Minutes of Club Meetings
Plainedfield Garden Club
April 8 - 1925 —
November 11 - 1925
Annual Meeting
November 11, 1925
April 12, 1925

The first meeting of the season of 1925 was held at the home of Mrs. Leslie R. Fort on April 8th with 29 members present. Owing to the resignation of Miss Gupta, Miss Lapakley acted as Sec. pro tem. After the roll call and reading of the minutes of the Annual meeting the President reminded the club that this was its tenth birthday.

In order to help the hospitalises knew how many guests to expect it was voted to send out double post cards on which the members are requested to send an acceptance or refusal to the meetings. Mrs. Murray made the motion seconded by Mrs. Dodd.

The treasurer's report was read showing a balance as April 1st of $47.29. The report was accepted.
as read.

Miss Holloway gave a report of the 

field flower committee. She has 

arranged with Mr. McMahon, the 

artist of the poster, so that it may 

be used by this club, by the 

aid of posters over the words 

"Plainfield Garden Club." A 

roll of thanks was extended to 

Mr. McMahon for his kindly 

assistance.

Mrs. O'Donohue spoke of the 

conservation of Xmas greens and 

asked how many had curtailed 

their greens or used substitute, 

and told of the Christmas tree as 

oriental spruce from Moore's nursery which the club had 

congru for $5.00. The city 

electrician placed it in the
City hall park before Christmas.

Notes of thanks for the tree were read from the acting clerk of the common council and from Mayor Loizeaux.

A report was given by Mrs. Howard Foster and Mrs. Foster and Mrs. Foster went as a delegate from the club to attend a meeting in New York of the Cooperative Flower Show of New Jersey, which will hold its show in Englewood this year June 18th. The Plainfield Garden Club was asked to take the show in 1926. Mrs. Foster's suitcases were asked to look up substitutes for quarters, before the club accepted or declined the invitation. Mrs. Lawrence proposed, Mrs. Havard seconded a motion that our club offer $10.00 for prize or
prizes for the 1925 show. Carried.

A report of the Executive Committee meeting was given by Mrs. Foster. The Executive Committee recommends that the office of President be created, and the office of Secretary be divided into Recording Sec., and Corresponding Sec.

New members elected to the club are: Mrs. Archibald Cox, Mrs. Frederick Senged, and Mrs. Noah Burchard reinstated. Miss Moore moved and Mrs. Forst seconded a motion that Art III be amended to read: The officers of this club shall be a President, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, and Chairman of the Program Committee. Carried.
Mrs. O'Donohue suggested that one member of the Program Committee be empowered to act as Vice President.

A motion was made and carried that annual dues be payable on or before the 1st April meeting.

Amendment at VIII. One notice of these amendments to be given.

The President reported that she had attended a meeting of both Jersey Garden Club at that Halls to discuss the extermination of tent caterpillars, also that she had talked with the Scout Master who informed her of the Boy Scouts on the warpath.

Mrs. Howard Foster made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Laurence, that the club offer a prize of $10.00.
to the hoop destroying the most curr
caterpillars. Carried.

This led to a short talk
on the 1st Annual Luncheon of the
Federated Garden Clubs of New York
State and its aims and advantages
of such a federation.

A vote of Thanks was read from
the Secretary of the Union County
Park Commission. Thanking the
club for five (prize-winning) tulip
hoses to be used in the park.

The business being at an end
several poems on nature and
Garden Subjects by Miss Dorothy
Quick. Formally I furnished my
read by Mrs. Hilliard.

The meeting adjourned, after which Tea
was served by the hostesses. Respectfully Submit-
Josephine Laplante, Sec. etc.
May 13, 1925

Mrs. J. P. Stevens

A regular meeting of the Plainfield Garden Club was held at the home of Mrs. J. P. Stevens on Wednesday, May 13th, at 3:30 o'clock. In the absence of Mrs. O'Donovan, Mrs. Stevens opened the meeting and announced that at the last meeting of the Executive Committee, Mrs. Lawrence had been recommended to act as Vice-president of the Club. It was moved by Mrs. Van Hoven, seconded by Mrs. Dembry, that Miss Lawrence be elected to the office of Vice-president. Carried.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting on April 8th, were read and approved.

The treasurer's report showing a balance on hand of $235.29...
no accepted as read.

The Articles of the Constitution that
are to be amended are next taken
up. It was moved by Mrs. Nervin
seconded by Mrs. Fort that art. III
should be amended to read:

The officers of this club shall be
a President, a Vice-President, a
Recording Secretary, a Corresponding
Secretary. The Vice-President to
be chosen from the Chairman of
the Program Committee, all the
elected at the Annual Meeting.

Carried.

Mrs. Lawrence announced that
that the Executive Committee at its last
meeting had recommended the name
of Mrs. McDellan for the office of
Corresponding Secretary.
It was moved by Mrs. Stevens seconded by Mrs. Dunbar that Act VIII be amended to read as follows:

The annual dues shall be five dollars for each active member, ten dollars for each associate member, payable to the Treasurer on or before April 1st. Carried.

Mrs. Howard took for a report on the church flower lecture by Mrs. Howard Taylor on April 2nd at the elementary school. Mrs. Fort said that the church flower committee attended to putting up flowers on the conservation of church flowers. There was a good attendance of children. Fifteen dollars and fifty cents was taken in at the door. This covered the expense of the hall and Mrs. Sterling. Mrs. Taylor charged
There was no report from the Herb Society Committee as Mrs. Hallory was not present.

Mrs. Lawrence announced that the annual Peony and Iris flower show for members only will be held June 10th at the home of Mrs. E. E. Murray.

A letter from the Secretary of the Recreation Committee was read in regard to a swimming pool in Greenbrook Park. The letter suggested that this pool might be made as a memorial to the men who lost their lives in the World War. The Council wished to have an expression of opinion from the club on this subject. It was moved by Mrs. Trent, seconded...
by Mrs. Percy Stewart that a Committee can be appointed to consider these guests. Mrs. Lawrence then asked Mrs. J. P. Stevens, Mrs. Warren, and Mrs. Percy Stewart to act on such a Committee. They agreed to serve in this capacity.

Mrs. Allenbury reported that work on the Dahlia Show was progressing. Mrs. O'Dowd is Chairman of the Show Committee. Miss Halloway Chairman of Schedule, Classification & Staging Committee. The Staging Com consists of Mrs. Reed, Mrs. J. P. Stevens, Mrs. Allenby, & Mrs. Lawson. The Program Com. Miss Halloway Chairman.

Miss Folsom, Mrs. Lawrence - the 40 Classes. 32 prizes have been donated.

Mrs. Howard Foster reported that the new Chamber of Commerce Building is to be erected on the site of the old...
Baptist church mixed fruitage had most suitable place in which to hold
the North Jersey Flower Show next June.
Mrs. Foster also told of the progress being made in the planting around
the Spellman School. Fifty dollars had been appropriated for this
purpose; $22.00 has been used to buy laurels, evergreens and the
plants. Last week, the garden had been weeded.
The names of those members who had been transferred to the list of
associate members were:
Mrs. Harvey Test
Mrs. Malt
Mrs. F. S. Martin
Mrs. Mead
Mrs. Moyer
Mrs. Percy Steward

Resignations as follows:
Mrs. Swarts Tracy
Mrs. Quadeos.

New Members as follows:
Mrs. W. A. Holliday
Mrs. Kenneth Underwood
Mrs. Harry H. Pond
Mrs. H. M. Stockton
Mrs. W. L. Lockwood
Mrs. Horace G. Philips
Mrs. Boordman Tyler
Miss Ellie Harman.

Mrs. Stinnes announced that
Mrs. Van Botheick said the donations of plants for the garden
along the railroad.

Mrs. Attenborough made a similar
request for plants to be used
on the ground of the Monday afternoon
Club.

As there was no further business to
be duly moved, seconded and carried
that the meeting adjourn. The was
approved by the members.

Respectfully submitted

Betha V. Geva
Rec. Sec. (Date)
A regular meeting of the Plainfield Garden Club was held at the home of Mrs. Edby in May 27th at 3:30 o'clock. The president was in the chair. After the roll call the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The report of the treasurer showing a balance on hand of $232.56 was accepted as read.

The secretary announced that the next meeting of the club would be the "June Flower Show" for the members and their friends who wish to exhibit. This meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. C.E. Murray. No postcard remitted he sent out for this meeting."
There was no report from the Committee appointed to consider the question of the swimming pool in connection with the park, as Mrs. Warren, Mrs. A. Heron, and Mrs. Percy Elliott were not present at the meeting.

As Miss Holloway had attended a meeting of the Recreation Council and will represent the Garden Club at the meeting on the evening of May 29, Mrs. O'Donoghue asked her to report to the club her information she had in regard to the project. Miss Holloway said the question seemed to be whether Plainfield should build an inexpensive swimming pool which probably would not last very long. Using for this purpose...
The funds collected together at the time that Mayor Loricano was in office and appropriating further funds for this purpose - it having been estimated the cheapest pool that could be constructed with both houses it would cost $15,000 - or whether Clarified showed was the $50,000 collected several years ago for a Soldiers Monument and had a really fine and permanent pool as a memorial for the men who lost their lives in the World War.

An informal vote of this club was then taken showing that the majority of the members disapproved using the money for the soldiers in this way.
Miss Halloway reported for the word.

Home Committee that the roodside
policies from Washington had come
but that our own policies had not
arrived. Miss Halloway said
that the work of the Dahlia Show
was progressing, and the Committee
had met together. Tentative schedules
of the show were then distributed
among the members.

Mrs. O'Donohue then introduced
the speaker of the afternoon, Mrs.
Alice Sauer Stanley who gave
a most interesting address on
"Perennials."

After the Lecture, Mrs. O'Donohue
reminded the members of the
"scatter flower seed" along the
roadside idea originally

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The Federated Garden Clubs of New Jersey.

Mrs. O’Donohue announced that the co-operative flower show of the northern New Jersey Clubs will be held at Englewood on June 18th.

and that entries close on June 11th.

Mrs. O’Donohue expressed the hope that our club would be represented by some exhibitor.

Mrs. Taylor moved that schedules of this show be sent for and left at the Post Shop. This motion was seconded by Miss Howard and carried.

As there was no further business a motion to adjourn was only made, seconded and carried.

Tea was served by the hostess.

Respectfully submitted

[Signature]
June 10th, 1925.

The first June meeting of the club was held on June 10th at the home of Mrs. E. Everett. A "June Flower Show" was scheduled, and the hostess had gone to great pains to arrange a charming thing for the exhibitors. The show was a great disappointment as only 8 members brought in 12 entries. The lack of flowers was largely due to the unusual heat of the previous week and the lack of rain.

After the members had heard the 12 exhibits, which had been moved indoors on account of wind and heat, and chatted through Mrs. Murray's very charming and fascinating talk, the society...
The President called the meeting to order. In the absence of the Secretary, Miss baptist, she was elected as Secretary pro tem. There were 19 members present. The roll call was requested. In future the names of the Associate members will not be included in the roll call.

The Secretary's report was read and approved.

The Treasurer's report showing a balance of $260.66 was read and accepted.

The committee on school plant was reported progress in their work at the Stillman School.

Mrs. Van Brocklin sent a request for flowers for the Nurses Graduation
The President reminded the Club of the Flower Show of the Cooperative in Northern New Jersey to be held in Englewood in June 18th and the show at Westfield June 16th.

The President asked for a volunteer for the August meeting and for other meetings, and said that she hoped that the members would be willing to take an active part in the club work. The numerous members were expected and members were to read the articles. Pro and con of guarantee. 3 7 in the A.A. the majority favored and acted.

A motion was made and carried not to send a protest to Washington at this time.

The meeting adjourned and recessed.

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June 24, 1925

The minutes were read by the Secretary,
Respectfully,
Josephine H. Lepley
Secretary Pro Tem

June 24, 1925

A regular meeting of the Plainfield Garden Club was held at the home of Mrs. Connor on Wednesday, June 24, 1925, at 3:30 o'clock.

The President in the chair. After the roll call which showed 86 members present, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report showing a balance on hand of $260.66 was accepted as read.

Mrs. O'Donohue reported same a report of the Co-operative flower show held at Englewood on June 18.
Mrs. Conner and Miss Halloway went over and made an exhibit for the club.

Miss Halloway had 2 honorable mentions for several members of the club at the show.

Mrs. O'Donohue also showed at the Westfield Home Show held on June 10th. Mrs. Lawrence was the only club member to exhibit and she received 2 first prizes for iris, and one 3rd for Phlox.

Mrs. O'Donohue announced that Mrs. Van Buskirk had kept some flower containers priced at 50¢ each to be sold at this meeting. The proceeds to go to the Orphaned Bird Society.
At Muhlenburg Hospital.

An informal discussion of a possible place for the Cooperative Flower Show should be held in Plainfield next spring followed by volunteer workers who are asked to send in their names to the secretary.

The Club then listened to an interesting lecture by Miss Mary Noroton of Massachusetts on "Beautiful Gardens Past and Present." Many beautiful slides were shown.

The meeting adjourned and tea was served by the hostesses.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Rec. Sec. – [Signature]
July 8, 1925

Mrs. Dow

A regular meeting of the Plainfield Garden Club was held at the home of Mrs. Dow on July 8th at 3:30 o'clock. The President in the chair. As the meeting was so very small the roll call was omitted. In the absence of the Treasurer there was no report.

The question of getting fairy bulbs again this year from Schenck was brought up for discussion. Mrs. John Say, Foote, offered to receive and distribute bulbs owned an order be sent. Finally decided to send for 56 filica Candidum, 7 Teakley 20 Regale, 5 Santiquum for individual club members. This was an informal meeting.
Miss O'Donohue suggested having some two magazine articles read, giving the titles of several appropriate ones. The members chose one entitled "No Nearly Your Last Chance to Plant for Fall flowering." This was read by Mrs. O'Donohue. An article entitled "Some New Late Perennials" was read by Mrs. Read.

Miss Hallum spoke of several changes that had been made in the dahlia show schedule, and Mrs. O'Donohue reported that they would be a bed-hung content at the Show, and some concrete bird baths of beauty made by the boys would be exhibited. If there is room on motion the meeting adjourned. Tea was served by Mrs.
August 26, 1925

A regular meeting of the Plainfield Garden Club was held on August 26th at Mrs. Anna Stewarts home in her absence as the President, Mrs. Lawrence presided. After the roll call, which showed 19 members present, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. There was no financial report as the Treasurer was absent.

Miss Halloway spoke of the Hollande Show, and made a plea for each member of the Garden Club to plan to exhibit in the show. The schedules are printed on heavy paper. The Committee are just trying to place the tables the afternoon before and the entries are
in on Thursday, 14th 24th. The Committee considers that they have secured very good judges this year. The names of whom are: Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Connor, Mr. Hart. For artistic arrangement the judges are: Miss McKeown, Mrs. Ryan, and a 3rd yet to be appointed.

In reporting for the Wild Flower Show Committee Miss Halloway said that she had not yet heard what the Girl Scouts had done with the posies.

Miss Lapoley said that she would be glad to have distributed to the names of any people who might be interested in exhibiting in the Dahlia Show, so that she could mail schedules to them.
A letter was read from the National Garden Association in regard to a morning picture film photo graphing the Great Flower Show in Holland - 40 acres displaying over three million bulbs in bloom. Also groups of quaintly costumed children dancing the old folk dances as well as gardens of castles that have never before been opened to anyone but royalty.

It was moved by Miss Lapoly, seconded by Mrs. Connor that Mrs. O'Donovane be asked to see Mr. Reede at the Manager of the New Oxford Theatre in regard to producing this film of Plainfield.
A letter was read from Mr. Floyd P. Budd to Mrs. Lawrence asking if the Plainfield Garden Club intends to exhibit in the State Show to be held in Newark on Sep 18th-19th and if so, the number of square feet to be used in its exhibit.

It was moved by Mrs. Taylor seconded by Mrs. Van Voorhis that Mr. Budd be informed that the club will enter a display of 2 baskets in the Newark show, and to reserve an appropriate number of square feet for this purpose. Carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Shifman seconded by Mrs. Sweeney that the bids be accepted for $10 each in the
Carried.

Miss Norcross asked to have Mr. Van Nostrand's name added to the list of names of the Committee of the Coming Meeting.

Circular of the American Daffodil Exhibiton of the City of New York with the American Dahlia Society to be held at the 104th Field Artillery Armory, Broadway and 67th Street 30th to Oct 2nd 1925.

Mrs. Halloran then read a paper on clipping in regard to the organization of the Boula Embryo which goes into effect Jan 1, 1926. An effort is being made to form a Congressional Investigation on the above. Two articles were then read by Miss Halloran. 
missed Chrysanthemum, from the
House Beautiful for September
and to other "Prepossessing to
Simplicity" from the Sanders
magazines for September.

The meeting then adjourned,
after which tea was served by the
ladies.

Respectfully yours,

[Signature]

Dec. 1
Sep 9th, 1935

A regular meeting of the Plainfield Garden Club was held Sept 9th at the home of Mrs. Halloway. The afternoon was a beautiful one and the ladies were seated on the shady lawns with the pretty new gardens beyond. The roll call was omitted as the meeting was late in opening but there were members present. An informal discussion of the coming Dahlia Show took place, also the exhibit which was mentioned in being left to our President to appoint some one to take charge of our entries. Mrs. Barron, Mrs. Lawrence, and Mrs. Pallerin offering Dahlias for that exhibit. Mrs. Charles H. Stout, its chair.
For the afternoon we then introduced her subject being "Cottage Gardens" in Holland, Belgium and France. She had taken a snow trip through these countries this summer, but apparently cottage gardens exist only in England. In Holland flowers seem only for fashion commercially. In Belgium a few private grounds but in France flowers are grown everywhere and in the devastated regions gardens are planted before the houses are built, and man is helping nature in seeking to hide the war desolation and remain a spectacle as possible.

Mrs. Stowe talks me the very hit interesting and she, herself
looked like a flower garden.
After a pleasant chat and after
reports to meeting adjourned.

Sallie E. Hoey
Sec’y President

Apr 25, 1925  Mrs. Nimmo

A regular meeting of the Chapel
Society Club was held at the home
of Mrs. Wm. Nimmo on Sept 23rd.
Their officers were present.
After the roll call by members of
the previous meeting were read
and approved. The Treasurer
reported $200.59. in the treasury.
This report was accepted.

Miss Halloway read the progress
of the dahlias show. The Club
decided to have the Bird House
exhibit included in the dahlias
Show. Fifty bird houses were in readiness and $30.00 was voted for prizes—the Garden Club giving $30.00. The rest given by other civic societies. $4 cash prizes were offered.

Mrs. Duncan Taylor reported that at the Newark District Show the two baskets exhibited by the Plainfield Garden Club both won prizes—one a blue ribbon, and one a red ribbon. It was moved and carried that a vote of thanks be given Mrs. Taylor for her successful work.

Mrs. Howard Foster made a report on the School planting. $30.00 was expended out of the $500 allowed by the Committee and more contributions of plants...
A motion was made that Mrs. A.C. be asked to continue as chairman of the collection, and Mrs. Duncan Taylor offered to assist her. The president suggested that the club might have a cabinet or some sort of container for the medals and prizes received from flower shows. Mrs. Forsyth then made a motion which was carried that this be done, and Mrs. Forsyth was made chairman of a committee to arrange for the same. She also suggested that the cash prizes be used to pay for the cabinet. The executive committee presented recommendations that the Garden Club hold
a Spring Flower Show in May 1926.
This is participated in by nine
Garden Clubs in northern New York.
After some discussion it was
voted that it be put off until
another year, unless a suitable
and large enough show room
could be found.
Three new members have
been elected to the club:
Miss Jessie Murphy
Mrs. Wm. Whitcomb
Mrs. E.A. Stevenson

The bulletins received from Shepley
are fine art and well written
adjourned, and refreshments
were served by the hostesses.

Owen B. Carter
Sec. 

Oct 14, 1925

Mrs. Laidlaw

A regular meeting of the Plainfield Garden Club was held at the home of Mrs. Laidlaw on Oct 14 at 3:30 o'clock, with Mrs. Laidlaw in the chair. After the roll call, which showed 39 members present, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer's report showing a balance on hand Oct 14 of $314.19 was accepted as read. Mrs. Laidlaw reported that the receipts taken in at the show of the Dahlia Show were $200 less than last year. This Hallows read a written report of the Dahlia Show telling in detail.

The minutes were written out.
devoted by the Committee, Mrs. Allenby, Miss Lapsley, Mrs. Lawrence and
Miss Reed in helping her with the
Schedule, entries and Staging.
Miss Hallomy read letters received
from Miss. Mottett and Mrs. Ryan
in which they said how much they
had enjoyed judging and praising
the show in general.
Miss Hallomy reported that the
total expenses of the show this
year amounted to $160.00
but half of this expenditure was for
permanent articles.
There was a profit of $68.96 and
300$. the year before.
Miss Hallomy suggested
that letters of appreciation be
written to the Thompson and Co.
Louvain, Acher Merril, Mr. Dr. Brown
The YMCA, the Park
Hotel.

Mr. J. P. Shears made a motion which was duly seconded and
Carried that a rising volley
Thanks be given to Miss Willing
and the Committee.

Mrs. O'Dorothy explained that
The posters were displayed only
In an不经意 way - and that no
Only publicity has been through the
Commune News.

Pictures of the Show taken by Collin
Was then passed around among
The members. The price was
$5 [per unmounted], $100 [mounted]
For was owned by Mrs. Howard
Peters, seconded by Mrs. Wells.
That the Club purchase two photographs at the smallest cost possible. be sent to Mrs. Mowbray and read one to The Thompson Show room, and one to be kept for the Club Cabinet.

Mrs. Howard reports that she has talked with the Board of Education in regard to finding a suitable place for the Spring Flower Show to be participated in by nine Garden Clubs of Northern New Jersey, but there was found to be no available room except a gymnasium in The Rockefeller on Leland Avenue.
Mrs. Tootle said that Mr. Roberts of Thompson's Showrooms had asked that the Wood Co-operative Club for this show.

Mrs. Fair reported that she had not been able to find out anything about a suitable cabinet for the medals and prizes received from flower shows. Attention follow, and it was suggested that such a cabinet might best be kept in the Public Library.

Mrs. O'Donohue announced that the nominating committee had been appointed as follows:

Mrs. Horace Stevens, Chairman

Mrs. John Kelly

Mrs. Edward Patterson
Miss Van Brocklin offered $100 for the Annual Meeting.

The bronze medal, given by the
Pallone Horticultural Soc. and
won by this Club at the Newark
Dahlias was then awarded
among the members.

The O'Donovan rose of Mrs.
Lawrence's suggestion which
was approved by the Executing
Committee; meeting of offering
Mrs. Herrington's medal instead
by a prize of ten dollars, one at
sea, at the Newark Dahlias
Show.

The Club then listened to an address by Mr. Hahn, English on
"Walking." After which, the meeting
adjourned and tea was served by the hostess.

Respectfully submitted, Bertha L. R.

A regular meeting of the Plainfield Garden Club was held at the home of Mrs. Pond on Wednesday Oct. 29 at 3:30 o'clock with the President in the chair. After the roll call which showed 37 members present, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report showing a balance on hand of $193.01 was accepted as read.

Mrs. O'Donohue announced that the lecturer she had hired for the day, Mrs. Eugene Christian, had wired from Florida that it was impossible to keep his appointment. So at the last minute, Mrs. O'Donohue had succeeded in getting
Smith of the Plain paid Nursery to make an address before the Club.

Mr. Smith offered to speak on either one of two subjects — 'Roses' and 'Brain Power in Plants.' After taking a roll among the members, it was decided that the preference was for the 'Calla' subject. The Club then listened to an interesting address by Mr. Smith on this somewhat unusual subject.

After the lecture, Mrs. O'Donohue informed the members that the Public Library had offered to purchase some books on Sardine or pertaining to Botanical Studies if the members of the club had any suggestions to offer.

Miss Laporte mentioned a book
on the second side donation - Miss O'Donovane asked the members to keep their offers in mind, and to send in their suggestions through the hour. The question of the admirable gifting to the fund created by the club last year for a future memorial planting was then brought up for discussion. Miss Hallowes, seconded by Miss J. P. Stevens, set aside the sum of $50.00 this year for this purpose. Miss O'Donovane then told she had been asked by a member of the莳花会 club to attend a meeting of the garden club and just what this club had accomplished this year. Miss O'Donovane said that after some
thought she was able to make out quite a list of activities. After the reading of this list, the club looked at some armorial and interesting moving pictures of gardens in Plainfield. Tea was served by the hostess.

Respectfully submits
Bitha V. George Reese
Annual Report 1935

The Plainfield Garden Club has held 13 regular meetings, which, with this the annual meeting makes 13 meetings in all during the past year. The average attendance at these meetings has been 98. There has been one death in the club membership - Mrs. John F. Harrman. There has been two resignations - Mrs. Emmet H. Juiles, and Mrs. Evans Tracy.

At the Annual meeting a year ago it was voted to form, an Associate Membership to which only active members are eligible. The dues to be $1.00. The following
Active members asked to handover
of the Associate membership:

Mrs. Harry Sizer
Mrs. J.C. Silbert
Mrs. Sherman B. Joost
Mrs. T. S. Martin
Mrs. Pierre Male
Mrs. T. C. Mead
Mrs. J. P. Mellick
Mrs. H.R. Meyer
Mrs. George Moody
Mrs. C. A. Reed
Mrs. O.H. Stewart.

The following new members
were elected to active membership:

Mrs. R.C. Barnhart Reinstate
Mrs. Archibald Cox
Mrs. W.W. Correll
Mrs. John Darcy
Mrs. Frederick Gunning
Miss Elrie Harmon
Mrs. W. A. Holliday
Mrs. R. M. Lawson
Mrs. W. L. Lockwood
Mrs. F. A. Martin
Miss Jessie Mariner
Mrs. H. H. Pond
Mrs. E. A. Stevenson
Mrs. H. M. Stockton
Mrs. C. B. Tyler
Mrs. K. F. H. Underwood
Mrs. William Whitcomb

The Executive Committee held seven meetings during the year and has made the following recommendations to the club:

At their meeting on Dec 1, 1924, they voted to receive the action
taken at the last annual meeting when
it was voted to restrict refreshments
to one beverage and waters. The
Ex. Com. voted to leave the question
of refreshments to the discretion
of each hostess with the recom-
menation that it be kept
simple.

On April 6th the Ex. Com. voted to
recommend to the club
the advisability of adding to
the present officers that of
vice-president, and to do
away with the office of general
secretary and to substitute
therefor two officers that of
Recording secretary and
Corresponding secretary.

Mrs. Lawrence convened
to act as vice president, Miss
Yenga, as recording secretary
and the office of correspondence
secretary was not filled.
On Sept 23rd the Ex. Com. voted
to recommend to the club that
we agree to have a Spring show
in 1926. The provided a suitable
plan can be found in which
show to be held in Co-operation with the
Garden Clubs of Northern New
Jersey.

On Oct 14th the Ex. Com. voted
to recommend to the club group
Mrs. Heerman's medal instead
of a prize of $10.00 at the
New Jersey State Dahlia
Show next year.
At the last Annual Meeting the Club voted to create a fund to be added to each year from the balance in our Treasury for a future memorial planting. $200.00 was then set aside for the purpose. At the last regular meeting on Oct. 28th, it was voted to set aside $50.00 to this fund.

This year the Club has begun the planting of shade trees around the Public Schools in Plainsboro. The Stullman School being the first one.

Last December the Club purchased, from The Moore Nurseries in Trenton, 15 evergreen trees to be used
as a Community Xmas tree. The
Mom nurserywes guaranteed to
Tree for one year, and if it
should die in that time, they will
replace it with one at 1/2 the
original cost. It was placed
by the city, permission having
been obtained to place it on
City Hall Square.
Last Spring the Club co-operated
with the Short Hills Garden
Club in the campaign to
control the tent caterpillar.
We secured the aid of the
Boy Scouts and the Shade Tree
Commission, and offered
a prize of $10.00 to the Scout
Troop for securing the greatest
number of egg masses.
The Club entered and cooperated by giving a prize to the Co-operative Flower Show held in Englewood this year.
The Club held a small June Flower Show for members only at the home of Mrs. E. E. Murray.
The Club participated in a second successful Mid-Hour Contest for the boys in the Manual Training Department.
The prize-winning house became the property of the Club and are presented to the Park Commission and hung in the parks around Plainfield.
The Club gave a prize and entered in the Sky Grove Stake Dahlia Show at Sexual
writing second prize. The Club cooperated with the
Soropto Club, the Mayor's Clean Up Committee, for the improvement
by planting of shrubs, plants, seeds, etc., (donated by the Club Members) in certain
unattractive districts in Chicago.

A successful Dahlia Show was held in Sept 26th in
the Thompson Show room.

There have been five lectures given this year, two of which
have been illustrated. One of them
on the subject of Iris flowers
was given at the Emerson School
and was open to the public.

Respectfully submitted

[Signature]

Rec. Scy.
A regular meeting of the Plainfield Garden Club was held at the home of Miss Van Boeverick on Nov 11th at three-thirty o'clock. As the President Mrs. O'Donohue was obliged to return home for something, Mrs. Lawrence opened the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report, showing a balance on hand of $116.96 was accepted as read.

Mrs. O'Donohue, who during the reading the foregoing reports had returned and taken the chair, gave a detailed report of the Bird House Contest as follows:

Contributions to Prize Fund:
Plainfield Garden Club $30.00
Present money: 30.00

Kewaovic Club: 10.00
Chamber of Commerce (outlet used): 10.00
Continental Chapter (D.A.R.): 2.00

Total: $52.50

Finished Brid Houses at Exhibition at Dahlia Show - Sept 26, 1903, about 60.

Total prizes given (34) in cash:

First (1st) Prize: 5.00
Second (2nd): 4.50
Third (3rd): 3.50
Fourth (4th): 2.50

Ten (10): $2.00  20.00
Ten (10): $1.00  10.00
Ten (10): 0.50  5.00

Total: $50.50

Balance on hand: 2.00

$52.50

Mrs. O'Donovane made the suggestions.
The balance of two dollars be used for expenses in collecting Prizes winning houses to be presented and hung in Parks in Plainfield. A motion to this effect was made by Mrs. Lawrence, seconded by Mr. Hubbard, Carried.

Mrs. O'Donahoe then gave a report on the work done by the Boy Scouts in connection with The Tent Caterpillar Campaign. Boy Scout Troop No. 1 of Dunellen won the prize offered by our Club ($10.00) - George F. Reed, Scout master. 1852 Dunellen Rd. Plainfield.

Mr. Sebold, head of the Boy Scouts in Plainfield is holding about half of his cloth Wildflower Rosaceae until near spring, when the
Scouts will put them out. This is because they were received too late last spring to use to any advantage. Mr. Fadden is also ready and willing to continue the work of collecting the egg masses of the Tent Caterpillars. The Club may use its discretion in offering a prize again next year.

In regard to the planting which has been done around the Stillman School, Mrs. Howard Foster suggests that one evergreen tree which has died should be replaced next spring. Also that the space by the fence could be filled in with planting.

This Holloway announced the arrival from Mrs. Bulten that she had written
for 100. These were passed unanimously.

Mrs. O'Donohue announced that the need for more funds had been
changed and proposed that they now be raised by other clubs.

Mrs. O'Donohue then made the
following recommendations:

1. That a questionnaire be made out
by the Chairman of the Program
Committee, with names of
possible speakers and subjects
for the season's programs. This
is to be sent to each member who
2. Continuation of Bird House Contest
for boys in Plainfield Schools with
a better arrangement for display
at time of the Dahlia Show.
3. That the Honorary Medal, instead of each, be given as a prize at the State Dahlia Show. (Originally suggested by Miss Lawrence.)

4. A slogan for the Club is "Better a 3-4 bulb in a 5-0 hole than a 5-0 bulb in a 3-4 hole."

5. That some plan be worked out to secure brasses without delay upon the return of the affairs.

6. Continuation of School Planting and to go on to other schools.

7. A Spring Flower Show in lieu of our contribution to the Co-operative Flower Show of The Garden Club and Secretary Garden Club.

8. That the Minstrel House in front of the Oxford Theatre be moved away from the...
electricilluminated sign accordingly besides it. It a more suitable place.

This afternoon gave a report on a meeting which she had attended at Short Hills. This one mentions from eight Garden Clubs visited. After luncheon there for an experience meeting them. They called upon the outsiders for good ideas. Some of the ideas was as follows.

The lecturer was given according to the season of the year.

Instead of a private garden sale, in the spring it sale was held (in Bernadoville) and the

open to the public instead of meeting in one family.

my next at one hour, and
So in comes and brings all the other
sandals. A box luncheon is taken
Mrs. Hubbard spoke of attending
such a garden club meeting at

Princeton.

Miss Van Bosterick spoke of the
beautiful chrysanthemums she
had received from Totty, and
a letter was read by the Secretary
from Totty to Miss Van Bosterick
announcing that they had been
in their Caloogens these chrysanthemums
as "H.R.H." in honor of Miss
Halloran. They said that Miss
Halloran had requested that these
flowers be sent to Miss Van
Bosterick with her compliments.

As there was no further business a
motion was carried to adjourn the meeting
Respectfully submitted, Belton V. Gee Jr.,
The Annual Meeting of the Plainfield Garden Club was held immediately following the regular meeting held at Miss Van Roozelaar's on Nov 11th, 1925.

The report of the Recording Secretary was approved as read.

The treasurer's report showing a balance on hand of $16.97 was accepted as read.

Mrs. Carter announced that she had only audited the books and found them to be correct. This report was accepted.

Miss Halloran announced that there was no special report to be made of the wild flowers committee and no further report of the Dahlia Show, as she had since a detailed
so in came and thanked all the gardeners. A box lunch was in hand.
This Hubbard spoke of all the
such a garden club meeting at
Princeton.

Miss Van Boerkem spoke of the
beautiful chrysanthemums she
had received from Tohy, and a letter was read by the Society
from Tohy to Miss Van Boerkem,
announcing that they had been
in their catalogue these chrysanthemums
as "H. R. H."
She said that Miss
Halloran had suggested that these
flowers be sent to Miss Van
Boerkem with her compliments.
As there was no further business,
the meeting was adjourned.
Respectfully submitted, "Bella,"
The Annual Meeting of the Plainfield Garden Club was held immediately following the regular meeting held at Miss Van Posthedge's on Nov. 11th, 1925.

The report of the Recording Secretary was approved as read.

The treasurer's report showing a balance on hand of $216.97 was accepted as read.

Mrs. Carter announced that she had only audited the books and found them to be correct. This report was accepted.

Miss Halloran announced that there was no special report to be made of the Wild Flower Show and no further report of the Dahlia Show, as she had seen a detailed
account of this at the regular meeting on Oct. 14th. Miss Halloran, after
having the Bird House Contest at the Spring Flower Show instead
of in the Fall.

Mrs. O’Donohue asked where the
Club property was, and Miss Halloran
said that Mrs. Reed had it at

Present about 18 members 2 pages back.

Mrs. O’Donohue then thanked everyone who had helped her during
her term of presidency, and then asked Mrs. Hibbard to
take the chair.

Mrs. Hibbard then read the names submitted by the Nominating
Committee of the officers of the Club

for the coming year:

President, Mrs. Henry C. Wells

Vice President, Mrs. C. J. Smith

Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. E. H. Brown
Vice President    Mrs. Chester P. Lawrence
Cores. Sec.        Mrs. Wally C. Dobbin
Record Sec.       Mrs. Howard Foster
Treasurer         Mrs. Leslie R. Ford

Chairmen
Mrs. R. M. Lawton
H. H. Morrison
M. N. Mc Fellan
E. J. Patterson
F. M. Gerring
F. W. Wylos

It was moved by Mrs. Allenberg and
only seconded, that the Secretary cast
a ballot for the election of these
officers.  
Carried.

After the ballot had been so cast,
Mrs. Hilliard announced that the
above-named officers were elected.
A standing vote of thanks was then given to the retiring officers.

Mrs. Wells then took the chair and introduced Mrs. Eaton as the speaker of the afternoon who told of her flower shows and garden trips she visited in England and on the Continent last summer. Mrs. Eaton recommended that the Club do something to clean up Plainfield - also that the Club hire a gardener of its own. Perhaps, Mrs. Wells spoke of possibly getting some florists to specialize in raising certain plants for the Club members.

Mrs. English's name was suggested. A motion to adjourn was carried. The meeting was served by the hosts.

Respectfully submitted, Ruth C. Jones, Recorder.