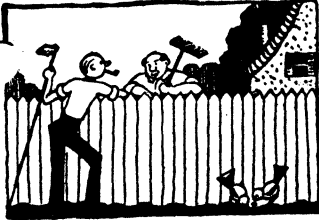


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FIRST FALL INDOOR MEETING

Tuesday - October 12 1948

Place: Hasty Tasty, Colonial Room,
2nd floor, 1435 W. Lake St.
(Lake St. near Hennepin)
Time: 5:30 P.M. sharp
Dinner: \$1.50. Make reservations
early

PROGRAM

Begins at 6:30 P.M. on time

Speaker - Horace W. Barnes of Northome,
Wayzata, Minn.

Mr. Barnes comes to us as a horticulturist
of fine technical background and broad ex-
perience. He has an enviable reputation as
a grower, show judge and lecturer on garden
subjects.

The subject will be a broad one covering
fall work with comments on our recent flow-
er show. You'll be interested!

NOTE the change in location of meeting place.

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PEACHES IN MINNESOTA

Do you know that peaches and figs grow
in Minnesota? We visited the garden of
Louis Heckel out at White Bear Lake and
saw trees overladen with peaches - large,
sweet and good eating - with branches
tied and supported to hold up the fruit.
Heckel has been growing them for 35 years.
The figs are now giving their second crop
of the year. His rose tree, 30 years old,
has a diameter of six feet and is a per-

petual blooming Karl Druschki. Well
worth a visit any time you're in the
neighborhood.

RENE IS BACK

Rene Dufourd is back home again after
too long a stay in California. It's
good to see his cheerful, smiling coun-
tenance again and to be reminded by him
to do this or that for the good of the

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SHOW

Never did you see such a mammoth tuberous begonia plant as Harold Stephens' grand champion! It was fully three feet cross and two feet high with foliage and bloom beyond description. Congratulations, Harold; you nursed it to perfection!

Golden Seeds

Stan Lund, Herb Kahlert and others chatting with Dr. T. Milton Carlton, director of research for the Vaughan Seed Co. of Chicago and New York, got around to discussing the popular subject of the high cost of most everything. "Did you know," spoke up the eminent doctor, "that next to radium, African Violet seed is the most expensive commodity traded by man? One sixty-fourth of an ounce costs \$300!"

And more from the doctor's research files: Japan will export to the U.S. this year only ten pounds of double petunia seeds. At how much? Just about \$64,000!

Still another: "Did you hear about the careless steno," asked Dr. Carlton, "who, while watching her boss admiring an ounce of tuberous begonia seeds sneezed and blew his whole year's tuberous business out of the window?"

'Way Over Par

Carl Nelson, true to his reputation, took Grand Champion and Sweepstakes at the 20th Annual Show of the Minnesota Dahlia Society. Good going, Carl, when we saw them growing during our July tour, they all looked like champions!

TIME TO COMPARE NOTES, SAYS STANLEY LUND

It's time to polish up the apple and get back to school again. The summer season has been interesting and instructive and we all enjoyed it because we were gardening.

The tours arranged by Herb Kahlert for June and July were marked by the best attendance we have ever had for these events. We had the opportunity of visiting many gardens that created an incentive to do better in our own backyard. Our kind hosts for these meetings, Nels Welander and Jack Cohen, deserve and receive our thanks for their hospitality.

Bracketing these tours were the two outstanding flower shows staged by Harold Kaufmann and his hard-working committees. One of the most pleasing results was the high percentage of members exhibiting in the Fall Show, with at least two-thirds of the Club assisting in making the Show a success. I feel that "Oak Leaf Clusters" are due Bill Swain and Cortis Rice for the efficient parts they took in registering and staging the show.

Program Chairman Herb Kahlert has some very interesting items on tap for the rest of the year. His programs never lack interest and I know that Mr. Barnes, who speaks to us at our October meeting, will bring us much of value and in an interesting manner. We'll be expecting you at our new location.

B O O K S

Not a new book but one that gives the essential facts required to plant and maintain a lawn easily and efficiently is "Better Lawns," by Howard Sprague. It is priced at \$2.00 at most book stores.

"American Fruits" by Samuel Fraser, Or-

ange Judd Co., discusses about every important fruit that is grown in this country. There is certainly room on many home grounds for additional fruits, if not for the table, at least for ornament.

From "The Wind" Bulletin of the Men's Garden Club of Chicago Region

1948 FALL FLOWER SHOW RESULTS

487 Entries - 43 Exhibitors

Grand Champions

Group A Specimens - A. M. Libbey - Tuberous Begonia
(Carnation Type)

Group B - Potted Plants - H. M. Stephens - Potted
Tuberous Begonia Plant

Group C - Arrangements - W. E. Swain - Vegetables

Court of Honor

A. M. Libbey	Tuberous begonia specimen
W. E. Swain	Vegetable arrangement
S. D. Lund	Double aster - annual
S. D. Lund	White clematis
M. K. Lifson	Foliage arrangement
Leonard Bies	Marigold arrangement
E. C. Culbert	Single chrysanthemum specimen
R. C. Edlund	H. T. rose specimen
H. M. Stephens	Potted tuberous begonia plant
C. A. Nelson	Informal dahlia specimen
G. V. Lowrie	Floribunda rose specimen

Sweepstakes

C. N. Rice, Jr.

41 points; 17 awards; 6 1st; 5 2nd; 6 3rd

Runners-Up

S. D. Lund	38 points	14 awards
M. K. Lifson	35 "	15 "
G. V. Lowrie	30 "	12 "
Leonard Bies	26 "	7 "
L. E. Christman	22 "	8 "
A. S. Nyberg	22 "	8 "
G. G. Cerney	21 "	10 "
C. C. Reif	21 "	11 "
H. E. Kahlert	20 "	10 "

THE AUTUMN FLOWER SHOW OUR BEST?

That seems to be the opinion of many of our members, and certainly the 475 competitive entries by our largest number of exhibitors (43), plus beautiful non-competitive displays by five more of our members, plus our best team of judges in Horace Barnes and Louis Fisher, plus our largest public interest and attendance - give weight to this opinion.

In spite of long unfavorable weather conditions, it was a beautiful, creditable show - its beauty enhanced no little by the gorgeous basket and potted chrysanthemums from our own Henry Bachman; the fine fall flower display of our Harry Franklin Baker; the breath-taking tuberous begonia display of "Did" Libbey; the extremely decorative arrangement of dahlias contributed by Bob Bryant; the educational "mum" exhibit of the University of Minnesota through our Bob Phillips and Dr. Longley; the large and beautiful rose exhibit of the Park Board through our Charlie Doell, Walter Quist and Greg Lucking. We also wish to acknowledge the beautiful basket of roses from the Minneapolis Floral Company.

Our grateful thanks go to our George Luxton and Florence Murphy of the Minneapolis Star, and to Max Carle of WTCN and also to stations WCCO and KSTP for their helpful co-operation in bringing our show, by press and radio, to the attention of the public.

To me, however, the outstanding feature was again the fine interest, co-operation and teamwork of so many of our members who participated and who planned and put on this show.

Whatever success attended it was due largely to the outstanding work of these chairmen and their hard-working committees:

Glen Cerney and Jim Christman - Scheduling
Cortis Rice and Gordon Ballhorn - Staging
Harold Stephens and Ray Adlund - Housekeeping
Milan Evans - Telephone and Picnic
Vic Lowrie - Publicity
Bill Swain and Archie Flack - registration
Bob Bryant - Judging

What a job these men and their committees did! And they had fun doing it!

Our Club has the manpower, ability and organization; our flower shows should be - and will be - progressively bigger and better.

Harold R. Kaufmann
Flower Shows Chairman