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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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- MARCH 9 thru MARCH 14th (Tuesday Sunday) The Ontario Regional Lily Society participates in the Garden Show of the Toronto Garden Club at the Automotive Building of the Canadian National Exhibition. (Further details inside)
- APRIL 25th (Sunday) The Annual Meeting of the Ontaric Regional Lily Society at the Headquarters of the Royal Botanical Gardens, Burlington. 2 P.M. Business, election of officers, speaker, lily chatter and refreshments.
- JULY 17 18th (Saturday & Sunday) The Annual Lily Show of the Ontario Regional Lily Society, Royal Botanical Gardens, Burlington/Hacilton,
- JULY 9 11th (Friday thru Sunday) The 29th Annual Lily Show of the North American Lily Society, Ben. Franklin Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa., U. S. A.
- JULY 24 (Saturday) The tentative date for the Ontario Regional Lily Society picnic and mini-show.
- OCTOBER 16th (Saturday) The annual bulb auction of the Ontario Regional Lily Society, Headquarters Building, Royal Botanical Gardens, Burlington, 2 P.M.

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EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

After scanning page one of your Newsletter, I am sure you will agree that 1976 looks like a very busy year for lily fanciers. Although plans have not been completely resolved for all our year's events, the first activity - our participation in the March Garden Show sponsored by the Toronto Garden Club is well in hand. We appreciate the opportunity to share in this large exhibition. From Tuesday evening, March 9th through Sunday, March 14th, the Automotive Building on the Canadian Exhibition Grounds will become a preview of spring and summer 1976 a breath of relief from the cold winter which has swept down upon us this year in Ontario ob redired . noilidedxa 1

Our exhibit will be of an educational nature, demonstrating various means of propagating lilies - by bulb, scales and seed. We will be selling memberships to the society, dishurse cultural information, and offer free packets of lily seed while the supply lasts. If you have any extra lily seed please send it to me in advance of the show dates for packaging - quick germination types only, please.

While a committed skeleton staffing of the exhibit is virtually complete, we would ask members who plan to attend, to spare an hour or two to relieve the staff on duty. Some are slated to spend the whole day on duty and an hour off would be greatly appreciated I know out to muctus the state of the work, Hendquarters Building, Royal Botanical Gardons I have greatly appreciated I know out to make a state of the st

Our booth will be located in the South-West section of the Automotive Building; our neighbours are the geranium and bonsai societies. Even if you can't offer a helping hand, do stop by and say "hello",

The hours of the Toronto Spring Flower Show are:

Tuesday, March 9th - evening only to 10:30 P.M. Wednesday, March 10th - 10 A.M. to 10:30 P.M. Thursday, March 11th - 10 A.M. to 10:30 P.M. Friday, March 12th - 10 A.M. to 10:30 P.M. Saturday, March 13th - 10 A.M. to 10:30 P.M. Sunday, March 14th - 1:30 P.M. to 5:30 P.M.

Directors Sample copies of our Newsletter will be distributed at the Flower Show, and we sincerely hope that new readers will be encouraged to grow lilies through our contact. Articles have been selected for this issue to assist new lily enthusiasts. St. Catharines, Ontario Mrs. Boryl Gregory, Dundas. Ontario

Our special thanks to contributors who so kindly submitted naterial for this issue.

Now is the time to plant your lily seed. An early start in January or February will assure you of hetter-sized bulbs for transplanting to the garden come fall. Often asiatic seed planted this time of year will flower the second season. tter: T. Rose Martin, Box 81, Binbrook, Ontario

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A gentle reminder to anyone contemplating a visit to Philadelphia to take in the North American Lily Society's annual show and convention. Being Bicentennial Year in the U.S.A. reservations at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel must be made early. Philadelphia is one of the key American cities in the celebrations and visitor accommodations will be atta premium . eand a nostow 2 mostow fadow eath :of . yterook

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The growing of lilies in the garden has undergone a radical change during the past two decades. Formerly, lilies were something of a rarity — with the possible exception of the Tiger Lily (L. tigrinum) and a group of up-facing lilies known as the Hollandicums. Of course, there was always the Madonna Lily (L. candidum) which has been grown in gardens throughout the world for many centuries. But even this species, in most cases, did not persist for long, refusing to live for more than a year or so and became lost.

To-day, however, a complete about-face has taken place. Lilies have gained wide acceptance by amateur gardeners. In fact, it can truthfully be said that lilies are the "focal point" in gardens wherever they are grown. Some believe that lilies have become a "status" plant, the growing of which gives any garden a distinctive and impressive look. Be that as it may, lilies growing in any garden undoubtedly impress any visitor. The reason for this is mainly due to the untiring efforts of plant breeders, and lily breeders in particular. During the past twenty or so years they have created a dazzling array of new varieties, easy to grow, and in a multitude of colours that were formerly believed impossible to obtain; to name a few ... dark red, red, scarlet or orange-red, orange, yellow, white, cream, lilac and pink; in addition there are many in-between colours and exquisite pastels. The colours I have mentioned are to be found in the group known as the asiatics, which is the most widely-grown group to be found in most parts of the world -- and an excellent subject for the beginner. The asiatics are easy to grow. If you can grow good perennials or maintain a good vegetable garden you can most certainly grow good lilies of the asiatic, trumpet or aurelian types. A year or so growing the asiatics will well fit you for growing specimens of the other groups.

When grown in conjunction with perennials or in the shrub border, lilies are most effective in clumps of up to a dozen bulbs. In a group of, say, ten bulbs one can grow two varieties, an early flowering variety and one that flowers three or four weeks later; they can be of the same colour or two colours. By so doing, you can spread out the flowering season and also enjoy a wider selection of colours at any particular spot in the garden. And because the two varieties flower at different times you will have no clashing of colours.

They can also be planted in a bed devoted exclusively to lilies. The bed can be as large or as small as you wish, depending on the number of lilies you intend to grow and the space available to grow them. The effort spent to create a near ideal environment is amply rewarding and certainly not difficult. Location is most important in order to get the full enjoyment from your investment. Preferably it should be in full view from the windows of the house so that maximum enjoyment can be obtained. Furthermore when planting in groups in the borders make sure as many as possible can be clearly seen from the house. One fact, however, must be borne in mind when planning your plantings: lilies must have at least four or five hours of sunshine each day in order to do well. Another thing to remember is that lilies are subject to what is known as phototropism — they grow towards the light. When planting lily bulbs close to the base of the house or in some spot where they receive shade, the stems will arch over toward the light, and this must be taken into account at planting time.

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Lilies will grow in almost any well-drained soil. This is possibly the most important fact to bear in mind when choosing positions for your lilies. Furthermore, in order to grow lilies to perfection — something which we all aspire to — they must have a good root system. This is most important because good top growth, and particularly a good head of flowers, cannot possibly be obtained unless the plant has a good root system to provide the plant with the necessary water and plant nutrients. Roots, in order to grow to a maximum size, require a soil medium which will allow them to grow easily. This medium must also contain sufficient moisture for plant growth as well as ample nutrients. The nutritional requirements of lilies can be supplied as fertilizers, well-rotted barnyard manure (two-year old preferred), well-rotted leaves or compost. Peat moss is ideal for giving the soil a good moisture retention capacity although in itself provides no nutrients. Coarse sand or fine gravel to which some peat moss has been added will provide the grower with a good soil medium. Only the soil's fortility remains to be dealt with and this can be taken care of by the judicious use of fortilizers.

How much fertilizer must one use? The age old custom of one handful per square yard is a good one, although I like to make this amount available in two applications — one when the growth is eight to ten inches and another in late fall. This latter application freezes into the ground and is available to the roots immediately soil conditions are right, which can be as much as three weeks before the first growth appears above ground. I have used this procedure for about ten years now, and have found it to be very satisfactory.

The depth at which bulbs should be planted is also important. It is generally conceded that four inches from the top of the bulb to sail level is required and because lilies possess contractile roots they are capable of pulling the bulb down further should this be necessary. This adjustment can vary with different soils and depends on soil texture and aeration. However, some species require different levels: the Madonna Lily, for example, should only be planted at one inch below ground level, while such species as L. polyphyllum and L. wardii should be planted at depths much greater than four inches. But the growing of the latter two should not be attempted by the beginner.

Lime is tolerated by most lilies in the asiatic group but the orientals require a more acid soil. However, in such cases peat moss added in plenty is the logical answer. As a matter of fact, the orientals should be grown separately from the other lilies as they also require more moisture and more shade. They also make excellent pot plants. Some growers prefer to pot oriental bulbs in the fall and plant them outside when good weather can be counted on. They can be over-wintered in the basement or other such frost-proof place. The martagons, aurelians and trumpet lilies will withstand southern Ontario winters and can be left outside; however, some of them are subject to damage by late spring frost, when protection should be given them, otherwise the flowering buds could be killed.

To those gardeners who have some doubt about their soil drainage the following is a useful tip: Fork the soil and incorporate some coarse sand and peat moss with it; then plant the bulbs about one inch deep (from the top of the bulb to soil level), then prepare a soil mixture consisting of two parts good loam, one part peat moss, and one-half part sand. Mix thoroughly and place this mixture over the bulbs to a depth of about three inches. This will bring the overall depth of the soil to four inches. A little bone meal and fertilizer can also be mixed into this soil. This method not only ensures better than average drainage but also ensures that the feeder roots, which are situated at the base of the growing stem, have access to a rich supply of nutrients. Furthermore, if exhibition flowers are desired this soil mixture can be removed each fall and replaced with a new supply. Try it sometime!

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Lily beds can easily be raised, thereby ensuring better drainage, simply by making the surrounding pathway deeper and placing the soil from the paths on top of the bed, which can then be enriched in the usual way.

Lilies are never totally dormant and when purchased invariably come packed in peat moss in plastic bags. Plant directly from the bag so there is no chance of drying out. Planting distances vary with the variety as well as its height, and judgement should be used. However, nine to twelve inches apart should be satisfactery until a better knowledge of the variety is acquired. These distances allow for the free movement of air around the plants, which aids in the prevention of diseases.

As for the type of flowering, lilies can be conveniently grouped into three classes: (1) up-facing, (2) outfacing, and (3) those with downfacing or pendant flowers. Take this into consideration when planting.

After freeze-up all newly planted bulbs are better for a mulch; frost can heave bulbs which don't have strong root systems and hence are not properly anchored. I have found that where mulching has to be done it is as well to lay a few twigs on the ground over the bulbs then place the mulch of hay, straw, etc. over them. This prevents packing of the mulch and the air below the twigs also acts as a form of insulation.

Watering is seldom required for a well-drained, well prepared lily bed except during long periods of drought or when the bulbs are in the vicinity of large trees which rob the soil of much of its moisture.

Sconer or later the venturous beginner will want to try his hand at propagation, and actually this is a relatively simple matter to undertake. Lily bulbs. particularly those of the asiatic type, increase at regular intervals by bulb division, many doubling in number with the passing of every year. After three or four years the stock can be dug up and replanted. Another way is to carefully remove the soil around the lily stems in early September and most likely you will find a few small bulblets attached to the stems. These can be removed and planted hy themselves some two inches deep. In due course these will provide you with a new and healthy stock of bulbs. Lilies can also be propagated readily from scales which are removed from the bulbs in late fall, cleansed of all soil particles, treated with a fungicide such as Captan and planted in a box containing a suitable rooting material. Chopped sphagnum moss is excellent for this purpose, as is peat moss, perlite or verniculum -- or for that matter a mixture of these materials. For my personal use, I use a 50-50 mixture of peat moss and Perlite and consistently have good results. Some lily types produce bulbils in the leaf axils; these too can be removed and grown to flowering size. I usually plant these about two inches deep in pots filled with a good soil mixture and give them some protection during the first winter, to reference a obliver seconity of

Before I conclude let me say that lilies are quite easy to grow providing you comply with a few basic rules, such as those I have already outlined. They are no more difficult to grow than the average perennial and as I have previously said, they will undoubtedly add distinction to your garden.

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HARMONY AND CONTRAST IN THE LILY GARDEN

(An O.R.L.S. Member)

The enthusiastic amateur will always find it difficult to discontinue a lily which has flourished in his care, yet it is natural to outgrow some early plans for your garden. A more disciplined approach must be developed as it becomes imperative to discard in order to have the space for an alluring newcomer, surely an anticipated luxury occasionally. Make it an opportunity to further improve your colour and textural picture.

Most lilies are easy to grow given a mellow soil in a well drained location. It happens rarely, but if a lily is not thriving, investigate to find the cause. Suppliers are quick to eliminate a variety which does not come up to their standards of performance and this is a strong point in favour of buying most of your selections from a reliable grower.

Settle any doubts as to a drainage problem. Improve your soil texture. Review your fertilizing and spraying, watering, cultivating and mulching procedures. You might try a location with a little more shade and shelter, or perhaps more sunlight. Recall that lilies as a whole prefer a neutral or slightly acid soil, although a few tolerate lime and may not do as well in the lily hed. Isolate a lily if it doesn't appear "happy", but do not discard your ailing plant until you have learned to grow it to your satisfaction. Your whole collection stands to benefit from your experience.

Since flowering times vary so widely in different regions, commercial catalogues only list general blossoming periods. Bulbs of the same variety in different locations in your own garden may bloom as much as a week apart. Therefor times given in this article apply to one garden, but may be helpful to you.

Refuse to admit disappointment because the colour of a lily appears to be out of harmony where it is blooming. All that may be needed is a less abrupt change from one colour to another. Move the offender a little further away in the fall, and choose for company a flower which displays some of both colour hues. It is amazing what harmony with practice can create. Make any major changes only after careful observation for the whole flowering season. If you grow Sonata you know how alarmingly orange it is on opening on a sunny norning amid a group of dainty pinks, yet it develops a pink tint itself before long. It is among the tallest in the garden and harmonizes heights and textural effects, pinks, pale apricots and oranges. Do not try for too definite colour rules. Nature intervenes. Colour tends to be more vivid some seasons — more cloudy weather helps to prolong some of the deeper tones in both shades and tints. Be casual and observant, but do change the position of any lily which displays persistent incompatibility. It is well worth the effort.

If you have enjoyed growing Enchantment for years, do not try to relegate it to the background in your new arrangement. It has good form, is profuse, very long lasting and fades very little. It is prolific and must be kept under restraint by periodic clump separation. The brilliant orange colour cannot be subdued, so grow it with as much flair as your space permits. The white and buff tints of Polar Bear, Prairie Sands and White Princess provide a succession of blending tints since Enchantment is in blossom with them all (early July). The style, height, and vivid colouring is most effective with the stately white trumpets. Neon-clear light salmon Chinook, progressively deeper Pink Champagne and bright Challenger all have some of the same colour, but Enchantment itself needs no emphasis.

Marlin is eye-catching in any picture, but particularly if you are featuring pinks and peaches in the same flowering period as Enchantment. Marlin opens a week later, a brilliant peach, rose and orange blend which intensifies the impact. Rose stripes on the exterior of the petals and rose buds add considerably to the pink overall, especially in sunshine. It makes an ideal transition from Enchantment, (Continued)

judiciously placed pinks, pale apricots and peaches, to the odd venturesome very dark reds such as Red Knight, Burgundy or Mildred in the background. This is what is meant by harmony and accent in the lily garden. The same theory can be applied in any colour range.

Red: Red may be your favourite colour. The various shades do not blend as well as the many tints in yellow. For example - carmine has little affinity for orange-scarlet. Not only would an all red garden be monotonous, but several of the shades do not carry well in the landscape. Plant the area to whites and pale pastels. Intersperse with clumps of your favourite reds, but only as accents, and you will find that the colour carries surprisingly.

Chanticleer - a lovely up-facing red with yellow flash in petals, early July, good with old-rose lilac blend Discovery, and a clump of creamy-white Polar Bear. It lasts up to two weeks. Mildred is about two weeks later, an outfacing dark mahogany red. Burgundy is a strain of dark glistening garnet. The petals reflex into tiny halls and it is surprisingly lovely with all pastels. It can last over two weeks. Bold Knight and Red Knight are two reds flowering in mid July. The former is more scarlet in tone and therefore the colour carries better. The latter, more ruby than garnet, has a light line on the reverse of the petals. Mid to late July brings Redstart, a very dark red which hears bulbils for easy increase, and Red Velvet, a new tall pendant dark red. In August, Jamhoree, one of the oriental hybrids, has bright crimson flowers with white edging. It is one of the easiest orientals to grow. Red as a colour is beautiful but presents a challenge to place. It should be used strategically.

Pink, Apricot and Salmon: A fascinating choice of colours. In the asiatic group Rosabelle, salmon with pink overtones, is a gay herald of the shade. Sonata's charms have been recorded previously. Both flower in early July. Laura Patterson is a more recent pink and rose out-facing flower. Its dozen florets, rose in bud, are less pendant than Sonata. Challenger is good if you are specializing in these hues, a soft salmon red, a little difficult to blend. The shapely, tapered petals reflex amough to be showy. The elongated black spots are surrounded by white halos. In sunlight there is enough rose in the colour to be absolutely lovely with the pink pastels and pale yellows, but not with fuschia tones. Its upfacing flowers accent Chinook - a clear apricot salmon with well-shaped long pedicels, excellent for cutting. It too is upfacing but the petal tips reflex to show the colour. It is profuse, a delight for garden and arrangements. Northern Lights is varicoloured, a striking beauty. The long narrow peach petals with darker mid- rib, brighter edges, and rose flush on the interior of the petals presents an exquisite flower. It is a robust grower but the flowers of a single bulb last little over a week. It could be worth the space in your garden for its exceptional appeal.

Among the trumpet and aurelian lilies Pink Frills is unquestionably a jewel among the pink lilies. It is an open bowl trumpet of medium size, long lasting and flowers in mid-July. The colour deepens slightly with age, increasing in heauty. True to name, the petal edges are daintily frilled which give it a delicate appearance. Within the oriental grouping there are many new lilies which show pink tones. Pink Glory and Magic Pink are strains which have selections carrying faint blush pinks, deep pinks, and bright rose blossoms. They are spectacular nonetheless in a proper setting, but one of the hazards of ordering strains. Imperial Pink can be just as surprising, although it is listed as a white flushed pink. Most have distinct rose markings on the edge of the pink, and gold throat. The spots do not continue to the tips. It is a very large reliable grower, opening in late July and lasts well into mid August — in sultry heat and summer storm. Pink Gold is a new and highly recommended oriental with a gold and pink flush throughout. The tall classic form of this lily, and outfacing florets make it outstanding.

There are lovender pinks, and pale apricots which attain a pink cast, and those which do not - all heautiful. A garden containing only the most spectacular lilies is undoubtedly a show place, but not necessarily the most satisfying aesthetically.

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Choose a limited number of outstanding specimens and accompany them with less conspicuous supporting bloom. Otherwise, saturation, even in beauty, can dim the appeal.

Yellow: You have learned from experience that light and creamy yellows, more lemon than gold, produce a gay and festive air with any choice. The colour carries well in the landscape, even at dusk. Consider the species anabile luteum and Lemon Queen - two late June flowering yellows. Melody, flowering the first week of July, is a clear yellow, healthy, profuse, not a new variety but a pleasing addition. Panamint a croamy lighter yellow, and Hornback's Gold, deep lemon and spotted, are tall mid-July lilies. The outfacing Prosperity is a conservative standy, but does not last much over a week, a thought if your space is really at a premium. Connecticut Dream is a mild yellow up-facing flower which forms a carpet of colour, unspotted and lovely. The tall Algona carries a classic head of yellow bloom, with up to thirty flowers lasting well over two weeks. The last of the yellow asiatics is Nutmegger. It too flowers over a long span from late July into August.

Golden yellow lilies do not harmonize as readily with different shades as do the creamy and lemen yellows. However gold is a distinct addition when either featured or used discreetly. Muskoka has wide, modest, upfacing gold petals shaded rose. It lasts two weeks. Kenora is a medium gold, but the rosy bronze rib deepens the effect. The long huds are delightfully two toned, deeper at the hase. It has an airy style.

Within the trumpet and aurelian groupings there are a number of good yellow lilies. Sun Temple and Golden Splendor are two impressive varieties both flowering in mid July; their rich lemon to golden yellow trumpet shaped flowers dominate their setting. Oneida is a shorter, more compact gold, usually flowering the third week of July. More howl-shaped than trumpet is Sundance, a late lemon yellow variety. Regina has flaring delicate light yellow tints which can be grown with a variety of accents for different effects. Golden Sunburst is late with very long slender petals. Like many of the aurelians, it has secondary buds which prolong its flowering season. It is probably more suitable for the spacious garden.

Recently lily breeders have been working toward deep gold, apricot and orange coloured trumpet lilies. African Queen is the most readily available from commercial supoliers, and has light to deep apricot tones. Filtered sunlight helps retain the delicate shade in the garden. Tower hybrids are very tall, late apricot orange reflex flowers that provide an unfading accent among the whites and yellows. They give renewed vigor to the diminishing brilliance of the late lily garden in early August.

We may forget when planning that many lilies have a vivid throat in shades of yellow, gold apricot or orange. Surrounded by white or a pastel, as in many aurelians, the threat colour carries distinctly. Cayuga, although a creamy white, has a vivid

Fuschia: Fuschia and magenta are terms used beyond the lily world to describe identical shades of purple rose and purple red. In lilies, the descriptive term used is fuschia. Since any perple is a mixture of red and blue, plus white as in the case of lavender, there is a considerable variation in the shades and tints, none easy to picture from a written description. We are not familiar with the terms used commonly, nor are the terms standardized. Lilies in these tones are all the more intriguiing. Fuschia is the most difficult colour to place well.

Discovery is not a real fuschia but is a modest and inexpensive example of several tones, since it opens very dark and gently lightens, but preserves a true tint of the original colour. Lady Dawn, formerly known in the trade as Barber 23 is a deep fuschia. With its contrasting cream coloured throat, it is very showy in masses. Lavish Lady nocesantily the woot entisfying acathetically.

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has ten to twenty buds in good display, a brilliant "old rose" to some viewers, but listed as light lavender; a beautiful shade in any description. Royal Robes is a rich purple red, and flowers the second week of July, with tiny florets well arranged on a rigid stem. It is amazingly showy for its small size and dark colour. Fuschia tones in trumpet lilies can be found in Pink Perfection and Damson. Both tend to fade in full sun, and therefore appreciate filtered shade at least during the hottest part of the July days.

It is better to be firmly established before specializing in exotic shades, unless you are both very daring and harmony conscious. If they interest you, they should be kept vividly in mind as you develop your background. In any colour range, when you have decided on what major harmonies you wish to feature, ask your grower and not in his busy season. First, experiment with the less expensive and become knowledgeable. The initial choice is easy. It is the final touch in a colour group which eludes the less experienced.

White: Few white flowers have as much appeal and carrying power as white lilies. If you grow no others, a few groups of sparkling white lilies, carefully located, and flowering in succession, give a hint of coolness which is difficult to achieve in the mid-summer garden. White asiatic lilies have not been plentiful, but Polar Bear with its near-white upfacing spotted blooms is good. The taller, and purer white Sterling Star has longer, more pointed petals. It is sturdy rather than graceful; altogether a very impressive lily.

White trumpet lilies are incomparable. Do not choose all the largest sizes for the small garden. Polaris, a new white bowl-shaped trumpet has large flowers on a tall stem. Black Dragon and Camelot are strains which have exquisite rich colour markings on the reverse of the trumpet-shaped flowers. Among the aurelian flares is Bright Cloud which has only medium sized flowers, half pendant, with long pedicels. It opens with a light orange star in the threat, but it is still an arresting white in the landscape, when that touch of contrast fades. A pale green exterior rib enhances its carrying power. It is like a group of slender white butterflies arrested in flight. White Wings is a large and robust grower with an airy style. It is late, opening after the first Imperials. Its graceful buds on long pedicels are pendant, but the open flowers tend to become partly out-facing, a very effective lily in the landscape. It appears to be creamy if grown beside the brilliant white of speciesum white champion or Everest - two of the more reliable arientals which help extend the flowering season into late August and September.

Do not crowd your lily garden. It is good for neither their culture nor display. Try to allow space for continuing additions which will further highlight those you are already growing. Do not make the mistake of keeping masses of the heavy reproducers. If they are allowed to grow like weeds that is just the effect they will produce, no matter how beautiful individually. That is where the lily auction of our society serves you hest. Your acknowledged surplus becomes some fellow member's treasure, and to the benefit of the society. Lilies deserve an uncrowded and uncluttered environment. Choose carefully and content yourself with unhurried but ever-changing perfection. Keep intelligible garden notes - they make delightful reading in mid-winter. Recall helps to develop a keener consciousness of colour, form and effect.

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THE 1975 BULB AUCTION

If success is measures in dollars, then our October 11th bulb auction was indeed a success. More than that, however, is the fact that more different varieties of lilies were offered for sale than ever before. The practice of placing varieties in abundant supply on the bargain tables, along with standard varieties and unnamed material, was again followed. Receipts from the bargain tables totalled \$122.75

The generous donations of our members - for every bulb offered was donatedmeant that we were able to auction many lilies not readily available locally or in hulb lists. Some scarce items such as Greatheart, Testaceum, Thunderholt and Starlite were engerly sought by the bidders. The special draw on a huge bulb of June Fragrance realized \$12.50. While the auction prices realized were somewhat more than regular catalogue prices, hilders were appreciative of the fact they could appraise the quality of the stock and make their selections on-the-spot. Auction receipts totalled \$411.00

For those unable to attend, the following are some of the varieties with prices realized. of wifurers soulif edidw antibraca to scuors woth a sendto on wors now

Kenora: \$1.75 Hernback's Gold: (not recorded) Connecticut King: 34.00 Sutter's Gold: \$2.00 Connecticut Yankee: \$1.75 Pirate: \$2.75 Pastel Jasper: \$2.00 Mountaineer: \$2.50 Lady Dawn: \$3.75

Watermelon Sundae: \$5.00 Centennial P ink: 54.75

Chinook: \$3.00 Muskoka: \$3.00

Laura Patterson: \$2.50

Testaceum: \$6.00 Oneida: 2.50 Life: 2.25 Limelight: 32.25 Amethyst Temple: \$5.50

Helies: 32.00

Heart's Desire: \$2.00

Woodriff's Giant Flat Yellow: \$6.75

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