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LILY BULB AUCTION

Saturday, October 18th, 1969
Headquarters Bldg. of the Royal
Botanical Gardens, Burlington, Ont.
(1 mile east of the Rock Gardens
on Plains Road (#2 Highway)

2:30 P. M.

Once again it's Auction Time in the O. R. L. S. For you advanced hobby gardeners it's a time to pick up a few choice expensive items at bargain prices, and for you lily beginners an opportunity to add to your lily collection very reasonably. The annual bulb auction has been responsible for starting many a gardener in growing lilies, and of course, this fulfils one of the main objectives of our society.

The success of the auction depends upon the generosity of each of us. Bring as many bulbs as you can, properly labelled and packed bare in poly bags. This will enable prospective buyers to view the bulbs on the display tables before the auction begins. If possible try to have your bulbs at the R.B.G. by 2 P.M. This will enable workers to assemble the display tables for better browsing before the auctioneer takes over.

If you have friends who would like to grow a few lilies, suggest to them that you could pick up a few bulbs for them, or better still, bring them along. We will try to have a few colour pictures to help those starting out make their selections.

* A DIRECTORS MEETING HAS BEEN
* CALLED FOR 11 A.M. THE MORNING
* OF THE BULB AUCTION, OCT. 18th.
* THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE
* LECTURE ROOM OF THE R.B.G.
* HEADQUARTERS BUILDING.

* So, October 18th is the day, 2:30 is
* the time, (except for those bringing
* bulbs of course), and the Headquarters
* Bldg. the place. Your executive hopes
* to see you, your bulbs, your pocket-
* book, and your gardening friends.

And by the way, you'll want a few extra lilies too, just to show at the International show held here next July.

EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

The lily season is always full of news, and with this issue we feature reports of all the various lily shows across Canada, as well as the North American Lily Society show held in Cleveland, Ohio. Our gratitude goes out to Dr. A. J. Hansen and Hans Jacobi of British Columbia for providing data from their show in Penticton, Percy H. Wright for his first hand comments and opinions on the Saskatchewan show, to John Rutledge for his accurate account of our own lily show, and to John Abbott of Hilton N.Y. for his review of the International N.A.L.S. meeting.

More than being just reviews, all these accounts give some indication of what is new in the lily world, what is being grown and where, and above all, from the awards won, it can be seen what lilies are taking the eye of lily judges across the nation. Certain lilies are sure show winners, and thus quite naturally must be good garden subjects.

Species lilies are not as widely grown as they might be, and I would suggest you try a few of these once you feel you have acquired a little confidence in growing the easier hybrids. Not all species are difficult, and to the contrary, you might find some of them downright easy. Some require special care and attention, but L. pumilum, L. concolor, L. davidi, L. cernuum, L. duchartrie, and many others require few special needs.

Congratulations go to a few of our members who have been elected to offices in the N.A.L.S. First, to Wallace Windus of Meadowbrook Pa., one of our most distant members who has been elected president of N.A.L.S. for the next two years. You will all have an opportunity to come to know Wally next July when the International Show is held here in Burlington, under the co-sponsorship of O.R.L.S. and the Royal Botanical Gardens. Fred Hayes has been elected Canadian Vice-President, and John Abbott, our active member from New York state becomes the new Secretary. Bob Mooney the immediate Past President, is also a long-distance member of O.R.L.S. from Ohio. And this is only a start, for if we go further we find that George Slate from Geneva, N. Y. is editor of the yearbook, Dr. Ray Crawford is publicity chairman, Dr. L. H. MacDaniels of Ithaca is chairman of the judges accreditation and schedule committee, to name just a few.

One of our active members from the Horticultural Research Station at Vineland Station, Ontario has left to take up a teaching position at Niagara College in Welland. Our good wishes go with Roy Forster in his new venture. Mr. Ken Begg, formerly with the R. B. G. staff at Hamilton, has accepted a position with the H.R.I.O., and we hope will catch the lily bug, so capably scattered by Dr. Palmer. After seeing the fine orange trumpets at Vineland this past Summer, we can look forward to many good things coming from this corner of Ontario.

Leslie Laking and his committee still need Canadian lilies for the Canadian lily garden at the R.B.G, so if you have forgotten, take a look at the last bulletin to see what they have, and perhaps you could fill in a few gaps. Maybe you could bid on a few of those lilies at the auction.

September and October is the time to transplant your lilies or plant new ones. It's an old story, but be sure your location has good drainage. A good article on lily culture appeared in the Sept. 1968 issue of the Newsletter, and should you wish to take a few scales the same issue describes a simple method.

Fred Hayes, chairman of next years show committee has set up his committee chairmen for next years show. That list is printed herein and a good one it is. Good Luck Fred. Merry Christmas to you all. See you once again by mail in January 1970.

This date will long be remembered, not perhaps because it was our Fourth Annual Lily Show, but rather as the day and night when Man first walked on the Moon. It was evident from the first hours of that afternoon that we were competing with a show so spectacular that we would be lucky to have any visitors at all during the evening hours.

The day was fair, the temperatures reasonable, the Main Floor Auditorium was a feast of colour with floral arrangements at each end, and the tables filled with lilies shown against a background of soft blue rippled material ideal for the variety of colours now found in lilies.

While the number of entries was about the same as last year, we were impressed with the much wider range of colour and the better representation of later-blooming lilies - thanks to the date being one week later with a further assist from the weather which had given them another boost.

Of the ninety classes listed, fifty three brought out entries and with a larger membership of individual gardeners we can in future shows hope for even better coverage. We noticed many taking colour pictures and we are hoping these will be shown to gardening groups who can thus be encouraged to grow lilies for exhibition. It should be stressed that our show classes are open to all growers of lilies.

It is difficult to pick favourites but among those we made special note of were: Nutmegger - exhibited by Emerson F. Hickling, Eden, N. Y.; FUGA - an intense burnt orange pendant Asiatic hybrid; very beautiful TESTACEUMS grown by T. Ross Martin; CONNECTICUT YANKEE - exhibited by Fred Hayes and Ross Martin; a group of unnamed hybrid seedlings presented by Professor J. C. Taylor; and another group of outward facing hybrids, also unnamed, shown by J. A. Tiffin.

There were twenty-one entries in the competitive Arrangements Classes and Mrs. Ruth Verity carried off top honours. A list of awards follows in this bulletin.

We express our appreciation to those who worked so hard to make this Show the success it was: To the Show Committee under the leadership of Fred H. Hayes; ably assisted by J. C. Taylor (Judges), R. S. Barber (Awards), Leslie Laking (Publicity), and other members of the society who staged and helped set it up. We do appreciate the work of Mrs. Leslie Laking and her committee from the Royal Botanical Gardens and local Garden Clubs who added so much colour in the Invitational Arrangements - these are always outstanding - and we must not forget the work of Ross Martin on Schedules and Classifications which will now keep us on track for future shows, which must be kept clear of Moon Walks somehow.

John R. Rutledge
Toronto, Ontario

LIST OF MAJOR AWARDS: FOURTH ANNUAL LILY SHOW, O.R.L.S.

HORTICULTURE

North American Lily Society Award: Best spike or stem of a named clone or hybrid strain: Awarded to: Fred H. Hayes, Burlington for a superb stem of CONNECTICUT YANKEE.

Isabella Preston Award: Best stem of an unnamed seedling lily: Awarded to Hort. Research Inst. of Ontario (Dr. E. F. Palmer, R. Roy Forster) for seedling No. 64061, a golden yellow Aurelian bowl-shaped trumpet.

President's Silver Bowl: For best stem of a liliun species: Awarded to Mr. Syd. D. Holmes, for L. michiganense.

DECORATIVE

Best in Show Arrangement: Mrs. Ruth Verity, a low arrangement using ENCHANTMENT.

LIST OF CLASS WINNERS: FOURTH ANNUAL LILY SHOW, O.R.L.S.

Section A: Single stems of named hybrid clones (Class)

- 1 Yellow Upfacing Asiatic Hybrids: (five entries)
MEADOWLARK: 1st: Martin 2nd: Hayes 3rd: Howarth
DESTINY: ----- 2nd: Howarth -----
- 2 Orange/Orange-red Upfacing Asiatic Hybrids: (8 entries)
ENCHANTMENT: 1st: Howarth 2nd: Holmes 3rd: Utting
FIRE CROWN: 1st: Howarth -----
ORANGE LIGHT: 1st: Martin -----
BATIK: ----- 2nd: Martin -----
HARMONY: ----- 3rd: Utting
JOAN EVANS ----- 3rd: Whitehead
- 3 Red Upfacing Asiatic Hybrids (3 entries)
RUBY: 1st: Howarth 2nd: Utting 3rd: Whitehead
- 4 Rose/pink upfacing Asiatic Hybrids: (3 entries)
ROSEABELLE 1st: Howarth 2nd: Martin -----
PRINCE CHARMING: ----- 3rd: Martin
- 5 Upfacing Asiatics, other colours (1 entry)
MUSKOKA: 1st: Martin -----
- 6 Yellow Outfacing Asiatic Hybrids: (4 entries)
ALGOMA: 1st: Martin 2nd: R. B. G. -----
CONN. MAID: ----- 2nd: Martin -----
- 7 Orange/Orange-red Outfacing Asiatic Hybrids: (5 entries)
APRICOT GLOW: ----- 2nd: Holmes -----
PARADE: ----- 3rd: Thomas
TANGELO: 1st: Howarth ----- 3rd: Utting
KING WILLIAM: ----- 2nd: Utting -----
- 8 Red Outfacing Asiatic Hybrids: (13 entries)
REDSTART: 1st: Taylor 2nd: Martin 3rd: Hayes
ALGONQUIN: 1st: Martin 2nd: Howarth -----
MOHAWK: 1st: Howarth 2nd: Martin -----
DARK EYES: 1st: Hayes -----
RED BIRD: 1st: Howarth ----- 3rd: Whitehead
VALIANT 1st: Howarth 2nd: Hayes -----
- 9 Rose/Pink/Mauve Outfacing Asiatic Hybrids: (3 entries)
ROSE DAWN; 1st: Howarth 2nd: Martin -----
CENTENNIAL PINK: 1st: Martin -----
- 10 Outfacing Asiatics, other colours: (6 entries)
NORTHERN LIGHTS: 1st: Martin 2nd: Hayes -----
PINK CHAMPAGNE: 1st: Packham -----
SNOW BUNTING: 1st: Martin -----
IVORY SUPREME: 1st: Martin -----
CORSAGE: ----- 2nd: Utting -----
- 11 Yellow Pendant Asiatic Hybrids (4 entries)
PRIMROSE LADY: 1st: Holmes -----
KENORA: 1st: Martin -----
YAMASKA: 1st: Martin -----
Nutmegger: 1st: Hickling -----

LIST OF CLASS WINNERS - Cont.

Section A: Single Stems of named hybrid clones

(Class)

- 12 Orange/Orange-Red Pendant Asiatic Hybrids: (11 entries)
 FIREBIRD: 1st: Hayes
 CARDINAL: 1st: Howarth
 VIKING: 1st: Hayes 2nd: Thomas
 CONN. YANKEE: 1st: Hayes 2nd: Martin
 TALISMAN: 1st: Howarth 2nd: Reid 3rd: Whitehead
 FUGA: 1st: Howarth 2nd: Martin
- 13 Red Pendant Asiatic Hybrids (2 entries)
 BLACK BUTTERFLY: 1st: Martin
- 14 Rose/Pink/Mauve Pendant Asiatic Hybrids: (9 entries)
 ROSALIND: 2nd: Hayes
 ROSE QUEEN: 1st: Hayes 2nd: Martin 3rd: Rutledge
 JASPER: 1st: Howarth 2nd: Hayes
 DISCOVERY: 1st: Hayes 2nd: Howarth
 MAHOGANY MAUVE: 1st: Martin
- 15 Pendant Asiatic Hybrids, other colours (14 entries)
 BROWN IVORY: 1st: Martin
 EBONY: 1st: Howarth
 BRONZE QUEEN: 1st: Howarth
 PALOMINO: 1st: Howarth 2nd: Jackson
 WHITE PRINCESS: 1st: Watson 2nd: Martin
 SONATA: 1st: Utting 2nd: Howarth 3rd: Hayes
- 16 Martagon Hybrids: (2 entries)
 BLACK PRINCE: 2nd: Martin
 BROCADE: 3rd: Martin
- 17 Candidum Hybrids (2 entries)
 TESTACEUM: 1st: Martin 2nd: Thomas
- 18 American Hybrids: (1 entry)
 PETER PUGET: 2nd: Holmes
- 19 White/Green Trumpet-shaped Trumpet Hybrids: (1 entry)
 CREELMAN, G.C.: 1st: Thomas
- 20 Pink/Fuschia Trumpet-shaped Trumpet Hybrids: (1 entry)
 DAMSON: 1st: Howarth
- 21 Yellow Trumpet-shaped Trumpet hybrids: (3 entries)
 LIMELIGHT: 1st: Thomas 2nd: Howarth 3rd: Hayes
- 23 Bowl-shaped Trumpet Hybrids: (1 entry)
 INSPIRATIONL 1st: Howarth

Section B: Three stems of named hybrid clones

(Class)

- 28 Yellow upfacing Asiatic Hybrids: (1 entry)
 1st: Martin (MEADOWLARK)
- 29 Orange/Orange-red upfacing Asiatic Hybrids: (2 entries)
 1st: Martin (Orange LIGHT)
 2nd: Vallance (ENCHANTMENT)
- 32 Yellow outfacing Asiatic Hybrids: (1 entry)
 1st: Taylor (SKYLARK)

LIST OF CLASS WINNERS. - Cont.

Section B: Three stems of named hybrid clones

(Class)

- 34 Red outfacing Asiatic Hybrids: (1 entry)
1st: Taylor (REDSTART)
- 37 Orange/Orange-red pendant Asiatic Hybrids: (1 entry)
1st: Martin (CONNECTICUT YANKEE)
- 41 Candidum Hybrids: (1 entry)
1st: Martin (TESTACEUM)

Section C: Single stems of named strains or hybrid groups

- 54 Pendant Asiatic Hybrids: (5 entries)
1st: Martin (BRONZINO STRAIN)
2nd: Howarth (RED KNIGHT STRAIN)
3rd: Martin (PANAMINT STRAIN)
- 55 Martagon Hybrid (1 entry)
3rd: Utting (PAISLEY STRAIN)
- 57 White/Green Trumpet Hybrids: (7 entries)
1st: Howarth (BLACK MAGIC STRAIN)
2nd: Howarth (OLYMPIC STRAIN)
3rd: Howarth (SENTINEL STRAIN)
- 58 Yellow Trumpet Hybrids: (1 entry)
2nd: Martin (GOLDEN SPLENDOR STRAIN)
- 59 Pink Trumpet Hybrids: (2 entries)
2nd: Verity (PINK PERFECTION STRAIN)
3rd: Martin (AMETHYST TEMPLE STRAIN)
- 60 Apricot/orange Trumpet hybrids: (2 entries)
1st: Howarth (AFRICAN QUEEN STRAIN)
2nd: Howarth (COPPER KING STRAIN)
- 61 Bowl-shaped Trumpet Hybrids: (1 entry)
1st: Hickling (GIANT OUTFACING YELLOW)
- 63 Bowl, Flat Faced Oriental Hybrids: (1 entry)
1st: Hickling (Red Band x Pink Auratum WOODRIFF HYBRID)

Section D: Three stems of named strains or hybrid groups:

- 65 Asiatic Hybrids (2 entries)
1st: Martin (GOLDEN WEDDING STRAIN)
2nd: Martin (BRONZINO STRAIN)

Section E: Single stems of unnamed seedling lilies.

- 71 Upfacing Asiatic Hybrids: (6 entries)
1st: Taylor (TA No. 21)
2nd: Martin (Byam 1010-3)
3rd: Taylor (TA No. 1)
- 72 Outfacing Asiatic Hybrids: (9 entries)
1st: Tiffin (Tiffin #1) Light pink
2nd: Taylor (TA No. 17) Golden yellow
3rd: Tiffin (Tiffin #2) Golden yellow
- 73a Pendant Asiatic Hybrids - pastel and white shades (4 entries)
1st: Taylor (TA No. 7)
2nd: Taylor (TA No. 3)
3rd: Taylor (TA No. 9)
HM: Taylor (TA No. 12)
- 73b Pendant Asiatic Hybrids - pink shades (9 entries)
1st: Taylor (TA No. 10) Medium rose pink.
2nd: Taylor (TA No. 2) Fuschia with buff exterior
3rd: Howarth (Peach seedling)
- 73c Pendant Asiatic Hybrids - red, yellow and orange shades (7 entries)
1st: Martin (red Garnet seedling)
2nd: Taylor (TA No. 18)
3rd: Howarth (No. 64-32)

LIST OF CLASS WINNERS - Cont.

Section E: Single Stems of unnamed seedling lilies.

(Class)

- 74 White Trumpet Hybrids: (5 entries)
1st: Martin (Heart's Desire seedling)
2nd: Hickling (Hickling #2)
3rd: Barber (White trumpet seedling)
- 75 Yellow trumpet hybrids: (5 entries)
1st: Howarth (Regina x Limelight)
2nd: Hort. Research Inst. of Ontario (Seedling No. 561920)
3rd: Jackson (yellow trumpet seedling)
- 76 Pink/Fuschia pink trumpet hybrids: (2 entries)
1st: Hickling (pink trumpet seedling)
2nd: Martin (Pink Perfection x Pink Ice)
- 77 Apricot/orange trumpet hybrids: (2 entries)
1st: Hort. Research Inst. of Ontario (Seedling No. 561922)
3rd: Martin (Seedling NH596463)
- 78 Bowl shaped, pendant or sunburst Trumpet hybrids: (2 entries)
1st: Hort. Research Inst. of Ontario (Seedling No. 64061)
2nd: Martin (yellow flare seedling)

Section F: The species and their natural variants:

- 81 Single stems of species: (10 entries)

MICHIGANENSE:	1st: Mr. S. D. Holmes
	2nd: J. A. Tiffin
	3rd: G. Utting
CERNUUM:	1st: Mrs. S. D. Holmes
DUCHARTREI:	1st: T. Ross Martin
PARDALINUM:	1st: Fred H. Hayes
DAVIDII	1st: Mrs. W. J. Packham
REGALE	1st: Frank Howarth
	3rd: Miss Mabel Watson

- 82 Single stems of a named cultivar of a species: (1 entry)
MARTAGON VAR. PURPLE SPIRE: 1st: Fred H. Hayes

Section G: Decorative Arrangements - competitive

- 85 EYE CATCHER: (3 entries)
1st: Mrs. N. Mackay
2nd: Mrs. Wm. Reid
3rd: Mrs. N. Clutterbuck
- 86 HEAT WAVE: (6 entries)
1st: Mrs. R. Verity
2nd: Mrs. Wm. Peebles
3rd: Mrs. N. Mackay
- 87 PATIO STYLE: (3 entries)
1st: Mrs. R. Verity
2nd: Mrs. Wm. Reid
3rd: Mrs. N. Clutterbuck
- 88 IN THE COOL OF THE EVENING: (6 entries)
1st: Mrs. W. Peebles
2nd: Mrs. W. Reid
3rd: Miss M. Watson
- 89 LILIES FOR MILADY - Corsage (5 entries)
1st: Mrs. Wm. Peebles
2nd: Mrs. N. Clutterbuck
3rd: Mrs. Wm. Reid

Omissions from above listings:

Class 26: Bowl/Flat Facing oriental hybrids:

- 1st: Hickling (Red Band x Pink Auratum selected clone)
2nd: -- 3rd: --

Class 83: Three stems of a species: Regale: 2nd: Miss M. Watson
Michiganense: 1st: Joseph A. Tiffin

The feature of the 1969 Saskatchewan Lily Show, which now bids fair to become an annual event, was undoubtedly the same as that of the 1968 show: that is, the number of seedling varieties left unnamed and also usually unnumbered, by Dr. C. F. Patterson at the time of his death. The Lily Show, if it continues, will have as one of its important functions to be a memorial to the memory of Prof. Patterson, to whom fell the honor of making the big break-through in colours of hardy lilies, by bringing in the genes of the mauve-pink L. cernuum. It is only proper that the Lily Show should be his memorial, for Prof. Patterson was one of the most remarkably successful lily-breeders that the world has ever seen.

It is too bad that Prof. Patterson could not have lived another ten years or so, to name and introduce the later seedlings himself, for the satisfaction of his ego alone. As far as the care of his seedlings by his successors at the University of Saskatchewan is concerned, one must agree that they are being fully cared for and fully valued, just as fully cared for and valued as if he himself had lived to see their introduction. If he had lived another ten years, there would of course have been a still later crop of seedlings which he would have had to leave behind him, for, as an inspired and imaginative breeder, he would never have been content to "rest on his oars."

I made a few notes on some of the Patterson lilies which most appealed to me, and append them here. I omit the numbers attached, for it is far too soon for any reader to inquire about the chance of obtaining a bulb. When the University is ready to introduce any one of these new varieties, known specialists, who are in a position to propagate them rapidly, or who want to use them as parents in further breeding programs, are likely to have first chance.

1. The first is a pale pink out-facing lily with a well-shaped head. Any-one would be proud to be the originator of this seedling.
2. The second of those especially noted is almost pure white, a small, very dainty lily that faces down. The small flowers have their own charm that mid-sized and big ones cannot equal.
3. The third is quite like the second, but pure white. I'd be inclined to put it away up near the top for charm and undeniable value.
4. The fourth is an ivory lily with slight touches of brown, just enough brown to give the flower its very own distinction.
5. The flower of the fifth strongly suggests L. duchartrei, which means that it is not too different from some of the foregoing. There is almost certainly not a single gene of duchartrei in it, and it's probably a stronger grower and also free of the wandering habit of that species. Its ancestry is in the usual Patterson line.
6. The sixth and last is also a white, and on the small side, but it has streaks of colour on the back, which are seen at a glance because the flowers are pendant.

Of the named varieties, the two that particularly pleased me were SNOWDROP, a white pendant lily with medium sized flowers, and ROSE MARIE, a clear pink with deep fuschia rose throat, more out-facing than pendant.

The displays of Patterson's lilies were not competitive. Among the lilies which were competitive, the Grand Champion spike was shown by Eugene Mossman of Saskatoon, a new large-flowered red seedling raised by Bert Sunley of Saskatoon from seed supplied by "Yours truly." The crowd that came to see the new lilies was very gratifying, although it was a pity that more did not come from a distance to see the feast for the eyes. Among those who did come was Fred Tarleton of Edmonton, Alberta. He is an enthusiastic lily breeder in his own right.

PERCY H. WRIGHT
SASKATOON, SASK.

The staging of the British Columbia Lily Show adjacent to a Penticton food market meant for a captive audience of approximately 600. The show staged by three local lily growers was non-competitive with J. Barber, Cawston, B.C., Hans Jacobi, Salmon Arm, B.C., and Dr. A. J. Hansen of the federal research station at Summerland, B.C. the sole promoters, and suppliers of the lilies for the show. Not all the attendance can be credited to the local shoppers for this crew of three made certain that the show would be well advertised - by sending invitations to all regional garden clubs, and advertisements over local radio and television.

The Barber hybrids, becoming increasingly better known each year accounted for a good portion of the show. Mr. Barber has developed a number of fine low growing Asiatic hybrids with clear unspotted, pendant flowers, and in addition displayed a number of lovely white and yellow trumpet seedlings. Mr. Jacobi's Bellingham x parryi hybrids, and citronella strain hybrids were exceptionally interesting. The species were well represented with L. cernuum, L. michiganense, L. canadense, L. lankongense among them. Dr. Hansen's exhibit included a number of the Patterson hybrids and the delicate shaded Testaceum, which is always popular whenever shown. He also is propagating some of the Barber hybrids, and a number of these were included in the wide range of selections that proved to be popular with the visitors.

E. O. CLEMENT

T. Ross Martin

Canada has had many dedicated lily growers, and among them I vividly recall Mr. E. O. Clement of Penetanguishene, Ontario. While I did not know Mr. Clement personally, my knowledge of him was at a time when my own interest in lilies was growing abundantly. And so did the lilies that I purchased from his Inglewood Lily Gardens. It was the late forties when I happened to read a copy of the CANADIAN HORTICULTURE AND HOME MAGAZINE, and saw Mr. Clement's column "Lily Lore". It was for me a real discovery. At this time I was attending secondary school and for some now unknown reason my interest in lilies was keen. I knew very little about lilies, and furthermore I knew no one who shared my interest. Names like Isabella Preston were strange to me, until I answered an advertisement offering a copy of Inglewood Lily Garden's latest price list.

You can imagine how surprised I was when it finally arrived. Here was listed nearly fifty different lilies, and at a time when most general nurseries were offering only a few imported Holland varieties. A full range of Preston hybrids including the stenographer series of GRACE MARSHALL, LYLA McCANN, BRENDA WATTS, LILLIAN CUMMINGS, MURIEL CONDIE, PHYLLIS COX, and airplane series of LYSANDER, MOSQUITO, SPITFIRE, HURRICANE, CORSAIR, and others like CORONATION developed by Miss Preston. A number of martagon x hansonii hybrids were listed such as SCEPTRE, SUTTON COURT, BROCADE and MRS. R. O. BACKHOUSE. And at a time when red lilies were unheard of, Prof. J. C. Taylor's CARDINAL was considered a real "red" discovery and offered by Mr. Clement for \$3.00. Pocket money in high school had to go a long way, but every summer I put a little money aside to buy a few bulbs that fall from Inglewood Lily Gardens, and in late Sept. added the few new additions to an ever expanding lily interest. Each bulb would be sent wrapped in a brown paper bag with a pinch of sand in the bottom of the bag, the name written clearly on the outside of the bag. Even to-day, our gardens contain some of the lilies purchased from Mr. Clement in 1948 and 1949 - EDNA KEAN, DALHANSONII and BRENDA WATTS to name but three.

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E. O. CLEMENT - Continued

Lilies were only a hobby with E. O. Clement. He had worked full-time as a store manager until 1946. Blindness which began in 1940 and gradually increased until he was totally blind made his winters hard to bare, but his garden sustained him during his summers of blindness. He was unable to read Braille very well because his fingers were calloused from outdoor work, and yet the late John Hall once told of a visit to see Mr. Clement, where he found him on his knees in the garden, weeding lilies, and distinguishing the differences by feeling the leaves of the various plants, for by then he was almost totally blind.

But E. O. Clement's interest in lilies was not just in selling them. His interests extended into hybridizing, and Prof. J.C. Taylor recalls his correspondence dealing with raising lilies from seed, and exchanges as to whether or not lily seed was influenced by light. In 1946 three named clones of L. sulphurgale and L. imperiale parentage were introduced and while PRINCESS CHRISTINE, PRINCESS HELEN, and PRINCESS JULIA have generally been considered to be named after the Dutch princesses who lived in Canada during the second world war, this is not the case. They are in fact named after his wife Helen, and daughters Julia and Christine.

For a number of years Mr. Clement wrote articles on lily culture in the Canadian Horticulture and Home magazine, under different titles. "Talks to Lily Growers" and "Lily Lore" are but two of these.

His death in 1953 took from the lily world another dedicated lily enthusiast, another in the line of lily personalities which has made Canada renowned in the early development of hardy garden lilies as we know them to-day.

T. Ross Martin
Binbrook, Ontario

RESULTS OF POPULARITY POLL - O. R. L. S. SHOW 1969

More than 80 people filled out completed tabulation sheets at our regional lily show this year, listing the lilies they found the most attractive and interesting among the exhibits. Unlike the tabulation taken two years ago which tended to indicate very definite preferences to certain varieties, this year's count shows at least 53 different lily sorts made the list. First, with 17 votes was CONNECTICUT YANKEE, Second was LIMELIGHT with 11 votes, Third was INSPIRATION with 10 votes. Three lilies received eight votes each - TESTACEUM, TIFFIN #1 SEEDLING, and Frank Howarth's REGINA X LIMELIGHT seedling. Tied with seven votes each - SNOW BUNTING and BLACK MAGIC STRAIN. The Hort. Research Institute of Ontario entry of Seedling No. 561922 received six votes, while their entry of Seedling No. 64061 and Emerson Hickling's giant out-facing yellow bowl each received 5.

Numerous lilies received four votes - MUSKOKA, PAISLEY STRAIN, NUTMEGGER, DAMSON, ORANGE LIGHT, DISCOVERY.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF SHOW

Gordon Utting, Treas.

Show receipts:	Memberships paid	21.00	
	Attendance paid	128.00	
	Sale of books	8.25	
	Exchange on U.S. \$.64	157.89
Expenditures:	Auditorium rental	35.00	
	Staging props.	7.62	
	Decorative judging		
	& supplies, award	24.91	67.53
			\$90.36

ANNUAL SHOW AND CONVENTION -- NORTH AMERICAN LILY SOCIETY -- John Abbott

The North American Lily Society held its twenty-second annual meeting and show in Cleveland, Ohio on July 11-13, 1969. The lilies at the show, in spite of what was called "the worst storm in the history of northern Ohio" on the preceding weekend, were numerous and of good quality. The Ohio people did a remarkable job and were aided in no small measure by many lilies which were transported from near and far, including many fine spikes brought or sent by members of the Ontario Regional group.

The commercial displays were the best many old-timers could remember them ever being. The fine lilies of Stone and Payne, The Oregon Bulb Farm and Leslie Woodriff were shown to their best advantage by the beautiful new building of the Greater Cleveland Garden Center, which was the site of the show.

The meeting, beside the show, featured two interesting tours. The first all-day affair, with a nice lunch, included visits to private estates and lily gardens as well as to the Cleveland City Greenhouses and Cleveland's Cultural Gardens, which are sponsored by eighteen nationality groups and dedicated to the cultures represented by them. This tour ended with a reception for all members at "Peaceful Haven", the home of Robert Mooney, the out-going president of the N.A.L.S., and a member of our regional.

Kingwood Center, the privately endowed park-like botanical garden in Mansfield, Ohio, was the site of the second all-day tour. Dr. Ray Allen, director at Kingwood and no stranger to people who attend NALS meetings, or who are active in the Rose, Iris, Daylily or Peony Societies, was host to the touring members. After a luncheon and film depicting the activities at Kingwood, the members were at liberty to tour the grounds and greenhouses where many garden plants are grown to perfection. An eight feet high clump of L. canadense thrilled everyone.

The Isabella Preston Trophy for "Best in Show" was won by David Lewis, Mansfield, Ohio for a magnificent unnamed yellow trumpet. Awards won by members of the Ontario Regional group included:

- The George E. Holland Award (best hybrid originated and named by a Canadian) - won by T. Ross Martin, Binbrook, Ontario for "PASTEL JASPER", an origination of Ed Robinson, Wawanesa, Manitoba.
- The Wisconsin-Illinois Lily Society Cup (best nodding reflexed lily) won by Fred H. Hayes, Burlington, Ontario for his stem of BROCADE.
- The Massachusetts Horticultural Society Silver Medal (Best stem of a registered Asiatic Hybrid) - won by T. Ross Martin, Binbrook, for ELMIRA, a new yellow introduction from Percy Byam, introduced by the Royal Botanical Gardens, Hamilton, Ont.
- T. Ross Martin took five first place ribbons and one second.
- Fred H. Hayes had four first place ribbons.
- Emerson Hickling, Eden, New York, had one first and one third place award.
- Dr. Ray Crawford, Hamburg, New York, took one second place ribbon.

O.R.L.S. representation on the International Society will be well cared for since many of our members are active in the N.A.L.S. Fred H. Hayes was elected Canadian Vice President, John Abbott of Hilton, N. Y. was elected secretary, and Wallace Windus the new president of the N.A.L.S. is one of our more distant members and a past contributor to the Newsletter.

John Abbott
Hilton, N. Y.

TWENTY THIRD ANNUAL LILY SHOW AND CONVENTION OF THE NORTH AMERICAN LILY SOCIETY - HAMILTON, Ontario, July 10, 11, 12, 1970

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ROYAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY PUBLICATIONS

The new edition of the International Lily Register is ready for mailing. Cost is approximate, but \$3.50 should cover. Orders for this publication and the new 1970 Lily Yearbook can be sent to Fred M. Abbey, North Ferrisburg, Vermont, who will forward orders to be sent directly from the R. H. S., London England. You will be billed.

The new 1970 yearbook is not as yet ready, but orders will be accepted. Due to the larger size of the book this year, it will probably be in excess of the \$4.50 charged last year.

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