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RUTH ALAMPI of Television Garden Program fame, admires beautiful deep lavender semi-cactus blooms named in her honor at the A.D.S. Show. This fine entry won the American Home Achievement Medal. Edward B. Lloyd, originator. Introducer, Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens.

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KENTUCKY LADY

BETTY LOU (Dahliadel). Lovely little almost white color sport of Betty Anne Pompon, 1¾" x 1". Really a blend with a blush of soft rose at the base of the petals and edged white. Produces wonderful blooms on fine stems. Bush grows about 2 ft.

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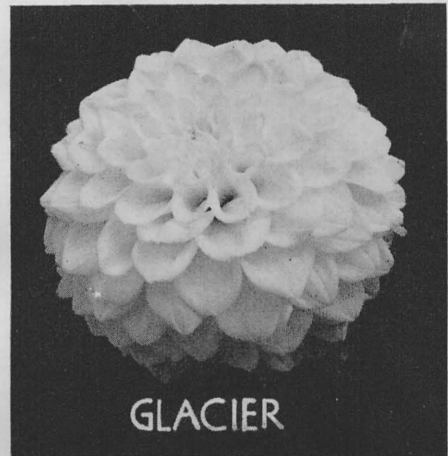
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BETTY LOU



GLACIER

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The American Dahlia Society Show

Victory Over Vicissitudes

Dahlias thrive upon adversity. The chronicles of the annual shows over the land prove it. Hardly ever is a show reported in any year excepting to contrast its excellence with unprecedented vicissitudes of weather—drowning floods, parching heat, unmitigated drought during the growing season or hurricanes at show time. If this year was any exception it was only in the record-shattering proportions of early season rains and mid-season protracted dryness with accompanying searing heat over most Dahlia-growing regions extending right up to the time for the shows. These pitiless conditions prevailed throughout the area from which the New York show draws most of its entries. The plants wouldn't grow, didn't even seem to want to set buds which, all too often, were blasted when they did appear. Blooms withered while opening. Insect pests seemed more resistant than ever to extermination. Accustomed rules for timing went amiss. None-the-less, that hardy perennial, the dyed-in-the-wool Dahlia exhibitor, once more proved his staunch resourcefulness. Somehow he got adequate cow manure well dug into his reluctant soil which with other forms of humus held some moisture. Somehow by providing adequate mulching materials he retarded evaporation and gave the top-feeding rootlets a certain measure of freedom. Somewhere he found and copiously supplied water for irrigation and so was able to feed his plants without burning them. Somehow he assuaged the devastating heat of the sun with lath or other shade. Somehow and somewhere he did these things because on the twenty-second of September he brought to the Collonades Ballroom of the Essex House in New York City quantities of blooms of as fine quality as ever seen in more favorable seasons.

The 39th annual show of the American Dahlia Society was a quality show. Dahlia lovers, visitors from far and near, have long grown accustomed to seeing the finest quality of blooms exhibited at the New York show. They were not disappointed this year.

Throughout the Novice and Amateur sections the same high quality was noted as in the Open-to-All. Arnold Kalmus of Shrewsbury, N. J. won sweepstakes in the Novice Section. Not only he but every other ribbon winner in this section showed that he can produce blooms which can win anywhere. We hope to see every one of them in the Amateur Section next year. Frank L. Deichler, Jr. of Upper Darby, Pa. won sweepstakes in the Amateur Section featuring many fine blooms of the larger varieties.

Dr. and Mrs. Fred Knocke again dominated the Open-to-All in each of its three divisions—medium, large and basket classes. They won not only by the traditional excellence of their entries but by their diversity. These master dahlia show people literally covered the classes with well-grown blooms of the best varieties. However, this year they knew they had been in a contest. Although deservedly winning a second leg on the Margaret Gordon Waaser Memorial Trophy they must look to their laurels! As usual Ed. J. O'Keefe was right in there battling and his many beautiful entries were surely a

joy to behold. The Knockes also received the Virginia Pollak Award for sweepstakes in the Special Basket and Arrangement Classes.

The Special Display Classes, featuring a basket or single container of large Dahlias, had three fine entries. The spectacular winning exhibit of Mrs. Richard Colt, grown and staged by J. MacIntyre was certainly one of the high-lights of the show. The twelve massive and flawless blooms of *Croydon Masterpiece*, *Kelvin*, *Madonna* and *Mrs. Hester A. Pape* truly provided the focal spot of the exhibition.

In the Court of Honor, Fred Knocke again came to the fore to win for the second time the Louis B. Tim Trophy, with a great bloom of *Ada N.* Harry Frank was a double winner, taking the Mrs. Louis B. Tim Trophy for the finest entry of medium sized Dahlias with *Grace* and the Dr. Edward McDade Trophy for the third time with the incomparable miniature *Agatha*. He thus retains permanent possession of the latter trophy.

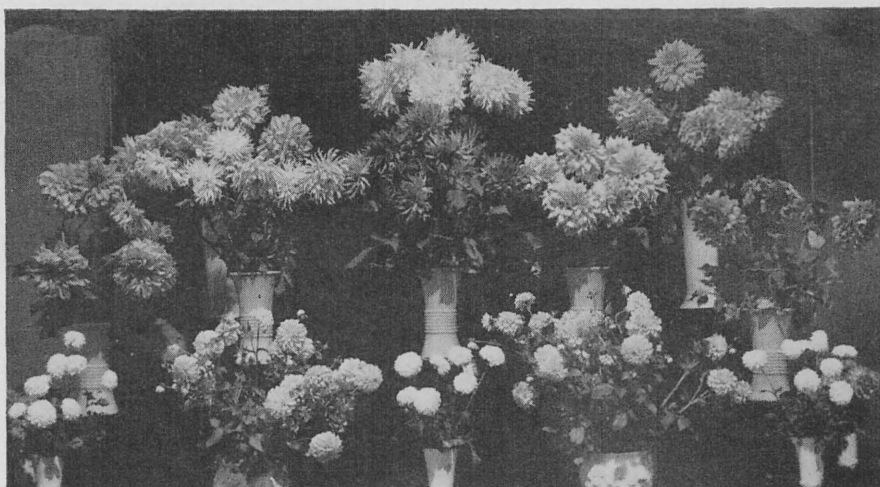
Competition in Section D for small flowering types was spirited. Henry Olsen nosed out Harry Frank in the miniatures, while Harry won more handily in the pompons only to lose the grand sweepstakes in this section to Olsen on account of Henry's better showing in arrangements and baskets.

Seedlings attracted their usual attention. Past-President Ed. Lloyd's beautiful deep lavender large semi-cactus grown and exhibited by Dr. Fred Knocke was awarded the American Home Achievement Medal. This fine new variety has been named *Ruth Alampi* in honor of the gracious lady who with her husband Phil Alampi conduct the popular radio and television garden program. This new acquisition will be introduced by Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens. A lighter lavender 6-inch straight cactus *Friendship* won for Stanley Johnson of Penny-pack Gardens the Leonard Barron Memorial Trophy of the Flower Garden for B size Dahlias. Another seedling of bluish tone to achieve distinction was Dr. Ward Cook's purple miniature decorative *Jo* to which was awarded the A.D.S. Trophy. *Jo* will be introduced by Dahliadel Nurseries. In seedlings it was a day for blue dahlias.

Both Parrella Dahlia Gardens and Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens set up their usual attractive exhibits, showing to advantage their new and recent introductions. Meeting the gaze of every visitor as he entered the exhibition hall each of these exhibits commanded the attention of all. Less conspicuously placed were tastefully arranged personal exhibits by President Drew Mulcahy and Past-President Leo Pollak. The Northport, Long Island, Veterans Display was most interesting and won a gold cup.

The smooth handling of the show is a well-deserved tribute to Emil Berzan, show manager, whose years of experience have taught him just what to do and when to do it quietly and effectively. The new order of the color classes on the show tables was observed with interest. Separation of pinks and lavenders as well as better placement of dark reds and purples seemed to give gen-

Artistic Display
staged by
the Veterans of
Northport Hospital



eral satisfaction. Of some interest to your reporter was the fact that in the Open-to-All, excepting undissemminated varieties not listed in The Cream of the Crop won ribbons in large and medium classes, five varieties among the miniatures and one pompon.

WARD H. COOK.

AWARD WINNERS SECTION A (Novice)

CACTUS—INCURVED, STRAIGHT OR SEMI-CACTUS
3 BLOOMS, B-MEDIUM, ANY COLOR OR COLORS
1st—A. Kalmus, *Lyriek*.

DECORATIVE—FORMAL OR INFORMAL,
3 BLOOMS, B-MEDIUM, ANY COLOR OR COLORS
1st—T. Campionelli, *Betty Blossom*.
2nd—H. Cappel, *Wanda Meade*

CACTUS—INCURVED OR STRAIGHT 1 BLOOM,
A-LARGE, ANY COLOR OR COLORS
1st—A. Kalmus, *Attache Bolster*.
SEMI-CACTUS, 1 BLOOM, A-LARGE, ANY COLOR
1st—A. Kalmus, *Black Monarch*.

DECORATIVE—INFORMAL, 1 BLOOM,
A-LARGE, ANY COLOR
1st—T. Campionelli, *The Volunteer*.
2nd—H. Cappel, *King of the Whites*.

DECORATIVE—FORMAL, 1 BLOOM
A-LARGE, ANY COLOR
1st—A. Fuschetti, *Quinn's Tidal Wave*.
2nd—T. Campionelli, *Arthur Godfrey*.

BALL DAHLIAS— 3 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS
1st—E. Beck, *Bonnie Blue*.

MINIATURES—5 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR
COLORS, NO BUDS ALLOWED
1st—A. Kalmus, *Little Diamond*.

ANY OTHER TYPE—5 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS
1st—A. Kalmus, *Finesse Aversois*.

SPECIAL—MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN
CLASSES A1-B TO A 11
A. Fuschetti—*Quinn's Tidal Wave*.

SWEEPSTAKES—A1B TO A11
A. Kalmus

SECTION B (Amateur)

CACTUS, INCURVED OR STRAIGHT, 3 BLOOMS,
B-MEDIUM, ANY COLOR OR COLORS
1st—F. Kurzenknabe, *Aumonier Chandelon*.
2nd—R. Sargent, *Miss Rose Fletcher*.

SEMI-CACTUS, 3 BLOOMS, B-MEDIUM,
ANY COLOR OR COLORS
1st—G. Yaeger, *Almelo's Glory*.
2nd—G. D'Eustatio, *Scarlet Leader*.

DECORATIVE, FORMAL, 3 BLOOMS, B-MEDIUM,
ANY COLOR OR COLORS
1st—G. D'Eustatio, *Florist Beauty*.
2nd—A. Innes, *Jersey Beauty*.

SPECIAL—MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY
IN CLASSES B1-B TO B-5
F. Kurzenknabe, *Aumonier Chandelon*

CACTUS—INCURVED OR STRAIGHT, 1 BLOOM, A-LARGE
White, Yellow, Orange or Autumn—1st: F. Deichler, Jr., *Graf Folke Bernadotte*.
Flame, Red, Dark Red or Dark Blend—1st: F. Deichler, Jr., *King Size*.

Pink, Lavender or Light Blend—1st: Frank L. Deichler, Jr., *Pride of Holland*; 2nd: Dr. L. Jordan, *Sarett's Pink Flamingo*.
Purple, Bicolor or Variegated—1st: F. Deichler, Jr., *Clariam Royalty*.

SEMI-CACTUS, 1 BLOOM, A-LARGE
Orange, Autumn or Flame—1st: F. Deichler, Jr., *Prairie Fire*.
Red, Dark Red or Purple—1st: F. Deichler, Jr., *Maffie*.

SPECIAL—MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY
IN CLASSES B6-A TO B14-A
Frank Deichler, Jr., *Maffie*.

DECORATIVE—INFORMAL, 1 BLOOM, A-LARGE
White or Yellow—1st: Frank Deichler, Jr., *Winifred Stredwick*;
2nd: G. D'Eustatio, *Dolly Sawyer*.

Orange, Autumn, Flame or Dark Blend—1st: Frank Deichler, Jr., *Croydon Masterpiece*; 2nd: T. Kuzenka, *Croydon Masterpiece*.
Red or Dark Red—1st: Martin Guttler, *Mrs. Hester A. Pape*;
2nd: G. D'Eustatio, *Mrs. Hester A. Pape*.

Lavender or Purple—1st: F. L. Deichler, Jr., *Amos Kirby*.
Pink or Light Blend—1st: F. Kurzenknabe, *Kelvin*; 2nd: Dr. L. Jordan, *Kelvin*.
Bicolor or Variegated—1st: T. Kuzenka, *Dixie Wine Dot*.

DECORATIVE—FORMAL, 1 BLOOM, A-LARGE
White, Yellow, Orange or Autumn—1st: Dr. L. Jordan, *Darcy Sainsbury*; 2nd: T. Kuzenka, *Lord of Autumn*.
Flame, Red, Dark Red or Dark Blend—1st: F. Deichler, Jr., *Arthur Godfrey*.

Pink, Lavender or Light Blend—1st: T. Campionelli, *Five Star General*.
Purple, Bicolor or Variegated—1st: F. Deichler, Jr., *Croydon Brightness*.

SPECIAL—MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY
IN CLASSES B15-A TO B24
F. Kurzenknabe, *Kelvin*

VASE OR BASKET—ANY TYPE OR TYPES
ANY COLOR OR COLORS—MEDIUM DAHLIAS
7 TO 12 BLOOMS—4 TO 8 INCH DAHLIAS
1st—H. Cappel.

SWEEPSTAKES B-1 TO B-28
Frank Deichler, Jr.

SECTION C (Open to All)

CACTUS—INCURVED OR STRAIGHT,
3 BLOOMS, B-MEDIUM
Yellow—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Cirrus*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Bunny*; 3rd: Henry Olsen, *Refugee*.
Orange—1st: A. Kalmus, *Konigen Juliana*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Orange Princess*; 3rd: Academy of Mount St. Vincent, *H-36*.

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Gold Medal
display of
Ruschmohr
Dahlia Gardens

A.D.S. SHOW

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- Red—1st: Harry Miller, *Seedling*; 2nd: Keck-Stephens Gardens, *Gay Salute*; 3rd: Evergreen Farm, *Gay Salute*.
Autumn—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Lady Alice*; 2nd: A. Kal-mus, *Messina*.
Dark Red—1st: Harry Frank, *Juanita*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Grandeza*; 3rd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Juanita*.
Dark Blend—2nd: Ballego & Son, *Phenomenon*.
Light Blend—1st: Evergreen Farm, *Pres. J. Talpe*; 2nd: Henry Olsen, *Mme. C. Payen*; 3rd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Eugene Black*.
Pink—1st: Gamston Gardens, *Chuck's Pink*; 2nd: R. Sargent, *Miss Rose Fletcher*; 3rd: Henry Olsen, *Mme. E. Sawyer*.
White—1st: Gamston Gardens, *Florence Chadwick*; 2nd: Henry Olsen, *Snowball*; 3rd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Florence Chadwick*.
Lavender—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Lavender Gem*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Vigo's Helio*; 3rd: G. D'Eustatio, *Vivianne Coppens*.

5 BLOOMS—1 OR MORE COLORS

- 1st—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Florence Chadwick*.
2nd—Evergreen Farm, *Mixed*.
3rd—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Bunny*.

SPECIAL—MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES C1-B TO C14-B

Gamston Gardens, *Florence Chadwick*

SEMI-CACTUS, 3 BLOOMS, B-MEDIUM

- White or Yellow—1st: Henry Olsen, *Edgar Guest*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Willy Flaton*; 3rd: Academy of Mount St. Vincent, *Mary McGrew*.
Orange or Autumn—1st: Academy of Mount St. Vincent, *Louis R.*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Pari Taha Gold*.
Flame or Dark Blend—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Bataan*.
Red—1st: Carl Helbig, *Scarlet Leader*; 2nd: Evergreen Farm, *Terpo*; 3rd: Carl Helbig, *Scarlet Leader*.
Dark Red or Purple—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Breendonck*.
Light Blend—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Woodland Peach*; 2nd: Henry Olsen, *Theresa Louise*; 3rd: Academy of Mount St. Vincent, *Seedling 19B*.
Pink or Lavender—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Almelo's Glory*; 2nd: Parrella Dahlia Gardens, *Mrs. Dean Acheson*.

5 BLOOMS—1 OR MORE COLORS

- 1st—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Almelo's Glory* and *Maryland Beauty*.
2nd—M. Guttler, *Full Moon*.

SPECIAL

MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES C15-C23
Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Woodland Peach*

DECORATIVE—INFORMAL, 3 BLOOMS, B-MEDIUM

- White, Yellow, Orange or Autumn—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Windlassie*; 2nd: Martin Guttler, *Voll Mond*; 3rd: L. Ogden, *Kathryn E*.
Flame, Dark Blend or Light Blend—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Miss Rita*; 2nd: Academy of Mount St. Vincent, *Seedling*.
Pink, Lavender or Purple—1st: Parrella Dahlia Gardens, *Eventide*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Loveliness* (Holland)
Bicolor or Variegated—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Campus Queen*.

5 BLOOMS—1 OR MORE COLORS

- 1st—Dr. Ward Cook, *Windlassie*.

SPECIAL—MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES C24-B TO C29-B

Dr. Ward Cook, *Windlassie*

DECORATIVE—FORMAL, 3 BLOOMS, B-MEDIUM

- White or Yellow—1st: Henry Olsen, *Sparkler*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Zero*.
Orange or Autumn—1st: A. Innes, *Amb. Van Kleffens*.
Purple—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Dr. Marshall A. Howe*.
Light Blend—Dr. Ward Cook, *Betty Blossom* and *King Peter II*.
Pink or Lavender—1st: Gamston Gardens, *Clariam Luray*; 2nd: Martin Guttler, *Clariam Luray*; 3rd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Jersey's Beauty*.

Bicolor or Variegated—1st: Henry Olsen, *Jack of Hearts*.

5 BLOOMS—1 OR MORE COLORS

- 1st—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Dr. Marshall A. Howe*.

SPECIAL—MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES C30-B TO C38-B

Gamston Gardens, *Clariam Luray*

SMALL MEDIUM DAHLIAS, 4 TO 6 INCHES

CACTUS—INCURVED, 3 BLOOMS,

ANY COLOR OR COLORS

- 1st—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Karolinchen*.

CACTUS—STRAIGHT, 3 BLOOMS,

ANY COLOR OR COLORS

- 1st—Carl Helbig, *Hock's Yellow*.

- 2nd—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Silvretta*.

- 3rd—Dr. Ward Cook, *Ste. Therese*.

SEMI-CACTUS, 3 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS

- 1st—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Willy Flaton*.

- 2nd—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Nicky K*.

- 3rd—Academy of Mount St. Vincent, *N8*.

DECORATIVE—INFORMAL, 3 BLOOMS,

ANY COLOR OR COLORS

- 1st—Frank Deichler, Jr., *Yellow Elegance*.

- 2nd—Academy of Mount St. Vincent, *Seedling 10*.

DECORATIVE—FORMAL, 3 BLOOMS,

ANY COLOR OR COLORS

- 1st—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Ruby Glow*.

- 2nd—Harry Miller, *Seedling*.

BALL DAHLIAS

3 BLOOMS, ANY ONE COLOR

- 1st—R. Sargent, *Mary Helen*.

3 BLOOMS, 2 OR MORE COLORS

- 1st—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Supt. Amrhyn*, *Speckles* and *Mary Helen*.

SPECIAL

MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES 39-B TO C45

Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Ruby Glow*

SWEEPSTAKES C1-B TO C45

Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke

CACTUS—INCURVED OR STRAIGHT

1 BLOOM, A-LARGE, 8 INCHES OR OVER

- Yellow—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Jaune LaBelle*; 2nd: Gamston Gardens, *Jaune LaBelle*; 3rd: E. J. O'Keefe, *Seedling*.

- Orange—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Miss Myrtle Beach*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Leander*; 3rd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Rose Anne S*.

- Red—1st: Gamston Gardens, *Edna D*; 2nd: E. J. O'Keefe, *Edna D*; 3rd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *King Size*.

- Flame—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Giant of Baarn*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Shelbourne's Sunset*.

- Autumn—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Oakleigh Champion*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Carlisle's Pinwheel*; 3rd: E. J. O'Keefe, *Carlisle's Pinwheel*.
 Dark Red—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Detroit 250*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Yowu Matsuoka*; 3rd: E. J. O'Keefe, *Arabian Night*.
 Dark Blend—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Valley Queen*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Phenomenon*; 3rd: E. J. O'Keefe, *Valley Queen*.
 Purple—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Arabian Night*; 2nd: E. J. O'Keefe, *Clariam Royalty*; 3rd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Clariam Royalty*.
 Light Blend—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Brown Bomber*; 2nd: E. J. O'Keefe, *Reality*.
 Pink—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Sarett's Pink Flamingo*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Pink Superior*; 3rd: Academy of Mount St. Vincent, *Sarett's Pink Flamingo*.
 White—1st: Gamston Gardens, *Bay City White*; 2nd: Dr. Ward Cook, *Bay City White*; 3rd: Henry Olsen, *Bay City White*.
 3 BLOOMS, 1 OR MORE COLORS
 1st—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Brown Bomber*.
 2nd—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Valley Queen*.
 3rd—Dr. Ward Cook, *Pink Superior*.

SPECIAL
 MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN
 CLASSES C46-60

Dr. Knocke, *Brown Bomber*
 SEMI-CACTUS—1 BLOOM
 A-LARGE, 8 INCHES OR OVER

- Yellow—1st: Martin Guttler, *New Look*; 2nd: E. J. O'Keefe, *New Look*; 3rd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Rika Ballin*.
 Orange—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Prairie Fire*; 2nd: Academy of Mount St. Vincent, *N212*; 3rd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Prairie Fire*.
 Red—1st: Gamston Gardens, *Lynn Fontanne*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Lynn Fontanne*; 3rd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Maffie*.
 Flame—1st: Keck-Stephens Gardens, *Collector's Item*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. Fred Knocke, *Collector's Item*.
 Autumn—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Ronnie Lee*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Amelia Earhart*.
 Dark Red—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Mary Lynn Dudley*; 2nd: Dr. Ward Cook, *Black Monarch*; 3rd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Val's Delight*.
 Variegated—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Seedling*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Figaro*.
 Bicolor—1st: Martin Guttler, *Jane Lausche*; 2nd: E. J. O'Keefe, *Jane Lausche*; 3rd: Dr. L. Jordan, *Jane Lausche*.
 Dark Blend—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *William Evans*.
 Purple—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Ada N*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Cheadle Park*; 3rd: Dr. Ward Cook, *Ada N*.
 Light Blend—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Sensation*; 2nd: Roy Sargent, *Winona*.
 Pink—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Cymbie*; 2nd: Dr. W. Cook, *All American*; 3rd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *All American*.
 White—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Edith Willkie*; 2nd: E. J. O'Keefe, *Edith Willkie*; 3rd: Dr. Ward Cook, *Edith Willkie*.
 Lavender—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Marilyn Dale*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Ruth Alampi*; 3rd: Henry Olsen, *Ruth Alampi*.
 3 BLOOMS, 1 OR MORE COLORS
 1st—Martin Guttler, *New Look*.
 2nd—Keck-Stephens Gardens, *Collector's Item*.
 3rd—E. J. O'Keefe, *Marilyn Dale* and *Graf Folke Bernadotte*.

SPECIAL
 MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES C61-C75

Gamston Gardens, *Lynn Fontanne*
 DECORATIVE—INFORMAL
 1 BLOOM, A-LARGE, 8 INCHES OR OVER

- Yellow—1st: Gamston Gardens, *Quinn's Tidal Wave*; 2nd: E. J. O'Keefe, *Quinn's Tidal Wave*; 3rd: Harry Frank, *Sunburst*.
 Orange—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Betty Broster*; 2nd: Dr. Ward Cook, *Betty Broster*.
 Red—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Murphy's Masterpiece*.
 Flame—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Col. Little*.
 Autumn—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Croydon Masterpiece*; 2nd: Gamston Gardens, *Croydon Masterpiece*; 3rd: E. J. O'Keefe, *Croydon Masterpiece*.
 Dark Red—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Mrs. Hester A. Pape*; 2nd: Dr. W. Cook, *Mrs. Hester A. Pape*; 3rd: M. Guttler, *Mrs. Hester A. Pape*.
 Variegated—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Dirie Wine Dot*; 2nd: R. Sargent, *Pfarrer Rojek*.
 Bicolor—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Kentucky Sportsman*; 2nd: Dr. F. Knocke, *Kentucky Sportsman*.
 Dark Blend—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Autumn Blaze*; 2nd: Dr. L. Jordan, *Autumn Blaze*; 3rd: Henry Olsen, *Autumn Blaze*.
 Purple—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Kemp's Purple Triumph*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *African Queen*.
 Light Blend—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Majestat*.
 Pink—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Kelvin*; 2nd: L. M. Ogden, *Kelvin*; 3rd: Academy Mount St. Vincent, *Kelvin*.
 White—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Mother's Day*; 2nd: A. Mulcahy, *Madonna*; 3rd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Vargas Gardner*.



Dr. Ward Cook's splendid purple Miniature Decorative "Jo" won the coveted A.D.S. Trophy. Dahliadel will introduce it.

- Lavender—1st: Dr. L. Jordan, *Powder Puff*; 2nd: Henry Olsen, *Nearest Blue*; 3rd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Powder Puff*.
 3 BLOOMS, 1 OR MORE COLORS
 1st—E. J. O'Keefe, *Madonna* and *Pirate Treasure*.
 2nd—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Sunburst*.
 3rd—Gamston Gardens, *Quinn's Tidal Wave*.

SPECIAL
 MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES C76-C90

Dr. Ward Cook, *Croydon Masterpiece*
 DECORATIVE—FORMAL
 1 BLOOM, A-LARGE, 8 INCHES OR OVER

- Yellow—1st: Gamston Gardens, *Prairie Sun*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Prairie Sun*; 3rd: Mr. S. Gluck, *Prairie Sun*.
 Orange—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Don Jose*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Volcano*.
 Red—1st: Harry Frank, *A52-A*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Red Perfection*.
 Flame—1st: Henry Olsen, *Arthur Godfrey*.
 Autumn—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Kirsten Flagstad*; 2nd: James Kelly, *Kirsten Flagstad*.
 Dark Red—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Bull's Eye*; 2nd: E. J. O'Keefe, *Bull's Eye*; 3rd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Commando* (Australian).
 Bicolor—1st: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Jeanette*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Tiara*.
 Purple—1st: Henry Olsen, *Deep Purple*.
 Light Blend—1st: Henry Olsen, *Five Star General*; 2nd: Gamston Gardens, *Five Star General*; 3rd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Kidd's Climax*.
 Pink—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Stardust*; 2nd: E. J. O'Keefe, *Stardust*.
 White—1st: E. J. O'Keefe, *Croydon Snotop*; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *The Real Glory*; 3rd: Henry Olsen, *The Real Glory*.
 Lavender—1st: Dr. Ward Cook, *Ruth Nichols*; 2nd: Henry Olsen, *Lavender Perfection*; 3rd: Dr. W. Cook, *Lavender Perfection*.
 3 BLOOMS, 1 OR MORE COLORS
 1st—Dr. Ward Cook, *Five Star General*.
 2nd—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Jeanette*.
 3rd—Martin Guttler, *Five Star General*.

SPECIAL
 MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN
 CLASSES C91-A TO C105-A

Dr. Ward Cook, *Ruth Nichols*
 LARGEST AND MOST NEARLY PERFECT BLOOM
 INCURVED OR STRAIGHT CACTUS
 DIAMETER X DEPTH—ANY COLOR

Dr. Ward Cook, *Bay City White*

LARGEST AND MOST NEARLY PERFECT BLOOM
 SEMI-CACTUS

DIAMETER X DEPTH—ANY COLOR
 Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Ada N*.

LARGEST AND MOST NEARLY PERFECT BLOOM
 INFORMAL DECORATIVE

DIAMETER X DEPTH—ANY COLOR
 E. J. O'Keefe, *Quinn's Tidal Wave*
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Mrs. Leo L. Pollak's blue ribbon winning arrangement.

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LARGEST AND MOST NEARLY PERFECT BLOOM
FORMAL DECORATIVE

DIAMETER X DEPTH—ANY COLOR
Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Arthur Godfrey*

SWEEPSTAKES

C46-A TO C109-A FOR A-LARGE DAHLIAS
Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke

SPECIAL BASKET AND ARRANGEMENT CLASSES
BB—MEDIUM, 4 TO 6 INCHES

BASKET—CACTUS—INCURVED OR STRAIGHT
OR SEMI CACTUS 15 TO 25 BLOOMS
ANY COLOR OR COLORS

1st—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Mrs. Willicombe*.

VASE—CACTUS—INCURVED OR STRAIGHT
OR SEMI-CACTUS—9-15 BLOOMS
ANY COLOR OR COLORS

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

VASE—DECORATIVE—FORMAL OR INFORMAL
9 TO 15 BLOOMS—ANY COLOR OR COLORS

1st—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Ruby Glow*.

SPECIAL

MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN
CLASSES C110-BB TO C114-BB

Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Mrs. Willicombe*

ANY TYPE OR TYPES—B-MEDIUM—4 TO 8 INCHES
BASKET—ANY COLOR OR COLORS—10 TO 15 BLOOMS

1st—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Mme. Sawyer, Cirrus, Patricia Ann*.

VASE—ANY COLOR OR COLORS—7 TO 12 BLOOMS

1st—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Bronx Cheer*.

BASKET—BICOLOR—12 TO 20 BLOOMS

1st—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Kortrijk's Vendel*.

SPECIAL

MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN
CLASSES C115-B TO C117-B

Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Bronx Cheer*

ANY TYPE OR TYPES, A-LARGE, OVER 8 INCHES
BASKET—ANY COLOR OR COLORS, 7 TO 12 BLOOMS

1st—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Yoru Matsuoaka*.

VASE—ANY COLOR OR COLORS
5 TO 9 BLOOMS

1st—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Hester Pape, Pride of Parkersburg, New Look*.

2nd—Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Croydon Masterpiece*.

3rd—Dr. Ward Cook, *Nearest Blue, Pride of Parkersburg, Burnbrae's Memory*.

SPECIAL

MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN
CLASSES 118-A TO C120-A

Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Yoru Matsuoaka*

SWEEPSTAKES

C110-BB TO 120-A FOR SPECIAL BASKET
AND ARRANGEMENT CLASSES

VIRGINIA POLLAK AWARD

Cup donated by Past President Leo Pollak
Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke

GRAND SWEEPSTAKES IN SECTION C
(C1-B TO C120-A)

MARGARET GORDON WAASER MEMORIAL TROPHY
Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke

SECTION D (Open to All)

MINIATURES—CACTUS

INCURVED OR STRAIGHT, OR SEMI-CACTUS
5 BLOOMS, UNDER 4 INCHES, BUDS NOT ALLOWED

Yellow—1st: H. Olsen, *Belle*; 2nd: H. Frank, *Tip*.
Orange—1st: H. Olsen, *Andrie's Orange*; 2nd: H. Frank, *Andrie's Orange*.

Red—1st: L. Schimpf, *Ruby Charm*.

Autumn—1st: H. Olsen, *Autumn Babe*.

Bicolor or Variegated—1st: H. Frank, *Little Sheik*.

Dark Blend—1st: H. Frank, *Fame*.

Purple—1st: H. Frank, *Lombaert's Violet*; 2nd: H. Frank, *Fuchsia Gem*.

Light Blend—1st: H. Olsen, *Hazel Harper*; 2nd: H. Frank, *Hazel Harper*; 3rd: L. Schimpf, *Hazel Harper*.

Pink—1st: H. Frank, *Miss Little Prim*; 2nd: H. Frank, *Jubilant*;

3rd: Keck-Stephens Gardens, *Pink Lady*.

White—Henry Olsen—*Geneva Crystal White*.

5 BLOOMS, 2 OR MORE COLORS

1st—H. Frank, *Tip*, *Fuchsia Gem*; 2nd: H. Olsen, *Geneva Crystal White*, *Freda*.

SPECIAL

MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN
CLASSES D1 TO D14

Henry Olsen, *Geneva Crystal White*

MINIATURES

DECORATIVE, FORMAL OR INFORMAL
5 BLOOMS, UNDER 4 INCHES, BUDS NOT ALLOWED

Yellow—1st: H. Olsen, *52E2*; 2nd: H. Frank, *Little Lemon Drop*;

3rd: H. Olsen, *Little Lemon Drop*.

Orange—1st: H. Olsen, *Peggy Lindley*; 2nd: H. Olsen, *52D1*.

Red—1st: H. Frank, *Seedling*; 2nd: H. Frank, *Seedling*.

Flame—1st: H. Olsen, *Decoy*; 2nd: H. Olsen, *Red Fire*; 3rd:

L. Schimpf, *Decoy*.

Autumn—1st: H. Olsen, *Buckeye Baby*; 2nd: L. Ogden, *N48*; 3rd:

H. Frank, *Buckeye Baby*.

Dark Red—1st: D. Slocum, *Seedling*; 2nd: H. Olsen, *Freda*.

Bicolor or Variegated—1st: H. Olsen, *Joke*; 2nd: L. Schimpf,

S-52-3.

Purple—1st: L. Schimpf, *Little Jerry*; 2nd: H. Olsen, *Royalette*;

3rd: H. Frank, *Little Jerry*.

Light Blend—1st: H. Frank, *Bo Bo*; 2nd: Academy of Mount

St. Vincent, *Bo Bo*; 3rd: H. Olsen, *Bo Bo*.

Pink—1st: H. Olsen, *50M3*; 2nd: H. Olsen, *Baby Fonteneau*.

White—1st: H. Olsen, *Agatha*; 2nd: H. Frank, *Agatha*; 3rd:

R. Sargent, *Miss Innocence*.

5 BLOOMS, 2 OR MORE COLORS

1st—H. Frank, *Agatha* and *Bo Bo*; 2nd: H. Olsen, *Freda* and

Red Shadow.

PEONY (OPEN CENTERED)

5 BLOOMS, ANY COLOR OR COLORS

1st—Keck-Stephens Gardens, *Seedling*.

SPECIAL

MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES D15-D30

Harry Frank, *Bo Bo*

SWEEPSTAKES D1 TO D30

H. Olsen

Massive Display
of
Parrella
Dahlia Gardens
Gold Medal
Award



POMPONS—5 BLOOMS, BUDS NOT ALLOWED

- Yellow—1st: H. Frank, *Mimosa*; 2nd: H. Olsen, *Light Ball*; 3rd: L. Schimpf, *Little Jackie*.
 Orange—1st: Monte Jones, *Little David*; 2nd: L. Schimpf, *Clarisse*; 3rd: H. Frank, *Cinders*.
 Red—1st: H. Frank, *Sweetie*; 2nd: L. Schimpf, *Ila*; 3rd: M. Jones, *Ila*.
 Flame—1st: H. Olsen, *Little Edith*; 2nd: F. Kurzenkuabe, *Little Edith*; 3rd: Monte Jones, *Little Edith*.
 Autumn—1st: H. Olsen, *Honey*; 2nd: L. Schimpf, *Gold Dust*; 3rd: H. Frank, *Gold Dust*.
 Dark Red—1st: H. Olsen, *Ebony*, 2nd: H. Frank, *Ebony*, 3rd: M. Jones, *Ebony*.
 Bicolor or Variegated—1st: H. Frank, *Eileen*; 2nd: H. Olsen, *Eileen*; 3rd: M. Jones, *Eileen*.
 Purple—1st: H. Frank, *Miss Marjorie*; 3rd: Keck-Stephens Gardens, *Valda*.
 Light Blend—1st: H. Frank, *Clover*; 2nd: H. Olsen, *Clover*; 3rd: R. Sargent, *Rosy*.
 Pink—1st: Monte Jones, *Mrs. French*; 2nd: H. Olsen, *Mrs. V. Brittain*; 3rd: H. Frank, *Mrs. French*.
 White—1st: H. Frank, *Mrs. J. Telfer*; 2nd: M. Jones, *Mrs. J. Telfer*; 3rd: Carl Helbig, *Albino*.
 Lavender—1st: H. Frank, *Margaret Williams*; 2nd: H. Frank, *Rosegay*; 3rd: L. Schimpf, *Margaret Williams*.

SPECIAL

MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY IN CLASSES D31-D43
Harry Frank, *Miss Marjorie*

SMALLEST AND MOST NEARLY PERFECT POMPON
SIZE TO COUNT 50, ALL OTHER QUALITIES 50
Dr. Ward Cook, *Clover*

SWEEPSTAKES D31 TO D44 FOR POMPONS
H. Frank

ANEMONE DAHLIAS

1st: Evergreen Farms, *Comete*.

SPECIAL BOWL, BASKET AND ARRANGEMENT CLASSES
MINIATURE DAHLIAS

Bowl or basket, 15 to 30 blooms, cactus or semi-cactus,
1 or more varieties, buds allowed

1st: Henry Olsen, *Belle*.

Bowl or basket, decorative, formal or informal, or peony, 15 to 30
blooms, 1 or more varieties, buds allowed—1st: Henry Olsen,
Agatha; 2nd: Emil Berzau, *Little Lemon Drop*.

POMPON DAHLIAS

Bowl of Pompons 10 to 20 blooms, 1 or more varieties
1st: H. Frank, *Eileen*; buds H. Olsen, *Ila* and Mrs. J. Telfer;
3rd: Monte Jones, *Mixed Varieties*.
Basket of Pompons, 15 to 30 blooms, 1 or more varieties—1st:

Monte Jones, *Mixed Varieties*; 2nd: Henry Olsen, Mrs. V. Brittain.
Display of Pompons, 50 or more blooms, 1 or more varieties—1st: Monte Jones; 2nd: Dr. Ward Cook; 3rd: Harry Frank.
Special—most outstanding entry in classes D49-D56—Henry Olsen, *Agatha*.
SWEEPSTAKES D49-D56 FOR BOWLS, BASKETS AND ARRANGEMENTS—H. Olsen.
GRAND SWEEPSTAKES IN SECTION D (D1 TO D 56)—H. Olsen.

SECTION E (Special Display Classes)

12-15 A-large dahlia blooms, any color or colors, any type or types, displayed in a basket or ornamental vase—1st: Mrs. Richard Colt, *Croydon Masterpiece*, *Kelvin*, *Madonna*, Mrs. Hester A. Pape; 2nd: Dr. & Mrs. F. Knocke, *Edith Willkie*; 3rd: L. M. Ogden, *Kelvin*, Mrs. Hester A. Pape.
Exhibit of Dahlias, 50 square feet or over. Entry may be made by an amateur grower, a society, a club or a city or civic group—1st: Northport Veterans Hospital.

SECTION F (Commercial)

To the most outstanding and meritorious commercial dahlia exhibit of 100 square feet—Ruschmohr Dahlia Gardens.
To the most outstanding and meritorious commercial dahlia exhibit of over 100 square feet—Parrella Dahlia Gardens.

SECTION G (Seedlings)

A.D.S. Show seedling sweepstakes awards:

Dr. Ward Cook, <i>Jo</i>	86.67	points
Douglas Slocum, <i>Ida S.</i>	85.4	"
Harry Miller, <i>No. 985</i>	85.00	"
Stanley Johnson, <i>No. 164</i>	86.2	"
Stanley Johnson, <i>Friendship</i>	85.0	"

The AMERICAN HOME ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL is offered for award to the originator whether amateur or professional of the most worthy undissemated dahlia, whether shown by the originator or someone else. Originator—Ed Lloyd, *Ruth Alampi*. Exhibitor—Dr. F. Knocke.

The FLOWER GROWER AWARD or LEONARD BARRON MEMORIAL TROPHY is offered for the best variety of medium size dahlias measuring 4 to 8 inches, 3 blooms or more. Stanley Johnson, *Friendship*.

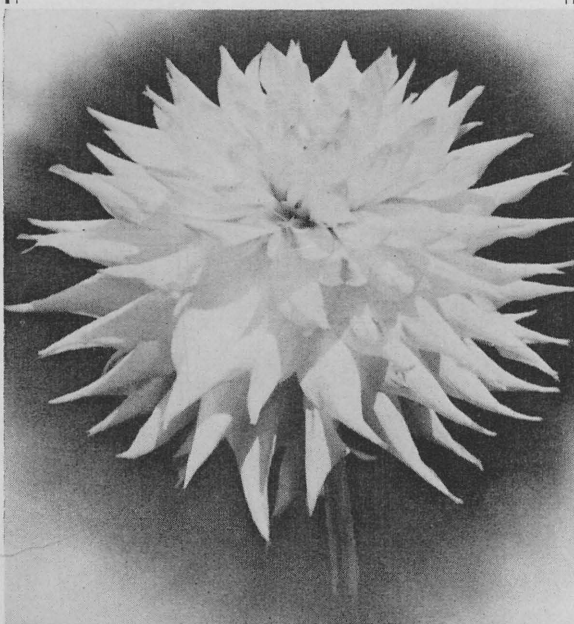
The A.D.S. TROPHY for the best undissemated variety of small size dahlias measuring 4 inches or less in diameter, 10 blooms. Dr. Ward Cook, *Jo*.

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A.D.S. Annual Meeting and Dinner

Check the date! It is January 23rd, 1954 (a departure from the usual third Saturday).

A new treat is in store . . . leave it to Dewey Mohr to come up with an idea to make this the 'Dahlia Day of the Year.' The beautiful and spacious Tower Room of the Park Sheraton Hotel in New York City will provide a much more adequate setting for our 'get-together.'

The Hotel is situated at 7th Avenue at 55th Street, New York City . . . all subways lead close by. There is a large parking field just across the street.

Take the elevator to the 25th floor . . . then step out and enter a private elevator to the 28th floor.

The Executive Committee will meet at ten in the morning.

Our Annual meeting . . . which we trust will be attended by at least one hundred members will be called to order at 2:30 in the afternoon.

We will gather . . . in the evening . . . at seven . . . in the beautiful dining room on the floor below . . . to enjoy a turkey dinner, followed by special awards . . . a limited number of the season's best Kodachromes of Dahlias. And . . . an address on 'How to interest more people to grow more Dahlias . . . by Phil Alampi, who with his charming wife, conduct the regular television program . . . 'Home Gardener' on A.B.C. Mr. Alampi is not long winded . . . and knows how to present his message capably.

Please mail your reservations to Dewey Mohr as soon as possible. Here is a bargain attraction . . . tickets will be sold at the usual price . . . the A.D.S. underwrites the excess cost. Plan to be with us . . . and if possible bring a couple of friends . . . we should have at least one hundred and fifty for this 1954 kick-off.

If you wish hotel reservations, your request should be made known without delay.

Registrations

Registration fee received, the following Dahlias are duly registered:

Gay Linda—miniature ball or M.F.D. tangerine.

Since this goes over two inches, it would be rated as a miniature ball or miniature formal decorative, depending upon the formation of the ray. In pompons the rays are cupped. If they spread flat more than half way, it is a formal decorative. Originator: Herbert L. Clover, 8606 Lackland Rd., Overland, Missouri.

Mona Lisa—'B' Dahlia, informal decorative, phlox purple with white tips, bi-color. Originator McLeod's Dahlia Gardens, 564 Halladay St., Seattle, Washington.

CHARLES H. CONNORS, Chairman.
Com. on Nomenclature.

Proposed Amendment

Proposed Amendment to A.D.S. By-Laws is as follows:

Article VI, Section 2, Clause 4 to be changed to Clause 5, and a new Clause 4 inserted, to read as follows: A plurality of valid votes cast shall elect in case of competition for office. A minimum of 25 valid votes shall be required for election to any office.

This will be voted upon at the Annual Meeting in January, 1954.

Donors to A.D.S. 1953 Show

Our grateful appreciation to so many faithful members who contributed generously to our Show Fund:

C. Albanese, F. A. Alleva, W. A. Beals, C. M. Brown, G. Brunjes, R. P. Connal, Dr. W. H. Cook, H. F. Cory, L. Delfufo, C. M. Diffenderffer, L. B. Dudley, W. L. Elkins, C. E. Faust, C. Frey, L. E. Gill, Mrs. G. E. Green, M. Guttler, J. W. Hanna, Mrs. G. Humble, S. Johnson, Dr. F. J. Knocke, T. Kuzenka, E. B. Lloyd, F. D. Marker, W. W. Maytrott, Dr. E. McDade, J. Metzger, H. D. Mohr, A. J. Mulcahy, J. Musso, Mrs. L. M. Ogen, Dr. H. C. Parker, A. Parrella, B. E. Phillips, A. Pietruskiewicz, Dr. B. B. Preas, Dr. H. C. Rike, J. L. Roberts, F. Seaman, Mrs. R. M. Smith, Mrs. W. C. Stange, J. Strauss, G. H. Swezey, Adrian P. Taylor, L. B. Tim, Gordon F. Waaser, R. W. Webb, E. J. Wind and Mrs. J. B. Wood.

San Leandro Show (California)

In the Advance Amateur Section the main winners were Mr. Carl Lundvall and Mr. David Webb.

The Best Dahlia in the show was *Crayden's Masterpiece* grown by Mr. David Webb, with which he won the beautiful Chamber of Commerce Trophy.

The Largest Dahlia in Show a *Crayden's Masterpiece* was grown by Mr. Carl Lundvall.

Best Bi-color *Frances H*, grown by Mr. David Webb.

Best container of miniatures *Crisp* exhibited by Mr. David Webb.

Container of 12 large dahlias, *Craydens Masterpiece* won by Mr. David Webb.

Smallest perfect dahlia *Doria* grown by Mrs. Grace Harrison.

In the Flower Arrangement, Mrs. E. H. Cunningham won all 6 firsts and the Show Managers Trophy given by Mr. Chas. Perry.

We had 3,000 visitors attend the show and was very proud of our show.

MRS. ELEANOR BOLESWORTH,
Secretary.

Follow-Up On Timing

By HENRY C. PARKER

I was agreeably surprised when two of our National Capital Dahlia Society growers, after winning many prizes at our local shows, attempted to give me all the credit for their winnings. It seems that both had read my article on the timing of dahlias published in the February issue of the A.D.S. Journal and that both had carefully followed the directions there given, even to the use of a toothpick.

Just to show how effectively these two gentlemen timed their dahlias; Forest Minor, a novice grower, raised 48 plants. He took 12 blooms to the Chevy-Chase, Bethesda Harvest Show, Sept. 19, 1953 and won the award given for the largest and best bloom in the show as well as sweepstakes in the section for growers of less than 100 plants. Just one week later he took 22 blooms to the National Capital Dahlia Show and won (1) sweepstakes in the Novice Section, (2) best large flowering dahlia in the Novice Section, (3) best medium flowering dahlia in the Novice Section, (4) best entry in Section K, open to all, large flowering, three bloom, and (5) best entry in Section O, large flowering, specimen blooms, open to growers of up to 250 plants. His timing obviously did not reduce the size or quality of his blooms. It will be noted that he obtained 22 show blooms from 48 plants for the big show whereas my article indicated that it should be possible to bring about half as many blooms as plants. Mr. Minor therefore came close to this estimate since he said he brought in only his best blooms. He did not know how to transport any more.

This was Col. Wm. S. Barksdale's second year of growing dahlias and he raised about 140 plants. He entered the Falls Church Show, Sept. 19, 1953 and exhibited 150 blooms, winning 34 blue ribbons. He won the grand sweepstakes and sweepstakes in Sections B, D and G. He won the best blooms in Sections C and G, the best large flowering dahlia in the show and the best medium flowering dahlia in the show. Just one week later he took 180 blooms to the National Capital Dahlia Society show and in this he won sweepstakes in Sections Q and L and the best bloom in Section Q. Col. Barksdale says that he brought all the blooms he had. He actually brought no less than 1.3 blooms per plant. This is believed to be a new record.

This timing method evidently enables a small grower, growing say from 100 to 200 plants, to compete successfully against large growers, growing 500 or more plants. Most of the large growers have too many plants to time. The small growers have less plants to cultivate, less to tie up, less to dust and less to fertilize; hence they have plenty of time left to time their plants.

The time required is not excessive. I usually start timing my 200 plants about 8 weeks before show time. The first week it may take one hour, the second 2 hours. During the following three critical weeks (6, 5 and 4 weeks before show time) it may take 3 hours to time all plants and from that time on only ordinary dis-budding is required up to show time. Growers who time their plants never complain about being "all bloomed out" come show time.

A. D. S. Trial Gardens

BY EDWARD B. LLOYD, *Chairman*

Report of Eastern Trial Garden

Rutgers University
New Brunswick, N. J.

Drought and excessive heat made this one of the worst dahlia years we have ever experienced. Plenty of rain fell in the spring, to the point of delaying planting. However, we managed to get the plants in earlier than usual and they had a good start.

We like to grow the plants with as little coddling as possible. After all, the average dahlia grower does not feed to the extent that some specialists do. He may or may not water. Without water, of course, fertilizer is of no value. This year we were obliged to irrigate several times and the plants were kept growing.

Diseases were not very much in evidence, although several of the seedlings were so seriously diseased that they could not be considered in scoring. The growers should learn to recognize the various virus diseases and their effect on the growth of the plants.

There were 41 seedlings in the garden this year. Six of these were on retrial from last year. How people waste money! One grower sent the same variety for two entries. In another case when the three plants of an entry bloomed, no two were alike.

The following seedlings are recommended for certificates:

Stake 18, *No. 106-49*. E. B. Lloyd, 10 Crestmont Road, Montclair, N. J. A dahlia, Formal Decorative, dark blend. Flowers 11 x 8, stem 8 inches. Height: 5 feet. Score 85.

Stake 19, *Timmie*. William Elkins, Richmond, Virginia. Miniature Formal Decorative, light blend. Flowers 3 x 2, stem 6 inches. Height: 5 feet. Score 86.

Stake 25, *No. 3450*. Conrad Frey, 7 Cathedral Avenue, Nutley, N. J. A dahlia, Straight Cactus, dark blend. Flowers 9 x 5, Stem 9 inches. Height: 4 feet. Score 85.

Stake 33, *Silver Spring*. Originator E. R. Phillips, Silver Springs, Maryland, entered by Rock River Dahlia Gardens. Miniature Formal Decorative, Venetian Pink, flowers 2 x 2, stems 6 inches. Height 4½ feet. Score 85.

Stake 36, *Ball W*. Entered by Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J. Ball, White, faint tinge of pink as opening. Flowers 4½ x 2½, stem 7 inches. Height: 5 feet. Score 85.

Stake 37, *1/10*. Entered by Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J. A dahlia, Semi-cactus, azalea pink. Flowers 9 x 5½, stem 8 inches. Height: 5 feet. Score 85.

Stake 39, *Patricia Ann*. Entered by Dahliadel Nurseries, Vineland, N. J. B dahlia, Semi-cactus, fuchsine pink. Flowers 7½ x 4, stem 8½ inches. Height: 3½ feet. Score 85.

Stake 40, *Tangerine*. Entered by Walter Bardell, Woodcliff Avenue, Woodcliff Lake, N. J. B dahlia, Informal Decorative, Mandarin red. Flowers 7 x 4, Stem 5½ inches. Height 5½ feet. Score 85.

CHARLES H. CONNORS,
Superintendent.

Mid-West Dahlia Trial Gardens East Lansing, Michigan

The Mid-West Dahlia Trial Gardens of the American Dahlia Society at East Lansing Michigan, awarded two certificates for the 1953 season. There were a total of 33 entries, two of these being retrials.

The final meeting of judges, for approval of the final scores, was held in the Horticultural Building of Michigan State College, Saturday, Oct. 3rd. Colored slides of most of the varieties were prepared and shown by Philip Coleman of the college staff and Mr. Harold Markley one of our judges from Lansing, Michigan. Previous to the meeting, most of the judges were able to check on the trial ground varieties again, as there had been no frost previous to the meeting. Eighteen judges and officials attended the meeting which had to be called on short notice because of the request from the A.D.S. for early reports.

The early part of the growing season was satisfactory for the growth of the plants. There was no excessively hot weather and just enough rainfall to keep artificial irrigation to a minimum. However, two weeks of excessively high temperatures in late August and early September did cause serious damage to flowers and plants.

CERTIFICATE AWARDS—1953

Radiant Red

Entry No. 73. Semi-cactus. Score 85 B

Entered by Mrs. Gertrude K. Strasen, Strasen Floral Gardens, Austinburg, Ohio. Scarlet red with white reverse. Diameter of blooms 7-7½ inches, depth 4½-5 inches. Stem 8-12 inches, straight, strong; flower half facing. Health good. Floriferousness excellent. Tall plants 4½-5 feet high. Spread 2 feet. Beautiful red.

Shirley Jean

Entry No. 87. Informal decorative. Score 85 A

Entered by Ra-Nell Dahlia Gardens, 5460 Dixie Highway, Drayton Plains, Route 1, Michigan. Color light amaranth. Diameter of blooms 8-11 inches, depth 5-6 inches. Stem 9-14 inches; strong, straight. Flowers facing. Health of plants excellent. Floriferousness very good. Tall plants 6-7½ feet. Spread 3 feet.

DAHLIA VARIETIES SCORING 80-84 POINTS

Aileen Wallace. Entry 71. Cactus. Score 82.8 A. Thomas Foxton, Toronto, Canada. Autumn.

Southern Lady. Entry 72. Cactus. Score 81 B. E. L. Miller, Chattanooga, Tennessee. Mallow rose.

Pilgrim. Entry 74. Cactus. Score 82.4 B D. T. Morgan, Cuya Falls, Ohio. White.

Cherie. Entry 75. Inf. Decorative. Score 82 B. Comstock Dahlia Gardens, San Diego, California. Mallow rose.

Silver Wedding. Entry 76. Cactus. Score 82.7 A. J. E. Hulin, Port Orchard, Washington. White.

Maureen Connolly. Entry 78. Formal decorative. Score 82.5 B. Comstock Dahlia Gardens, San Diego, California. Yellow.

Sutter's Gold. Entry 79. Cactus. Score 84 A. Fred D. Ware, Evansville, Indiana. Yellow.

Seedling No. 9. Entry 80. Cactus. Score 81.6 B. Charles W. Mosley, Detroit, Michigan. Dark red.

American Judge. Entry 81. Semi-cactus. Score 81.2 B. J. G. Ballego & Sons, Leiden, Holland. Light autumn.

Trinket. Entry 82. Miniature Inf. Dec. Score 80.1 M. J. E. Hulin, Port Orchard, Washington. Amaranth red.

31-1950. Entry 83. Formal to Inf. Dec. Score 82 B. Forest View Gardens, Fairmont, W. Va. Dark autumn.

21-1950. Entry 84. Lac. Incurved Cactus. Score 82.5 B. Forest View Gardens, Fairmont, W. Va. Rose-red.

Timmie. Entry 85. Miniature ball. Score 83 M. W. L. Elkins, Richmond, Virginia. Sulfur yellow becoming almost white. Tipped mallow rose.

LK-037. Entry 89. Formal decorative. Score 83.5 M. Lakeside Gardens, New Baltimore, Michigan. Medium autumn.

Nellie A. Entry 90. Semi-cactus. Score 81.2 B. Edware C. Allen, Coldwater, Michigan. Mallow purple.

Lavender Lady. Entry 91. Formal decorative. Score 83.3 B. Dutch Mill Gardens, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Dusky mallow rose.

M.W. Bingay. Entry 92. Formal to Informal. Score 82.7 B. Lakeside Gardens, New Baltimore, Michigan. Bright scarlet.

Edward C. Entry 93. Informal. Score 82.9 A. Edware C. Allen, 89 Pierce St., Coldwater, Michigan. Light autumn.

50-0. Entry 94. Laciniated Inf. dec. Score 81.2 B. Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. White.

FW-1. Entry 95. Cactus. Score 82 B. Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. Mallow pink.

B-48. Entry 96. Inf. decorative. Score 81.5 A. Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. Amaranth.

HU-2. Entry 97. Min. cactus. Score 81.2 M. Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio. Mallow rose.

DR. C. E. WILDON,
Superintendent.

Long Island Dahlia Trial Grounds

Long Island Agricultural & Technical Institute
Farmingdale, New York

1953 Report

By CHRISTIAN RISSMEYER, Superintendent

The year of 1953 will long be remembered by the Long Island growers of Dahlias, not only did the mercury rise to one hundred degrees Fahrenheit and above, but it stayed there for days.

Since many of the Dahlia species had their home in Mexico, one would think that temperatures would have no ill effect on them, however, our present day varieties are not endowed with the same ruggedness as were their parents of long ago.

Our first plants were planted on May the 18th and the last were put in during the last week in June. The June plantings never started to grow before the hot weather set in and remained short plants during the season, so once more, for Long Island plant before the 10th of June for best success.

Messrs. Berzau, Gutler and Pitt again gave generously of their time, scoring the test entries.

The complete results of the trials are as follow:

Stake No. 2. Entered by Carlton E. Richter, 9703 SE Harold St., Portland 66, Oregon. Variety, *Miss America*, B, I.C., color Empire Rose. Score 85.

Stake No. 5. Entered by Comstock Dahlia Gardens, 5140—35th St., San Diego, Cali. Variety, *Maureen Connolly*, B, F.D., color Old Primrose Yellow. A strong grower and free flowering. 6 to 6½ ft. high, size dis-budded, 7" x 5." Score 86.3.

Stake No. 20. Entered by Rocky Road Dahlia Gardens, 19111 Stony Rd., Rocky River, Ohio. Variety *Little Rachel*, Min., S.C., color Fuschine Pink. This plant bloomed all season and was admired by all who saw it in our garden. Score 85.3.

Stake No. 22. Entered by Rushmohr Dahlia Gardens, 38 Vincent St., Rockyville Center, N. Y. Variety, -----, A., I.C., color Cycamen Purple. Score 85.

Stake No. 23. Entered by Walter Burdell, Woodcliff Lake, New Jersey. Variety, *Tangerine*, B., S.C., color Capsicum Red. Bloom position 45 deg. profuse bloomer. Score 85.

Stake No. 1. Entered by Carlton E. Richter, 9703 SE Harold St., Portland 66, Oregon. Variety, *Miss America*, B.I.C., color Primrose Yellow. Score 80.5.

Stake No. 3. Entered by D. J. Morgan, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. Variety, *Pilgrim*, B., St.C., color White. Score 84.

Stake No. 4. Entered by H. L. Whittaker, 2600 Lyndon Ave., Chattanooga, Tenn. Variety *Sarah Carolyn*, B., F.D., color Amaranth Rose. Score 83.

Stake No. 6. Entered by Comstock Dahlia Gardens, 5140—35th St., San Diego, Calif. Variety *Cherie*, B.S.C., color Mallow Purple. Score 81.5.

Stake No. 7. Entered by O. C. Crotty, 109 Wickhan Ave., Princeton, W. Va. Variety, *Individuality*, A.I.D., color Light Primrose base, overlaid China Rose. Score 77.

Stake No. 8. Entered by Lakeside Gardens, New Baltimore, Mich. Variety, *L.K.-037*, Mix., F.D., color Light Indian Orange. Score 83.5.

Stake No. 9. Entered by Lakeside Gardens, New Baltimore, Mich. Variety *M.W. Bengay*, B.I.D., color Dutch Vermilion. Score 81.

Stake No. 10. Entered by Harry A. Beals, 11220 Wallace St., Chicago, Ill. Variety, *Harry A. Beals*, A.S.C., color Peony Purple. Score 75.5.

Stake No. 11. Entered by Evergreen Farm, E. Ocean Ave., Elberton, N. J. Variety, *Gay Song*, Col., color Tyrian Purple-white collar. Score 70.

Stake No. 12. Entered by A. & S. Dahlia Gardens, 50 E. Lincoln Ave., Valley Stream, N. Y. Variety, *Spellbound*, B., St.C., color Peony Purple. Score 82.5.

Stake No. 13. Entered by A. & S. Dahlia Gardens, 50 E. Lincoln Ave., Valley Stream, N. Y. Variety, *Thrills*, A.F.D., color French Rose. Score 80.5.

Stake No. 14. Entered by Stanley Johnson, Cheltenham, Pa. Variety *43, A.*, St.C., color Yellow Pink blends. Score 80.5.

Stake No. 15. Entered by Ben Lizza, Motts Cove Rd., Roslyn, N. Y. Variety, *Mona Liza*, A.I.D., color Orient Red. Score 76.5.

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The Midwest Show

Cleveland, Ohio

As usual, friendliness and a cordial welcome were paramount at the Midwest show as the hosts in the Dahlia Society of Ohio entertained dahlia people from some 20 states on September 12 and 13.

On Friday, the 11th, a very pleasant garden tour in buses was the chief bit of entertainment. Two buses were crowded with about 100 guests. The itinerary was as follows: (1) The garden of Mrs. Carry Wind at 2435 Valleyview Drive, Rocky River; (2) The garden of Richard H. Howells, 3290 Dover Center Road, Westlake; (3) John Burt, 4069 Claque Road, North Omsted; Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, 19111 Story Road, Rocky River; Mr. and Mrs. J. Ralph Berry, 2835 Wager Road, Rocky River. At the Berry home light refreshments and beverages were served. Everyone said that it was a perfect day. Many very fine dahlias were seen and admired. At the Berry garden many of us saw for the first time blooms shaded with nylons. Stockings were slit open at the seams and draped over the blooms. They appeared to be excellent to keep blooms from opening too fast as well as protecting them from rain and dew.

The beautiful wife of Ohio's Governor, Mrs. Jane Lausche opened the Show in the ballroom of the Hollenden Hotel at noon on Saturday, and she was the honored guest at the banquet that evening.

A tea was given to the visiting ladies at Higbee's Lounge at 2 P.M. Saturday. Over 40 of the out-of-towners were guests. Mrs. Leonard Fuerst, wife of the president of the Ohio Dahlia Society "poured" and a very fine luncheon followed. There were eight door prizes and every visitor reported that it was a most enjoyable and memorable party.

The show itself was a surprise, after the worst drought in history, because few expected that the quality of the blooms would be up to standard. But both in number of blooms, size of the various classes and in bloom quality, it was indeed a most excellent show.

One of the highlights of the show was the Court of Honor in which were exhibited the best, smallest and biggest blooms of the entire show were shown together. Following are the winning varieties, with the names of their exhibitors. We are indebted to Mrs. Ruth Barry for this information, and indeed for most of the details and facts recited here.

Sweepstakes in Novice Division was won by Truman Fisher with Mary Schmidt and Mrs. Catherine Hanger a tie for runner-up.

Sweepstakes in Small Amateur was won by Ohio President Leonard F. Fuerst with Rudy Motznik as a runner-up.

Sweepstakes in Large Amateur was won by Paul Hale with Mrs. Angela Danko as runner-up. (Mrs. Danko was also chairman of the awards committee, and through her tireless work, we had awards for winners of every single purple ribbon and for seconds—awarded to every section in our show.)

Sweepstakes in Open-to-All was won by Garfield Heights Dahlia Gardens—(Jack Brack, operator of Garfield Heights Dahlia Gardens, also showed some excel-

lent seedlings in his display.) Runner-up in Open-to-All sweepstakes was Glenn L. Pierce.

Mid-West introduction was won by Jack Eccleston of East Liverpool with six blooms of *Bertha Schone*. (His own introduction of last year). This was the Mid-West Trophy which is given each year.

American Home Achievement was won by Jack Eccleston of East Liverpool with his own origination *Ceramic Beauty*. "A" F.D. Tyrian Purple and the three blooms shown were measured as 9" x 6".

Court of Honor Prizes:

Best "A" Bloom was won by Mr. Chas. Schaeffer with a *Mrs. Hester A. Pape*.

Largest Bloom was won by Mr. H. H. Robens of Chagrin Falls with a seedling which he is calling *Mary Elizabeth*—13" x 9" S.C. Cherry Red.

Best three bloom "A" entry won by Leo Laurence of East Liverpool, Ohio, with three blooms of *Mrs. Hester A. Pape*.

Best "B" I.D. or F.D. was won by Paul Hale with *Justinus Kerner*.

Best "B" S.C. or C. was won by Glenn L. Pierce with a bloom of *Firegleam* which was also the Best "B" in the Show and which won the Toledo Perpetual Trophy.

Best exhibit of miniatures was won by our president Leonard F. Fuerst with an exhibit of *Little Shiek*.

Best Exhibit of pompons was won by an exhibit of *Betty Malone* exhibited by Garfield Heights Dahlia Gardens.

Grand Champion: (Most outstanding exhibit) was won by the huge A-F.D. bloom of *Mary Elizabeth* exhibited by H. H. Robens which was also the largest bloom in the show. *Firegleam* was a runner-up for this award. The American Dahlia Society seedling sweepstake awards were won by Robens, *Mary Elizabeth* with an average score of 85.1 and by Rosemary Dahlia Gardens B.B.—6½ inch Incurred Lavender (Amaranth rose) cactus, with an average score of 85.2.

The best ball type in the show was won by John Schroeder with *Alice J*. Best arrangement in show, won by Mildred White, Mrs. Angela Danko took second in arrangements.

From every standpoint, The Cleveland Midwest Show in 1953 was a signal success and the Ohio Society were wonderful hosts. Everyone present will long remember this occasion. Thank you Ohio.

MRS. RUTH BERRY and
LYNN B. DUDLEY.

Annual Meeting of the Midwest Dahlia Conference

The Twentieth Annual Meeting of the Midwest Dahlia Conference was held in Hotel Hollenden, in Cleveland, Ohio, September 12, 1953, with President Mr. L. Fuerst presiding, at 5:00 P.M.

Roll Call of Delegates:

American Dahlia Society: Mrs. Sarah Wood, Chas. Diffenderfer, Lynn Dudley, Harry Frank, H. Dewey Mohr, A. J. Mulcahy, Henry Olsen, Leo Pollak, Dr. Ward Cook, W. Hardesty, Dr. Bruce Preas, J. Louis Roberts.

Central States Dahlia Society: Bernard Wright, Lewis J. West, Harold Cummings, Larry Pelc, James Marsh.

Dahlia Society of Indianapolis: N. R. Hemphill, Edwin D. Record.

Dahlia Society of Kentucky: W. F. Kleinjohn.

Dahlia Society of Ohio: E. J. Wind, J. Ralph Berry.
Ohio Valley Dahlia Association: A. J. Schutte, Wilbur Anderson.

Dahlia Society of Wisconsin: Richard Martin, Glenn Pierce.

Minnesota Dahlia Society: No delegate.

Southern Central Wisconsin Dahlia Society: E. M. Larsen.

Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society: Paul Hale, Chas. Weideman, Mr. Mauthe.

Dahlia Society of Toledo: No delegate.

East Liverpool Dahlia Society: John Eccleston, Wm. C. Craine.

Badger State Dahlia Society: James Marsh.

Greater Kansas City Dahlia Society: Frank Payne.

Tri-City Dahlia Society: George Baker.

Greater Pittsburgh Dahlia Society: H. MacRoberts.

Minutes of meeting held in Louisville, Kentucky on September 20, 1952 were read.

A motion was made by James Marsh of Central States Dahlia Society and seconded by E. J. Wind of the Ohio Dahlia Society to accept the minutes as read. Motion carried.

The Treasurers report was read showing a balance of \$245.79 as of September 12, 1953.

A motion was made by Leo Pollak of the American Dahlia Society and seconded by L. J. West of Central States Dahlia Society that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

A motion was made by A. J. Mulcahy of the American Dahlia Society and seconded by H. MacRoberts, of Greater Pittsburgh Dahlia Society that the \$25.00 for the Midwest Trophy be allowed and paid. Motion carried. Old Business:

A letter was read by the Secretary from L. C. Bennet of Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society, Chairman of the Committee appointed at last years meeting, to investigate the request of the Mid-America Dahlia Society of Kansas City, Missouri, for affiliation with the Mid-West Dahlia Conference. The Committee recommended that they be taken into the Membership of the Mid West Dahlia Conference.

After a few brief remarks by Mr. Booth and Mr. Frank Payne, a motion was made by Dr. Ward Cook of the American Dahlia Society and seconded by Mr. L. J. West that the recommendation of the committee be accepted and the Mid-American Dahlia Society of Kansas City, Missouri be made a member of the Midwest Dahlia Conference. Motion carried.

Bids for 1954 Show:

The Secretary stated that no bids had been received for the 1954 Midwest Conference meeting and Show.

The President then asked if there were any bids to

come from the floor. A discussion was held but no bids offered.

He then put the question before the house again and Mr. Wilbur Anderson of the Ohio Valley Dahlia Association offered a tentative bid to the Conference to hold the Mid-West Show in Cincinnati in 1954. He states that the delegates present from the Ohio Valley Dahlia Association had no authority to offer a Bid and it would have to be approved by the Ohio Valley Dahlia Association at their October meeting, which would be October 8th.

A motion was made by Leo Pollak and seconded by James Marsh to accept the tentative invitation, subject to the approval of the Ohio Valley Dahlia Association at their October 8th meeting and to notify the Secretary immediately of their decision. Motion carried.

The President asked Mr. Anderson, in the event of the O.V.D.A. would approve the action of the delegates, what their Show dates would be for 1954. He stated that their regular Show Dates are the last Saturday and Sunday in September.

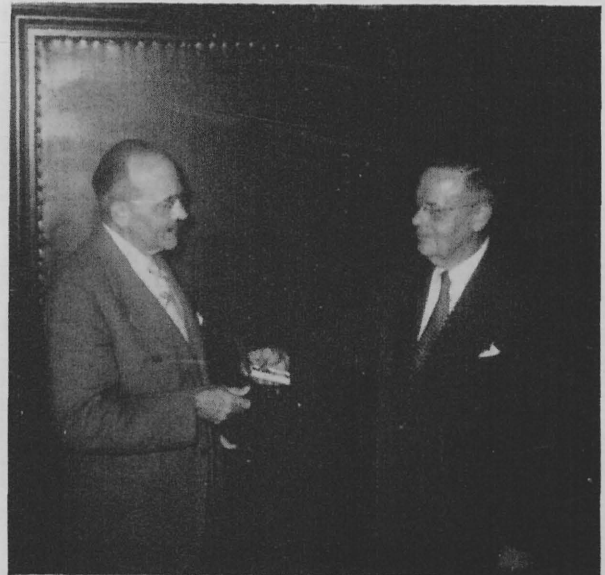
Election of Officers:

President. A motion was made by E. J. Wind and seconded by A. J. Schutte of the Ohio Valley Dahlia Association that the President elect of the host Society be the President of the Conference for the year 1954. Motion carried.

Secretary-Treasurer. A motion was made by M. R. Hemphill of the Indianapolis Dahlia Society and seconded by A. J. Mulcahy that Mrs. Louise Kleinjohn be re-elected as Secretary-Treasurer by a unanimous vote of the Conference for 1954. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Leo Pollak and seconded by J. Louis Roberts of the American Dahlia Society that the Secretary be allowed \$50.00 towards her expenses. Motion carried.

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Ralph Berry presents Ohio Dahlia Society Gold Medal to Dr. Ward Cook in recognition of his scholarly treatise on Dahlia Judging.

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Editorial

. . . the A.D.S. is to be congratulated! The Editor, who relinquished the BULLETIN (it seems to the writer, a lifetime ago) . . . will take up the reins after this issue comes off the press.

Lynn B. Dudley, past President of the Society and one of its most earnest workers, will be our new Editor. Lynn, you know, was responsible for the present format . . . and the high standard of excellence, which has placed the BULLETIN on the top echelon of single flower publications.

Your retiring Editor wishes Lynn great success and asks that all who have co-operated in the past, will redouble their efforts in the future.

I would like also, to express sincere appreciation to the Dispatch Press in New York City, for their un-failing help. Our friend, the late Ernest E. Tooker headed this organization when we entrusted our printing to them. Mr. Wolf, Mr. Edgar and their associates who followed in E. E.'s footsteps have given us of their best.

Long live the BULLETIN . . . and may it become a better BULLETIN!

TRIAL GARDENS

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Stake No. 16. Entered by J. B. Ballego & Sons, Leiden, Holland. Variety, *American Judge*, B., St.C., stock mixed. No score.

Stake No. 17. Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, 19111 Stony Rd., Rocky River, Ohio. Variety, *B.B-O*, A.D.D., color Autumn. Score 73.

Stake No. 18. Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, 19111 Stony Rd., Stony Rd., Rocky River, Ohio. Variety, *Miss America*, A.F.D., color Lt. Phlox Purple, plants stunted. No score.

Stake No. 19. Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, 19111 Stony Rd., Rocky River, Ohio. Variety *L.M.-2-49*, A.S.C., color White. Score 82.

Stake No. 21. Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, 19111 Stony Rd., Rocky River, Ohio. Variety, *S-I-50*, A.S.C., color Lemon yellow overlaid Jasper Red. Score 84.

Stake No. 24. Entered by Ritchey & Martex Dahlia Growers, 400 Frayne St., Pittsburgh 7, Pa. Variety, *A.A.X*, B., S.C., color White. Score 83.5.

Stake No. 25. Entered by E. L. Miller, Chattanooga, Tenn. Variety, *Southern Lady*, B.S.C., color Light Roseine Purple. Score 83.

South Atlantic Trial Garden Atlanta, Georgia

CERTIFICATE AWARD — YEAR 1953

MEDIUM SIZE DAHLIAS

STAKE 2—*Maureen Connally*—Formal Decorative. Color, clear yellow. Size 6 x 4 inches. Tall grower, an early bloomer. Originator, Comstock Dahlia Garden, 5140-35th Street, San Diego, Calif. Scored 85.2.

STAKE 14—*Harmony*—Incurved Cactus. Color, rose pink. Petals twist, giving blossoms an artistic effect. Size of blooms, 7 inches by 3 inches. Plant grows 5 feet tall. Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Garden. Originator, Wolf. Scored 85.1.

STAKE 9—*Ed Delight*—Ball, color orange suffused with yellow. Good stem holding bloom well above foliage. Size of bloom 4 inches by 3 inches. Vigorous grower. Entered by E. G. Chandler, 1340 Grant Street, S.E., Atlanta, Ga. Scored 85.4.

MINIATURE SIZE DAHLIAS

STAKE 16—*E. R. 50-3*. Formal Decorative, Color, rose pink. Size of blossom 2½ inches by 1 inch. Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Garden. Originator E. F. Phillips. Scored 85.

LARGE SIZE DAHLIAS

STAKE 8—*Sarah Carolyn*—Formal Decorative, with strong stem holding bloom well above foliage. Size of bloom 9 inches by 5 inches. Color, Amaranth Rose. Entered by H. L. Whitaker, Chattanooga, Tenn. Scored 85.

STAKE 17—*Storm Cloud*—Semi-Cactus. Color, purple. Size of bloom 10 inches by 5 inches. Vigorous grower, plan average height 5½ feet. Entered by Rocky River Dahlia Garden. Originator, Baker. Scored 85.3.

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Dahlias In England

This season I have grown some 350 plants, at least half of them being of the Giant Decorative type, which I am the most interested in.

In spite of the abnormally cool damp weather some of the new varieties which I have grown for the first time proved themselves quite well, including *White Nobby's Light*, this is the largest White Decorative I have grown. It also has depth and should be seen a lot in the future.

Winifred Stredwick is no doubt still the leading White Decorative and the most reliable, with 12" to 13" width in this bloom.

Croydon Snotop proved to be well grown throughout the Country and judging from the National the most popular, but *Winifred Stredwick* held first in the White Class.

Bill's White had very nice blooms but they were down under in the foliage.

Of the White Decoratives grown the undermentioned did not prove large enough for the Giant Classes:

Whitelands, *Windlassie*, *White Pop Harris*, *Great Lakes*, and *Daylight*.

Annette proved to be the largest Yellow this season and was also the largest to bloom in the National Show. Apart from this I did not like *Annette* and much prefer *Nobby's Light* which is well-known.

The Yellow Class is well contested and *Tidal Wave* also throws some first-class blooms, this variety, *H. M. Queen Elizabeth* and *Lady Liddell* were well seen at the National but the latter is a little too soft.

Croydon Sensation and *Burnbrae Memories* both had some very fine blooms, up to 13" across in my garden, but I did not see any of these two varieties at the National.

Elvie Ridgewell proved one of the very best blooms in the garden and is a lovely Salmon Pink of 13" across. There were two exceptional blooms of this at the Show. This variety is not as large as your *Freda Gaylord* but to me has far better form. Stredwick's *Reg Deeprose* has again proved itself exceptional both on the Show Bench and in the garden all blooms being 13" and over.

Lavender Perfection is still the best Mauve for size, shape and stem and is always on the Show-Bench.

Stredwick's *Edward A. Walmsley*, rosy Pink sometimes lightening to White at tip was 13" but I believe it can be grown larger.

Five Star General still appears on the Show-Bench but is weak in color.

Winnie Wray produced some fine blooms of 13" and is quite a nice exhibition Pink.

I have grown *Powder Puff* for the first time but it proved too soft.

Kelvin was well shown at the National and was among the largest, but I do not like the form of this variety.

Croydon Dignity was certainly the best formal Crimson I have ever seen, but only 12" across, but there, I believe it can be grown larger.

The leading variety of this color at the National and also took premier bloom for the show was *Viscount Bledisloe*, this was also exceptional with 14" bloom in my garden.

Doncourt was the best scarlet formal and scored in a class of the National, being 13" across. *Drum Major* a shade lighter proved to be a giant of 12" with depth, and is well worth growing. *Regina* is also a nice reddish purple formal bloom of 12".

Password, *Liberator*, *Sidney Balcombe*, *Mrs. John Ralph* and *Adelyn* did not prove large enough. *African Queen* has the size and is a lovely purplish Crimson but has the worst Green Eye centre I have seen for years.

Kemp's Purple Triumph still seems to lead in this class but is on the flat side. *Mrs. Hester Pape* holds her own as usual.

Black Monarch is widely grown and has scored, but I, myself, do not like it.

Our friend *Croydon Masterpiece* is the largest and will score for years, but I would like to see a more formal bloom.

Autumn Blaze is a giant but no where near the best shape.

Croydon Apricot is a perfect shape formal of 12½" and is one of the best shaped blooms we have.

Axford Triumph still proves itself well worth growing and is still scoring. *Arthur Godfrey* was one of the biggest blooms in my garden, but no comments are needed.

Among the various new varieties were *John* and *John Barrett* both of a Bronze color proved too small for the Show-Bench.

Bessie Hardress is a well known beautiful Chrome to Orange tip of largest size but this was beaten by *Valerie Watson* which is a shade deeper in color.

Kidd's Climax is certainly a lovely bloom and should lead in its color for some years.

GIANT CACTUS.

The variety *Diva* (Mauve) was a lovely exhibition cactus of 11" across closely followed by *Betty Hones*, which is White going to Mauve, blooms being 11" across again.

Stredwick's *Big Ben* I should say is the largest cactus at the moment. It is a Crimson color and measures 15" across and I think everybody will want to grow it.

In the White Class *Graf Folke Bernadotte* was in the lead. *Conqueror* and *Miss Glory* which are a bright Yellow seemed to be the best blooms in their color. *Menton* proved a giant 11" Orange cactus on a lovely stem.

Marjory Easton was the largest and best in the clear Pinks.

Royal Rothesay held first in the Crimson and *Edna D* in the Scarlet.

The new *Grace Miles* (raiser Stredwick) is Yellow to Salmon in color and has a nice 10" flower and I think it will stay with us on the Show-Bench.

Aristos and *Butterfly* seem to lead in the Bi-colors. *Blackbird* is a nice 10" bloom of darkest Crimson and is well worth growing.

The *Giant of Baarn* is the largest in the Bronze/Red and has already proved itself with you.

Elsie Wenham purple White tip, proves a fine 11" bloom.

Outstanding in the Medium Decoratives (6" to 8") were *Terpo* a Blood Red in color, and another which

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Storage of Dahlia Roots

By CHARLES J. SCHAEFER

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This new development for the storage of dahlia clumps overcomes the common sayings: "my roots didn't keep"; "they were all spoiled"; "how should I store them?"; "if my method is successful should I change?"

In Cleveland, at the Midwest Dahlia Show banquet, the guest speaker, Mr. Arnold Davis of the garden center stated "We are now living in the plastic age." Agreeing with this statement because we had experimented with cellophane bags in one box of dahlia clumps of the 1952 storage and with one clump of the 1951 storage and the result was much better condition of the roots and more sprouting eyes per clump than ever before.

You have a sense of cleanliness—no dirt—no dust—no muss—but you cannot get away from a lot of fussing and you enjoy it. It would be something unusual if all of the clumps offered for sale at the spring root sale were individually packaged in cellophane bags.

The following items are the eight steps for storing dahlia clumps:

1. The dahlia clumps are dug in the usual manner. We use long handled round nose shovels. Sometimes one on each side of the row.

2. The clumps are washed clean with a gentle spray of the garden hose. We use an old wash tub with a coarse screen on top, placed near the drain. The residue when dried is used in the potting soil.

3. The washed clumps are dried on scattered newspapers for a period of 48 to 96 hours. The time depends on the humidity.

4. All of the fine roots and tails are trimmed and the stem is shortened by cutting above the crown. Split the large clumps into two or three parts. Save the mother root on the more delicate clumps and trim it out of the larger clumps. Use careful judgment when trimming the clumps grown from dahlia plants.

5. Tuck each individual clump into a plastic bag. Save the bags from the groceries and fruits, or purchase new bags. Fold the open end several times and fasten with several paper clips. We attached a 3 x 5 card under the clips for record of name, data, etc.

6. The bagged clumps are nested into a wooden box of about one bushel size, made from four pieces of $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 10" or 12" lumber cut in about 18" lengths. A sheet metal bottom is provided that should come in direct contact with the concrete floor. Cardboard cartons, bushel baskets, newspapers, and wood bottom boxes are not considered satisfactory.

7. A thermometer should be placed inside the box and for an occasional inspection reminder mark an X on the calendar on or about the first day of each month.

8. Store the box in the coolest part of the basement and cover with several layers of burlap bags or old carpets.

We would like to receive several hundred postal cards of fan mail and will acknowledge all that attach a self-addressed postcard. Would you join in and help the RESEARCH 1953 by answering these three following questions?

A..... degrees. (Average temperature for the storage period.)

B..... good, fair, poor. (Condition of dahlia clumps in May, 1954.)

C..... yes, no. (Did this method increase your storing percentage?))

The summarized results will be published in the next A.D.S. BULLETIN. Coming next: Glauconite fertilizer; dahlias 8 feet tall; more blooms.

Root Storage

From Bulletin of Greater St. Louis Dahlia Society

Digging and Storing of Dahlia Clumps. Dahlia stalks should be cut at the ground the next day after frost has killed the plant. You can allow a few days for the stalks to bleed before you start digging. Actually, you could wait for quite a while before you start digging providing that a sudden freeze doesn't come along. The longer you leave your roots in the ground, the shorter the time they will have to be in storage. A good rule to remember is—if you keep your roots in good condition the first month in storage you can be pretty sure of keeping them the entire storage season.

Care Should Be Exercised so the necks of the tuberous roots will not be broken. Loosen the roots by prying with a long tined garden fork thrust into the ground about a foot from the crown, preferably all around the clump before you start to lift. Two digging, one on either side, is best of all.

After the clumps are dug I can only suggest that you use the method you think best for storage. As I mentioned in last month's Bulletin, my method is to divide the clump right there on the spot, dust all cuts with dusting sulphur, cut off all hair roots, label root with indelible pencil and store in five gallon lard cans in vermiculite. I can check the roots at least once a month during the storage period and cut out any rot that develops.

MIDWEST DAHLIA CONFERENCE

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The President announced the A.D.S. Meeting which was planned for Sunday morning at 11:00 A.M.

Dr. Cook complimented the Dahlia Society of Ohio on the beautiful Show and the most cordial hospitality offered the visitors and suggested that a rising vote of thanks be given them.

Dr. Ward Cook Honored

In recognition of his scholarly treatise on Dahlia judging, Dr. Ward H. Cook, A.D.S. Vice President, was awarded the Ohio Dahlia Society Gold Medal. The award was presented by Ralph Berry. The entire country applauded the Doctor for this invaluable contribution to the Dahlia. LOUISE KLEINJOHN, *Secretary*.

SPECIAL NOTICE

A letter was received from the Secretary of the Ohio Valley Dahlia Association on Saturday, October 10, 1953 inviting the Midwest Dahlia Conference to meet in Cincinnati in 1954. Show dates will be September 25th and 26th, 1954, and the Show will be held in the Cincinnati Art Museum.

Michigan Dahlia Association

August 25, 1953

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it has pleased Almighty God to call ALVA T. EDISON to his final resting place, and WHEREAS, ALVA T. EDISON was a charter member of the Michigan Dahlia Association, and WHEREAS, ALVA T. EDISON has been an honorary member of the Michigan Dahlia Association, and WHEREAS, ALVA T. EDISON has been an active and respected member of the association for many years. THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Michigan Dahlia Association does hereby express its deepest regret at the passing of ALVA T. EDISON; extends its sincere sympathy to the members of his family and to his numerous friends; and hereby orders that this resolution be permanently incorporated in the minutes of the proceedings of the Michigan Dahlia Association, and that public expression be given hereto.

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Otto J. Aumuller

With the passing of Otto J. Aumuller on July 6, 1953, the dahlia world lost a friend and a towering pillar of strength. Otto J. Aumuller's fame as a dahlia grower was well recognized both here and abroad. He was a charter member of the Long Island Dahlia Society and served with distinction as president of that organization. He was also a member of the American Dahlia Society, the Baltimore Dahlia Society, the Central States Dahlia Society, and the Michigan State Dahlia Society.

Otto J. Aumuller is survived by his wife, Martha and two children, Edward and Betty. Mrs. Otto J. Aumuller resides at 50 East Lincoln Ave., Valley Stream, L. I.

Frederick E. Dixon

Frederick E. Dixon, age 68, a retired school teacher of New York City, died on Friday, July 10, from a heart attack. He was graduated from Cornell University where he received his M.A. He was a Professor of Industrial Arts for forty-two years before retiring.

Mr. Dixon was a member, also a trustee, of the Pluckimin Presbyterian Church, and past president of the New Jersey Dahlia Association, also the New Jersey Gardeners Association.

He was originator of many Dahlias, his latest was *Derring Do*, yellow, which won the Ray Smith Achievement Medal for the three outstanding blooms. This was won by Harry Frank of Far Hills, N. J. He was also second in the U.S. to have the Dahlia Family.

Surviving is his widow Mrs. Alice T. Dixon, and a brother Vinton I. Dixon of New York City.

Charles F. Pape
1871 — 1953

Nothing has shocked the modern dahlia world as has the untimely death of Charles F. Pape. In the early morning hours of April 12, 1953, after spending the entire previous day planting roots of the flower he loved so dearly, he kept his appointment with his Master.

His passing was quiet and peaceful; with full realization that the pleasures among his children of the soil were at an end.

Gone are the smiles and the hearty handshake with which he greeted you and I.

Gone are the echoes of his soft determined footsteps in the rotunda of the Santa Barbara City Hall, where he pleased his friends each year with an exhibition of his beautiful dahlia blooms.

Gone is the man who loved and was loved by his fellowman; with no room in his heart for malice, bigotry or intolerance.

No man among us can deny or equal his infallible selection of the most desirable qualities in the dahlia; and by his encouragement—while nature was yet in the mood—produce some of the best and most famous varieties of his time.

Among these, the most famous is Mrs. Hester A. Pape, named by Mr. Pape in honor of his loving wife, who was his constant and inseparable companion.

His footprints down the dahlia row will continue into the infinite because the varieties of his origination will be cherished and perpetuated through the ages.

The humble, reserved townspeople, rushed businessmen, busy city officials and churchmen of sleepy, carefree, historic Santa Barbara paid final homage before the bier of their beloved neighbor and friend in the little chapel banked with flowers sent from the four corners of the nation. At the foot of the bier stood an easel bearing white stocks, peach gladiolus and pink roses sent from New York by the American Dahlia Society. Mr. Pape was a sustaining member. A gentleman from San Gabriel fashioned a "pillow" of camellia blooms from his own garden and placed it in tender reverence near at hand.

Mr. Pape was born in Chicago March 9, 1871.

As a young man, Mr. Pape was a wholesale flour salesman, later becoming district manager. During these years he traveled the West by horseback and buckboard; and later as a pioneering motorist. He liked to recall driving the first automobile over the now Redwood Highway.

In more recent years, wherever Charles and Hester Pape traveled to attend dahlia shows, he was honored as dean of his profession and an outstanding judge of the blooms in competition. Mr. Pape grew dahlia for sixty years.

He is reverently known as the "Grand old man of the dahlia world." Mr. Pape gave so much of himself to the flower of his choice—to his garden—to his family, his friends, and to his country.

His was a full—a gloriously happy life.

Mr. Pape is survived by his wife, Mrs. Hester A. Pape, and two brothers Fred and Henry Pape, both of Chicago. Mrs. Pape will live with a niece, Mrs. Virginia Taggart Fowler, in La Jolla, California.

NOEL O. SCOTT.

News of the A.D.S. Affiliated and Branch Societies

Alabama Dahlia News

"Old Rocking Chair's Got Me" as I sit and rock and reflect on Alabama's 18th Annual Dahlia Show. As I sit here rocking, pictures pass before my eyes, pictures of another dahlia year. I see again the glory of Autumn in that gorgeous display of blooms, large, medium and small. They were so lovely that it seems as if they had borrowed their colors from an Autumn sunset. Truly, *Autumn Glory* might well have been the theme of the show.

Alabama's first Dahlia Queen, ah there was as lovely a queen as could be found anywhere—the beautiful dark-haired, blue-eyed Julia Bruce. How sweet and gracious she was, winning friends near and far—going to Montgomery the capital to present to Governor Persons a sheaf of flowers from her kingdom.

My, how fine the Novice Section was this year. It seems to improve each year. These novices are really making the experienced growers sit up and take notice and that's a good thing for all. I've never seen as much genuine interest and enthusiasm as was shown this year. Now, they are looking for new sections to conquer in next year's Show. Well, all I can say is the rest of the growers had better watch out.

My goodness, it was thrilling to see all those ribbons on choice blooms. All were so lovely, you just wished you could give each one a ribbon. Among those with gold ribbons were: *Rose Glory*, *Michigan White*, *Five Star General*, *Kevin*, *Edna D.*, *Sarah Carolyn*, *Bertha Shone*, *Hattie*, *Patricia Spollen*, *Croyden's Masterpiece*, *Windlassie*, *Captain Silverman*, *Florence Chadwick*, *Alice Oneal*, *Rosy Dawn*, *Cotton Tail*, *La Cervia*, *Bonnie Esperance*. These had both gold and purple: *Jane Lausche*, *Dixie's Wine Dot*, *Powder Puff*, *Tiara*, *Bride's Bouquet*, *Arthur Godfrey*, *Golden Treasure*, *Producer*, *Blendette*, *Marion Glen*, *Lyrick*, and *Ila*.

They did it before and they've done it again. These talented arrangers here simply amaze me. Each year I just know it can't be this beautiful next year but bless your heart the very next year they come up with something more original and beautiful. I just don't see how they do it. The Garden Clubs really did some lovely things with their theme. "Autumn In All Its Glory." The Novice Arrangers took "Beauty On A Budget" and showed what could be done with just a few dahlias. Then they turned right around and went all out with "Beauty On A Lavish Scale." They're smart, they showed us how to use little or much. Non-Competitive were the five niches used by advanced arrangers to show "Reflections From The Artist's Palette." These were really works of art as well as those using "Art Inspiration" for their theme. These were indeed lovely pictures painted with flowers. "Dahlias Set the Pattern," "Eye Catcher for the Coffee Table" and "A Symphony of Color" were other themes well done. Seventy-four arrangements so beautifully done made you feel you wanted to stay there and look and look and look.

Yes, it was really exciting when you knew who had gotten the trophies.

Scott Lumber Company Trophy for the Largest Bloom



Photo by Lynn B. Dudley.

Traveling Alabamians

went to E. E. Montgomery for his bloom of *Jane Lausche*; Hastings Trophy for the Most Perfect Bloom A Size was won by E. E. Montgomery with *Bertha Shone*; the Pendleton Trophy for the Best Three Blooms, A Size went to A. P. Mann for his *Bride's Bouquet*; the Hanover Trophy for the Most Perfect B Size Bloom was won with *Golden Treasure*, grown by "The Rikes"; *Golden Treasure* also won for "The Rikes" the C. G. Goodwin Trophy for the Best Three Blooms, B Size; and still again *Golden Treasure* won the Ellis Trophy for Best Five Blooms, also grown by "The Rikes"; R. O. Glauzier won the Perry Trophy for the Best Twelve Blooms, *Blendette* did this; the Thompson Trophy for Best Seedling went to Happy Cabin Dahlia Gardens; *Bertha Shone* won again for E. E. Montgomery, the Dahlia Society of Tennessee Plate for the Best Entry, 1953 Introduction; C. E. Faust won with *Marion Glen* the President's Award for the Best Entry, 1951-1952; The Lefkovits Trophy went to D. S. Wells for his entry of *Lyrick* which was the Best Foreign Introduction; the old stand-by *Maffie* brought to F. M. House the Executive Board Prize for Best Entry 10 Years or Older Introduction; Best Five Blooms, Southern Introduction, Union Supply Trophy went to "The Rikes" for—Guess What? That's right, *Golden Treasure*; *Golden Treasure* won the Sprague Scott Trophy in the Day Late Class for Thomas Wayne, Jr. Garden Club Awards were won by Edgewood Garden Club and Ensley Highland Garden Club. Mrs. Frank Dixon, Mrs. Francis Bass and Mrs. Hendon Foster were top winners in the Arrangement Classes: Sweepstakes were won by L. W. Allen; E. D. Ratliff; A. P. Mann; The Rikes; Floyd Harper; C. J. Bivens. Awards went to B. L. Kennedy for his entry of *Alice Oneal* and to E. G. Chandler for his entry of *Ila*.

Our Show over—and I see nineteen of us in chartered bus going to Atlanta for the Southern States Show. The many boxes of blooms we carried filled to overflowing this big bus. I hear again the laughter and chatter of the happy "Traveling Alabamians."

Does it pay? There's such a lot of hard work to it? In ribbons, awards? Maybe. In fun, friends, fellowship? Yes, a hundred per cent. Forgotten are the hot, dry summer days of toil, the gallons of sweat, the aching

backs and muscle. The flowers fade but the memory of the good times, the folks you've seen the friends you've made keep a warm glow in the heart.

It's nice to sit and rock but there's no more time for this now. Got to get up and get going. So glad we've already got the welcome mat out and it's all clean, bright and shining. It's right there in front of you for we're hoping you will come to Southern States Show, October 2nd and 3rd, 1954, at the Thomas Jefferson Hotel in Birmingham, Alabama. Come to the deep South next year, a most cordial welcome awaits you.

MAUDE GOODWIN, *Reporter.*

Dahlia Society of Kentucky

The results of our 21st Annual Dahlia Show were most gratifying, even though we did not expect a very good show this year due to the long hot and dry spell we have experienced here in Kentucky. Our Show was held in the Mirror Room of the Kentucky Hotel, which has been our home for the past 21 years, and needless to say, we had a very beautiful Show, maybe not as many blooms as in former years, but enough to make a very good showing, both in quality and color.

Winners in the Show are as follows:

Section 1—Sweepstakes winner in Single bloom entry Classes was Mr. John Mills; in 3 Bloom entry Classes, Mrs. Louise Kleinjohn; in 5 bloom entry Classes, Mr. John Mills. Mr. Mills also won Section 1 Sweepstakes.

Section 2—Sweepstakes winner in Single bloom entry Classes was Mr. J. B. Floyd; in 3 bloom entry Classes, Mr. J. B. Floyd; in 5 bloom entry Classes, Mr. Roy Schooler. Mr. J. B. Floyd also won Section 2 Sweepstakes.

Section 3—Open to All "B" Dahlias; Sweepstakes winner in Single Bloom entry Classes was Mrs. Carrie J. Simmons; 3 bloom Entry Classes was Mrs. Carrie J. Simmons; in 5 bloom entry Classes, Mr. J. B. Floyd. Mrs. Carrie J. Simmons also won Section 3 Sweepstakes.

Mrs. Simmons won the Grand Sweepstakes of the entire Show and Mr. Floyd was the runner-up.

Mr. A. W. Adams won Sweepstakes in the Poms and Miniature Section.

The Derby Class, which is a sporting event in our Show every year, was won by Mr. C. W. Simbritzki with a bloom of *Arthur Godfrey*; Mrs. Carrie J. Simmons won second with a bloom of *Sherwood's Peach* and third with a bloom of *Red Champion*.

The American Home Achievement Medal winner was *Storm Cloud* grown and exhibited by Mr. George Shee.

The Largest Bloom in the Single Bloom entry Classes was won by Mr. J. B. Floyd with a bloom of *Red Champion*.

The Best "B" bloom in the Single Bloom entry Classes was won by Mrs. Carrie J. Simmons with a bloom of *Wind Lassie*.

In the Garden Flower Section, Mrs. Louise Kleinjohn won the most Meritorious entry in Classes 237 and 238 with a 12" arrangement of Garden Flowers.

In the Garden Club Section, the Beechmont Garden Club of Louisville won the most Blue Ribbons.

MRS. LOUISE KLEINJOHN,
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The Greater Pittsburgh Dahlia Society

At our annual dahlia show of The Greater Pittsburgh Dahlia Society, held at Jos. Horne Dept. Store in downtown Pittsburgh, we had an extra fine show, as the weather was definitely against dahlia growers in this territory. Extra fine blooms were shown, plus an over abundance of very fine arrangements made by the ladies, of course a few men also had to compete in this class. We are all looking forward for an even better show at the same place next year.

RUBY MITZNIK, *Pub. Chairman.*

Michigan Dahlia Association

The annual meeting of the Michigan Dahlia Association will be held at East Lansing on Saturday, November 7th, 1953. Officers for 1954 will be elected, and the results of the Trial Gardens will be announced.

The Sixth annual show of the Michigan Dahlia Association was held at Battle Creek, Michigan on September 19th and 20th, 1953. An excellent showing was made, in spite of poor weather conditions in this part of the country. Two classes were offered for 4-H club members and two classes for juniors. The arrangement section drew a large number of entries and contributed greatly to the beauty of the show. The show chairman was Mr. John Trestrail, and his assistant was Mr. Herman Rhode, both of Battle Creek. The Battle Creek Dahlia Club acted as host for the show.

MRS. A. E. VENUS CADWELL, *Secretary.*

Baltimore Dahlia Society

The 28th Annual Fall Flower Show of the Baltimore Dahlia Society was held September 20th and 21st in the Sears Community Auditorium, Baltimore. While this is now past history we can certainly point to 1953 as being just about the finest show that we have staged. Judging from the very favorable comments as well as complimentary letters to which we add the very fine gain in new members all adds up to a successful show. There has never been as many and as fine blooms exhibited and the quantity and quality were superb.

The officers and members want to express our appreciation for the very fine job done by our judges: Leo Pollak, A. S. Mason; C. L. Armatrout, Conrad Frey, E. R. Phillips, Dr. J. J. Bowling, H. Dewey Mohr, W. Elkins, Dr. Bruce Preas, Walter Hardesty, Edward Lloyd, Dr. Edward McDade, Andrew F. Mulcahy, Dr. Henry Parker, Lynn Dudley, E. J. Wind, Edward L. Schaun, N. A. Scheel and Roy Tracey on the dahlias and Mrs. Wm. Bridges and Mrs. John Strickland on the Hardy Garden flowers and arrangements. It was to be regretted that the opening of the show was delayed but it was next to impossible to get the many entries judged within the prescribed time. Show Manager Irvin Bodenburg and his assistant Arnold Hens along with the Show committee: Louis F. Murphy, Charles Fordney, Wm. Lampkin, Louis Gill, George Frock, Norval Jean, Wm. Rau Sr., Wm. Rau Jr., and Julius Chodak did a most wonderful job and deserve the thanks of every member of the Society for the way they handled the staging. The Hardy Garden Section, Mrs. Wm. Lampkin, chairman and her committee: Mrs. Chas. Fordney, Mrs. Louis Gill, Mrs. Louise Murphy, Mrs. Ellen Levy and Mrs. Wm. Rau Jr., also deserve commendation for their fine work.

The show tables were so crowded with blooms that it was necessary to place several rows of containers on the floor and this awakened the officers to the fact that in 1954 we will have to secure a much larger exhibition hall. The Sweepstake winners in the various sections as well as the Special Class trophies were as follows: Novice Section—Wm. Rau Jr., A.D.S. Medal award for the Best Bloom in the Novice Section—Wm. Rau Jr.; Section A for growers of less than 75 plants: Div. 1—"A" type—John Sherwood; Div. 2—"B" type—John Sherwood; Section B for growers of less than 150 plants—Div. 1—"A" type—Wm. Lampkin; Div. 2—"B" type—Julius Chodak; Section C—Open to All—Div. 1—"A" type—Chas. M. Diffenderffer; Div. 2—"B" type—Chas. M. Diffenderffer. Section D—Open to All—William Rau Sr. Section E—Ball types—Mrs. Louis Gill. Section I—Pompoms—George Mumma. Section J—Miniatures—Div. 1—Chas. M. Diffenderffer; Div. 2—Chas. M. Diffenderffer. The Governor Theodore McKeldin trophy for the Best Basket of 9 blooms was awarded to Harry Anderson, Mayor Thos. D'Alesandro trophy for the best basket of 7 blooms—Chas. M. Diffenderffer, the National Capitol Dahlia Society trophy for the Largest and Best Dahlia in the show was awarded to Chas. M. Diffenderffer with a 14 inch bloom of *Autumn Blaze*. The Baltimore Dahlia Society Memorial Trophy for basket of 5 blooms was awarded to John Sherwood. The Court of Honor winners were for A type—Chas. Diffenderffer and for B type—John Sherwood. The Sweepstakes win-

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On the first evening of the show the audience was treated to a very fine concert, the orchestra under the direction of Irving Bodenburg and was very kindly donated by the Musical Union of Baltimore. The concert added an extra thrill to the fine display of blooms. The Show Committee was on hand at all times to answer questions but the Blue Ribbon is indeed due Chas. Fordney, who was ever alert and worked overtime explaining and helping, particularly the novices, and through his efforts alone the Society gained at least a dozen new members.

Plans are already under way for 1954 when we hope to even surpass 1953.

HERBERT O. ABURN, *Secretary*.

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Long Island Dahlia Society Show

The Long Island Dahlia Society held its 9th Annual Show on September 19 in the spacious Plattdeutsche Park Hall, Franklin Square, L. I. Notwithstanding the hot and dry season the hall was filled with many fine blooms, including baskets of pompons, miniatures, medium and large size dahlias. A chief center of attraction were the numerous arrangements of exceptional beauty and artistic merit. A new attraction were the non-competitive arrangements masterfully executed by the invitation arrangers to whom the Society extends its thanks. Special thanks are due to Mr. Chris Rissmeyer of the L. I. Agricultural and Technical Institute for the spectacular display by his students built around a cornucopia, to Mr. James Lawless, Show Chairman, Mrs. Frances Digi, Chairman of Arrangements, and to their assistants for making this show possible. Space does not permit us to thank individually the judges who worked hard in picking out the winners.

Court of Honor winners were: Section A—Edward O'Keefe won the L.I.D.S. gold medal for the largest and most perfect bloom with *Tidal Wave*; F.D. *Deep Purple*—Lawrence Palminteri; I.D. *Tidal Wave*—Edward O'Keefe; S.C. *Jane Lausche*—Russell Van Houten; C *Bay City White*—Martin Guttler.

Section B—1 bloom: F.D. *Sparkler*—Henry Olsen; I.D. *Pretty Lady*—Albert Tedesco; S.C. *Peach*—Gretchen Reid; S.C. *Almelos Glory*—George Yaeger; C. *Snowball*—Alfred Warren. Section B—3 blooms: F.D. *Clarian*

Luray—Martin Guttler; S.C. *Peach*—Gretchen Reid; C. *Snowball*—Martin Guttler. Section BB—3 blooms: Alfred Warren with a seedling; S.C. bicolor, red with white tips.

Section C—3 miniatures: Henry Olsen won both awards in this section with *Royalette* and *Belle*. Section D—3 pompons: *Margaret Williams*—Henry Olsen. J. C. Metzger won the award for the smallest and most perfect bloom with *Gold Dust*.

Section E—Other types: *Dainty Ball*—M. Schnugg; Section F—Baskets: Large, *Mrs. Hester Pape*—Martin Guttler; medium, *Snowball*—Martin Guttler; miniatures, *Little Lemon Drop*—Emil Berzau; Pompons—Henry Olsen.

Albert Tedesco and Martin Guttler won a silver medal for the best medium one and three blooms, respectively, with *Pretty Lady* and *Clarian Luray*.

Job Brewster of Amityville, L. I. won the American Home Achievement Medal with *Glady's Brewster* shown by H. Dewey Mohr.

Mrs. Martin Guttler won the only two awards in the Futurity Class open only to members of the Society.

Tricolor winners in the arrangements section included: Mrs. Albert L. Verity, Mrs. Senta Kopf who won both in classes 4 and 8, and Martin Guttler who won in the class for Men Only. *Mrs. Frances Digi* and *White Ball*, seedlings grown respectively by A. Tedesco and H. Olsen received 85 on the A.D.S. bench score cards.

LAWRENCE PALMINTERI, *Secretary*.

OUR NEW INTRODUCTIONS for 1954

LADY OF THE SNOWS—Majczyk-Parrella, F. D. to I. D. White with a creamy tone of size 10 x 6". Back petals recurve to stem forming a full, deep, round flower. Plant with large, leathery foliage is a vigorous grower with strong stems. This is a dahlia that can take hot weather as both plant and flower stood right up in the 95 to 100° days. Blooms early and late. Flowers have excellent substance. We honestly believe this is about the best all around large white to date. Bush grows about 5 feet. **Roots \$15.00 net. Plants \$7.50 net or 3 plants for \$15.00 net.**

DR. J. BEYER—Zourek-Parrella, I. D. Color of this variety is difficult to describe. Seems to be a blend of carrot red, straw yellow and apricot with deeper tones showing in reverse of petals. The 11 x 6" blooms are well formed with high centers. The robust plants have dark green foliage and grow about 5 feet with stems strong as steel rods. An early and prolific bloomer. The lady visitors to our garden, in particular, seemed to be excited over the color of this new variety. Here is a dependable dahlia that will give full satisfaction in your garden. **Roots \$15.00 net. Plants \$7.50 net or 3 plants for \$15.00 net.**

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of pink. Healthy plants grow about 5½ feet. Blooms profusely early and late. Flowers are held facing on good, strong stems. This dahlia was named in honor of Mildred Ahlgren, President of the General Federation of Women Clubs. **Roots \$15.00 net. Plants \$7.50 net or 3 plants \$15.00 net.**

SELMA K—Kraemer-Parrella. A small, full petaled cactus. Color phlox purple with a white base. Formation and color are different and hard to describe but it is a colorful and beautiful little flower that deserves a place in your garden. Plants grow about 4½ feet. Size 4½ x 3. Petals are notched and rolled to tips. This little gem keeps exceptionally well when cut. **Roots \$5.00 net. Plants \$2.50 net.**

IDA S—Slocum-Parrella. Miniature. Color wine red. Size 2½ x 2". Inclined ball shaped with lacinated petals. Stems are good and hold flowers facing on top. A strong grower with healthy foliage that blooms profusely. Flowers keep well when cut. Bush grows about 3 or 4 feet. This miniature was awarded the American Dahlia Society seedling award at the 1953 New York Show and first in its class on the show table, scoring 85.4. **Roots \$5.00 net. Plants \$2.50 net.**

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National Capital Dahlia Society

Again this year the National Capital Dahlia Society, of Washington, D. C. upheld its reputation of combining quality and quantity of blooms to provide one of the nation's top-ranking dahlia shows. The patience and judgment of the 40 skilled judges were tested by over 2,200 blooms entered in this, the 18th annual dahlia show of the National Capital Society.

A large number of the smaller dahlias were entered but the massed effect of 2,500 square feet of "A" type blooms held the attention of the public, which attended in large numbers. Greatest enthusiasm however was centered in "the most perfect large-flowering dahlia" in the show, a fine example of the purple straight cactus, *Clariam Royalty*, entered by Arnold T. Hens of Baltimore, winning the John L. Bishop Memorial Trophy. Almost equally effective was the specimen of Bond's Memory, a pink cactus entered by Gus Christensen of Washington, adjudged to be the "most nearly perfect medium dahlia" in the show, winning the A. S. Mason Trophy and the "most nearly perfect small dahlia" was won by C. M. Diffenderffer with *Little Timmie*, this winning as an award, The George R. Hitchcock Trophy.

A newcomer to the winners table this year was Mr. Forest Minor of Gaithersburg, Md., who in his first year of exhibition won the J. E. C. Jordan Memorial Trophy for the best three blooms "A" dahlia with three fine blooms of Marilyn Dale. There was no award made this year in either the American Home Achievement class or the A. D. S. Sweepstakes class, however the seedling section was well filled having 106 entries. The A. D. S. Bronze medal went to Frank Marker for a beautiful pink semi-cactus "A" dahlia and Dr. Henry C. Parker won the N. C. D. S. certificate for the most deserving seedling entry.

An outstanding feature of the show was the exhibit of 300 blooms flown from Holland for this show by J. G. Ballego and Sons of Leiden. The blooms were cut on Wednesday morning, left Holland by air express Thursday night and arrived in Washington Friday evening, they were still in good condition on the second day of the exhibition. New varieties of special interest included semi-cactus, *Grandmaster Berger*, *Wake Up* and *Good Earth* and poms *Kitty*, *Ginette* and *Nelly*. H. G. Bolster, former agricultural attache in Holland arranged for the exhibit. Another focal point was an education exhibit set up by J. Leslie Bowling, which made clear to all visitors the several types and sizes of dahlias, giving them a better understanding of the competition on the show tables.

Best entry in each section and the sweepstakes winners are as follows:

SECTION A

Most nearly perfect large, medium and small flowering dahlias, mentioned above.

SECTION B

Arrangement for Artistic Effect.
Best entry, Mrs. Hugh W. Cary.
Sweepstakes, Mrs. Hugh W. Cary.

SECTION C

Basket and Vases of Dahlias, open to all.
Basket of dahlias over 8 in., 5 or more blooms, Harry Quick.

Basket of dahlias 6-8 in., 7 or more blooms, E. R. Phillips.

Basket of dahlias 4-6 in., 7 or more blooms, Harry Quick.

Vase of dahlias over 8 in., 5 or more blooms, Henry C. Parker.

Vase of dahlias 6-8 in., 7 or more blooms, Henry C. Parker.

Vase of dahlias 4-6 in., 7 or more blooms, Henry C. Parker.

SECTION D

Large Flowering—open to growers of less than 100 plants.

Best entry, variety, *Powder Puff*, won by Paul Hunter.
Sweepstakes, John Sherwood.

SECTION E

Medium Flowering—open to growers of less than 100 plants.

Best entry, variety, *Windlassie*, won by L. M. Clarke.
Sweepstakes, Mrs. L. J. Murphy.

SECTION F

Miniatures—Specimen bloom and three blooms, open to all.

Best entry, variety, *Hazel Harper*, won by Chas. M. Diffenderffer.

Sweepstakes, Chas. M. Diffenderffer.

SECTION G

Small Flowering—Other Than Miniatures, open to all.

Best entry, variety, *Margaret Williams*, won by E. R. Phillips.

Sweepstakes, Mrs. Louis E. Gill.

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SECTION H

Novice Classes

Best large flowering dahlia, variety, *Arthur Godfrey*, won by Forest T. Minor.
 Best medium flowering dahlia, variety, *Maryland Beauty*, won by Forest T. Minor.
 Best small flowering dahlia, variety, *Unknown*, won by J. Siney.
 Sweepstakes, Forest T. Minor.

SECTION I

Florists Exhibit—open to all Retail Florists.
 Best entry, Vase of dahlias over 4 in., won by Gude Bros. Sweepstakes, Ft. Reno Florists.

SECTION J

Children's Classes—open to children up to and including 15 years.
 Best entry, variety, *Freda George*, won by Bobby Minor. Sweepstakes, David Dodrill.

SECTION K

Large Flowering—Three blooms, open to all.
 Best entry, variety, *Marilyn Dale*, won by Forest T. Minor.
 Sweepstakes, George E. Dodrill.

SECTION L

Medium Flowering—Three blooms, open to all.
 Best entry, variety, *Tid*, won by Henry C. Parker. Sweepstakes, Wm. S. Barksdale, Jr.

SECTION M

Large Flowering—Open to all.
 Best entry, variety, *Clariam Royalty*, won by Arnold T. Hens.
 Sweepstakes, George E. Dodrill.

SECTION N

Medium Flowering—Open to all.
 Best entry, variety, *Bond's Memory*, won by Gus Christensen.
 Sweepstakes, Gus Christensen.

SECTION O

Large Flowering—Open to growers of up to 250.
 Best entry, variety, *Mrs. Hester Pape*, won by Forest Minor.
 Sweepstakes, John B. Gilmer.

SECTION P-1

American Home Achievement Medal, No Award.

SECTION P-2

American Dahlia Society Sweepstakes, No Award.

SECTION Q

Medium Flowering—Open to growers of up to 250.
 Best entry, variety, *Francis H. Archer*, won by Wm. S. Barksdale, Jr.
 Sweepstakes, Wm. S. Barksdale, Jr.

SECTION R

Seedlings—Specimen bloom, A. and B. Sizes.
 Best entry, won by Frank Marker.
 Sweepstakes, Henry C. Parker.

SECTION S

Baskets, Vases and Bowls of Small Dahlias, open to all.
 Basket of pompon dahlias, 11 or more blooms, won by Louis E. Gill.
 Vase or Bowl of pompon dahlias, 11 or more blooms, won by Gus Christensen.

Basket of Miniatures, 11 or more blooms, won by N. A. Gossmann.

Vase or Bowl of Miniatures, 11 or more blooms, won by Gus Christensen.

Basket of other small dahlias, 11 or more blooms, won by Richard Heidel.

Vase or Bowl of other small dahlias, 11 or more blooms, won by C. L. Armentrout.

One thing that has aided immeasurably in making the National Capital Dahlia Society Shows so well-liked and admired by everybody is the fine quality of judging. The judges came from far and near, and these men who contribute their time and expense are to be thanked and commended. A. S. Mason, Chairman of the judges, was official host for the society and as master of ceremonies at the dinner gave each judge an opportunity to speak. It was truly a treat to hear the extemporaneous remarks of these great exponents of the dahlia.

Show Chairman John B. Gilmer, and George E. Dodrill and C. G. Phillip, Co-Chairman appreciate the efforts of everyone who contributed to the success of the show. C. L. Armentrout, 3416—22nd St., N. E., Washington 18, D. C. is President of the National Capital Dahlia Society and extends an invitation on behalf of the society to all dahlia enthusiast to participate next year.

The 1954 show of the National Capital Dahlia Society will again be held at the U. S. Botanic Garden, Maryland Ave. and 1st St., S. W., on Saturday and Sunday, September 25th and 26th.

MRS. JOHN L. BISHOP,
Publicity Committee.

TWO NEW WHITES

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Greater Philadelphia Dahlia Society

This year's show was held on Saturday and Sunday, September 26th and 27th, in the new building of the Lower Merion High School, Ardmore, Pa., a fitting spot for any show. The large air-conditioned cafeteria was the setting and modern formica top tables having chrome finish legs gave this show added attractiveness. Modern lighting gave every evening visitor an opportunity of seeing dahlias at their best under artificial light.

Although the show wasn't as large as in previous year, the blooms were clean and quality very good. The show was under the supervision of Mr. Fred Moore and entries being handled by Mr. and Mrs. William L. Ellis and Mr. Eric Jenkins, all as usual did a very efficient job. It must be said that it was a most successful show climaxing a most trying growing season. Some of the better dahlia growers were hit hard by the hot and dry season so were unable to exhibit this year.

The judging was handled by capable dahlia men like Alex McLeod, George G. Johnson, Mayland MacAvoy with others pitching in where needed.

The spotlight usually finds its way to the American Home achievement medal class. The winner was *Friendship* by Stanley Johnson. This seedling was the highest scoring dahlia with an average score of 86 points so also gained the Society's tri-color rosette. Other seedlings to win A.D.S. Seedling Sweepstakes were *Comito Supreme* by Mr. N. Louis Comito and *Florence Collier* by Mr. Mayland T. MacAvoy, each scoring 85.5 points.

The best dahlia of the show was a large *Arthur Godfrey* shown by Frank L. Diechler, Jr. Competing for this honor were five specimens of *Autumn Blaze*, exhibitor George M. Boyles, *Croydon Masterpiece* by Walter Strobel and *Black Monarch* by N. Louis Comito. The best basket was *Noble Glory* from Hugh Sweeney's garden. Best vase, 3 blooms of *Autumn Blaze*, Patrick Burke. President Geo. M. Boyles, *Little Beauty* poms were selected as the best and Walter Strobel's basket of *Hazel Harper* was the outstanding entry in the miniature section. Mrs. Charles G. Friedel entry was judged the tops in Arrangement Section. The awards for above were beautiful tri-color rosettes.

The Sweepstakes winner of the Amateur Section was Frank L. Diechler, Jr. Charles G. Friedel, Charles Becker, Jr. and Mrs. Mary Lewis Lober also are listed among the winners. The outstanding varieties include such recent introductions as *Winifred Stredwich*, *Tidal Wave*, *Herbert Apps*, *Pride of Parkersburg*, *Clariam Royalty*, *Kelvin*, *Samba*, *Cottontail* and *Yellow Elegance*.

The Open-to-All sweepstake winner was Walter Strobel. Other winners are John F. Plawinski, P. J. Burke, William P. Coulter, N. Louis Comito, Hugh Sweeney and Geo. M. Boyles. Here's a few blue ribbon winners, *Golden Gorse*, *Croydon Brightness*, *Patricia Spollen*, *Whitelands*, *Nancy Green*, *Deep Reg. Rose*, *Knockout*, *Croydon Dignity*, *Terry* and *Croydon Masterpiece*.

The Section exclusive to Gardeners sweepstakes prize went to Hugh Sweeney. Many large baskets of standard exhibition dahlias were shown.

The Section for Miniature and Pompons Sweepstakes went to Geo. M. Boyles. Here quality was supreme and it's doubtful if it was excelled at any other show this year. The award was the popular A.D.S. medal.

Competing and winning were Walter Strobel, Charles Becker, Jr., N. Louis Comito and other small flower enthusiasts. The winning poms were *Margaret Williams*, *Ebony*, *Little Beauty*, *Betty Anne*, *Sweetie*, *Little Jackie* and *Joyce Gibbs*. The miniatures, *Agatha*, *Fussy Wussy*, *Princess Royal*, *Bo Bo*, *Chrys.*, *Tjiske*, *Fushia Gem*, *Arabecke*, *Little Linda*, *Decoy*, *Little Lemon Drop*, *Snowsprite* and *Andries Orange*.

STANLEY JOHNSON.

Orange Co. Dahlia Society, Inc. Santa Ana, Cal.

The 12th Annual Dahlia Show was held at the Y.M.C.A. Building the 22nd and 23rd of August. It was a colorful and beautiful show. Alonzo Trezell of Huntington Beach had large pots of growing dahlias, all in full bloom, along the hallway. Noel Scott of Glendale arranged an interesting display of all types of dahlias, and dahlia seed and a square of soil with seed pushing through. Also a collection of dahlia and flower magazines of which all were very interesting, with Lawrence Archibald as Show Manager.

Pres. Dr. G. Emmett Raitt; Vice-President Lawrence Archibald; 2nd Vice President Haywood Allen; 3rd Vice President Eldon McNeil; Secretary John Stein; Treasurer Frank Carmax.

Awards are as follows:

Novice—Best arranged, Shanon Bernard, cup; best entry A size, Don Haskett, cup; sweepstakes, Mrs. Day, cup.

Amateur Division, 1 bloom:

Mrs. Besse Arthur, merchandise order; best 3 blooms, Don Keeney, Englewood, cup; sweepstakes, Mrs. Besse Arthur, cup.

Advanced Amateur, 1 bloom:

Dr. G. Emmett Raitt, best entry, Society of Ohio, medal; 3 blooms, Eldon McNeil, Greater St. Louis, medal; 5 blooms, Alonzo Frazier, Blanding Nursery order; sweepstakes, Dr. G. Emmett Raitt, Orange Co., medal; best 1 year seedling, Paul Comstock, Kiwanis, cup; best 2 year seedling, Don Keeney, Excelsior Creamery, cup; Haywood Allen, American Home Achievement Award; largest flower in show, Dr. G. Emmett Raitt, Dahlia Soc. of Wis., medal; Kobald Pom, smallest in show, John Stein, Orange Co., medal; best flower in show, Don Keeney, American Dahlia Society, medal; most outstanding entry in show, Paul Comstock, San Diego Liquinox cup of Orange, Cal.; most outstanding commercial display, Dell's Dahlia Gardens, Inglewood, Orange Co., trophy; Open-to-All best entry, Paul Comstock, Mid-American Dahlia society, Kansas City, Mo., medal; best 7 blooms, Paul Comstock, East Liverpool, Ohio, medal; mass display, Paul Comstock, Gibbs Nursery order; Open to All arrangement, Miss Anna Tierman, Sunset Magazine, medal; sweepstakes, Paul Comstock, best 3 year seedling *Cherie*, Orange Co., trophy.

Due to a big neighborhood fire the Hobart Jordans were unable to show.

HOBART JORDAN, *Corr. Secretary*.

Greater St. Louis Show

Those guys and gals that had all the rain, the good black soil, no insects, the good varieties, lucky timing and that secret fertilizer will be present to collect the ribbons and cups at this meeting. Guess I forgot to mention that maybe a couple of those winners did spend a little time in their patch, too. Actually, it isn't too important, however, especially if they had all of those other lucky qualifications. How subtle can a guy get? Anyhow, those folks that won for their first time sure deserve a lot of credit, and I for one think that it is swell. Naturally, we are proud of the old faithfuls that bring in the loads of blooms, but it is those new folks that sort of stand around with their ears flappin' and their eyes trying to take in everything at once that we really are glad to see. We had a good novice section this year, and remember, it is the novice grower that is the beginning of an active member for the Society. As usual, we heard some say that they had some blooms at home just as good or better than at the show. By golly, I wonder if those guys ever thought about how much better a show and impression we would make with *all* the blooms at the show. I know of many growers who literally stripped their patches in the effort to make the show a success. We need more like 'em.

By the way, I want to thank the few fellows that helped set up the show and the few that tore the tables down and handled and packed the props away. (Especially Rabenau that had such a heck of a time getting the rental truck in reverse!) It's hard to describe all of the effort and planning that goes into a show and believe me, we should all show those few our appreciation. As usual, we hauled about twice as much stuff to the showroom as we needed. Let's remember that next year, and then we will probably have to make a special trip for more containers at about 15 minutes before judging. (That should really be good.)

Winners of Main Sections of the 1953 St. Louis Dahlia Show:

SECTION A

Best three—Mary Reh, *Tippler*.
Best five—Mary Reh, *Flirt*.
Sweepstakes—Mary Reh.

SECTION B

Best three—Earl Stahl.
Best five—
Sweepstakes—Earl Stahl.

SECTION C

Best three—H. Sandefur, *Ami Louis Blin*.
Best five—Geo. Schaffer, *Arthur Godfrey*.
Best ten—No entry.
Sweepstakes—Wm. Knetzer.

SECTION D

Best three—Pat Bennett, *Prairie Sun*.
Best five—Paul Hale, Mixed.
Best ten—Paul Hale, Mixed.
Sweepstakes—Paul Hale.

SECTION E

Best three—Wm. Knetzer, *Orfeo*.
Best five—Paul Hale, Mixed.
Best ten—Paul Hale, Mixed.

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- Best vase or basket of Pom Pon—H. Sandefur, *Little David*.
- Best vase or basket of Miniatures—Pat Bennett, *Ruby Charm*.
- Smallest Most Perfect Bloom—Edward Nolte Award—Pat Bennett, Mixed.
- Most Perfect A Size Bloom—Paul Hale, *Pyrophora*.
- Most Perfect B Size Bloom—Paul Hale, *Almelos Glory*.
- Best Bloom on a Plant in a Pot—Pat Bennett, *Tornado*.
- Special Award in Ladies Arrangement—Mrs. Curtiss Whitaker.
- Special Award in Men's Arrangements—Paul Hale.
- Sweepstakes Ladies Arrangements—Vicki Hale.
- Sweepstakes Men's Arrangements—Paul Hale.
- Most Outstanding entry in Entire Show—H. Sandefur, Basket of *Nicki K*.
- Best three blooms in Show—Pat Bennett, *Prairie Sun*.
- Best five blooms in Show—Geo. Schaffer, *Arthur Godfrey*.
- Best ten blooms in show—Paul Hale, *Nepos*.
- Best fifteen Blooms in Show—H. Sandefur, *Nicki K*.
- Largest bloom in Show—Geo. Schaffer, *Arthur Godfrey*.
- Grand sweepstakes—Paul Hale.

The regular monthly meeting of the Greater St. Louis Dahlia and Chrysanthemum Society will be held on Friday, October 9, 1953, at 8:00 p. m. in the Cabanne Branch Library Auditorium, Union Blvd. at Cabanne Avenue.

Well, everything is over but the shoutin' and I have a feeling that we will hear plenty of shoutin' when the folks start digging around for those roots that are supposed to be at the bottom of those big, husky dahlia plants. We won't be shoutin' for joy, either. We will be wailing because those roots are going to be strings on a lot of plants especially the varieties that we want to propagate next spring. Old Mother Nature sure threw the book at us this year, didn't she? I think it is awful disheartening to a grower (old or new) to have to watch his plants die because his community can't supply the water demand. A died-in-the-wool grower won't give up, and I sure don't want to see any new growers quit. Let's all give it all we've got next year. The Mid West is scheduled for Cincinnati for 1954, so we should have St. Louis represented by a good showing.

The Rochester Dahlia Society Rochester, N. Y.

October 16, 1953

The Rochester Dahlia Society was fortunate this year in postponing its show from its regular time because of the Mid-West Show in Cleveland. So, in spite of the hot, dry spell in August, we had over 1100 entries of good and excellent quality for our show on September 20. Perhaps the biggest single improvement was the use of wooden wedges to hold the blooms upright, introduced (from East Liverpool?) by Merrill Brown and made and donated by Charles Brereton. Perhaps the most interesting development was the winning of the Sweepstakes in the Amateur Section by 14 year old Gerard Herring, who last year won Novice Sweepstakes.

Following are the winners:

Most Perfect Bloom—*Mrs. Hester A. Pape*—grown by A. H. MacAndrews.

American Home Achievement Medal and A.D.S. Seedling Sweepstakes—*Sam Herst*—grown by C Merrill Brown and originated by Stanley Johnson.

A.D.S. Bronze Medal for most promising seedling (under 3 years old)—*S-53-V-2*—a B-size SC orchid flecked purple grown by Robert Connal.

Largest Bloom—*Kelvin*—grown by C. Merrill Brown.

Smallest, most perfect pompon—*Miss Marjorie*—Mr. and Mrs. Phillip M. Kimmell.

Best Commercial Exhibit—Display of gladiolus by Alfred Moses of Lima, New York.

NOVICE SECTION

Outstanding Bloom—*Blackbird*—Robert Kohlmeier.
Sweepstakes—Robert Kohlmeier.

AMATEUR SECTION

Outstanding Bloom—*Mrs. Hester A. Pape*—A. H. MacAndrews.
Section Sweepstakes—Gerard Herring.
"A" Sweepstakes—Gerard Herring.
"B" Sweepstakes—Gerard Herring.
Miniature & Pompon Sweepstakes—Ed Woerner.

OPEN TO ALL SECTION

Outstanding Bloom—*Seedling*—C. Merrill Brown.
Section Sweepstakes—Frank Eyer.
"A" Sweepstakes—C. Merrill Brown.
"B" Sweepstakes—Frank Eyer.
Miniature & Pompon Sweepstakes—Mr. and Mrs. Phillip M. Kimmell.

ARRANGEMENT SECTION

Garden Club Class—Greenaway Garden Club.
Individual Classes—Tri-Color to Mrs. Alfred Smith.

GLADIOLUS SECTION

Tri-Color and Sweepstakes to Walter Malcolm.

The judges, headed by Phillip M. Kimmell, included Messrs. Walter Malcolm, Frank Eyer, Robert Connal,

A.D.S. SHOW

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SECTION J (Court of Honor)

The LOUIS B. TIM TROPHY, awarded for the finest entry consisting of one bloom, A-large, any type or color, either disseminated variety or seedling, largest and best A-size bloom. Dr. Fred Knocke, *Ada N.*

The MRS. LOUIS B. TIM TROPHY, awarded for the finest entry consisting of three blooms, B-medium, one variety, any type of color, disseminated variety or seedling, best 3 blooms, B-type. Harry Frank, *Grace.*

The DR. EDWARD McDADE TROPHY, awarded for the finest entry consisting of 5 blooms, small, one variety, any type or color, disseminated variety or seedling, best display of miniatures. Harry Frank, *Agatha.*



Ida S.—A.D.S. Seedling Award. Miniature Decorative.
Douglas Slocum, originator.

Louis Eckel, Frank Hellenschmidt, and Arthur Battams, of Rochester; C. Merrill Brown of Williamsville; A. H. MacAndrews and Arthur Garretson of Syracuse; and Edward Stayments, George Brunjes, William Petzke, Charles Liskovec, Earl Canfield, and Guy Dennis of Elmira.

The Show Chairman, Frank Eyer, worked three or four times harder than anyone else and did an excellent job in planning the Show, securing a list of fifty prizes and awards and 'running' the Show. Besides the above named local judges, who also served in other ways, Mr. Eyer was assisted by Mr. Carl Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. McCleary, Orville Henderson, Mrs. Phillip M. Kimmell, Mr. and Mrs. William Stonewall, Mr. Charles Voorhees, Mr. Charles Brereton, Mrs. Walter Malcolm, Mrs. Arthur Battams, and other ladies of the Society, who assisted in the clerking.

Show date for our 1954 Show has already been set for September 11 and 12, at the Rochester Museum so that out of town guests can plan now to attend.

MRS. PHILLIP M. KIMMEL,
Corresponding Secretary.

The East Liverpool Dahlia & Floral Society Show Report

The East Liverpool Dahlia & Floral Society held its 28th Annual Flower Show on September 19th and 20th, 1953 in Memorial Auditorium, 4th and Walnut Sts., East Liverpool, Ohio.

The show this year was just as elaborate as last year, though there were not the number of blooms as in the past, for the heat wave we had here prohibited the blooming of the wonderful flowers. Every Dahlia Society has been effected in the same manner. The same quality of bloom were shown, with many new varieties, which took the eye of the visitors.

A very good attendance as usual though a downpour of rain caused many to stay at home on Saturday evening.

The Gladiolus division was good, though it was a little late, for a larger number of exhibits.

The sweepstake of the Show was won by Richard Heidel, this being the fourth consecutive year he has done so with a compiled 302 points.

Mr. J. T. Eccleston was runner up with a total 252 points. Mr. Eccleston also won the American Home Achievement medal with his *Ceramic Beauty* a lovely red formal. He also won the Mayor Arnold Devon trophy with *Ceramic Beauty*. The same flower won the award for the best three in a vase of A dahlias.

Mr. William F. Danko of Parma Heights, Cleveland, Ohio captured sweepstakes of large Amateur division with 276 points, also Mrs. Danko won smallest and best Ball Dahlia.

Mrs. J. T. Eccleston won the open rose division, while Mr. Heidel captured the awards for the small growers division, also 2nd day best rose.

R. C. (Pop) Fergate and Jeff Schuilling tied for the sweepstakes of Novice division.

Mr. Frank Richmond won sweepstakes of basket, vase and bowl division.

The Dahlia *Arthur Godfrey* was judged the largest bloom in the show and *Tornado* was choice of best three incurved cactus B size, both shown by J. T. Eccleston.

Leo Lawrence's *Golden Treasure* the most perfect B dahlia.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Green of Calcutta won the A.D.S. medal for their seedling, and Rosemary Gardens of Martins Ferry, O. won the award for the most perfect miniature.

The Garfield Heights Dahlia Gardens won the Ceramic Center of the World award with *Ruthie*.

Mr. James Sebesy of Aurora, O. swept the Gladiolus division with 387 points and Syd Cartmell of Berea, O. runner up with 160 points for second. Mr. Sebesy also won the awards for the largest floret and color champion, while Carmell had the grand champion and 2nd day champion.

Wm. Haugh of Wellsville, O. won the prize for smallest and most perfect pompon.

L. S. Davies of Cleveland, O. won the award for the largest and most perfect rose in large Amateur division.

Junior Growers Division winners were Nancy Swift in the 7-10-year-old group and Christina Ridder in the 1-6 group.

Other winners in Dahlia division were Harry Johnson,

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Winners in the arrangement division were Mrs. Dorothy Kountz, Mrs. George Wilmont, Mrs. Carmen Melvin and Mrs. Chris Wind of Rocky River.

In the open arrangement division Mrs. Angelo Danko of Parma Heights was first, with Mrs. Harold Gallimore of East Liverpool, O. second.

Miss Mary Schmidt of Parma Heights, O. won sweepstake of the amateur division in arrangements.

A vote of thanks is extended to all the officers and members and all who offered their time and labor in making the Show a successful one.

Here's hoping all will meet again and I can and will say when better dahlias are grown East Liverpool, O. will show them. Be seeing you.

WM. C. CRAUSE, *Corr. Secy.*

Hagerstown Dahlia Show

The Hagerstown Dahlia Society held its 24th annual Dahlia and Flower Show, September 24th and 25th, in the basement of the City Market.

Despite the July and August drought and heat wave, when the temperature went to 107 and for eleven straight days stood on the 100 mark and the grasshoppers which played havoc with the bloom this year, the exhibition came up to the expectations of the officials of the Society. While we were some short on entries the interest and attendance surpassed that of former years.

In connection with the beautiful array of dahlias, there were many exhibits of the finest specimens of roses, gladiola, asters, zinnias, marigolds, cosmos, petunias and other flowers in season. A table displaying unique and artistic arrangements were another delightful feature of the Show.

The largest Dahlia in the Show was exhibited by Mr. Oscar Moser, *Sherwood Peach* 12 x 10. Mr. D. A. Gossard exhibited the best Dahlia in the Show *Five Star General*. Mr. Homer Grove had the best white Dahlia. Mr. D. A. Gossard, the best red, pink and yellow. Mr. Charles W. Zahn, best purple and bi-color. Mr. H. K. Ramsburg the best autumn shade and lavender. In the 1953 introductions decorative class, Mr. M. B. Keener had first prize, Mrs. P. L. Carper second. Best miniature, H. K. Ramsburg, first prize, Mr. Homer Grove, second.

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Virginia Dahlia Society

The 29th Annual Show of the Virginia Dahlia Society was held (in spite of the extremely dry growing season) in the Old Dominion Room of Miller & Rhoads, Richmond, Virginia, September 28 through September 30, 1953. How the Virginia Dahlia growers did it will go into the annuals of Virginia Dahlia history as one of the years greatest mysteries. The blooms this year were lovely and the growers deserve great credit for their very hard work.

The grand champion cup (for the best "A" Dahlia of the show) was awarded to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Eddins for *The Cardinal*. This is the fourth year that *The Cardinal* has won grand champion and the first year of the awarding of the grand champion perpetual cup. Mr. and Mrs. Eddins also won the overall sweepstakes in horticulture and Mrs. Eddins also won sweepstake for arrangements.

Mr. Roy Brittain of Lakeside won The Bam's Novice Cup given each year by Bam's Jewelry's of Richmond, Virginia.

Mr. W. L. Elkins of Richmond was awarded The American Home Achievement Medal for his new introduction, *Little Timmy*, an undeseminated dahlia. With Mr. E. R. Phillips of Silver Springs, Maryland as runner up.

The American Dahlia Society Bronze Medal went to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Eddins for the best first year seedling. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Capp of Charlottesville won the Virginia Dahlia Seedling Sweepstake and Certificate, and the American Dahlia Society Seedling Sweepstakes and Medal to Mr. W. L. Elkins for *Little Timmy*—85.7 points.

At the Annual dinner meeting, October 8, 1953, the following officers for the coming year were elected:

President—A. G. Chamberlayne, Laurel, Va.

First Vice President—R. E. Bryant, Lakeside, Va.

Second Vice President—Mrs. Ruth F. Isaacs, Glen Allen, Va.

Secretary and Treasurer—Ken Clark, Sandston, Va.

KEN CLARK,
Chairman of Publicity.

ENGLAND

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should prove excellent for exhibition *Brandaris* (A.M.) Rich Scarlet with a Gold Centre.

In the Medium Cactus *Jean Waite* is a nice Pinkish Red exhibition bloom.

Pioneer (semi-cactus) is a nice Yellow.

SMALL CACTUS UNDER 6".

Cheerio still seems to be my favorite. It is a Cherry Red, tipped White, and is the most perfect little cactus I have ever grown.

Purity seems to be a nice White which I will grow again for the Show-Bench.

Theresa Joyce is a perfect deep crimson for the Show-Bench.

And now we look forward to the prospect and excitement of the coming season.

Leslie R. Wright,
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Grays, Essex, England.

Ohio Valley Dahlia Show

The Ohio Valley Dahlia Association held its 23rd annual dahlia show at the Cincinnati Art Museum. There was a large display of fine blooms, and every type of dahlia was represented.

This year we awarded four Sweepstakes for the Specimen Bloom classes; two in the Small Amateur class, and two in the Open to All.

In the Open to All section for "A" and "B" size dahlias Alice Mattick won Sweepstakes with W. C. Anderson runner up.

For the Pom and Miniatures dahlias W. C. Anderson won Sweepstakes with E. R. Heitzman runner up.

In the Small Amateur section for "A" and "B" size dahlias Jack Wilsey won Sweepstakes with Howard Ray runner up.

For the Pom and Miniature Dahlias Harry Story won Sweepstakes with Howard Ray runner up.

The Artistic Arrangement Sweepstakes winners were Elizabeth Geisman, Open to All; John Dickman, Men Only; Mrs. Ray Fisher, Novice.

Novice Sweepstakes in the specimen bloom class went to Anna May Schreiner.

The largest bloom in the show was *Sherwood's Peach* grown by W. A. Saffell.

The most perfect "A" size bloom was *Queen Elizabeth* grown by Jack Wilsey, and the most perfect "B" size bloom was *Doreen E.* grown by Mrs. H. Reilly.

The Charles F. Pape trophy was presented to Ed. Heepke for the second consecutive year.

The Garnett Huey Trophy and the Martha Waters Parker Trophy went to John Dickman for his blooms of *Grendezza*.

The Foreign dahlia root award was given to Alice Mattick.

The winners of gold ribbons were: Alice Mattick for *Zenith*, *Corona*, *Terpo*, and *Little Olive*; W. C. Anderson for *Windlassie* and *Red Sparkle*; Harry Story for *Supt. Amhryn* and *Ruby Charm*; Mrs. H. Reilly for *Doreen E.* and *Koongaras Sunburst*; Jack Wilsey for *Queen Elizabeth* and *Youth*; Charles Emmerich for *Princess Beatrix*; Fred Binstadt for *Honey*; John Dickman for *Baby Fonteneau*; R. L. Dunwoody for *Gypsy*; E. R. Heitzman for *Supt. Amhryn*; Ed Heepke for *Baby Fonteneau*; and Anna M. Schreiner for *Enchantress*.

JACK WILSEY, Show Secretary.

HAGERSTOWN

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Sweepstakes was won by Mrs. Roy Polsgrove. Mr. Oscar Moser had the most entries. Mrs. Roy Polsgrove, second and Mrs. H. C. Kuhn, third. In the Gladiola Class, the specimens were fine and larger than in former years and were a creditable addition to the Show.

Judges of the Show: Professor J. B. S. Norton from the University of Maryland; Mr. Henry J. Betz, Baltimore, Md. and Miss Mary Bester, Hagerstown, Md.

Mr. Chas. W. Zahn and Mr. Homer Grove were Show Superintendents. H. K. Ramsburg, Secretary.

Another Dahlia year comes to a close. May we all continue to work for the betterment of the most beautiful of all flowers, the Dahlia.

H. K. RAMSBURG, Secretary.

Washington State Dahlia Show

The forty-third annual Washington State Dahlia Show was held at Hood Carriers Hall, Tacoma, Washington, September 12th and 13th. It was the largest and most beautiful exhibition of dahlias ever held in the Northwest.

It was a big day for Deans Wood of Tacoma when his entry of the *Tornado* variety, was named, first, the best dahlia grown by an Amateur to win the Charles Julin award then took the grand award, the Society's trophy, for the best dahlia in the show. Abbot, grown by Mrs. John Baush, of Port Orchard, was second best in the show. An arrangement by Mrs. Norma Glen of Tacoma took the special arrangement award.

Other special awards went to Jack Kindberg, the F. D. Burchard Award, for an entry of *Divya*, best dahlia grown by a Novice. Mrs. Charles Ayler won the award for the smallest perfect dahlia in the show with *Clover*. To Mrs. Ernest Springer went the award for the largest dahlia in the show, with her *Brudigom Special*. Mrs. Deane Wood arranged the best basket entry in the show with her *Joseph Langerces*.

An entry of three dahlias in the seedling class grown by Tony DeRooney of Everett, won the coveted Home Achievement Medal. He has named his seedling *Miss Echo*. American Dahlia Society awards of good medal certificates went to Tony DeRooney of Everett and Wesley Ulsh of Gig Harbor on his dahlia *Sungleam*, in the medium class.

In the Novice group Jack Kindberg took the awards on *Blackbird*, a cactus and *Divya* a semi-cactus. He also won the special award on *Regalia* in the Formal Decorative class. Mrs. Glen Riche of Tacoma won the award for the best Informal Decorative with *Mayor Frank Otis*.

Deane Wood's *Tornado* won the special award for the best cactus bloom in the Amateur Class. Andrew Babb, of Bremerton, with his *Hoosier Marvel* won the best Semi-Cactus group. Mrs. Charles Ayler's *Five Star General* was the best Amateur Formal Decorative and Mrs. Ernest Springer's *Brudigom Special* was the best Amateur Informal Decorative. D. A. Botting, Auburn, took first place in Amateur baskets.

Mrs. John Baush won special awards in the Open Class with *Abbot*, the best Cactus; *Royal Sight*, the best Semi-Cactus; *Stelatte*, the best Formal Decorative, and *Dolly Sawyer*, the best Informal Decorative.

Mrs. Norma Glenn's table arrangement was the best in the open class. Young Bill Jefferson of Tacoma won the best single bloom of a Washington origination, his *Pacific Queen*. Mrs. Springer displayed three blooms of *Token*, the best three blooms of a Washington origination. Mrs. Charles Ayler showed the best three blooms of foreign origination, while Mrs. Springer entered the best one bloom of a foreign origination.

Missing from the panel of judges was Mrs. J. W. Lee of Sunset Beach, charter member of Washington State Dahlia Society. Who was in the hospital. Mrs. Lee is one of America's leading dahlia hybridizers.

BARBARA AYLER,
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Dahlia and Plant Specialists of Greater Cleveland

The Dahlia and Plant Specialists held its Annual Flower and Dahlia Show in the Garden Center of Greater Cleveland located at Euclid Ave. and East Boulevard, on September 5th and 6th, 1953.

The Show was a surprise to many since the excessive rains in the Spring retarded plantings and the drought and heat during the Summer were not favorable to Dahlia growing. In fact many gardens were not in full bloom at show time. The entries were not so numerous but the quality very good.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Robens entered the most perfect bloom, *Tidal Wave*, the best over 8" was their entry of *Rika Ballin* and the largest bloom in the show was their red seedling No. 51-20. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Kovar had the best 4 to 8" bloom, *Juanita*. They also won numerous blue ribbons in the various classes. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Lasch won *Red Bird* as the most perfect ball dahlia and *Clover*, the most perfect pom dahlia in the show. Mrs. A. E. Lackamp had the best table arrangement made of Dahlias.

In the Delphinium Class, the Kovars again won the honors. Mr. and Mrs. Otto Posky were the winners in the Annuals and Rose Sections, also their display of vegetables was outstanding. Mr. J. J. Kern displayed Roses which had been grown at his Rose Nursery, Mentor, Ohio.

Mr. J. W. Cowie, Show Chairman, wishes to thank the Judges, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sattler of Toledo, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold J. Gallimore of East Liverpool, Ohio, for their conscientious judging which was so capably done at our show.

We were happy to have the Mid-West Conference and Dahlia Show in our City of Cleveland. Our members cooperated to the fullest extent in bringing their numerous blooms and helping to stage the Mid-West and make it a grand success. We, Dahlia and Plant Specialists, are proud of our Mr. H. H. Robens and capable assistant—his good wife, Ada, who won the Grand Champion at the Show with their cherry red seedling, *Mary Elizabeth*—the largest and most perfect specimen exhibited.

LORETTA C. LACKAMP,
Sp. Cor. Secretary.

ROCKY RIVER INTRODUCTIONS

We are again offering a varied list of novelties for the coming season. 1953 was one of the most difficult growing seasons in our experience, and similar conditions prevailed over most of the country. In spite of the unfavorable conditions, the varieties we are offering, performed well enough in most places to warrant their introduction. Four of them are American Home Achievement Medal winners, at least six have been certified at official Trial Grounds, and unofficial reports indicate that all, or nearly all, will have Honor Roll listing.

We regret that "Ceramic Beauty, winner of five Achievement Medals, must be held over for next year because of lack of stock. Mark this great dahlia as a "must" for 1955. It is an "A" size red formal.

ADELAIDE (Nicholson-Rocky River)

A "B" size orange formal which will be alone in its class. Blooms average six to seven inches in diameter with good depth. Tall plants hold blooms well above the plants on long stems.

Root \$10.00 net—Plant \$3.50 net

HARMONY (Wolfe-Rocky River)

A pink incurved cactus averaging about eight inches in diameter, this past season, but about nine inches in 1952. We believe it will eventually be classed "A" size. Strong stems hold flowers facing side. Tall plants with rigid laterals.

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HARRY A. BEALS (Beals-Boyle-Rocky River)

A large reddish purple informal which can be grown ten to eleven inches in diameter. Reverse of petals is silver which shows at center and on some of the twisting petals. Plants of average height and extremely rugged with exceptionally heavy foliage. Stems are unbending under any conditions; some short, some long and others just right.

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LITTLE TIMMIE (Elkins-Rocky River)

A miniature formal decorative of fine formation. One of three superb miniatures in this list, as evidenced by the American Home Achievement Medal at Richmond. Cream centers blending to light rose and rose violet at the tips.

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MISS ECHO (DeRooy-Rocky River)

An "A" size yellow cactus averaging about nine inches in diameter. Blooms have good substance and the stems are very good. Winner of two American Home Achievement Medals on the west coast, and a runner-up to our 1955 introduction "Ceramic Beauty" at Chicago.

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SILVER SPRING (Phillips-Rocky River)

Like "Little Timmie," this delicate light pink formal is an American Home Achievement Medal winner; at Williamsburg. A real miniature which never grows over-size, averaging about two and a half inches in diameter. Tiny petals are very numerous and are "filled in" right to the centers.

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STORM CLOUD (Baker-Rocky River)

This is the largest of our offerings for this year, having been grown fourteen inches in diameter in 1952. Dark red in 1952 and late this season, but purple during the hot dry spell of 1953, it's eventual classification will rest with the classification committee. Prime blooms are semi cactus. Winner of three American Home Achievement Medals.

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TRIAL GARDENS

*(Continued from page 16)*The Ohio Valley Dahlia Trial
Grounds Report

The following is the Trial Grounds Report from Cincinnati, Ohio.

There were twenty-one entries this year of which six entries scored 85. The varieties scored are as follows:

Forest View Gardens, Fairmount, West Va. No. 31 Orange Red. F.D. Size 8 in. x 5 in. Scored 85 E.

H. E. Hulin, Route 3, Box 225, Port Orchard, Wash. *Trinket*, Fuschia to red S.C. miniature size 3½ in. x 2 in. Score 85 M.

Comstock Dahlia Gardens, 5140 35th St., San Diego, Calif. No. 141-48 Lavender pink S.C. Size 7 in. x 3 in. Scored 85 E.

Jermar Dahlia Gardens, 157 East Harding Road, Springfield, Ohio. *Jim's Blend*. White overlaid pink. Size 8 in. x 5 in. Scored 85 E. *Paul's White*. White cream to center. S.S. Size 6 in. x 4 in. Scored 85 E.

Rocky River Dahlia Gardens, 19111 Story Road, Rocky River, Ohio. B. B-O Gold autumn shade S.C. Size 9 in x 6 in. Scored 85 E.

The following scored below 85:

Stake No. 3—Scored 83 E. Purple with light reverse. Size 8 in. x 4 in. I.F. Entered by Harry Beals, 11220 Wallace St., Chicago, Ill.

Stake No. 4—Scored 84 E. Apricot with red veinings. Size 7 in. x 3 in. S.C. Entered by E. F. Floyd, 10 Crescent Road, Montclair, New Jersey.

Stake No. 5—Scored 84 B. Size 5 in. x 3 in. S.C. Entered by Forest View Gardens, Fairmount, West Va. Color Scarlet.

Stake No. 7—Scored 83 M. White with cream center. Size 5 in. x 2 in. C. Entered by D. J. Morgan, Cuyhoga Falls, Ohio.

Stake No. 9—Scored 83 E. White with greenish centers. Size 9 in. x 5 in. S.C. Entered by H. E. Hulin, Route No. 3, Box 225, Port Orchard, Washington.

Stake No. 10—Scored 82 E. Canary yellow. Size 6 in. x 4 in. F.D. Entered by Comstock Dahlia Gardens, 5140 35th St., San Diego, Calif.

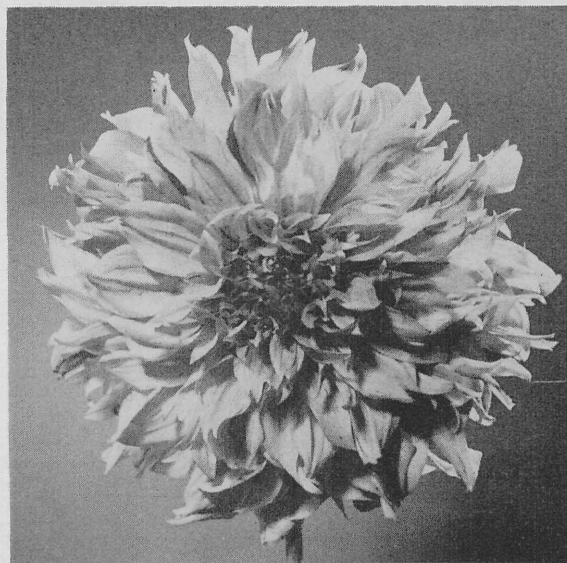
Stake No. 12—Scored 84 E. Yellow, veined orange to center. Size 8 in x 4 in. S.C. Entered by R. G. Huey, Ludlow, Ky.

Stake No. 20—Scored 80 E. Burnt Orange, streaked yellow. Size 8 in. x 3 in. S.C. to C. Entered by Rocky River Gardens, Rocky River, Ohio.

Some of these varieties have been offered a retrial, and think with a better season could score. The season here was very poor with no rain during the growing season and if we did not have means of watering, they would have been a failure.

ROBERT SEIBEL, *Trial Grounds Supt.*

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The beautiful variegated dahlia *Jewel Hubbert* is a true sport of Dixies Wine Dot. The decorative blooms grow naturally 9 to 12 inches across. The high centre floret source seems unending. Flecks and stripes of magenta are delightfully placed. Florets are wavy, serrated, and have a crisp sheen. The color is mauve with the reverse of petals at centre showing a rosy mauve. The mauve shade is between Pearl Harbour and Nancy Ann Scharrag.

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The BURHOLME HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY completed one of their most successful show seasons with their 33rd ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW featuring DAHLIAS on Friday and Saturday, September 18 and 19 at the Jardel Recreation Center, Cottman and Pennway Streets, Burholme, Phila. 11, Pa. The number of entries was smaller than previous years due to the hot and dry summer weather, but the quality of the blooms was high.

The Sweepstakes Winner of the open to all Dahlia Classes was Walter Strobel of Township Line, Elkins Park, Pa. who won the Silver Trophy donated by the Second National Bank of Philadelphia. Closely contesting was Stanley Johnson of Cheltenham, Pa. winning five first prizes, two second prizes and two of the four AMERICAN DAHLIA SOCIETY SEEDLING AWARDS. The other award winners were Harry Miller, Easton, Pa., and Dr. Ward H. Cook, New York, N. Y.

The AMERICAN HOME ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL was awarded to a newly created Dahlia named *Friendship*, an origination of Stanley Johnson. Other First Prize winners were N. Louis Comito, Rosemont, Pa.; James Desmond, Elkins Park, Pa., who also captured the ROSETTE for the BEST DAHLIA of the show with a fine specimen of QUEEN ELIZABETH, and Keck-Stephans Farms of Ferndale, Pa.

The BURHOLME TROPHY to the sweepstakes winner of the DAHLIA classes for amateurs was awarded to Charles G. Friedel, 317 Fanshawe Street, Lawndale, Pa. Other First Prize winners were John Plewinski, 50 E. Dupont St., Phila. 28, Pa.; George Boyles, Lansdowne, Pa.; N. Louis Comito, Rosemont, Pa.; Henry Brusca, 521 Stanwood St., Phila., Pa., and Dr. Hankele, Neshaminy, Pa.

Some of the new varieties appearing for the first time were *Phenomenon*, *Croydon Brightness*, *Florence Collier*, *Herbert Apps*, *Golden Goose*, and *Frau Margit Haase*. Other standard winning varieties were *Collector's Item*, *Croydon Masterpiece*, *Arthur Godfrey*, *King Size*, *Tidal Wave*, *Marion Glenn*, *Powder Puff*, *Five Star General* and many other recent ones.

The genial William O. Hird, again officiated as Show Superintendent, and the Judges were Lynn B. Dudley, New Rochelle, N. Y., Dr. Ward H. Cook, New York, N. Y., Mayland T. MacAvoy, Willow Grove, Pa., George G. Johnson, Cheltenham, Pa., and John M. Root, Collingswood, N. J.

CHIC HAUSMANN, *Publicity*.

Central Valley Dahlia Society Bakersfield, California

Central Valley Dahlia Society of Bakersfield, California held its 2nd Annual Dahlia Show at the San Quaquin Tractor Building, Oct. 10th and 11th, 1953. The most outstanding dahlia in the show was a second year seedling originated by Neven Burrell of Tulare, Calif., an A size Informal Decorative White Dahlia. Largest dahlia in the show was *Autumn Blaze*, entered by Mrs. Ed Homer of Porterville, Calif. The smallest

dahlia was *Yellow Gem*, entered by Mrs. Ed Rambaud of Bakersfield. The Winning first place Dahlias in the show were *Ogden Reid*, *Maestro*, *Montezuma*, *Arc De Triumph*, *Producer*, *Tornado*, *Jeep*, *Frieda Gaylord*, *Kelvin*, *Dorothy Lamour*, *Patricia Spollen*, *Atomic Yellow*, *Selwood Glory*, *Madam Elizabeth Sawyer*, *Smokey*, *Miss Elsie Jane*, *P. Germain*, *Mrs. Brown*, *Aumonier Chandelon*, *Debut*, *Dahlia mum*, *Lois Walscher*, *Ike*, *Honey*, *Autumn Blaze*, *Virginia Rute*, *Leona McClesley*, *The Cardinal*, *Linda Lou*, *Rockly Orange*, *White Fawn*, *Pink Supreme*, *Good Morning*, *Hylas* and *Lambert's Violet*. The Judges for the show were Mr. John Gaylord of San Francisco, Mr. C. Webb of San Leandro, Mr. Haywood Allen, of Westminster, Mr. Noel Scott of Glendale, Mrs. J. Arthur of Huntington Beach, Howard Frame of Porterville, and Mr. R. Hill of Visalia.

The theme of the show was Oriental and shown beautifully by a Chinese Well House banked with dahlias. The front of the well house opened to a lovely brick pool done in the traditional dull black, lined in aqua. A school of lively fan-tailed black fish frolicked in the pool. The designer and builder of this lovely creation was Mrs. Fredrick Hoar, who is widely known for her artistic ability in Bakersfield.

Mrs. Leon Oglesby, Show Manager earned a great deal of applause for the fine manner in which she put in the show, ably assisted by Mrs. Ray Mongerson, who obtained the door prizes, Mrs. Ed Rambaud, Ticket Chairman and Treasurer, and Mrs. Robert Wilson, President of the Society. A million thanks to all others who assisted as without them we couldn't have had such a lovely show.

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RITZIE: ID. Miniature, currant red. Lacinated tips make it a very artistic bloom. Nice long stems. Flowers on side facing up. Has good foliage and is insect resistant. Bloom about three inches always stay in the miniature class. Has won many firsts including a special award given by the Garden Center of Cleveland for the best seedling under four inches at the Dahlia and Plant Specialists show. Another Honor Roll Dahlia.

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Chagrin Falls, Ohio.

Kitsap Co. Dahlia Society Show

Bremerton, Wash. where the big dahlias are grown and shown was treated to the best show in many years on August 27th and 28th. Many times when a show is reported the writer starts with some sort of excuse or apology about the weather. This year we had a very much needed rain the night and day before the show. It cleared up in time for the boys to cut their flowers without rain coats. Consequently we had the cleanest flowers possible and no excuse is needed as the quality was tops in every respect and we had the largest amount of good flowers ever shown at Bremerton.

The Novice class was well filled with such good blooms as *Miss San Diego*, *Sheik*, *Red Velvet*, *Grand Slam*, *Julia McKamey*, *Edith Morrell*, *Sellwood Glory* and *Clara Carder* with many lovely Miniatures and Poms. Sweepstakes winner in this class was Leo Miller with a very well grown bloom of *Edith Morrell*.

The Amateur division was well represented in the cactus types with Holland varieties predominating the entire section. (I'm wondering, Is this good?) Section winners were *Hazard* and *Sheik*. In the Semi-Cactus class lovely blooms of *Irene Rich*, *Patricia Spollen*, *Virginia Rute* and *Allegresse* were shown with *Allegresse* section winner shown by Mrs. Springer of Tacoma.

The Formal class provided nice blooms of *Darcy Sainsbury*, *Silver Meteor*, *Charles Mastick* and *Haslerova* with the latter taking section ribbon shown by Mrs. L. J. Harvey. The Informal class was prominent with such top notch varieties as *Madonna*, *Clara Carder*, *Edith Morrell*, *Croydon Masterpiece*, *Night Editor*, *Mrs. Hester Pape*, *Freda George* and *Windlassie*. Best bloom in this section was *Night Editor* shown by Dean Wood of Tacoma. Pom Pons and Miniature were well represented in all types but they failed to show the quality of the larger blooms. *Lady's Fancy* and *Andreas Orange* were extra good. In the Amateur arrangement class Mrs. L. J. Harvey won all firsts.

The Decorative Arrangement class was well covered with Mrs. Tom Forhan winning blue ribbons with the following: *Dinner Table*, *Buffet*, *Coffee Table*, *Mixed*, *All White* and *Tints and Tones*. Mrs. A. C. Ernst won the blue with a *Madonna* Arrangement.

The Advanced Amateur section had less entries but they were all splendid specimens of what an exhibition dahlia should be. In this limited space we will mention only the Blue Ribbon winners: In the cactus class, *Pride of Holland*, *Golden Rectitude*, *E. J. Sanberg*, *Val St. Lambert*, *Searchlight*, *Victory Day* and *White Superior*. *Pride of Holland* and *Victory Day* were section winners. In the Semi-Cactus class a splendid bloom of *The Cardinal* shown by Tom Forhan won the section ribbon. The Formal class winners were *The Real Glory*, *Color Sketch*, *D-Day*, *Sellwood Glory* and *Pop Harris* which also won the section ribbon for Mr. John Baush. The Informal class was better filled with a fine specimen of Jos. B. Lanktree winning the section for Mr. N. S. McKamey. A good B Semi-Cactus white won the blue on the seedling class for Jens Neilsen. A variegated B won the ADS Medal. Best dahlia in the show was *Pride of Holland* shown by John Baush. Runner up was *Sheik* shown by Vern Sanford. Largest dahlia in the show was a huge *Olympic Centennial* grown by John Baush. This variety was originated in Olympia, Wash.

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GORDON F. WAASER, Editor.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 28th day of September, 1953.

IVAR O. ARESKOG

My commission expires March 30, 1954.

A basket of "Miss Echo" was shown by Mr. De Rooy of Monroe. This is a very attractive canary yellow, his own origination, which won the A.H.A. Medal at Everett.

The thoroughness of planning and the splendid cooperation of the show committee and members was responsible for a wonderful show.

J. E. HULIN, *Publicity*.

A.D.S. 1954 Show

As we go to press, plans have not been completed nor has a definite date been set. An exhaustive study is under way and much is still to be done. The Committee is always desirous of making the A.D.S. Show bigger and better and of ever increasing interest. Announcement will be made in the next issue of the BULLETIN.



Maureen Connolly—World's Amateur tennis champion admires the dahlia named for her.—Introducer Comstock Dahlia Gardens.

Portland Dahlia Society

The twenty-sixth annual dahlia show presented by the Portland Dahlia Society was held in the Masonic Temple on the 19th and 20th of September. The show was not as large as last year with smaller displays by the commercial growers.

The Amateur class showed a great improvement and their blooms held up exceptionally well. The best A size bloom was *Dandy Snow* which proved to be the best in the show. *Mlle. Clementine Payen* was the best B size to be shown in the show and was also displayed by an amateur. In the Novice and Advanced Amateur classes the best A size dahlias were *Croyden's Masterpiece* and *The Cardinal*. Best in the B size were two entries of "*Clarose*. *Croyden's Masterpiece* was also the largest bloom, and was also shown by an amateur grower.

The American Home Achievement Medal was won by *Miss America*, a B size incurved cactus . . . a blend of yellow and peach blush. It is a strong grower and has excellent stems and foliage. We look for it to attract a lot of attention because of the lovely color and petal formation and substance. Carlton E. Richter was the originator and grower of this new dahlia.

A number of new dahlias were on display and some of the best were *Florence Chadwick* the perfectly beautiful white cactus in the B size class. E. Henry White, dean of northwest dahlia growers, claims that this dahlia is as near perfect as a dahlia can be. Another B is *Miss Rose Fletcher*, delicate pink cactus, good grower and keeps well. *Aladdin*, an A size bi-color in the autumn shades was also outstanding.

In the miniature sizes there were some very beautiful blooms. *Maroon Gem*, a lovely crimson maroon formal, *Ruby Charm*, a rich deep red cactus, *Ahoy*, a brilliant red formal that is really small, and the outstanding new type anemone *Comete*. This dahlia is a deep maroon red with strong stems, beautiful foliage and an entirely different cushion. The cushion consists of tube-like petals and is about three inches in diameter surrounded by a single row of perfect short petals.

As usual a dahlia show is the best place to see the best in both the old and the new varieties.

SAM LEHMAN,
Publicity Chairman.

A.D.S. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Nominating Committee presents a slate for 1953 as listed on the ballot below.

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, 1954, to Henry Olsen, Treasurer, 45 Clement Avenue, N. Y.

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

The Officers placed in nomination by the Nominating Committee to serve the American Dahlia Society for 1954, or until their successors are elected or appointed, are as follows:

- For President: Andrew J. Mulcahy, Floral Park, New York.
- For Secretary: Edward B. Lloyd, Montclair, New Jersey.
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Note: "If you are an active or sustaining member in good standing, or a life member, your vote will be counted as two (2) votes for each officer voted for. If you are a participating (Branch membership classification) your vote will be counted as one (1) vote. Be sure to mail this ballot before January 2, 1954, to Henry Olsen, Treasurer, 45 Clement Avenue, Elmhurst, N. Y.

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

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HOW VOTES ARE TO BE COUNTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

A.D.S. By-Laws, Article II, Clause 1: "Active members at large. (Paying \$3.50 per year dues.) They shall have full voice in the Society and shall be entitled to cast two (2) votes each in the election of officers, etc."

Article II, Clause 2: "Participating members shall be members of Branch Societies who have been duly accepted into membership by the Executive Committee. Each Participating Member (paying \$1.75 per year for membership) shall have one (1) vote in the election of officers, etc."

Article II, Clause 3: "Sustaining members shall be members who desire to make a contribution each year beyond regular dues (of active members at \$3.50 per year) . . . Each Sustaining Member shall have two (2) votes in the annual election of officers, etc."

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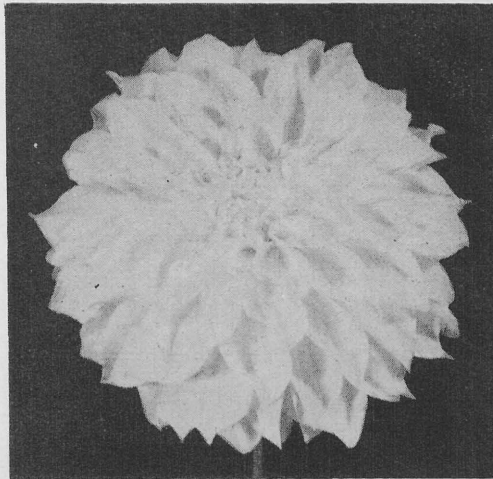
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Article VI, Clause 4: "Returns of the balloting to be tabulated by a committee composed of the Secretary and two members of the Society appointed by the President."

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.

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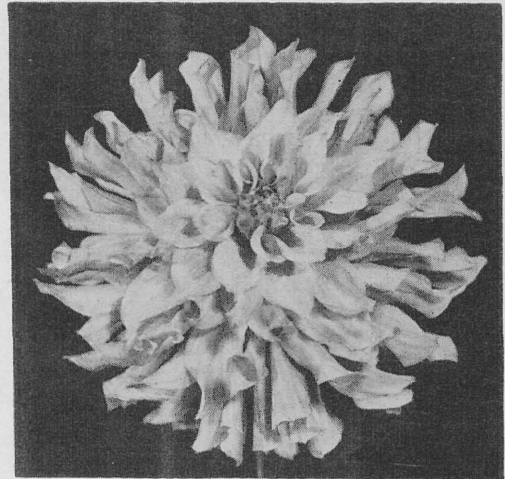


MAUREEN CONNOLLY—F. D.

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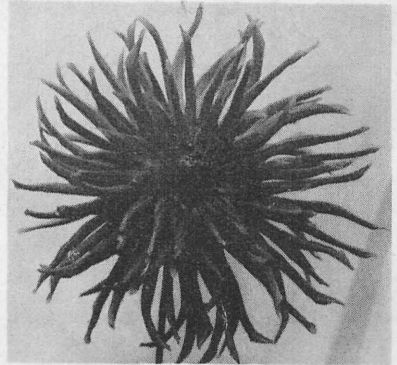
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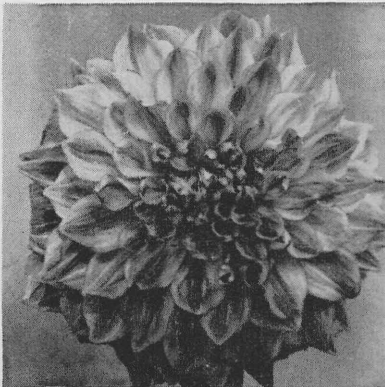
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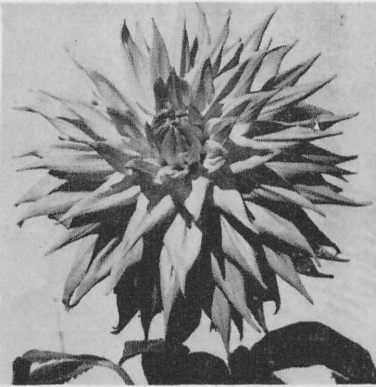
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