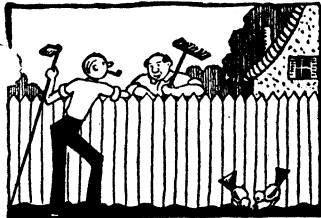


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OUR FIRST FALL MEETING

Date: Tuesday, October 11
Time: 5:30 P.M.
Place: Hasty-Tasty Cafe,
1433 West Lake Street
Price: \$1.50

PROGRAM

- 6:30 Short business meeting.
Bill Swain President
- 6:45 We Had a Convention Herb Kahlert
Our September Flower Show Stan Lund
What a Show Judge Looks for
Bob Bryant
What to Do in October Tony Koester
You Owe Your Club a Garden
Jim Cristman
What You Can Do with a Few Fall
Flowers Les Johnson
Fall Photography - Helpful Hints and
Some Beautiful Slides
Bill Block & George Titus

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WE DINE AT HASTY TASTY

Notice that our next program calls for dining
at Hasty-Tasty on Lake Street NOT at the Med-
ical Arts Building.

OUR FALL FLOWER SHOW

After listening to all the beefs during the late summer about excessive heat, lack of moisture, mosquito hordes, demands on time, shortening hours in the garden and what have you, prospects for a good fall flower show looked dim. Such was not the case; quite to the contrary it proved to be one of our most successful, both in amount of material and quality of the specimens and arrangements.

There were 452 entries, only a few short of our last fall's show, which was our largest. Practically every exhibitor received some recognition, and in many, many cases the judges had considerable difficulty deciding on the winners due to a wealth of fine material in so many of the classes.

Harold Nelson and Jim Cristman fought a tough battle for Sweepstakes Winner, Jim emerging on top by the narrow margin of one point.

The keenest competition was among the exhibitors of roses with 47 entries; chrysanthemums with 39 entries; marigolds with 38 entries; zinnias with 32 entries; and dahlias with 26. Arrangements proved quite popular too with a total of 74 entries in the thirteen arrangement groups.

Exhibitors submitted entries in all of the 81 lots scheduled, with the exception of Lot 39 - "Rose H.T., White or Cream."

To all who participated in the arrangement and management of the Show from Stan Lund, Show Chairman, to the last man on every committee is due a hearty vote of thanks. Every phase functioned smoothly, efficiently and with dispatch. Not a hitch developed from beginning to end from ten o'clock Saturday morning to six o'clock Sunday night.

All day Sunday the public streamed through the Park Board greenhouses to look over the exhibition, and before the doors closed, over 2,000 people had viewed the Show.

We extend our gratitude to the Park Board for the use of their facilities and for their co-operation. In deep appreciation we thank the judges, our own Bob Bryant and Horace Barnes for their contributions - a job exceedingly well done.

To Andy Nyberg for his exhibition of miniature dahlias; to Henry Bachman and Sons for their floral arrangements; to Bob Bryant for his display of prize-winning dahlias; we say thank you very much for rounding out and adding enrichment to the Show.

CONGRATULATIONS, CHARLIE DOELL!

At the 51st Annual Convention of the American Institute of Park Executives held in Detroit, Charlie Doell was presented with a scroll reading:

"In appreciation of the many services given to the American In-

stitute of Park Executives by Chas. E. Doell, Superintendent of Parks, Minneapolis, we do hereby express our thanks for his contributions to our organization as a fellow, as president 1947-1948, and as a member of the Executive Committee 1948-49."

OCTOBER CHORES

It is not too early to make preparations for a better garden next year. A good clean-up of all diseased plants, uprooting and burning of annuals, removal of old stalks from perennials are the essential first steps you must take - but don't stop there.

Lift gladiolus corms, tuberous begonia bulbs, cannas and dahlia roots as soon as plants are through blooming. Let them dry off for a day or two, then store away where it is cool and dry but watch to see that they do not dry out enough to shrivel.

Continue to spray roses for black spot, mildew and aphids; this will help them to go into the winter as strong and healthy plants - a helpful protection against winter killing.

Get your narcissus, muscari, snowdrops, scillas, crocus and other small bulbs in without delay. Hyacinths, tulips and Dutch iris can wait until later.

Take up those plants you wish to house during the winter; geraniums, coleus, cacti, ivy, philodendron, parsley and chives, etc. Also bring in soil for potting and seeding before the ground freezes too hard.

Now is the time to start cuttings of doubtfully hardy perennials; also such plants as geraniums, verbenas, lantanas, heliotrope, coleus, dianthus, pentstemon, passion flower and others.

Clean up the vegetable garden, placing undiseased leaves in compost pile, burning all others. Fall digging is most beneficial; add manure or compost, spade deeply, and allow the rough earth to stand exposed during the winter.

Don't burn your leaves; build a compost heap. If you haven't room for a pile, dig a pit and put leaves, clippings and vegetable refuse in along with a dressing of lime or "Activo."

Protect your young trees from rabbits using chicken wire, or wrap with tarpaper up to three feet in height. Keep roots of shrubs and young trees moist, especially evergreens - they will winter better.

Before the ground freezes, hill young shrubs and plants, and all roses to a height of a foot if possible. After the ground is frozen, cover roses with coarse leaves or marsh hay and mulch the more delicate perennials.

Don't fail to stake where bulbs are planted and spot your perennials, particularly those slow to show life in the spring. Also tag roots and bulbs dug up for winter storage.

ARCHIE GETS A SON

As published in Saturday's Tribune for
October 2nd -

"Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Flack, 629
Kenwood Parkway, announce the

engagement of their daughter, Marilyn Joy to LeRoy Lundquist of Braham, Minn. The wedding will take place November 5 at Salem English Lutheran Church."

FALL FLOWER SHOW

Grand Champion - Group A

#48 H. E. Nelson

Grand Champion - Group B

#20 Vic Lowrie

Court of Honor

H. E. Nelson	Lot 21, Dahlia Victory
Gordon Ballhorn	Lot 63, Phlox Rosy Blue
A. I. Nelson	Lot 63, Matricaria (Ball's Double White)
Stan Lund	Lot 42, Rose H.T. Rubiyiat
Stan Lund	Lot 46, Rose Eutin
A. W. Koester	Lot 4, Begonia Camelia Type (Pink)
A. R. Blackbourn	Lot 2, Aster, Double
L. E. Cristman	Lot 4, Begonia Camelia Type (White)
Gordon Ballhorn	Lot 80, Foliage Arrangement Cabbage, Beets (Rabbit) Carrots
Harold Kaufmann	Lot 78, Mixed Flower Arrangement
Vic Lowrie	Lot 73, Dahlia Arrangement
H. E. Nelson	Lot 81, Vegetable Arrangement

Sweepstakes Winner

Jim Cristman 45 points

Runner-Up

H. E. Nelson 44 points

20 Points or More

	Total No. Entries	Total Points
L. E. Cristman	27	45
H. E. Nelson	23	44
G. G. Cerney	30	39
H. E. Kahlert	39	36
G. V. Lowrie	11	35
A. I. Nelson	17	31
G. C. Ballhorn	17	28
H. R. Kaufmann	20	28
S. D. Lund	16	27
M. K. Lifson	41	20
W. E. Swain	14	20