, best 3 in a vase, any size or type, Portland Dahlia Society Medal, Amateur division.

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PURPLE SPIDER—Incurved Cactus. Purple. 6 to 8 inches. Height 3½ to 4 feet. Blooms facing on long stems. A vigorous grower. Should win as an incurved purple in the "B" class. A nice shade of purple. **No plants. Roots—\$12.00.**

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Margaret Rose, best 5 in a vase, any size or type, Portland Dahlia Society Medal, Commercial division.

Autumn Blaze, largest in the show, Amateur division.

Jane Lausche, largest in the show, Commercial division.

Moeder Ballego, *Aumonier Chandelon*, and *Vader Nagels*, best 5 foreign Dahlias, W. C. Scrutton Memorial Award.

Mia, *Audries Pink*, *Anmato*, best miniatures, 15 in a vase, Kershishnik Award.

Charles L. Mastick, best 3, Alla T. Mastick Award.

Sellwood Glory, best 5 in a vase, J. R. Beyerle Award.

Allegresse, best 5 cactus, one variety, Minnesota Dahlia Society Medal

Sellwood Beauty, grown by J. R. Meyerle, Sunset Achievement Medal.

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Dahlia Society of Toledo

Our new officers for 1952 are:

President—Mr. N. W. Myers, 3939 Maxwell Road, Toledo, Ohio.

Vice-President—Mr. Leonard Drake, 3442 Northwood Ave., Toledo, Ohio.

Secretary—Mrs. Vivian Salisbury, 5355 West Bancroft St., Toledo, Ohio.

Treasurer—Mrs. John Schroeder, 4150 Douglas Rd., Toledo, Ohio.

VIVIAN SALISBURY,
Secretary Dahlia Society of Toledo.

Greater Philadelphia Dahlia Society

The Annual Dahlia Show of the society was held on Friday, September 26th and Saturday, September 27th at the Womens Club in Ardmore, Pa. While not as large as the previous shows, it must be classed as a good and successful Dahlia Show.

A hot and dry Summer which is detrimental to dahlia growing, gave most plants a slow start so that many gardens were not in full bloom at show time.

It was necessary to make last minute changes since the original location for the 1952 Show was not available. However, through the untiring efforts of the President, George Boyles, a fine show was staged in Philadelphia.

Edward Smith, Show Superintendent, made the necessary plans and by the exceptional good work of William G. Ellis and Eric H. Jenkins the show was properly handled and staged. Charles J. Becker, Jr., Treasurer was one of the busiest men before and during the show. Fred Moore and other members did their share in the setting up of the show. Fil. Alleva had prepared a swell show schedule. It was through the good work of these men that we enjoyed one of the better 1952 Dahlia Shows.

Although the entries were not so great the quality of the blooms was indeed good. The American Home Achievement Medal was won by Keck-Stephens Gardens for *Collector's Item*, score 86.1 an "A" dahlia of flame color. Others winning A.D.S. sweepstakes rosettes are Henry J. Brusca seedling *111* score 86.2; Harry Frank, *Agatha* score 86; John C. Lober seedling *22* score 85.1 and Stanley Johnson seedling *019* score 85.6.

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Section A (amateur) sweepstakes won by Frank L. Diechler with 10 firsts, 9 seconds and 3 third prizes. Winning dahlias in this section *Whitehall*, *Maffie*, *Tidal Wave*, *Pirate Treasure*, *Autumn Blaze* and others.

Section B (open to all), the sweepstake winner Patrick J. Burke, having 13 firsts, and 3 third ribbons. Varieties gaining blue ribbons included *Patricia Spollen*, *Arthur Godfrey*, *Croydon Masterpiece*, *Daylight*, *5 Star General*, *Stardust* and *Ada N*.

Section C, small varieties (open to all), George Boyles won sweepstakes by having 8 firsts, 3 seconds and 2 third awards. Poms as *Little Beauty*, *Margaret Williams* and *Joyce Gibbs* were big winners. Miniatures as *Red Fire*, *Anna Marie*, *Chips*, *Little Joan* and *Baby Fonteneau* won blue ribbons.

Section D (private estates with gardeners), the competition here was very keen with the winner being Mrs. James Fentress, King Irvine, gardener. Won 7 firsts, 3 seconds and 1 third prize. Basket of 12 decorative dahlias went to *Kelvin*. Winner basket 12 cactus dahlias, *Maffie*. Specimen winning as *Patricia Spollen*, *Ronnie Lee*, *Edna D*, *Firegleam* and etc.

The largest bloom of the show was *Ada N*, exhibited by N. Louis Comito. Mrs. William Coxe Wright, John J. McMenamin gardener won a tri-color rosette for an outstanding group display.

The following won the major share of prizes. John Anderson, 5 firsts, 1 second and 4 thirds. Henry Brusca, 2 firsts, 3 seconds and tri-color for a beautiful basket of *Whitehall* dahlias. N. Louis Comito gardener for the Scully Estate, 14 firsts, 1 second, 1 third and a tri-color ribbon for a basket of 25 miniatures—*Chips*. William P. Coulter won 2 firsts and 2 seconds. James J. Desmond was the top winner of entire show with 16 firsts, 14 seconds and 3 thirds. Harry Franks gained 3 firsts. Charles G. Friedel won 1 first and 3 seconds. Charles Gibbs 1 first, 1 second and 1 third. Herbert Gorrecht 2 firsts and 3 seconds. Keck-Stephens Gardens, 5 firsts, 4 seconds and 1 third ribbon. David Preston, 1 first prize. Mrs. R. W. Lea, Hugh Sweeney, gardener 1 first, 7 seconds and 1 third. John E. Ross, 1 first and 4 thirds. C. Frank Silverio, 2 firsts, 3 seconds and 1 third. Walter Strobel 2 firsts, 2 seconds, 3 thirds and a tri-color for a basket white seedling type "BB".

The judges for seedling classes were Lynn B. Dudley, Dr. Ward Cook and Warren Maytrott. All other classes were judged by Harry Frank, Alex McLeod, Fred Moore, William McGowan, Charles G. Friedel and Frank L. Diechler.

All officers of the society worked hard to make the 1952 Show a success. It is through their courage and efforts that dahlia shows of this type are staged each year. Everyone who is fond of the flower, the dahlia, certainly thanks the 1952 official family of the Society for their loyal support.

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Long Island Dahlia Society Show

The Long Island Dahlia Society held its 8th Annual Show on September 20, 1952, at the Plattdeutsche Park, Franklin Square, L. I. Despite adverse weather conditions, many blooms of excellent quality delighted the eyes of the numerous visitors who came from far and near.

One of the highlights of the show was the superb staging of the Court of Honor winners under the masterful supervision of Mrs. Frances Digi who also supplied the tasteful background material. A large number of artistic dahlia arrangements provided another breath-taking spectacle of the show. Credit for the smooth and orderly function of this division belongs to Mrs. Otto Aumuller, who was in charge of arrangements. Many beautiful baskets laden with exquisite prize dahlias, both large and small varieties, graced the Court of Honor.

To Dr. Ward Cook was awarded the Long Island Dahlia Society medal for the largest and most nearly perfect bloom with a *Pride of Parkersburg*. Mr. H. D. Swain of Peekskill, N. Y., carried off top honors in the medium section, winning both the L.I.D.S. medals for the most nearly perfect medium dahlia with a *Snowball* bloom, and for the three most nearly perfect medium dahlias with three *Snowball* blooms. This year the much coveted award, the American Home Achievement Medal, offered for the most worthy undissemated dahlia, was won by Mr. Alfred Warren of Peekskill, N. Y., with *Empire State*. Miss Inez McGill was the winner of the L.I.D.S. medal for the best arrangement.

The Society takes this opportunity to thank Messrs. Otto Aumuller and John Passler for their beautiful commercial exhibitions which attracted considerable attention and comments. We also wish to thank Mr. Chris Rissmeyer of the New York State Agricultural and Technical Institute, Farmingdale, L. I. for the most exquisite exhibition which his students staged. It would be a grave omission if we failed to thank the judges who came a long distance to do a magnificent job. Last, but not least, the Society is deeply indebted to Mr. Edward Peterson, show chairman, and members of his committee who worked ceaselessly to make this year's show a success.

LAWRENCE PALMINTERI, Secretary.

Brunjes Tops Tier Dahlia Show

George Brunjes' *Croydon's Masterpiece*, won the best flower in show award yesterday at the annual Dahlia Show held at the YWCA.

The flower brought the Elmira the Southern Tier Dahlia Society trophy and the Hiram Barker Memorial trophy.

A large list of entries was in the "Y" gymnasium and attracted scores of visitors. The show was sponsored by the society and attracted entries from Rochester, Syracuse, Buffalo and Watkins Glen.

Brunjes also won honors for the smallest and largest dahlia in the show.

The best three-bloom prize was entered by Guy Dennis.

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Sweepstakes winner in the novice class, the Rev. Charles Evans of Watkins Glen.

Section 1, for all entries: Division 1, George Brunjes; division 2, Professor Merle Brown of Buffalo University; division 3, Charles Liskovec; division 4, Liskovec, division 6, Brunjes.

Section 2, for advanced growers: Division 7, Guy Dennis; division 8, Liskovec; division 9, Carl Meyer of Rochester; division 10, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. McCleary of Rochester; division 11, Dennis; division 12, Dennis; division 14, Earl Canfield; division 15, Mrs. Liskovec.

Section 3, for amateurs: Division 16, Mr. Evans; division 17, Mr. Evans; division 19, Erma Crispin.

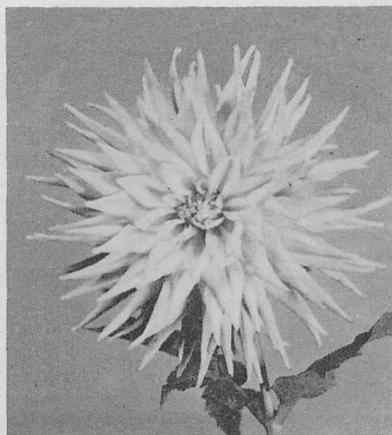
At the same time, members of the Elmira Garden Club held their show with arrangements placed by Florence McCann winning first place and Mrs. Alfred Hilbert placing second.

Judging of the dahlia show was done by A. H. MacAndrews of Syracuse, T. J. McCleary of Rochester, Merle Brown of Buffalo; Brunjes, Frank Ayres of Rochester; the Rev. Paul Frohne of Wayland and Robert McConnell of Rochester.

Clerks were Horace Kouch and Earl Canfield of Elmira and Carl Meyer of Rochester.

Judging of the flower show was done by Jay Parker of Elmira.

Dahlia Society president is Charles Liskovec. Edward Staments was show chairman. The Garden Club has George Brunjes as president; the show chairman was Fred Petrie.



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All of these on Dudley's Honor Roll. *Nick's Orchid* and *Little Jerry* on Roberts Honor Roll.



Alabama Dahlia News

July found Alabama dahlia growers just about ready to cancel their 1952 Show. The extreme heat and drouth had played havoc with all plant growth. Finally, a little rain came and growing conditions improved. The dahlias perked up and so did we. With Mr. G. E. Alderson as Show Chairman and Mr. F. M. House, Co-Chairman, September 27th-28th found us ready for our 17 Annual Show. We could scarcely believe our eyes when we saw the number of beautiful blooms as we remembered the very hot, dry summer we had.

We are greatly encouraged over the development of the Novice Section both last year and this year, for not only was it the largest it has ever been but the largest bloom in the show came from this section. Mr. R. L. Vaughn, the proud exhibitor of this handsome *Sherwood's Peach* went on to win other important prizes in the show. Our best dahlia growers are now saying—"The Novices will get you if you don't watch out."

All sections were good. Especially large were the sections devoted to B type dahlias and to the small flowering varieties. These sections were literally overflowing with beautiful blooms.

Mrs. H. C. Rike, in charge of the Arrangement Section, brought to the show exquisite beauty in the many arrangements found there. Fifty-eight entries with themes, such as "Autumn Splendor", "Place Setting", "Song of the Pines", "Distinctive Pair", "Musical Score", "Thru' the Window" and "A Bit of the Orient" were developed with originality and charm.

Winners of Sweepstakes were: Section A, Novice Section, R. L. Vaughn; Section B, Mrs. A. C. Caraway; Section C, A. P. Mann; Section D, J. C. Bivins; Section E, J. C. Bivins; Section H, J. C. Bivins.

Special Awards were: Most Perfect Bloom A size was *Maffie*, grown by Dr. H. C. Rike; Largest Bloom, *Sherwood's Peach* was grown by R. L. Vaughn; Most Perfect Bloom B size was *Abbott*, grown by B. L. Kennedy; Best Three Blooms, A size were *The Aristocrat*, grown by F. M. House; Best Three Blooms, B size, *Konigen Juliana* were grown by E. E. Montgomery; Best Five Blooms, *Dollie Sawyer*, were grown by A. H. West; Best Seedling, Charles Perry; Best 1952 Introduction was *Tiara*, grown by R. L. Vaughn; Best Foreign Introduction *Maffie*, was grown by Dr. H. C. Rike; Best Entry, Day Late, *The Real Glory*, was grown by F. M. House; Best Garden Club Entry, *Autumn Splendor*, Edgewood Garden Club, Second Best Entry, Springdale Garden Club; Best Arrangement, Novice Class, Mrs. Robert Block; Best Arrangement, Advanced Class, Mrs. Francis Bass; Best Arrangement, Open to All Class, Mrs. J. A. Taff; Most Outstanding Entry, Miniatures, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Kennedy; Most Outstanding Entry, Pompons, Charles Perry; American Home Achievement Medal, E. J. Wind's *Wind Dec*, grown by Dr. H. C. Rike.

Friday night, September 19th found nineteen members of our society and one "hitch-hiker" merrily riding in a chartered bus to the Mid-West-Southern States Show in Louisville. Now this "hitch-hiker" created no little curiosity and comment. He looked so pitiful with his

basket of apples and his few possessions tied up in an old bandana handkerchief that in spite of the protests of some, others were willing to let him go along even as far as Louisville if he wanted to. And he did, for it was none other than our own "Jake Pate", treasurer of our society who had been telling it that he was going to fly to Louisville, Saturday. Well, this gag just set the scene for a wonderful time. Few slept, but then who wanted to sleep—one might miss something. Next morning about daybreak we rolled up to the Kentucky Hotel, not too tired to set up the flowers we'd brought from Alabama.

We've had a hot time this summer and it's been bad for dahlias but we've had a good time too. Now we are ready with new plans, hopes and aspirations for 1953.

MAUDE M. GOODWIN, Reporter.

Ohio Valley Dahlia Show

The 22nd annual Dahlia Show of the Ohio Valley Dahlia Association was held at the Cincinnati Art Museum, and the display was one of the largest and most beautiful ever held in the Cincinnati area.

Wilbur Anderson was sweepstakes winner in the Open to All section with Ed. Heepke runner-up. In the Small Amateur section Miss Alice Mattick won the sweepstakes with Howard Ray runner-up.

In the Artistic Arrangement section, sweepstakes win-

ners were Mrs. J. H. Dickman, Open to All; Harry Story, Men Only; Mrs. H. Korte, Novice. Sweepstakes winners in the Novice group were Mrs. H. Reilly and Mr. Irwin Schroeder, and in the School Children section the sweepstakes went to Walter Schill.

The American Home Achievement Medal and an O.V.O.A. Medal was presented to Wm. Wolbert for his pink Formal Decorative seedling, and J. R. Carlisle received an O.V.D.A. Medal for his miniature yellow Cactus seedling. The Largest Bloom in the show was *Sherwood's Peach* grown by Ed. Heepke. The two Most Perfect "A" size dahlias were *Marilyn Dale* grown by Ed. Heepke, and *Pride of Holland* grown by Alice Mattick.

The Charles F. Pape trophy went to Mr. Ed. Heepke for his collection of twelve "A" size dahlias, this was a special feature of the show in recognition of Mr. Pape's outstanding contribution to the dahlia during the past sixty years.

The winners of Gold Ribbons were: Howard Ray for *Patricia Spollen*, *Croydon Snotop*, and *Pimup*; Ed. Heintzman for *Snow White* and *Joyce Gibbs*; Alice Mattick for *Polar Queen* and *Pride of Holland*; Ed. Heepke for *Marilyn Dale* and *Sherwood's Peach*; Jack Wilsey for *Jane Lausche* and *Glamour*; Fred Binstadt for *Rifleman*; W. Anderson for *Five Star General*; Wm. Wolbert for *Clariam Royalty*; C. Donawerth for *Sabine*; R. L. Dunwoody for *Ike*; and Record's Dahlia Garden for *Oakleigh Champion*.

JACK WILSEY, Show Secretary.

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1952 Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society 14th Annual Show

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With exception of the manual labor of digging the patch and the distasteful job of spraying insecticide, Vicki (my wife), can do any of the chores connected with dahlia growing as well as I.

Many are the laterals saved from destruction when she ties the worst "wavers" during a sudden wind storm and many are the blooms saved from Mr. Cucumber Beetle when she dusts 6% Chlordane dust into the open face of the blooms three times daily before the show.

The fellows that saw Vicki helping me set up blooms at the Mid-West Shows this year will understand why I couldn't pass up this opportunity to voice my pride in her.

Incidentally, this is a report on the 14th Annual Show of the Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society held September 27th and 28th.

Here's the data on the top winners . . .

SECTION A

Best 3 Blooms—Wm. Knetzer, *Croydon Masterpiece*.

Best 5 Blooms—George Reh, *Aristocrat*.

Sweepstakes—George Reh.

SECTION B

Best 3 Blooms—Ben Frye, *WHT*.

Best 5 Blooms—Joe Gardener, *King Size*.

Sweepstakes—Ben Frye.

SECTION C

Best 3 Blooms—H. Sandefur, *Pink Flamingo*.

Best 5 Blooms—Virgil Beavers, *Carlisle Pimwehel*.

Sweepstakes—R. Zufall.

SECTION D

Best 3 Blooms—Paul Hale, *Croydon Masterpiece*.

Best 5 Blooms—Paul Hale, *Mixed*.

Best 10 Blooms—Pat Bennett, *Great Lakes*.

Sweepstakes—Paul Hale.

SECTION E

Best 3 Blooms—Paul Hale, *Chandeur Anversiose*.

Best Vase of 5 Blooms in Show—Paul Hale, *Mixed*.

Best 10 Blooms—Pat Bennett, *Brother Justinus*.

Best 15 Blooms—H. Sandefur, *Amb. Von Kleffens*.

Sweepstakes—Paul Hale.

SECTION F

Best Vase of Ball—H. Sandefur, *Marmore*.

Best Vase of Poms—H. Sandefur, *Ebony*.

Best Vase of Min.—E. Hocken, *Ruby Charm*.

Smallest Bloom—T. S. Ryder, *Pink Duchess*.

Sweepstakes—H. Sandefur.

Best Vase of 3 Blooms in Show—H. Sandefur, *Pink Flamingo*.

Best Vase of 5 Blooms in Show—Paul Hale, *Mixed*.

Best Vase of 10 Blooms in Show—Pat Bennett, *Great Lakes*.

Perry Wilson Memorial Trophy for most perfect A bloom in show to Paul Hale, *Rees Lily*.



Paul Hale's two winners! The lovely Mrs. Hale admires Paul's winner for largest bloom, Powder Puff—14½ inches in diameter.

Louis B. Meyer Memorial Trophy for most perfect B bloom in show awarded to Wm. Avis, *Snowball*.

Edw. Nolte Memorial Trophy for vase of 6 most perfect blooms awarded to Pat Bennett.

Largest bloom in show—Paul Hale, *Powder Puff*.

American Home Achievement Medal Awarded to Jim Marschs, *Prairie Fire*. (A wonderful grower for me.)

Grand Sweepstakes Winner—Paul Hale.

All in all, the blooms were of fine quality and the number shown were far more than we expected due to the severe drouth we experienced here in the middle west this spring.

We were particularly glad to see such a fine showing in the novice section this year. We of the St. Louis Dahlia Society place much emphasis on the encouragement of novice growers and it's paying dividends! We are proud of them. Judging progressed exceptionally well under the leadership of Dan O. Gorman, and the "poor loser" was conspicuous by his absence.

PAUL HALE, Show Chairman.

DR. HERBERT L. DOZIER

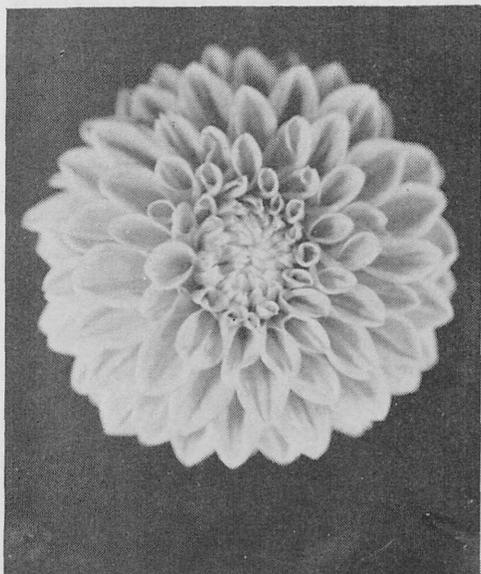
Information reached us too late for inclusion in our spring Bulletin . . . of the untimely death on Dec. 4th, 1951, of Dr. Dozier, after a brief illness.

Dr. Dozier had many friends in the Dahlia fraternity. His success as a hybridizer was attested to in his splendid introductions. Among them, *Tops* and *Topflight* are still winning important prizes in major shows.

We extend to Mrs. Dozier and the family sincere sympathy.

PARRELLA—INTRODUCTIONS FOR 1953

FLORENCE M — (Zourek-Parrella)



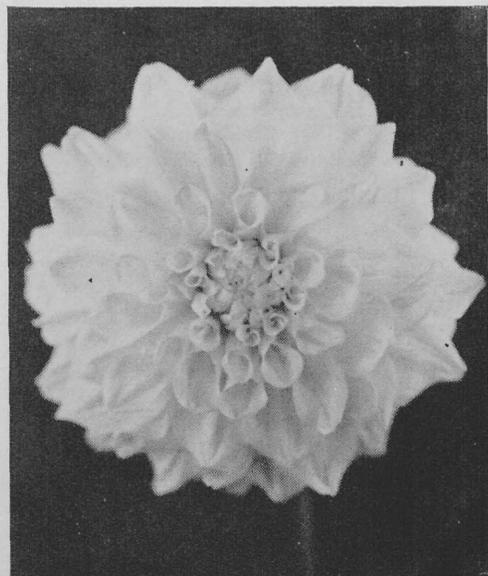
A soft, pleasing shade of pink, veiled white especially at end of petals, making a very attractive and appealing color.

Back petals recurve to stem, forming a round, full, deep flower. Blooms are held high and facing on strong wiry stems that hold up under rainy weather conditions.

Blooms last long on the bush or when cut. This surely is a lovely flower of beauty and charm and a "must" for those who have seen it growing in our gardens.

An early bloomer and good grower, attaining a height of about 4½ ft.

Judges at American Dahlia Society Show in New York scored this variety 85.4. Size 7 - 8 in. x 5 in. Roots \$10.00 Net. Plants \$5.00 Net.



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VENITA — (Kramer-Parrella)

F.D.—Light carmine rose with flushes of straw yellow and yellow center. Back petals close right back to stem forming a full petaled, deep flower with back of bloom almost as beautiful as the front. High perfect centers, always. Profuse bloomer early and late. Stems are excellent and hold blooms well up in perfect position. Foliage is strong, thick and vigorous. Won seedling award at American Dahlia Society Show in New York. Plant grows about 4½ ft. Size of bloom 8 in. x 6 in.

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ALABASTER — (Tomczak-Parrella)

F.D.—A new, white seedling of The Real Glory, and a new beauty. Size 8 in. x 5 in.

There is a creamy glow from center of the bloom that gives it a soft, rich, waxy look that is just beautiful.

Although formal, petals are cupped enough to give bloom an artistic formation. Flowers are held facing up on perfect stems about 9 in. above a strong, vigorous, branching plant with rich green foliage. Blooms have very good substance.

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We feel honored to be permitted to name this outstanding dahlia for her.

Florence Chadwick won American Home Achievement Medals in both the San Diego and Inglewood, California dahlia shows and will appear on the 1953 Honor Rolls of Col. Richard T. Eddy, J. Louis Roberts, Lynn B. Dudley, and C. E. Faust for the Flower Grower.

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Kitsap County Dahlia Society Bremerton, Wash.

The Kitsap County Dahlia Society held their 27th annual show on August 21st to 24th inclusive. A four day show is too much to expect of dahlias, but every one was much surprised to see how good many of the blooms were at the end of the show. Two very large ones, *Black Monarch* and *Joseph B. Lanktree*, were in excellent condition when the show ended. From the number of visitors and their comments, it was the best show the society ever has held. That interest is growing in our beloved flower was proven by the extra large number of flowers shown in the Novice Section. Many of these entries would give credit to more experienced growers. Such good numbers as *Oakleigh Champion*, *Cosmopolitan*, *Prince Beautiful*, *Black Monarch* and others were exceptional. Sweepstakes winner in this section was a lovely bloom of *Carrone*, shown by Mrs. E. A. Springer of Tacoma, Wash.

The Amateur division consisted of nine sections which were very well filled. Winner of Section A was a fine specimen of *Abbott*, shown by A. C. Ernst. Section B showed more class with more entries. *Pink Nylon*, a Washington origination, won the blue for Mrs. L. J. Harvey. *Vitality*, a nice yellow, won for Mr. Don Seery, while *Samba* won as best in the section for Mrs. L. J. Harvey. Section C presented some very excellent blooms. Well grown blooms of *Sun Gay* won first for Mr. Ernst and second for Joseph E. Olson. This section was really dominated by Mr. Ernst who won six blues and the best in section with a specimen bloom of *Ballay Rouge*. Sec-

tion D really had the big fellows—*Freda Gaylord*, *Edith Morrell*, *Joseph B. Lanktree*, *Pacific Queen*, *Black Monarch*, *Five Star General* and good old *Jane Cozel* walked away with best in the section for Mrs. Buchanan.

Pom Pons and Miniatures were well represented in variety and types. In the arrangement classes visitors really got a thrill viewing superb adaptations for Dinner, Buffet, and Coffee tables. Mrs. Tom Forhan won the most ribbons with Mrs. Baush, Mrs. Ernst and Mrs. Dahlke in order.

The Advanced Amateur Section picked up over last season as Mr. N. S. McKamey returned after a few seasons as a Commercial Grower. His entries helped make the class more difficult for the Judges. The best bloom of incurved cactus was *Val Saint Lambert* won by Tom Forhan. Best bloom of straight or re-curved was *White Superior* by John Baush. Best semi-cactus was a fine bloom of *Blush* by N. S. McKamey. *Nobby's Light* won as best informal while *Julia McKamey* was the best formal. Largest bloom in the show was a huge *Joseph B. Lanktree*, shown by R. P. Turnquist. Most perfect bloom was awarded to *Blush* by N. S. McKamey. The Amateurs Sweepstakes cup was won by A. C. Ernst with his *Ballay Rouge*. This season the seedling class was weak. The Society held their annual banquet on September 25th, electing new officers for the ensuing year. A fine time was enjoyed by 90% of the members. Now to rest and plan for a better year to follow.

J. E. HULIN,
Corresponding Sect.

Baltimore Dahlia Society

The annual meeting of the Baltimore Dahlia Society was held January 17 at which time the following officers were elected for 1952: President, Otto Weber; 1st vice-president, Arnold Hens; 2nd vice-president, George Frock; Secretary, Herbert O. Aburn; Asst. Rec. Secretary, W. T. Sermons; Financial Secretary, N. A. Scheel; Treasurer, George Mumma. The Executive Board: Louis Gill, Chairman; C. M. Diffenderffer, N. A. Gossman, Wm. Lampkin, George Schirmer, Marvin Shipley, V. Hush, L. Weber and F. J. Braun.

Plans were completed for the 27th Annual Show which will be held September 14 and 15 in the Sears Community Building, Harford and North Aves., Baltimore, Md. President Weber appointed Mr. Louis Gill as Show Manager, which assures a first class exhibition, and Mr. Gill will announce his committee later. Judging by the interest being shown and the great number of new members received we should have a fine show.

**OUR 1953 SHOW WILL BE HELD SUNDAY
AND MONDAY, SEPT. 20 AND 21**

The East Liverpool Ohio Dahlia Show

The East Liverpool (Ohio) Dahlia Society held its twenty-seventh Annual Dahlia and Flower Show Saturday and Sunday, September 27-28, 1952 in Memorial Auditorium, East 4th St. and Walnut St.

Our show this year was the largest we have had since Mid-West Conference in 1947.

The varieties of dahlias, new and old, were of the best we have seen for years, and the tables were crowded. A count of the visitors who registered at entrance is estimated at 3,000.

Exhibitors from five states brought in their blooms by the machine load early Friday night until noon Saturday.

A high light of the show was a 45 minute concert given by the East Liverpool High School Choir, on Saturday night, and directed by Laurence Beck.

The American Home Achievement Medal was won by Mr. Delbrugge of Martin's Ferry, Ohio, with a primrose cactus dahlia which is named *Blendette*, a lovely delicately shaded over.

Among the new dahlias that were outstanding and exhibited for the first time was a large red formal dahlia *Ceramic Beauty*, named for East Liverpool, by Mr. John T. Eccleston.

Mr. Eccleston also showed his dahlia *Bertha Shone*, a seedling lavender cactus, a real beauty and I may say A MUST for our garden next year.

The first sweepstake or sweepstakes winner was Richard Heidel of Pleasant Heights, E. L. O., and this is his fifth year growing dahlias and has taken sweepstakes seven times in that period.

Washington State Dahlia Society

Our 42nd annual Dahlia Show was held at Hod Carriers Hall, Tacoma, Wash., Sept. 6 and 7. Despite the hot, dry summer the hall was filled to overflowing with perfect blooms. Surpassing previous shows by the number of entries, quantity and quality of blooms and numbers of new members signed up.

Chas. Julin and his committee handled all details of the show to perfection. We had many more classes this year. All were well filled. Will add a junior division next year. They have been competing against grown-ups and wanning too.

Best dahlia in the show was *Hart's Whirlaway*, exhibited by John Baush. This won the Society Cup. This makes 2 years John has won so will have to try and beat him next year as 3 years in succession and he can keep it permanently. Best 3 year seedling and Home Achievement Medal winner was *Kiona*, a coral insurved cactus. J. E. Hulin won Sunset medal with a min. cactus red called *Trinket*.

Largest in show was *Lilac Giant* by Chas. Julin. Smallest was *Betty Malone* by Dean Woods. Best arrangement by Rev. Don Glen.

Best Basket, *Berger's Masterpiece* by John Baush. Best arrangement by a man—Donald Clark with *Bunne Esperance*. Best dahlia by an amateur, *Val St. Lambert* by Dean Woods. Semi-cactus *Irene Rich* by Dorothy Springer. Formal Dec. *Morocco*, Dean Woods. Inf. Dec. *Marion Tate* by Barbara Ayler. In advanced class—Best cactus *Hart's Whirlaway*, John Baush. Semi. C. *Helois*, Mildred Bailey. F. D., *Five Star General*, John Baush. I.D., *Freda George*, John Baush.

Sweepstakes (Amateur): 1st—Dean Woods; 2nd—Barbara Ayler. (Advanced Amateur): 1st—John Baush; 2nd—Mrs. Glen Dunlap. The judges were as follows: F. S. McKamey, R. P. Turnquist of Brewerton; H. E. Hulin, Port Orchard; Lloyd Moss, Puyallup; Clara Goering, Mildred Clark, Chas. Julin and Frances Glanfield of Tacoma. Here's to a bigger and better show in 1953.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 28th day of September, 1952.

(SEAL)

IVAR O. ARESKOG

My commission expires March 30, 1953.

The Dahlia Society of Tennessee, Inc.

The Dahlia Society of Tennessee, Inc., held its 1952 annual Dahlia Show in the beautiful, multiple mirrored Grand Ballroom, Hotel Patten, on October 4-5, 1952. All worries over the lack of rain, the extremely hot and continuously above normal temperatures day after day during the growing season and what would happen to the dahlia blooms during late September, proved groundless. The blooms came in in plentiful abundance, the blooms on exhibit were all of good quality and were up to standard.

The number of entries was exceptionally large—979 total entries. 389 of these were of the smaller type—miniatures, pompons, singles, collarettes, peony, orchid and dwarf. This section has proven, again, that the smaller types are just as important to a dahlia show as the larger "A" exhibition types.

The remaining 590 entries were in the "A" and "B" size classes and overed the major portion of the Ball-

room. The newer varieties those of 1952 introduction were in evidence yet—those older varieties "Jersey Beauty," "Jane Cowl," "Michigan White," "Thomas Edison" still win their share of the ribbons. "Mrs. Hester Pape" that majestic queen of all, the gallant lady-in-red, predominated in the larger variety and it was this dahlia that was judged the most perfect in the Show. It was exhibited by Mr. Elbert L. Freeman, Chickamauga, Ga.

Visitors were numerous on both Saturday and Sunday.

Surely dahlias are coming into their significant prominence more and more each year. Coming in to their rightful throne as "King of All Flowers." The staging of dahlia shows each year are becoming more numerous and more and more regular. Each year County and State Fairs are including a Dahlia Section and after a Dahlia Section has been placed in the Schedule the entering of dahlias doubles, and triples, during the following years. Each year more and more Garden Clubs are entering dahlias in the horticultural sections, and the arrangement sections featuring dahlias, and dahlias only, is certainly on the increase. If a popularity vote could be taken on "Which Flower has Shown the Greatest Popularity During the Past Decade" dahlias would head the list by a large majority.

Our visitors from the Dahlia Societies of Alabama and Georgia, and also the North Georgia Dahlia Society flocked to Chattanooga all bringing their share of blooms—yet best of all—bringing that friendship that brings dahlia growers so close to each other yet separated by 100 to 200 miles of distance.

We count our 1952 Show a grand success. All who had a hand in the Show left Hotel Patten refreshed in spirit and in mind—perhaps physically tired but we soon recovered from that. Our efforts to show the public what dahlias look like proved to be worth while.

The arrangement section, under the capable leadership of Mrs. R. L. Millard, was extremely attractive showing that careful scrutiny, careful selection of dahlias, and material used, careful thinking in terms of harmony and lines, could produce such an elegant display. Beautiful arrangements made from drift-wood cast so carelessly on the ocean shores; beautiful from the standpoint that onions, catalpa seeds, beauty berry, coral, and other miscellaneous material could be thrown together—not without thought—but with the thought in mind that something pretty could be done. Judging, in this section, done by accredited Garden Club Judges was on the highest plane and showed evidence that Garden Club courses now stress, more and more, the judging of dahlias both from the arrangement and horticultural standpoint. Thank you Ladies.

At our October meeting the following officers were elected for the 1953 year:

President, Charles Watson; 1st Vice-President, Clarence R. Kallquist; 2nd Vice-President, Clarence J. R. Bivens; 3rd Vice-President, J. R. Barnwell; 4th Vice-President, Earl Miller; Treasurer, T. Granville Hixon; Secretary, Mrs. Dorothy M. Schmitt.

A.D.S. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Nominating Committee presents a slate for 1953 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, 1953, to F. J. Knocke, M.D., Secretary, 2616 Arlington Avenue, New York 63, New York.

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

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- Mrs. Sarah Wakeman Wood, Westport, Conn.

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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 Knocke, 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, 1952.

ROCKY RIVER INTRODUCTIONS FOR 1953

All of our 1953 introductions were sent to A.D.S. Trial Grounds, but reports are not available as this is written, and show reports and Honor Roll selections may not be complete.

BERTHA SHONE (Eccleston-Rocky River)

9 to 10 inch semi-cactus of clear lavender shading almost white at the centers. Petals are deeply lacinated. An excellent grower, early and profuse, it produces many fine blooms of exhibition quality on nicely proportioned stems. On Honor Rolls.

Root \$15.00 net—Plant \$5.00 net

CLARIAM CADET (Wolbert-Rocky River)

Blooms about 10 inches in diameter with good depth. A well formed semi-cactus of wine red with deeper shadings. A semi-cactus with good substance. On Honor Rolls.

Root \$15.00 net—Plant \$5.00 net

CLARIAM LURAY

(Wolbert-Slough-Rocky River)

A 7 to 8 inch dark pink formal with good depth, forming a ball-shaped flower. Full centered blooms with numerous petals, good stems, an all-around good exhibition qualities will make this one a strong contender on the show tables. Achievement Medal at Cincinnati and on Honor Rolls.

Root \$10.00 net—Plant \$3.50 net

ELIZABETH H. (Henkle-Rocky River)

Regarded as a formal decorative by some, and a ball by others. We have considered it as a ball, especially as its growth is typical of a ball. The 5 foot plants are erect growers, producing a profusion of flowers from early season until frost. The color is dark red. Flowers are about 4 inches in diameter, carried on ideal stems well above the foliage. A.D.S. Seedling Certificate at Cleveland where it was runner up to *Prairie Fire* for the Achievement Medal. Certified at East Lansing in 1951 and on Honor Rolls.

Root \$5.00 net—Plant \$2.00 net

GRACE WARFIELD

(Diffenderfer-Rocky River)

9 to 10 inch semi-cactus of chrome yellow, lightly suffused apricot at outer tips. Numerous, narrow lacinated petals gives the bloom added distinction. Achievement Medal at Richmond.

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Midwest Show

The Dahlia Society of Ohio will be host to this great show in 1953. Dates set are Sept. 12th and 13th at the Hollenden Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio. Plan to attend this outstanding gathering of the country's leading dahlia fans. A tour of our gardens on Friday afternoon, starting at about one o'clock, will include our farm. We will be glad to furnish particulars.

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PAT ANN DEE (Pape-Rocky River)

A heavy substantiated white ball (or formal) on strong, stiff stems. Vigorous grower with strong foliage. Particularly outstanding for exhibition. On Honor Rolls.

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PRAIRIE FIRE (Marsh-Rocky River)

A sensational winner in seeding classes, winning eight Achievement Medals at: Madison, Milwaukee, Chicago, Cleveland, Louisville (Midwest), Southtown, Minneapolis and St. Louis. A 10 to 12 inch orange semi-cactus with good depth on good stems. It will be almost unbeatable in its class. On Honor Rolls.

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WIN DEE (Rocky River)

An 8 to 10 inch semi-cactus (or straight cactus). The color is between Autumn and Apricot Orange on the color chart; a very lively color. Tall plants with flowers held well above the foliage on very stiff stems. Exceptionally good substance prevents sagging of the petals even in rainy weather. Prolific bloomer which holds its tight centers all season. Achievement Medal at Birmingham. Honor Rolls.

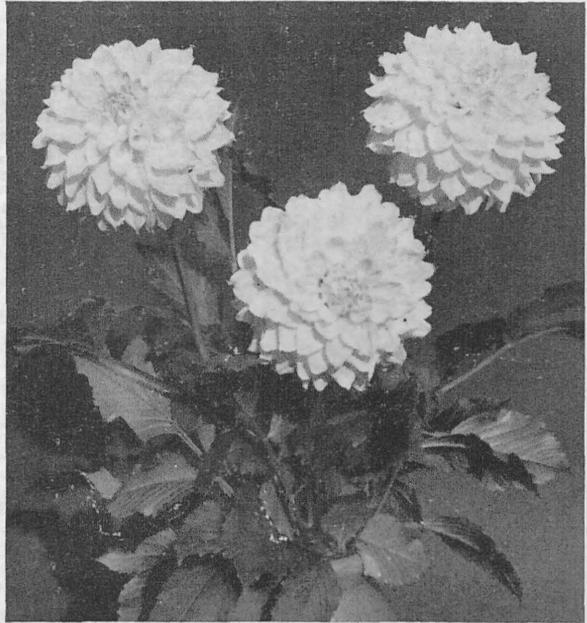
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This is a "B" type Formal Decorative of Straw, Yellow and Cream Flushed Phlox Pink. Blooms 8 in. by 5 in. excellent long strong stem, with green leathery foliage. Bush 5 ft. Also American Home Achievement Medal winner at Irvington, N. J. Show. It has excellent keeping qualities, and blooms from August to frost. Considered the best cut flower since Jersey Beauty. Named by Phil Alampi, Home Gardener on W.J.Z.-T.V. after Betty Blossom, Horticulture Editor of House & Garden. Shown and described twice on Home Gardeners Hour, once with Betty Blossom, its namesake.

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