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# THE WORLD'S MOST SELECT

# DAHLIAS



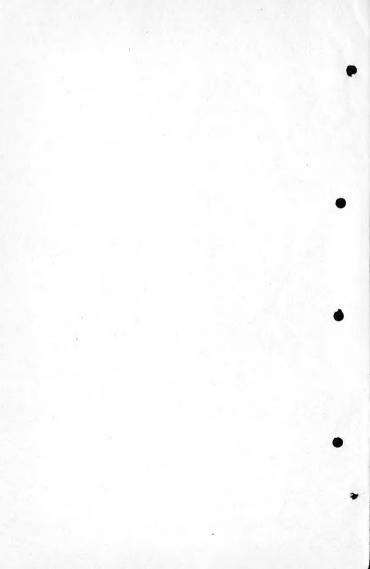
CACTUS DAHLIA
Pink Abundance

# GROWN C. LOUIS ALLING DAHLIA SPECIALIST

251 Court Street

West Haven,

Connecticut



### TO MY FRIENDS AND PATRONS.

Since the vast number of varieties of good Dahlias available is bewildering indeed to both amateur and connoisseur alike, I have taken, as we say, "the bull by the horns" and have arbitrarily established a collection of the best. In making my selection I have not been governed by personal likes and dislikes. Rather have I made the rule to select varieties that have given the greatest degree of satisfaction in all parts of the country.

Thanking you for past favors and wishing you a most successful Dahlia season, I am,

Sincerely yours,

C. LOUIS ALLING

#### MY BUSINESS METHODS

I do not recommend planting in this climate until the latter part of May, and to insure a long succession of bloom, planting should be extended until the latter part of June.

I start shipping around April 15th, and orders are filled in rotation as received, but if customers will kindly state at what time after that date they would like to receive them I will try to ship them as near the date requested as possible.

I send out divided field grown roots, everyone guaranteed true to name, and to arrive in good growing condition. I cannot guarantee them to grow if they are not unpacked immediately upon receipt.

All retail orders are sent Parcel Post unless instructions are received to send them otherwise.

Orders taken at the Fall Shows, and all others not fully paid for will be sent C. O. D. at purchaser's expense, unless previous arrangements have been made.

As the demand for some sorts often exceeds the supply, it will be well to order early and so avoid disappointment. It will also be well to name a few as second choice or state if I may substitute for any that are sold out.

Full cultural directions sent with every order.

Remittance may be sent by Post Office or Express money order, registered letter, or cheek.

Stamps are very convenient for sums of less than \$2. One or two-cent denomination preferred.

## GIANT HYBRID CACTUS DAHLIAS

Attraction. Clear rose pink. The blooms are bold and large but not coarse\$1,00
Bianca. Lavender pink shaded to white at center. Flowers stand perfectly upright on the best of stems. Very free flowering
Break o' Day. This is a Dahlia which can be highly recommended for commercial purposes. The color is a delicate clear sulphur yellow shading to sulphur white at tips. The petals are of great substance illuminated by a satiny sheen, giving the flower a waxy appearance
Bridal Veil. A fine new Hybrid of pure glistening white. The
flowers are large and stand erect on fine stems. A new white which can be highly recommended
California Enchantress. A new Californian which proved a re-
markable success with us last season. The color is a delightful shade of light pink with creamy white suffusions.  The plants are free blooming and flowers are borne on the best of stems 2.50
Edith Slocombe. A true Hybrid Cactus, finely formed flowers
carried on long, wiry stems of a wonderful shade of rich purplish-garnet or shaded velvet-maroon. The twisted and curled petals showing this beautiful combination of colors make this an unusually attractive variety
Gee Whiz. This is an extraordinary large variety and for ex-
hibition will prove indispensable. The color is a soft buff shaded salmon. The large flowers, which never show a cen- ter, are held well aloft on fine strong stems
Geo. Walters. An enormous Hybrid Cactus. The color is pink-
ish salmon shading to yellow at base. Plants are strong growers and have every good habit. I can highly recom-
mend this variety
Gladys Sherwood. As compared with other whites this is a giant among pygmies. Flowers will grow 9 inches in diameter without disbudding. The color is of the purest white. It has fine stems
Justice Bailey. This is a large, fine Hybrid. The color is a
rich glowing pink shading lighter at center. The stems are
long and wiry
Kalif. Pure scarlet, gigantic flowers produced on stout stems .75
Lily Grand. This is without question one of the finest whites
we have today. Plants are strong, thrifty growers and produce extra large, fine blooms in abundance 5.00

Mrs. Edna Spencer. This is a Dahlia which can be particular recommended for cutting as the flowers have wonderful keeing qualities, and stand erect on the best of stems. The colis also very pleasing, being a delicate lavender shading	p- or to
white	1.50
Mrs. Ethel F. T. Smith. This is the largest Dahlia I have ever grown, having blooms over 10 inches in diameter. The colis creamy white, shading to lemon yellow in the center. profuse bloomer on long, strong stems	or A
Mrs. W. E. Estes. This is a large pure snow white hybrid. T blooms are borne well above the foliage on long stiff ster	he ns 2.00
Mrs. Warnaar. Creamy white with faint pink shadings. The variety is sometimes classed as a Peony	
Mt. Shasta. Very light shell pink with slightly deeper shadin through the center of the petals, also showing a slight tin of yellow on edge of petals. An extra fine deep flower stan ing on good stout stems	ge d-
Nibelungenhort. Immense flowers, 7 to 8 inches across. Col rich golden apricot suffused old rose. Very free	
Tom Lundy. This is an exceptional Hybrid. It is a bold ri- crimson flower and may be grown 7 to 9 inches across wi- ease	th
Ruth C. Gleadell. A California novelty of a wonderful size, and the immense flowers are held erect far above the foliage of long strong stems. The color is a soft yellow shading apricot bronze on the outer petals	on to
Wodan. Salmon rose shading to old gold. Bold, large but n coarse flowers	
Yellow King. Pleasing shade of clear yellow. Large, bo flowers held upright on the strongest of stems	
SELECT PRIZE WINNING CACTUS DAHLIAS.	
Bizarre. One of the best bi-colored Cactus. The ground col is violet with the petals tipped white, but like all other toolors is subject to much variation. Flowers are of good size plants are free blooming and early	oi- e,
Alex Kennedy. A large finely formed Cactus. Plants and ster wiry and black wooded. Color is deep crimson througho	ns ut .75
British Lion. This is a large exhibition Cactus. Color is you low burnished red	

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Prima Donna. One of the best white Cactus varieties	.75
Richard Box. Clear light yellow; large flowers on good stems	.50
Springfield. Sometimes called the improved Lonsdale, having the same dwarf growth and freedom of bloom, but a slightly deeper color of reddish salmon	.35
Sussex. A typical exhibition Cactus. The florets are long, narrow and slightly incurved. The blooms are large and freely produced. The color is clear light yellow	.75
Sovereignty. Large pure yellow. Fine for exhibition	.75
Treasure. The most striking feature of this flower is its color, white at base quickly changing to a deep rose, the extreme tips being yellow. Growth of plants is strong, sturdy, stiff stemmed and free flowering	.75
Union Jack. One of the most reliable tipped variities. Color is a bright crimson with distinct white tips. Always in bloom	.75
Valiant. A grand exhibition Cactus of brilliant crimson. Good stem. Form, perfectly incurved. Very large	1.00
Veteran. A Dahlia of first rate habit and remarkable for its succession of good, well-formed flowers. Color is crimson scarlet	.75
NEW SUPERB GARDEN and EXHIBITION DECORATIVE	ES.
The following varieties I have selected as the most meritorion of this type. I can highly recommend them for any purpose.	ous
Aida. Dark maroon. Large, perfect flowers on rigid upright stems	.50
Alaska. A good pure white borne on long, straight stems	.75
Ben Wilson. A new variety which attracts attention wherever shown. The color is rich velvety red, each petal having just a tip of yellow, the amount of yellow varying according to	

Brian Breau. This is one of the first plants in the garden to bloom, and continues bearing the enormous blooms, freely on long, strong stems until the end of the season. The color is deep royal purple	1.50
Bradford. A large, fine, free blooming Dahlia of a clear, brilliant scarlet	1.00
C. W. Hayden. A fine, rich purple. Flowers are of enormous size, plants are strong growers and for exhibition it is a wonder	1.50
Comeliness. This is a good size, strong stem, free blooming variety, which can be recommended for cut flower purposes.  The color is soft pink shading to white	.75
Dr. Tevis. A magnificent blossom of a blend of copper, old rose, and old gold. Immense flowers with the best possible stem. A Californian which it is a pleasure to boast, as I grew it most successfully last season	1.00
Edna Story. This may be called an ideal cut flower variety. It is not an extra large flower, but may be grown 6 to 7 inches across with ease. Color is white with faint pink shadings. Has every good quality in stem, productiveness, etc	1.00
Embassador. Dahlias of rich colorings are always in demand, and this is one which combines many good qualities in stem freedom of bloom, etc. The color is a beautiful rich maroon, almost black	2.00
Emma Slocombe Improved. This is a Decorative which no exhibitor should be without. The blooms are pure white and of enormous size	5.00
Francis A. Butts. A beautiful variety of white with lavender pink shadings. Large, with stems of extraordinary length	.50
General Custer. A fine large cream color flower having shadings of yellow and at times just a suggestion of red. Fine bloomer	1.00
G. H. Carr. An extraordinarily large, perfectly formed variety which will be particularly valuable to those who exhibit. The color is a peculiar shade of purplish magenta shading lighter at tips	1.00
Glory of New Haven. A seedling of the well-known Mildred Slocombe. Color is a beautiful shade of pinkish mauve. It is larger than the parent variety, and has a slightly higher center. Plants are tall, robust growers, and produce large blooms with remarkable freedom on long, strong stems. Will be indispensable for exhibition.	2.00

Helen Carpenter. There are some flowers to which it is impossible to do justice on paper, and this is one of that sort. The ground color is a beautiful cream with just a suggestion of delicate peach pink. Large and free	
Joffre. A French Decorative of decided merit. The color is a delicate pink shading to white. The flowers are borne on long, wiry stems, and it is a splendid cut flower variety	.75
King of Autumn. This is a new shade of gold and pink. It has extraordinary stems, is a remarkably free bloomer; in fact, is an all around strong growing variety. Sometimes shows a center, but this in no way detracts from its usefulness as a cut flower variety, for which purpose it is unsurpassed	1.00
Kittie Dunlap. This is not only a beauty but has every characteristic which endears it to a Dahlia grower. Blooms freely all season, has excellent keeping qualities, long firm stems, immense size, and great substance. The color is the delightful shade of the American Beauty rose	5,00
King Sol. Beautiful, large, bright yellow flowers which are borne on long upright stems well above the foliage	1.00
Louvenhelrich. Ground color, rich carmine with petals edged white. Strong stems and a good bloomer	.50
Mabel B. Taft. A Dahlia of remarkable substance, has a very stiff stem and an extra good bloomer. The color is yellow suffused pinkish apricot	2.00
Madonna. A good size free blooming white	.50
Mrs. E. C. Boston. This is a large, fine, white, which will last exceptionally well when cut. The stems are long and stiff, and the blooms hold their center until the end of the season	1,00
Mrs. Lillie P. Hathaway. A good long stem, free blooming variety. Color, bright orange	1.00
Mrs. I. C. Moran. A large pure white, distinctly suffused and tipped pink. Very free flowering and an ideal garden and exhibition variety	.75
Mrs. Carl Salbach. An immense mauve pink Decorative held on extra long, strong stems. Always a prize-winner	3.00
Mrs. Wm. Roberts. A most useful variety, good grower, and very free flowering. Color, pure white tipped mauve	.75

Marjorie Field. This is one of the best Decoratives that has	
been introduced for years. Flowers 7 to 8 inches in diameter	
with stems two feet long. Color, a wonderful shade of deep pink	1.00
Mons. Lenormand. Large flowers of bright yellow, striped and	1.00
speckled red, often tipped white. Sometimes shows a solid	
flower when it is a brilliant crimson	1.00
Patrick O'Mara. A fine, large, stiff stem variety of an unusually soft and pleasing shade of orange buff slightly tinged Neyron	
rose. A rare Autumn shade which will be in demand particu-	
larly as a cut flower variety	3.00
Polar Star. This is an extra fine free blooming pure white	
variety. The petals have a peculiar curled formation more	
like a Chrysanthemum than a Dahlia, making it an unusually	
fine cut flower variety	.75
Pride of Carlifornia. A crimson red with darker center. Huge	
flowers on long stems. Has excellent keeping qualities	1.00
<b>Princess Pat.</b> This is a charming flower of old rose. Early in the season the petals will be splashed red. Blooms are large	
and carried on excellent stems	2.00
Queen Mary. A very delicate soft pink. Wiry habit and very	2.00
free bloomer. I can highly recommend it for cut flower pur-	
poses and Florist use	.50
Rosa Nell. A flower of an unusual shade of clear rose pink, size	
is large, and the stem is of the best. A variety which I can	
highly recommend	7.50
Shudow's Lavender. A beautiful silvery lavender slightly shad-	
ing to white. In hot weather the white will be more marked, but as the season advances will almost entirely disappear. The	
stem is perfect, the size is large, and it will bloom constantly	
throughout the season	7.50
Snowdrift. This is the large, pure white which appeared in near-	
ly every exhibit at the New York show. It is of the clearest	
white, stem is long and stiff and is also a very good bloomer	3.50
Stunner. A fine sulphur yellow having somewhat of a twisted	
petal. An extra free bloomer on very stiff stems	2.00
Silver and Gold. A large yellow, the petals now and then	
tipped white, hence its name. A strong growing, free bloom-	
ing variety	1.00
Sulphurea. This resembles a large yellow Chrysanthemum, it	
might almost be classed as a Hybrid Cactus. It is one of the earliest to bloom, and flowers constantly throughout the	
season. Color is clear sulphur yellow	.75
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The Millionaire. A giant lavender pink. One of the largest, very prolific and is fine for exhibition	2.00
The U. S. A. This is a mammoth deep orange variety partaking somewhat of the Hybrid Cactus class. It is a very prolific strong growing variety, and if disbudded its size and beauty know no bounds	
Whopper. Yellow-buff shaded orange, such a rank grower that the plants are almost tree-like in proportions	1.00
Wyvern. A soft silvery mauve variety. Plants good growers in every respect	
DECORATIVE DAHLIAS.	
General Collection.	
Albert Manda. This is one of our largest varieties. The ground color is white with shadings of lemon and pink, varying according to season, situation and exposure. Should be grown by every exhibitor	.50
Ayesha, A handsome clear yellow. Good stems and storng grower  Berch Van Heemstede. Yellow shaded amber, large free flower-	.50
ing  Bessie Boston. A large rich crimson. A good strong grower in	.50
every respect	.35
Cream King. This is often classed as a Peony, but with me a very large percentage of the blooms come perfect Decorative. The color is as the name indicates, a soft cream. It is of immense size, blooms freely, and is supported by the best of stems	.75
Chieftain. Deep golden yellow overlaid rose, mottled and spot-	
ted carmine-lake. Large and grand flower	1.00
Delice. Beautiful soft pink. A grand flower	.25
D. M. Moore. Rich velvety maroon. Good	.50
Edna Hathaway. Old gold with reverse of petals shaded crimson. Long strong stems	.75
Fireburst. Bright scarlet of the largest size	.50
Flemingo. An excellent variety for cutting, by reason of its fine stems and clear, bright shell pink color. Very prolific	.35
Hortulanus Fiet. Shrimp pink with golden suffusions. Extra large flowers on good stems. A variety of exceptional merit	.75
Hortulanus Witte. Pure white. Splendid cut and exhibition	./3
flower	.35

# NEW HYBRID SHOW OR COLOSSAL DAHLIAS

Kathryn Kernan. Introduction of 1920. This is a variety of which I cannot speak too highly. It is a typical Hybrid Show in form, is a very free bloomer, and has extremely large flowers on extraordinary stems. Color is white at base deepening to a flesh pink, then to a clear rose pink at the tips	1.00
King of Shows. Deep butter yellow of a solid color throughout.  Every petal is most perfectly quilled and uniquely formed.  A mammonth flower on long stems	3.00.
Miss Helen Hollis. A gigantic deep scarlet flower. The best of the red Show Dahlias	.50
Mrs. C. D. Anderson. This might be called an improved Cuban Giant. It is a rich purplish crimson, and bears large flowers freely on the best of stems	.75
Mrs. Mary Bowman. An exquisite shade of deep golden yellow with the reverse of petals slightly tinged magenta. A strong thrifty grower in every respect	.50
SHOW DAHLIAS.	
General Collection.	
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A. D. Lavoni. A charming shade of clear pink	.25
Acquisition. A fine flower of a peculiar lilac color. I can highly	
recommend this to lovers of the Show Dahlia	.35
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Maud Adams. A perfect snowball with faint lavender blush on tip of petals. Very desirable for cut flowers
Mad. H. Furtado. Pure white, large flowers on stiff stems25
Mme. Alf. Mareau. A large fine pink
Mme. M. Anagnostaki. The extremely dainty blending of color is remarkable, being snowy white, shading to rose-pink. Large .50
Norma. Orange buff. Very attractive
Tom Jones. Creamy yellow ground edged and suffused with rose. A large fine flower
W. W. Rawson. Pure white, overlaid amethyst blue. A large, beautiful flower
SELECT PRIZE WINNING PEONY DAHLIAS.
Amphion. A large and beautiful Peony. Color pink suffused heliotrope
Arridne. Amber and lemon shaded buff. Large and fine
Beatrice Boston. A huge blossom of perfect Peony type, but rather fuller and deeper than the old time Peony. Color'is amaranth changing to deep mauve as the season advances. A sturdy grower and profuse bloomer
Copper. This large variety is beautiful because of its odd coloring of copper shading to bronze. The stems are long and straight
Edith Wooster. This is a fine large Peony of yellow suffused and overlaid sunset red. It is a good bloomer of excellent habit 2.0
Elsa. A large well-formed pure white. Good exhibition variety .
George E. Alling. One of my own seedlings. It is a Geisha seedling, having the good qualities of the parent variety in size, stem, foliage and freedom of bloom. The color is bright canary yellow. Award of merit, New York Horticultural Society. It scored 87 at The American Dahlia Society Test Garden, Storrs, Conn., in 1919, which entitles it to the certificate of that society
Hope. This is an extra long stiff stem variety. The blooms are very large and have wonderful keeping qualities. The color, too, is very desirable, being a lovely shade of mauve
Indian Chief. A new fine, rich purple. It is without question one of the finest purple Peonies we have today. Has every
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Lady Lloyd. An immense dark cardinal Peony which has every good quality. Excellent cut flower	.75
Liberty. A pleasing shade of coral red, has strong stems and is an all around good variety	
Marie Studholme. Delicate mauve-pink, petals curled and twisted	
Miss Mary Cargin. A fine, large Peony of a very peculiar color- ing; the ground color is orange tipped and mottled with white. A good bloomer	
Mondchiebe. A large pure yellow borne on the best of stems	
Mrs. Wm. Kerr. A large flower of beautiful curled formation.  The color is rich cream suffused pink overlaid carmine	
Mrs. Jessie Seal. A large flower of magnificent old rose with golden suffusions. The stems are long and hold the flowers well above the foliage	1.00
Nokomis. A very odd and striking flower. The base is yellow and white heavily striped and speckled dark red	.50
South Pole. One of the best white Peonies	.50
Sweet Lavender. This can be recommended for cut flower purposes because of its wonderful blooming qualities and good stems	.50
Vera King (Slocombe). Large waxy white, at times speckled carmine. Habits good	.50
PEONY DAHLIAS.	
General Collection.	
Bertha von Suttner. Salmon pink shaded yellow. Large flowers on good stems, an excellent bloomer. One of the most beau- tiful Peony Dahlias	.50
Dr. H. H. Rusby. Bright lemon yellow. Plants very vigorous and healthy	.25
Dr. Peary. Rich mahogany red. The darkest of all. Large and very desirable	.50
Emma Slocombe or Mrs. James Grosvenor. A large white, sometimes having pink markings	.50
Freda Newman. Bright orange bronze margined old gold. A quite unique combination	.50

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Geisha. A wonderful and most striking Dahlia. Color is a gorgeous combination of orange and scarlet	.75
Hampton Court. Deep pink. Large flowers borne on long stiff stems	.35
Mme, J. Coissard (Duplex). Ground color is white, more or less overspread carmine. Plants are dwarf growers and produce large blooms on long stems in abundance	.50
Turner. A lovely shade of pink. Large and very effective for cutting	.50
SELECT POMPON DAHLIAS	
The Pompon Dahlia is fast coming into favor. I can recommend the following as being the very best of this type.	
Adelaide. A lovely little Pompon of exquisite form. Color blush edged with lavender	.50
Belle of Springfield. Brick red. Very small	.25 .25
Darkest of All. Well named. Color is a very rich maroon	.25
Jessica. A diminutive variety of amber and salmon with just a tint of red	.25
Little Mabel. Amber shaded apricot. Very free	.25
Little Mary. Dark maroon. Very diminutive	.50
Little Jennie. Primrose yellow	.25
Maisie. A charming little variety of pleasing mauve	.25
Marguerite. Mauve. Quite distinct	.25
Neatness. Pale salmon with cream center. A wonderful bright,	.25
Snowclad. The most reliable pure white	.25
Wee Gracie. A charming little Pompon. It is very constant, the color is white with a faint lavender tip and edging	.25
NEW GIANT COLLARETTE DAHLIAS.	
Every one is a giant in size, has a long, strong flower stem and extraordinary free blooming qualities. I cannot recommend this type too highly for cut flower purposes.	
Achievement. A large and fine Collarette. Ground color is clear	

rich velvety maroon, collar waxy white .....

Autumn Tints. A beautiful Collarette of reddish orange shades, and yellow collar	.50
Continental. Introduction of 1922. The following is the description given this variety when grown at the American Dahlia Society trial garden in 1920: "Outer petals tyrian rose, collar pale greenish yellow striped with tyrian rose and white; early, free flowering, good stem." Awarded certificate of merit	
Cpl. Ed. Drury. Flowers of splendid form, salmon terra cotta with neat yellow collar	.50
Daffodil. Clear yellow with collar of slightly paler yellow. One of the finest pure yellows	.50
Eden. A very fine free flowering pure white	.50
Ermine. This is, in my opinion, the finest pure white. Its stem, form, habits and substance are all of the best	.50
Geant de LyonAn enormous flower of velvety maroon with a white collar. To most people it seems absolutely irresistible, even those who do not favor Collarettes cannot resist this Dahlia	1.00
Greenspark. A large brilliant yellow with collar of same color	.50
Herald. A large and beautifully colored flower, good habit and long flower stem	.50
John Bull. Clear velvety crimson with yellow disc, collar white.  It is a giant and is splendid for exhibition purposes	.50
M. M. Rose pink with white edging and tips. A pure white col-	
lar, and is good for any purpose	.50
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COLLARETTE DAHLIAS.  General Collection.	.50
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COLLARETTE DAHLIAS.  General Collection.  Dainty. Soft rose suffused white, white collar  Louie Blackman. One of the finest Collarettes. The petals are deep rose with a collar of long curly petals of the purest white  Mad. Porier. Deep purple with lighter shadings. The nearest	.25

#### SPECIAL OFFERS.

- For \$1.00 I will send 20 bulbs unnamed. These are all first class
  varieties, but have been mixed in handling. Supply
  limited.
- For \$1.50 I will send 12 standard varieties, my selection, no two alike.
- For \$2.50 I will send 12 good garden and exhibition varieties, my selection, no two alike.
- For 1.75 I will send 12 Pompons, my selection, no two alike.
- For \$2.25 I will send 12 collarettes, my selection, no two alike.
- For \$4.00 I will send 12 cactus, my selection, no two alike.
- For \$10.00 I will send 18 of the best exhibition varieties, my selection, no two alike.

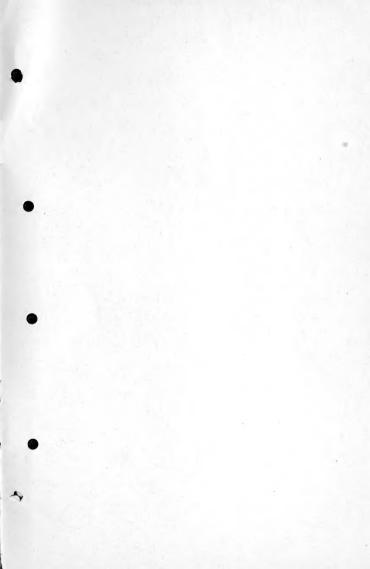
The prices on the above Special Offers do not include postage.

Purchasers desiring to have them shipped by Parcel Post should remit for same. Dahlias weigh about three pounds to the dozen.

## DAHLIA SEED

If you are looking for varieties not in this list, write me. I may have a few, as I grow a large number of varieties that are not mentioned herein.

This list cancels all previous ones.





NEW COLLARETTE DAHLIA CONTINENTAL