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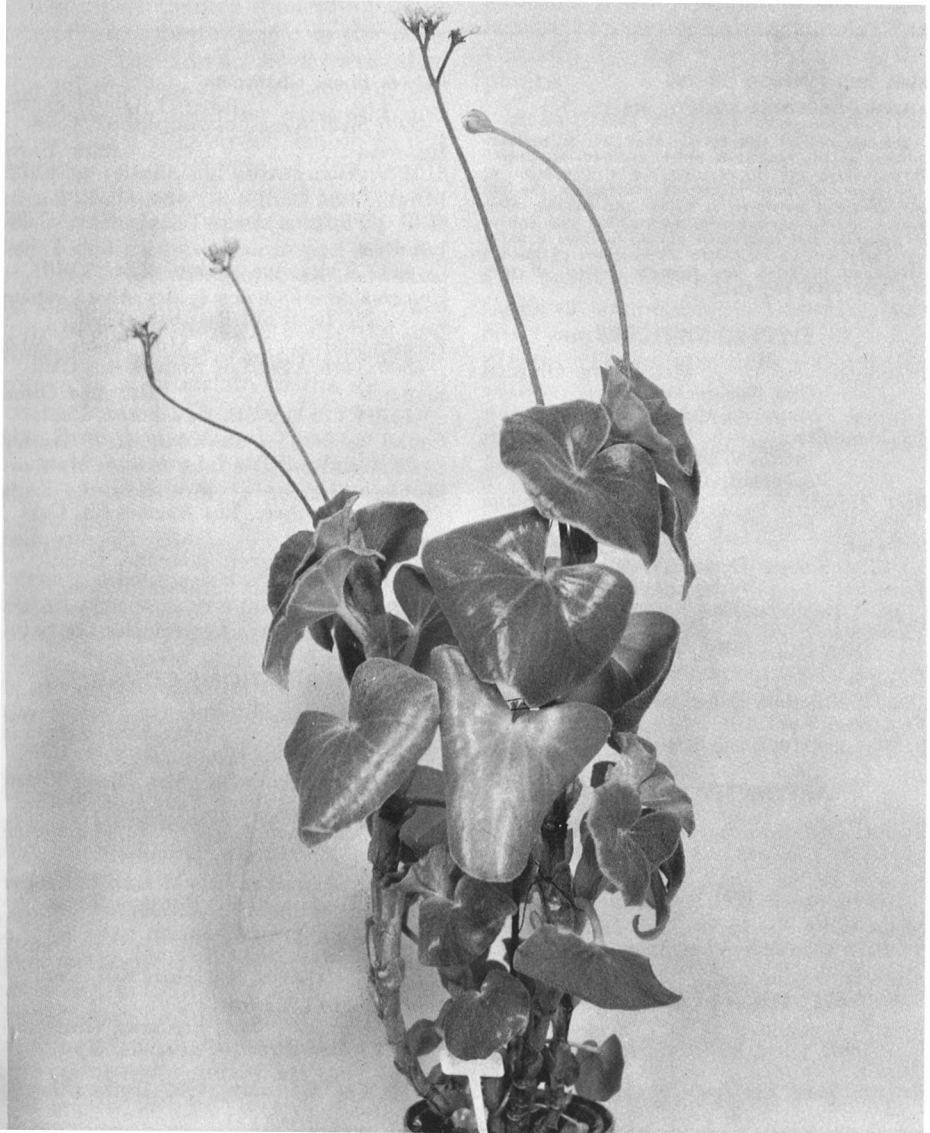
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# THE SCRYMGEOURS OF OXBOW GARDENS

By ORPHA C. FOX

Dracut, Massachusetts

When Olive and Charles Scrymgeour of Bedford, Massachusetts, were recent hosts to the Bessie Raymond Buxton Branch, it seemed an opportune time for the group to give them special recognition in appreciation of their many services to the Branch.

The Scrymgeour's interesting home played an important role in the early days of the town, as it was then the village school. After serving this purpose, the building was sold and moved to a side street, where it was restored and remodeled for family use, but happily many of the school-house features were retained. The Scrymgeours have contained to keep the old New England aspect even to the exterior red paint. They have long been interested in collecting and refinishing pieces of antique pine furniture so appropriate to the age and character of the house. Knowing this, the Branch presented them a hand-fashioned pine and maple two-drawer side stand which is at least ninety years old.

Mrs. Scrymgeour has a very successful business growing and selling house plants, a greenhouse enterprise begun by a former owner of their home. Her own start in the business is somewhat unusual as, surprisingly, there are no special horticultural interests or activities in her background. As a girl her inclinations were toward foods and cooking and she is a graduate of the Boston Cooking School.

In the early years of their marriage the Scrymgeours moved to Bedford, where they lived next door to their present home. Mrs. Scrymgeour was soon attracted to the neighboring greenhouse, visiting often, and gradually as her children became older, she spent more and more time working there with the plants.

About eight years ago the Scrymgeours bought the place and she continued the business as Oxbow Gardens. The store of plant-knowledge which she accumulated during the previous years may be measured by her present success in growing. The greater number of plants are sold to stores on a wholesale basis, but many local customers are drawn to Oxbow Gardens by the fine quality of the plants.

A business, such as this allows for little leisure time. Mrs. Scrymgeour is fortunate in having the help of her mother each week day. They carry on a continuous round of seed sowing, pricking out, transplanting, and potting; raising each year thousands of semperflorens begonias, colous, annuals, and other popular plants. There are pelargoniums in variety, beautiful gloxinias, other gesneriads, and a great many foliage plants, including philodendrons and ferns.

The main greenhouse is about one hundred sixty by twenty-eight feet. Here the benches are filled with plants in all stages of growth, from the seedlings and cuttings in flats to those in pots ready for sale. In certain areas fluorescent and Gro-lux tubes supplement the natural light, giving impetus to the development of some varieties. The careful culture given is reflected in the sturdy growth and fine color of the plants. A large lean-to greenhouse filled with stock pelargoniums is often a colorful sight as they continue to bloom in

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## COVER PICTURE

*Begonia venosa*, grown from seed from the Clayton M. Kelly Seed Fund.

—Photo by P. I. Merry

# BEGONIA MINIATURE – 'BABY FINGERS'

By JEAN KERLIN



B. 'Baby Fingers'

Diminutive plants are sought eagerly by over-crowded plant collectors as well as window-sill gardeners. Small but colorful foliage and shapely leaves are the most prized, and the added blooms of this new cultivar begonia by Suzie Zug will make it just the little gem that many will want immediately. Be patient, they are still scarce but well worth the waiting period.

Though the vital statistics of Begonia 'Baby Fingers' have been lost, the family tree boasted at least one limb of *B. boweri*. This ancestry is obvious by the eyelash fringe on the leaf edge and the deeper coloring along the leaf border. The top leaf color is medium green, tinted with bronze, and overlaid with a satiny sheen. Beneath, the leaf is flushed with chocolate brown between the veins. Each vein is heavily haired, as is the petiole.

The stem is ecru-green and red vertical spotted at the base of dense white hair. The sinus of the leaf is ecru with no red showing. The wide part of the leaf measures one and one-quarter inches, and the length seldom exceeds two inches. The tip is acuminate and the four remaining fingers swirl slightly.

From the soil line of the pot to the peak of the plant in its mature stage, the height measures four inches.

Delicate pink blossoms are held two inches above the foliage and remain erect. The petite brown rhizome creeps and sends off shoots so that it is leaf-covered and compact at all times.

The plant is an active grower and not at all temperamental. Most collectors of the small beauties find that a fern pot or "squat pot" gives the begonia a fine proportion. Withhold water – twice a week is adequate if the pot is filled to the brim at least twice so the soil is well saturated.

The name 'Baby Finger' is truly descriptive and was suggested by an ardent begonia hobbyist.

## GARDEN DESIGN

By JANE McCARLEY

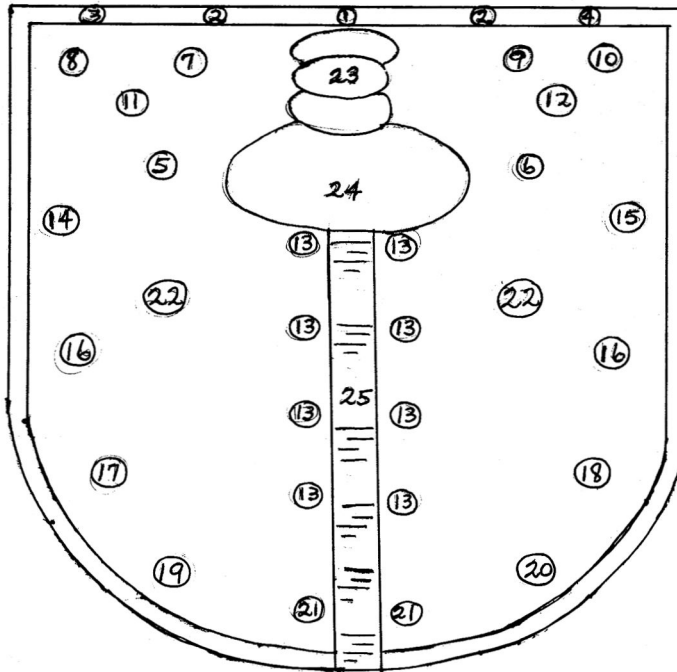
The September meeting of the Bessie Buxton branch of the American Begonia Society was held at the home of the President, Mrs. Charles Scrymgeour. It is traditional that members exhibit their plants at this meeting and there was a good representation for each class.

The speaker was Dr. Harriet Creighton, Head of the Botany Department of Wellesley College. Her subject was "The History of Garden Design", and her lively manner of speaking and her excellent color slides made the lecture enjoyable as well as interesting and instructive.

Before showing the slides Dr. Creighton gave us a brief resume of the history of garden design.

Gardens, she said, originally were not separate but always a part of the house. They were rectangular in shape and different plots served the

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1. *Hispida Cucullata*
2. *Foliosa*
3. *Schmidtiana*
4. *Francisii*
5. *MacDougalli*
6. *Sikkimensis*
7. *Cathayana*-seedling
8. *Egregia*
9. *Cathayana*-seedling
10. *Venosa*
11. Joe Hayden
12. Princess Pat
13. Irradiated Semp.
14. *Deliciosa*
15. *Lubbersii*
16. *Sanguinea*
17. Burgundy Queen
18. *Acida*
19. *Crispula*
20. *Vellozoana*
21. *Thwaitesii*  
(Morelli Ironscher)
22. *Masoniana*  
(Iron Cross)
23. Fountain
24. Pool
25. Stepping Stones

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## TEXASTAR GARDEN PLOT PLAN

The drawing above shows the plan for a garden plot entered by the TexaStar Branch in the 1963 Begonia and Shade Plant Show. Begonias used, as indicated by the circled numbers, were as follows:

1. *hispida cucullata*: 16-inch basket. Branches vary, 18 inches to 24 inches.

2. *foliosa*: 14-inch basket. Branches average 20 to 24 inches. This plant completely fills the basket, and the branches hang uniformly all around the edge. At this writing, it is still blooming, with many small, white blooms.

3. *schmidtiana*: 10-inch basket. Branches 14 to 18 inches. This is one of our favorites, as it is so easy to grow. When it becomes straggly and ugly, we re-do our baskets, cut back the parent plant, and usually discard it in favor of rooted cuttings.

4. *francisii*: 8-inch basket. Branches 10 to 12 inches. This one can't grow in our greenhouses, as it gets too hot. It makes a beautiful basket, because of the coloration in the leaves, coppery green in a good light.

5. *macdougalli*: 14-inch redwood tub. Height 36 inches. Largest leaf is 22 inches across. It causes much comment in our shows, as it is not like any other begonia. It grows fast for us, and likes lots of water.

6. *sikkimensis*: 8-inch pot. Height 34 inches. Leaf 13 by 10 inches. Our most unusual and satisfactory begonia, primarily because no one appears to know much about it, but also because it grows so well and because the male and female blooms are on different plants.

7. *cathayana*-seedling: Not the true *cathayana*. This is a rangy, coarse plant, with big, roundish leaves.

These plants are in 12-inch pots; their height is 22 inches; the largest leaves are 12 inches long and 10 inches wide.

8. *egregia*: 12-inch pot. Height 40 inches. Leaf 9 inches long and 4½ inches wide.

9. *cathayana-seedling*: See 7.

10. *venosa*: 8-inch pot. Height 22 inches. Leaf is 6½ inches across and nearly round. It is interesting because of papery stipules.

11. 'Joe Hayden': 14-inch redwood tub. *Circumference is 92 inches*. Its height is 24 inches and the leaf has a 9-inch span.

12. 'Princess Pat': Mr. Stanford's hybrid. 12-inch pot. Height 15 inches; 15 inches across, leaf has 6-inch span. It has a plush look, pinkish green and a gray cast because of the hairy leaves and stems. We hope to get this one registered, too.

13. *semperflorens*: Grown from irradiated seed. These plants were our project for last year, and we are continuing with it this next year. These plants were grown from a mixture ordered from the Seed Fund. We sent them to Michigan, where they were irradiated with 920 roentgens of X ray. At maturity the plants were *much* larger than any other *semperflorens* we have grown. Height is 27 inches, circumference 54 inches; leaves averaged 7 inches by 5½ inches. Blooms much larger in white, pink, rose, and red. These are bushy plants and have not yet become leggy, as *semperflorens* often do.

14. *deliciosa*: 6-inch pot. Height 15 inches. Leaf 7 inches by 5 inches. This one is a stinker to grow. We have only this one plant from many seedlings. But the leaf is beautiful, and all of us will keep trying as we have the opportunity to get seed.

15. *lubbersi*: 5-inch pot. Height 20 inches. Leaf 9 inches by 2½ inches. Likes cooler, drier, growing conditions than most of us have, so there is only the one plant of this one, too, in the Branch.

16. *sanguinea*: 8-inch pot. 13-inch spread, branches 10 to 12 inches. We use this one as a hanging plant — pot or basket. The leaf shows more color in stronger light — more red.

17. 'Burgundy Queen': 8-inch pot. Height 15 inches; 18 inches across. Leaf 6 inches by 4 inches. This is Mr. Stanford's registered hybrid. It is a true burgundy color, shows 'Joe Hayden' characteristics, but with a more ruffled leaf and richer coloration.

18. *acida*: 10-inch pot. Spread 24 inches. Leaf 10 inches by 7 inches. This is a beautiful, light green-leaved plant. Not many have it because it is a difficult one. It grows best for us in a basket, with better drainage.

19. *crispula*: 10-inch basket. Leaf 4½ inches by 3 inches. It covers the pot closely, and a few leaves hang over the edge of the basket. These "quilted leaf" plants cause much comment, as it is hard to believe they are real. They have a nice, dark green color.

20. *vellozoana*: 10-inch basket. Spread 12 inches. Leaf 5 inches by 3 inches. The "fairy-tale" coloration of the leaves makes this difficult one a real conversation-piece.

21. *thwaitesi*: 5-inch pot. Height 5 inches. Leaves 3½ inches by 3 inches. This one is our "baby" because of the markings in the leaves and the fact that it blooms practically from its inception and does well under lights or in a cool greenhouse under wraps — plastic or glass. We keep this one going no matter how difficult it is.

22. *masoniana*: 14-inch redwood tubs. Spread 40 inches, leaf 10 inches by 7 inches. We have several of these plants in large sizes and keep them started from leaves in case of loss. The unusual markings and leaf texture make it a real treasure.

Properties used were:

23. Three-tiered fountain. If it were set up here, we would use big shells

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# ELSA FORT BRANCH BEGONIA PARTY

By ESSIE V. MORRIS

Begonia lovers — nearly a hundred of them — gathered for the Elsa Fort Branch Begonia Party at Lawnside, New Jersey, on Saturday, September 21. They came from Rhode Island, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and New Jersey.

A chilly rain had fallen all week and it looked as though it might continue. Fortunately, it did not, so, on the long, spacious driveway — because the lawn was too wet — there was a scene resembling a Paris sidewalk cafe, as the guests chatted over their box lunches and drank hot coffee at small tables under colorful umbrellas.

One of the features of the party was a small competitive show. Mrs. Ernest Drew and Mrs. Kenneth Weber, the able judges, awarded ribbons for lovely rex, scandens, rhizomatous, cane, and tuberous type begonias to the following exhibitors:

Blue ribbons: Mesdames Marian Jones, Marion Thompson, Marion Buck, Isantha Jenkins, Anne Stiles, Sally DeCou, and Mildred Tait.

Red ribbons: Mesdames Mildred Tait, Sally DeCou, Essie Morris, Anne Stilles, Elsa Fort, Marion Thompson, and Miss Lola Price.

Meanwhile, guests were busily purchasing the many varieties of plants, driftwood, and small antiques attractively displayed on tables stretched along one side of the driveway. The Elsa Fort Branch sincerely thanks the American Begonia Society members who generously donated the plants and other items for these sales tables.

Mrs. J. A. Jones, President of the Elsa Fort Branch, extended a warm welcome to the guests, which seemed to dispel some of the chill in the air.

For the program, a representative from each participating Branch reported on some group project or

activity. Mrs. Elsa Fort Weber introduced the participants.

Mrs. Anne Stiles, who spoke for the Philobegonia Branch, told of the difficulties encountered when she attempted to go on a vacation and “baby-sit” for begonias at the same time — not an easy thing to do, but certainly accomplished, judging from the fine plants she entered in the show.

Representing the William Penn Branch, Mrs. Ernest Drew explained its exhibit, which consisted of many hybrids of *B. dichroa*, all of which the members are attempting to locate. (See *The Begonian* for April 1963.) The top-condition plants in this educational exhibit were all in bloom and beautiful.

Then Mrs. Drew discussed the American Begonia Society and its Branches, also *The Begonian* and its financial difficulties. She urged all members to vote on the question of higher dues and to attempt to get new interested members.

I represented the Elsa Fort Branch and showed a history of our group, which has been kept over a period of thirteen years. It is a chronicle of our successes and our failures, of our happy times and our sad times. It is illustrated with begonia pictures in color and color snapshots of many of our activities. It has clippings from *The Begonian* of articles, poems, and pictures.

In view of the troubled times in our nation, I read an article which was published in *The Begonian*, November, 1958, written by Mrs. Nancy Alvord, then a vice-president of the American Begonia Society, who attended the Begonia Party when the Elsa Fort Branch was hostess five years ago. The article is titled “Begonias In Integration”. I quote the last paragraph of that article:

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# Bumblin' Along With

M. J. P., a new member in Muncie, Indiana, sends an interesting letter and question with her check:

Can you please give me information on the following begonia? Last November at the Arthusion Monastery at Valldimosa, Majorca, Spain (where Chopin and George Sands spent a winter), at the end of a little porch outside the apartment they had occupied was this gorgeous specimen. The plant was about three feet across and two and one-half feet high, with large, bright pink flowers on tall stems extending well above the plant. Leaves were twelve to eighteen inches in diameter, rounded, greyish, and seemed to have a distinct rim set back from the rest of the leaf. They had large holes in them that gave a lacy appearance.

The plant had been grown as a one-sided specimen against the wall. I never saw anything like it and I would never have recognized it as a begonia except that the flowers were typical of some of the rhizomatous types I know, only they were quite large. As it was an extremely dark and rainy day, I could not get a photograph. No one I asked could tell me about it. But I would like very much to know what kind it is and get a start of the kind of plant. If you know the name, it will be appreciated.

Dear M. J. P.: Welcome to you as a new member and thank you for your question. I have checked *Exotica* and other books, but find nothing resembling the description as you give it. My new *Exotica* has not yet reached me, but I suggest that if your library has a copy you might check the pictures to see if you can find anything like it.

Perhaps our member readers might be able to help us. If a member has relatives or friends in this locality in Spain, perhaps we might get an assist from them. I sincerely hope someone can help us out.

From Mr. J. L. T. of Montgomery, Alabama, a couple of questions coupled with a little humor:

Dear ? — I subscribe to *The Begonian* and I saw in the June magazine where it said to write you if I have a question on begonias. I did not know how to address you so you will see I was not taking any chances.

I have a small greenhouse (painted white) which is going to be my hobby when I get old — just 67 now. I spend so much time out there that sometimes Mrs. T. calls herself a flower widow but says she would rather be a flower widow than a grass widow.

I have my best success with begonias and have quite a variety and a large number of them. I have several kinds of the rex begonias and have had a right good success this year with tuberous begonias. However, my question is about the regular old-time begonia and the double begonia. On some of these the leaves will be crinkled at the top and the blooms will be almost nothing or none at all. If I cut that top out, the other branches coming up will most always be the same. What is wrong there?

Another question — when I pinch the stems of some to make them branch, the end of the stem just remains black and the plant does not branch. What is wrong with that one? I usually just throw all of these away.



Dear Mr. J. L. T.: Thanks for your delightful letter. I presume by "old-time" you are referring to the semperflorens begonias. My belief is that you are probably doing what most of us do, and that is fertilizing all your begonias the same amount and at the same time. Your little old-timer is quite a vigorous grower and it is well-loved because it is such a profuse and continuous bloomer — but to do this for you it must be well-fed all the time. I suspect a little heavier feeding and perhaps a little oftener will give you more bloom and clear up that crinkled leaf.

As for the one that you prune that does not branch out and leaves you only the blackened stem, perhaps the extra feeding will give it additional vigor so that it can withstand the pruning. However, too much pruning at one time will often result in this manner. A little less pruning a little oftener should alleviate this condition.

In suggesting the extra fertility, I am assuming that you have carefully checked for insect life and disease — for aphids, thrip, and mites can work havoc even with the semperflorens begonias.

Mrs. J. W. of Dothan, Alabama, asks a question — this time not about begonias: Where can I find Queen Anne's Lace — pink flowers? I can find the white variety but not the pink, though I know it comes in pink.

Dear Mrs. J. W.: In checking my general sources of garden material, I find that the Queen Anne's Lace is listed as an herb (*Daucus carota*) of the Parsley Family, having finely cut foliage and filmy white flowers in umbels. I do not find a reference to Pink Queen Anne's Lace.

Please, fellow members, can you give us an assist on this plant? Mrs. J. W. mentioned in her letter that she knew that it grew in Maryland, but could not find anyone she knew that could locate it. Perhaps someone in that area is familiar with it.

Mrs. A. C. of Lakeview, Oregon, asks:

(1) How can I prevent damping off of my seedlings?

(2) A friend has a begonia called "Black Berry Begonia". Have you heard of such a begonia and, if so, what other name it is rightfully called?

(3) I am sending you a leaf of a begonia I bought in Salem, Oregon, recently. The lady I bought it from didn't know what kind it was. What is its rightful name?

(4) Can you give me the names and addresses of some greenhouses in Oregon and California that will sell begonias by mail order?

Dear Mrs. A. C.: Thanks so much for your letter — I love to get these questions.

(1) Prevention of damping off begins with the planting of seed. Be certain to sterilize the planting medium, container, and everything else used in the planting process. The seed itself may be dusted lightly with Rootone or similar material to discourage damping off. Ask at your local nursery for one of the many items on the market to spray on your seedlings to discourage the damping off. Almost every nursery carries at least one or two.

(2) I am unable to find reference to a begonia called "Black Berry Begonia". I do find "Black Begonia", which is the common name for B. 'Joe Hayden'. Perhaps one of our readers will come forward and help us with this one.

(3) I feel quite certain the leaf of the begonia you sent to me is B. foliosa. If you have access to *Exotica* you will find it pictured there. Or Helen Krauss' *Begonias for American Homes and Gardens* has a picture of the mature plant.

(4) Here follows a list of begonia growers that ship plants on the west coast as far as I have been able to locate (excepting tuberous, which you said you did not wish to try at this time):

Fifth Avenue Nursery, 2510 West Manchester Blvd., Inglewood, Calif.

Fuchsia Land Nursery, 4699 Centinela Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif.

Harrold's, Grants Pass, Oregon (seeds.)

Cecil Houdyshel, 1412 Third Street, La Verne, Calif.

Knott's Berry Farm, Buena Park, Calif.

Leatherman's Gardens, 2637 N. Lee Ave., El Monte, Calif.

Manhattan Garden Supply, 305 N. Sepulveda Blvd., Manhattan Beach, Calif.

Oppen's Greenhouses, 433 Auburn Road, Salem, Ore.

Rainbow Nursery, 1635 W. Florence Ave., Los Angeles 44, Calif.

Tropical Gardens Nursery, 1510 W. Carson St., Torrance, Calif.

Rudolph Ziesenhennel, 1130 N. Milpas St., Santa Barbara, Calif.

Zug's Tropical Gardens, 307 W. Gladstone Ave., San Dimas, Calif.

These nurseries are all listed in Bernice Brilmayer's book "All About Begonias."

Another reference lists:

Paul J. Howard's, 11700 National Blvd., Los Angeles 34, Calif.

Swayne's Gardens, Box 109, Puyallup, Wash.

In the June issue of *The Begonian* we discussed the Calla Lily begonia, especially the white pollen, and wondered if the white pollen would germinate.

We have received an answer from Mrs. E. W. of Baton Rouge, La.:

"For five or six years I have grown Calla begonias from seed. As far as I can tell, this strain of Callas I grow always has white or near-white pollen. It is just as fertile as any other pollen.

"I have about a hundred Callas planted outside in two long beds, one on the south side of the greenhouse, the other on the north side of my husband's workshop. They are

## FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

*If we noticed little pleasures  
As we notice little pains,*

*If we quite forgot our losses  
And remembered all the gains,*

*If we looked for people's virtues,  
And their faults refused to see,*

*What a wonderful, happy,  
cheerful place*

*This grand old world would be.*

The first major thing I would like to do as your President is to revive the Round Robins — for all of you who want them, of course, but especially for members-at-large who have little contact with other begonia lovers.

All of you fine people who are interested — watch your *Begonian* for further details as we get them worked out. We'll need directors all around the world to lead the robins, under a main director that I will announce next month. We hope to get a lot of interest in this from all amateurs and also good growers.

See you next month.

— TERRY OLMSTED,  
*President*

about sixteen inches tall, well-branched, and a riot of blooms. All they require are protection from hard rain, partial shade, and a good watering once a day."

You, too, can have your questions about begonias answered. Just ask me.

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## No. 2 — *B. metallica* —

Brazil. Erect, medium growth, bushy, hairy, leaves ovate-pointed, coarsely toothed, glossy olive-green with metallic purple veins above, red-veined beneath. Flowers large, light pink, bright pink-bearded without, clusters large and showy. 25 cents per pkt.

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We have heard through the Warricks of Seattle, Washington, that they saw plants of *'Prince Charming'* (semp) that were grown from seed and they were indescribably beautiful. I believe the Warricks stopped to visit an A.B.S. member when they were returning from the convention in Los Angeles. They called immediately from Seattle and requested all available seed.

The blooms are double and come in all the popular shades, so, if you turned down the seed because they were semperflorens, you have missed enjoying something special and lovely. No more seed at present.

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# MY TRAVELING BEGONIAS

By ANNE W. STILES  
Medford, New Jersey

First, they came from California, via parcel post, those tiny, tiny seeds — B. 'Catalina', B. 'Organdy', B. 'Calla lily', B. *venosa*, and others.

At one of our regular meetings, our group had a "work-shop". Each member brought her own container, plastic or glass, but our President brought the prepared soil so that all of us would start with the same correct proportion of sand, peat, and composted soil. Each of us planted our packets of seeds.

My little darlings — B. 'Organdy', 'Calla lily', and *venosa* — eventually made a showing. 'Catalina' never appeared. When these babies were about one-half to one inch high, I had occasion to spend several days with a friend away from home. I knew I could not leave these young, tender things to anyone else's care at home, so into a plastic bag went the container in which they were growing, and away we went. I got teased about giving my babies their daily fresh air and sunshine. My plastic container had holes in the bottom for drainage and, of course, the glass cover had been off for about a week. They survived this short trip without misfortune.

Since they grew nicely and had reached the stage where some could be potted, having two good leaves and showing the third, I proceeded to pot some of them. B. 'Organdy' proved to be much the strongest. All of the *venosa* plants damped off. Some of the B. 'Calla lily', made it, but 'Organdy' was really prolific.

They were about two to three inches high by August, when I was invited to spend the month at the shore. I put all the little pots on a large tray and, using a plastic bag such as cleaning establishments use to cover dresses, I pushed the tray inside the bag, inserting sticks in each

corner pot and one in the middle to keep the plastic from laying on the leaves. As it was a very hot day when we left, I put water in the tray. They made the trip to the shore in good order.

They grew another inch that month, on a porch in the salt air but receiving only a couple of hours of early morning sun. And once again they had to be transported back home in their plastic hot-house.

They are now five months old and show lovely blooms. B. 'Organdy' has three distinct colors: lovely deep pink, almost red, dainty soft pink, and white with a dainty pinkish edge. One of the 'Calla lily' begonias is about to break into bloom. It looks as though it will be delicate pinkish-white.

And so my little seedlings have traveled around the state of Jersey this summer. It has been interesting to watch their growth, and I have enjoyed every minute.

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**BEGONIA PARTY . . .**

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“Affiliation with a Society that  
recognizes our common bonds and  
so helps integration to take place  
naturally is something of which we  
can be justly proud.”

In closing, I read a poem taken  
from the Sacramento *Begonia Leaf*.  
It appears on the inside back cover  
of our loose-leaf book. May I share  
it with you?

**A THOUGHT**

The heart is a garden  
Where thought flowers grow;  
The thoughts that we think  
Are the seeds which we sow.  
Every kind loving thought  
Bears a kind loving deed;  
While a thought that is selfish  
Is just like a weed.

We must watch what we think  
Each minute, all day;  
And pull out the weed thoughts  
And throw them away;  
Then plant loving seed thoughts  
So thick in a row  
That there will not be room  
For weed thoughts to grow.

—Katherine Merrill

**IN MEMORIAM**

The Missouri Branch of the A.B.S.  
mourned the recent passing of two  
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# Rhode Island Show

By VIRGINIA WITHEE

The fifth annual Begonia and Other Tropical Plant Show of the Rhode Island Branch of the American Begonia Society was held September 14 and 15 at the University of Rhode Island in conjunction with the university's Outdoor Plant Show. Several hundred guests attended both shows.

Mrs. Earl Harrington, of Norwood, and Mrs. John McShane, of Fiskeville, were Show Chairmen, and under their able guidance and the leadership of President Madaline Brown, of North Providence, the Branch — men, women, and a wonderful teenage lad — set up the Branch's biggest and best show yet.

There were ten classes with many sub-divisions, making sixty competitive groups. Included were all types of begonias, ferns, gloxinias, African violets, cacti, coleus, succulents, and other shade loving plants and collections.

Begonias of all kinds (and some seedlings) were in profusion. Mrs. Yarmilia Scholberg, of North Kinston, won the Virginia Withee Silver Trophy for the best begonia in the show with her large, heavily foliaged rex 'Green Gold'.

Two special exhibits received Special Awards: Salvatore Ruggieri for propagation of gloxinias, showing all stages of growth, and Virginia Withee for propagation of rex begonias, also showing all stages of growth.

The judges were Mr. and Mrs. William Hull, of New Haven, Connecticut, and Miss Gladys Seegar, of Hope Valley, Rhode Island.

As one of the founders of this Branch and its first President, I offer my congratulations to all the members who have grown so many lovely plants and showed them so well. Indeed, I am proud of the progress of the Rhode Island Branch.

## GARDEN DESIGN . . .

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culinary, medicinal (herb garden) and church needs of the house.

Also, from early times water has been an integral part of every garden. This might be a simple pool in the center of a rectangular plot to more elaborate pools or fountains. Water running down a balustade — “very cooling to dabble one's hands in when walking down the steps” — is another use of water in the garden in the warm climates. The breathtaking cascades of water at the Villa d'Este, combined with the fountains, is one example of the elaborate use of water.

Later garden design included topiary, the elaborate pruning and shaping of trees, but still the rectangular overall shape was retained, in one way or another, and there was always a pool or fountain of water.

Dr. Creighton's slides included, among others, pictures of Pompeii, the Villa d'Este at Tivoli, old Spanish gardens, and the gardens of Versailles.

Particularly impressive to the members was the use, over and over again, of the bedding semperflorens begonias. This was particularly startling in the pictures of the gardens at Versailles, where uncouth thousands were used in the beds.



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# GARDEN PLANS AND SNAPSHOTS

By BEE OLSON

In the 1963 Begonia and Shade Plant Show, held in the Inglewood Armory on September 7 and 8, the trophy for Division V was won by the TexaStar Branch of the American Begonia Society, of Houston, Texas. This division was for garden plot plans submitted by Branches outside of California.

The trophy and blue ribbon were sent to Mrs. J. L. Linkenhoger, Secretary of the Branch. This is her reply:

"We are so pleased to have won the blue ribbon and the beautiful trophy in Division V in the show this year.

"I was pleased to have won third place in Division W (*macdougalii*). We are going to have 100% participation in this division in the 1964 show — we discussed this at our meeting last Thursday.

"It was fun to feel that we had a part in the show and it is something to look forward to and plan for next year.

"We will exhibit our ribbons and the trophy in the city-wide show, "Blossom Time Houston", on April 3, 4, and 5, 1964. Thank you.

TexaStar Begonia Society  
Irene Linkenhoger, Sec."

Division W was for snapshots of potted begonias. The trophy and blue ribbon for this division were won by Mrs. Grant W. Herzog, of Houston, Texas, for her snapshot of *B. masoniana*. They were sent to her home and this is her reply:

"My surprise and delight knew no bounds on receiving the blue ribbon and the very interesting trophy for the picture of my *B. masoniana*.

"It was such a marvelous idea to give the out-of-state members an opportunity to take part in the National Show. Otherwise you would never know of our successful growing of

the lovely plants. We have followed the show each year with lively interest and now that we did participate we are truly on cloud nine — and our interest greatly stimulated. I hope we will be in your schedule from now on. Thank you again.

Mrs. Grant Herzog (Flossie)."

Division V and Division W were new this year. They were brought into being in an endeavor to include all begonia members outside the state of California.

Great interest was shown in the garden plan and pictures, and it is the hope of all who expressed themselves that these divisions will continue in 1964.

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## TEXASTAR . . .

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for a tri-level fountain, which would necessitate plastic pipe and a small pump to circulate the water. This has been used in local flower shows with much success.

24. Pool. This can be acquired cheaply in the form of a plastic-form type fish pond, which can be used over and over.

25. Stepping stones. These are used from the pool down to the bottom of the display.

We would use quite a bit of sawdust, which is easily obtained here. This would raise the back of the display 18 inches, and would slope gradually down to nothing at the brick edging. The pots and baskets, except those standing on the wall, would be sunk to the pot rim in sawdust, to simulate natural growing conditions. The entire area not covered by pots and plants would then be covered by sheet moss, either real or artificial, depending upon the availability.

Our irradiated semps would be our focal point, which is the reason for using so many. The plants we have are large enough so that they would touch and overlap, as if they were growing naturally in the ground.

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Mrs. Gertrude White  
Mrs. Virginia Humphrey  
Mrs. John Fahey  
Mrs. Barbara Philip  
Mrs. Bee Olson  
Mrs. Edna Korts  
Mrs. Daisy Walker  
Mrs. Mabel Corwin  
Mrs. Grace Werick  
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hodgins  
Mr. Malcolm Rich (3 trophies)  
Mrs. Terry Olmsted  
Fuchsia Land Nursery  
Palos Verdes Begonia Farm

— BERT SLATTER,  
*Show Chairman*

### THE SCRYMGEOURS . . .

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spite of being cut back for propagation.

Mr. Scrymgeour assumes responsibility for all problems of maintenance, working evenings and weekends when free from his employment with Sylvania. During the past win-

ter he erected a new greenhouse one hundred feet in length, which, covered with plastic, housed the annuals of last season. This will soon be glazed for permanent use the year around.

The Scrymgeours have given a generous share of their busy lives to activities of the Branch. Mrs. Scrymgeour has served as secretary and program chairman and is now near the close of her second term as president. Her own collection indicates her interest in begonias of all types and has been the source of many desirable plants. For the past four years she has served as Begonia Show Chairman, with the invaluable assistance of Mr. Scrymgeour in all phases of the job. Their thoughtful planning, discriminating taste, and attention to detail, plus their capacity for plain hard work, have resulted in some outstanding displays.

Begonias have been shown in a variety of settings: in a tile planter before the long window wall of a modern sunroom, and again, placed in a shady spot of a walled garden complete with patio and pool. At another time, begonias were featured in a weathered lath shelter in a country garden with old fashioned well curb and pump. Perhaps the most dramatic display was an educational exhibit showing many species, varieties, and forms of begonias placed before a panoramic background indicating geographic places of origin.

It is a happy situation when an organization can count on members such as these who give so generously of their time, effort, and knowledge, and at the same time are persons with whom others enjoy working. It is a pleasure for the Bessie Raymond Buxton Branch to say "Thank you" to the Scrymgeours.

### BRANCH NEWS

What's new in your area? Tell us about it.

# HISTORIAN'S REPORT FOR 1963

Actually, this would seem to be more of a geographical report than a historical report, as I have heard from Branches back east, the big state of Texas, and as far north as Seattle; not to mention the traveling done by all of us who visit other Branches near and far and who have participated in three regional meetings held in Arcadia at the Aboretum, in Ventura, and in San Diego this year. All of this goes to help make this a more closely knit organization.

The Society has lost many of its well-known fellow Begonians this year. The loss of these friends is irreplaceable.

Looking back on the year, many fine shows have been put on by various Branches, and beautiful booths have been entered in shows all over the United States.

A money-raising campaign which started Carl Naumann's year as President of the American Begonia Society proved to be very successful. Mr. Naumann has, no doubt, had many problems as head of the Society, but he has always met them fairly and with dignity.

The Society, according to Mrs. Alva Graham, Nomenclature Director, has been asked to be the authority on begonia nomenclature for the International Horticultural Congress.

Our Research Director, Mrs. Bee Olson, has done a great deal toward helping members all over the world through her column in *The Begonian*.

A suggestion was made that there be a clearance calendar for all Branches so that the various show dates would not be in conflict. In this way, all could participate in more shows.

As Historian, I do see, through the newsletters from various Branches, the vast amount of information that is given to members through these letters. I feel sure that this type of information helps immeasurably to

keep the groups functioning, with their common interest brought home to them by some very conscientious workers.

Here on the west coast, with the new South Coast Botanic Foundation working to put in an arboretum in Palos Verdes, many are lending their support. Also, various Branches award horticultural scholarships to deserving students.

This past year I have received rosters, newsletters, reports, and newspaper clippings from fourteen Branches. They are Glendale, Inglewood, Westchester, San Francisco, Knickerbocker, Orange County, San Gabriel Valley, Philobegonia, Sacramento, Santa Barbara, Seattle, Theodosia Burr Shepherd, Tarrant County, and TexaStar.

Pictures were received from four Branches. They are Westchester, Bessie Raymond Buxton, William Penn, and TexaStar.

I hope that during this coming year I will continue to receive news and pictures from these Branches as well as from the other Branches in the organization. They are an important part of the history of the Society and I, personally, appreciate having them.

RUTH PEASE,  
A. B. S. *Historian*.

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## Report of Annual Business Meeting

The regular business meeting of the American Begonia Society was held on September 23 at the South Gate City Auditorium. The President, Terry Olmsted, called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

Sixteen officers and chairmen were present.

As the first order of business, President Olmsted announced the following appointments, which were approved:

Editor ..... Tru Peterson  
 Eastern Editor ..... Mrs. Percy I. Merry  
 Membership Sec'y .... Mrs. Daisy Austin  
 Advertising Mgr. .... Mrs. Ruby M. Budd  
 Business Manager ..... Mrs. Edna Korts  
 Flower Show Chairman .... Bert Slatter  
 Historian ..... Mrs. Ruth Pease  
 ID. Garden ..... Mrs. Marie Turner  
 Librarian ..... Mrs. Lola Fahey  
 Nomenclature Dir. .... Mrs. Alva Graham  
 Parliamentarian ..... Mrs. Bert Slatter  
 Research Director ..... Mrs. Bee Olson  
 Seed Fund ..... Mrs. Florence Gee  
 Slide Librarian and Speakers' Bureau ....  
 Roy Joyce

Other appointments will be announced later.

The report of the Treasurer, Mrs. Leona Cooper, showed a balance on hand on September 18 of \$820.32.

The Membership Secretary, Mrs. Daisy Austin, reported 64 new members and 138 renewals. A total of 2397 *Begonians* were distributed.

The Advertising Manager, Mrs. Ruby Budd, reported receipts of \$40.25 and accounts receivable of \$80.00.

Bert Slatter, Show Chairman, reported on the recent show, and expressed special appreciation to Edna Korts and Jean Kerlin for their efficient management of the plant table.

Carl Naumann, Past President, reported that the show committee functioned perfectly.

Jean Kerlin reported on the plant table: \$200.00 was advanced, cost of plants was \$253.00; \$572.65 was turned into the treasury, with a profit of \$319.65. Grace Yerick received the sum of \$50.00 to decorate the show hall and banquet room, and this she did in an appropriate and tasteful manner. Ruby Budd reported a profit of \$80.41 from the merchandise bar. The snack bar turned in a profit of \$199.36.

On motion of Carl Naumann, the Board voted to reimburse the Olmsteds \$42.00 for a truck tire ruined while they were hauling equipment for the show.

In answer to previous Board action, Mrs. Lola Fahey, Librarian, read a letter from the Los Angeles State and County Arbore-

tum which stated they the Arboretum would be glad to place bound volumes of the American Begonia Society History in its reference library on indefinite loan.

Mrs. Alva Graham, Nomenclature Director, displayed a begonia check list received from Prof. Richard Maatsch, the American Begonia Society's representative in Germany. It was voted to request Dr. Georges Morel to represent the A.B.S. in France.

The Board voted to appropriate \$100.00 to provide life memberships for the past two presidents.

John Theiben reported that a seran-cloth house with an all-metal frame can be put up for 30 cents per square foot at the South Coast Botanical Garden in conjunction with the fern society and the fuchsia society. It was voted that \$300.00 be pledged for this project.

The following Branches were represented: Glendale, Eva Kenworthy Gray, Inglewood, Long Beach Parent Chapter, North Long Beach, Orange County, Pasadena, Alfred D. Robinson, San Miguel, San Gabriel Valley, Santa Barbara, Westchester, and Whittier.

Peggy McGrath  
Secretary

### CALENDAR

November 7 — Westchester Branch: "Preservation of Foliage Material for Decorations" will be the subject discussed by the guest speaker, Bob Vargas. New officers will be installed by Mrs. Ethel Arbuckle.

November 8 — San Gabriel Valley Branch: Betty Jo Miller will be the guest speaker. Everyone knows Betty Jo for her beautiful ferns and begonias, and her talent for making corsages and decorations. She will demonstrate new ideas for Christmas decorations.

December 7 — Bessie Raymond Buxton Branch: Annual luncheon at 12 noon. Tallino's, Rt. 9, Chestnut Hill, Mass.

December 20 — North Long Beach Branch: Christmas party.

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VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT THESE MEETINGS

## BRITISH BRANCH

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## BUXTON, BESSIE RAYMOND BRANCH

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

## DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS BRANCH

3rd Monday, 10 a.m., Member's Homes  
Mrs. George Wilkins, Secy.  
3625 N. Fitzhugh St., Dallas, 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  
Daisy Morrow, Secy.  
2821 Musgrove Ave., El Monte, Calif.

## FOOTHILL BRANCH

3rd Thursday, 8:00 p.m.  
La Verne Community Bldg.  
2039 Third St., La Verne  
Miss Christine E. Kindell, Secy.  
338 W. 11th St., Claremont, 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  
Mrs. Ethel Arbuckle, Secy.  
5932 Seville Ave., Huntington Park, Calif.

## GRAY, EVA KENWORTHY BRANCH

2nd Saturday, 1:30 p.m. (except Dec. & Jan.)  
Seacoast Hall, 3rd and E St., Encinitas, Calif.  
Mrs. Alice E. Roberts, Secy.  
523 Hermes Ave., Encinitas, 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 Belsler, Corr. Secy.  
Welsh and Verree Rd., Philadelphia, Pa.

## HOLLYWOOD BRANCH

Meetings temporarily suspended.  
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.  
12601 Broken Bough, Memorial Station  
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

1st Tuesday, 7:45 p.m., American Legion Hall  
3208 West 85th St., Inglewood, Calif.  
Mrs. Elsie M. Willick, Secy.  
13214 Merkel Ave., Paramount, Calif.

## KNICKERBOCKER BRANCH

2nd Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Library, Horticultural Society of N.Y.  
157 West 58th St., New York  
Mrs. Phyllis Cherot, Secy.  
115-44 194th St.,  
St. Albans 12, N. Y.

## 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.

## LOUISIANA CAPITAL BRANCH

1st Friday, Capitol Room  
1701 Main St., Baton Rouge  
Mrs. Elaine Wilkerson, Secy.  
5764 Robertson Ave., Baton Rouge 5, 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.  
Miss Nina Austin, Secy.  
1104 Askew St., Kansas City 27, Mo.

## NORTH LONG BEACH BRANCH

3rd Friday, 7:30 p.m.  
3901 Atlantic Ave., Long Beach  
Mrs. Rebecca Anthony, Secy.  
153 Ellis St., Long Beach, Calif.

## ORANGE COUNTY BRANCH

2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m.  
Garden Grove Grange Hall, Century and Taft Sts.  
Garden Grove, Calif.  
Mrs. Maybelle Woods, Secy.  
604 S. Helena St., 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. Anne W. Stiles, Secy.  
R.D. No. 2, Box 43B, E. Delaware Trail,  
Medford, N. J.

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4th Friday each Month  
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## 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, ALFRED D. BRANCH**

3rd Friday, 10:30 a.m., Homes of Members  
Constance D. Bower, Corr. Secy.  
1609 W. Lewis St., San Diego 3, Calif.

**SACRAMENTO BRANCH**

3rd Tuesday, 8:00 p.m., Garden Center  
3300 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**

1st Wednesday, 8:00 p.m.  
Garden Center, Golden Gate Park  
9th Ave. and Lincoln Way  
Lillian A. Beach, Secy.  
3006 Castro St., San Francisco 12, Calif.

**SAN GABRIEL VALLEY BRANCH**

2nd Friday, 8:00 p.m.  
Los Angeles State and County Arboretum  
501 N. Baldwin Ave., Arcadia, Calif.  
Mrs. Lillian Hale, Secy.  
113 N. Ardmore Drive, San Gabriel, Calif.

**SAN MIGUEL BRANCH**

1st Wednesday, Youth Center, Lemon Grove, Calif.  
Mrs. Lucille Williams, Secy.  
1261 Concord St., El Cajon, Calif.

**SANTA BARBARA BRANCH**

2nd Thursday, 8:00 p.m.  
Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History  
2559 Puesta Del Sol  
Elnora Schmidt, Secy.  
3346 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.

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1st Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.  
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