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The purpose of this Society shall be: to promote interest in begonias and other shade-loving plants; to encourage the introduction and development of new types of these plants; to standardize the nomenclature of begonias; to gather and publish information in regard to kinds, propagation and culture of begonias and companion plants; to issue a bulletin which will be mailed to all members of the Society; and to bring into friendly contact all who love and grow begonias.

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# Quick Change in The Garden

By NORVELL GILLESPIE Vagabond Gardener

"If you want to be a 'quick change' artist in the garden," says Howard Gilkey, dean of America's garden show designers, "your best bet is to grow a collection of potted plants."

This means you can play with various combinations and change the color scheme several times a month. By growing a few plants of many different kinds, you can switch from a garden of brilliant colors today to one of interesting foliage plants tomorrow.

Your only limits are time, patience, and the amount of space where you can keep a good-sized collection of potted specimens growing all year 'round. Gay annuals, scented shrubs, tantalizing subtropicals, useful vines — these and many more thrive in pots and other containers. Don't be afraid to experiment with unusual kinds.

One choice is the ever-reliable geranium. It's inexpensive, too. For mass color effect you can depend upon geraniums to bloom almost constantly and thrive under a wide range of conditions. There are many fine varieties available. You can have a range of color varying from the most delicate pinks to the flashy reds and vermillions, and if you so desire, it's possible to have a sky-blue single-flowered species geranium for accent. For evening and night effects do not forget to include a few white geraniums, and for hanging pots the ivy geraniums are available in a wide assortment of color.

Good potted plants with fragrant foliage are fine for sunny patios. These last several years in pots: lemon-scented verbena (which must be heavily pruned),

# **COVER PICTURE**

"Piggy-back" *Begonia culculifera* showing tiny leaves growing on the leaf surfaces, along the veins.

-Photo by P. I. Merry

lemon-scented thyme, apple geranium, spearmint, and peppermint. All of these, plus the fragrant flowers of gardenia, bouvardia, Meyer lemon, daphne, Rangpur lime, oleander, Confederate jasmine, and honeysuckle, will produce a fragrance long to be remembered. The latter two are vines and can be trained either on small trellises inserted in the pots or on the posts of a pergola.

Many roses do well as potted plants and with care they can be grown in tubs or twelve inch pots for several years without being repotted. Heavy pruning, regular watering, and fertilization will produce healthy, compact plants which will bloom several times during the year. The polyantha roses have proven to be particularly fine for use as potted plants. The advantage of growing roses in this manner is that they can be kept in the background except when they are in full bloom.

The Meyer lemon is the king of the citrus and adapts itself admirably to tubs or pots. Its shiny green foliage, fragant bloom, and delicious fruit make it one of the finest plants for a sunny court or loggia. Two other plants in the same classification which are not so well known but which thrive under similar conditions are the calamondin, valued for its fragrance and small delicious orange-red fruits, and the Rangpur lime.

For shady spots you'll find that the Rutherfordiana, krume, and indica varieties of azaleas are splendid. For late fall effects, the green foliage and brilliant red berries of Aucuba japonica and Skimmia japonica cannot be equaled. It is important when growing these plants to have at least one male in order to produce berries on the female plants. Both these plants should be planted in twelve-inch pots, in which they can be grown for several years without repotting.

For color in the shade, cinerarias in (Continued on Page 135)

# Do You Notice Foliage?

By FLORENCE KNOCK Crooks, South Dakota

Only through intimate observation can we learn to recognize the limitless variety and grace of begonia foliage. The large, the small, the thin, the succulent, the spotted, the smooth, the rough, the hairy, the scaly leaves, and countless others all have their individual charm.

From the species numberless hybrids have been developed by professional and amateur hybridists. Through this fascinating procedure, many unusual leaf combinations have resulted.

The many forms of colored-leaved rex begonias are grown because of the beautiful color combinations in the foliage, and they never cease to attract enthusiastic attention. The unusual spiralled forms are also richly colored. If they did not require bottom heat during the winter, more rex would be found in our homes.

Special soil mixtures are often used to deepen the leaf colors. Oak or other hardwood leaf mold, bone meal, and scotch soot are the usual combination. Scotch soot is a combination of burned peat and wood.

The Brazilian species *B. phyllomaniaca*, also called 'Jessie', has a peculiar way of producing tiny leaves and plantlets on its leaves and stems. Its name comes from two Greek words meaning "crazy leaf". Its seedlings, "Templini' and 'Paul Bruant', have inherited the peculiarities of their parent. The leaves of 'Templini' are ruffled, and are mottled with cream, yellow, and rose. The leaves of 'Paul Bruant' are deeply serrate and have yellow-green midribs.

The Calla lily begonia has green basal leaves, with upper leaves glistening white and shaped like miniature Calla lilies. This is perhaps the most exquisite and delicate of the variegated semperflorens types.

A tall Vernon type which used to be called *lepidota*, now *manicata*, has lovely creamy yellow blotched leaves, as has also the rhizomatous *B. manicata aureo*. The hybrid 'Druryi' has the darkest leaves of any begonia of its type, as one would expect since it is a cross between the deep-leaved *cyprea* and *sanguinea*.

'Thurstoni', which is a cross between *sanguinea* and *metallica*, has the metallic, glossy lustre of its parents, and the handsome appearance of the popular plant depends on its glossy foliage.

'Dorothy Grant' is much like 'Thurstoni', but has thick, foot-long leaves when well grown. Among other large-leaved types whose leaves are quite similar, we have the tree-formed 'Corrallina de Lucerna', 'President Carnot', 'Helen', and others.

The 'Corrallina' seedling 'Helen W. King' is especially lovely because the leaves are so unusually deep red beneath. Some leaves are outstanding because of the undersides. Many have colorful and dainty petioles of varying lengths.

The intricate and colorful vein system of some leaves is worthy of close examination. The netted veins of 'Bertha von Lothringen' are a deep wine color when viewed in the sunshine or under the electric light. The fluted, red-outlined leaves of 'Mrs. W. Kimball' have colorful veins and petioles.

An interesting group of small begonias, having similar dark bronzy leaves, is 'Preussen', 'Sachsen', and 'Bayern'. Although 'Vedderi' is a *compta* seedling, it is not unlike the above three, and it does not have the gray center of its parent. 'Jinnie May' is a dwarf grower, but its leaves are much like the above plants. The degree of bronzy color is affected decidedly by the amount of light and sunshine.

The rough, bright green leaves of *almifolia* are more like elm tree leaves than begonia foliage. Even the veining and the rough, hairy surfaces on both sides of the leaves are similar to the elm.

Although the variations in begonia foliage is infinite, I have mentioned only (Continued on Page 135)

# Watering Begonias Important

# By LAMBERT DAY

The proper watering of plants grown in pots is one of the most important factors in their growth, and possibly the least understood by the amateur.

It is difficult to explain exactly when to water and when not to, so some experience must be gained by trial and error methods before successful results can be attained, and much judgment must be used.

The water to be used should be clean, fresh, and as soft as possible — rain water being ideal. Never water a plant until it becomes dry, though not bone dry; then it should be soaked thoroughly. One way to determine if the soil in a clay pot is dry is by tapping the pot. If a clear ring is heard, it is time to water. A dull thud indicates that enough moisture is present. Be sure that the pot in question is not cracked, as this defect might lead to confusion.

Begonias like an abundance of water but will not tolerate for long a dank, soggy soil.

When a plant that I prize highly is first received, all of the old soil is washed off of the roots. A pot is selected that is neither too large nor too small for the plant in question. The first inch to two inches of the pot — depending on the type of plant and size of pot — is filled with sphagnum moss or very coarse drainage material of broken crocks.

A few napthaline flakes sprinkled in the drainage material will discourage earthworms for some time. These worms do more to destroy the fibrous texture of the soil than any other single factor. They will, in short order, make an otherwise good soil into a soggy, damp, worthless one. Be sure that they are not allowed to close the drainage hole in the bottom of the pot, as poor drainage is fatal to begonias.

After the drainage material is placed in the pot, a soil is prepared that is porous enough to allow fairly free passage of water, and the prized plant is planted in it, leaving the last one-half to one inch of space in the top of the pot for filling with water.

Another factor to be considered in watering is whether the plant is dormant or in active growth. Naturally very little water is required by a plant that is not growing, while an abundance of water will be needed by one that is at the height of its active growth period.

A plant of woody structure will require water less often than one of succulent growth. Large-leaved plants require more water than small-leaved plants.

The humidity of the surrounding air determines to a large extent the frequency with which water should be applied. Plants that are to be kept on the "dry side" should not be left in places where the air is heavy with moisture and poorly ventilated. Avoid watering at night during the winter or when there are prolonged periods of dampness and fog.

During the hottest part of the summer, it is sometimes advisable to water in the late afternoon or evening, but in this regard experience is the best adviser. Water every day if necessary, but only if necessary. The temperature of the water used should be close to that of the surrounding air. Colder water will retard plant growth.

As all of these factors are correlated, all should be taken into consideration if proper watering is to produce maximum results.

-From The Begonian, August, 1940

# WILL YOU WIN?

There will be many classifications in the Begonia and Shade Plant Show for begonias, ferns, and other shade plants. Surely one plant in your collection is worth displaying. Enter it in the show.

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# Clayton M. Kelly Seed Fund Flight

# No. 1—B. crispula, Brade—

Produces a short rhizome, and the short-stalked, round leaves, five to six inches in diameter, spread out more or less flat on the surface of the soil. New leaves spread out over the older leaves, almost touching them or even resting on them. In consequence, moisture easily stays between them, and the rough surfaces of the leaves increase still further the danger of leaf rot to which this species is subject. B. crispula, therefore, must never be sprayed and water must be applied strictly to the soil, never splashed on the plant. However, this is the only difficulty with this begonia, which otherwise is easy to grow if it is planted in soil containing humus and kept moderately moist.

The inflorescence is reddish, peduncle appressed, hairy, six inches high. The male flowers, white inside and pinkish outside, are slightly more than half an inch in diameter. The female flowers are still smaller. The floral display, therefore, is insignificant, but the deeply crisped, shiny green foliage is very attractive, and this species certainly represents an interesting addition to the great multitude of different shapes the genus begonia is able to produce.

Some form of warmth should be provided to germinate seeds readily. \$1.00 per pkt.

# No. 2—B. venosa—

Brazil. Growth shrubby, erect, medium height. Stems succulent, round, green with small white lines, surrounded entirely with large, almost transparent, fine, venous, light brown vesicular bracts, in such a way that the stems, themselves, are hardly visible. Petioles are long or slightly longer than the leaves, fleshy, covered with a brownish pubescens. Leaves auricular succulent, margins; entire, and green background is covered with a dense tomentum of white hairs. Inflorescene axillary, very long, succulent, red covered with soft hairs. Flowers abundant, medium large, spicy-fragrant. This is an important plant, but we do not find it frequently. The white tomentous cover, which comes off easily when touched, constitutes the ornamental value of the plant. This begonia thrives best in a warm or moderately warm location, where it gets a few hours of morning and afternoon sun. This condition turns the leaves to a beautiful white. If the plant is placed permanently in the shade, the leaves remain greenish. Requires less water in winter. Blooms in spring and summer. 50 cents per pkt.

# No. 3-B. lubbersi-

Brazil. Exotic begonia with silversplashed, dark leaves. First introduced by A.B.S. Seed Fund in 1957. It is unlike any other begonia; has a peltate leaf, pointed at the top and bottom, with the surface patterned in silver blotches. 50 cents per pkt.

## No. 4—B. quadrelocaris syn B. egregia—

Brazil. Hardy plant with long, tapering, pointed, pebbly-green leaves droping from both sides of stem. Flowers tiny heart-shaped, pink-tipped. Grows well in open beds and is fairly weatherresistant. Good begonia and worthy of a place in every collection. 50 cents per pkt.

# No. 5—B. 'Bismarckiana'—

Listed in Buxton Check List as B. lucerna seedling: 25 cents per pkt.

# No. 6-B. 'Niagara'-

Large heart-shaped olive leaves; redveined beneath. Large white flower heads fragrant and long lasting. 25 cents per pkt.

# No. 7—B. Cane and

rhizomatous mixed— Philippine Islands. 25 cents per pkt.

**No. 8—B. Semperflorens** Pink, with large, fluffy, white centers. 25 cents per pkt.

# No. 9—B. fuchsiodes—

Mexico. Smooth, erect; branches arching; leaves very small, next in size to *B. foliosa*, ovate, glossy, dark green, toothed. Flowers fuchsia-like, bright crimson, nodding. Ornamental and almost a continuous bloomer. 35 cents per pkt.

# No. 10—B. nelumbiifolia

Mexico. Sometime called water lily begonia. Leaves peltate, stem attached near the center, lotus-leaf fashion. Long leaves, green, round at top, pointed at end, hairy beneath. Flowers small, white to pale pink. Fairly hardy and popular accent plant outdoors where climate permits. 25 cents per pkt.

## Free Seed

Semperflorens, several colors and types, B. leptotricha and mixed gloxinia. Please include postage if free seeds only are requested.

# **GREENHOUSE PLANTS**

## Plumeria-

Just received from Darwin, Australia. Also called 'Frangipani Tree'. Mixed colors only. Large, waxy, single blooms, very fragrant, in clusters. Thick, soft branches with latex-like sticky juice, dark green leaves. Popular in Hawaii for making leis. Four seeds for 25 cents.

## Aechmea angustifolia—

Handsome plant of the Bromeliaceae family. 25 cents per pkt.

## Crossandra infundibuliformia-

Popular pot plant with glossy, dark green leaves, dense flower spikes, orange colored. Flowering over a long period. 25 cents per pkt.

## Impatiens, mixed—

Dwarf plants. Colors include mauve, pink, salmon, scarlet, and in-between colors. These plants are without equal as bedding plants for shady locations. They are covered with blossoms of intense color that possess a luminous sheen equalled in any bedding plant.

Sow seed as soon as possible after receiving. They should be germinated at a minimum temperature of 70-75 degrees and kept moist. Seeds are very sensitive to lack of moisture and low temperatures. Also ideal pot plant. 25 cents per pkt.

# Asplenium decussatum-

Fern. Large, spreading, light green fronds. 25 cents per pkt.

# Alsophila australis-

Australian tree fern. Can be used as

greenhouse plant when confined in a clay pot or redwood tub. 25 cents per pkt.

# Pellea falcata-

An excellent basket fern, glossy surface on fronds, hardy and easy to grow. 25 cents per pkt.

# OTHER GENERA Mimosa pudica---

Sensitive plant. Leaves collapse when touched. Interesting novelty. Flowers rosepurple or lavendér, the ball-like clusters long-stalked in leaf axils. Soak seeds before planting. 25 cents per pkt.

# Mimosa, yellow flowers—

Similar to above except color of flowers and not sensitive to the touch. 25 cents per pkt.

# Cassia corymbosa-

Smooth shrub, medium height, leaves oblong. Flowers yellow, mostly in flat topped clusters from the leaf axils. A free-flowering, handsome shrub grown in a cool greenhouse in cold climates. Very hard seed. 25 cents per pkt.

# Albizzia julisbrissin-

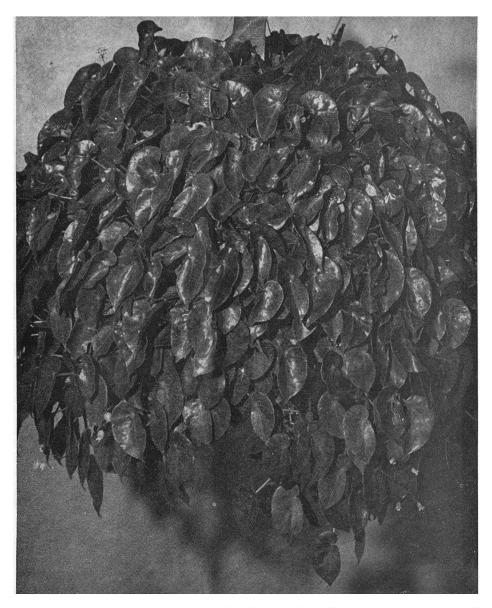
Silk tree. Handsome, medium-sized tree with a broad, spreading crown. Flowers rose, in slender-stalked, compact heads. Makes a beautiful greenhouse plant with its fern-like foliage. We see it in almost every garden here and it is one of the most beautiful small trees. Hard seed. 25 cents per pkt.

# Amaryllis hybrids-

From large red type. 25 cents per pkt.

Our latest field trip took us to Yuba river about seventy-five miles from here and certainly a plant lover's paradise. This was by far the most beautiful place we have seen in this area. Ferns were growing in great profusion everywhere, and the Woodwardia or Giant Chain was the largest and most spectacular. Some specimens were six to seven feet in height, growing in huge clumps always in or near the water.

Another beauty was Dryopteris arguta or California wood fern, growing in deep leaf mold on the side of the mountain, as was the Pellea and Licorice fern. We came upon two or three varieties that were entirely new to us, but they



Begonia epipsila, winner of the 1961 President's Challenge Trophy.

were out of reach so we could not get even a frond for identification — such fascinating, beautiful little ferns.

The wild azaleas were just coming into bloom and, in our opinion, they are lovelier that the cultivated plants and much more fragrant. Many tall Tiger lilies were growing along the streams and the mountain sides; also many native irises were much in evidence.

We will continue our search for the rare and unusual and, when we find something interesting, we will pass the information along to you.

MRS. FLORENCE GEE Seed Fund Administrator 234 Birch Street Roseville, California

# Begonia and Shade Plant Show September 8-9, 1962

#### CALIFORNIA NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY

111 Grosvenor Street, Inglewood, California

Open 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, September 8 - 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday, September 9.

We are making plans for a larger competitive show with increased floor space to encourage all members to bring their plants. A new division has been added — division T for miniature gardens.

Please read the rules and regulations as adopted by the National Board.

Let all members help to make this year's

Begonia and Shade Plant Show the best ever. Only by your participation can this be accomplished.

Meeting old friends and making new ones are a good gardener's delight. We all look forward to our Annual Meeting each year, glad to greet and welcome you.

BERT SLATTER, Show Chairman

# Special Awards

The following awards are competitive and are open to all exhibitors in the Novice and Amateur divisions.

Sweepstakes trophies will be awarded in both Amateur and Novice divisions. (See Rules and Regulations no. 16).

HERBERT P. DYCKMAN PERPETUAL AWARD— This award is given by Mrs. Dyckman in honor of her husband, the late Herbert P. Dyckman who was the Founder of the American Begonia Society.

The most outstanding New Fibrous begonia exhibited each year will be honored with this award.

- PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE TROPHY To be awarded to the Best Begonia in the Show displayed by either novice, amateur, or commercial entrant. The large trophy was presented to the A.B.S. by Calvin E. Trowbridge. Only plants which win division trophies may be considered for best plant in show.
- PALOS VERDES BEGONIA FARM CHALLENGE TROPHY—Given for the outstanding Tuberous Begonia in the Show.
- EFFIE CHAPMAN CUP-For the best Fibrous Begonia in the Show.
- GONDA HARTWELL CUP—For the best Rex Begonia in the Show.

- JOHN R. WILLIAMS CUP-For the best Rhizomatous Begonia in the Show.
- REDONDO AREA PERPETUAL TROPHY—For the best Semperflorens Begonia in the Show.
- CONNIE LEIGH HENDRIX CUP-For the best amateur Flower Arrangement in the Show.
- GORDON BAKER LLOYD CHALLENGE CUP—For the best Seedling in the Show. (less than one year old).
- A.B.S. SWEEPSTAKES TROPHY—To the winner of the most points in the begonia divisions of the show.
- THE GLENDALE BRANCH AWARD—For the highest rating NEW CULTIVAR shown in DIVISION K.
- THE INGLEWOOD BRANCH AWARD—For the most distinctive species in division S.
- JACK TAYLOR PERPETUAL TROPHY—Donated by the Orange County Branch. For the best hanging basket begonia.
- EDNA KORTS PERPETUAL TROPHY—For the best Cane type Begonia in the Show.
- ALFRED D. ROBINSON MEMORIAL MEDAL-To the hybrid begonia for 1956.
- JACK BAILEY MEMORIAL CUP—For the best Branch Garden Plot Display.

# 1962 FLOWER SHOW SCHEDULE OF A.B.S. Annual Meeting, California N

#### DIVISION A-SEMPERFLORENS BEGONIAS

- Class 1. Foliage green, flower single.
  - 2. Foliage dark, flowers single.
  - 3. Foliage green, flowers double.
  - 4. Foliage dark, flowers double.
  - 5. Species, such as, Indian species, Mexican species, etc. 6. *Begonias* 'Richmondensis,' or 'Catalina,' others similar.

DIVISION B-FIBROUS BEGONIAS, (CANE TYPE)

- Class 7. Tall types (over three feet), as 'Lucerna,' 'Orange Rubra, etc.
  - 8. Intermediate types (18 in. to 3 ft., as 'Medora,' olbia, and others.
  - 9. Low growing types (under 18 in.)
  - 10. Any other cane type not covered in above classes. Thickened stalk type.

**DIVISION C-HAIRY FIBROUS BEGONIAS** 

- Class 11. Hairy, as scharffi, 'Fernando Costae.'
  - 12. Sparsely hairy, as 'Neely Gaddis,' 'Braemar,' 'Dorothy Grant,' etc.
  - 13. Heavy-textured tomentum-covered foliage, as incana, *kellermanni*, 'San Miguel,' etc. 14. Distinctive foliage, erect growth, as 'Mrs. Fred
  - Scripps,' luxurians, etc.
  - 15. Any other varieties not covered in the above classes.

DIVISION D-RHIZOMATOUS BEGONIAS (not rex)

- Class 16. Small leaves, as boweri, imperialis, rotundifolia, etc.
  - 17. Medium leaves, star type, as, 'Glendale,' 'Silver Star,' 'Virbob,' etc.
  - 18. Large star foliage, as 'Ricinifolia,' heracleifolia, 'Sunbar, etc.
  - 19. Medium foliage, no marginal cutting, as 'Erythrophylla,' etc. 20. Large foliage, no marginal cutting, as 'Freddie,'
  - barkeri. etc.
  - 21. Spiral or crested foliage, as manicata cristata, 'Cresta-bruchi,' etc.
  - 22. Distinctive, unusual or odd foliage, as, acida, 'Iron Cross,' etc.
  - 23. Hairy leaved types, as, 'Otto Alfred,' fusca, etc.
  - 24. Rhizome upright, as, carolineafolia, kenworthyi, etc.

25. Any other varieties not covered in the above classes.

#### **DIVISION E-REX CULTORUM BEGONIAS**

- Class 26. Large leaved types as, 'Cardoza Gardens,' 'President,' 'Rajah,' etc.
  - 27. Medium leaved types, as, 'Helen Lewis,' 'American Beauty,' and many of the new rexes that are available. 28. Small leaves, as, 'Dew Drop' and others of approx-
  - imate size.
  - 29. Large spiral-leaves, as, 'Bronze King' 'Mt. Baldy,' 'Green Pastures,' etc. 30. Medium spiral-leaves, as, 'Bronco,' 'Curly Haze,'
  - Mary Ann, etc. 31. Branching Types, as, 'Van Ex,' 'Silver Van Ex,' 'Silver
  - Sweet,' etc.
  - 32. Miniature leaves, as, 'Toy,' 'Annie Robinson,' 'Butterfly,' etc.

- 33. Miniature spiral-leav Curl,' etc.
- 34. Any other varieties 1
- DIVISION F-TUBEROUS ROOTED
  - (OTHER THAN 'TUBERHY
  - Class 35. Species, as, sutherlan,
    - 36. Cultivars, as, 'Welth
    - 37. All socotrana and de
    - 38. Any others not covere
- DIVISION G-'TUBERHYBRIDA,' ON
  - Class 39. Single forms, flower 40. 'Multiflora' and 'Mu
    - pact, many flowered, 41. Camellia forms, flc
      - double. 42. 'Fimbriata Plena;' lar
    - 43. crispa; large, single, p 44. cristata; large, single
      - on each petal.
    - 45. 'Rosebud;' rose-like i 46. 'Picotee;' irregular b ing into the dominant
    - 47. 'Marmorata;' camelli, blotched and spotted
    - 48. Ruffled camellin and from 'Fimbria 49. 'Marginata;' camilia

    - precise line of a differ
    - 50. pendula; drooping t tainers; flowers num
- DIVISION H-WALL POCKETS
  - Class 51. Fibrous begonias, Cla
    - 52. Rhizomatous begonia
    - 53. Rex begonias, Classes
    - 54. Tuberous begonias, C
- DIVISION I—HANGING BASKETS
  - Class 55. Fibrous begonias Clas
    - 56. Rhizomatous begonia
      - 57. Rex begonias, Classes
      - 58. Tuberous begonias, C
- DIVISION J-SPECIAL DIVISION FC Collection of six pla exhibited by a Brar Branch show chairma bon awards, plus \$ awards. Plants must

DIVISION K-NEW BEGONIA INTI

Class 59. Open to all member tries per exhibitors i dividually by point commendation upon Begonias pr Isly hibited in th

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not covered in the above classes.

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#### NE SPECIMEN PLANT

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#### OR BRANCHES

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#### TRODUCTIONS

ers, Amateur or Commercial. Enunlimited. Each entry judged incore and awarded a certificate of coring a minimum of 85 points. en can not again be exDIVISION L-BEGONIAS GROWN ON TOTEM POLES

Class 60. To be classified according to entries by show chairman, and chief clerk. 'A' and 'B' divisions if necessary.

#### **DIVISION M-NOVICE CLASSES**

Any amateur Begonia Society Member who has never won a blue ribbon in an A.B.S. show preceeding 1959 may enter plants in this division, as classified in the previous classes, for a period of three consecutive years. These will be staged separately and judged accordingly. Class ribbons and trophies will be awarded in this division.

#### **DIVISION N-COMMERCIAL GROWERS**

In this division Commercial Growers may exhibit plants in any of the classes in this schedule. A trophy will be awarded to the best plant entered, which also may compete for the President's Trophy. See Rules and Regulations No. 11.

#### DIVISION O-FERNS

- Class 61. Mounted large-leaved epiphytic, as Platycerium.
  - 62. Hardy North American species, as Woodwardia fimbriata.
  - 63. Hardy tropicals, as *Pteris* and *Polystichum* varieties. 64. Tender and rare tropicals, as *Polypodium* varieties.

  - 65. Adiantum (Maidenhair) varieties.
  - 66. Hanging baskets, fine or heavy fronds.
  - 67. Wall baskets, fine or heavy fronds.

#### **DIVISION P—OTHER SHADE PLANTS**

- Class 68. African violets.
  - 69. Bromeliads.
  - 70. Fuchsias, upright. 71. Fuchsias, basket.

  - 72. Gloxinias.
  - 73. Any shade or tropical plant.

#### **DIVISION Q—FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS**

- Class 74. Begonia flowers and foliage, other than 'Tuberhybrida.
  - 75. Low container, tuberous begonia flowers.
  - 76. Begonias and other plant material.
  - 77. Rex begonia foliage only.
  - 78. Corsage using tuberous begonias.
  - 79. Corsage of begonia blossoms or foliage other than 'Tuberhybrida.'

#### DIVISION R-PLANTERS AND TERRARIUMS

- Class 80. Plantings of begonias.
  - 81. Plantings with other house plants.

#### **DIVISION S—SPECIES**

Open to all. No limit on entries by any member.

DIVISION T-MINIATURE GARDENS

Not to exceed 30 inches square.

#### DIVISION U-BRANCH GARDEN PLOT DISPLAYS

Trophies, first, second, third, etc. for all entries.

JULY, 1962

1. All exhibits are, from the commencement to the close of the exhibition, in the charge of the Show Committee.

2. Competitive entries must be made according to division and classes.

3. All competitive entries must be in place by 9:30 a.m., Saturday, September 8, and judging will commence at 10:00 a.m. All entries not in by 9:30 a.m. will be eligible only for non-competitive exhibition.

4. All entries will receive sealed entry cards at time of entering plants, allowing same to remain sealed until after judging.

5. Chairman of Judges Committee will assume complete charge at start of judging and no person will be allowed to interfere, to offer criticisms, or to distract the decisions of the judges. Only judges and their clerks will be permitted in show room at time of judging.

6. Any chairman or members of committees engaged in the show preparation will be permitted to exhibit and to compete under the same conditions as any other exhibitor, with adherence to all show rules.

7. Each entry may compete for only one class award and only one entry per exhibitor may be made in any class with the exception of division K.

8. All plants and flowers exhibited in competitive classes must have been grown by the exhibitor and have been in his possession for three months prior to the show. This rule does not apply to flower arrangements. Only class award blue ribbon winners may be considered for trophy awards in the novice, amateur, and commercial divisions.

9. Novice: A novice is an amateur who enters A.B.S. competition for the first time and he remains a novice for three consecutive years, after which he must enter in the amateur class. In the event a novice wins a total of five blue ribbons or wins one of the A.B.S. trophy awards prior to the expiration of this three year period he must thereafter enter as an amateur.

10. Amateur: An amateur is one who grows plants for self-pleasure and by self-effort and does not hold a commercial license. Any member of the family not falling into this category disqualifies the entire family as amateurs.

11. Commercial Grower: A commercial grower may enter any class. However, his plants will be judged only against other commercial entries. A commercial grower is a person who obtains his livelihood from the sale of plants.

12. The management shall have the right to exclude infected or diseased plants.

13. No plant may be removed from the Show except by official permission.

14. While the management will exercise due caution and care in safeguarding exhibits, it cannot assume responsibility for loss or injury.

15. Judges shall award premiums as in their opinion an entry merits. Whether a group of entries is in competition, or an entry is without competition, it will be at their discretion to award only on merits. The decision of the judges is final.

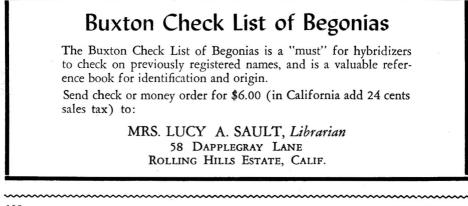
16. Sweepstakes trophies will be awarded on total number of blue ribbons only in begonia divisions.

17. All trophies must remain on display for the duration of the flower show.

18. Individual entries in the competitive show are limited to A.B.S. members only. Only one exhibitor per family may enter.

19. Challenge trophies are to be returned to the A.B.S. Flower Show Chairman three weeks prior to the 1963 A.B.S. Flower Show.

20. Any container, wire, clay, ceramic, wood, or metal, without hanger wires, may be entered as a potted plant.



# ERYTHRINA — CORAL TREES

# By FRANK G. HALVORSEN Los Angeles State and County Arboretum

If you see red flowering trees in Southern California during the late spring or late summer months, it is quite probable you will call them coral trees, or even use the botanical name, Erythrina. These trees can be seen in several places in the Los Angeles State and County Arboretum in Arcadia, with the greatest concentration of them on the south side of Tallac Knoll.

Most of the Erythrinas grown in Southern California are Brazilian or South African in origin, although more recent introductions are from Mexico, Uraguay, and Argentina. They all show a surprising hardiness to frost when properly handled.

Proper handling consists of planting in a good loamy soil, avoiding animal manures as humus material, but using leaf mold or peat moss instead. Water abundantly in spring and summer, withholding water gradually, starting in September, to induce winter rest.

With this type of care, E. Americana (Mexico) and E. Cristi-galli (Brazil) can take a temperature as low as 20 degrees; E. Coralloides (Mexico) and E. falcata (Argentina) as low as 25 degrees; E. humeana (South Africa) 27 degrees. Even if Southern California did have a winter with temperatures more severe than those listed, and the trees appear to have been killed, leaving them strictly alone will give them the possible opportunity to start up again from the roots.

In some areas, the flowers are cooked and eaten as vegetables or used in salads. They are also used as seasoning in native cookery, and may be purchased in the markets of Colombia as "barbatusco". The alkaloids in the bark, seeds, and roots are useful in insecticides, a powerful paralyzant of the motor system, which is suggested as a substitute for curare. Even so, the beautiful seeds, in various shades of red, are made into necklaces.

The wood is coarse, grainy, and un-

attractive even with a careful finish. As a light wood, it is fairly strong, and is used for stable floors, toys, sabots, and wood carving.

In their native habitat, the trees are grown to shade coffee, cacao, and vanilla plants. This fact clearly shows the home owner that other plants may be placed near this beautiful tree in a private garden.

The tree, itself, is easily propagated from seeds or by cuttings. For the latter method, the soft wood of the branches roots readily when placed in rich soil and watered generously.

# **POT-LUCKS SAVED** By VIRGINIA DIX

Well, it's good to know that our timehonored, fund-raising pot-luck dinners have been saved from legal extinction.

Or did you know they were threatened? They were, until March 28, when the California Assembly unanimously passed and sent back to the Senate a bill to exempt the traditional church and P.T.A. pot-luck dinners from the state restaurant act.

The vote was 71-0. Author of the bill was Assemblyman Charles H. Wilson. Blessings on him!

"The restaurant act was never meant to interfere with the old fashioned cake sales or pot-luck dinners sponsored by non-profit organizations," he said. "Certain misinterpretations by local health authorities in many parts of the state have created great confusion and have made it necessary to further clarify the law. This bill settles this unfortunate confusion once and for all."

-From Culver City Star News



# ADDRESSOGRAPH PROJECT WINNERS

The following persons were lucky winners in the "Addressograph Project" drawing held April 15:

- Mrs. E. Morrison, El Monte, Calif. —Waterfall.
- Mrs. Lola Fahey, Temple City, Calif. —Merchandise certificate.
- Mrs. J. Giridlian, Arcadia, Calif. —Case of Liquinox.
- Mr. R. Shute, Wh<sup>-</sup>ttier, Calif. —Cymbidium.
- Mrs. E. M. Lewis, Bellevue, Wash. --Pair of rakes.
- Ethel M. Jones, Los Angeles, Calif. —Pair of rakes.
- Mr. Howard Small, Pasadena, Calif. —Fern.
- Mr. Joe Gerdes, Los Angeles, Calif. —Fertilizer.
- Margaret Cody, Los Angeles, Calif. —Fertilizer.
- Mr. E. Budd, Los Angeles, Calif. ---Cymbidium.
- Mr. C. Adama, Arcadia, Calif. —Cymbidium.
- Mr. S. Hoffman, Los Angeles, Calif. ---Cymbidium.
- Mr. J. Fahey, Temple City, Calif. —Water wand.
- Mr. Dale Casper, Los Angeles, Calif. —Water wand.

Mr. E. Burr, Los Angeles, Calif. — Bessie Raymond Buxton Branch, Massachusetts—Pair of rakes.



Your President-Elect wishes to thank all those Branches and individuals who generously participated and donated their time and money to make the "Addressograph Project" a success. We realized a net of \$358.64, which was a mere \$11.00 short of the cost of the Addressograph.

The American Begonia Society wishes to thank the following contributors for their donations. Without them the project would not have been the success it was.

Red Star Fertilizer Co.

-\$5.00 purchase order.

Fred A. Stewart's Orchids—Cymbidiums.

Southern California Greenhouse Mfrs.

---Two watering wands.

California Liquid Fertilizer Co. —Two gallons fertilizer.

- Liquinox Corp.—One case fertilier.
- California Flex Rakes-Six leaf rakes.
- Mrs. Edna Korts-Fern.

Mrs. Cora Lee Walters

-Two cymbidiums.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fahey —One cymbidium.

Mr. MacDougall's New Begonia Begonia Boweri nigramarga Begonia Boweri with black bordering each nerve \$1.50 each — f.o.b. Santa Barbara

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92 Chestnut Street Wilmington, Massachusetts

# CALENDAR

- July 5 Westchester Branch: Stan Spaulding will be guest speaker, on the subject "New and Long-lasting Fertilizers".
- July 5 Whittier Branch: Slides and commentary on San Simeon, Hearst's famous showplace, will be presented by Jimmy McElroy.
- July 11 Riverside Branch: Pot-luck dinner 6:30 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Sanders, 17375 San Bernardino Avenue, Fontana, Calif.
- July 12 Orange County Branch: Mrs. Dorothy Behrends, of Encinitas, will speak on "Begonias". Pot-luck dinner at 7 p.m.; regular meeting at 8 p.m. July 13 — San Gabriel Valley Branch:
- Mrs. Arnold Miller will talk and demonstrate things in general pertaining to plants and flowers.

# **HELP FEED VISITORS**

The snack bar at the Begonia and Shade Plant Show, September 8 and 9, will be managed by members of Westchester Branch. Members of other Branches, too, can help by donating supplies — pies, cakes, donuts, or a pound of coffee.

If you have anything to offer, contact Agnes Thieben, OR 2-5112; or Ruby Budd, OR 1-3532.

## **QUICK CHANGE . . .**

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eight-inch pots are very satisfactory and for early spring effects, columbines in ten-inch pots are delightful. Yellow calceolarias, if pinched back, make a fine display of color and can be used to brighten up a shaded corner.

Fuchsias can be relied upon for continuous and colorful bloom from late spring to early fall. You can get graceful hanging basket types, bush kinds, table standards and many others, depending on the purpose you want them to serve.

Many herbs can be grown successfully. Thyme, sage, and rosemary are not only valuable to the kitchen but when they are in bloom their flowers lend interest and color to the garden.

# FOLIAGE . . .

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a few from my own collection.

Foliage presents an interesting study if we are alert enough to observe all that it offers. Since the appearance of the foliage is a true guide to a plant's state of health, we have added reasons for close observation.

A well grown begonia, having a generous array of leaves, spotted, blotched, or all green, will give greater interest to any room in the home.

-From The Begonian, April, 1945

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JULY, 1962

# MINUTES OF NATIONAL BOARD MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the National Board of the American Begonia Society was called to order at 7:50 p.m., May 28, 1962, by President George A. Schlanert.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was lead by Mrs. Gertrude White.

Aims and Purposes of the Society were read by Carl E. Naumann, President-Elect.

Twenty officers, chairmen and representatives responded to roll call.

Minutes of the April 15th meeting were read and approved as corrected.

Mr. Paul Walker, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported as follows: President-Elect, Mrs. Terry Olmsted of Inglewood Branch; Vice President, Third Year, Mr. Howard Small, Pasadena Branch; Secretary, Margaret B. Taylor, Orange County Branch; Treasurer, Mr. Earle E. Budd, Westchester Branch.

Mrs. Edna Korts will be in charge of the plant sale at the convention and she suggested that plants be purchased from dealers. Donation plants will also be welcomed. The Glendale Branch will assist Mrs. Korts. It was moved by Mr. Naumann to allow Mrs. Korts \$300.00 to draw from for purchase of plants. Seconded by Mr. Slatter, motion carried.

President-Elect Carl Naumann reported visiting the San Miguel and Orange County Branches. \$358.64 was the net account from the waterfall drawing.

Mrs. Korts reported that the bound copies of *The Begonians* are still selling and remitted a check for \$35.00. She also had \$8.00 to remit from sale of judging lessons. Since the Judging School was a joint effort with the California National Fuchsia Society, it was decided to remit at the end of the fiscal year, before the audit, half of the amount received from the sale of these lessons.

The supply of seed packages, to be sent with new memberships, being exhaused, a request was made for help with the task of fixing more. Mrs. Ruby Budd offered to do this.

Mr. Joyce reported that the outstanding slides had been returned and cautioned that the slides must be well packed and postage paid.

Treasurer Earle Budd reported as fo'lows: Balance \$1244.34; Income \$646.78; Disbursements \$542.35; Balance \$1348.77.

Seed Fund report from Mrs. Florence Gee was read. Income \$86.40; Expenses \$16.40; remitted to Treasurer \$70.00; Balance in revolving fund \$100.00.

Membership Secretary Dorotha Waddington reported as follows: New members 74; Renewals 109; Monies received \$507.75; Expenses \$25.22; *Begonians* mailed 2222.

Advertising Manager Ruby Budd, reported as follows: Receipts \$57.58; Accounts receivable \$75.00. Mrs. Ethel Arbuckle, Public Relations Director, reported that the revised Constitution and By-Laws of the Long Beach Parent Chapter was in order and moved that they be approved. Seconded by Mrs. Korts and motion carried. Mrs. Arbuckle also reported visiting Mrs. Florence Gee and brought Mrs. Gee's greeting to the Board.

Mr. Bert Slatter made a plea for donation of trophies for the new novice class at the Show. The cost would be approximately \$9.00. There was a response of six trophies.

Mrs. Ruth Pease, Historian, suggested that the list of trophy awards appear in *The Be*gonian before the Show. Mrs. Pease has received material for the history book from the Knickerbocker, San Francisco, Orange County, and Inglewood Branches.

The Westchester and Redondo Area Branches had displays in the recent Fiesta del Flores Show at the Del Amo Shopping Center for the benefit of the South Coast Botanic Gardens Foundation. Mr. Bert Slatter acted as one of the judges and reported that very good begonias were exhibited.

A letter from Mrs. Florence Gee was read, requesting use of some of the revolving seed fund for the purchase of seeds from a returning expedition to Mexico. The Secretary was instructed to write Mrs. Gee that since the seed fund was under her administration she was to use her own discretion in making these purchases.

A letter was received from G. Ghose & Company, of Darjieling, India, requesting advertising space in *The Begonian* in exchange for seed. Mr. Naumann moved that this offer be accepted, seconded by Mrs. Korts and motion carried. This seed would go in the seed fund.

Mr. Earle Budd moved that the \$275.00 received from recently cashed matured bonds, now in the general fund, be transferred to the reserve account. Motion seconded by Mrs. Korts and carried.

Mrs. Waddington asked what should be done with the old addressograph which is of no value. Mr. Naumann moved that Mrs. Waddington be authorized to dispose of it in any way possible. Seconded by Mr. Joyce and carried.

The following Branches reported: Glendale, Inglewood, Long Beach Parent Chapter, Orange County, Riverside, San Gabriel, Westchester, Whittier, Alfred D. Robinson, and San Miguel.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10.

MARGARET B. TAYLOR Secretary.

# **COPY DEADLINE**

All material for publication in THE BEGONIAN must be received by the Editor not later than the fifth of the month preceding month of publication.

THE BEGONIAN

# CANDIDATES NOMINATED

The nominating committee, appointed by the President, submitted the following slate of candidates for officers of the American Begonia Society to be elected prior to the 1961 Convention:

PRESIDENT-ELECT: Mrs. Terry Olmsted, Inglewood, California; member of Inglewood Branch.

VICE-PRESIDENT (3 yrs.): Howard Small, Whittier, California; member of Pasadena Branch.

SECRETARY: Mrs. Margaret B. Taylor, Anaheim, California; member of Orange County Branch.

TREASURER: Earle E. Budd, Los Angeles, California; member of Westchester Branch.

Members of the nominating committee were J. Paul Walker, of Long Beach, chairman, Mrs. Pearl Benell, of Whittier, and Mrs. Lola Fahey, of Temple City.



# TERRY OLMSTED, PRESIDENT-ELECT

Mrs. Terry Olmsted is a past-president of the Inglewood Branch of the American Begonia Society, a member of the South Bay Orchid Society and the Los Angeles Garden Club. She is an Accredited Begonia Judge.

As President-Elect, she will serve the A.B.S. to the best of her ability.

# BALLOT FOR OFFICERS OF THE AMERICAN BEGONIA SOCIETY

## FOR PRESIDENT-ELECT

Mrs. Terry Olmsted \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ FOR VICE-PRESIDENT Howard Small \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ FOR SECRETARY Mrs. Margaret B. Taylor \_\_\_\_\_\_ FOR TREASURER Earle E. Budd \_\_\_\_\_\_

# VOTING INSTRUCTIONS for members

This is your ballot. Make a cross in the space provided opposite the names of the candidates you wish to elect. Vote for one candidate for each office. Cut ballot out of magazine and mail to:

> Mrs. Margaret B. Taylor, Secretary 111 Evelyn Drive Anaheim, Calif.

"Only ballots received (by the Secretary) seven days prior to the annual meeting (September 8, 1962) shall be counted." Ballots received after September 1, 1962, will not be counted.

# Branch Directory

#### VISITORS ALWAYS WELCOME AT THESE MEETINGS

#### BRITISH BRANCH

F. J. Bedson, Secy., Kent, England

#### BUXTON, BESSIE RAYMOND BRANCH

3rd Saturday, Homes of Members Miss Cynthia Webber, Secy. 5 Hillside, Ave., Bedford, Mass.

#### DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS BRANCH

2nd Thursday, 7:00 p.m., Members' Residences Mrs. Ruth Cook, Secy. 923 S. Edgefield, Dallas 8, Texas

#### EAST BAY BRANCH

2nd Thursday, 7:45 p.m., Willard School Telegraph at Ward, Berkeley, California Miss Dorothy F. Osburn, Secy. 5015 Cochrane Ave., Oakland 18, Calif.

#### EL MONTE COMMUNITY BRANCH

3rd Friday, Members' Homes Miss Lenore Schroeder, Secy. 1821 So. 7th St., Alhambra, Calif.

#### FOOTHILL BRANCH

3rd Thursday, 8:00 p.m. La Verne Community Bldg. 2039 Third St., La Verne Mrs. Arma J. Shull, Secy. 313 W. 2nd St., San Dimas, Calif.

#### FORT, ELSA BRANCH

1st Saturday, 1:30 p.m. Miss Lola Price, Secy. 628 Beech Ave., Laurel Springs, N.J.

#### GLENDALE BRANCH

4th Wednesday, 8:00 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Club, 400 N. Central Ruth Worcester, Secy. 3836 West Ave., 43, Los Angeles 4, Calif.

#### GRAY, EVA KENWORTHY BRANCH

3rd Monday, 7:30 p.m. Community House, La Jolla Mrs. Charles Calloway 1311 Torrey Pines Rd., La Jolla, Calif.

#### GRAY'S HARBOR BRANCH

2nd Monday, 8:00 p.m. Hoquiam Public Library or Messingale and Rosenear Music Store Aberdeen, Washington Mrs. Jessie B. Hoyt, Secy. 1013 Harding Road, Aberdeen, Wash.

#### GRUENBAUM, MARGARET BRANCH

4th Tuesday 10:30 a.m. Homes of Members Mrs. Adolph Belser, Corr. Secy. Welsh and Veree Rd., Philadelphia, Pa.

#### HOLLYWOOD BRANCH

3rd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Plummer Park, 7377 Santa Monica Blvd. Mrs. Georgina Barton, Secy. 2821 Herkimer St., Los Angeles 39, Calif.

#### HOUSTON, TEXAS BRANCH

2nd Friday, 10:00 a.m. Garden Center, 1500 Herman Drive Mrs. Grant Herzog, Secy. 12600 Broken Bough, Houston 24, Texas

#### HUMBOLDT COUNTY BRANCH

2nd Monday, 8:00 p.m. Los Amigos Club, Loleta, Calif. Miss Margaret Smith, Secy. P.O. Box 635, Ferndale, Calif.

#### INGLEWOOD BRANCH

2nd Thursday, 7:45 p.m., Inglewood Women's Club 325 North Hillcrest, Inglewood, Calif. Mrs. Elsye M. Willick, Secy. 13214 Merkel Ave., Paramount, Calif.

#### KNICKERBROCKER BRANCH

2nd Tuesday, 8:00 p.m. Library, Horticultural Society of N.Y. 157 West 58th St., New York Murray D. Morrison, Secy. 2109 Matthews Ave., New York 62, N.Y.

#### LONE STAR BRANCH

3rd Monday, Members' Homes, 10 a.m. Mrs. M. F. Scribner, Corr. Secy. 1422 Marfa, Dallas 16, Texas

#### LONG BEACH PARENT CHAPTER

3rd Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Linden Hall 208 Linden Ave., Long Beach, Calif. Mrs. Vera Ohlson, Secy. 1925 Maine Ave., Long Beach 6, Calif.

#### LOUSIANA CAPITAL BRANCH

1st Friday, Homes of Members Mrs. Thomas D. Day, Secy. 4056 Hollywood St., Baton Rouge, La.

#### MIAMI, FLORIDA BRANCH

4th Tuesday, 8:00 p.m. Simpson Memorial Garden Center Mrs. Ray Rosengren, Secy. 5530 N.W. 21 Ave., Miami, Fla.

#### MISSOURI BRANCH

3rd Tuesday, 1 p.m. World War Memorial Bldg., Linwood and Paseo Kansas City, Mo. Mrs. R. H. Hyatt, Secy. 6812 Hunter St., Raytown 33, Mo.

#### ORANGE COUNTY BRANCH

and Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Garden Grove Grange Hall, Century and Taft Sts. Garden Grove, Calif. Daisy G. Austin, Secy. 1510 Kimberly Ave., Anaheim, Calif.

PASADENA BRANCH Meetings on Call, Homes of Members Col. C. M. Gale, Secy. 40 N. San Rafael, Pasadena 2, Calif.

PHILOBEGONIA BRANCH 2nd Friday, Members' Homes Mrs. J. Perry Long, Secy. 6532 E. Cedar Ave., Merchantville, N.J.

#### REDONDO AREA BRANCH 4th Friday each Month Lincoln School Recreation Center Ernest & Vail Sts., Redondo Beach, Calif. Opal Murray Aherne, Secy. 1304 N. Poinsettia Aver, Manhattan Beach, Calif.

RHODE ISLAND BRANCH 1st Saturday, Homes of Members Miss Ruth Harrington, Secy. 372 Lloyd Ave., Providence, R.I.

#### RIVERSIDE BRANCH

2nd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Shamel Park 3650 Arlington, Riverside, Calif. Mrs. Lillian Maddox, Secy. 7172 Mt. Vernon St., Riverside, Calif.

ROBINSON, AFRED D. BRANCH 3rd Friday, 10:30 a.m., Homes of Members Constance D. Bower, Corr. Secy. 2413—K St., San Diego 2, Calif.

#### SACRAMENTO BRANCH

3rd Tuesday, 8:00 p.m., Garden Center 3330 McKinley Blvd., Sacramento, Calif. Elmer A. Thomas, Secy. 913 Sonoma Way, Sacramento 22, Calif.

#### SAN DIEGO BRANCH

4th Monday, Barbour Hall 2717 University Ave., San Diego Leah Jones, Secy. 3734 - 40th St., San Diego 5, Calif.

#### SAN FRANCISCO BRANCH

1 FRANCISCO BRANCH 1st Wednesday, 8:00 p.m. Garden Center, Golden Gate Park 9th Ave. & Lincoln Way James C. Miller, Secy. 1962 - 18th Ave., San Francisco 16, Calif.

#### SAN GABRIEL VALLEY BRANCH

2nd Friday, 8:00 p.m. Los Angeles State & County Arboretum 501 N. Baldwin Ave., Arcadia, Calif. Mrs. Melva Small, Secy. 3310 E. California Blvd., Pasadena 10, Calif.

SAN MIGUEL BRANCH 1st Wednesday, Youth Center, Lemon Grove, Calif. Mrs. Lloyd Clark, Secy. 2252 Vulner Ct., San Diego, Calif.

SANTA BARBARA BRANCH 2nd Thursday, 8:00 p.m. Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History 2559 Puesta Del Sol Elnora Schmidt, Secy. 3846 Calle Cita, Santa Barbara, Calif.

# SEATTLE BRANCH 3rd Tuesday, 7:45 p.m. Meeting locations will vary; call the secretary at SUnset 2-2234 Miss Bernice Moore, Secy. 2842 West 59th St., Seattle 7, Wash.

SHEPHERD, THEODOSIA BURR BRANCH Ist Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. Alice Bartlett, C.H., 902 E. Main, Ventura, Calif. Mrs. Cora Lemmon, Secy. 316 Moorpark Ave., Moorpark, Calif.

#### SMOKY VALLEY BRANCH

3rd Thursday of each Month Mrs. Robert Nease, Secy. 410 South Phillips, Salina, Kansas

#### SOUTHERN ALAMEDA COUNTY BRANCH

3rd Thursday, 8:00 p.m. Strowbridge School Multi-Purpose Rm. 21400 Bedford Dr., Hayward, Calif. Mrs. Evangeline Muller, Cor. Secy. 36937 Cherry St., Newark, Calif.

#### TALL CORN STATE BRANCH Mrs. Edna Monson, Secy. South Taylor, Mason City, Iowa

#### TARRANT COUNTY BRANCH

2nd Monday, 10:00 a.m. Homes of Members, Ft. Worth, Texas Mrs. Olin S. Hughes, Secy. 2306 Market St., Ft. Worth, Texas

#### TEXAS STATE BRANCH

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