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NEWSLETTER - JUNE 1955

President's Message

Dear Wild Flower Friend:

It is with enthusiasm and anticipation that I begin this new year with you. The past year has proved to be a very thrilling experience to me. Enthusiasm, because you have been so responsive to my every suggestion for plans for our work together. Anticipation, because with such "Pardners" to work with I am sure our year will be one of achievement and "dreams come true." The Wild Flower Preservation Society does not belong to any group of officers and chairman. It belongs to YOU. It depends on each individual's earnest efforts for its growth and nourishment. May the gleam which is now shining on it continue to sparkle and grow brighter as the years go by.

Our many thanks to Mrs. Herbert P. Smith, Miss Rebecca Causey both of Liberty, N. C., and Miss Barbara Brooks of High Point, for the newsletter.

May I also wish for each of you a pleasant and restful summer. I shall be looking forward with a great deal of pleasure to seeing you at the fall meeting.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Paul R. Spencer

THE SPRING MEETING

(Reprinted from the High Point Enterprise)

A tour of colorful gardens in Chapel Hill was enjoyed by members of the North Carolina Wild Flower Preservation Society on Sunday, April 17.

The group met at the Planetarium in Chapel Hill at 10 A. M. where they were met by guides and officers of the society. The 80 members divided into four groups and visited the gardens of Miss Josie Pritchard, C. C. Lindley, Dr. and Mrs. H. R. Totten, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Warren, and Dr. and Mrs. G. D. Doak.

The Pritchard garden was reported to be at its peak, showing wild yellow azaleas, pink azaleas, wild candytuft, and blue phlox in profusion. The garden surrounded a bird haven with wild shrubs.

The C. C. Lindley gardens which is a rustic country woodland featuring natural beauty, has a pool with wild plants and flowers surround it. Two of the rare plants seen by the group were the

bi-color bordered bird foot violet and the red violet. Also seen were yellow lady slippers and yellow trilliums.

The Totten gardens which are located on a hillside features a natural pool surrounded by wild shrubs and ferns. All of the plants were labeled in the garden. The Tottens also have a formal garden which was visited by the group.

The hillside garden of the J. A. Warrens was toured next. This garden is a sunken garden located by a stream which separates two hill sides covered with wild flowers.

After the tour the group had a picnic lunch in the garden of the Warrens, after which the business meeting took place. Mrs. Paul Spencer of High Point, presided. Mrs. H. R. Totten read the constitution and by laws and talked about the object of the society. Dr. N. L. Bloomquist of Duke University was appointed plant consultant and Mrs. Walter B. Braxton, chairman of the nominating committee, presented the new slate of officers. Mrs. Paul Spencer will serve again as president, and Liomel Melvin of Pleasant Garden is vice president. Among other officers elected were Mrs. Ray Nance of High Point, treasurer and Mrs. J. N. Plaster, secretary.

Mrs. Herbert P. Smith of Liberty introduced F. H. Brandt of the North Carolina Highway Dept., who spoke on "Roadside Developments." He discussed erosion control and preservation of existing plant growth.

The meeting closed with the showing of slides by Mrs. Herbert Smith of wild flower gardens in Liberty.

Those attending were Blanche Watlington, Mrs. P. P. Turner, Mrs. Paul R. Spencer, Annie Wagoner, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert P. Smith, Bobby Smith, E. Muriel Coykendall, Alice Wicher, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Daniels, C. F. Allen, C. R. Lamb, Anna Curryman, Mrs. Worth Ivey, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Nance, Mrs. Violet Conner, Mrs. M. B. Koonce, Mrs. J. M. Jerrette, Worth Ivey, Mrs. A. E. Pleasants, Mary Mae Holmes, Virginia Price, Nellie J. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Melvin, Sandra and Dave, J. A. Warren, Bessie Pope, Emily Pollard, Cleta Rich, Barbara Brooks, Mary Ballard, May B. Hall, Miss Tommie Watlington, Mrs. Charles T. Allen, Mrs. R. N. Musgrave, Mrs. Lorene Walton, Dr. and Mrs. H. R. Totten, Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Smith, Dr. and Mrs. Paul Baum, Mr. and Mrs. I. J. LeClair, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Lindley, Clint Lindley, Charles Lindley, Robert Q. Sneed, Mrs. Jewel Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Doak, F. H. Brant, Dr. H. L. Bloomquist, Louise Hunter Miss Josephine Prichard, Mrs. H. L. Bloomquist, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Prall, Paul R. Spencer, Walter B. Braxton, Belva Calloway, Evelyn Gallant, W. H. English, Gertrude English, Mrs. F. H. McNutt, Mrs. W. B. Little, Margaret V. Wood, Viola A. Braxton, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Plaster, Mrs. J. A. Warren, Carl Pegg, A. E. Doak and others.

HELP WANTED:

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert P. Smith would like to know what's ailing their Carolina lilies. Just when the plants are ready to bloom the top leaves turn brown and die. If any member knows a cure for this condition the Smiths would be glad to hear from you about it.

Word has come to the editor of a double trillium which has been discovered by a wild flower lover in East Lansing, Michigan. Have any of you folks found double Trilliums in N. C.?