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President's Message



ROY C. STRINGFELLOW

At this writing, the show season is
drawing to a close in this part of the
Camellia world. California and the
North East will have shows through
March, but the flowers in the South
(greenhouses) are pretty well spent.
The outside flowers started to come
on strong but the early March freeze
took care of most of them. Hopefully,
mild weather will allow some good
blooms the latter part of March.

Mary and I attended 9 shows this
season, and I don't believe I have ever
seen such good QUALITY blooms.
In my November message I predicted
that the shows this season would be
beautiful and they certainly were.

Gibberellic Acid and greenhouses,
WHAT A WONDERFUL COMBI-
NATION! I know some of you outside
growers will frown on this statement,
but I just can't seem to grow them
well outside. When I do grow a de-
cent flower and the Shreveport
weather ruins it, I give up and run
to my greenhouse. Of course, even
with my greenhouse blooms I
wouldn't dare compete with the Cali-
fornia outside growers. Maybe they
would let my large to very large
blooms compete with their small and
mediums. I believe in fair play.

The Gainesville Fall meeting in
November and the Jackson Spring
meeting in January were two of the
finest Conventions I have ever at-
tended. Both were well organized.
The educational programs were out-
standing and the accommodations and
food were wonderful. A lot of work
went into the planning of these Con-
ventions and the Host Societies can
be justly proud.

I have just been informed that the
Jackson Camellia Society, after paying
all bills incurred, had enough money
left over to send the American Ca-
mellia Society Endowment Fund a
check for \$1,000.00. What a wonder-
ful gesture. It is certainly appreciated.

The above should dispell the rumor
that local Societies lose money when
hosting A.C.S. Conventions. I per-
sonally do not know of any Society
that has gone in the red.

By this time you should have re-
ceived a letter from Dan Nathan,
Chairman of the Fund Raising Com-
mittee, bringing you up to date on
the latest results of our Fund Raising
Campaign. Dan and his Committee
have done an outstanding job. He
reports that we are about half-way
home with \$250,000.00 of our \$500,-
000.00 goal. Dan explains in detail
what this Campaign means to you,
our Society, and the Camellia world
in general.

It is my earnest desire that each of
you will give thought to our aims to
make A.C.S. secure financially, and
give generously to this tax deductible
Campaign.

I am certainly optimistic as to the
future of this Society. In my closing
remarks at the Jackson Convention,
I charged the members with the
following:

"I believe we are making strides
to strengthen this Society. However,
at the moment we seem to be in a—
one step backward, two steps forward
direction. PLEASE!, LET US NOT
FALTER IN OUR GOALS."

Have a happy summer.

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The 1980-81 Artistic Arrangement Contest

Theme—Camellias-Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow

Since 1980 has been designated "The Year of The Camellia", our schedule is honoring some of the people of the past who are most responsible for its cultivation and those of the present and future who will continue the development of this beautiful flower.

ARTISTIC DIVISION

SECTION I—Tricolor Classes

The award winning arrangement must be a blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above.

All plant material must be fresh. One or more accessories are permitted. The Tricolor Award is represented by a rosette combining blue, red and yellow ribbons. This is to be provided by the local show.

There must be a minimum of three (3) classes with four (4) entries in each class.

Class 1—Honoring Kamel

A design in the oriental manner using camellias with or without other flowers.

George Joseph Kamel (1661-1706) was a Moravian, whose surname in Latin was *Camellus*. It is commonly accepted that Linnaeus, a Swedish botanist, named the camellia for him because he had contributed to the knowledge of plants of the Far East.

Class 2—Honoring Stevens

A design using red camellias for an informal room, reminiscent of Early America.

John Stevens is credited with having imported the first camellias into the United States. The single red from England was brought to New Jersey in 1797.

Class 3—Honoring Warren

A bold design symbolic of our west coast, an important camellia center since 1852.

The camellia pioneer of the West was James L. L. F. Warren who went from Boston to Sacramento in 1850, the year California became a state. He sent back to Boston for plants, including camellias and seed, which arrived in February 1852.

Suggested Scale of Points for Tricolor

Conformance	10
Design	30
Balance, proportion, scale, rhythm, dominance, contrast (5 each)	
Color harmony	20
Distinction	20
Expression	20
	100



Mrs. John C. (Gladys) Walker, Jr.
Chairman, Artistic Arrangement Contest

SECTION II—Tricolor Tables

The award winning exhibit must be a blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above.

The decorative unit must consist of all fresh plant material and include camellias with or without other flowers, fruits and/or vegetables. No flat silver permitted. This award is represented by a rosette combining blue, red and yellow ribbons to be provided by the local show.

There must be three (3) classes with four (4) entries in each class.

Class 1—Honoring Wilder

A Patio Brunch—A composition featuring camellias and fruit in a basket.

Exhibition table—not related to actual service of food. One (1) place setting.

Marshall P. Wilder was born in New Hampshire in 1798. Growing, introducing and exhibiting fruits and ornamental shrubs claimed his interest before he started his collection of camellias, which from seedlings in 1836, increased to more than 1,000 plants.

Class 2—Honoring Chandler

Informal Buffet—An arrangement of camellia 'Elegans' stressing simplicity. (Note: If 'Elegans' are not available, other camellias of rose pink anemone form may be substituted.)

Functional table—arranged for the service of food for five (5) or more.

Alfred Chandler was born in England in 1804. He originated the variety 'Elegans' from seed in 1830. After 150 years 'Elegans' is still one of the most popular varieties.

Class 3—Honoring Hume

Reception Table—A formal reception table celebrating the thirty-fifth anniversary of the American Camellia Society.

Exhibition table—not related to actual service of food.

Dr. H. Harold Hume of the University of Florida, a distinguished camellia authority, was elected President of The American Camellia Society when it was organized in Macon, Georgia in 1945. The first headquarters of the ACS was provided without charge by the University until 1960 when it was moved to the Coastal Plain Experiment Station in Tifton, Georgia.

Suggested Scale of Points for Table Classes

Exhibition Table	
Conformance	10
Design	30
Color and Textural Harmony	25
Distinction	15
Expression	20
	100

Functional Table	
Functionalism	15
Decorative Unit	20
Design	15
Color and Textural Harmony	20
Distinction	15
Expression	15
	100

SECTION III—Creativity Classes

The award winning arrangement must be a blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above.

Camellias must be used in all designs with fresh and/or dried plant material, with or without other components. A minimum amount of treated plant material may be used. The Creativity Award is represented by a rosette of purple ribbons to be furnished by the local show.

There must be a minimum of three (3) classes with at least four (4) entries in each class.

Class 1—Honoring Strother

A creative design using 'Ville de Nantes', Mr. Strother's favorite camellia, and pine—a happy combination—an expression of thanks for a magnificent gift. (Note: If 'Ville de Nantes' are not available, other dark red camellias blotched with white of semidouble form may be substituted.)

David C. Strother, developer of the famous Masee Lane Camellia Garden near Fort Valley, Georgia, donated his garden as the site of a permanent ACS Headquarters in 1966. He contributed generously

toward the building fund and bequeathed \$50,000.00 in his will. Today, it is a beautiful site of approximately 2,500 camellia plants nestled among towering pines.

Class 2—Honoring Camellia Growers of Today

A design using weathered wood and/or rocks with one or more camellias.

Class 3—Honoring Camellia Growers of the Future

A design with emphasis on created space and camellias.

Suggested Scale of Points for Creativity Awards

Conformance	10
Design	30
Balance, proportion, scale, rhythm, dominance, contrast (5 each)	
Color	10
Distinction	15
Creativity	20
Expression	15
	100

Mrs. John C. (Gladys) Walker, Jr., Marshallville, Georgia, Chairman of the 1980-81 Artistic Arrangement Contest for the American Camellia Society, is a Master Judge of National Council of State Garden Clubs.

She was Chairman of the ACS contest in 1976-77 and 1979-80.

Serving on the Committee with Mrs. Walker are Mrs. Ray D. (Jewel) Bunch of Macon, Georgia and Mrs. A. Lawton (Laurie) Pearson of Fort Valley, Georgia.

ARRANGEMENT CONTEST RULES

- Contest is open to exhibitors in Camellia Shows held in cooperation with ACS.
- The Standard System of awarding as required by National Council of State Garden Clubs shall be used—one blue, one red and one yellow ribbon may be given in each class. A white ribbon may be awarded for Honorable Mention. The Handbook for Flower Shows, 1977 Edition will be used as authority by judges and exhibitors. This is the official guide of National Council of State Garden Clubs.
- Only blue ribbon winners may be entered in ACS Contest.
- Class names must adhere to the schedule prepared for the ACS Contest 1980-1981.
- Photographs must be received by: Mrs. John C. Walker, Jr.
P. O. Box 99
Marshallville, Ga. 31057
by May 15, 1981 or be disqualified. All photographs become the property of ACS.
- Photographs must be 5" by 7" or 8" by 10" (black and white glossies). They shall be clear in design. No entries will be accepted that include entry

card, ribbons, trophies or other extraneous material. These must be removed from exhibit before the picture is taken. *Good photography is essential.*

- It is strongly suggested that a color slide be included for better judging and good evaluation of color. Slides will also become the property of ACS.
- Descriptive information must be typed and accompany the photograph. Do not write on the back of the photograph or attach material with clips or pins. The following descriptive material is required.

Section and Class name	
Design	
Container description	
Materials used—described color and names of plant materials, background and accessories (if used). Name and color of camellias if at all possible.	
- On a separate sheet include name of designer and Section and Class name. Name of Show and Name of club staging show and date of show.
- A schedule of the show must be included with each entry.
- Do not send questions or photographs to the ACS headquarters or ACS president. The chairman of the contest will answer any questions.
- The Standard System of Judging as required by National Council of State Garden Clubs shall be used and the decision of the judges is final.
- Exhibitors shall be limited to one entry in each class.
- Camellias must be featured. Other plant materials and accessories should be used only to carry out theme or contribute to the design of the arrangement.
- No artificial plant material will be allowed.
- Fresh plant material is not to be treated by spraying.
- Backgrounds should be plain for photography purposes.
- Photographs should be made as soon as possible after judging is completed.

THE FOLLOWING POLICIES ARE RECOMMENDED

- The local Camellia Show Artistic Arrangement chairman may prepare an entirely different schedule from the one prepared for the ACS Contest. However, if the local group wishes to compete in the ACS Contest their schedule must be selected from the ACS schedule and all rules of the contest must be adhered to.
- Local groups or clubs may add additional classes, including Invitational classes to the official schedule if they so desire.
- Contest entries will be selected only from the ACS arrangement schedule.
- The Arrangement Judges and the Con-

test Judges must be accredited by National Council of State Garden Clubs in order to uphold the Standard System of Judging.

- Lighting adds much to the mood and beauty of Artistic Arrangement and photographic clarity. Shadows, which compete with design of arrangement, can often be eliminated by proper lighting when photographing.
- Local chairman has full responsibility for acquiring ribbons of local Camellia Society as well as Tricolor and Creativity ribbons. ACS provides a certificate for the Most Outstanding Arrangement in the Contest.
- The local club is responsible for staging and for rules for exhibiting and judging to conform to those of the ACS contest.
- Exhibitors in the Artistic Division need not be members of a Camellia Society.
- Arrangements must be made by the exhibitor.
- The size of backgrounds and space available for each entry should be specified in the local schedule.

—ACS—

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Horticulturally Speaking

(Prepared by the Horticulture Committee)

The blooms of spring have brightened and beautified our homes and our gardens. They have been exhibited at Shows with triumphs and disappointments. The fallen blooms and petals have been picked up from the ground and the seed capsules are beginning to form. Camellia growers are now considering how best to care for their plants, knowing full well that on the attention and the T.L.C. the plants receive through the coming summer and fall will depend on the beauty and quality of future blooms and the health and vigor of their plants in the spring. The Horticulture Committee in making suggestions here for camellia culture for next summer and fall have emphasized what seem to be the most important aspects of culture for the next two seasons.

Moisture

In the judgment of the majority of the Committee, the moisture received by the plants is, as Dr. Herbert Racoff of Columbia, S. C. puts it, the number one requirement during the summer and fall. Judge Paul Harkey of Dallas, Caryll Pitkin of southern California, and Harold Rambath of Sacramento emphasize that in their hot summers the constantly present problems are not only to keep the roots well supplied by water but also to keep the foliage from burning and drying out, thereby preventing the inevitable bud drop and inferior blooms when there is a failure to provide the essential moisture. Caryll points out that in southern California the long hours of hot sun and the frequent periods of low humidity to require growers to water nearly every day, especially plants in containers. Even a day or two of neglect will result in damage. To Harold Rambath in Sacramento the 100° temperature in his northern California valley necessitates watering every two or three days a week and he says, "I mean deep watering. My mister is on as well several days a week. When it is windy as well as hot . . . some form of spray is a necessity."

When humidity is low, Dr. Racoff also believes spray is helpful, especially when done in the early morning or late afternoon. He recommends "Fogg It" nozzles which screw on garden hose and produce a fine dew. These are available in models giving 1, 2 and 4 gallons per minute spray.

With regard to container plants, James McCoy of Fayetteville, N. C., also finds that watering for containers the most important chore of summer care. He relies on rain for sufficient moisture for camellias in the ground. He believes, "A grower should have a pretty good idea of when to

water and will keep an eye on his plants and provide water, copiously, whenever he feels there is a need."

Soak hose laid beneath the mulch about each camellia and fed by an underground system of pipes has reduced considerably the labor of supplying water to the Chairman's plants to meet their needs in the Potomac Valley summers. Growers in the Northeast, where prolonged periods of cold weather may be expected, have an additional reason for heavy watering in the fall—to provide moisture in the plant against the time when the ground is deep frozen. This lesson was bitterly learned by Potomac Valley growers when prolonged deep freezes caught their camellias without adequate water in their systems after a dry fall.

For growers where the hot afternoon sun is the worst summer enemy of the camellia, more devastating than the high temperature or hot winds, in the opinion of Judge Harkey of Dallas, a shade cloth, particularly the 63% type, is the most effective means of protecting the plants, whether in containers or in the ground. In the absence of some such protection, damaging leaf burn can be expected.

In recommending that roots must be kept moist at all times, Dr. Racoff emphasizes that nutrients can only be taken up by the plants in liquid form. He suggests in company with other committee members that mulching will conserve moisture, keep the roots cooler and prevent weeds. Judge Harkey puts his faith in four inches of pine needles.

Two notes of caution must be sounded: Adequate watering does not mean excessive watering, with roots resting in water. Drainage must always be present. A happy medium exists in watering and camellia growers will do well to observe it. Watering of foliage is helpful, as already indicated, but it should take place when the direct sun is off the plants.

Pests

Camellia growers will wish to keep their eyes open for pests—leaf chewing and sucking insects, especially aphids. In general spraying with Malathion, Cygon, Orthene, Sevin, Isotox and the like, according to the instructions on the label, should provide control over these insects. Some insects feed by night and may be discovered only by night searching with a flash light. Light applications of Chlordane or Lindane should solve the problem of the nocturnal feeders. For spider mites showing up in August or September, appearing first as greyish discoloration on the top of the leaves, Kelthane should be sprayed, one tablespoon to a

gallon of water. It should be repeated if necessary.

Some growers are finding that systemic, such as Cygon, used as directed on the label, to be very successful in combatting insects and scale. Judge Harkey's preferred treatment for his camellias is a mixture of Cygon and Benemyl in the exact proportions as on the label. James McCoy reports that all of his reticulatas get an application of Benlate on a monthly basis all year long. It is mixed at the rate of 1 table spoon for 7 gallons of water and is applied at the same rate that liquid fertilizer is applied.

Scale

Scale is usually a late spring menace but the careful grower will want to check constantly his plants for its various forms. Spraying with Malathion should assist in controlling tea, wax scale and the crawlers of peony scale. For the last, a formidable enemy of camellias, an early spray with Cygon, a systemic, can be helpful. In the Potomac Valley, painting with a brush a one or two inch band of undiluted Cygon around the trunk and bases of large branches, has produced good results. If the scale infection is very heavy, a cloth may be soaked in Florida Volk or Oil-I-Cide, diluted 2 ounces to a gallon of water. The cloth should then be rubbed, preferably using rubber gloves, over the affected limbs and stems, avoiding getting oil on the flower buds.

Fertilizing

As often indicated in these columns, fertilizing of camellias is a subject with pros and cons. Dr. Racoff reminds us that more damage is done by overfeeding than underfeeding. "When in doubt", he says, "do not fertilize," an attitude supported by Judge Harkey when he states "When you love a plant it is too easy to kill it with excess affection."

Others maintain that a program of light feeding of an all-purpose fertilizer throughout the year is best, easing up only after August on the use of high nitrogen fertilizers and using 0-10-0 fertilizers in September and October. Caryll Pitkin, however, mentions a successful San Diego grower who believes that a small amount of nitrogen should be applied the year around, some nitrogen is always necessary to activate other elements and make them available for the roots.

Many camellia growers, including members of the Committee, are finding the slow-release fertilizer Osmocote to be of increasing usefulness. James McCoy puts his reaction thus, which should find a like-minded response from other growers: "I have discovered the lazy man's way to provide a constant source of nutrients during summer and fall months which will take no time from the swimming, fishing or boating . . .

The answer is the long lasting (nine months) Osmocote 18-6-12 fertilizer. I apply this . . . about March 1 so that the 9 months will run out about Dec. 1. I just throw a handful on top of the soil. Harold Rambath writes that he started using it years ago and has found it gives excellent results. He also provides a light feeding of fish or cotton seed meal in August and uses 0-10-10 monthly from October to December and then nothing until March.

Disbudding and Pruning

As frequently emphasized here, to disbud or not to disbud depends on the principal objective for which one grows camellias. If one wishes his blooms to appear triumphantly at shows, heavy disbudding will concentrate the plant's energies on a few buds in the expectation of superior blooms. It also enables the grower to govern the location and position of the bud so that the flower may open unhindered by twigs or leaves. Disbudding can be initiated as soon as the flower buds can be distinguished from the growth buds and then be continued through the coming months.

Disbudding can also be a form of pruning as twigs and branches are removed to provide better growing areas for selected buds. Light pruning can be continued throughout the period, as "Bill" Hyatt of Lake Charles, La., suggested although really heavy pruning might well await to the time when the plant is dormant.

Gibbing

In late summer when the flower buds are beginning to become round and plump, if you are a "gibber" with an eye for fall blooms as well as spring ones, as in the Potomac Valley and many other areas, gibbing can begin and continue until about six weeks before the first anticipated frost. Gibbing is also a form of disbudding as Harold Rambath suggests. If one selects buds to be gibbed, say up to 15% of the total, these will be eliminated from blooming in the spring.

The technique of disbudding has been described frequently here and need only be summarized. A drop of gibberellic acid having been found at plant supply houses in solutions of 10,000 to 25,000 parts per million, is inserted by means of an eye dropper or a surgical syringe in the little pocket left when the growth bud, adjacent to the flower bud, has been gently twisted out of its place. Nature does the rest. Only one drop is needed. Gibbing should give you two seasons of flowers, fall and spring, well worth the effort.

Propagation

Rooting of Cuttings

If you have the desire to increase the number of your favorite plants, either for your own garden or to give away, the most

successful rooting of cuttings can be done in July, August and September when the air temperature is below 85° and the soil temperature is in the neighborhood of 70°. The best cuttings are recently matured top cuttings with sturdy stems, several inches long. Any flower buds and all but two or three leaves at the top should be removed. Before planting, the cuttings should be soaked in a Captan solution (two tablespoons to a gallon of water) for 30 to 60 minutes. A sliver should be removed from each side of the cutting.

As a growing medium, your favorite planting mixture can be used. Some growers prefer mixtures with sand—half sand and half peat (Canadian) or half vermiculite. Others like half peat and half vermiculite or half perlite. Dr. Racoff says he likes to add a table spoon of Osmocote (18-6-12) to each gallon of rooting medium to supply nutrients up to nine months without burning.

Your rooting medium should be placed in a pot or in a well drained box, according to the number of cuttings to be rooted. The pot or the box should be well scrubbed and sterilized with a weak solution of Chlorox (one part Chlorox to 25 parts water). The cuttings, dusted with a hormone powder, should be inserted to about their stem length in holes previously punched in the well moistened planting mixture which should then be gently firmed around the newly planted cutting. The pot or box should be covered with glass or a piece of polyethylene across the top, as tightly sealed as possible, and then placed in a warm shady place. If additional moisture is necessary, the glass or polyethylene can be lifted and water added. The cuttings should root in two to four months.

Since cuttings root best at a soil temperature of about 70°, some growers like to use a soil heating cable with a thermostat to maintain the ideal rooting temperature.

Such a box can be constructed by the grower but for those who wish their rooting boxes to come ready made, commercial boxes are available with heating cable, thermostat and a clear plastic dome. One such box is known as Gro Quick-Gro Varium.

Grafting

Several committee members report getting good results with summer grafting. Harold Rambath writes that by July, the first spring growth has hardened off and, if one is lucky enough to know someone in Australia or New Zealand, one can get scions from there. He has expressed the opinion that his summer grafts really do better than the winter and spring ones.

It is also suggested by Dr. Racoff that July is not too late to regraft on the old stock if the spring grafts did not take. The new scion, preferably from wood that has not fully matured should be trimmed and

soaked for 30 minutes or more in the Captan solution used for cuttings. The old stock should be trimmed and the clef re-opened and the scion inserted, with the cambiums matching. Some of the Captan solution should be poured over the junction to reduce fungus infection. A hormone powder should also be dusted gently over the junction to speed the callus. If the growth of the graft after the callus has been formed seems slow, it can usually be speeded up by spraying with 1000 parts per million gibberellic acid solution. This is a 10,000 parts per million solution weakened by 9 parts water and a 25,000 per million solution weakened by adding 24 parts water.

Seeds

If you are in the mood to try for some seedlings, camellia seed should be planted as soon as possible after collecting the seeds. Cracking the seeds gently (try cracking them with the slow pressure of a vise), they should then be soaked for 12 to 24 hours in a weak gibberellic solution to speed germination and increase the percentage of germination. The writer has had up to 90% germination using this method.

Testing Your Soil for pH

This might be a good time to retest your soil for pH, suggests "Bill" Hyatt, and other committee members concur. pH, in case you have forgotten, is the scale of measurement devised by a Danish biochemist, S. P. L. Sorenson, to denote the degree of acidity and alkalinity of a substance. The scale runs from 0 to 14. pH 7 is neutral, below pH 7 is acid, above pH 7 is alkaline. Consensus of opinion presently is that pH 6.5 is ideal for camellias. If the pH is too high or too low, the requisite nutrients will not be available to the plants. pH 3 to 4 is believed to increase the chances of die-back. A soil, too acid, can be made more alkaline by applying dolomitic limestone (magnesium limestone), a handful for each foot of height scattered about the plant. If the pH is too high, that is, the soil is too alkaline, iron sulphate or copperas can be used, according to Dr. Racoff. A gallon of a solution (one tablespoon to a gallon of water) should be poured around a plant for each foot of height.

Get in touch with your County Agent for instructions on how to collect and transmit samples of soil for pH. Most states furnish this service without charge. Some states also test for nitrogen, phosphorous and potassium on request.

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'Nan Pickering', medium to large, very soft pink, formal double, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, mid-season	1613	Colin P. J. Pickering
'Mrs. Woodrow Hathorn', medium, oxblood red, semidouble to anemone to peony form, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, mid-season to late	1614	Jon Laird Carvain
'Karen Henson', small, vibrant rose, formal double, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, mid-season	1615	Tom Eagleson
'Gloria Nan', medium to large, clear pink, peony form, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, mid-season to late	1616	Paul Gilley

Name and Description	ACS Registry Number	Originator
'Donna Lyn', medium, bright red, peony form, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, mid-season to late	1617	Paul Gilley
'Tomorrow's Dawn's Bessie', very large, deep soft pink to light pink shading to white at edge, peony form to semidouble, <i>C. japonica</i> mutant of 'Tomorrow's Dawn', early to mid-season	1618	Bob Waters
'Laura Neill', very large, rose red to red, semidouble, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, early to mid-season	1619	D. V. Neill
'Dr. Zhivago', large, orchid with pink overtone, loose peony form, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling of 'William's Lavender', mid-season to late	1620	Thomas Sellers
'String of Pearls', medium to large, very light blush pink, formal double, <i>C. hybrid</i> ('Snowman' x 'Charlean'), mid-season	1621	Wilmer Stewart
'Rainsford Cantelou', very large, red variegated with white, loose peony form to anemone form, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling of 'Donckelarii', mid-season	1622	R. E. Dodd
'George Clegg', very large, rose pink, semidouble, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, early to mid-season	1623	George R. Clegg
'Laura E. Greggs', large, light pink striped, formal double, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, early to mid-season	1624	Paul Gilley
'True Echoes', large, rose red, peony form, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, early to mid-season	1625	Paul Gilley
'Nola Firth', large, pure white, formal double, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, early to mid-season	1626	Paul Gilley
'Christine G.', large, medium rose red, peony form, <i>C. japonica</i> chance seedling, early to mid-season	1627	Paul Gilley
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'Roberts Jewel', large, rose-colored, semidouble, <i>C. reticulata</i> hybrid ('Crimson Robe' x ['Arch of Triumph' x No. 5]), mid-season	1599	Frank Pursel

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Convention Camellia—Part II

SARA B. CLARK

It will be like Christmas in November when you come to Charleston for the convention in November. My owner likes to call Charleston, "Toyland," and in some ways, it is a toyland. Looking across the Ashley River from James Island, there's a scene of the Battery that's a picture from one of Hans Christian Andersen's fairy tales. Neat houses all standing in a line along Murray Boulevard and coming to an end with the large white stucco building that is the Fort Sumter House on the point. Numerous church spires point skyward and brown pelicans soar gracefully over the river like paper kites.

To truly gain the most from the beauty of Charleston, you must either walk around the area, or ride on one of the Tour vehicles: that is, in the historical section, on the Battery, the seven miles of scenic history on the lower peninsula. For now, walk with us (I'm represented with a bud in my owner's lapel) on an imaginary tour of the scenic peninsula.

Starting at White Point Garden we climb the steps to the High Battery and gaze at the wide expanse of water where the Cooper and Ashley Rivers flow together. We can see the battleship, *The Fighting Lady*, anchored at Patriot's Point Park across the water. We drink in the beauty of the scene before we turn back to White Point Garden and its live oak trees and monuments. After strolling around the park, we start down Meeting Street, past old houses, a few that are two hundred and fifty to three hundred years old. They have been restored and are kept up so well that you'd think they were built last year. Each house has a secret garden. Most of the houses' gardens are in the formal style, and they're "secret" because they are to the side and back of the houses. So, we only get peeks at the gardens as we walk along.

The "peeks" we get are thrilling, though, because the gardens have camellias, roses, azaleas, boxwood, magnolias, ginkgos, and occasionally, bananas, hibiscus, and bougainvillea.

We amble on down Meeting Street until we come to the Four Corners of Law at Meeting and Broad Streets. On one corner is Saint Michael's Church, across the street is the Federal Building, across on the corner is the County Court House, and across from it is City Hall. Thus, the "four" laws. There, on Meeting Street, beside the Federal Building, on both sides of the street, sit the "flower ladies" weaving Lowcountry baskets as they wait for customers to purchase flowers from them. It is the most painted and photographed scene in all the Lowcountry—so colorful, tranquil, and beautiful.

We can go any direction to adventure from the corner of Meeting and Broad, but we decide to meander on down Meeting Street, past the Hibernian Hall, the Mills House Hotel, Gibbes' Art Gallery, and the Circular Church among other buildings until we reach Market Street.

Market Street with all the shops and toyland delights for children of all ages! It's a circus, a play pen, a bazaar, a fleamarket, and a delightful escape from reality all rolled into one area. You'll have to see and smell and taste and feel it to believe it!

My representative bud on my owner's lapel will probably be wilted a bit by now; and you'll probably be hungry and thirsty, so we'll drift into the open cavity of the Gourmetisserie with all its mini-restaurants and choose whatever kind of food we want: Lowcountry food, Greek food, hamburgers, cookies, cookies, cookies, hot dogs, barbecue, soup and salad, pizza, yogurt, Mexican food, everything except baked Alaska!

You'll probably spend all afternoon in the Market Street area and still there will be wonders you will miss experiencing.

All this imaginary strolling is making me tired and now that my owner is full of food, she'll want to take a nap. She's no "spring chicken" you

know; so for now we'll leave the remainder of this tour to your imagination. Rest assured that it will be Christmas in November at the convention in 1980, for Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus live here all year round and it's eternally Toyland for those two and will be for you also!

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A Southern Garden

MRS. RALPH McBEE

On the South side of Orlando, Fla. tucked away behind a screen of old Camphor trees and flowering shrubs, in an obscure location, lies one of the most beautiful Camellia Gardens in the State of Florida.

As you enter this Garden, it will be through an Archway of wrought iron covered with old-fashioned ivy on the front, and "Confederate Jasmine" delicately entwined with climbing fern on the back. If you will glance down at your feet you will see a little plaque with this inscription:

"God bless my bit of garden,
And make its flowers grow,
That it may give some pleasure
To all the folks I know."

Here you begin a winding tour over walkways of stepping stones throughout the Garden. Bordering these walks are a variety of plants; some shade-loving, others the sun. Border grasses and Day Lilies make up the majority.

Immediately you are impressed with beauty and fragrance. Fragrance coming from a variety of things. Orange blossoms in the Spring, the hundreds of violets, magnolia blossoms from April until July, banana shrub, sweet shrub, sweet olive, and Day Lilies almost the year 'round. White and lavender wisteria, and pink, yellow and blue roses cover the fence enclosing this Garden, and the old-fashioned yellow Banksia rose even finds its way to the top of some of the Orange Trees, seeking light.

Camellias dominate this place, over 400 varieties, including the Chinese Reticulata and many un-named seedlings being tried out. But there are

many other flowers. Pink and white dogwood, red bud, jacaranda, all colors of crepe myrtle, white, pink and purple Japanese magnolias, Spireas, flowering almond, gardenias, hydrangeas, blue, white, pink and red. Holland amaryllis, snow drops, blue and white agapanthus, clivias, all colors of glads most, and hundreds of tropical plants, including orchids.

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Mr. Harry D. Watson: Program, Mountainbrook Morning Garden Club

Mr. and Mrs. James B. Gahan: Pair of framed lithograph prints of camellias

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gentry: Camellia plants Dogwood Nursery, Mrs. Mamie Muse: Daphne odora plants

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin J. Coddon: Contribution honoring Mildred Stephens' birthday

Mr. and Mrs. William P. Simmons: Contribution honoring Mildred Stephens' birthday

Dr. and Mrs. L. C. (Jack) Davis: Camellia plants

Mrs. Walter Rosasco: Camellia books

Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Mathis: Camellia books

Mrs. McKibben Lane: Contribution honoring Mildred Stephens' birthday

Dr. and Mrs. Daniel E. Nathan: Contribution honoring Helen Teeter's becoming a grandmother

Mr. and Mrs. Milton H. Brown: Contribution honoring Helen Teeter's becoming a grandmother

Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Racoff: Camellia books

Mr. Kenneth C. Hallstone: Program, Concord Garden Club

Judge and Mrs. Paul Harkey: Contribution to ACS

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Abendroth: Contribution to ACS

Lt. Col. Elliott P. Brogden: Program, Auburn Men's Camellia Club

Mr. Ernest O. Aycock: Contribution

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Freshwater: Contribution honoring Helen Teeter's becoming a grandmother

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Walker, Jr.: Contribution honoring Helen Teeter's becoming a grandmother

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Freshwater: Contribution "In memory of Ann and Brownie if they don't slow up!"

Dr. Olin W. Owen: Program, Brownie and Ann Brown for Charlotte Garden Club

Jackson Camellia Society: Contribution of \$1,000.00 "as an expression of our appreciation and happiness at having our wonderful camellia friends come to Jackson for their convention."

Camellia Club of Mobile, Inc.: Contribution of \$2,000.00 to Endowment Fund

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SHOW REPORTS

(Reports of ACS Cooperative Shows. In each report the word *C. reticulata* includes those hybrids with *C. reticulata* parentage. Also, in each case the *C. hybrid* means all those hybrids with other than *reticulata* parentage. *C. azanqua* includes related species.) (Reports of shows held after January 1980 will be in the August issue.)

ALABAMA

GREENVILLE, November 10-11, 1979
(3rd Annual)
Sponsor: Greenville Camellia Society
Number Blooms Displayed: 1,300. Attendance: 1,000.
Most Outstanding Bloom: 'Chow's Han-Ling'
ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:
C. japonica:
Large-Very Large: 'Rena Swick', Graem Yates
Medium: 'Don-Mac', Robert Hill
Small: 'Little Babe', R. A. Sansing
Miniature: 'Man Size', B. D. Hicks
C. reticulata:
Best Bloom: 'Masde Sugg', Dr. H. L. Berridge
C. hybrid:
Best Bloom: 'Galaxie', Jesse Barfield
ACS Provisional Commended Seedling Certificate:
For *C. japonica* 71-3; Lee Poe
Number of ACS Memberships Sold: One.

CALIFORNIA

PALOS VERDES, January 26-27, 1980
(3rd Annual)
Sponsor: South Coast Camellia Society
Number Blooms Displayed: 1,325. Attendance: 400.
ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:
C. japonica:
In Open: 'Tiffany', Mrs. Mildred Murray
Runner-up: 'Kramer's Supreme', Mr. & Mrs. Harold Rowe
In Open Chem. Treated: 'Tomorrow Park Hill', Mr. & Mrs. Pat Novak
Runner-up: 'Elegans Champagne', Mr. & Mrs. Jack Woo
C. reticulata:
In Open: 'Nuccio's Ruby', Mr. & Mrs. Roger Treichel
Runner-up: 'Cornelian', Mr. & Mrs. Harry Putnam
In Open Chem. Treated: 'Howard Asper', Mr. & Mrs. R. Jaacks
Runner-up: 'Valentine Day', Mr. & Mrs. Sergio Bracci

C. hybrid:
In Open: 'Elsie Jury', Fred Hamilton
Runner-up: 'Elegant Beauty', The Mowreys
In Open Chem. Treated: 'Anticipation', Mr. & Mrs. Harold Rowe
Runner-up: 'E. G. Waterhouse', Mr. & Mrs. Jack Woo
C. azanqua and All Other Species:
In Open: 'Star Above Star', Mr. & Mrs. Harold Rowe
Runner-up: 'Dawn', Mr. & Mrs. Harold Rowe
ACS Provisional Commended Seedling Certificates:
For *C. japonica* seedling, Mr. & Mrs. Jack Woo
For *C. reticulata* seedling No. 5; Piet, Gum & Gaeta
For *C. salweenensis* seedling Formal A, Mr. & Mrs. Phil Sims
Best Arrangement by member—Mrs. Martha Ann Walter
Best Arrangement by non-member—Mrs. James Saunders
Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WASHINGTON, October 27, 1979
Sponsor: Camellia Society of the Potomac Valley
Number Blooms Displayed: 177. Attendance: 400.
ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:
C. japonica:
In Open: 'Dr. Timley', Dr. & Mrs. Arthur Maryott
Runner-up: 'Governor Mouton', Mr. & Mrs. Douglas D. Hall
Under Glass: 'Betty Sheffield Peach', Dr. & Mrs. Arthur A. Maryott
C. hybrid:
Under Glass: 'Anticipation', Dr. & Mrs. Arthur Maryott
C. azanqua:
Best Bloom: 'Sparkling Burgundy', Mr. & Mrs. William Sette
Runner-up: 'Yuletide', Mrs. H. J. Kendig
Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

FLORIDA

GAINESVILLE, December 1-2, 1979
Sponsor: Gainesville Camellia Society
Number Blooms Displayed: 1,800. Attendance: 1,250.
Most Outstanding Bloom: 'Elegans Champagne'
ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica: In Open
4" or Over, Untreated: 'Magic City',
Aggie Watson
Under 4", Untreated: 'Alba Plena', Mr. & Mrs.
Ivan Mitchell
5" or Over, Treated: 'Miss Charleston Var.',
Arthur L. McBride
Under 5", Treated: 'Betty Sheffield Var.',
Alan P. Kloman
C. japonica: Under Glass
5" or Over: 'Elegans Champagne',
Clyde Copeland
Under 5": 'Margaret Davis', Clyde Copeland
C. reticulata:
In Open: 'Valentine Day', Mr. & Mrs. Bob
Gramling
Under Glass: 'Valentine Day Var.', Mr. & Mrs.
Lew Fetterman
C. hybrid:
In Open: 'Julia Hamiter', R. T. Adams
Under Glass: 'Debbie', George N. Griffin
C. sinensis and All Other Species:
Best Bloom: 'Star Above Star', Mr. & Mrs. Ivan
Mitchell
ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:
R. T. Adams
ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:
Mr. & Mrs. Lew Fetterman
ACS Outstanding Arrangement Certificates:
Tri-Color: Mrs. William E. Rion
Creativity: Mrs. Hugh Simmons
Best White: 'Elegans Champagne', Clyde Copeland
Best Mutant: Sport of 'Barbara Colbert',
R. T. Adams
Best Seedling: Mr. & Mrs. Bob Gramling
Number ACS Memberships Sold: Two.

JACKSONVILLE, December 8-9, 1979 (18th Annual)

Sponsor: Camellia Society of North Florida
Number Blooms Displayed: 800. Attendance:
Thousands.
Most Outstanding Bloom: 'Lady Kay'
ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:
C. japonica: In Open—Untreated
Large-Very Large: 'Emmett Barnes',
J. R. Tillman, Jr.
Small-Medium: 'General George Patton',
Mr. & Mrs. W. T. Boll
C. japonica: In Open—Treated
Large-Very Large: 'Miss Charleston',
Mrs. Sara Oliver
Small-Medium: 'Doris Ellis', R. T. Adams
C. japonica: Under Glass
Large-Very Large: 'Lady Kay', Mr. & Mrs. F. N.
Bush
Small-Medium: 'Sieur de Bienville', Mr. & Mrs.
F. N. Bush
C. reticulata:
In Open: 'Pop Gee', O. L. Jacobson
Under Glass: 'Valentine Day', R. H. Homans
C. hybrid:
In Open: 'Charlean Var.', R. T. Adams
Under Glass: 'Julia Hamiter', Mr. & Mrs. F. N.
Bush
C. sinensis and All Other Species:
Best Bloom: 'Star Above Star', R. T. Adams
ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:
In Open: R. T. Adams
Under Glass: F. N. Bush
ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:
In Open: O. L. Jacobson
Under Glass: Hulyn Smith
Best White: 'Snowman', Mrs. Sara Oliver
Best Seedling: Japonica, Treated, R. T. Adams
Best Mutant: Red Sport of 'Valentine Day', Hulyn
Smith
Public's Choice: 'Mary Alice Cox', F. N. Bush
Number of ACS Memberships Sold: Six.

PANAMA CITY, January 5-6, 1980 (22nd Annual)

Sponsor: Camellia Society of Panama City
Number Blooms Displayed: 2,850. Attendance:
2,500.
ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:
C. japonica: In Open
Large-Very Large: 'Veiled Beauty Var.',
C. N. Carter
Medium: 'Betty Sheffield Supreme', C. N. Carter
Small: 'Kiku-Toji', Frank S. Huebner
Miniature: 'Frances Council', Edwin L. Atkins
C. japonica: Under Glass
Large-Very Large: 'Chow's Han-Ling',
Marshall H. Rhyne
Medium: 'Feathery Touch', Mr. & Mrs. C. C.
Crutcher
Small: 'Grace Albritton', Dr. & Mrs. H. L.
Berridge
Miniature: 'Mini Pink', Edwin L. Atkins
C. reticulata:
In Open: 'Valentine Day', Mr. & Mrs. Bob
Gramling
Under Glass: 'Laure Beauty', Robert A. Hill
C. hybrid:
In Open: 'Charlean Var.', R. A. Sansing
Under Glass: 'Angel Wings', Mr. & Mrs. George
Firth

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:

In Open: Mr. & Mrs. Bob Gramling
Under Glass: Mr. & Mrs. C. C. Crutcher
ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:
In Open: J. R. Comber
Under Glass: Mr. & Mrs. George Firth
Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

PENSACOLA, January 12-13, 1980

Sponsor: Men's Camellia Club of Pensacola
Number Blooms Displayed: 3,000. Attendance:
6,000.

Most Outstanding Bloom:

In Open—'Show Time'

Under Glass—'Crown Jewel'

ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica: In Open
Medium: 'Vile de Nantes Red', Bob Gramling
Small: 'Little Babe Var.', R. A. Sansing
Miniature: 'Fircone', John Terry
C. japonica: Under Glass
Medium: 'Margaret Davis', Jack Davis
Small: 'Grace Albritton', Marshall Rhyne
Miniature: 'Man Size', George Griffin
C. reticulata: In Open
Large-Very Large: 'Valentine Day', F. S.
Huebner
Medium: 'Black Lace', Bob Gramling
C. reticulata: Under Glass
Large-Very Large: 'Debut', Graem Yates
Medium: 'Black Lace', Bob Sansing
C. hybrid:
In Open: 'California Pink', W. F. LaRose
Under Glass: 'Elsie Jury', Graem Yates

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:

In Open: Bob Gramling

Under Glass: C. C. Crutcher

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:

In Open: John R. Comber

Under Glass: George Garrison

Best White:

In Open—'Alaskan Belle', Bob Gramling

Under Glass—'Elegans Champagne', R. A. Hill

Best Seedling: 'Jessie Conner', Marshall Rhyne

Best Mutation: 'Blood of China Pink', Bob Gramling

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: Eleven.

GEORGIA

ALBANY, December 1-2, 1979 (6th Annual)

Sponsor: Albany Men's Garden Club
Number Blooms Displayed: 800. Attendance:
50,000.

Most Outstanding Bloom: 'Massee Lane'

ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica:
Best Bloom: 'Julia Wilson', Frank D. Jamison
C. reticulata:
Best Bloom: 'Massee Lane', Dr. M. B. Wine
C. hybrid:
Best Bloom: 'Mary Phoebe Taylor',
Howard Dumas

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:

Howard Dumas

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:

Willard Everett, Jr.

Best White: 'Charlie Bettes', Frank D. Jamison

Best Red: 'Dr. Clifford Parks', L. D. Baggs, Jr.

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: One.

FORT VALLEY, November 10-11, 1979

(7th Annual)

Sponsor: Middle Georgia Camellia Society

Number Blooms Displayed: 996. Attendance: 2,000.

Most Outstanding Bloom: 'Dr. Clifford Parks'

ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica: In Open
Large: 'Tiffany', Dr. W. F. Mathis
Medium: 'Betty Sheffield Blush Supreme',
Frank Jamison
Small: 'Pink Perfection', Jim Lipfert
Miniature: 'Frances Council'
C. japonica: Under Glass
Large: 'Mathotiana Supreme', Stanley Holtzclaw
Medium: 'Betty Sheffield Blush Supreme',
F. N. Bush
Small: 'Grace Albritton', Mr. & Mrs. L. M.
Fetterman
Miniature: 'Man Size', Stanley Holtzclaw
C. reticulata:
In Open: 'Valentine Day Var.', Eugene Ussery
Under Glass: 'Lila Naff', J. A. Timmerman
C. hybrid:
In Open: 'Gay Time', Mrs. R. P. Hatcher
Under Glass: 'Debbie', Dr. H. T. Moore
C. sinensis & All Other Species:
Best Bloom: 'Star Above Star', Dr. & Mrs. D. E.
Nathan

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:

J. A. Timmerman

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:

Mr. & Mrs. L. M. Fetterman

ACS Outstanding Arrangement Certificates:

Tri-Color: Town & Country Garden Club

Tri-Color Table: Kay Parrish

Creativity: Dora Ethridge

Best Mutant or Sport: 'Tomorrow Park Hill', Pink
Sport, F. N. Bush

Best Seedling: *C. japonica*—Donck. 1-1-7,
R. E. Dodd

C. hybrid—1-1-30, R. E. Dodd

C. sinensis—'Nanette', Mrs. L. V. Teeter

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: Six.

SAVANNAH, November 3-4, 1979

Sponsor: Men's Garden Club of Savannah &
Savannah Bank & Trust Co.

Number Blooms Displayed: 681. Attendance: 1,200.

ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica:
In Open, Over 4½": 'Mathotiana',
Scotty C. Forbes

In Open, Under 4½": 'Sieur de Bienville',
Dr. & Mrs. Herbert Racoff

Under Glass, Over 4½": 'Tomorrow's Dawn',
G. M. Serpas

Under Glass, Under 4½": 'Campari',
Jack Hendrix

Best Bloom Under 2½": 'Fircone',
Mr. & Mrs. F. N. Bush

C. reticulata:

Best Bloom: 'Miss Tulare', Mr. & Mrs. S. H.
Hackney

Runner-up: 'Descanso Mist', Mr. & Mrs. W. C.
Robertson

Best White, In Open: 'Mary Alice Cox',
Cheves Oliver

Best White, Under Glass: 'Ruffian', Mr. & Mrs.
W. C. Robertson

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: One.

VALDOSTA, November 17-18, 1979 (15th Annual)

Sponsor: First State Bank & Trust Co. and
Valdosta Camellia Society

Number Blooms Displayed: 989. Attendance: 400.

Most Outstanding Bloom: 'Valentine Day Var.'

ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica:
In Open, Over 4½": 'Granada', Mrs. Hollis Oliver

In Open, Under 4½": 'Campari', Henry C.
Lunsford

Under Glass, Over 4½": 'Tomorrow Blush',
Howard Dumas

Under Glass, Under 4½": 'Pearl Maxwell',
Frank D. Jamison

Best Bloom Under 2½": 'Kiku-Toji Var.',
O. L. Jacobson

C. reticulata:

Best Bloom: 'Harold L. Paige', Mr. & Mrs. G. R.
Dubus

C. hybrid:

Best Bloom: 'Elsie Jury', Mr. & Mrs. G. R. Dubus

Best White In Open: 'Elegans Champagne',
Mr. & Mrs. G. R. Dubus

Best White Under Glass: 'Charlie Bettes',
Frank D. Jamison

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

LOUISIANA

BATON ROUGE, January 5-6, 1980

Sponsor: Baton Rouge Camellia Society

Number Blooms Displayed: 1,075. Attendance: 550.

ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica: In Open
Large-Very Large: 'Tomorrow Park Hill',
E. J. Laurent

Medium: 'Alyon Pollard', D. F. Mayfield

Small: 'Pink Perfection', Mrs. W. E. Lee

Miniature: 'Little Sham Var.', Mr. & Mrs. W. F.
LaRose

C. japonica: Under Glass
Large-Very Large: 'Fashionata', Bagby Hall

Medium: 'Magic City', Mr. & Mrs. Clyde
Copeland

Small: 'Grace Albritton', R. Stanley Magee

Miniature: 'Man Size', R. Stanley Magee

C. reticulata:

In Open: 'Valentine Day', Charles H. Langhoff,
Jr.

Under Glass: 'Valley Knudsen', Bagby Hall

C. hybrid:

In Open: 'Angel Wings', Mr. & Mrs. W. F.
LaRose

Under Glass: 'El Dorado', Bagby Hall

C. sinensis:

Best Bloom: 'Kelly McKnight', Mr. & Mrs. Henry
S. Stone

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:

In Open: Mr. & Mrs. Henry S. Stone

Under Glass: Bagby Hall

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:

In Open: Mr. & Mrs. W. F. LaRose

Under Glass: Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Copeland

Best japonica medium seedling: F. F. Becker, II

Best japonica small or miniature seedling:
Mr. & Mrs. Henry S. Stone

Best mutant or sport: 'Hopkin's Pink' Blush Sport

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: Two.

MONROE, November 17-18, 1979 (17th Annual)

Sponsor: Northeast Louisiana Camellia Club

Number Blooms Displayed: 801.

Most Outstanding Bloom: 'Suan Lake'

ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica: In Open
Large-Very Large: 'Carter's Sunburst Pink Var.',
Mr. & Mrs. G. F. Abendroth

Medium-Large: 'Betty Sheffield Supreme',
F. F. Becker, II

Medium: 'Sire de Bienville', F. F. Becker, II
 Small: 'Ave Maria', F. F. Becker, II
 Miniature: 'Hopkin's Pink', A. K. Ammen
 C. japonica: Under Glass
 Large-Very Large: 'Swan Lake', Jon Laird Carvain
 Medium-Large: 'Betty Sheffield Supreme', Mr. & Mrs. Roy Stringfellow
 Medium: 'Charlotte Bradford', Otto Klick
 Small: 'Little Babe Var.', Mr. & Mrs. Roy Stringfellow
 Miniature: 'Man Size', Mr. & Mrs. G. F. Abendroth
 C. reticulata:
 Best Bloom: 'Valentine Day Var.', Otto Klick
 C. hybrid:
 Best Bloom: 'Charlean Var.', Bill O'Rourke
 Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

PINEVILLE, November 3-4, 1979 (27th Annual)
 Sponsor: Central Louisiana Camellia Society
 Number Blooms Displayed: 276. Attendance: 202.
 ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica: In Open
 Large-Very Large: 'Helen Bower', Mrs. W. E. Lee
 Medium-Large: 'Betty Sheffield Supreme', Mrs. W. E. Lee
 Medium: 'Prelude Var.', W. F. Mann
 Small or Miniature: 'Little David', W. F. Mann
 C. japonica: Under Glass
 Large-Very Large: 'Tena Swick Var.', Mr. & Mrs. Roy Stringfellow
 Medium-Large: 'Dr. Burnside', J. A. Peninger
 Medium: 'Lela Marshall', Mr. & Mrs. R. M. Whitfield
 C. reticulata:
 Best Bloom: 'Jean Puzel', Mr. & Mrs. Roy Stringfellow
 C. hybrid:
 Best Bloom: 'Fallen Angel', W. F. Mann
 C. anomala and All Other Species:
 Best Bloom: 'Shishi-Goshira', Mrs. W. E. Lee

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATES:

In Open: Mrs. W. E. Lee
 Under Glass: Mr. & Mrs. Roy Stringfellow
 ACS SILVER CERTIFICATES:
 In Open: W. F. Mann
 Under Glass: J. A. Peninger

ACS Outstanding Arrangement Certificates:
 Tri-Color: Mrs. Warner Odum
 Creativity: Mrs. R. M. Thompson
 Outstanding Bloom by Member: 'Charlotte Bradford', Mr. & Mrs. J. P. Hageman
 Outstanding 'Dr. Tinsley': Mrs. Stewart E. Wilson
 Outstanding Bloom by Member with less than 50 plants: 'Gus Menard', George Wallace
 Number ACS Memberships Sold: None.

RUSTON, January 12-13, 1980 (18th Annual)
 Sponsor: Ruston Men's Camellia Club
 Number Blooms Displayed: 943. Attendance: 186.
 ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica: In Open
 Large-Very Large: 'Donckelarii', Mrs. Woodrow Hathorn
 Medium-Large: 'Ville de Nantes', Mrs. Woodrow Hathorn
 Miniature-Small: 'Kitty', Mrs. Woodrow Hathorn
 C. japonica: Under Glass
 Large-Very Large: 'Carter's Sunburst Var.', Otto Klick
 Medium-Large: 'Lady Kay', Otto Klick
 Miniature-Small: 'Kuro-Tsubaki', F. F. Becker, II
 C. reticulata:
 Best Bloom: 'Valentine Day Var.', Bagby Hall
 C. hybrid:
 Best Bloom: 'Charlean Var.', Otto Klick
 ACS GOLD CERTIFICATES:
 In Open: Mr. & Mrs. H. S. Stone
 Under Glass: Otto Klick

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATES:
 In Open: Mrs. Woodrow Hathorn
 Under Glass: Bagby Hall
 Best White: 'Lucy Stewart', Bagby Hall
 Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

SHREVEPORT, November 10, 1979
 Sponsor: Men's Camellia Club of Shreveport
 Number Blooms Displayed: 679. Attendance: 5,000.
 ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica: In Open
 Large-Very Large: 'Carter's Sunburst Pink', Mr. & Mrs. G. F. Abendroth
 Runner-up: 'Carter's Sunburst Pink Var.', Mr. & Mrs. G. F. Abendroth
 Medium-Large: 'Ville de Nantes', Mr. & Mrs. G. F. Abendroth
 Runner-up: 'Betty Sheffield White', D. S. Wilson
 Medium: 'General George Patton', Mr. & Mrs. G. F. Abendroth
 Small: 'Hishi-Karaito', Mr. & Mrs. G. F. Abendroth
 Miniature: 'Man Size', Mr. & Mrs. Floyd Akin
 C. japonica: Under Glass
 Large-Very Large: 'Helen Bower Var.', Bob Waters
 Runner-up: 'Mathotiana Supreme', Bob Waters
 Medium-Large: 'Moonlight Sonata', David S. Rubin
 Runner-up: 'Sawada's Dream', Mr. & Mrs. R. M. Whitfield
 Medium: 'Feathery Touch', Mr. & Mrs. Roy Stringfellow
 Small: 'Little Ginger', Mr. & Mrs. R. M. Whitfield
 Miniature: 'Fircore', David S. Rubin
 C. reticulata:
 Best Bloom: 'Dr. Clifford Parks', Mr. & Mrs. R. M. Whitfield
 C. hybrid:
 Large-Very Large: 'Elsie Jury', Mr. & Mrs. Roy Stringfellow
 Miniature-Medium: 'Gay Time', Mr. & Mrs. Roy Stringfellow
 Best White, In Open: 'Charlie Bettes', Charles B. Malone, Jr.
 Best White, Under Glass: 'Charlie Bettes', Mr. & Mrs. Roy Stringfellow
 Best Seedling: No. 012, Mr. & Mrs. G. F. Abendroth
 Number of ACS Memberships Sold: One.

SLIDELL, December 8-9, 1979
 Sponsor: Orone Camellia Society
 Number Blooms Displayed: 562.
 ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica: In Open
 Large: 'Helen Bower', Mrs. James L. Butler
 Medium: 'Governor Mouton', J. R. Comber
 Small: 'Kiku-Toji', Mrs. J. Ciolino
 Miniature: 'Josh Sprott', Mrs. Lillian Lambour
 C. japonica: Under Glass
 Large: 'Tomorrow's Dawn', Clyde Copeland
 Medium: 'Margaret Davis', Dr. Harry Moore
 Small: 'Little Man', C. V. Boreman
 Miniature: 'Man Size', Dr. C. D. Schreiber
 C. reticulata:
 In Open: 'Miss Tulare', Mrs. William Larose
 Runner-up: 'Kalen Timesday', Mrs. J. L. Butler
 Under Glass: 'Mansue Lane Var.', C. C. Crutcher
 Runner-up: 'Aster', Clyde Copeland
 C. hybrid:
 In Open: 'Dorothy James', John Geiser
 Under Glass: 'Gay Time', C. C. Crutcher
 Runner-up: 'Debbie', Dr. Harry Moore
 ACS Outstanding Arrangement Certificates:
 Tri-Color: Mrs. Violet Haas
 Creativity: Mrs. Edward McHugh
 Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

MISSISSIPPI
 BROOKHAVEN, November 24-25
 Sponsor: Brookhaven Camellia Society
 Number Blooms Displayed: 625. Attendance: 318.
 ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica: In Open
 Large-Very Large: 'Betty Sheffield Supreme', R. Stanley Magee
 Medium: 'Dixie Knight Supreme', F. F. Becker, II
 Small: 'Little Babe Var.', R. Stanley Magee
 Miniature: 'Man Size', R. Stanley Magee
 C. japonica: Under Glass
 Large-Very Large: 'Carter's Sunburst', Mr. & Mrs. R. F. Jeffares
 Medium: 'Magic City', Bagby Hall
 Small: 'Grace Albritton', Mr. & Mrs. R. D. Hicks
 Miniature: 'Man Size', Mr. & Mrs. R. D. Hicks
 C. reticulata:
 Best Bloom: 'Harold L. Paige', Hubyn Smith
 Runner-up: 'Lila Naff', Bagby Hall
 C. hybrid:
 Best Bloom: 'E. G. Waterhouse Var.', C. V. Boreman
 Runner-up: 'Elsie Jury', Mr. & Mrs. Roy Stringfellow
 Best White: 'Gus Menard', Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Copeland
 Best Seedling: No. 410, C. V. Boreman
 Best Brookhaven-Lincoln County Bloom: 'Veiled Beauty', F. F. Becker, II
 Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

GULFPORT, November 17-18, 1979 (26th Annual)
 Sponsor: Gulfport Men's Camellia Society, Inc.
 Number Blooms Displayed: 526. Attendance: 1,000.
 ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica:
 Large-Very Large: 'Tomorrow Var.', Robert A. Hill
 Medium: 'Betty Sheffield Supreme', John L. Rogers
 Small: 'Kiku-Toji', John Terry
 Miniature: 'Little Slam', R. A. Sansing
 C. reticulata:
 Best Bloom: 'Valentine Day', John Terry
 C. hybrid:
 Best Bloom: 'Gay Time', Mr. & Mrs. C. C. Crutcher
 ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:
 Mr. & Mrs. John Geiser
 ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:
 John Comber
 ACS Outstanding Arrangement Certificates:
 Tri-Color: Mrs. W. W. Dreher
 Creativity: Alice Brameyer
 Number of ACS Memberships Sold: One.

JACKSON, January 26-27, 1980 (35th Annual)
 Sponsor: Jackson Camellia Society
 ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica: In Open
 Large-Very Large: 'Easter Morn', G. F. Abendroth
 Runner-up: 'Tomorrow Var.', G. F. Abendroth
 Medium-Large: 'Betty Sheffield Supreme', J. A. Peninger
 Medium: 'Lady Laura', J. R. Comber
 Small: 'Little Ginger', G. F. Abendroth
 Miniature: 'Mini Pink', Richard Carter
 C. japonica: Under Glass
 Large-Very Large: 'Tomorrow's Dawn', Marshall H. Rhyne
 Runner-up: 'Mary Agnes Patin', Jon Laird Carvain
 Medium-Large: 'Lady Kay', R. F. Jeffares
 Medium: 'Margaret Davis', Bagby Hall
 Small: 'Pink Perfection', Charles B. Malone, Jr.
 Miniature: 'Tammia', Clyde Copeland
 C. reticulata:
 Best Bloom: 'Jean Puzel', Clyde Copeland
 Runner-up: 'Nuccio's Ruby Var.', Roy C. Stringfellow

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C. hybrid:
Best Bloom: 'Debbie', Mr. & Mrs. George Griffin
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Marshall H. Rhyne
Best Formal or Rose Form Double, In Open:
'Veiled Beauty', J. R. Comber
Best Formal or Rose Form Double, Under Glass:
'Dee Davis', Jack Davis
Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

MOSS POINT, December 8-9, 1979 (20th Annual)
Sponsor: Moss Point Camellia Society
Number Blooms Displayed: 558. Attendance: 75.
ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica:
In Open: 'Alia Plena', T. E. Lundy
Runner-up: 'Betty Sheffield Supreme',
Edwin L. Atkins
Under Glass: 'Mathotiana Supreme', Mr. & Mrs.
R. F. Jeffares
Runner-up: 'Maroon and Gold', E. L. Atkins

C. reticulata:
Best Bloom: 'Francie L', Mr. & Mrs. R. F. Jeffares
Runner-up: 'Granada' (sic), R. A. Sansing

C. hybrid:
Best Bloom: 'Galaxie', R. A. Sansing
Runner-up: 'Charlean', R. A. Sansing

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATES:
In Open: T. E. Lundy
Under Glass: Edwin L. Atkins

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATES:
In Open: James Smalley
Under Glass: R. F. Jeffares

ACS Outstanding Arrangement Certificates:
Tri-Color: Mrs. Vernon Steele
Creativity: Martha Conerly

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

NORTH CAROLINA

GREENVILLE, November 3, 1979 (2nd Annual)
Sponsor: North Carolina Camellia Society
Number Blooms Displayed: 201. Attendance: 200.
ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica:
Large-Very Large: 'Chow's Han-Ling',
Marshall H. Rhyne
Medium: 'Campari', Mr. & Mrs. Lewis Fetterman

C. reticulata:
Best Bloom: 'Laurie Beauty', Mr. & Mrs. Clyde
Dority

C. hybrid:
Best Bloom: 'Anticipation', Mr. & Mrs. Bill
Grainger

C. japonica:
Best Bloom: 'Fugi-No-Mine', Curtin Godwin

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:
Mr. & Mrs. Lewis Fetterman

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:
Mr. & Mrs. J. K. Blanchard

Best White: 'Gus Menard', Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Dority
Best Seedling: Mr. & Mrs. J. K. Blanchard
Best Miniature: Mr. & Mrs. J. K. Blanchard

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

SOUTH CAROLINA

AIKEN, January 19-20, 1980
Sponsor: Aiken Camellia Club
Number Blooms Displayed: 1,344. Attendance:
2,760.

Most Outstanding Bloom: 'Valentine Day Var.'
ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica:
In Open, Large-Very Large: 'Lady Kay',
Mr. & Mrs. G. R. Dubos

In Open, Small-Medium: 'Fran Mathis',
Mr. & Mrs. G. R. Dubos

Under Glass, Large-Very Large: 'Chow's Han-
Ling', Marshall H. Rhyne

Under Glass, Small-Medium: 'Betty Sheffield
Supreme', Mr. & Mrs. J. K. Blanchard

Miniature: 'Tammia', Mr. & Mrs. Lew Fetterman

C. reticulata:
Best Bloom: 'Arch of Triumph', Marshall H.
Rhyne

C. hybrid:
Best Bloom: 'Elsie Jury', Graem Yates

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATES:
In Open: Ivan Mitchell

Under Glass: J. K. Blanchard

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATES:
In Open: Mr. & Mrs. Roy Homans

Under Glass: Jack Teague

ACS Outstanding Arrangement Certificates:
Tri-Color: Mrs. Paul Chismar and Mrs. Leroy
Deaton

Creativity: Marjorie Smoak

Best White: 'Silver Chalice', C. T. Freeman
Best Seedling: Unnamed, S. H. Hackney

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

CHARLESTON, November 17-18, 1979
(10th Annual)

Sponsor: Coastal Carolina Camellia Society & First
Federal Savings & Loan Assn.
Number Blooms Displayed: 800. Attendance: 750.
ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica:
In Open: 'Tiffany', Mr. & Mrs. W. Howell

Runner-up: 'Feathery Touch', Mr. & Mrs. W. T.
Shepherd

Under Glass: 'Premier Var.', Marshall H. Rhyne
Runner-up: 'Mrs. R. L. Wheeler', Mr. & Mrs.
L. M. Fetterman

C. reticulata:
Best Bloom: 'Valentine Day Var.', Mr. & Mrs.
W. C. Robertson

Runner-up: 'Francie L', Mr. & Mrs. L. M.
Fetterman

ACS Provisional Commended Seedling Certificate:
For C. reticulata Purcell No. 10 variegated;
F. N. Bush

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

COLUMBIA, October 26-27, 1979

Sponsor: Mid-Carolina Camellia Society & South
Carolina State Fair
Number Blooms Displayed: 780. Attendance:
43,000.

ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica:
In Open, 5" & Over: 'Carter's Sunburst Var.',
Albert V. Ewan

Runner-up: 'Helen Bower', Mr. & Mrs. G. R.
Dubos

In Open, Under 5": 'Miss Charleston Var.',
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Shepherd

Runner-up: 'Rosa Superba', Mr. & Mrs. G. R.
Dubos

Under Glass, 5" & Over: 'Rosa Superba',
Mr. & Mrs. Lewis Fetterman

Runner-up: 'Mathotiana Supreme Var.',
C. T. Freeman

Under Glass, Under 5": 'Campari', Mr. & Mrs.
Lewis Fetterman

Runner-up: 'Sawada's Dream', Dr. Olin W. Owen

Best Miniature: 'Little Slam', Jack Hendrix

C. reticulata:
Under Glass: 'Aster', Mr. & Mrs. J. A.
Timmerman

C. hybrid:
Under Glass: 'Anticipation', Jane Robertson

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATES:
In Open: Mrs. H. C. Scott

Under Glass: Mr. & Mrs. Lewis Fetterman

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATES:
In Open: Mr. & Mrs. J. A. Timmerman

Under Glass: Mr. & Mrs. J. A. Timmerman

ACS Outstanding Arrangement Certificates:
Tri-Color: Mrs. Robert Lewis

Creativity: Mrs. Becky Beck

Best White, In Open: 'Ivory Tower', Mr. & Mrs.
G. R. Dubos

Best White, Under Glass: 'Snowman', Mrs. J. C.
Bickley

Best Seedling: Unnamed white C. japonica,
S. H. Hackney

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: One.

TEXAS

BEAUMONT, December 15, 1979 (23rd Annual)
Sponsor: Southeast Texas Camellia Society

Most Outstanding Bloom: 'Miss Tulare'
ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica: In Open
Over 5": 'Toon Cat', Mr. & Mrs. H. J. Showalter

3"-5": 'Lee Eagleson Var.', Dr. & Mrs. R. A.
Kringel

Under 3": 'Pink Perfection', Mr. & Mrs. Gregory
E. Davis

C. japonica: Under Glass
Over 5": 'Easter Morn', B. M. Whitfield

3"-5": 'Sawada's Dream', W. E. Worley

Under 3": 'Tammia', J. A. Peninger

C. reticulata:
In Open: 'Mawee Lane Var.', Mr. & Mrs.
Gregory Davis

Under Glass: 'Dr. Clifford Parks', B. M. Whitfield

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:
Mr. & Mrs. Gregory E. Davis

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:
Mr. & Mrs. H. J. Showalter

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

CONROE, January 5-6, 1980 (11th Annual)
Sponsor: Conhatta Camellia Society

Number Blooms Displayed: 871. Attendance: 425.
Most Outstanding Bloom: 'Mary Agnes Patin'

ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica: In Open
Large-Very Large: 'Mrs. D. W. Davis',
Alfus Johnson

Medium-Large: 'Ville de Nantes', Mr. & Mrs.
H. J. Showalter

Small: 'Pink Perfection', Mr. & Mrs. Greg Davis

Miniature: 'Tammia', Dr. Emil Carroll

C. japonica: Under Glass
Large-Very Large: 'Mary Agnes Patin',
David Rubin

Medium-Large: 'Margaret Davis', Alfus Johnson

Small: 'Grace Albritton', Mr. & Mrs. R. M.
Whitfield

Miniature: 'Man Size', Mr. & Mrs. Roy
Stringfellow

C. reticulata:
In Open: 'Diamond Head', Bob Gerhardt

Under Glass: 'Laurie Beauty', Mr. & Mrs. R. M.
Whitfield

C. hybrid:
In Open: 'Julia Hamiter', Dr. Emil Carroll

Under Glass: 'Elsie Jury', Dr. Emil Carroll

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATES:
In Open: Dr. Emil Carroll
Under Glass: Dr. Emil Carroll

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATES:
In Open: Mr. & Mrs. Greg Davis

Under Glass: O. E. McAllister

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: Three.

DALLAS, January 13, 1980

Sponsor: Dallas Camellia Society
Number Blooms Displayed: 900. Attendance:
Thousands.

Most Outstanding Bloom: 'Miss Tulare'
ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica:
Large-Very Large: 'Gullio Nuccio Var.',
Mr. & Mrs. Roy Stringfellow

Runner-up: 'Carter's Sunburst Pink Var.',
Mr. & Mrs. G. F. Abendroth

Medium-Large: 'Sawada's Dream',
Mr. & Mrs. G. F. Abendroth

Runner-up: 'Silver Chalice', Mr. & Mrs. Roy
Stringfellow

Medium: 'Margaret Davis', Mr. & Mrs. R. M.
Whitfield

Small: 'Grace Albritton', Mr. & Mrs. G. F.
Abendroth

Miniature: 'Man Size', Mr. & Mrs. G. F.
Abendroth

C. reticulata:
Best Bloom: 'Miss Tulare', Mr. & Mrs. G. F.
Abendroth

Runner-up: 'Valentine Day', Jon Laird Carvain

C. hybrid:
Best Bloom: 'Anticipation Var.', Dr. Emil Carroll

ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:
Dr. Emil Carroll

ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:
Mr. & Mrs. Gregory E. Davis

ACS Provisional Commended Certificate:
For sport of 'Tomorrow's Dawn', Bob Waters

Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

HOUSTON, December 8, 1979 (22nd Annual)
Sponsor: Houston Camellia Society

Number Blooms Displayed: 1,500. Attendance:
1,000.

ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:

C. japonica: In Open
Large-Very Large: 'Mary Agnes Patin',
Charles Zagst

Runner-up: 'Helen Bower Var.',
Dudley Boudreau

Medium-Large: 'Ville de Nantes',
Susan Michelson

Small: 'Daisy Eagleson', Chuck Nadeau

Miniature: 'Little Slam', Greg Davis

C. japonica: Under Glass
Large-Very Large: 'Tomorrow Park Hill',
Emil Carroll

Runner-up: 'Marie Tracey', John Marr

Miniature: 'Man Size', Charles Zagst

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C. reticulata:
Best Bloom: 'Dr. Clifford Parks', Emil Carroll
C. hybrid:
Best Bloom: 'Debbie', Emil Carroll
C. sinensis:
Best Bloom: 'Bonanza', Greg Davis
ACS GOLD CERTIFICATES:
In Open: Greg Davis
Under Glass: Emil Carroll
ACS SILVER CERTIFICATES:
In Open: Mrs. H. S. Stone
Under Glass: Charles Zagat
Number of ACS Memberships Sold: None.

PORT ARTHUR, November 17-18, 1979
(25th Annual)

Sponsor: Greater Port Arthur Camellia Society
Number Blooms Displayed: 384.
Most Outstanding Bloom: 'Carter's Sunburst'
ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:
C. japonica:
Medium: 'Betty Sheffield Coral', Mr. & Mrs. Ray Woodward
Small: 'Kiku-Toji', Mrs. R. P. Reese
Miniature: 'Hopkin's Pink', J. W. Hoover
C. reticulata:
Best Bloom: 'Dr. Clifford Parks',
Dudley P. Boudreau
ACS GOLD CERTIFICATE:
Harold Showalter
ACS SILVER CERTIFICATE:
Mrs. R. P. Reese
Best 'Mathotiana Supreme' Protected:
Roland Krings
Best Bloom Grown by Member of Greater Port
Arthur Camellia Society: 'Purple Dawn', Mr. &
Mrs. Ray Woodward
Number of ACS Memberships Sold: One.

VIRGINIA

VIRGINIA BEACH, November 2-3, 1979
Sponsor: Virginia Camellia Society
Number Blooms Displayed: 209. Attendance:
Several Thousand
ACS Outstanding Bloom Certificates:
C. japonica:
Best Bloom: 'Mary Anne Houser', Mr. & Mrs.
Grover C. Miller
First Runner-up: 'Miss Charleston', Mr. & Mrs.
Grover C. Miller
Second Runner-up: 'Mary Agnes Patin',
Mrs. Malcolm K. Crockett, Sr.
Best White: 'Coronation', Mr. & Mrs. Grover C.
Miller
Number of ACS Memberships Sold: One.

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A Short History of the American Camellia Society

JOHN N. SEWELL

Talk at ACS Convention, Gainesville, Florida, Nov. 29, 1979

A short talk about the history of the American Camellia Society is particularly appropriate for this occasion for several reasons. One is that a national camellia society was the brainchild of Dr. Harold H. Hume, then Provost of the College of Agriculture of the University of Florida here in Gainesville. Another reason is that the official corporate life of our Society began right here in Gainesville. Now, let's see how this happened:

When a camellia show was held in the old DeSoto Hotel in Savannah, Georgia in February 1945 Judge Arthur W. Solomon arranged a dinner meeting. At this dinner meeting T. Jeff Smith of McRae, Georgia proposed the formation of the American Camellia Society and a steering committee was created. This resulted in an organizational meeting in Macon, Georgia on September 29, 1945. Forty-four persons attended this meeting, including Dave Strother (who presided), Judge Arthur W. Solomon, T. Jeff Smith, John Illges, Dr. Harold H. Hume, Roy Wilmot, Jack L. Cope and Mrs. John H. Churchwell (Edith). Jeff Smith was elected its first Treasurer; incidentally, he and his widow, Marguerite, have been the *only* Treasurers of ACS during the 34 years of its existence!

At this organizational meeting Roy Wilmot (also of the University of Florida) was elected the first Secretary of our Society and was instructed to obtain a non-profit corporation charter from the Circuit Court of Alachua County, Florida, here in Gainesville. Judge John A. H. Murphree (who became a charter member of the Society) granted this charter on October 21, 1945, and the official

corporate life of the American Camellia Society began then.

Our Society's headquarters were on the grounds of the University of Florida for fifteen years from 1945 to 1960. A small two-room laboratory was used originally but was quickly outgrown and the office was moved next door to an old residence. These spaces were furnished rent free but the University of Florida's plans for expansion made it necessary to look elsewhere for more adequate space in 1960. I'll come back to this in a few minutes.

Edith Churchwell of Jacksonville (a truly wonderful person) was the first ACS Director from Florida. I did not attend the organizational meeting but became a Charter Member of the Society and succeeded Edith Churchwell as State Director in January 1950. I served from then until early 1962 (this was before the present limitations were adopted). During this 12 year period our Society made great strides and took several important steps which avoided some potential sources of friction. For example: originally, one-third of the State Directors were elected each year from States listed alphabetically without regard to territory and six Directors-at-Large were literally elected "at large" so that at one time only one Director-at-Large came from the Pacific Coast and the other five from the Gulf and Atlantic Coast States. When Calder Seibels became President of ACS he expressed a dislike of this procedure and asked me to head a committee in 1953 which arranged revisions of the Charter and By-Laws so that State Directors and two Directors-at-Large are elected one year from the Atlantic Coast Ter-

ritory, another year from the Gulf Coast Territory and another year from the Pacific Coast Territory. Judge Murphree again cooperated in these changes.

Also, during this same 12 year period the American Camellia Society adopted the Southern California Camellia Society's Nomenclature Book as being official for both organizations. In turn, the Southern California Society agreed to discontinue registrations of new varieties so that all registrations could be handled by ACS. This is a very important step.

During a part of this period the ACS Director from the Maryland-District of Columbia area was Milton Brown, now our Society's Executive Secretary-Editor.

Another interesting step during this 12 year period was the first increase in our Society's membership dues—from \$3.00 to \$5.00 per member!

Dave Strother did more for the American Camellia Society than any other person but consistently refused to be one of its officers, although he was a Director for several years. In 1966 he agreed to donate to our Society his famous Masee Lane Garden near Fort Valley, Georgia, on condition that a suitable building be built there as a permanent headquarters. He contributed substantially to its cost and the new building was occupied in 1968.

I hope that you will not mind my mentioning a personal angle. My wife and I have always liked Highlands, North Carolina, which was also Dave Strother's favorite mountain resort. For many years he rented for 3 or 4 months each summer one of the cottages at the old King's Inn in High-

lands. He liked to play bridge and we had the pleasure of playing bridge with him on a number of occasions. He was then in the early 80's, yet I found it difficult to keep up with him in walking up and down the streets of Highlands. Incidentally, while in Highlands last summer I was describing the wonderful collection of Boehm Porcelains in the Stevens-Taylor Memorial Gallery at Masee Lane; my wife and I then went into the Highlands Auction Gallery and found Mrs. Stevens sitting there and had the pleasure of a visit with her!

One just cannot say enough about all of the devoted and hard work that Joseph H. Pyron did for our Society from 1959 until 1973, when he served as our Executive Secretary. He continues to be a great help to our present one, Milton H. Brown.

How many of you have visited Masee Lane in recent years? (A show of hands). Then the other people here should also know that in addition to the spacious gardens, attractive Headquarters Building and the Stevens-Taylor Memorial Gallery, there now exist the T. J. Smith Memorial Greenhouse with its automatic mist system, and other buildings. All of this open to the public without charge, there is no indebtedness whatever and not one cent of public funds has been spent on this great attraction. What an accomplishment!

I hope that you will not mind my adding another personal angle. Being a Judge in the Gainesville show day after tomorrow will complete my 30th year as an accredited Judge of ACS; this obviously gives me a great deal of pleasure!

Thanks for listening!

—ACS—

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Ozone Camellia Club Inaugurates Queen and Court

FAY HAUTOT

SLIDELL, LOUISIANA—Miss Barbara Nell Burkes, known to her friends as "Babby," daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Burkes, followed a family tradition when she was crowned 1979 Ozone Camellia Queen by Congressman Robert Livingston (R-La.) at the Saturday, December 8, 29th annual Ozone Camellia Show held at the Florida Avenue Elementary School gymnasium.

Miss Burkes, whose mother Grace Fritchie Burkes is a former Queen of Camellias, attended the Washington, D. C. Mardi Gras festivities in February, representing the Ozone Camellia Festival and Slidell.

She and Consort Michael Ralph Wilcox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wilcox reigned over the pre-show

social events which culminated in the annual Ozone Camellia dinner dance held at Pinewood Country Club following the judging of camellia blooms by 45 judges from around the United States.

Blooms from six states were on view as well as those entered by Ozone Camellia members and non club camellia enthusiasts from Slidell. Over 850 blooms filled the tables and were surrounded by lovely camellia featured arrangements which were also judged for entry in the American Camellia Society competition.

The 1979 show was dedicated to Mrs. P. A. Menard, whose granddaughter, Pamela Ann Menard was crowned first Princess of Camellias by the membership.

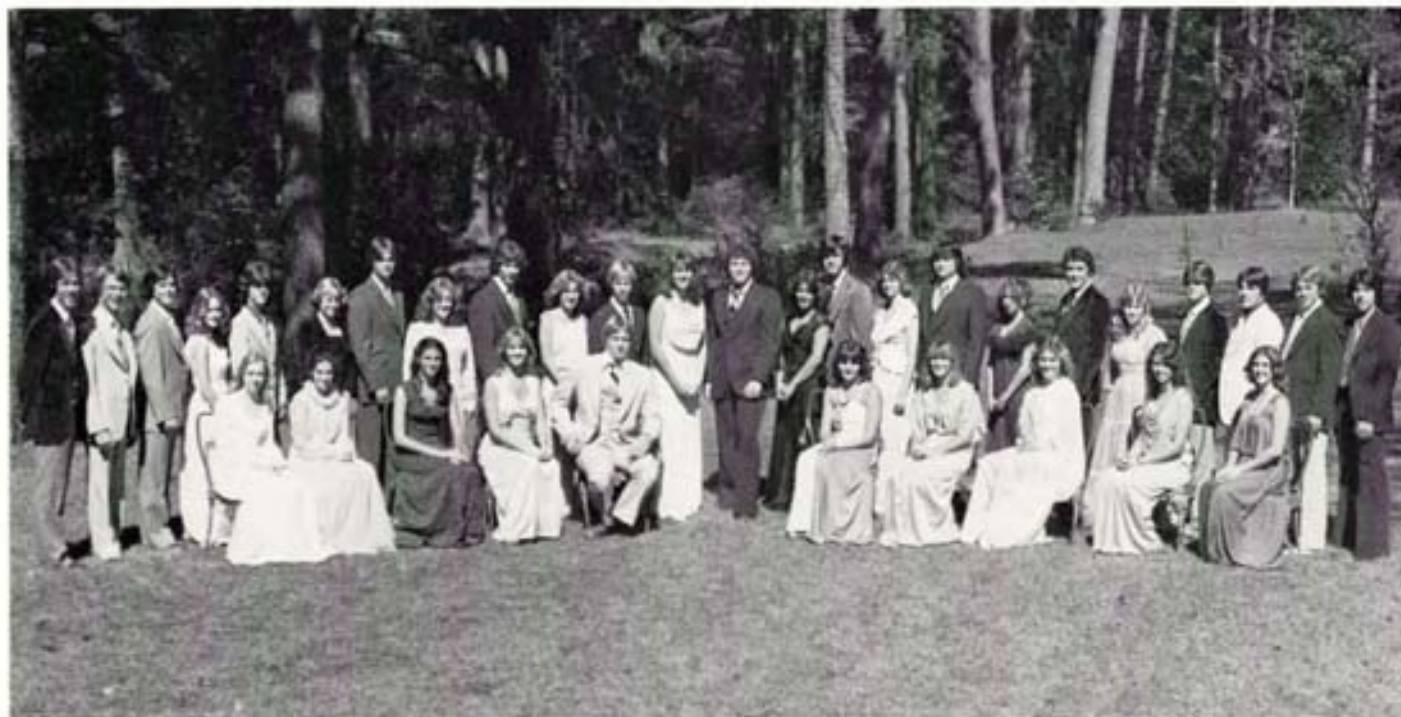
Mrs. M. P. Schneider served as general show chairman assisted by Mesdames James S. Holmes, Robert L. Nix and James J. Hautot.

Fifty-one silver and crystal trophies were awarded under the rules of the American Camellia Society.

The Ozone Camellia Society also presents a February interclub show which offers club members the opportunity to compete for trophies and ribbon recognition.



OFF TO WASHINGTON, D. C.—Mayor Webb Hart presented a key to the City of Slidell to Queen Barbara Nell Burkes at a champagne farewell party held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. James S. Holmes prior to her departure for the annual Washington D. C. Mardi Gras hosted by the Louisiana Society at the nation's capitol. Photo by Fay Hautot.



OZONE CAMELLIA COURT—Participating in one of Slidell's most prestigious social events are these high school seniors selected for their academic, civic and social contributions are pictured on the lawn of Chata Ima Manor. They are Queen Barbara Nell Burkes, Consort Michael Wilcox, Princess Pamela Menard, Maid of Honor Julianne Holmes, Consort to the Princess Michael Gambrell, Duke of Honor Edward

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Marc Collier, Thomas Couvillion, Clark Crellin, Samuel Downs, Robert Fleming, Robert Hastings, Eric Holbrook, Darin Kramer, David Luparello, Christopher Murphy, Dixon Sewell, Hovan Jan-Tachian, John Sebesta, and Kevin Loving. Attendants to the Queen were Carmel Duplechain, Jennifer Pumphrey, Robert Stroud and Kelly Kreiger. Photo by Studio 305.

The Brief Introduction of *Camellia Reticulata* in Yunnan

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Camellia reticulata (Lindley) or *Shan Cha-Hua*, of the family Theaceae, are evergreen trees usually with dark green and reticulate leaves. Their flowers are single or double, 8-16 cm. in diameter, varying from pink to dark purple in color. Its branches and leaves grow exuberantly, unfading all the year round. When in full bloom, the whole plant is arrayed in the splendour of red blossoms as gorgeous as those on the designs of brilliant brocades.

It is a rare and wonderful plant opening up into radiant and charming flowers during the late January to the mid-April, but most of them are blossoming from February to March in Kunming, the capital of Yunnan province.

Shan-Cha-Hua has won the love and admiration of Chinese people, as early as in the Ming dynasty, i. e. in A. D. 1455, it was recorded as "the most beautiful flower on earth".

It being one of the famous cultivated garden flowers in the People's Republic of China, the most part of horticultural varieties and forms are found only in Kunming. They have been propagated here through more than five hundred years by the industrious gardeners. We have noticed two big trees not far from Kunming aged more than 500 years. This is the proof about the long history of cultivation of this wonderful plant here.

There are 105 horticultural varieties and forms of *Shan-Cha-Hua* in our Botanic Garden, among which more than 60% have been bred by us. (For details see the enclosed list).

The distribution of various forms of *C. reticulata* is mainly centered around Kunming and Tuli. It is because the natural circumstances of the above two places are rather suitable for their growth. For instance, the latitude of Kunming lies at 25° N; and the altitude of the plateau is about 2,000 M. high, the annual mean temperature is 18° C. The mean temperature from May to July is about 15.6° C, with maximum below 34° C, while that from November to January, is only about 10° C, with minimum above -5° C. According to our record, the rainfall is 1,100 mm. annually, most of the precipitation being concentrated at May to September, while from Oct. to the next April the dry season dominates. The growing season of plants in Kunming is about nine months.

SUITABLE HABITAT

The color and shape of the corolla of the *Shan-Cha-Hua* are influenced by many

factors, especially the temperature and the soil condition.

They require a moderate warm and moist climate, and could not endure either too cold or too hot weather. The optimum temperature averages at 18-24° C. They could not bear a temperature above 32° C or below -5° C. During the flowering season, if there occurs a heavy frost or severe cold, the petals would turn to black-purple and the leaves become dark. The air humidity ranges at 50-80%, but 60-80% is very well when the soil is either too wet or too dry. The main requirement of the soil is porous, so that the water may pass through the pores freely, and at the same time a definite amount of moisture is needed as well. Thus, they survive best with sandy and loamy soil. Whatever the soil is, it should be slightly acidic with pH 4.5-7, of which 5.5 is the best.

The *Shan-Cha-Hua* have been long habituated to dim light and thus too much sunlight is not needed. It might be well to put them under the semi-shading position or remove them to open during the rainy days. When the weather is dry and rather hot, they require protection from strong sunlight.

PROPAGATION

Camellia reticulata are usually propagated by inarching (an asexual method used in Kunming). According to our experience it has been proved that some of the noble varieties are sterile. On account of the variation as well as the tendency of becoming to the wild state induced by seed propagation, for instance, the petals turn to be single, the flowers too small and they would not be blossoming until the fifth or sixth year after their germination. Thus, the sexual propagation is used only for keeping the stock for breeding new horticultural varieties.

These two methods of propagation, namely by seedling and by inarching, are summarized as follows:

(1) Cultivation of stock:

The stock we use here belongs to another species of *Camellia*, namely *C. japonica* 'albo-plena' which is propagated sexually by seeds or asexually by cuttings. We choose their shoots of 2 years old from the seedlings about 3 or 4 years old. Such cuttings are about 5-10 cm. long with 2-3 leaves attached. Here we propagated them successfully from the period of April to June. They are placed under the sand-bed or pot under a suitable but not too wet moisture condition. It is better to place them under shelter and protect them from wind or sun.

Thus the new shoots grow from winter buds may appear in the next March. Up to that time, the sheltering is no longer used. We replant the seedlings in the third year to the earthen pot and use them as stock until they grow up about 0.5 cm. in diameter.

(2) Inarching:

Inarching is grafting by uniting a scion to a stock without separating them from their parent plants. We usually carry on such operations in May or June. We also select the two-year-old shoots from the parent plants to match with the stock of nearly the same diameter. Choosing a smooth section from both of them about 4-5 cm. long and cutting off each about half of their size with a sharp knife, so that the two smooth surfaces can be joined very closely. Care should be taken that the pot of the stock must be well supported, so that the weight would not lie too much on the parent plant. The joint of the two plants must be firmly fastened with thread and be well wrapped with soft paper. After 80-100 days, when the joint becomes tough, we cut off any excess part on both the parent plant as well as the stock to make a smooth joint. After another half month, it may be separated from its parent plant and an independent new plant is thus secured. But such young plants should be placed in a shady place in order to protect them from wind or sunlight. Much attention should always be paid on watering, and any new buds from the stock should be taken off. During the first year if any flower buds occur, pick them off so as to let the plants grow more healthy.

CULTIVATION AND MANAGEMENT

In general, the young plant may grow well in pot, boxes or beds, so that we could better control temperature, moisture and humidity. When they grow up, it would be better to transplant them to the ground.

To insure success in transplanting and satisfactory growth thereafter, certain details as enumerated below should be given more attention:

(1) Re-potting:

To enable them to obtain better nutrition and the proper development of their roots, re-potting should be undertaken every two or three years. Here we carry on such re-potting in May or June. We usually put a broken pottery piece covering the bottom hole of the pot. At the bottom of the pot, we lay a layer of coarse sand or lumps of soil with a diameter about 2-2.5 cm. to allow the excess of water to pass through. We add the horn shavings as ground-manure. We fill the pot up to two-thirds with mid-grain soil (about 0.5-1 cm. in diameter). Put some suitable amount of well-rotten pig manure and bone-meal

along the inside wall of the top layer of the pots, covered with fine soil. As soon as the re-pottings have been carried out, water thoroughly, and then put them under a cool and shady place.

(2) Watering:

No fixed rule could be drawn. But in general, watering is during summer or when plants are in full bloom. It is advisable to sprinkle the plants daily or even more frequently, during the periods when the relative humidity of the air is low. Syringing reduces the temperature of the leaves, and also reduces the loss of moisture from excessive evaporation.

(3) Applying fertilizer:

After the transplanting, it is necessary to add some organic fertilizer to the soil for promoting the growth of the young plants. The ground-manure we use consists of the slow-action manures, such as bone-meal and horn shavings. We mix the manure with soil in order to avoid the direct contact of the manure with the root hairs. It is preferred to use well-rotted manure mixed with dilute solution of "seed-cake" as top-dressing. In May and also in autumn, more concentrated solution of about 30% manure of such fertilizer are added to the soil.

(4) Intertilling and eradication of weeds:

To facilitate the growth of the roots, intertilling and eradication of the weeds are necessary. It should be carried on continuously from early spring to the end of November.

THE DISEASES AND INSECT PESTS OF CAMELLIA

The camellias are attacked by insects and pests, such as red spiders, aphids, beetles, scales, longicorn beetles, and white grubs.

The insecticides used are as follows: Lime-sulphur mixture, rotenone and ligroin emulsion are used to prevent for the red spiders, aqueous extracts of tobacco and ligroin emulsion for aphids are effective. To protect against scale lime-sulphur mixture or ligroin emulsion may be used, but it is necessary to applying the insecticides as soon as the insect eggs hatch out. To kill longicorn beetles, we apply a small quantity of carbon disulfide or a few drops of 666 ligroin solution into their caves and then closed them. To get rid of the beetles, we spray with a 666 solution. To protect against white grubs, we use lime or white arsenic. Both having good results.

The chief diseases of camellia are leaf blight and albinos. The former is due to the attacking by a kind of fungus with the symptom leaves with brown spots. Finally the leaves are dropped off. So as to check the spreading to such fungus, spraying with Bordeaux mixture is effective. The latter disease is probably due to lack of iron and minor elements such as manganese or magnesium. Their absence from the soil is

usually indicated by the lack of proper development of chlorophyll in the foliage. The ferric sulfate powder or its solution are used to restore the leaves gradually to the normal condition. As a general rule, we usually spray Bordeaux mixture or lime-sulphur mixture several times a year to prevent such diseases. The key word for keeping the plants in healthy condition is to prevent diseases rather than cure afterwards. If we discover some symptom of diseases, we should take attention to prevent their spreading.

THE LIST OF HORTICULTURAL VARIETIES AND FORMS OF SHAN-CHA-HWA IS AS FOLLOWING:

Flower Single

Trumpet Type

1. 'Crimson Tulip'
2. 'Beauty Twin'
3. 'Flushed White'
4. 'Pinkish Jade'
5. 'Red Bowl'

Magnolia Type

6. 'Small Magnolia'
7. 'Red Magnolia'
8. 'Pretty Magnolia'

Flower Semi-double

Lotus Type

9. 'Early Sunshine'
10. 'Golden-Heart Scarlet'
11. 'Golden-Stamen Hibiscus'
12. 'Ovate-Leaf Spinel Pink'
13. 'Double Bowl'
14. 'Lotus Pearl'
15. 'Beautiful Jade'
16. 'Large Cloudy Petal'
17. 'Crimson Corn Poppy'
18. 'Happy Spring'
19. 'Silver Lotus'
20. 'Rosy Clouds'

Waxy Type

21. 'Super Chrysanthemum Petal'
22. 'Lilac Red'
23. 'Charming Red'
24. 'Reticulate Leaf Spinel Pink'
25. 'White Striped Crimson'
26. 'Reticulate Leaf Crimson'
27. 'Red Jewel'
28. 'Willow Leaf Spinel Pink' ('Willow Wand')
29. 'Pink Hibiscus'
30. 'Flat Tali Camellia'
31. 'Golden-Heart Jewellery'
32. 'Welcome Spring'
33. 'Large Osmanthus Leaf'
34. 'Rosy Osmanthus Leaf'
35. 'Pointed Leaf Spinel Pink'
36. 'Rolling Crimson'
37. 'Crimson Robe'
38. 'Osmanthus Leaf Spinel Pink'
39. 'Jewel Flowered'
40. 'Pink Star'
41. 'Kunming Spring'
42. 'Narrow Osmanthus Leaf'
43. 'Large Spinel Pink'
44. 'Small Osmanthus Leaf'

45. 'Glossy Pink'
46. 'Morning Glory'
47. 'Osmanthus Leaf Carmine'

Butterfly Wing Type

48. 'Rolling Butterfly Wing'
49. 'Yunhua Camellia'
50. 'Small Crimson'
51. 'Fairy Pink'
52. 'Spinel Pink Perfection'
53. 'Pink Butterfly'
54. 'Spinel Pink Butterfly Wing'
55. 'Flying Clouds'
56. 'Tali Butterfly Wing'
57. 'Early Crimson' ('Early Peony')
58. 'Red Clouds'
59. 'Captain Rawes'
60. 'Single Heart Butterfly Wing'
61. 'Crimson Lion'
62. 'Chang's Camellia' ('Chang's Temple')
63. 'Broad Leaf Butterfly Wing'
64. 'Pale Spinel Pink'
65. 'Sunset Glory'
66. 'Thick Leaf Butterfly Wing'
67. 'Crimson Butterfly Wing'
68. 'Spinel Pink Ball'
69. 'Crimson Mume'
70. 'Super Crimson'
71. 'Large Crimson' ('Crimson Robe')
72. 'Crimson Five-Heart'
73. 'Late Spring'

Flower Fully Double

Rose Type

74. 'Chrysanthemum Petal'
75. 'Cornelian Rose'
76. 'Purple Gown'
77. 'Fengshan's Camellia'
78. 'Baby Face' (Known also as 'Boyish Face')
79. 'Pine Cone Scale'
80. 'Stork-Crest Red'
81. 'Cornelian Purple Gown'
82. 'Pine Shell'
83. 'Dwarf Rose'

Radiate Type

84. 'Hexangular Dwarf Rose'
85. 'First Class Crimson'
86. 'Crimson Gown'

Paeony Type

87. 'Paeony Camellia'
88. 'Crimson Paeony'
89. 'Pink Paeony'
90. 'Small Leaf Paeony'
91. 'Early Paeony'
92. 'Super Paeony'
93. 'Fully Double Paeony'
94. 'Red Jewellery' ('Noble Pearl')
95. 'Variegated Leaf Jewellery'
96. 'Lion's Head' ('Lion Head')
97. 'Tali Camellia' ('Tali Queen')
98. 'Single Heart Tali Camellia'
99. 'Tsingan's Camellia'
100. 'Large Cornelian'
101. 'Pumen's Camellia'
102. 'Crimson Ball'
103. 'Vermilion Purple Gown'
104. 'Nine-Heart Purple Gown'
105. 'Crimson Petaloid'

The Recent Introduction of *Camellia reticulata* Cultivars from Yunnan to California

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The *Camellia reticulata* cultivars grown in Yunnan Province of the People's Republic of China (P.R.C.) are one of the major Chinese horticultural achievements, yet it is only in the last thirty years that detailed information about these magnificent plants has been brought to the attention of western horticulture (Yü 1950). In the 19th century two cultivars of *C. reticulata* were introduced to England. Before the article by Professor Yü only these two garden varieties were known in the west although there is a long history in the Chinese horticultural literature concerning the Yunnan camellias. A number of camellias discussed by Yü were imported to the U.S. in the late 1940s by Peer and Lammerts (Peer 1949, Lammerts 1950), and more recently additional cultivars have been imported to New Zealand (Durrant 1967) and Japan (Ikeda 1974, 1975). In the spring of 1979 we imported plants of twenty cultivars of *C. reticulata* from the Kunming Botanical Garden of the Yunnan Institute of Botany to the University of California Botanical Garden, Berkeley (Table 1). The seventeen survivors are now well established and are being propagated for future distribution. These introductions are the first Yunnan camellias that have been imported directly from China to the U.S. in thirty years; the background of this historical event follows.

The first author visited Kunming in 1978 as one of the ten members of the Botanical Society of America Delegation to the P.R.C. (Thorhaug 1979). During the visit to the Yunnan Institute of Botany, inquiry was made as to the possibility of obtaining a plant of the Yunnan camellia 'Hentiangao' (envying sky's height). This cultivar was in the original importations by Peer and Lammerts but was subsequently lost. However, this cultivar was successfully introduced to New Zealand in 1964 (Durrant 1967) and to Japan in 1974 (Ikeda 1974). On returning to Canton after a one-month visit to eight cities in the P.R.C., a plant of 'Hentiangao' and the recently developed cultivar 'Kunmingchun' (Kunming spring) were waiting at the hotel. Early summer was

probably the worst possible time to bring plants from the cool temperature climate of Kunming to the hot tropical climate of Canton and Hong Kong; to this would be added the shock of having to remove all soil from the roots of the plants in the middle of the growing season before they could be brought into the U.S. However, the opportunity of transporting these plants to the U.S. was certainly worth the try, and efforts of the staff of the Yunnan Institute of Botany in supplying these plants were very greatly appreciated. Unfortunately, we lost both plants shortly after their arrival in Berkeley.

We decided that it was important to

continue to try to introduce additional *C. reticulata* cultivars to the U.S. We knew that over one hundred cultivars of Yunnan camellias are grown in Yunnan and of these fewer than twenty had been introduced into the U.S. In November 1978 we wrote the director of the Yunnan Institute of Botany, Professor Wu cheng-yih, mentioning that a recent issue of the magazine *China Foreign Trade* indicated that plants of thirty-nine Yunnan camellias were available from the Yunnan Institute of Botany through the China National Native Produce and Animal By-products Import Export Corporation. We proposed to Professor Wu that plants could be sent to Hong Kong where we would prepare them for shipping to Berkeley. In January, 1979, Professor Wu sent a list of forty *C. reticulata* cultivars that could be sent. It is interesting that during the interval between our letters the U.S. and the P.R.C. agreed to establish formal diplomatic relations. This agreement has certainly resulted in increased opportunities for cooperation between the U.S. and the P.R.C., and the timing of our letter to Professor Wu could hardly have been better. Some of the forty cultivars listed by Professor Wu were ones that had already been obtained by Peer and Lammerts, but twenty-five of the cultivars were ones that were previously unknown in the U.S. In early February we wrote Professor Wu and named

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the twenty-five cultivars we hoped to obtain, giving details of how to contact the second author of this article in Hong Kong to whom the camellias were to be sent. The camellias would have to be bare root when they entered the U.S. By shipping potted plants to Hong Kong, where soil would be removed and the plants packed for air freight to the U.S., we hoped to minimize the time between the soil removal and re-potting. In addition we contacted the Research Group of the Northern California Camellia Society about this project and asked for their assistance in obtaining root stock. The members of the research group were very enthusiastic and offered to help finance the project and also, through Jack Osegueda, to help propagate and distribute the plants after they arrive in Berkeley. In late February Professor Wu sent a list of twenty *C. reticulata* cultivars of grafted plants to be sent to Hong Kong.

The final arrangements for having the twenty plants shipped to Hong Kong took longer than we had expected. We knew that unless the camellias were sent soon it would be too late in the year to risk shipping the plants. The camellias would be in full growth, and as we knew from previous experience it would be too hot in Canton and Hong Kong for the plants to survive. Fortunately on March 26 the twenty plants were shipped by air from Kunming to Hong Kong via Canton. They arrived in Hong Kong on March 27, but to our dismay the increase in temperature had resulted in the initiation of growth, and many of the new shoots were rapidly expanding. Now that the plants had broken dormancy there was a much greater risk of losing them. Soil had to be removed from the roots and the roots packed in moss before they could be shipped to the U.S. We dipped the roots in a solution of Vitamin B1 which some people believe lessens the shock of transplanting although others question whether this really does any good. The plants were packed and shipped via Pan Am with special arrangements made so that the camellias were in a warm compartment where they would not freeze. The plants arrived in San Francisco on April 3, and after being inspected by agriculture authorities, they were taken to the University of California Botanical Garden, the roots were dipped in a fungicide and after potting the plants were placed in a mist chamber. Even at this late date it was worth trying to graft the camellias on rootstock that had been supplied by members of the Northern California Camellia Society. Jack Osegueda made fifty-

five grafts using scions from most of the newly arrived plants. The success rate of these grafts was very poor which was to be expected, and only eight of the grafts took. However, the success with the imported plants was much better, and we only lost three of the original twenty.

Since our initial importation, we have obtained and successfully grafted scions of seven additional *C. reticulata* cultivars that were sent directly from Kunming to Berkeley where they arrived on August 7, 1979 (Table 2). Two of the cultivars, 'Daguiye' and 'Moudan Cha', were supposedly in the late 1940 introductions (Peer 1949, Lammerts, 1950). However, it was important to re-introduce these cultivars because plants grown in the U.S. as 'Daguiye' are incorrectly identified (Durrant 1967) and those of 'Moudan Cha' are so heavily virus-infected that their growth is very weak.

The director of the Kunming Botanical Garden, Professor Chang-Ao-lo, has indicated a willingness to send scions of additional Yunnan camellias and an interest to obtain certain U.S. grown cultivars of *C. japonica* and *C. sasanqua*, and through the cooperation of the Northern California Camellia Society, it has been possible to send scions of sixty-four camellia cultivars to Kunming. In addition the second author has arranged for the importation of *C. reticulata* plants on a commercial scale from Kunming to Hong Kong where flowers are greatly appreciated during Chinese New Year.

Eventually we hope to obtain all the one hundred five cultivars of *C. reticulata* now grown in Yunnan. Over the next few years the plants we obtain from Kunming will be propagated and distributed. In addition a permanent collection of these will be maintained at the University of California Botanical Garden, Berkeley. This exchange of camellias and their establishment in both Yunnan and California will enrich the horticulture in both areas and will add to the friendship and cooperation between the people of the U.S. and the P.R.C.

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TABLE 1

Cultivar names for the twenty *Camellia reticulata* plants obtained from the Yunnan Institute of Botany in April 1979.

Cultivar name	English translation
'Dali Diechi'	Dali butterfly wing
'Heding Cha' *	Crane crest camellia
'Hentiangao'	Envy of sky's height
'Jingan Cha'	Jingan camellia
'Jinpaohong'	Brocade gown red
'Jinrui Furong'	Golden stamen hibiscus
'Kunmingchun'	Kunming spring
'Liangye'	Bright leaf spinel pink
'Yinhong' *	
'Luanye Yinhong'	Ovate leaf spinel pink
'Maye Taohong'	Reticulate leaf crimson
'Meihong Guiye'	Muse red osmanthus leaf
'Pingban Dali Cha'	Flat petal Dali camellia
'Saitaohong'	Superior crimson
'Songzike'	Pine nut shell
'Xiguiye'	Narrow osmanthus leaf
'Yingchunhong'	Welcoming spring red
'Yudaihong'	Jade striped red
'Zaomoudan'	Early peony
'Zaotaohong' *	Early crimson
'Zuijiaohong'	Charmingly drunk red

* Plants that died after arrival in Berkeley.

TABLE 2

Cultivar names of the seven *Camellia reticulata* scions obtained from the Yunnan Institute of Botany in August 1979.

Cultivar name	English translation
'Daguiye'	Large osmanthus leaf
'Dandahong'	Pale red
'Jinxin Baozhu'	Golden heart precious pearl
'Moudan Cha'	Peony camellia
'Saimoudan'	Superior peony
'Xiaoye Moudan'	Small leaf peony
'Yipinhong'	First class red

(EDITOR'S NOTE: We wish to correct an error that was in the February issue of *The Camellia Journal* on page 22. The last sentence of the article that begins, "They have requested. . . ." is incorrect. Dr. Bartholomew wrote us the following: "I have not been asked by the Chinese to come to Yunnan to study camellias . . . however, in late summer and fall of this year I will participate, along with 4 other U. S. botanists, in a Chinese Academy of Sciences plant collecting expedition to Western Hopeh Province.")

SOME WILL WANT TO BECOME A GUARDIAN

Camellias, Champagne and Candi

AL BUCHHOLZ

Just about everyone has heard the song "The Days of Wine and Roses"—but in February and March, there will be days of Champagne, Camellias and Candi, the nickname of Mrs. Candice Marsh of Burlingame, CA., who is manager of the Western Region of United Airlines Credit Union.

"Candi" who lives with her husband in a condominium has very few plants so was looking forward to seeing our camellia show at our new place, the Santa Clara Community Center, 969 Kiely Blvd., Santa Clara, CA. It was being sponsored by the city of Santa Clara Parks and Recreation Dept.

Matt Talia is going to name his prize winning reticulata seedling of 1979 'Miss Santa Clara' in honor of our new camellia show place and thanks to the City of Santa Clara Parks and Recreation Dept. The

seedling will be propagated by Ray Gentry of Jackson, Mississippi.

In northern California, we are very fortunate in having the best of the giants of the seedling growers in the country, some of them are: Dave Feathers, Lafayette; Matt Talia, Santa Clara; Frank Pursel, Oakland; Ken Hallstone, Lafayette; Jack Mandarich, Redwood City; Houghton Hall, San Anselmo; Maury Abramson, Tulare; Toni Funari, Santa Clara; and, of course, we have lovely ladies too like Marge O'Malley, Redwood City; and Mrs. George Stewart, Sacramento. We do have some of the great people already honored with a camellia named for them, what about some of the others? Who can help us out by naming one of their worthy seedlings in honor of one of these great seedling growers?

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A Thirteen Point Program for the Control of Contagious Camellia Dieback Caused by the Fungus *Glomerella cingulata*

LUTHER W. BAXTER, JR., W. M. EPPS,
AND SUSAN G. FAGAN

Dieback, canker (greenhouse or outdoors), and flower bud drop (in greenhouses) are three phases of a serious contagious disease of camellias in the southern part of the United States. *Camellia japonica* cultivars such as 'Governor Mouton', 'Cho-Cho-San' and 'Professor Sargent' are highly resistant to this disease which is caused by the fungus *Glomerella cingulata*; while cultivars such as 'Tiffany', 'Ville de Nantes' and 'Mathotiana' are highly susceptible. Cultivars of *C. sasanqua* and *C. hybrids* are also very susceptible to this problem. This disease is difficult to control, but there are certain control measures that should reduce losses from dieback to a minimum.

The following guidelines are suggested:

1. Grow *C. sasanqua* or *C. oleifera* understock from seed rather than from cuttings. Isolate the seedlings from diseased plants.
2. When collecting scions or cuttings, collect them from healthy plants.
3. Soak scions (or cuttings) in a captan (2 tablespoonsful/gallon) —benomyl (½ tablespoonful/gallon) suspension for 30 minutes just prior to setting (or sticking).
4. Stick cuttings in sterilized sand away from any possibly diseased plants.
5. Plant the cuttings or grafts in partial shade (pine is excellent), and keep them properly pruned so that air can circulate freely.
6. When beginning with camellias avoid highly susceptible cultivars

such as 'Ville de Nantes' and 'Tiffany'. Instead, use highly resistant cultivars such as 'Governor Mouton' and 'Professor Sargent'. Avoid using any of the camellia hybrids or *C. reticulata* since they are highly susceptible to dieback. All *C. sasanqua* cultivars thus far tested are susceptible, but 'Mine-no-Yuki', 'Setsugekka', 'Daydream', 'Apple Blossom' and 'Maiden's Blush' appear to have some resistance.

7. Do not plant newly acquired healthy cultivars near diseased plants.
8. When dieback and/or canker are seen on branches or the main stem, cut out all of the affected tissue (all dark wood) and destroy it.

9. Spray camellia plants with a benomyl-captan suspension (See No. 3 for concentration) just after pruning or after cuttings and scions are removed.

10. Spray camellia plants with a benomyl-captan suspension during the period of maximum leaf fall. The leaf scars provide a natural wound through which infection occurs.

11. Control insects such as ants with insecticides because they carry the spores from cankers on the stems to the top parts and can carry them directly to the leaf scars.

12. Avoid over-crowding and over-fertilization, particularly with high nitrogen fertilizers.

13. Do not use overhead irrigation during April, May and June on greenhouse grown plants or during May and June on outdoor plants. Overhead irrigation provides a method of spreading the spores of *Glomerella* to leaf scars where the leaves have recently fallen.

By following these practices, one can reduce dieback and canker, but it is doubtful whether or not one can ever completely eradicate this problem on camellias in the South.

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A Friend of Mine

JAY BIRD

An additional method for preservation of blooms: mix equal parts of distilled water with 7 Up. Pour the solution in your orchid tubes or cups, and insert the bloom stem in the solution. The diet type of 7 Up should not be used, as the sugar is an important element in the solution. A friend remarked he was glad to hear the soft drink was good for something other than bruising your favorite beverage. Now, how did that get in here?

Last January, Doris and I found we had been adopted by a stray female dog of mixed ancestry. While

we knew one should not feed such strays, our tender hearts would not allow us to overlook her hungry appearance, so we gave her our food scraps along with an occasional serving of commercial dog food. It was interesting to note her favorite items of people food were oatmeal, spinach and olives. Of course very few olives were available for her, but she enjoyed the few that she was given from our plate scraps. She is the undisputed boss of the yard area, and lets us know when visitors arrive or invaders appear on the property, such as other

stray dogs and native animals. She always accompanies Doris on her strolls in the yard, and earns her board well enough, especially since she discourages the squirrels from eating our camellia bloom buds and fruit.

The New Zealand Hybrid 'Water Lily' continues to be one of our more attractive blooms, and occasionally produces informal, semi double blooms. Thank goodness for a good January. The weather in our area was ideal for outdoor camellia growers; fog in the early morning, and sufficient rain fall. The plants were ablaze in beautiful colors; a delight to behold. The hard freeze stayed away from our area during the peak of our season.

We have noted considerable interest and activity in determining existing camellia varieties and developing new

crosses that are resistant to cold weather conditions. Similar activity has also occurred in developing crosses that are tolerant of full sun and heat. Among the established varieties 'Red Giant' and 'Professor Sargent' appear to withstand such conditions very well. In addition several new crosses are exhibiting the same qualities. In a few years we hope to see camellias that will withstand the severe sun and heat in south Florida and other similar locations. Accordingly the camellia should soon be a universal plant suitable for use in all climates.

We need more contributions. Interesting short topics as well as comments on published topics or items will be welcomed. Forward to Jay W. Ellis, P. O. Box 888, Keystone Heights, FL 32656

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Highlights of the Minutes of the Meetings of the Directors and Trustees in Gainesville and Jackson

Meeting in Gainesville, Florida November 29, 1979

The *Membership Chairman* reported that there was a very small drop despite two years of cold weather but he and others felt that there should be a concerted effort to obtain new members.

Ways and Means Co-Chairmen Vera and Al Parker had a very exciting report showing a 5-month net gain of \$1,443.95. Mr. Parker pointed out that there is still a sizeable inventory of the beautiful prints by Madeline Fu and the prints of 'Ville de Nantes', 'Clarise Carleton' and 'Clara Maria Pope'. There was a discussion of a possible limited edition camellia plate being made each year using the Illges Award winners as the subject. This is being studied for a future date.

Reporting for the *Long Range and Fund Raising Committees* Dr. Nathan pointed up that we were approaching the half-way mark of our \$500,000.00 goal in securities, cash, pledges and pledged bequests. There was discussion about the Long Range Planning Committee looking into whether we should continue with two conventions

a year or cut back to one. It was postponed for a later date.

Exhibitions and Awards Chairman Thomas C. Evans reported 16 new judges had been appointed and that his committee is working on preparation of a new show handbook. His committee recommended and the Board unanimously passed a change in the wording of Book 1, Chapter 1, Section 3 of the Rules and Regulations concerning ACS Co-operative Shows. Since some shows do not permit a flower that is not listed in the nomenclature book, it was felt this statement should be put in: "Variegated blooms of varieties listed in Camellia Nomenclature or subsequent issues of the ACS *Camellia Journal* and *American Camellia Society Yearbook* are eligible to win an ACS Certificate or Award."

The *Charter and Bylaws Committee* made a motion which passed the Governing Board extending Officers' terms to two years. The new wording shall read as follows: "The Board of Directors shall elect the President, Vice President for the Atlantic Coast, Vice

President for the Gulf Coast, Vice President for the Pacific Coast, Executive Secretary, Treasurer, and Editor while in session during the Annual Meeting of the Society in alternate years beginning with the Annual Meeting in 1980."

It was pointed out that all Officers and Directors continue their efforts to sell the outstanding book *The Camellia, Its History, Culture, Genetics And a Look Into Its Future Development*, edited by Dave Feathers.

G. F. Abendroth, Chairman of an election committee for Trustees reported for his committee and placed the following names in nomination as Trustees of the ACS Endowment Fund to begin a new 3-year term: Charles R. Butler, Thomas C. Evans, Douglas Deane Hall, C. W. Pitkin, Dr. Herbert Racoff, David L. Feathers and for the unexpired term of the late William B. Johnston, Thomas E. Hughes. They were duly elected.

Concerning publications, President Stringfellow emphasized the point that more advertising is needed in order to offset the increasingly higher costs of publication. He named Judge Paul Harkey as Chairman of the committee to look into obtaining new advertising. The President also appointed James Lipfert as Chairman with Thomas C. Evans, Dr. Herbert Racoff and Mrs. Elizabeth Cooper on an ad hoc committee to look into the timing, cost and type of publications.

The Board of Trustees of the ACS Endowment Fund met and reviewed the C & S National Bank report. In a discussion on the Fund Raising Campaign, Chairman Nathan pointed out that some 60-65% of the current amount is actually in cash and securities with the remainder being on pledges of statements of intention to pay over the next three or four years. It was pointed out that

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less than \$6,000.00 had actually been expended in promoting this campaign to date since the committee members and other Officers and Directors are doing a superb job of obtaining contributions without our having to go to a professional fund raising concern. There was then a discussion on the importance of obtaining some larger contributions from various Trusts and Foundations.

There was a discussion under New Business concerning the importance of dieback. It was suggested that the ACS Research

Advisory Committee draw up priorities on what should be proposed at such a time as the fund is large enough to hire a full time horticulturist or botanist.

There was an election for Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Secretary of the Board of Trustees. The same Officers, G. Stuart Watson and Thomas C. Evans, were re-elected.

The Board of Trustees publically expressed their thanks to the Middle Georgia Camellia Society for the two additions on the barn at Massee Lane.

Meeting at Jackson, Mississippi January 24, 1980

Membership Committee. It was reported that there was a total of 5,202 members in 1978 and a total of 5,182 for 1979. The Executive Secretary said a second notice for dues would be sent out in March or April as a reminder to those who may have forgotten to pay their 1980 dues. Each of the Directors were called on by the President to tell what they had done in an effort to obtain new members.

The Chairman of the Exhibitions and Awards Committee reported the completion of the preparation of a "Handbook for Camellia Shows". It covers suggested details on how to stage a camellia show. Initially, 100 copies will be made and they will be sent out in the summer to those organizations that hold camellia shows in cooperation with ACS. The cost of duplicating this booklet was pledged by G. F. Abendroth.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee, James C. Lipfert, presented a proposed budget, in balance, for the fiscal year 1 July, 1980/30 June, 1981. In order to meet a balanced budget, some \$5,000.00 had to be shaved off publications. The Board with only two dissenting votes approved the recommendation of the special committee that the Yearbook be in a soft vinyl cover similar to that of the American Rose Society's. By laying on an additional chore at Headquarters with the Journal, we were able to shave off a small additional amount of money also. Again, appeals were made for more advertising for the Journal and obtaining more members.

The Convention Committee said that it had an invitation from the Peninsula Camellia Society to hold the 1981 Annual Meeting on February 12-15, 1981 in San Mateo, California, with the headquarters being the Dunfey Hotel. Camellia members in Dallas/Fort Worth issued an invitation for the Annual Meeting in 1983. There are still openings for a fall meeting in 1981 and 1982, it was pointed out. It was also pointed

out strongly, in order to counter some rumors from people not in the know, that contrary to the ugly rumors, host societies or clubs DO NOT lose money as a result of hosting an ACS convention.

The Horticulture Committee, under Philip Ireland, reported there would be two articles each year under horticulture—in the May Journal for summer and fall and in the November Journal for winter and spring.

The Board of Directors then met with Bea (Mrs. Neal) Rogers as Chairman. The Board elected the following Officers who will take office at the Annual ACS Meeting in February 1981: President, Thomas C. Evans of Aiken, SC; Vice President for the Atlantic Territory, Lewis Fetterman of Clinton, NC; Vice President for the Gulf Coast Territory, Robert Sansing, Jr. of Pensacola, FL; Vice President for the Pacific Coast Territory, Mrs. H. C. ("Chic") Ramhath of Sacramento, CA; elected for Executive Secretary/Editor, Milton H. Brown; for Assistant Editor, Joseph H. Pyron; and for Treasurer, Marguerite (Mrs. T. J.) Smith.

In discussing the financial status of the Society, James Lipfert pointed out that for the fiscal year ending 30 June, 1979, there was a loss of \$2,208.55. The Executive Secretary advised all that he had advertising rate sheets which he could send to all Directors and Officers as well as to committee members of Judge Harkey's ad hoc committee on advertising. It was reported that in accordance with the direction of the Governing Board earlier that there will be a new Membership Roster published in the early fall of 1980. The cost will be \$3.00 postpaid and notice will be added to the Dues Statements mailed out in late September.

The Board took action at this meeting, then, to continue having two meetings a year.

Charles R. Butler of Mobile, Alabama was elected with acclamation to be Chairman Emeritus of the Board of Trustees.

There was a discussion not to initiate a campaign to raise money for dieback since

it was felt this would be too much to pass on to the membership at this time. The Governing Board then thanked the Ways and Means Committee for the tremendous work they have done and then set up a separate account to make direct purchases for materials for this committee.

There was then a discussion on whether or not local societies should be permitted to send a delegate or representative to attend Governing Board meetings with no voice or vote. No change was made, however, but it was pointed out that local clubs can be in touch with their State Directors to learn what goes on at the meetings and/or to advise the Director what they would like to have taken up. It was also agreed that the President advise each convention chairman to have an open meeting, as was done in Jackson, so that all members can immediately be advised of actions taken by the Governing Board and the Board of Trustees the day that they are taken. Such a meeting would be open for questions and discussions by any ACS member present.

Dr. Nathan reported on the still-as-yet unsuccessful efforts to obtain a camellia stamp. He pointed out the continued efforts on the part of Representative Brinkley, the Executive Secretary and himself to keep this in the foreground. The Executive Secretary pointed out that the People's Republic of China in 1979 alone issued eleven (11) camellia postage stamps.

At the Board of Trustees Meeting, there was a review of the December 31st statement from the C & S National Bank. A substantial rise in assets is a direct result of the efforts of the Fund Raising Campaign. There was then a discussion that some people might be interested in contributing to the Endowment Fund as a memorial to their husband or wife. This was fully agreed on as being an excellent suggestion. It was suggested by Dr. Nathan that there be a follow-up letter to all ACS members telling them where the campaign stands and what our needs still are. The Executive Secretary was asked to continue his thoughts of hopefully obtaining a Foundation or Trust to establish a "Chair of Camellia Horticulture" at Massee Lane.

There was then a discussion about dieback and Dr. Luther Baxter told of his work with this and pointed out a financial need to help this study along. There was a discussion on the need for virus-free understock and a motion was made for the ACS Endowment Fund to supply funds up to \$1,000.00 to purchase the needed plants for this research study.

All present thought that these two meetings were fruitful and helpful. All look forward to increased interest on the part of members to attend the open discussions at each convention and the hope that members will contact their Officers and Directors.

WILL YOU SUPPORT A HORTICULTURIST?

The Campaign for American Camellia Society Endowment Fund

The Chairman of the Fund Raising Campaign, Dr. Daniel E. Nathan of Fort Valley, Georgia, gave an encouraging report at the Annual Meeting in Jackson, Mississippi on January 24, 1980. He reported that the Fund had received \$251,000.00 to date in cash, securities, pledges and promised bequests. This is just over the half-way goal of \$500,000.00 set about one year ago. He expressed great pleasure at the number of members who have thus far contributed tax-exempt amounts to the Endowment Fund.

The needs were once again emphasized; a full-time professional horticulturist for Masee Lane to do research projects, supervise the maintenance of the large gardens and to oversee the improvement and expansion of the gardens; a fund that will be a hedge to the continuing inflation. As the original brochure stated, **YOU CAN HELP—EVERY GIFT IS IMPORTANT NO MATTER WHAT THE SIZE. YOUR CHECK, SECURITIES, YOUR SUPPORT CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE.** No gift is too small whether that gift is a "widow's mite" or the financial might of the more fortunate. All gifts are tax exempt under the IRS code sections 2055, 2106 and 2522 since the American Camellia Society Endowment Fund is under the IRS Code provisions of section 501(c)(3). Copies of this Letter of Determination are available to anyone requesting one.

There was a discussion that the time had come to approach foundations, trusts and the likes for contributions. Such contributions are also exempt whether from personal or public foundations.

It was also pointed out that people might like to make contributions to the Endowment Fund in Memory of a Loved One. This, of course, is permissible but even more it is encouraged to remember our loved ones by such a remembrance.

Contributions can be made also as a "member" of four different "clubs", by remembrance in wills, gifts of life insurance or of real property and securities. The various "clubs" have been designated as follows.

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THE CHALLENGER CLUB

The Challenger Club will be made up of those people kind enough to challenge us all to work hard to boost camellias and guard what we now have. Contributions for this Club should be between \$2,500.00 and \$4,999.00.

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A Letter From Glen Dickey

Dear Friends,

My mother, Rose Dickey, has asked me to write this note to you, her friends. Mother completed her life on earth January 25, 1980, just ten months after my dad. Her death was due to cancer of the liver which was detected in October. Her physical condition made her dependent upon care in Woods Convalescent Hospital at Hillcrest Homes, LaVerne, for the past two months.

Mother's acceptance of my dad's death and her ever positive attitude throughout her own illness was an inspiration to all who came into contact with her. She had the wonderful ability to look to the bright side of things and constantly count the many blessings of her long, full, and very happy life on earth. Her spiritual

strength lifted the hearts of many, and it was evident that she was not afraid of death.

I want to quote you one of Mother's favorite prayers:

"Dear God, let me live like the camellia,

Green leaves speaking of life eternal

Blossoms resplendent in beauty

And, dear God, please let me die

like the Camellia, not cling,

Not grow sour with age,

Or leave this beautiful world

Tortured by guilt or pain.

Let me drop silently like the

camellia

Knowing that I will bloom again

In the garden of eternity."

Mother's prayer was answered.

Sincerely,

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Members of Japan Camellia Society Visit Massee Lane



Massee Lane was thrilled to have visit there a delegation of members of The Japan Camellia Society. They attended the ACS Convention in Jackson, Mississippi prior to coming to Georgia. Here you see your Executive Secretary flanked by Mr. and Mrs. Saburo Yokoyama; he is Vice President of the Japanese society. You can see the cloisonne pin showing the camellia 'Tama-No-Ura'.

Seen also is the complete group along with your staff at Massee Lane and Dr. Walter F. Homeyer, Jr. of Macon and Wally Freshwater of Fort Valley. Three of the delegation became ACS Life Members that day. The group presented ACS a lovely cloisonne tray depicting the lovely camellia 'Twane-Shibori' which is in the cabinet in the Reception Room. We hope they enjoyed their very short visit with us as we did with them being here when the gardens and the greenhouse were in full display. (Photos by Rosa Hutchins and courtesy of the *Fort Valley Leader-Tribune*.)





What sound advice is Charlene (Mrs. Fred) Lee giving to Charlie Zagst at the Conroe Show? (Photo by Greg Davis)



At the Conroe, Texas Show, noted landscape architect (also, the one who has drawn up the detailed and excellent long-range garden plans for Massee Lane) Geoffrey Wakefield and ACS President Roy C. Stringfellow seem to be having a good talk. (Photo by Greg Davis)



Ms. Edstrom interviewing the above three on live TV about the ACS convention. Left to right—Ms. Kim Edstrom—TV Announcer for WCJB TV Channel 20, Gainesville, Fla., Mr. Roy Stringfellow, President, ACS, Mr. Milton Brown, Executive Secretary, ACS, Mr. Henry C. Lunsford, ACS Convention Chairman.



Here we see Mr. and Mrs. G. Stuart Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer C. Walden, Jr. and Dr. Hilary Hanna waiting for the catfish to show up for dinner during the ACS Convention in Jackson, Mississippi. (Photo by Charlie Bush)



During the ACS Convention in Gainesville, Florida the Gainesville Camellia Society dedicated a camellia garden. The garden was dedicated in memory of H. Harold Hume, the first President of the ACS and author of the authoritative book *Camellias in America*. Seen here are Thomas Shaddick of the Gainesville society, ACS President Roy C. Stringfellow and Judge John Murphree. Judge Murphree is a Charter Member of the ACS and is also the person who signed the original papers chartering and incorporating The American Camellia Society in 1945.

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Camellias, Planting and Care*

SITE. Most camellias grow and produce better flowers in partial shade. Plants in a northern or western exposure, or otherwise protected from intense winter morning sun, will usually stand more cold weather than those in an eastern or southern exposure.

Choose a planting site with well drained soil. Do not plant where shade trees with shallow root systems will compete with camellias for nutrients and water.

SOIL PREPARATION. Camellias will grow in most well drained, acid soils. A soil pH (degree of acidity or alkalinity) of 5.0 to 6.0 is best. Have a soil test made before planting; get instructions and supplies at your county Extension office. The test can be made at the Soil Testing Laboratory at Auburn. It will tell you what is needed to bring the soil to the desired pH and fertility level. Lime is used to raise the soil pH level on extremely acid soils. However, do not apply lime unless it is recommended by a soil test.

Practically all soils need additional humus or organic matter before planting. About 2 to 4 inches of peat moss,

leaf mold, cow manure or sawdust worked 12 to 18 inches into the soil improves it greatly. At the same time organic matter is mixed with the soil, add fertilizer and lime as recommended by the soil test and mix this in the top 12 to 18 inches of the soil. If a soil test is not made and you think the soil fertility is low, mix a complete fertilizer such as 8-8-8 into the soil. Apply the fertilizer at a rate of 2 to 3 pounds per 100 square feet of area. If you think the soil fertility level is high, apply 1 to 2 pounds of 16-8-8 or 12-6-6 per 100 square feet.

PLANTING. Camellias may be set any month of the year if they are properly planted, watered and cared for. However late fall through early spring is considered the best time for transplanting them in Alabama. There is adequate moisture during this period, and water is an absolute necessity in transplanting. These periods are also best because the plant is dormant or is approaching dormancy (above-ground parts of the plant are not growing). The root system continues to develop during dormancy which allows the plant to become well established in the soil. The newly developed roots will then provide enough moisture and nutrients for the plant to start growth when spring arrives.

Space camellias according to their habit of growth; some varieties spread

while others grow upright. Allow a minimum of 5 feet between plants and preferably more.

The size of the hole should be determined by the size of the ball of soil on the root system, size of container, or the spread of the roots on a bare-root plant. Many plants do not grow properly because they are planted in holes that are too small. The general rule is to make the diameter of the hole at least 12 inches greater than the diameter of the root system. Working up entire beds or areas would eliminate the need for large individual holes.

PRUNING. Although camellias require very little pruning, some may be needed to keep certain varieties at the desired shape and size. Pruning inside limbs back to another branch or lateral will reduce the height and increase air movement without making the plant look unsightly. Prune plants early in the spring at the end of the dormant season. Cutting blooms with longer stems (4 to 6 inches) reduced the need for severe cutting or pruning.

WATERING. There is no set rule for watering; however, the soil should be wet to a depth of 14 to 18 inches with a hose, soil soaker (porous hose) or sprinkler. When watered to this depth the application may last from 10 days to 2 weeks—even during periods of dry weather. Clay soils require less frequent but heavier waterings than sandy soils.

* From "The Camellia and its Culture," Circular P-94, Alabama Cooperative Extension Service, Auburn University by Ronald L. Shumack, Extension Horticulturist and Raymond L. Self, Plant Pathologist in Charge, Ornamental Horticulture Field Station.

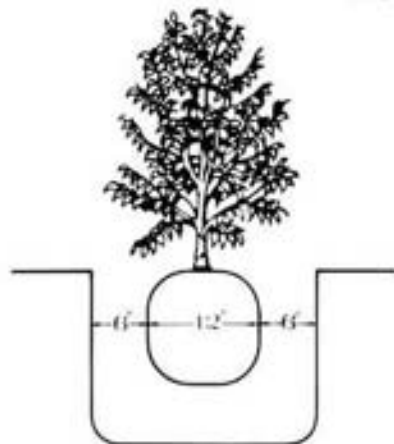


Figure 1. The diameter of the ball of soil on this plant is 12 inches. The diameter of the hole should be a minimum of 24 inches.

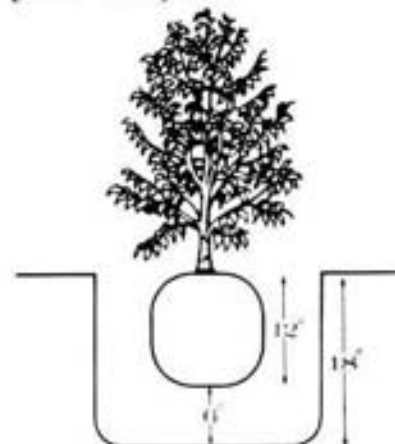


Figure 2. Depth of the hole is also important. Minimum depth should be 18 inches. This will vary with the depth of the ball of soil or the depth of the root system. The hole should be at least 6 inches deeper than the ball of soil or root system.



Figure 3. Fill the bottom of the hole with 6 inches of a loamy, well drained and aerated soil high in organic matter.

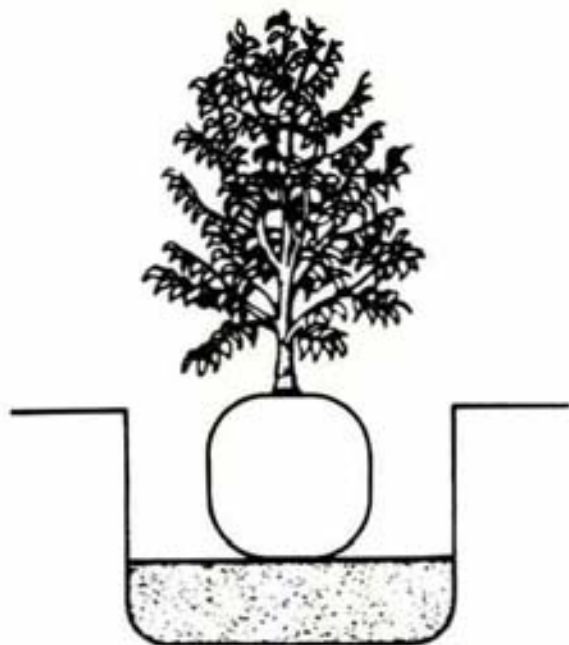


Figure 4. Place the plant in the hole. Adjust to the correct position and depth by removing or adding soil. The top of the ball of soil should be slightly above ground level. By doing this, the plant will then be near ground level after it settles. If planted too deeply, camellias will grow poorly and may die.

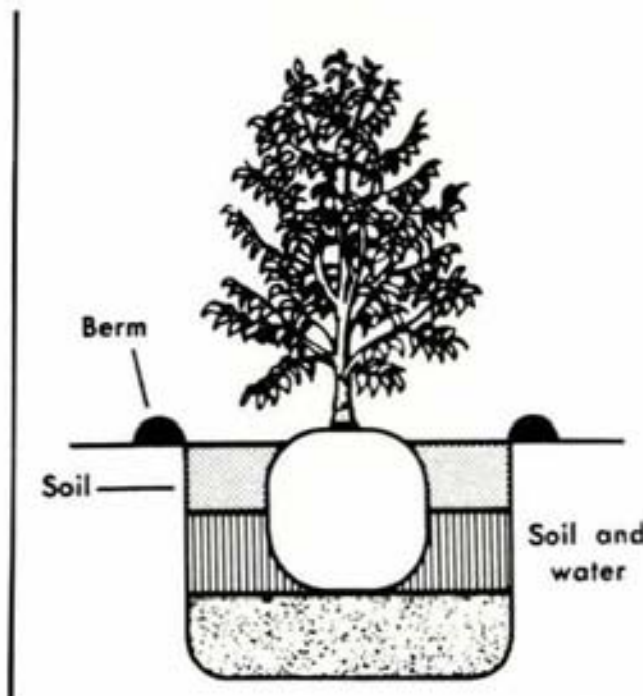


Figure 5. Fill the hole full of soil and water thoroughly. Finish filling with soil. Build a berm, or small terrace, around the plant to help retain water. Thoroughly water the plant.

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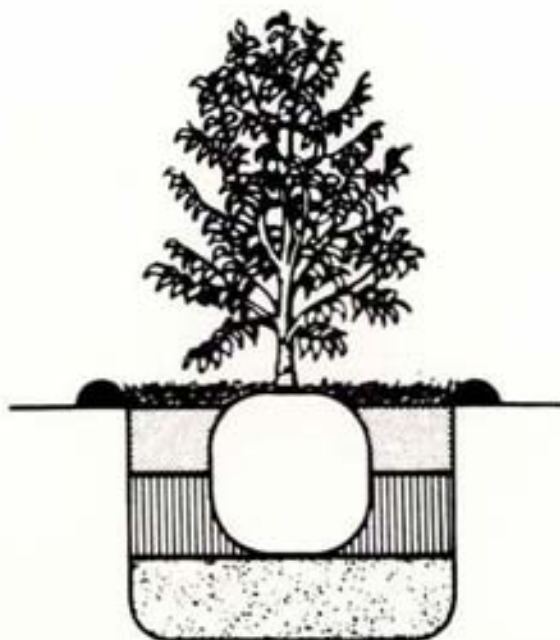


Figure 6. Mulch the surface of the soil around the plant with 2 to 4 inches of pine straw, sawdust, peat moss, bark or some other form of organic matter. Mulch holds moisture, keeps the soil cooler, makes weeding easier, and almost eliminates the need for cultivation.

To Camellia Lovers Everywhere

MRS. DAVID (ROSA) TEDDER

This morning I awoke with a good case of the blues, so I had a cup of coffee, then took a walk in my camellias. There were some very pretty blooms, so I kept on over to my Hankey-Pankey Patch and there I found a pretty peony form red on an unknown seedling, something like 'Professor Sargent' (but different); and there in 'Betty Sheffield's' corner was a very pretty soft pink and I wanted to call it 'Pink Angel'. But I'll wait and see what the next bloom looks like on this one. By this time, I was feeling much better, so I kept walking and there was a 'Governor Mouton', snow white with pink (a few) stripes, peony form medium, and a red formal double 'Lawson Bonnier', and an unknown peony form pale pink with deep pink stripes. By this time the blues were all gone.

There were several 'Alba Superba' seedlings: Red rose form double; pink formal double; white rose form double, formal double, peony form, anemone form, semi-double and single, all very pretty. This is a good one for seed and most of the seedlings are pretty. Others make good grafting stock; some are very cold hardy. There was a 'Magnoliaeflora' seedling in bloom, pale pink semi-double with deep pink stripes; also a beautiful 'Betty Sheffield Supreme' that looks like a pink 'Imura'. This one I like very much. There were many other seedlings in bloom, some very pretty.

I love my camellias! I have several hundred but I find the seedlings completely fascinating. I like to tag them so I'll know one parent at least. I thank God for all my friends and my camellias. They have helped me keep my sanity through the death of my mother (age 83), February 22, 1975; my son (age 36)—to Hodgkins Disease—December 4, 1975; my husband, David, (age 60)—heart attack—October 1, 1976; three aunts; one uncle; three cousins all very close to me—all in the past three years. Any-

one who would like to come walk with me and God in my garden is always welcome there.

Some of my seedlings are very cold hardy and bloomed last year; the coldest here since I have been growing camellias—1956. My oldest seedling is 19 years old—a white to pale pink peony form, medium size and has very green foliage, roots well, makes good grafting stock. I like to share cuttings, seed and plants with all my friends and young people starting a new home. Lots of camellia gardens have been started from plants and cuttings from my camellias, one in New Jersey.

I have two friends that visit two or

three times each season from New Jersey. They stopped by one day in February 1975, came back in March and came two times last season. They plan to visit me again this year. They have bought eight acres of pines and plan to plant them in camellias, so we would like to know what camellias would grow best there. We thought some seedlings might do well there so I am giving them some plants and seed and plan on going there to help them start their garden in the pines. They had a very good start at their home in Elmar, N. J., but most of them were destroyed by a tornado last year and the cold last winter. The storm blew down most of their trees, so the camellias had no protection; but a few survived so they will start again with the help of some of our camellia friends.

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Report of the ACS Research Advisory Committee

Gainesville, Florida

November 30, 1979

I. Fight Blight Campaign

In February 1979, Dr. Luther Baxter, Jr. mailed a notice of invitation for participation in the ACS Fight Blight Campaign to all State Universities, Experimental Stations and Community Colleges with active Pathology Departments within the Camellia belt area. The letter of invitation outlined the two phases of the Fight Blight Campaign: (1) the Dave Feathers Annual Award of \$1,000 available to the individual or institution presenting the best idea toward the control of Camellia petal blight, and (2) the Grand Award of \$20,000 for the development of a product or method of treatment that will control *Sclerotinia camelliae* Hara. A brief description of the disease and the problem was included in the letter.

A deadline of October 1 of each year was established by the committee for receipt of applications for the annual Dave Feathers Petal Blight Award.

Only one inquiry was received by

Chairman Ackerman prior to the October 1 date. Mr. Allison Maggiolo, 5903 Founders Drive, Greensboro, N. C. Mr. Maggiolo has been doing research with agricultural chemicals and has several formulas for compounds to his credit. Contacts with Mr. Maggiolo indicate that his work toward a camellia petal blight control has just begun and he should be a strong candidate for next year's annual award. Dr. Baxter received several inquiries but no formal applications. A letter to all committee members in mid-October indicated that no other inquiries had been received.

The meager response for this year's award is not too surprising at least from the college people. It takes time to gear up on a new research project and longer to get any tangible results. Hopefully next year will bring a better response. If not we may have to consider alternates. The committee feels that no annual award should be given for 1979.

From the Desk of the Executive Secretary/Editor

As I look out the window on this rather chilly day and take in the beauty of the camellia plants in bloom after two periods of weather in the low 20's, I see your gardens at Massee Lane and your plants in the greenhouse are really out-performing themselves.

Material for this issue is going to the printer a bit earlier than usual as 14 of us are leaving on March 1 to visit Shanghai, Kunming and Beijing in the People's Republic of China and then join with 16 others to attend the International Camellia Society meeting in Japan.

LIFE AND PATRON MEMBERS

Since our February issue, we have gained seven new Life Members and, unfortunately, lost two Life Members who have passed away. This brings our total Life Membership to 238 with 11 Patron Members. The new Life Members that we welcome into the ACS are:

Mrs. N. B. Hunt, Dallas, Texas
Dr. W. F. Mathis, Moultrie, Georgia
Dott. Ing. Antonio Sevesi,
Milano, Italy
Yoshihiko Mishima, Hyogo, Japan
Yoshinobu Tamai, Tokyo, Japan
Shigekayu Hirano, Yokohama,
Japan
Shiro Funaki, Tokyo, Japan

REGIONAL CAMELLIA ORGANIZATIONS

We look forward to attending the Gulf Coast Camellia Society meeting in August, the Volunteer State Camellia Society meeting in late August and Camellia-Rama in November. Here is some good news. The second weekend in September at Myrtle Beach, SC there will be an organizational meeting for a new regional camellia society. This new organization will probably become known as the Atlantic Coast Camellia Society. Its purpose will be to share common



(Photo by James A. Henkel)

practices and common interests for those camellia growers along the Atlantic Coast from Massachusetts to Florida. This proposed organization will in no way conflict with or compete with any of the other regional organizations. We congratulate the camellia enthusiasts in the Carolinas and elsewhere along the Atlantic Coast for this renewed interest.

IN MEMORIAM

We have been saddened to learn of the death of two of our long-time outstanding supporters of camellias and the Camellia Society. Mrs. C. M. Gooch, a long-time philanthropist of Memphis, Tennessee and a Life Member of the ACS died in December. A Charter Member, Mrs. J. D. Duke of Fort Valley died in late January. We extend sincere sympathy and condolences to the families and friends of these two outstanding women.

MINI-SHOWS AND ACS

In addition to its regular large show in November, the Middle Georgia Camellia Society had a one-day Mini-Show in the Houston Mall in Warner Robins, Georgia. There were 166 blooms and awards were given by the Mall Association of Merchants. The judging was done entirely by Accredited Judges of "the other sex." Airlayered plants were brought along to give to any one joining the MGCS

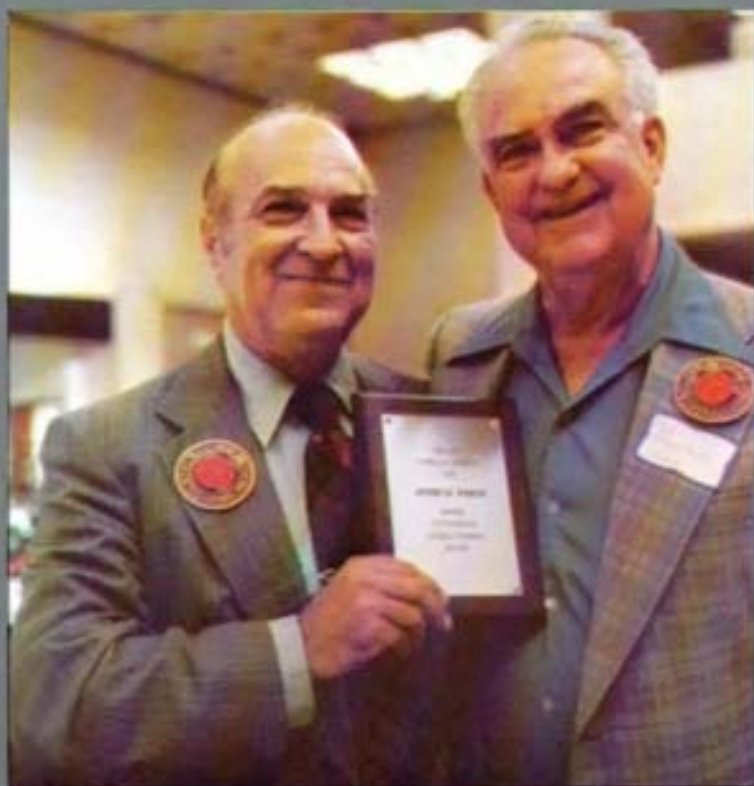
or the ACS. Much interest and support was shown and four people joined the MGCS and 5 joined the ACS. You see, you don't need big shows in order to generate enthusiasm. Some of these new members were young people in their 30's and have already attended a dinner meeting of the local society. You might want to give some thought to this method of generating enthusiasm within your community.

RARITIES

We still have available some of the rarest, we think, camellia books. We have available now some "1933 Annual of the Azalea and Camellia Society of America" for \$5.00 postpaid; the "1939 Annual of the Camellia Society of America" for \$5.00 postpaid and Robt. J. Halliday's *Practical Camellia Culture* of 1880, but reprinted in 1945, for \$7.50 postpaid. Send check or money order to ACS, P. O. Box 1217, Fort Valley, GA 31030.

CAMELLIA NOMENCLATURE 1981

We have been advised by the Editor of the Southern California Camellia Society that the 1981 issue of the *Camellia Nomenclature* will be available this fall. At this point, they have not settled on a price which they have advised will be increased over the \$4.00 cost of the current issue. He said it might be \$5 to \$6.00 per copy due to the tremendous increase in printing, postage and handling. To ease your ordering of this publication, there will be a box in the ACS Dues Statement for 1981 which you can check and pay along with your 1981 dues. These statements will be mailed out in late September, as always. If you wish to have your new variety included, you should have it in the registration process so that we can send the data to the publisher prior to June 1, 1980. Since this is the year for the triennial nomenclature book, we are not listing the new varieties registered since our May 1979 issue; we will do this in the May issue of 1981 and 1982 in order to keep current on all new varieties.



TWO HAPPY FELLAS

It is never hard to tell the winners at a Camellia Show. Here we see the top winners at the Dallas Camellia Society's Show on January 13, 1980. 'Miss Tulare' is showing off "her" gorgeous color in the Revere Bowl "she" won for her exhibitor G. F. ("Al") Abendroth of Shreveport, Louisiana—that state's ACS Director. The award was The Charles Sidenglang Award for Queen of the Show.

Not to be outdone by neighboring Louisiana, Texas State Director of the ACS is seen holding his award, the first such, The Jessica Paige Award for Outstanding Double Formal Bloom. Judge Paul Harkey is shown holding the plaque for his prize-winning 'Nuccio's Gem'.