

South Coast Orchid Society

Summary of October, 1954 meeting as published in *Orchid Digest*

Mr. Ernest Hetherington reported on the First World Orchid Conference and stated that it was quite a success and something all who enjoy and grow orchids should have attended. Much was gained by all and the judging of the orchids by the American Orchid Society, the Orchid Society of Southern California and the Orchid Digest Corporation will now be a standard as to awards and judging. This is such a big step that these few words cannot do it justice.

Our program subject for the evening was "The Parents of Some of Our Modern Day Hybrids." Mr. John Hanes obtained Kodacolor slides from the firms of Armacost and Royston, B. O. Bracey and Co., and Fred A. Steward Co., and took us from the basic species through each stage until we saw the latest results of the hybridizers.

The plant forum was conducted by Mr. Joseph Hampton and Dr. Wm. Burns and there were 49 beautiful plants for our enjoyment. It was decided by a show of hands vote to have judging starting with our December meeting. For the time being, at least, our judging will be conducted by judges furnished us by the Orchid Digest Corporation. So now all we have to do is tell our fine plants not to bloom until the December meeting and to bloom their very best then.

Mrs. Elva Hanes