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OBJECT AND PRIVILEGES OF THE SOCIETY

The Society is a non-profit organization. Its object is to promote and encourage horticulture and to create a love for, and interest in plants and flowers. It desires to increase its membership in order to extend its services to a greater number of persons, increase its influence and enlarge the scope of its activities.

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FOR

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Name

I Wish to Propose for Membership in the Society:	
Name	_____
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Section of a Green Garden Featuring Sculpture. Philadelphia Flower Show, 1948. First Prize, Norristown Garden Club

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society was held on November 17, 1948, at 3 P. M., in Greek Hall of the John Wanamaker Store in Philadelphia, with Vice-President John C. Wister in the Chair. Mr. Wister expressed regret that the President, C. Frederick C. Stout, could not be present. Mr. Stout had asked that his greetings be extended to the members.

Announcement was made of the election of the following members to the Executive Council for the three-year term (1949-1950-1951) as follows: Mrs. E. Page Allinson, Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr., Mr. Fairman R. Furness, Mrs. Robert H. Irons, Mr. H. Gates Lloyd, Jr., Mr. William Clarke Mason, Mr. Benjamin Rush, Jr., Mr. William J. Serrill, and Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout.

Resignations from the Council of Mrs. Walter King Sharpe, of Chambersburg, and Dr. E. I. Wilde, of State College, were reported with regret.

A report of the condition of the Society for the past year was submitted by the Secretary, John C. Wister.

A resolution upon the death of Dr. J. Horace McFarland, who had been a member of the Executive Council since 1932, was adopted with deep sorrow.

Mrs. E. Page Allinson, Chairman, reported for the Committee for Displays in the Rooms, and Mrs. John B. Carson, Chairman of the Membership Committee, presented a report for the past year. Mrs. Carson stated that the goal of 5,000 members has been passed with a comfortable margin. She awarded prizes to the five members who have brought in the largest number of members during the year.

The Schaffer Gold Medal of the Society was awarded to Laura L. Barnes (Mrs. A. C. Barnes) of Merion, for her outstanding work in horticulture. The presentation was made by Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr., Vice-Provost of the University of Pennsylvania and a member of the Executive Council.

The meeting concluded with an interesting address, "An Anatolian Argosy," by Mrs. E. Florens Rivinus, well-known member of the Society. Mrs. Rivinus gave a delightfully informal description of two recent visits to Greece and Turkey, placing special emphasis upon the horticultural aspects of her trip.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

At this time of the year my first thought is to extend greetings to all of our members and a most hearty welcome to those who have recently joined our Society.

The object of the Year Book of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is to record a resume' of our accomplishments for the year past. So, this year, it really becomes my duty to register what I consider is the most important thing that has occurred throughout the term of my presidency. This is the raising of our dues from \$3.50 to \$5.00. This is best expressed in a letter which will be sent out with the bills throughout 1949.

I feel the privileges of the Society have grown to such an extent that we can all look forward with complete confidence to the further growth of our membership, and with faith in the spiritual value that lies in horticultural effort.

C. FREDERICK C. STOUT
President.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

In order to give you a perspective of the past year, I should like to recall briefly some of the major activities and mention something of their background.

You may remember that early last fall, upon the request of some of our members who felt that we should pay more attention to practical horticulture, we started a series of afternoon displays in our rooms. These continued through the winter and spring season, ending with an exhibit of Roses in June. On all of the occasions, emphasis was placed upon plants and flowers rather than upon their arrangement. The committee in charge, with Mrs. E. Page Allinson as chairman, was encouraged by the response to the project, and the displays will continue. As a guide to the committee in planning them, we mailed to each of you with the Winter Program, a card asking for your preferences in plant material. I am happy that many of you have returned the cards with this information.

The afternoon lecture series last winter was of high standard but we have noted that the attendance does not keep pace with the increased membership. We have concluded that people are so busy these days, they do not attend lectures unless they have a special interest in the particular subject. If you have any other suggestions as to the reason for the comparatively small attendance, we shall be glad to hear from you.

We were obliged to limit the evening lectures to members last year, because our rooms cannot accommodate more than 100 and we found that we could not make our members comfortable if we permitted guests. Miss Wertsner gave the evening lectures and although five talks seem something of an undertaking in themselves, they were just a few more in Miss Wertsner's busy schedule for, during the year, she has given 70 lectures. Many of these were at a distance from Philadelphia, necessitating Miss Wertsner's absence from the office sometimes for a week

at a time. For that reason, when you wish to consult her about your gardening problems in the office, it is better to make an appointment in advance so that you will not come in and be disappointed.

The new committee on Garden Visits of which Mrs. G. Ruhland Rehmman, Jr., is chairman, made a few changes in the procedure. The most important of these was that of making a charge of \$1.00 for non-member guests of members. Members, of course, received free admission. The proceeds, about \$1,000.00, were added to the Pension Fund for employees which has been started this year, and thus served a worthy purpose.

As you, of course, have noticed, HORTICULTURE, is now a monthly periodical instead of coming twice a month. Even with that curtailment in expense, it was necessary for the publishers, the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, to raise the subscription price to us for our members.

Last June, we were honored to receive from the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania its White Ribbon Special Award of Merit in recognition of promotion and advancement of horticultural knowledge through exhibits, lectures, etc., and for cooperation in presenting the Flower Show Judging Schools. I wish to remind you that all of the members of the Society are members of the Federation, and are eligible to participate in its activities. In this connection, the Federation is planning an interesting program for its members on December 1st, and those who would like to attend are requested to get in touch with our office for details.

An exhibit of some old and beautifully illustrated books and Herbals was presented in the Library at the time of the Carnation Display in January. It was so successful that another one will be held this coming February in connection with the talk on the new catalogues.

In contrast to the displays in the rooms which are small and informal in character and designed to be educational rather than large and spectacular, the Exhibition Committee, Mr. Harold Graham, Chairman, provided us with the privilege of participating in two really big Shows, the Philadelphia Flower Show in March and the Chrysanthemum Show earlier this month. We feel that both types of shows have their place, and we are pleased that we are able to offer this diversity to our members.

Mrs. John B. Carson, Chairman of the Membership Committee, will tell you about our membership campaign but just for the purpose of giving you a complete record, I shall summarize all of our office figures even though Mrs. Carson may repeat some of them to you in her report.

During the year just ended, we have had 757 visitors to the Library, out of a total of 1900 general visitors—exclusive of those who attended lectures and special displays. Twenty-three meetings were held

in our Board Room by the Society's Committees and Executive Council, and 36 meetings were held by committees of other horticultural groups.

A summary of the membership record for the year is as follows:

Membership as of November 1, 19474387
Resignations (268) and deaths (39) during year 307

4080

New members added during year1314

Membership as of November 1, 19485394

In closing, I wish to say again that I hope you will feel free to call upon the Secretary for any information you would like to have about the Society or its affairs, and if you have suggestions for our improvement, just pass them along for we shall be delighted to have them.

JOHN C. WISTER,
Secretary.

IN MEMORIAM

J. HORACE McFARLAND - 1859-1948

It is not given to many to have the knowledge and power to influence large groups of people over an area like this country, but that is just what Dr. J. Horace McFarland did.

His horticultural wisdom and enthusiasm, his books and writings in many magazines brought him not only into the obviously interested channels but into smaller, more obscure corners where the "little fellow" reading that he advocated a rose in every door-yard recognized him as a friend.

His eighty-nine years were full of accomplishments in many fields. In spite of his absorbing interest in growing things he was a pioneer in the development and use of color printing, specializing in the field of horticulture, and an accomplished photographer and musician as well.

Above all he was a humanitarian, believing that in a troubled world the good outweighed the bad and that the deeper one's hands were in the soil, the richer one's life became.

His medals and awards were legion—his horticultural honors too numerous to catalogue.

For many years he was the editor of the *Rose Annual* of the American Rose Society, which with the impetus he contributed grew from 200 to over 9,000 members.

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society was honored by his presence

on its Board and extends to his family their sense of irreparable loss in his death.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is proud to claim him and is the poorer for his passing.

DOROTHY FALCON PLATT
(Mrs. Charles Platt)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE FOR DISPLAYS IN THE ROOMS FOR 1948

The Committee for Displays in the Rooms continues into its second year with added members and certain changes in organization which experiment proved advisable. We continue with the main objective of giving our members horticultural education, but arrangements made by gifted members and the interest and pleasure of a flower show are added attractions.

In some cases during the 1948-49 series, exhibits will be judged, and there will be modest cash prizes to add incentive. There will be a new feature in the discussion of catalogues on February 17 and a special trip to the Arboretum of the Scott Foundation on May 19. The Narcissus Display which proved so popular last year will be repeated on April 12th.

Garden Clubs and individuals are urged to take part in these displays and one of the valuable features during the past year has been to bring to the rooms of the Society, members who had never previously been there. In addition, the displays are open to the public, and so provide a further service of our Society. With a year's experience to build on and publicize these displays, they should go on to become a valuable addition to the work.

MARY M. P. ALLINSON
(Mrs. E. Page Allinson)
Chairman.

REPORT OF MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE FOR 1948

Two years ago the membership of the Society was 3465, today it is 5413, a net increase of 1948. We have actually obtained 2493 new members, 1197 in 1947 and 1296 in 1948, and have lost, through death and resignation, 212 in 1947 and 333 in 1948.

The Committee wishes, once again, to thank you and our staff for your generous help.

I once asked Dr. Allen, Secretary of The American Rose Society, how he increased that Society's membership to ten thousand and the

answer was "Just by pegging along," and that is what we are doing.

The competition between the members has been keen and it gives me great pleasure to announce the following awards:

First Prize (Life Membership)

Mrs. Jacques L. Vauclain83 Members

Second Prize (Silver Bowl)

Mr. Fred J. Michell54 Members

Third Prize (Pair of Vases)

Mrs. James C. Bleloch33 Members

Fourth Prize (Garden Book)

Mrs. Karl Rugart10 Members

Fifth Prize (Garden Book)

Mr. Horace C. Jenkins10 Members

Mrs. F. Woodson Hancock will be your new Chairman and I am sure you will support her as magnificently as you have supported me in the past.

FRANCES T. CARSON,
(Mrs. John B. Carson)
Chairman.

CITATION

SCHAFFER GOLD MEDAL AWARD

to

Laura L. Barnes

November 17, 1948

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society awards to Laura L. Barnes the Schaffer Memorial Medal in recognition of her distinguished services to horticulture. As Director of the Arboretum of the Barnes Foundation in Merion, Mrs. Barnes has accomplished two objectives: First the assembling of a discriminating series of living plants on the grounds of the Arboretum, making it one of the representative collections of its kind in this country. Second, the founding and administering of a school in which are offered courses in the practical, scientific and aesthetic aspects of botany, horticulture and landscape architecture, at no cost to the students. As a student and teacher of horticulture, Mrs. Barnes has done much to disseminate knowledge of the subject and to raise the level of taste in the selection of plant material.

JOHN M. FOGG, JR.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER
STATEMENT OF CONDITION

September 30, 1948

ASSETS

<i>Cash:</i>			
General Fund—Girard Trust Company	\$11,693.88		
General Fund—Petty Cash	200.00		
		<u>\$11,893.88</u>	
Life Membership Fund:			
Corn Exchange Nat'l Bank & Trust Co.	408.01		
Library Committee Fund:			
Corn Exchange Nat'l Bank & Trust Co.	517.12	925.13	
		<u>925.13</u>	
			<u>\$12,819.01</u>
<i>Schaffer Fund Investments:</i>			
Girard Trust Company, Trustees			285,304.76
<i>Investments :</i>			
Life Membership Fund	46,679.87		
General Fund	27,497.22		
Library Fund	74.00		
Pension Fund	4,846.00		79,097.79
		<u>4,846.00</u>	
<i>Equipment:</i>			
Office Furniture, etc.	2,191.80		
Library Books	11,211.32		
Portraits	6,265.00		
Lecture equipment	410.82		
Field Secretary Equipment	314.96		20,393.90
		<u>314.96</u>	
<i>Supplies:</i>			
Medals on hand			312.65
<i>Prepaid Expenses</i>			
			<u>268.95</u>
Total Assets			<u>\$398,197.06</u>

LIABILITIES

None

FUNDS

Schaffer Fund	\$285,304.76
Life Membership Fund	47,087.88
General Fund	38,616.45
Pension Fund	4,846.70
Appraisal Adjustment	13,227.99
Library Committee Fund	591.12
Special Contributions	8,002.11
Judging School Fees carried over to next year	520.05
	<u>\$398,197.06</u>

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
October 1, 1947, to September 30, 1948
GENERAL FUND

Receipts

Income received from:

Schaffer Fund—Girard Trust Co.	\$9,109.88	
Interest on Investments	\$4,592.20	
Interest on Savings Funds	6.71	
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Total	4,598.91	
Dues from Annual Members	16,223.75	
Special Contributions	3,485.40	
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Total Cash Receipts	\$33,417.94	
Unexpended Balance, Third Judging School	520.05	
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Total Income		\$33,937.99

Expenditures of Committees

Executive Committee	\$11,684.20	
Lecture Committee	803.11	
Exhibition Committee	2,830.13	
Library Committee	3,891.60	
Extension Committee	1,153.06	
Horticultural Committee	286.17	
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Total Expenses	\$497.08	
Net Income Judging Schools	210.91	
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Editorial Committee—Magazine "Horticulture"	6,898.52	
Pension Committee	3,695.99	
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Total Expenses—Annuities & U. S. Gov. Bonds	\$4,846.70	
Net Income—Proceeds, Garden Visits, etc.	1,150.71	
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Membership Committee	1,096.50	
Expenditures Out of Special Contributions		
New equipment, Appraisal of Lloyd books, etc.	491.80	
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Total above expenditures	\$32,831.08	
Deduct—1946-47 Prepaid Expenses	715.32	
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Total	32,115.76	
Add:		
1946-47 Unexpended balance for		
Judging School	675.13	
Increase in Inventory	26.15	
Advance for Postage—Lecture Committee .	106.70	
Advance for Chrysanthemum Show	128.50	
Advance for Handbooks	33.75	970.23
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Total Cash Expenditures		\$33,085.99
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Excess of Receipts over Expenditures, General Account	1,120.95	
Advances for 1948-49	268.95	852.00
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Cash on Hand September 30, 1947		11,041.88
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Cash on Hand September 30, 1948		11,893.88

LIFE MEMBERSHIP ACCOUNT

Balance, October 1, 1947—Uninvested Cash		\$274.97
Receipts:		
114 New Members 1947-48	\$2,865.00	
70 Old Members paid in 1947-48	1,020.00	3,885.00
Bond Called—3M Consolidated Edison N. Y.		3,000.00
		\$7,159.97
Total Cash to be Accounted for		
Disbursed for Purchase of \$3,000 U. S. Savings Bond G	3,000.00	
100 shs. General Electric Co.	3,751.96	6,751.96
		\$408.01
Balance, September 30, 1948—Uninvested Cash		\$408.01

LIBRARY FUND

Balance, October 1, 1947—Uninvested Cash		\$413.29
Receipts:		
Contribution	\$100.00	
Interest, January 5, 1948	3.83	103.83
		\$517.12
Balance, September 30, 1948—Uninvested Cash		\$517.12

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H. GATES LLOYD, JR. *,Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Come often to our Library! Books may well be called the longest "bridge" in the world. Longer even than the telephone, for with the aid of books we can bridge still greater distance. Books, too, enable us to bridge many centuries of time and so to visit gardens all over the world that were made almost since Adam and Eve built the Garden of Eden.

Yes, we can enjoy these wonderful gardens and countless new and modern ones too, while reposing comfortably on the nice roomy divan and deep arm chairs in our own library of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. And, too, we can learn about and see, superbly illustrated in full color, the beautiful plants and flowers used in the gardens.

So come early and often and enjoy these wonderful gardens both in pictures and in word pictures. Enjoy them easily in comfort and save that most precious and illusive thing in the world—Time.

MARY G. HENRY
Mrs. J. Norman Henry, *Chairman.*

Recently, the Library has received the most important and valuable gift in its entire history. The gift consists of a large group of rare old Herbals and gardening books collected by the late Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd who was an authority on gardening literature. Mrs. Lloyd served most capably as Chairman of the Library Committee from 1925 to 1934.

The collection, comprising several hundred volumes, was presented to the Society by Mrs. Lloyd's sons, H. Gates Lloyd and Richard Lloyd.

The books are housed in special cases and the librarian will be glad to show them to members who are interested. Many of the Herbals are beautifully illustrated in color, and all of the books are in excellent condition. Altogether, the collection forms a distinguished addition to the Library.

We are exceedingly grateful to the Messrs. Lloyd for their very generous contribution to the Society.

Our thanks are extended to the following who have generously given books to the Library during the year: Mrs. George E. DeCoursey, Mr. M. Frishkoff, Dr. Jane Leslie Kift, the late Dr. J. Horace McFarland, Mr. H. Gleason Mattoon, Mrs. G. R. Rebmann, Jr., Miss Fannie A. Root, Mrs. Stanley W. Root, Miss Anne B. Wertsner, and Mr. John C. Wister.

The Library records show that 831 members and their friends visited the Library in 1948 and that 591 books were circulated.

LIBRARY ACCESSIONS, 1948

- ALLEN, R. C. *Roses for every garden*. 1948.
AMERICAN IRIS SOCIETY. *Iris; an ideal hardy perennial*. 1947.
AVERY & JOHNSON. *Hormones and horticulture*. 1947.
BAILEY, L. H. *Principles of agriculture*. 1901.
BEARD, W. P. *Teaching conservation*. 1948.
BLASDALE, W. C. *Cultivated species of primula*. 1948.
BROWN. WORTH. *Tuberous begonias*. 1948.
CHESTER, K. S. *Nature and prevention of plant diseases*. 2nd ed. 1947.
CHRYSLER & EDWARDS. *Ferns of New Jersey*. 1947.
CLEMENTS, E. S. *Flowers of prairie and woodland*. 1947.
CORREYON, HENRI. *Atlas de la flore alpine*. 5 vols. 1899.
COVENTRY, B. O. *Wild flowers of Kashmir*. 3 vols. 1923-30.
DeANDOLLE, ALPHONSE. *Monographie des campanules*. 1930.
EGGERS, H. F. A. *Flora of St. Croix and the Virgin Islands*. 1879.
EMERSON, F. W. *Basic botany*. 1947.
FISKE, G. B. *Prize gardening*. 1901.
FOOTE, H. R. *Mrs. Foote's rose book*. 1948.
GREEN, S. B. *Vegetable gardening*. 2nd ed. 1899.
HASTINGS, L. & D. *Southern garden book*. 1948.
HENRY, M. G. *Uncommon American shrubs and plants*. 1947.
HOFFMAN, P. C. *Highway safety*. 1947.
HOFFMANN, JULIUS. *Alpine flora*. 1912.
HULME, F. E. *Familiar Swiss flowers*. n.d.
HUME, H. H. *Azaleas; kinds and culture*. 1948.
ILLICK, J. S. *New York State College of Forestry, today and tomorrow*. 1947.
McCREADY, FRED. *House and greenhouse gardening*. 1947.
McFARLAND, J. H. *Modern roses III*. 1947.
McHATTON, T. H. *Armchair gardening*. 1947.
KEMP, M. D. *Flower arrangement*. 1947.
KRAUSS, H. K. *Begonias for American home and gardens*. 1947.
LAVALLE, ALPHONSE. *lematites; a grande fleurs*. 1884.
LEMMON, R. S. *How to attract the birds*. 1947.
LILLARD, R. G. *Great forest*. 1947.

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REPORT OF LECTURE COMMITTEE FOR 1948

The Lecture Committee hopes that the program for the winter of 1948 was helpful to our members and was enjoyed by them. It is of undoubted benefit to all of us to hear good speakers on specialized subjects pertaining to horticulture, and it is encouraging during the cold winter months to turn our minds to gardens and to growing things in general. Much inspiration, help and knowledge can be acquired by listening to the experts. This committee strives to present a series of lectures which will appeal to all.

The four afternoon lectures of the 1947-48 season were presented in the Burgundy Room of the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, and the five evening lectures were given in the Society's Rooms. The program was as follows:

Afternoon Lectures—3 P. M.

- December 4, 1947—"Christmas Decorations for the Home" (demonstrated and illustrated), Anne B. Wertsner.
January 8, 1948—"Flora of Pennsylvania" (illustrated), Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.
January 22, 1948—"Available Unusual Plant Material (illustrated), T. H. Everett.
February 5, 1948—"Iris" (illustrated) Dr. John Dolman.

Evening Lectures—7 P. M.

- All of the evening lectures were presented by
Anne B. Wertsner, Field Secretary and Horticulturist of the Society.
January 8, 1948—"Preparation of Soil".
January 15, 1948—"Annuals" (illustrated).
January 22, 1948—"Perennials" (illustrated).
January 29, 1948—"Propagation" (demonstrated).
February 5, 1948—"Philadelphia Suburban Gardens" (illustrated).

JOHN C. WISTER,
Chairman.

REPORT OF GARDEN VISITS COMMITTEE FOR 1948

A committee of six members made a careful study of the whole problem of garden visits with the intention of alleviating the traffic congestion and making the visits as pleasant as possible.

Visiting hours were extended, gardens being open from 1 to 6 P. M. A new rule was put into effect requiring a fee of \$1.00 for each guest for any one day. Members, as usual, were admitted without charge to all gardens. Proceeds of the entrance fees which amounted to \$834.00, after payment of 20% Federal taxes, were put in the newly organized Pension Fund for the office staff. The effect of this change was to reduce somewhat the number of visitors who were not members. About two-thirds of the visitors were members and one-third guests.

It was agreed that no other radical changes should be made this year but members were urged to combine as much as possible in cars in order to reduce the number of cars. There was less congestion but the handling of traffic is still difficult.

A new feature was a Rose Day on June 12th when four outstanding rose gardens were open.

The committee was deeply gratified by the cordial response to their request that gardens be open and hopes that the owners have some conception of the great pleasure they gave to the hundreds of visitors. Attendance at individual gardens ranged from 703 to 325. There was a total of 10,943 single visits, making an average attendance of 521 for each of the 21 gardens visited.

Following is a list of gardens visited:

Saturday, May 1—Main Line

Mr. and Mrs. Francis H. Scheetz.
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rebmann.
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dechert.
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur I. Meigs.
Mrs. John F. Meigs, II.
Mr. and Mrs. Homer Reed.

Saturday, May 8—Vicinity of Wilmington, Delaware

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. M. Carpenter.
Mr. and Mrs. Francis Crowninshield.
Mr. H. Rodney Sharp.
Mrs. Chichester duPont.
Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. duPont.

Saturday, May 15—Vicinity of Whitmarsh, Penllyn

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Toland.
Mr. and Mrs. Radcliffe Cheston.
Miss Caroline S. Sinkler, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas G. Roosevelt.
Mr. and Mrs. Orville H. Bullitt.
Miss Anna Warren Ingersoll.
Mrs. Edward Ingersoll.

Saturday, June 12—Main Line and Vicinity

Arboretum of the Barnes Foundation, Laura L. Barnes, Director.
Mr. and Mrs. C. Frederick C. Stout.
Mr. and Mrs. R. M. deSchauensee.
Dr. and Mrs. John B. Carson.

MARY B. REBMANN
(Mrs. G. Ruhland Rebmann, Jr.)
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE EXHIBITION COMMITTEE FOR 1948

In recent years, so many fine neighborhood flower shows have been presented by local horticultural societies, garden clubs, schools, and even banks, that your Exhibition Committee has decided, for the present

at least, to concentrate on two major exhibitions plus a few informal, seasonal exhibits in our rooms, and to leave the intermediate type of flower show to these other groups.

Following this policy, in 1948 we co-operated as usual with the management of the Philadelphia Flower Show in presenting the large Spring Show in Commercial Museum, March 8-13, inclusive, and with the splendid co-operation of the Scott Foundation of Swarthmore College and the Philadelphia Branch of the National Association of Gardeners, we staged a successful Chrysanthemum Show in Swarthmore, on November 5, 6, and 7.

The exhibits in the rooms were conducted by a special committee, headed by Mrs. E. Page Allinson, long a member of the Exhibition Committee. Mrs. Allinson will make a separate report of this new activity which was started a little more than a year ago.

In the Philadelphia Flower Show, also, your Exhibition Committee called upon a special committee, made up of women members of the Society most of whom represented garden clubs, to take charge of the so-called garden club and arrangement classes which comprise the Society's section in the big Show. Mrs. Alan Collins was Chairman of Exhibits, with Mrs. W. Beaumont Whitney, II, Chairman of the Schedule Committee, Mrs. H. Chase Tatnall, Chairman of Judges, and Mrs. Robert Dechert in charge of the Judge's Room. Under the leadership of this capable group, things moved as smoothly as if shows were an every-day occurrence in the lives of these amateur flower enthusiasts. Each Annual Member of the Society received a free ticket for the Show, and Life Members received a pass good for the week.

One of the interesting classes in the Philadelphia Flower Show called for section of a green garden, featuring one or more pieces of sculpture. The gardens were judged by a jury of professional artists, who awarded first prize (\$75.00) to the Norristown Garden Club. Another popular class called for a section of a garden to be in harmony with a certain national style or period—Oriental, Latin-American, Twentieth Century, etc. Providence Garden Club won in this class with a delightful reproduction of a Victorian garden. First prize in a class calling for section of a hall featuring flower arrangements in harmony with style of a certain country or period was won by Miss Natalie Hart who showed a striking Latin-American interior. Twenty other classes, one calling for an arrangement of carnations with wallpaper background created keen competition, and the Silver Bowl, offered by the Middle Atlantic Carnation Growers' Association, was presented to Mrs. William S. Dutton, of Avondale.

The management of the Philadelphia Flower Show very generously offered subsidies and awarded cash prizes, amounting to \$1,875.00, to exhibitors in the most elaborate classes sponsored by the Society. In addition, the Flower Show management contributed \$2,125.00 to the Society to be used towards expenses for its section, thus making a total

gift of \$4,000.00 which was gratefully received. The total expenses for the section were \$5,287.55, and subtracting from this amount the \$4,000.00 contribution, net expense to the Society was \$1,287.55, which sum. I am happy to report, was within the Committee's budget for the Show.

The Chrysanthemum Show in November was a very beautiful spectacle, and the Society was fortunate in having a perfect setting for it in the Field House of Swarthmore College. This building, with its ample proportions and natural lighting in the day-time and excellent illumination at night, was an ideal choice for the magnificent colorful display.

Although most of the exhibitors in the Society's section of the Philadelphia Flower Show were women, on account of the type of classes featured, there were many men exhibitors in the Chrysanthemum Show, with its classes for specimens, displays, and commercial exhibits in addition to flower arrangement classes. Several groups of men, including the Philadelphia and Wilmington Branches of the National Association of Gardeners, the Men's Chrysanthemum Club of Norristown, nurserymen and florists participated, as well as individual men exhibitors. Among the latter, Charles Becker, Jr., of Haverford, was a successful amateur exhibitor, winning first prize in an important class which called for the most effective use of 125 square feet of hardy Chrysanthemums, other foliage permitted. In the "Open for All" classes, calling for treatment of a large area, a few of the first-prize winners were Mrs. H. Alarik W. Myrin, of Kimberton, William McGawn, gardener; the Philadelphia Branch of the National Association of Gardeners; and Mrs. Lammot duPont, John Thompson, gardener. Mrs. Myrin also won the Sweep-stake prize, awarded to the person receiving the most points for first prizes, and the coveted Gold Medal of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, for the highest standard of culture in three of the largest and most difficult classes.

In the arrangement classes, there were many original and beautiful exhibits, but everyone seemed satisfied with the decision of the judges in awarding the Green Ribbon of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania to Mrs. J. Packard Laird, of Berwyn, for the best arrangement in the Show—a handsome composition of mauve spider Chrysanthemums, purplish sedums, purple and grey Chinese cabbage, and a branch of arctostaphylos for height.

The first question of many visitors upon entering the hall was to ask the location of the display of berried trees and shrubs which is shown each year by the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania and the Scott Foundation of Swarthmore College. The exhibit was even more comprehensive than before, and was staged to fine advantage in the center of the hall so that visitors could have a close-up view of each plant and read the labels without too much neck-craning.

The Exhibition Committee did not have the help of a large special committee, as was the case in the Philadelphia Flower Show, and accordingly each member of the regular committee had to work very hard. Two committee members were outstanding in their efforts to make the Show a success—Harry Wood, who represented Swarthmore College, and Anne Wertsner of the Society's staff. They planned the floor space, staged the exhibits and carried right through to the end. Mr. Wood deserves much credit, too, for securing many exhibitors.

One admission ticket was given to each member of the Society, and one to each member of the Athletic Association of Swarthmore College. The charge to the general public was 50 cents, tax included. The attendance was approximately 5,000 about the same as last year. Receipts amounted to \$1,793.75, which included \$1,522.50 paid admissions, and \$271.25 donations for cash prizes, of which \$200.00 was contributed by the Philadelphia Flower Show Committee. Total expenses were \$2,299.42, and after deducting receipts, the net expenses of the Society were \$405.67, again within the budget allowance.

We wish to acknowledge with thanks, welcome donations of material and labor for the two Shows, and prizes or cash contributions for prizes from the following donors: The F. A. Bartlett Tree Expert Company, The Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, The Lawn & Golf Supply Company, Massachusetts Horticultural Society, Henry F. Michell Company, The Philadelphia Flower Show, Inc., Mr. C. Frederick C. Stout, and Andrew Wilson, Inc.

The Society's Gold Exhibition Medal, offered in exchange, was awarded at the Spring Flower Show of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society in Boston, March 15-20, to Albert A. Hulley, of Middleboro, Massachusetts. The James Boyd Memorial Medal, in silver, was awarded at the Annual Exhibition of the American Peony Society, in Guelph, Ontario, Canada, June 24-25, to C. F. Wood, of Toronto.

HAROLD GRAHAM,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE EXTENSION COMMITTEE FOR 1948

A report of the work of our Field Secretary, Miss Anne B. Wertsner, tells the complete story of the accomplishments of the Extension Committee. While The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is essentially a Pennsylvania organization, Miss Wertsner's lecture work in the past year has again taken her many miles beyond its boundary, she having delivered a total of 73 lectures in 16 states. This involved 22,810 miles of travel. Exclusive of her radio and television audiences, she has spoken directly to 9,676 people.

Her lecture work is not however, a full picture of her activities for she has answered during the year 692 horticultural inquiries, has attended 18 meetings and written articles for newspapers and magazines. Her work in connection with the staging of the Society's section of the Philadelphia Flower Show and staging the Chrysanthemum Show at Swarthmore continued to make great demands on her time, but the results were very gratifying and a good reward for the effort put forth.

Miss Wertsner has surely done an excellent job and deserves much credit and commendation.

Necrology

The following is a list of the members of this Society whose deaths have been reported during the year.

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Mrs. Oswald Chew
Mrs. Philip S. Collins
Mr. Henry I. Faust

Miss Carrie M. Hale
Mr. C. Hartman Kuhn
Miss Elizabeth Canby Morris

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Miss Marie Winokur
Mrs. Samuel Woodward
Miss Emma Worrall
Miss Martha H. Young

