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THE BEST TIME TO PLANT PEONIES

JUDGE C. J. TRAXLER, MT. PLEASANT, IOWA

It has been said that the best time to plant peony roots is whenever you have the roots and the ground is in fit condition. This may be sufficient for a general rule, but as other general rules, it has exceptions.

From my personal experience of more than a quarter of a century I would say that if adopted as a rule, it should be only as an emergency rather than as a general rule.

I have planted peonies in Minnesota, Iowa and Missouri in every month of the season when there was no frost in the ground, but not with equally satisfactory results. On the whole, I believe the most uniformly satisfactory results have been from plantings made in October, though there have been equally satisfactory results from some plantings made in September and also from some made in November.

While it is true that springtime planting is sometimes recommended, from my own experience I would not feel warranted in recommending others to do much planting in the springtime where the soil and climatic conditions are similar to those in the states above mentioned, except as an emergency. In this locality we do not hesitate to make late fall plantings, sometimes very late. Witness this as an example: A belated shipment from France reached Minnesota on the 27th day of November, 1914. With the help of a husky workman who shoveled six inches of snow, broke from three to four inches of frozen ground, we planted the 25 roots and finished planting in a snow storm. A lady's experience is another interesting instance of successful late fall planting. From Plattsburg, N. Y., under date of June 6th, 1926, she writes:

"When we planted the peonies received from you last fall (1925) an axe was necessary to cut through the five or six inches of frost. But for your cited experience in late planting with six inches of snow and three of frost I would have lost heart utterly, but I kept that in mind and hoped for the success of the venture, and am delighted to be able to report to you not only that every one is living but also that five out of the nine have already put forth blossom buds, which is a surprise to me, as I had not anticipated bloom the first season. Had I space in my garden and were I in my forties as to age instead of past seventy, I would surely become an enthusiast in peony culture."

Most unfavorable conditions for planting, it is quite true, but in each case every plant grew and gave satisfactory results.

The method adopted in making each of these plantings was to break a hole through the frozen ground about 12x12 inches at the top and from 14 to 16 inches deep, keeping the frozen ground,

the clay and black soil in separate piles; put the frozen soil at the bottom, the clay on top of the frozen soil, and fill up the hole with the unfrozen black soil, then plant as usual, covering the crowns not more than two inches with the unfrozen soil. A few pieces of frozen soil may be laid on top as a winter protection if better covering is not available. On account of the excess labor under most unfavorable conditions, such plantings cannot be recommended except in cases of extreme emergency, but these instances and others where it was necessary to break through the frozen ground convinced me that plantings made under such conditions, though difficult and disagreeable, are likely to give better results than plantings made in the springtime.

A later communication from Plattsburg, N. Y., states that her planting was made seven days later in the season than mine when three inches more of frozen ground was broken. The following June from her nine plants she was rewarded with five satisfactory blossoms, while the first year after planting my 25 imported plants they gave not a single show of color.

AN UNUSUAL EXPERIENCE WITH HAIL

ANTHONY DE YOUNG, SOUTH HOLLAND, ILL.

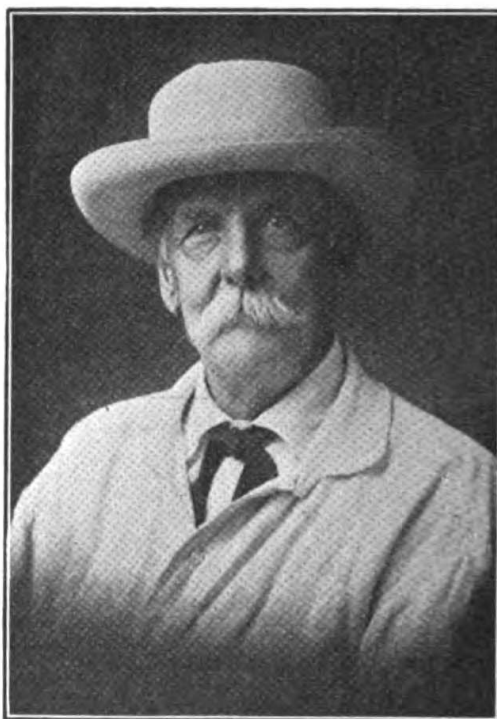
Reading bulletin No. 28 just received reminds me of an unusual experience I had last spring. Just as my field planting had developed the buds to about half size, a severe hail storm, accompanied by heavy rains and strong winds, almost totally destroyed the crop.

Some rows on the wind side looked as though a mower had gone over them, stems and leaves being trimmed off near the ground. Strange to say, new stems appeared in a couple of weeks, many of them with buds which flowered, although the blooms were smaller, not so double and of poor lasting quality.

I had always understood that if anything happened to the buds it would take another season to develop new ones. Evidently this is not always true. Have you ever heard of such a condition before? To me it was very unusual, although I do not hope for a recurrence, as my crop of blossoms for cutting was practically ruined.

[Note—The secondary or dormant buds that are to be observed near the crown of the plant were called upon to replace the loss of the primary stems destroyed. These secondary buds ordinarily would not develop until the second year. Nature simply hastened development to remedy the damage sustained.—Editor.]

These dormant buds will *always* develop and send up shoots unless the primary stems are destroyed too late in the season. It is very noticeable on roots in storage in spring. Where the main buds have been broken off, the dormant buds will develop in damp packing in a few days' time. We once had a severe hail here on either the 22nd or 23rd of June. The peony season was just over. A few old ragged blooms still remained. Our entire fields looked absolutely bare. And within three weeks the rows all showed a reddish green with the new growth about three inches high.—A. M. B.]



EGBERT JEROME SHAYLOR

Peony lovers will deeply regret the passing of Mr. E. J. Shaylor, who died in Auburndale, Mass., October 24th. He was buried October 27th in Weston Cemetery, Auburndale, having attained the age of 83 years.

Egbert Jerome Shaylor was born at Ashtabula, Ohio, in 1843. He started his career as a traveling salesman and was for many years connected with the Meriden Cutlery Co., of Meriden, Conn. In 1898, at the age of 55 years, he gave up the work on the road due to ill health and came to Auburndale, Mass., where he resided until his death.

He was a great lover of flowers and purchased 20 acres of rough land and built a home. His first venture with flowers was with the gladiolus. In two years as the bulbs increased he found it would be necessary to erect frostproof cellars or storage sheds at a cost of several thousand dollars. As his means were limited at that time he gave up the growing of gladiolus and in 1900 became interested in peonies. He purchased from local growers about two hundred roots for which he paid 25 dollars. They were inferior varieties and did not come up to the standard he desired. He then began to import from English and French growers all of their best varieties and from these Mr. Shaylor originated and developed his noted seedlings, Georgiana Shaylor being the first to bring his name before the peony world in 1916, sixteen years

after he had started growing peonies. Since that time Mr. Shaylor has originated some thirty varieties, many of which rank with the world's best originations. The following is a list of his originations:

Cornelia Shaylor	Mrs. Edward Harding
Doris	Mrs. E. J. Shaylor
E. J. Shaylor	Mrs. M. P. Clough
Eunice Shaylor	Mrs. Shaylor Force
Frances Shaylor	Nell Shaylor
Georgiana Shaylor	Rose Shaylor
Jessie Shaylor	Secretary Fewkes
Lucy Shaylor	Shaylor's Dream
Luella Shaylor	Will McClellan
Mary Woodbury Shaylor	Wilton Lockwood
Minnie Shaylor	Wm. F. Turner
Mrs. Charles Gilbert	

Single and Japanese varieties:

Alma	Le Noir
Aureolin	L'Innocence
Deborah Sayles	Marjorie Allison
Dorothy Allison	Ruth Force
La Nuit	Shirley Walker
Le Jour	

For the past ten years, due to age and failing health, Mr. Shaylor had the assistance of Mr. F. H. Allison of Auburndale, Mass., who later became associated with him in business and who will continue the business under the name of Shaylor & Allison.

The writer well remembers when his splendid origination Mrs. Edward Harding was first displayed at the annual peony show of the American Peony Society held in Cleveland, Ohio. It created considerable favorable comment and was readily sold at \$100.00 per division. Mr. Shaylor was not present and as I recall the exhibit was brought and staged by Mr. A. H. Fewkes, former secretary of the society.

Some years ago I wrote him asking what he considered his best origination at that time. His reply was rather elusive and follows: "If you will give Georgiana Shaylor a good trial I think you will like it." I gleaned from this that Georgiana was one of his favorites.

His letters were always intensely interesting and to the point. He was an honorary member of the American Peony Society, but due to ill health and advanced age was unable to attend the meetings of the society. Mr. Shaylor can be ranked with the very best originators in the country and his productions deserve a place in any representative collection. He set a high standard of perfection and attained his goal in a number of his originations. A lasting monument to his memory has been produced by these originations, and a number now but little known will doubtless find a place among the very select, high rated peonies.

PEONY WILT

ARTHUR SULLIVANT HOFFMAN, CARMEL, N. Y.

Had my first example of peony wilt this year, at least the case resembles the wilt as described in the bulletin, except that the plant blackened rather than wilted. A four-year-old Avalanche, till then in very flourishing condition, was affected. Plants on either side entirely unaffected, though touched by the Avalanche foliage. Have had peonies eight years on this location, some seventy varieties, but no other case of wilt.

Have bought very few peonies, for during that period have had little satisfaction from them due to rose bugs, myriads of them. The singles and Japs and, curiously enough, the reds, are almost untouched, but others are ravaged and only the exceptions are worth picking. I haven't the time or help for hand picking and various sprays are ineffective because the rose bugs burrow too deep into the flower to be reached. Have an idea they should be dealt with at some stage in their cycle other than that in which they appear on the flowers.

Roses, and to a degree chestnuts and strawberries, are the only things that lure any of them away from peonies. Do you know of any way to eliminate them? The pleasure of raising peonies to feed rose bugs is almost negligible. A peony planting two miles away, and another at a mile and a half, are not molested. I shall be very appreciative of any information for their elimination.

[Note—The wilt is doubtless botrytis blight, very common during some seasons, especially so during a rainy, cloudy period. One method of treatment is described in bulletin No. 19. The burning of tops in late fall together with grass, weeds or other loose material affording protection to rose bugs will check them. Government bulletins issued by the Department of Agriculture give various methods of elimination. Would appreciate the experience and suggestions of others on this subject.—Editor.]

COLOR CLASSIFICATION

There is one thing still seriously wrong with the peony business. The necessity of listing four colors so utterly different as those of *Edulis Superba*, *Mme. Auguste Dessert*, *Monsieur Jules Elie* and *Mme. Forel* under the one appellation of "pink" creates a situation not only ludicrous, but heartrending. It ought to be changed. All the help that the color description "pink" is in the distinguishing of a variety is to let one know that it is neither white nor red, but one or another of three definite color classifications, or four, or half a dozen.

A committee of the society ought to be appointed, gifted in color sense, and widely acquainted with varieties, to list the pink peonies each in its own class, and assign a definite and authoritative name to the color of that class. Presumably the names now known, such as "rose-pink," would be acceptable, but even

this name, until defined by the lists of the peonies to which it is assigned, is an unknown quantity, because somewhat of the same difficulty exists in the rose family also, and "rose-pink" is not a definitely defined color. *Edulis Superba* and *Mme. Auguste Dessert* are both rose-pink, in the sense that there are pink roses to match the colors of both, but the two colors are decidedly unlike, by no means even near the same. If this committee were to assign rose-pink as the color of *Edulis Superba*, we would know when we look at *Edulis Superba* just what rose-pink is in peonies; and, if we read in the description of a variety that it is rose-pink, then we would know its color is similar to that of *Edulis Superba*. My own idea of rose-pink is the color of the wild rose, which comes nearer that of *Mme. Auguste Dessert*, but I would agree to anything that was definite and authoritative.

BENJAMIN C. AUTEN.

HOLDING PEONY BLOOM

G. L. BISSELL, OTTUMWA, IOWA

A few years ago I made up my mind that the surest crop that grew out of the ground is a crop of peony blooms. So I planted 300 roots of cut flower varieties, early ones; but I soon found out that they would not always bloom here in time for Decoration Day. When they did not, I found I could not sell my blooms, but I did learn that they paid me nicely for my labor and investment when they did bloom early enough. If I could only find some way of holding my flowers in cold storage until the hot dry weather came, I believed that I could sell them readily in July and August. I noticed that when I cut a flower off the stub was soon sealed over with a waterproof film and that the stub lived to the end of the season. So I began a search for something that would seal up the cut on the stem that I cut off so as to immediately stop evaporation from the stem and bud. I tried four different solutions and one of them worked, and the flowers I kept until July 20th. I took them from cold storage and they opened up nicely. The next year and every year since, for five straight years I have cut my flowers in the bud, dipped the stems in the solution, stored in boxes and stacked the boxes up like cases of eggs, and have sold them all to one of our local florists during July and August and have lost no flowers. I have two acres that will bloom for the first time this season and will likely have some flowers to ship for the first time, as it is not likely that our local market will consume all of them this year.

I believe this is something that no one has succeeded in doing, or at least has not tried to market the blooms during the hot weather when flowers are scarce and high. I kept a part of a box of buds last year until October 1st. On September 1st I took out a dozen and they opened nicely, and on October 1st I took out the rest of them. They all opened up, but some had to be helped, so if one can keep them perfectly until September 1st that will let him dispose of his crop every year and he need not worry about when they bloom.

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FIRST ANNUAL PEONY SHOW AT PORTLAND, OREGON

May 20 and 21, 1926

It was my good fortune to be in the city of Portland and have the opportunity to visit their first peony show. The show was the result of the combined efforts of two members of the American Peony Society, Mr. E. J. Berneche of Portland and Mr. Weed of the Weed Landscape Nursery, Beaverton, Oregon. As is usually the case with the first show in any given locality the general public are slow to respond to the opportunity to exhibit their blooms. At this show there were about a dozen exhibitors.

The season in Portland this year was about four to five weeks early and that extended the bloom over a long period. *Officinalis Rubra* opened up April 11th in the fields of Mr. Berneche and when I was in his fields the 15th day of June he still had some Karl Rosefield fit to cut.

Their show this year was held in the hall of the Portland Woman's Club. Many of the amateurs had some fine flowers, but of course the bulk of the flowers were furnished by the two above-mentioned growers, each of them exhibiting about fifteen hundred blooms. The quality of the bloom was very good and I am sure that in a normal season the west coast can and does produce as good bloom as any part of the country.

I did not get much of an opportunity to study the various entries, but I made a few notes as I went along. The sweepstakes prize for the best flower in the show was taken by one of the members of the A. P. S., Miss D. M. Stites of Portland. The flower was Mons. Jules Elie and it was a perfect specimen.

The premium list totaled \$140.00 provided through the courtesy of local growers and merchants.

Among the outstanding flowers at the show were the following: Addelanchea, very fine; Marie Crousse, this was exceptionally good; Mme. Jules Dessert, Reine Hortense, as fine as I ever saw; Therese, Baroness Schroeder, Avalanche, Venus, Rosa Bonheur, M. Jules Elie, Karl Rosefield, Tomatbako, very, very fine, and Some-Ganoko. In the Weed display the flower Gloriana, a seedling of Dr. J. H. Neeley, was one of the outstanding things.

Mr. E. J. Berneche of the Berneche Peony Gardens exhibited several fine single and Jap seedlings. There were three that will doubtless be heard from as they are grown and exhibited among others of their class. Three that looked good to me were Mary May, a Jap, red, late midseason; Catherine S. Fox, a single, very bright rose, midseason, the edges of the petals are beautifully fringed; Florentine, single, red, late.

Judges of the various exhibits were A. L. Chenoweth and Albert Clark.

All together the show was a success and it is planned to make

it an annual affair. The peony is not nearly as well known out here as it should be, but there was a great deal of interest shown at the show and without doubt there will be a great many peonies planted as they become better known.

ROMAINE B. WARE.

SEATTLE, WASH., PEONY SHOW

June 2nd and 3rd, 1926

The peony is attaining its deserved popularity on the Pacific Coast and on June 2nd and 3rd a special peony show sponsored by the Rose Society was staged in the auditorium of one of the largest and finest department stores in Seattle.

The American Peony Society offered its silver medal to the winner of the best collection of not over 100 varieties, open class. This was won by Ivan W. Goodner of Seattle, who had exactly 100 varieties on display, all doubles. Mr. W. E. Sherbrooke of Kirkland, Wash., had a very fine display of nearly 100 varieties in this same class. In this display were to be found many of the finest peonies grown.

In Mr. Goodner's collection was displayed practically all of Dessert's introductions as well as the most noteworthy of other originators. The contest and the notoriety attained has done a vast deal to fire the enthusiasm of peony fans and they are rapidly growing in number.

The judges were O. B. Thorgrimson, a long-time member of the American Peony Society, and H. L. Collier, a very noted flower fancier who has many of the high-grade peonies.

PEONY SHOW OF THE MIDWESTERN PEONY AND IRIS SOCIETY, DES MOINES, IOWA

June 5th and 6th, 1926

With the co-operation of the Iowa State Horticultural Society, the second annual peony and iris show was held in the J. S. Wilson Company's greenhouse, on June 5th and 6th. This greenhouse being a flowery place to begin with, made a most ideal setting. The sight from the door at the top of the stairs which led down to the house used for the exhibition, made the heart skip a beat, with the peonies and iris arranged against a background of ferns and palms, together with lawn furniture, a fountain and stone seats. This thrilled over three thousand visitors.

The upstanding edge on the benches took away the milk bottle effect. One woman on leaving said, "I am going away from here without thinking I never saw so many milk bottles before."

The quality of the bloom shown was very fine and the number of exhibitors most gratifying, reaching nearly fifty.

There were four main classes: Twenty-five varieties, one bloom each; ten varieties, three blooms each; and for the smaller grower, ten varieties, one bloom each; and five varieties, three blooms each. The winners of firsts in these were W. G. DuMont, Edward Auten, Jr., J. D. LeCron, Des Moines, and Miss Emma V. Schooley, Indianola, Iowa. The outstanding bloom in these classes was Mme. Lemonier (Calot 1860), not Mme. Lemoinier (Calot 1865), an immense bloom, so double it looked shirred, and a stem like a ramrod. Mary Brand was fine in several places, and held up the best of any red, where last year that honor fell to Mons. Martin Cahuzac.

Twelve classes of single bloom each, calling for white, light pink, dark pink, and red, in doubles, Japs and singles, was very popular, as it gave the small gardener an equal chance with the larger, and who also need not strip his garden to have a part in the show. The varieties winning first in these respective classes were Jubilee, Therese, William Penn, Mary Brand, Isani Gidui, Toro-nomaki, Ama-no-sode, Fuyajo, Albiflora, The Bride, Nellie, Celestial, and Presto.

No awards were given for seedlings, but the seedling judges decided which, in their opinion, **had merits**. Four each were chosen from those entered by Mr. Auten and Mr. H. P. Sass, and five from Mr. Jacob Sass'. Some of these chosen were only first year bloom, but they hold great promise.

The American Peony Society's silver medal went to Edward Auten, Jr., Princeville, Ill., for winning the most points. His flowers were delivered at the show room only an hour before the judging began. Not being able to come himself, a half dozen willing persons set up this prize-winning exhibit. His single pink Mischief, 1925, made many friends.

The honor of the best flower of the show, chosen from all the classes, fell to Therese, exhibited by Mrs. R. G. Brenner, Des Moines, and won the bronze medal offered by the local Floral Arts Club, Des Moines.

The Sass Brothers as usual brought great quantities of fine things, their seedlings only being entered, the rest were for display. They showed many new and rare peonies and iris from other introducers. The Midwestern feels fortunate indeed to be able to see the work of these hybridizers, and to get some hint of their knowledge of plant breeding. It is interesting to know that Jacob Sass has a son, Henry, who gives promise of carrying on where his father leaves off.

An unusual thing occurred in the exhibit of Wright & Abbott, Oskaloosa, Iowa, calling for ten varieties, three blooms each. In this collection were three magnificent whites labeled Le Cygne.

Several who thought they knew Le Cygne said that could not possibly be correct, for they were a bit shaggy, with the suggestion of a collar and not the imbricated petalage of Le Cygne. So the label was removed and "Unnamed" put in its place, and everyone wondered what those beautiful whites could be. Some of the members went to the national show in Fort Wayne where Le Cygne was very much in evidence, and it was plain at once that the Wright & Abbott label had been correct. So the apologies of the management go to Mr. and Mrs. Wright, who staged the exhibit.

The Des Moines Garden Club has long encouraged thought in the arrangement of flowers, so when an opportunity is offered there is a large exhibit of bouquets, and good ones too. Mrs. A. J. Verran won first in an arrangement with peonies predominating, and Mrs. Henry Frankel second.

Miss Izanne Chamberlin and Reno Rosefield each made attractive displays, without entering the classes. Martha Bulloch was very fine in Miss Chamberlin's, and La France well done in Mr. Rosefield's.

The efficient judges were H. P. Sass, Washington, Neb., Jacob Sass, Benson Sta, Omaha, and Reno Rosefield, Des Moines. The seedlings were judged by Charles O'Donnell, Reno Rosefield, and W. G. DuMont, and the bouquets by Mrs. Otto Brownell, Miss Izanne Chamberlin, and Mrs. Henry Ness, Ames, Iowa.

The suggestion was made at the meeting, the evening of the first day, that next year Nebraska and Iowa join forces and have a big iris show in Omaha, and a big peony show in Des Moines. The details have yet to be worked out, but the idea is strongly favored.

MRS. W. G. DUMONT.

SIoux FALLS, S. D., PEONY SHOW

June 7th and 8th, 1926

The fifth annual peony show of the Sioux Falls Peony Society proved to be a very fine display of these choice flowers. There were a large number of classes and a correspondingly large number of entries. The generous distribution of prizes gave most exhibitors an opportunity to share in one or more of them.

Mr. Geo. B. Tuthill's Wahoo Gardens entered for display only a splendid collection of peonies. Some of the very finest peonies were on display in this exhibit, which was carefully labeled. Mr. Tuthill's collection of peonies is quite extensive and the largest in that section of the country. His gardens are beautifully and artistically arranged, providing continued delight to the visitor.

Mr. Chas. McCaffree won the silver medal of the American Peony Society with the best collection entered in competition.

One of the delightful features in connection with the show was the home grounds contest. Various classes to accommodate the most modest plantings of a city lot to the extensive and more pretentious landscape development were provided. Over fifty yards were entered in competition. Judging of the home grounds preceded the judging of the peony show. Most efficient committees were in charge of both the home grounds and the show, making it possible for the judging to be carried out most expeditiously.

Nearly all displays were set up by amateur growers and were a great credit both as to quality of bloom and artistic arrangement.

The exhibition was well attended, but was worthy of much better patronage.

Judging of the home grounds as well as the peony show was done by W. F. Christman of Robbinsdale, Minn.

NORTHWESTERN PEONY AND IRIS SOCIETY PEONY SHOW, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

June 22nd and 23rd, 1926

The annual shows of the Northwestern Peony and Iris Society always bring out some very fine exhibition bloom and in spite of unsatisfactory weather conditions in early spring due to lack of rain, this year was no exception to the rule.

As usual there are ample classes provided. All types of peonies are represented. A late, backward spring made it necessary to postpone the exhibition somewhat later than usual.

Riverview Gardens of St. Paul, Minn., were awarded the silver medal of the American Peony Society for the best collection of not more than 100 varieties, double, open class. Mr. A. J. Wilkus, proprietor of the Riverview Gardens, has for the past number of years put on most creditable exhibitions of peonies.

Honors for the finest peonies were shared by Mr. C. W. Bunn of St. Paul, Minn., who can be depended upon to put up a grand collection of first-class bloom.

A few of the outstanding varieties displayed were Kelway's Glorious, Le Cygne, Walter Faxon, Therese, Mme. Jules Dessert, Martha Bulloch, Souv. de Louis Bigot, Loveliness, Mad. Emile Lemoine, Solange, Milton Hill and Tourangelle.

In addition to peonies many garden flowers were shown and Adams, the florist, put on a beautiful and artistic display of roses that were greatly admired.

Mr. Willis J. Fryer of Mantorville, Minn., brought some fine specimens of delphinium from seedlings he had originated. From singles to the fullest doubles in white, pink, blues and purples with various combinations of attractive shades were on display.

The show was held in the beautiful show rooms of the Pence Automobile Company, who have generously contributed their show rooms each year for this event.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. DuMont of Des Moines, Iowa, acted as judges and did their work in a very creditable manner. The number of exhibitors was not as large as in former years. It is hoped that another season will bring out considerable more competition in the various classes. The attendance was very good and interest as keen as in former years.

GRAND FORKS, N. D., PEONY SHOW

June 22nd and 23rd, 1926

Another successful peony show was held at the Dakota Auto Company's show rooms on June 22nd and 23rd. This was the fifth annual exhibition of peonies and each year the standard set by the exhibitors has been greatly raised until at present many of the finest peonies are on display. The show was held under the auspices of the North Dakota Peony Society. Mr. Geo. Robbins is president of the society and Mr. M. B. Kannowski is secretary. The Dakotas can raise as fine peonies as can be grown anywhere and these yearly shows are demonstrating this. Mr. Kannowski is also superintendent of parks of the city of Grand Forks and takes great pride and satisfaction in assisting in every way possible the novice and amateur grower of peonies to make a success of them.

Other seasonable flowers were also on display, which added greatly to the show.

Eighteen classes were provided for in the novice amateur and advanced amateur classes and brought out a number of entries.

The holding of these shows is to be an annual event and will prove one of the greatest factors in educating the public to the possibilities of peonies for decorative and landscape work.

BOSTON PEONY SHOW

The season was very late in New England as in all parts of the country and the peony show in Boston was postponed to June 26th and 27th and combined with the rose and strawberry show. All three halls of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society's building were filled to overflowing and many blooms were arranged in the lobby.

Most of the prizes in the commercial classes were won by T. C. Thurlow's Sons, the most spectacular being the display of peonies arranged for effect. This was in the form of a garden covering a space of 40 by 50 feet with a fountain on one side across from a latticed garden seat. The flowers were arranged in colors deepening in tones to the rose pinks, while a center of crimson divided the paths leading to half-open gates. The backgrounds were of cedars and it was generally spoken of as the best peony display ever shown in Boston. This was given a silver medal, also the President's cup, the most meritorious exhibit in the show. T. F. Donahue was second, but was handicapped by lack of time from showing his flowers at their best.

Always one of the points of interest is the best specimen bloom. This class was limited to amateurs, but might well have been an open class, as the *Le Cygne* shown by Chas. F. Dewey was as fine as the blue ribbon winner at the national show. Phyllis Kelway was second, but she showed the effects of being a trifle too large, while *Le Cygne* was as unapproachable as ever.

Arthur H. Fewkes was first in the Japanese single class with some new varieties and Anton Bulk was second. A silver medal was given Thurlow's Sons for their seedling number 59 and a bronze medal for their seedling number 78.

The season was rather hard on many of the varieties, but taken as a whole the show was very fine. While comparisons are odious, it is to be deplored that it is not possible for the national show to stage peonies for effect. The more nearly we can simulate outdoor effects, the more peonies in a show will appeal to those who do not know them well. Perhaps if we all saw them growing in milk bottles in the garden we should not mind them at an exhibit, but till then the bottles will give a rather bizarre effect.

W. H. THURLOW.

WINNIPEG PEONY SHOW

June 2nd and 3rd, 1926

The third annual Winnipeg peony show was held in the show rooms of the Breen Automobile Company under the auspices of the Manitoba Horticultural Association. The two former shows were staged by the Winnipeg Garden Flower Club. There were 22 classes and a large number of entries in each class, showing increased interest in the growing of the peony in Canada. The display room contained eight tables about sixty feet long, covered with exhibits and nicely decorated. The outstanding varieties at the show were Sarah Bernhardt and Mme. Emile Lemoine, both of which were in the pink of condition. The bloom that took first prize as the best flower in the show was a fine specimen of *Claire Dubois*. No admission charge was made. Over 5,000

blooms were entered in competition and the quality was exceptionally good. These peony shows are to be an annual event and as most sections of Canada are admirably suited to the growing of fine peonies, these shows will become larger and better each year. Other varieties appearing extra fine were Karl Rosefield, Marie Lemoine, Margaret Gerard, Gen. MacMahon and the single variety Camille.

The Winnipeg show was a revelation to me. I have had the pleasure of judging many peony shows, but I can truthfully say I never saw more enthusiasm manifested for flowers than at Winnipeg. The show room was well located to catch the crowd. The room was large and well lighted and the flowers very nicely staged, each class by itself and with plenty of room.

The better varieties were not in evidence at the show, but the people have them and within another year or two they will be shown. It was a large show and the quality of the flowers strictly firstclass.

A. M. BRAND. Judge.

DULUTH, MINN., PEONY SHOW

July 12th and 13th, 1926

The eleventh annual peony show of the Duluth Peony Society was held in the lobby of the First National Bank. It was estimated that 5,000 persons viewed the exhibit the first day of the show.

Freaky weather during the growing and blooming season brought unexpected results in blooming. Gardens which in other years have been as late as others in the same apparent condition this year bloomed weeks before the rest and did not have blooms for the show. Varieties that in other years were early, this year were late, and varieties usually blooming late have hastened their opening. The show is given under the auspices of the Duluth Peony Society fostered by the Duluth Horticultural Society and has as one of its slogans, "The National Show of the American Peony Society in Duluth."

The First National Bank's silver trophy for the best collection of 20 or 25 varieties, won last year for the first time by William Fawcett, was awarded to Mrs. E. L. Kimball. The silver medal of the American Peony Society was also won by Mrs. Kimball.

The sweepstakes prize for the best bloom shown was awarded to Mrs. Joseph Sellwood, Jr., with the variety Sarah Bernhardt.

Mrs. S. E. Matter displayed some very fine single and Japanese varieties. There were a large number of entries and a very creditable lot of bloom was shown, although not up to the usual standard set by Duluth.

A. M. Brand of Faribault acted as judge, assisted by John M. Kleitsch of Duluth.

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the American Peony Society will be held in New York City, N. Y., at the Pennsylvania Hotel, January 15th, 1927, at ten o'clock A. M. Immediately following the Board of Directors will hold their annual meeting.

DEPARTMENT OF REGISTRATION

The following named seedlings originated by Miss May Oleson of Ripon, Wis., are presented for registration:

May Oleson (Oleson 1924). Single. Color light shell pink. One row of petals overlapping. Many dainty yellow stamens in center. Medium season. Excellent cut flower variety of lasting quality. Flowers held erect.

Peter Oleson (Oleson 1924). Single. Color bright red. One row of petals. Many yellow stamens in center. Medium season. Good cut flower. Stiff, strong stems holding flowers erect.

Janes Oleson (Oleson 1926). Double. Color dark red. In bud it looks like rose buds. Opens up very full and has lasting qualities, standing erect. Stems exceptionally strong, enabling the plant to withstand severe storms without damage.

TRIAL GARDENS FOR CHECKING NOMENCLATURE OF JAP AND SINGLE TYPE HERBACEOUS PEONIES

At the last meeting of the Peony Society, during the show at Fort Wayne, the matter of establishing trial gardens for checking the Japanese and single types of herbaceous peonies was discussed. There are many members of the society who understand the confusion in these classes of peonies as to names of varieties. It is evident that there are several varieties masquerading under one name, and in fact, the nomenclature of these classes is almost as sadly mixed as were the double varieties previous to trial gardens established at Cornell University a number of years ago for checking and truing up this class.

At the above mentioned meeting, the President, Mr. Brand, appointed the following committee to investigate the matter and report to him: Mr. Walter L. Gumm, Remington, Indiana, Mr. Edward Auten, Jr., Princeville, Illinois, and Mr. Paul L. Battey (chairman), Glencoe, Illinois. This committee has reported to the president and he has approved their recommendations substantially as follows and further instructed the committee to make the necessary arrangements for carrying out the trials.

The trial gardens to be located at the University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois, in charge of Prof. H. P. Dorner, chief of floriculture, Department of Horticulture. The work of checking the plants will probably extend over three to five years and will be carried out directly by Prof. Dorner and his associates with such assistance as the members of the Peony Society committee will be able to render. The checking to include all Japanese and single varieties in commerce (tree peonies not included) as far as they can possibly be secured, both from America and Holland.

The trial gardens will be planted in the fall of 1927—this giving ample time to make necessary arrangements with growers furnishing stock.

All plants furnished by growers for purposes of the tests to be supplied free of charge to the University. (Details of arrangements as to disposition of plants upon completion of tests to be given in the next Peony Society bulletin.) The committee feels sure arrangements will be entirely satisfactory to all growers as well as the university.

The entire expense of preparation of ground, fertilizing, planting and culture during the test period of three to five years to be borne by the University Agricultural Experiment Station.

Plants are to be set four feet apart each way so as to allow sufficient room for each kind to show its individuality as to plant characteristics and further, for the purpose of guarding against infection in the event that any of the stock received should be diseased.

In addition to the check list, upon the establishing of a variety, a complete description in a standardized form is to be made—this to include both bloom and plant. The results of the check in the trial gardens including correct descriptions, will be published probably as a bulletin of the Agricultural Experiment Station, Department of Horticulture of the University of Illinois in conjunction with the American Peony Society. A copy of this bulletin to be furnished by the Peony Society to each of its members.

For the purpose of eliminating as far as possible duplications in the planting of the trial gardens, the committee has prepared printed forms, copies of which are included in this bulletin of the Peony Society, and it is requested that these be used by members of the society for the purpose indicated, viz.: listing of the single and Jap varieties grown by each member, together with the source from which his plants were secured (as accurately as possible). It will be readily seen that with accurate information furnished by the committee, much duplication in planting can be eliminated. To be of service to the committee, these lists should be forwarded to Mr. P. L. Battey, 453 Skokie Road, Glencoe, Illinois (chairman of the committee on trial gardens). It is hoped that as many of the members as possible will fill out these blanks and send them in, as in this way they can co-operate with the furtherance of the trials which will be of inestimable value to all growers of peonies. Lists should be mailed on or before March 1st, 1927.

PAUL L. BATTEY, Chairman.

SECRETARY'S NOTES

We are enclosing in this issue a statement of dues for 1927 which are due and payable in advance. We will greatly appreciate your prompt remittance as it will save the society considerable expense in postage and the time of the secretary in writing you. If your remittance has been made in the meantime, kindly disregard this notice.

We are also enclosing an application blank and would be greatly pleased to have you solicit some peony-loving friend not now a member of the society to join us. We are particularly anxious to materially increase our membership this coming year and your co-operation in securing a member will make this possible. If additional applications are desired we will be glad to supply them.

The executive committee of the Minneapolis-St. Paul peony show of 1923 have offered a silver cup to the party securing the most members for the society before June 1st, 1927. This cup will be suitably engraved and of at least \$25.00 value. Any member signed up before June 1st will receive all the back bulletins issued during 1927, so will get the benefit of a full year's membership. The progress of the contest will be announced through the bulletin. Who will carry off this honor?

Ballots for election of directors have been prepared in accordance with new by-laws adopted at the last annual meeting and are enclosed with this bulletin. **Kindly see that these are signed and returned to me at once** so that tabulation of results can be made before the annual directors' meeting which will be held in New York City, January 15th, 1927.

The new trial garden for Japanese and single peonies is to be established at Urbana, Ill., and the information requested on the enclosed blanks will be of considerable value to the committee in their work of getting this project under way. Let your list be as complete as possible and promptly mailed to Mr. Paul L. Battey, Glencoe, Ill., chairman of the committee having this work in charge. Arrangements have already been made with the Horticultural Department of the University of Illinois at Urbana, Ill., for the establishment of the trial gardens along the same lines as the former trial gardens at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y. Arrangements have also been made with the Holland Peony Growers' Association for their participation in the trial gardens, they sending over here specimens of all the single and Japanese varieties grown in Holland, under their catalog names.

This is a very important matter as there now exists considerable confusion in Japanese named varieties that we desire to eliminate.

Through error of the linotype operator that escaped the notice of the proof reader, the first verse of the poem "Solange" appear-

ing in bulletin No. 28 was somewhat confused, due to the fact that the first line of the poem was dropped to the third line. Copy of poem received showed the name of Muriel Meek Sataley as author. This should be Mrs. Muriel Meck Staley.

The number of brief reports of peony shows in various parts of the country is conclusive evidence that the popularity of the peony is growing every year. Peony shows were also held in Washington, D. C., June 8th; London, Ont., June 25th and 26th; Philadelphia, Pa., Colorado Springs, Colo., and several other points.

It is quite likely that all the names of commercial growers do not appear in heavy type in membership list as desired. In the last bulletin I requested commercial growers to advise me of the fact so that I might have this information complete. Very few have responded and we have used our best judgment in the matter. Any desired corrections should be reported at once.

We extend most cordial holiday greetings with the hope that your peony experiences this coming year may be the most satisfactory you have ever had. It will be our aim to constantly improve the bulletin and your criticisms or suggestions will have due consideration. Let us make 1927 a banner year for the society.

W. F. CHRISTMAN, Secretary.

Participate in the membership campaign.
Encourage others to join the Society.
Observe our progress the coming year.
Note the increased peony enthusiasm each year.
Individual solicitation for membership urged.
Every member a booster for 1927.
Secure one or more members as your contribution.

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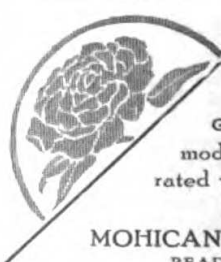
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