

July 11, 1947

North American Lily Society Organized

About thirty persons interested in promoting the culture of lilies met in Horticultural Hall in Boston, Mass. on July 9, 1947 and organized the North American Lily Society. The organization meeting was sponsored by the Lily Committee of the American Horticultural Society of Washington, D.C. and met in Boston at the invitation of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, which was holding its annual Lily Show at that time. The American Horticultural Society for the ^{past} eight years has been sponsoring work with lilies and has published four American Lily Yearbooks. The new society will publish annual Yearbooks, organize field days, promote lily exhibits and encourage research on lily problems.

The new society is country wide in scope, including the United States and Canada. Membership is open to any person, who is interested in promoting the culture of lilies. Provision is made for the organization of regional groups within the Society and for the affiliation of garden clubs and other societies interested in lily culture.

At the meeting a constitution and by-laws were adopted and officers elected for the coming year.

The officers elected are as follows:

President - Dr. L. H. MacDaniels, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.
Vice-President - Dr. E. F. Palmer, Director, Horticultural Experiment Station, Vineland Station, Ontario, Canada
Secretary - Dr. Norma E. Pfeiffer, Boyce Thompson Institute, Yonkers, N.Y.
Treasurer - Dr. Philip Brierley, Plant Industry Station, Beltsville, Md.

Elected directors:

Mr. Alan Macneil, North Springfield, Vermont
Dr. Victor Ries, Dept. of Horticulture, Ohio State University,
Columbus 10, Ohio

Appointed directors:

Mrs. Harrison P. Bresee, Orange, Virginia
Mr. Jan de Graaff, Sandy, Oregon
Dr. S. L. Emsweller, Plant Industry Station, Beltsville, Md.
Mrs. M. J. Fox, Foxden, Peekskill, New York
Mrs. Norman Henry, Gladwyn, Pennsylvania
Mrs. Wallace A. Rowell, 5537 15th Avenue S., Minneapolis 7, Minn.
Mr. F. L. Skinner, Dropmore, Manitoba, Canada
Mr. Donald Stryker, Langlois, Oregon
Dr. Albert M. Vollmer, 313 Lansdale Avenue, San Francisco, Calif.

Dues in the new society are \$3.00 for annual membership, \$5.00 or more for sustaining membership and \$50.00 for life membership. Inquiries regarding the society can be sent to the secretary and applications for membership should be sent to the treasurer.

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COMMITTEES

Membership Committee - Dr. Victor Ries, Chairman, Ohio State Univ. Columbus, Ohio.
Mrs. Chas. Ward Burton, Detroit, Michigan.
Mrs. Stephen Collins, Chester Hall, Chestertown, Maryland.
Mr. Donald Stryker, Langlois, Oregon.
Dr. Arno Nehrling, Horticultural Hall, Boston, Mass.
Miss Beatrice L. Palmer, Cobble Hill, British Columbia.
Miss Isabella Preston, Ontario, Canada.
Mr. W. E. Palmenter, 14 Roslin Ave., Toronto 12, Ont., Canada.

Publications Committee - Prof. G. L. Slate, Chairman, N.Y. State Exp. Sta., Geneva, N.Y.
Dr. Albert M. Vollmer, 313 Lansdale Ave., San Francisco, Calif.
Mrs. M. J. Fox, Foxden, Peekskill, N. Y.

Research Committee - Dr. S. L. Emsweller, Chairman, Plant Ind. Sta., Beltsville, Md.
Dr. R. N. Stewart, Botany Dept. Columbia University, New York, N. Y.
Dr. Norma E. Pfeiffer, Boyce Thompson Institute, Yonkers, N. Y.
Dr. Neil Stuart, Plant Industry Station, Beltsville, Maryland.
Prof. James Taylor, Ontario Agric. Coll., Guelph, Ontario, Canada.
Dr. F. P. McWhorter, Oregon State College, Corvallis, Oregon.

Nomenclature Committee - Prof. G. H. M. Lawrence, Chairman, L. H. Bailey Hortorium,
Sage Place, Ithaca, N. Y.
Dr. A. B. Stout, N. Y. Botanical Gardens, Bronx Park, New York 58, N. Y.
Prof. E. F. Palmer, Vineland Station, Ontario, Canada.

Awards and Standards Committee - Miss Isabella Preston, Chairman, Ontario, Canada.
Mr. W. C. Horsford, Charlotte, Vermont.
Mr. Edgar L. Klein, Lake Grove, Oregon.

A proposed constitution for an American Lily SocietyNAME

Article I. The name of this Society shall be the North American Lily Society, and its headquarters shall be the offices of the American Horticultural Society in Washington, D. C.

PURPOSES

Article II. The purpose of this Society shall be to promote interest in the genus *Lilium*, scientific research in its breeding and culture, standardization of its varietal names, the dissemination of information concerning the above and to promote such other purposes as may advance the culture of lilies.

MEMBERS

Article III. The Society shall consist of the following Classes of Members: Annual members, Affiliated members, Sustaining members, Life members, Corresponding members and Honorary members. Applications for membership in the Society shall be presented to the Secretary in writing, accompanied by the required dues.

AFFILIATED SOCIETIES

Article IV. (1) Any regional Lily Society may affiliate with the Society upon payment of an annual fee, such fee to be Five Dollars (\$5.00) for a Society having one hundred members or less, and Ten Dollars (\$10.00) for all Societies having more than one hundred members.

(2) The Secretary of each affiliated Society shall make a written report of the membership of the said Society, and pay the annual fee on or before January 1st of each year.

OFFICERS

Article V. The officers of this Society shall consist of a President, Vice-president, a Secretary and a Treasurer or a combined Secretary-treasurer as the Society may designate.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Article VI. The Board of Directors shall consist of the officers and the two preceding elected presidents. (Until such time as two elected past presidents are available two members shall be elected by the Society each year). No elected director shall serve for more than three consecutive years.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

Article VII. The constitution may be amended or altered at any regular annual meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided such alteration or amendment has been submitted to the society at the previous annual meeting.

Section I. Membership

Membership shall be in the following classes:

Article 1. Annual members. Persons who are interested in the purposes of the Society who shall pay annual dues of Three Dollars (\$3.00).

Article 2. The fee for affiliated membership shall be Three Dollars (\$3.00) due on July 1st of each year, of which the Society shall return to the affiliated society through which the affiliated member joins the Society the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) for the purpose of assisting the affiliated society.

Article 3. Sustaining members. Persons who are interested in the purposes of the Society who shall pay annual dues of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) or more.

Article 4. Life members. Persons who are interested in the purposes of the Society who shall contribute One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) to its support and who shall pay no annual dues.

Article 5. Corresponding members. Those whom the Society has elected in foreign countries to report on subjects of interest to the membership and who shall pay no dues.

Article 6. Honorary members. Those whom the Society has elected as honorary members in recognition of their achievements in the special fields of the Society and who shall pay no dues.

Article 7. All persons who become members of the Society during the year 1947-48 shall be designated Charter Members of the Society.

Section II. Duties of Officers

Article 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and Board of Directors, and may call meetings of the Board of Directors when he believes it to be to the best interests of the Society to do so. He shall appoint the standing committees and such special committee as the Society may authorize.

Article 2. Vice-president. In the absence of the President, the Vice-president shall perform his duties.

Article 3. Secretary. The Secretary shall be the active executive officer of the Society. He shall canvass for, receive and record memberships, transmitting moneys received to the Treasurer; shall conduct correspondence relating to the Society's interests, and shall report to the Annual Meeting and from time to time to meetings of the Board of Directors.

Article 4. Treasurer. The Treasurer shall receive and account for all moneys of the Society and shall pay all bills approved by the President or the Secretary. He shall give such security as the Board of Directors shall from time to time require, shall invest life memberships or other funds as it may direct, and shall submit a verified account of receipts and disbursements to the Annual Meeting, with such current accounts as the Board of Directors may from time to time require. At the end of the fiscal year and before the Annual Meeting of the Society, the accounts of the Treasurer shall be submitted for examination to an Auditing Committee appointed by the president at the opening session of the Annual Meeting. He shall be an ex-officio member of the Board of Directors.

Article 5.

The Board of Directors shall manage the affairs of the Society between meetings.

Section III. Election of Officers

Article 1. The Officers shall be elected at the Annual Meeting and hold office for one year beginning immediately following the close of the annual meeting.

Article 2. The Nominating Committee shall present a slate of officers at the opening session and the election shall take place at the closing session. Nominations for any office may be presented from the floor at the time the slate is presented or immediately preceding the election.

Article 3. A Nominating Committee of five (5) members shall be elected by the Society to present a slate of officers at the following Annual Meeting. Attention should be directed towards securing adequate geographical representation on the committee.

Article 4. A quorum at a regularly called Annual Meeting shall be twenty (20) members.

Article 5. All classes of members whose dues are paid shall be eligible to vote and hold office.

Section IV. Financial Matters

Article 1. The fiscal year of the Society shall extend from July 1st to the following June 30th. Any new members joining two months prior to July 1st shall be considered as paid in full for the following fiscal year and shall receive a copy of the current yearbook.

Article 2. The names of all members whose dues have not been paid by January 1st shall be dropped from the rolls of the Society. Due notices of non-payment of dues will be mailed to delinquent members on or after October 1st.

Article 3. The Yearbook shall be sent to only those members who have paid their dues for the current year. Members whose dues have not been paid by October 1st shall be considered delinquent. They will not be entitled to receive the publication or other benefits of the Society until dues are paid.

Section V. Meetings

Article 1. The time and place of the Annual Meeting and Field Day for the following year shall be designated by vote of the Society at its Annual Meeting. The Board of Directors may in the event of unfavorable weather or other conditions change the time and place of the Meeting.

Section VI. Publications

Article 1. The Society shall publish a yearbook each fiscal year and such other publications as may be authorized by the Society.

Article 2. The publishing of the yearbook shall be the responsibility of the Committee on Publications.

Section VII. Awards

Article 1. The Society may provide suitable awards for outstanding contributions to the cultivation of lilies and suitable recognition for meritorious exhibits as may be appropriate.

Section VIII. Standing Committees

As soon as practicable after the Annual Meetings of the Society, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees:

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| 1. Membership | 4. Program |
| 2. Finance | 5. Research |
| 3. Publications | 6. Nomenclature |