

South Coast Orchid Society

Summary of January, 1955 meeting as published in *Orchid Digest*

For this first program of the year we were fortunate in obtaining Mr. Robert Casamajor, Editor of the *Cymbidium Society News* and well known authority on Cymbidiums and Cypripediums, as our speaker. Mr. Casamajor's topic was the Growth and Flowering Habits of the Cymbidiums and its Recent Color Development. His talk was illustrated with Kodachrome slides. He surely brought out the importance of good culture for flowering Cymbidiums.

Mr. Blodgett and Dr. Burns conducted the Plant Forum and there were 72 plants for our enjoyment, eleven of which took awards. Those taking Silver Awards were Lc. Bonanza 'Territorial Enterprise' (82.5), exhibited by B. O. Bracey & Co., and Blc. Lorelei 'Cantarranas' (83.5), exhibited by Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Hecker. Bronze Awards went to: Lc. Bonanza 'Royalite' (75.22), Lc. Bonanza 'Donner Pass' (75.9), Lc. Ted Tremble 'Mardi Gras' (77.17), all exhibited by B. O. Bracey & Co., C. Mimir 'Sagacity' (76.07) by Nancy Ann Abbott; C. Bob Betts 'Virtue' (75.33) and Bc. Nellie Rank 'Snow Queen' (79.66), both by Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Hecker; C. Eleanor Wepper (80) by Mr. N. Bonhome; Lc. Trails End (75.17) by Mrs. Aspin; Cyp. Floralias 'Ruby' x Cyp. Cardinal Morton (76.5) by Fred A. Stewart; and Cyp. London Wall 'Green Gold' (76.33) by Everett C. Wilcox. Once again the judging was conducted by the Orchid Digest Corporation judges. Starting with the February meeting the South Coast Orchid Society will conduct judging at each regular meeting. The Orchid Digest Corporation will conduct judging three times per year for any affiliated society desiring this service. So a New Year starts for us with a new look – Progress in Judging.

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