



South Coast ORCHID Society, Inc.

LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA

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PROGRAM - OCTOBER 26, 1959 - 8:00 P.M.

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There has been a change in speakers for this meeting from the announced one and we are happy to say that our own Mr. Leo Holquin will give us a talk on Potting Media. Mr. Holquin is head of the Orchid Department of Armocost and Royston, where for some time he has been conducting experiments in the use of different types of material in which to grow orchids. Rumor has it that he is anxiously awaiting the return of the Russian satellite to see if there is anything new in the way of potting media from the other side of the moon. With such an expert as our speaker, this program is a "must" for all of us who are serious in getting the best out of our orchids.

At the last meeting, Mr. Everett Wilcox gave us a most informative talk on his particular love - Cypripediums, illustrating it with many beautiful slides. He touched on species, elemental hybrids, recent hybrids and specific crosses. It was interesting to note that one of the rare species, mentioned by Mr. Wilcox as particularly difficult to bloom, was brought by the Fergusons for the display table. Just goes to show that in the South Coast Society, you name it and we have it.

PLANT FORUM

Mr. Harry Rapella, Chairman of the Plant Forum, introduced a new cross, appearing for the first time - Mrs. Rita Crothers x Microphone, var. LaValliere. While the exact parentage of this cross is not known, there must be a Geiger Counter somewhere in the background. However, it produced a flow of interesting comments on the large display of botanicals, even though peppered by uranium-like clicks. Later when the men, Mr. Paul Brecht and Mr. Frank Fordyce used it on the Cattleyas, sometimes it sounded as if their voices were changing. Fooling aside, the use of the microphone made it possible for the audience to hear much more clearly the comments of Mrs. Crothers and Mrs. Howard, as well as the gentlemen mentioned. Among the rare novelties, one must mention a Rodriguezia venusta from Brazil, brought by Dr. Sedgewick. It is believed there are only two of these plants in the U.S. The white blossoms on pendant spikes are a very unusual sight, and quite charming. Another very lovely flower we saw, awarded an AM, was a red Cattleya, Lc. Marie Ozella, owned by A. E. Hecker of Las Vegas.

PLANT DRAWING

The plants this month were from Fred A. Stewart, Inc., and, as always, there were some very fine ones, among them, many bifoliate. Our good regulars, Harry Rapella, Jeal's Orchids, Rheinfrank & Associates, and Southern California Greenhouse Manufacturers, all contributed to the drawing. We are very grateful to them, as always. The plants for November will be from Toy's, whose quality is familiar to us all.

LIBRARY

From the vantage point of a table at the front of the hall, our Librarian, Mr. Van Tilton, was able to display the many books and periodicals he has for our use. It is gratifying to know that our library has grown to such an extent that it was necessary to acquire a cart to transport the books on. There are many bound copies of Orchid Digests and AOS Bulletins, free for our use - everyone should avail himself of this opportunity for further reading.

SOUTHLAND ORCHID SHOW

Our President, Mr. Charles Bowman, made some interesting announcements regarding the Second Annual Southland Orchid Show, to be held in March again at the Arboretum in Arcadia. Due to the popular enthusiasm for the show last year, it has been decided to hold it for an extra day in 1960. There will be further announcements, of course, as time marches on, but put these dates down now on your 1960 calendar. The day for putting in the Show this coming year will be Wednesday, March 16; plants may be brought early on Thursday morning, March 17, but the Judges' luncheon will be promptly at 12 and judging will start at 1:00. The pre-view for orchid society members and their guests will be Thursday night, March 17, and the Show will be open to the public on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 18, 19 and 20. This year, it is expected that we shall have society participation, and, possibly, Orchid Digest judging. Inasmuch as transportation to and from the Show posed something of a problem last year, plans are in the making to handle this situation in 1960. Although they have not crystallized as yet, it is expected that there will be a truck which will take your plants from a common meeting point, still to be determined, to the Show, and return them on Monday to the same meeting place. This does not, of course, preclude any individual from taking his own plants to the Arboretum, but it will give an opportunity for those unable to make the numerous trips to Arcadia a chance to participate in the Show.

DIRECTORY

The new Membership List has appeared, containing the names of all members of record in August 1959. This will be a great convenience to all members of the Society, and you may be surprised to learn of some folks in your neighborhood who are members and whom you did not know. This is an excellent chance to make their acquaintance.

NOVICE CLASS

About 70 members of the Novice Class met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Kilgore in Downey, the first Sunday in October. If the folks left feeling a bit itchy it must be due to the topics discussed - red spider, scale, mites, aphids, snails and slugs. Many and varied were the suggestions as to how to rid our greenhouses of these pests. Everyone agreed on one thing, however, that in using the various insecticides now on the market, the individual user MUST take all precautions, i.e., in the use of gloves, washable clothing, masks, etc. While these chemicals are effective in the control of insects, they can be very harmful to man. It was also determined that sprays containing an oil base are not good as they can harm the plants, while an aqueous solution is much better.

The spread of virus in greenhouses was also brought up, with a specimen plant shown. The various means by which virus is spread in the house were discussed, i.e., by cutting tools not disinfected, by aphids, and other crawling things.

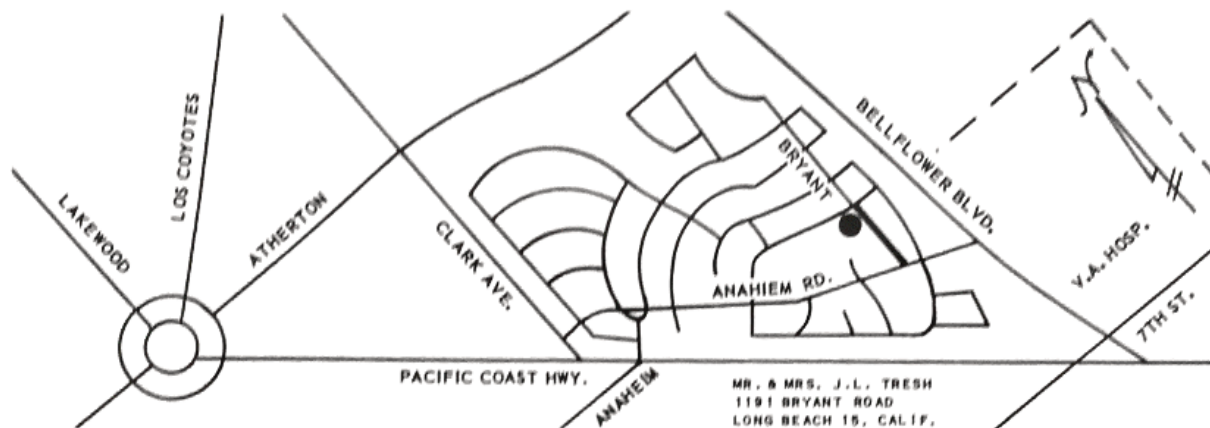
Mr. Kilgore gave out a number of divisions of a botanical oncidium from Panama, and there were also several of his vanilla plants on the drawing table, as well as a watering wand from Rheinfrank's and a log of hapu.

Our next meeting, Sunday, November 1st, at the home of Mr. & Mrs. James Tresh, 1191 Bryant Rd., Long Beach. (Map below to help you.) Jim stresses the need for volunteers hosts for our December and January meetings - a place to meet is becoming quite a problem - see him at our next meeting. And - don't forget your chairs.

NEW MEMBERS

One new member entered our Society last month - make his acquaintance at our next meeting - and please enter his name in your directory for future reference.

Bruce A. Hotchkiss, 343 E. Market St., Long Beach.



SOUTH COAST AND ORCHID DIGEST REGIONAL JUDGING

September 28, 1959

Judging Chairman: Glenn Hamilton
 Judges Present: Paul Brecht, Arthur Falk, Nel Howard, Rolan Howard, Everett Wilcox
 Associate Judges Present: Jean Field, Woodrow Wilson
 Clerks Present: Francis Eaton, Earl Monson, John Vidulich, Mrs. John Vidulich
 Official Photographer: A. T. McCarty

Award No.	Plant Name	Cert.	Points	Exhibited By
229	C. Portia "Mayflower"	S.C.O.S. H.C.C.	78.5	R. J. Chrisman—Santa Barbara, Calif.
230	C. David Tipton "Susan"	H.C.C.	76.6	Arthur Falk—Long Beach, Calif.
231	Phal. Margaret Bean "Mary Ann"	H.C.C.	79.0	Pernel G. Barnett—Newport Beach, Calif.
232	C. Portia "Mayflower"	S.C.O.S. H.C.C.	78.9	Fred A. Stewart Co.—San Gabriel, Calif.
233	Lc Osgard "The God Thor"	H.C.C.	75.5	B. O. Bracey Co.—Santa Ana, Calif.
*234	C. Leah Adis x C. Snowdon	H.C.C.	75.9	Fred A. Stewart Co.—San Gabriel, Calif.
235	Lc Marie Ozzella "Red Rock"	A.M.	82.8	A. E. Hecker—Las Vegas, Nevada
236	Den. American Beauty "Los Altos"	H.C.C.	75.7	Jean & Dean Field—Long Beach, Calif.
237	Lc Amber Glow "Pamela Martin"	H.C.C.	77.3	Dr. J. G. Martin—Dallas, Texas
238	V. Rothschildiana "High Tide"	H.C.C.	78.4	Wm. F. Uhlman—Los Angeles, Calif.

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