THE PLAINFIELD GARDEN CLUB
Garden Club Holds Quiz

Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux was named horticulture chairman yesterday by the Plainfield Garden Club in the home of Mrs. Harry McGee, 136 Rockview Ave. Mrs. Sidney Trewin was co-hostess.

Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost announced that more than 100 Dutch paintings by 17th Century Europeans will be exhibited in the Metropolitan Art Museum Oct. 29-30.

Mrs. Albert L. Stillman exhibited work in Mountainside Tuesday. Mrs. Noah C. Barnhart Jr. reported that a national magazine would feature Mettler's Woods in an article on Nov. 8.

Miss Harriette R. Halloway reported on summer work and on the American Iris Society bulletin. Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood won first prize in a daffodil project in the Central Eastern Zone of the Garden Club of America.

Mrs. John S. Anderegg held a quiz for a panel consisting of Mrs. Victor R. King, president; Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, Mrs. Alden de Hart, Mrs. Loizeaux, Miss Edna Brown and Mrs. C. Boardman Tyler, past presidents.
FLOWER ARRANGERS MEET—The flower arranging committee of the Muhlenberg Hospital Women's Auxiliary planned the year's activities yesterday in the hospital auditorium. Left to right are Mrs. Fred D. Loizeaux of the Spade and Trowel Garden Club of Plainfield, Mrs. Harry B. Coxhead, chairman, representing area garden club; Mrs. Thomas H. Leggett, representing the Monday Afternoon Garden Group; Mrs. John H. G. Rogers, auxiliary president; Mrs. Hugh A. Child, representing the Fanwood Garden Club; Mrs. William K. Dunbar Jr. of the Plainfield Garden Club; Mrs. Eloise F. Hoffman, hospital administrative assistant; and Mrs. William G. Wigton Jr. of the Plainfield Junior League Garden Group.
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Responsibility Rotated
The club rotates the responsibility for two-week periods, and each second Friday, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., all the arrangements are displayed in the auditorium. The flowers are gathered from the garden clubs and the participating clubs are the Plainfield Garden Club, Globe and Travel Club, Fairwood Garden Club, Junior League Garden Group, Monday Afternoon Garden Group, and Croftwood Garden Club of Scotch Plains.

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The committee was organized last year by Mrs. Cinch, at the request of Mrs. Elinor Hoffman, hospital administrative assistant, and Mrs. J. H. G. Rogers, president of the Women's Auxiliary, as a substitute for the old hospital greenhouse which was demolished when construction for the new wing was started.

Representing the garden groups on the committee board are Mrs. H. B. Lockwood, chairman; Mrs. F. B. Lockwood, Mrs. Hugh Child, Mrs. W. G. Wighton Jr., Mrs. W. F. Pease and Mrs. I. I. Baker.
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The clubs rotate the responsibility for two-week periods, and each second Friday, fresh bouquets arrive at the hospital. The groups not only provide the flowers, but arrange and care for them as well. In the spring, summer and early fall, the flowers come from the gardens of committee members. During the winter months, florist shops and hot-houses provide winter flowers and greens, often donated by the local concerns.

On important occasions the groups combine their efforts, and go all out to make Muhlenberg "look and smell like an indoor garden." This year, as their first project, the committee decorated all the rooms and nursing stations at the opening of the new wing, as well as their regular places in the lobby and corridors. At Christmas time, the Women's Auxiliary itself takes over the hospital decorations.

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GARDEN CLUB TO HOLD FAIR—Mrs. Webster Sandford, special events chairman, sets marker for display of the Plainfield Garden Club Fair May 14-15 at Crescent and Park Aves. Looking on (left to right) are Mrs. Edward H. Ladd, windowbox arrangements chairman; Mrs. H. I. Flanders, plant material chairman; Mrs. Raymond V. V. Miller, wildflower chairman; Mrs. Victor King, club president, and Mrs. Morris F. Benton, fair chairman.
Committee Completes Plans For Garden Fair in City

Plans have been completed by the Plainfield Garden Club committee for the Garden Fair to be held May 14 and 15 at the corner of St. Park and Crescent Aves.

At a luncheon meeting held yesterday at the home of the chairman, Mrs. Morris F. Benton, 1103 Kensington Ave., progress reports were heard from all chairmen.

Informal Exhibition

It was announced that the fair will feature an informal competitive exhibition of columbine, iris and tulips. Schedules have been set to neighboring clubs and ribbons will be awarded in each class.

In addition to a sweepstakes prize for the club with the highest number of points, Mrs. Leslie R. Fort is receiving entries for the exhibit to be staged Friday only.

These chairmen also announced their plans as follows: Wild flower garden with all items contained on sale, Mrs. Richard M. Lawton and Mrs. Raymond V. V. Miller; semiformal garden, Mrs. Alden de Hart and Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost; information booth and orders for unusual plant material, Miss Harriette R. Halloway; "country cupboard" of delicacies and other items prepared by members, Mrs. David Scott Foster and Mrs. Homer P. Cochran; window boxes, Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd and Mrs. Victor R. King, and children's department and playground, Mrs. Webster Sanford.

Grounds Chairman

Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr. is chairman of grounds and Mrs. Helen I. Flanders of all plant material that will be for sale.

Mrs. C. Sidney Trewin listed the following members who will serve as hostesses: Mrs. John S. Anderson, Mrs. James H. Whitehead, Mrs. C. Boardman Tyler, Mrs. Albert L. Stillman, Mrs. Horace N. Stevens, Mrs. Raymond V. V. Miller, Mrs. William A. Holliday, Mrs. William P. Elliott, Mrs. Frank T. Clawson and Miss Elsie Harmon.

There will be no admission charge.
Garden Club Told of

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Include Work by Group

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Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost, exhibitions chairman, announced that Mrs. Albert L. Stillman had exhibited at the New Jersey Flower Show School, and has also designed a Christmas tree to be displayed at Tepper's in conjunction with the Spade and Trowel Club's annual "Greens Show."

Museum Exhibition

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Italy Gardens Described

"Italian Gardens" was the subject of Miss Alice Chauncey, who lectured at the Plainfield Garden Club guest meeting Wednesday in the Monday Afternoon Club. Miss Chauncey recently published a booklet, "Guide to English Gardens." She has lectured several times at the Edinburgh yearly festival, and before the late Queen Mary.

In her lecture, she showed slides and filled in the historical background of several Italian cities, emphasizing the city of Florence which is famous for its Renaissance gardens, the Riviera cities, and northern lake region towns.

Presiding at the tea table were Mrs. Henry L. DeForest, Mrs. Orville G. Waring, Mrs. Horace Stevens and Mrs. William S. Tyler. Hostesses were Mrs. Clifford M. Baker, Mrs. Henry W. Brower, Miss Harriette R. Halloway, Mrs. Henry P. Marshall and Mrs. Thomas R. Van Boskerck.
Garden Club Members Hear Reports

Mrs. C. Boardman Tyler, 525 W. Seventh St., was hostess to a meeting of the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday in her home.

Mrs. Victor King, president, announced that she and Mrs. Frederick Mygatt will attend the 42nd annual meeting of the Garden Clubs of America in Houston, Tex., from Mar. 8-11. She outlined three proposed projects which will be voted on for the founders fund award at the national conclave.

Mrs. Albert Stillman, Blue Star Drive chairman, reported on the landscaping contest which is being sponsored by the N. J. Garden Clubs. She said the committee has made great strides toward highway safety by promoting anti-litter campaigns and zoning and sign ordinances.

Mrs. Willoughby Frost, exhibition chairman, announced Mrs. Alden de Hart and Mrs. William Elliott will decorate a hat shop window in the Westfield Strolling Flower Show on May 12. Mrs. Frost, Mrs. Edward Ladd 3rd, Mrs. Stillman and Mrs. Linden Stuart will exhibit in the Orange Home and Garden Tour on May 5.

Mrs. Elliott has organized a Chinese auction for the next meeting, and each member is asked to donate something special she has made or grown.

Mrs. John Gill of Haddonfield was the guest speaker. She lectured and showed colored slides on the Pine Barrens of New Jersey.

Mrs. Tyler and Mrs. Daniel Ginna presided at the tea table.
Garden Club Talks
In Texas Reported

Details of the 42nd annual conference of The Garden Clubs of America, held last week in Houston, Tex., were told to the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday in the home of Mrs. W. Manning Barr of Woodland Ave., South Plainfield.

Mrs. Frederick E. Mygatt Jr., who attended with Mrs. Victor R. King, club president, gave the report. More than 500 delegates attended and heard talks by Texas’ Governor Shivers and Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby, member of President Eisenhower’s cabinet.

An auction was conducted by Mrs. Laurence Helly and Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux with donations of plants, seedlings, flower containers and other items donated by the membership.

Mrs. Francis Day and Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood presided at the tea table.
Cancel Garden Club Session

The meeting of the Plainfield Garden Club, which was scheduled to be held at the summer home of Mrs. Ferris Hetherington, Bay Head, tomorrow, has been cancelled.

President, Mrs. Victor King, 826 Arlington Ave., entertained the executive board on Monday. Horticultural chairman, Mrs. William Dunbar, announced that Miss Harriette R. Halloway, one of the club’s charter members, has been named a charter member of the American Daffodil Society.

The club is sending $25 worth of iris specimens to help restore the iris gardens in the arboretum in Cologne, Germany, which was destroyed during the war.

Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux ex-
Garden Club Elects Staff

The Plainfield Garden Club elected officers yesterday in the home of Mrs. William S. Lane, 825 Carlton Ave., as follows: President, Mrs. Victor R. King; first vice president, Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood; second vice president, Mrs. Francis P. Day; recording secretary, Mrs. Arthur D. Seybold; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Donald C. Luce; and treasurer, Mrs. Homer P. Cochran.

Mrs. King and Mrs. William P. Elliott were co-hostesses. A tropical botanic garden for Hawaii was unanimously endorsed. With the world's two great tropical gardens—Buitenzorg in Java and the British government's former Royal Botanic Gardens in Peradeniya, Ceylon—all but lost to the Western World, the club feels that a truly comprehensive tropical botanic garden should be established in the free world.

An additional contribution was approved for the preservation of Metlar's Woods. Reports were given by Mrs. Noah C. Barnhart Jr., on conservation; Mrs. Wiloughby F. Frost, exhibitions; Mrs. William P. Elliott, program; Mrs. Albert L. Stillman, Shakespeare Garden; Miss Harriette R. Halloway, iris garden; Mrs. George J. His, cornus arboretum; Mrs. C. Benson Wighton, membership; Mrs. Francis P. Day, hospital services; Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood, publicity; and Mrs. James H. Whitehead, nominations.

Botanical water color paintings by Miss Laura Detweiler, former member, were shown. Mrs. Henry L. deForest and Mrs. Homer P. Cochran were hostesses.
Teacher Gets Garden Club Scholarship

Miss Betty Blatz has been awarded the Plainfield Garden Club scholarship to the Audubon Bird Camp in Maine for this year. It was announced yesterday at a club meeting in the home of Mrs. David Scott Foster, Clarks Lane. Miss Blatz is a member of the faculty at the Cook School.

Mrs. C. Noah Barnhart Jr., conservation chairman made the announcement, and also reported several additional contributions have been made to the Metlar's Woods Fund.

It was reported that Mrs. William P. Elliott and Mrs. Alden DeHart won a first prize and the tri-color award at the Westfield Strolling Show with their window display in the Felice Shop.

Plainfield Garden Club members exhibiting in the recent St. Agnes Guild show were Mrs. Albert Stillman, Mrs. Webster Sanford, and Mrs. Hugh Gaston, who received the Horticultural Sweepstakes.

Mrs. Stillman, Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost and Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr. exhibited in the Orange Flower Show, with Mrs. Stuart's entry taking a blue ribbon.

Miss Harriette R. Halloway announced that the iris gardens in Cedar Brook Park are coming into bloom, and will reach their best in about 10 days. The Shakespeare Garden is also in bloom, and the public is urged to visit them.

All members were urged to write Secretary of Agriculture Benson urging opening of the National Arboretum to the public. At present, in spite of a $5,000,000 investment of public funds, the arboretum is open for three weeks during the year.

Mrs. DeHart, Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux and Mrs. Stillman gave a demonstration of exhibition arrangements. Each used the same type materials and containers.

Mrs. William K. Dunbar Jr. and Mrs. Ladd poured. Mrs. Laurence S. Heely was co-hostess.
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MRS. CHESTER COOK

Sculptured Fruit, Flower, and Dried Plant Material Designs

The spirit of the seventeenth- and eighteenth-century wood carvings of Grinling Gibbons and Robert Adam, as well as the fifteenth-century enameled reliefs of the Italian Renaissance artist, Luca della Robbia, is emphasized. All designs are suited to the Traditional or the Contemporary Home for Autumn, Thanksgiving, and Christmas decoration.

For terms and further information on this and other lectures write

NUMBER 16 BELFRY TERRACE, LEXINGTON 73, MASSACHUSETTS
THE INSPIRATION OF LILIES in the church and home will be the theme of the eighth annual Lily Show to be held from 2 to 9 o'clock today and from 10 to 9 tomorrow and Thursday at Horticultural Hall. Mrs. Chester Cook and Mrs. C. L. Hauthaway are chairman and vice-chairman of the flower arrangement section and others locally assisting with arrangements are Mrs. Horace Reynolds, James Cass, John Russell, Mrs. Percy Merry, Seth L. Kelsey and Edward Dane.

MRS. COOK

CELEBRATING HER 18th birthday today with her family...
The Plainfield Garden had been held at the Monday Afternoon Club.

The chief speaker was Mrs. C. later known as Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Jenkins was welcomed to the meeting. She demonstrated the making of a plant, fruit, flower, and bird," as an example of her work, very beautifully arranged, etc. Mrs. Jenkins showed the use of all kinds of natural materials.

"The spirit of the 17th and 18th century clock groups of Gainsborough and Robert Adam, as well as the 16th century enamels and reliefs of the Italian Renaissance artists like della Robbia, is emphasized. All designs are credited to the traditional 'the Latin poetry. By Autumn, Thanksgiving, and Christmas decoration, Mrs. Jenkins made her point less than making a fruit, fruit together among all fruit fruits.

Mrs. Jenkins, who speaks to a great many clubs and organizations across the country, in 32 states, is known as an accomplished judge by the M.Y. Federation of Garden Clubs, and an approved speaker by the National Council of State Garden Clubs.
At the end of tea the guests were entertained to luncheon by the Board of the Old Colony.
The hostesses for the afternoon were:

Mrs. F. M. Lockwood
Mrs. Walter Sanford
Mrs. Seymour Bushman, Jr.

Miss Elizabeth Brown
Miss Hugh Barton
Miss Harphamia Bunker
Mrs. Chester Cook
offers
Four Distinctive Lectures
with Demonstrations
Flower Arrangement for the Home, Church and Flower Show

Clubs may have a combination of the above backgrounds or a lecture on any one.

Mrs. Cook shows many designs of seasonal material, some partly constructed, and some from the start of the arrangement.
The handling of the plant material and the basic principles of design are stressed.

The End of Summer

This lecture is planned to help the garden clubs who meet only during the summer months.

Flowers from the garden are used and the arrangements are constructed before the audience. Arrangements from dried plant material for autumn decoration, and fruit arrangements for Thanksgiving are demonstrated.

In this lecture Mrs. Cook suggests the time to gather plant material from the garden, the woods, and the wayside, also how to condition it.

Decorating the Home for Christmas

For the Formal Background
Garlands, wreaths, swags and table decorations are constructed from seed pods, nuts and other dried plant material in the manner of Grinling Gibbons wood carvings.

For the Informal Background
Evergreen designs are shown, constructed from material easily obtained in your own locality.

For the Modern Background
A dramatic use of plant material is demonstrated to decorate the modern or contemporary home.

Planning the Flower Show

This lecture covers the planning and staging of the flower show. Themes are suggested, and several arrangements are shown to suit certain classes. These arrangements are judged by Mrs. Cook with the point judging system. Because of her long experience in helping to stage the Boston Spring Flower show, she is well equipped to give this lecture.
Among Mrs. Cook's recent engagements have been:

The New York Federation of State Garden Clubs, Inc.
The Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut.
The Garden Club Federation of Ohio.
The Cleveland Garden Center, Cleveland, Ohio.
The Syracuse Garden Center, Syracuse, N. Y.
The Buffalo Garden Center, Buffalo, N. Y.
The Rochester Garden Center, Rochester, N. Y.
The Pittsburgh Garden Center, Pittsburgh, Pa.
The New York Horticultural Society.
The Larchmont Garden Club, New York.
The Ithaca Garden Club and Cornell University.
The Garden Club of San Bernardino, California.
The Scarsdale Garden Club, Scarsdale, New York.
The Garden Club of Waukesha, Wisconsin.
The Greenwich Garden Club, Connecticut; The Garden Club of America.
The Canton Garden Club, Canton, Ohio; The Garden Club of America.
The Country Garden Club, Perkasie, Ohio; The Garden Club of America.
The Stamford Garden Club, Connecticut; The Garden Club of America.
The Darien Garden Club, Connecticut; The Garden Club of America.
The Lawrence Garden Club, Long Island; The Garden Club of America.
The Easthampton Garden Club, Long Island; The Garden Club of America.
The Broadmoor Garden Club, Colorado Springs; The Garden Club of America.
The Rye Garden Club, Rye, New York; The Garden Club of America.
The Great Neck Garden Club, Long Island, N. Y.
The Martha’s Vineyard Garden Club, Massachusetts.

Mrs. Cook is an accredited judge by the New York Federation of Garden Clubs Inc., and an approved speaker of the National Council of State Garden Clubs Inc.

MRS. CHESTER COOK
16 Belfry Terrace
Lexington 73, Massachusetts
Press Notices

“Mrs. Cook uses natural plant material exclusively, and in the commonest weed or flower she finds beauty of decorative value for trimming.”

The Providence Journal
“Mrs. Cook not only knows her subject but has a charming manner in presenting it.”

The Cleveland Plain Dealer
“Seldom does one have an opportunity to listen to a lecture on this topic from one who is so well qualified.” From a notice of a lecture on Flower Arrangement at the Cleveland Museum of Fine Arts in cooperation with the Cleveland Garden Center.

The Pittsburgh Sun-Telegraph
“Everybody with a Christmas green thumb will be interested in the Pittsburgh Garden Center’s lecture on ‘Decorating the Home for Christmas’ by Mrs. Chester Cook of Lexington, Mass. Mrs. Cook comes to Pittsburgh from Buffalo, Rochester, and Cleveland, all return engagements.”

The Rochester Democrat and Chronicle
“Mrs. Chester Cook of Lexington, Mass., lectured today at the Rochester Garden Center. Watching her way with Christmas decorations, hearing her unusual ideas and seeing how cleverly she manipulated evergreens into handsome Yuletide designs, it was easy to see why she is in demand all through the country.”

The New York Sun
“Mrs. Chester Cook will speak at the Essex House, May 12th, on Period Flower Arrangements, sponsored by the New York Horticultural Society. This is Mrs. Cook’s second lecture in this series.”
Garden Club Speaker
Tells of Bird Sanctuary

Mrs. John Poinier of the Short Hills Garden Club spoke at the Plainfield Garden Club meeting Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Robert McLeod, 11 Brook Lane. She used colored slides to illustrate the Cora Hartshorne Bird Sanctuary, which is a 16-acre tract located in Short Hills. It is the project of the Short Hills Garden Club, she explained, to preserve this cover for rare and important wild life. It is also the organization's aim to interest others in the maintenance of the land.

Tribute to Mrs. Lare

A tribute to Mrs. William S. Lare, a member of the Plainfield Garden club who recently died, was written and read by Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux.

The club voted $25 to the N. Y. Botanical Garden Research building fund.

Miss Harriette R. Halloway, chairman of the iris gardens in Cedar Brook Park, reported on the work done during the summer, and on the damage done by the hurricane. Gifts for the garden have repaired this damage. Chairman of the Shakespeare Garden, Mrs. A. L. Stillman, announced that many plants are still in bloom there.

Appointments Listed

President, Mrs. Victor King, has made the following appointments: Chairman of nominating committee, Mrs. Leslie Fort; chairman of Salvation Army building planting program, Mrs. John Anderegg; chairman of the Christmas wreath-making activity, Mrs. Webster Sanford.

On Wednesday, Mrs. F. M. Lockwood and Mrs. Noah Barnhart will represent the club at the zone meeting in Wilmington, Del.

Mrs. Lockwood, vicepresident, presided in the absence of Mrs. King. Reports were given by Mrs. Barnhart, conservation; Mrs. William Dunbar, horticulture; Mrs. Georges His, cornus arborium, and Mrs. William Elliott, program.

Mrs. C. Benson Wigton and Mrs. William A. Holliday presided at the tea table following the meeting.
DOGWOOD PLANTED—A dogwood tree in memory of Major Alan Lindberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto G. Lindberg of New Providence Rd., Mountainside, was planted yesterday in Route 22, Mountainside, by members of the Blue Star Memorial Highway Council. Left to right are Mrs. Jean H. Hershey, of the Blue Star Garden Club, Mountainside, and the highway council; Mrs. Albert L. Stillman of the council and Mrs. Chester Schomp, chairman of the Council.
Tree Becomes Flyer Memorial

Mountainside—Members of the Blue Star Memorial Highway Council planted a dogwood tree in memory of Major Alan Lindberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto G. Lindberg of New Providence Rd., Mountainside, yesterday in Rt. 22, here. Major Lindberg was reported missing in action on Jan. 5, 1943 during the heavy Rabaul bombing of the Army Air Force in the South Pacific. Five flying fortresses were lost in the raid.

Major Lindberg left Amherst College in 1939 to enlist in the Air Force and took his basic training at Randolph and Kelly Fields, Texas. He later served in Mitchel Air Force Base, New York; Panama; Westover Field, Mass.; Geidler Field, Spokane; at Pendleton, Ore.; Dayton, Ohio and Tucson, Ariz.

Prior to his last mission, he had figured prominently in the United Nations Air offensive in the Solomon Islands theatre. He was often mentioned in news dispatches as the commander of the squadron dealing telling blows in enemy installations.

On Nov. 19, 1942, he and his Flying Fortress bomber were rescued from a barren Pacific Island by native pearl divers, after a forced landing following instrument failure, while returning from a raid on the Japanese north Solomons base at Faisi. At that time he had previously participated in five of the largest attacks on the Buin Faisi area and New Britain Island base at Rabaul.
OUCH!—Mrs. Homer Cochran (left), treasurer of the Plainfield Garden Club, yells “Ouch!” as she sticks her finger while making wreaths in the home of Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr., 980 Hillside Ave., for Lyons Hospital. Others (left to right) are Mrs. F. N. Lockwood, first vicepresident; Mrs. Webster Sandford, chairman; Mrs. Robert L. Stevens, wife of the former Army secretary; and Mrs. John S. Anderegg, co-chairman.

—Photo by Richard C. Galen
Club Makes
100 Wreaths

The Plainfield Garden Club met yesterday at the home of Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr., 980 Hillside Ave., to make Christmas wreaths. Each year members make 100 wreaths which they send to Lyons Veterans Hospital. Another 65 wreaths are also made for sale among members and their friends.

Mrs. Webster Sanford is chairman of this year’s wreath making project. Mrs. N. C. Barnhart Jr. and her committee collected the greens from gardens and nurseries.

Mrs. Harlan Pratt Jr. will take the wreaths to the hospital. The club goes to Lyons Hospital four times a year to decorate it with flowers and greens.

Mrs. F. M. Lockwood Jr., and Mrs. Barnhart reported on the Central Eastern zone meeting of the Garden Club of America held last month in Wilmington, Del.

Each member brought a box lunch to the day long meeting. The hostess, Mrs. Stuart, served coffee.
Garden Club Sees Slides

The Plainfield Garden Club viewed colored slides of members' homes and gardens at a meeting Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Alden DeHart, 817 Second Pl. Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost was co-hostess. Pictures of homes and gardens in Plainfield and of summer homes from Montana to New England were shown.

Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr., exhibitions chairman, said four members of the club will exhibit at the International Flower Show at the Wanamaker Building in New York. They are Mrs. DeHart, Mrs. Frost, Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux, and Mrs. Albert Leeds Stillman.

Miss Harriette R. Halloway read a letter from the Arboretum of the University of Cologne, Germany, thanking the club for the native species which it sent in the Fall to help restore the gardens destroyed by bombings.

Tea was served after the meeting, with Mrs. William Tyler and Miss Halloway pouring.
Mrs. DeHart Wins Flower Show Prize

Mrs. Alden DeHart, 817 Second Pl., has won a first prize in flower arrangement classes of the Garden Club of America at the current International Flower Show at Wanamaker Show Palace, New York. Her arrangement featured succulents, cactus, cereus, peruvi anus and three varieties of echeveria in an antique bronze container.

This is the second first prize which a member of the Plainfield Garden Club has won this week, the first winner being Mrs. Albert L. Stillman.

Mrs. Stillman and Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux are exhibiting at the show today. Mrs. Loizeaux was a judge at the show on Monday in the Garden Club of America classes.
Garden Club Sees Exhibits Of Flower Show Winners

Two prize winners at the recent International Flower Show, Mrs. Albert L. Stillman and Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux, displayed their arrangements at yesterday's meeting of the Plainfield Garden Club at the home of Mrs. Francis P. Day, 1100 Rahway Rd. Mrs. Arthur D. Seybold was co-hostess.

200 Varieties

Miss Harriette Halloway described the daffodil garden in Cedar Brook Park which has 200 labeled varieties of the flower. The bloom early in April, has been publicized outside of the state.

The club will send two teachers to the Audubon Conservation Camp this Summer because of the interest shown by teachers and the schools.

Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd told of the garden center project of which she is chairman. A garden center of roses will be held in June at the Plainfield Public Library.

Training Course Starts

President, Mrs. Victor King, announced a training course, “The Basic Background for Conservation,” which will be sponsored by the Garden Club of America and the American Museum of Natural History beginning today.

E. J. Alexander, associate curator of the New York Botanical Garden lectured and showed slides on “Gardening With Wild Flowers.”

Tea was served after the meeting with Mrs. Leslie B. Fort and Miss Elizabeth B. Browne pouring.
Garden Club Hears Talk on Planning

Mrs. J. Folsom Paul, of Wellingford, Pa., addressed the Plainfield Garden Club on "Planning for a Succession of Bloom" at Wednesday's meeting at the home of Mrs. Wandell M. Mooney, 900 Cedar Brook Rd. Mrs. William P. Gee was co-hostess.

A graduate of the Pennsylvania School of Horticulture, Mrs. Paul attended the graduate school of Smith College in Cambridge, Mass. She is associated with the Arthur Hoyt Scott Foundation at Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Pa.

Reports on Flowers

Chairman of horticulture, Mrs. William Dunbar, reported on the nationwide movement of garden clubs to halt the widespread disappearance of wild flowers. A group under her direction will work to promote their growth in this locale.

Mrs. Noah C. Barnhart Jr., conservation chairman, and Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux reported on the course which they attended at the American History Museum under the direction of Professor Richard Pough. In this course, the preservation of land in its native state was stressed by Professor Pough.

Plans for a garden center on roses were described by Mrs. H. Edward Ladd 3rd. This will be open to the public on June 9 at the Plainfield Public Library.

Will Be Hostesses

Seven members, including the president, Mrs. Victor R. King, will be hostesses in behalf of the Garden Club of America at the International Flower Show in New York during the week of Mar. 11.

A letter of thanks for Christmas wreaths from the War Service chairman of Lyons Veterans Hospital was read.
MIRACLE OF FLOWERS—Mrs. Alden de Hart of Second Pl. is admiring two flowers that sprouted from cactus leaves which she placed in a sealed box in the basement of her home recently. Mrs. de Hart, somewhat of an expert in the breeding of flowers, was recently a successful exhibitor at the International Flower Show in New York.
Prize Flower Show Arranger S

Plainfield Woman Tells How Exhibitor Gets Results

By JOAN SHERAKO

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Her choice of succulents as her medium was the result, according to Mrs. de Hart, of her search for a type of material which had not been used extensively in the past for arranging. We might add here that succulents are water-storing plants, such as cactus. “I was looking,” she added, “for something beautiful and unusual ... a new problem in design.”

Search Begins

Once a decision on materials has been made, the search begins. And this, we discovered, involves more than a quick trip to the nearest florist shop. The tall blade of cactus which was the focal point of Mrs. de Hart’s arrangement did not grow straight up in the usual manner, but was twisted like a spiral blade. Her other material, echiveria, she found in a gnarled plant, which when cut properly and arranged, formed a spiral conforming almost perfectly to the cactus. Echiveria is composed of waxy looking blue-green rosettes.

Using only a bronze container and these two materials, contrasting in form, but alike in color, Mrs. de Hart
In addition to searching for the "perfect" material, the exhibitor must consider the space and background color in which his arrangement will appear. He simulates these conditions and then practices making his arrangement within the given framework. Succulents are hard to work with, according to Mrs. de Hart, because there is no "give" to them, but they are hardy plants which stand up well under extensive handling.

On the day of the show itself, the exhibitor arrives at the hall (which this year was the Wanamaker Show Palace) with unassembled materials. Within a maximum of 2½ hours he must complete his arrangement, starting "from scratch." The results, if he has a keen eye and a deft touch, is a work of art.

**Same Methods**

Although the woman arranging flowers for her home or for a club luncheon is not subject to the strains of the International Flower Show, the methods of the expert exhibitor can be applied to any flower arrangement.

Mrs. de Hart's own prize-winning combination underscores her belief in simplicity. No matter what material is at hand, "if it doesn't add to your arrangement, don't put it in," she says.

For the anchoring of branches or flower stems, Mrs. de Hart uses pin holders attached to the bottom of a container with floral clay. The long line of the arrangement should be placed first, with its tip centered in order to give a look of balance. In order to avoid a top heavy look, blossoms should be graduated in size with smaller ones at the top. A more interesting arrangement is achieved, suggests Mrs. de Hart, when an uneven number of blossoms is used, ranging in development from buds to full blossoms.

In the matter of color, combination possibilities are endless, but she believes that when in doubt, a safe course is to keep within a family color, such as blue to blue violet, to purple, or pink to deep pink to red.

Mrs. de Hart maintains that books on flower arrangements can supply answers to almost any question. But her own philosophy, as expressed in this year's prize winning arrangement, might be paraphrased as: "Keep it simple, keep it balanced, and appropriate to the setting in which it will be seen." With these ideas in mind, any woman can bring
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Garden Club Chairmen Announced

President of the Plainfield Garden Club, Mrs. F. M. Lockwood, announced new chairmen for the coming year at yesterday’s meeting at the home of Mrs. H. Williamson Pitcher, Inman Ave.

New chairmen include: Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, program; Mrs. Victor R. King, membership; Mrs. J. Harold Loiseaux, conservation; Mrs. William K. Dunbar, horticulture; Mrs. H. Willoughby Frost, exhibitions; Mrs. Harlan B. Pratt, publicity; Mrs. John H. G. Rogers, hospital services; and Mrs. E. M. Treat, Garden Club of America bulletin.

It was reported that between 50 and 60 specimens of roses were on display at Saturday’s Rose Garden Center sponsored by the club at the Plainfield Public Library. Arrangements on display were done by Mrs. Alden de Hart, Mrs. Victor R. King, Mrs. William Wigton, Mrs. E. H. Ladd 3rd, Mrs. C. Boardman Tyler, Mrs. William Tyler, Mrs. Albert L. Stillman and Mrs. John Anderegg.

Mrs. Harry Brokaw Smith was a guest exhibitor, creating a display of roses in design. J. K. Meeker loaned all garden equipment on display.

A panel of seven club members with Mrs. Frost as master of ceremonies gave a history of the club and discussed gardening in general.

Iris chairman, Miss Harriette R. Halloway, announced that Cedar Brook Park has had its greatest display of Iris blooms in history this year.

Mrs. Stillman, Mrs. Frost and Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr. have recently served as judges in several flower shows in the area and in the Oranges.

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A Garden Club of Plainfield Installs; Hears Reports

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Growers' Prize Display

The display of flowers staged in the rear of the clubhouse was judged the best display of wild flowers, whether it was the park or the woods. The displays of garden flowers, however, received a number of citations. In the absence of a formal statement, it was agreed that all displays were generally agreed to be the finest and most pleasing to view. In the big exhibition were displayed a number of interesting arrangements of flowers and plants, including those of various garden clubs throughout the state. The displays were judged by Miss Harriette H. Halloway, who announced the winners.

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The Shakespeare garden was reported on by Chairman, Mrs. Albert Leeds Stillman.

Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr., exhibitions chairman, announced that Mrs. Paul Gobin will exhibit in the N.J. Flower Show in Orange on May 16 and that Mrs. Stillman will do an arrangement against the invitation card on May 12.

Activities Announced

After reading a history of the dogwood tree, Mrs. George H. Haas,husband, announced the activities planned for the 25th anniversary of the arboretum.

Chairman of the Rose Garden Center, Mrs. Edward H. Ladd Jr., announced that two professional men will be present at the center on June 9 at the Plainfield Public Library, to answer questions on rose growing. This center will be open to the public.

Mrs. Homer Cochran and Mrs. Lockwood, recent delegates to the national conference of the Garden Clubs of America in Colorado Springs, Colo., gave an illustrated report on the trip.

Members wore floral hats of their own design, which were judged by Mrs. Stuart, Mrs. P. Willoughby Frost and Mrs. Robert MacLeod. Prize winners were: Most original, Mrs. Helen L. Flanary; most elegant, Mrs. J. P. Stevens Jr.; prettiest, Mrs. Robert Stevens; all weather, Mrs. William Wagon; "patriot," Mrs. Webster Sanford; most fantastic, Mrs. John Anderson.

Annual Reports Heard

Annual reports were given by: President, Mrs. Victor King; iris garden, Miss Halloway; Shakespeare garden, Mrs. Stillman; exhibitions, Mrs. Stuart; program, Mrs. William Elliott; publicity, Mrs. Harlan B. Pratt; Salvation Army planting, Mrs. Anderson; hospital services, Mrs. Seymour Perkins; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Luce; treasurer, Mrs. Cochran; conservation, Mrs. Barnhart and horticulture, Mrs. William Dunbar Jr.

Mrs. Dunbar was co-chair at the meeting. Floral arrangements were done by Mrs. Elliott and Mrs. Anderson. Mrs. Robert Stevens presided at the tea.
Salvation Army To Burn Mortgage

The Plainfield Salvation Army, which this week is observing National Salvation Army Week, today announced it has trimmed a $25,000 mortgage on its Citadel to a few hundred dollars.

The Army, in praising the gen-

erated Sept. 23, 1951. The lime-
stone and brick building contains two stories and a basement. The chapel or auditorium occupies the main portion of the main floor and accommodates 250 persons. Also on the main floor are an office and a reception room.
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- Educational Exhibits
- Roses in Design
- Rose Film
- Rose Consultants from N.Y. Botanical Gardens and American Rose Society

ADMISSION FREE
‘Roses in Design’ to Be Shown by Garden Club at Library

Consultants Will Answer Queries on Rose Culture

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Library: Assisting

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The roses to be used in arrangements are primarily from the garden of Rosé Ladd and Mrs. Rose Ladd, a member of the Plainfield Garden Club. Mr. Stevens was a member of the American Rose Society. He served as consultant for the North Jersey section of the society.

Arrangements: On View

Among the exhibits will be books loaned by the New York Botanical Garden, the Plainfield Public Library, and the Plainfield Book Shop. More than 300 plants from the 1,500-piece collection of the late Miss Laura Detwiler of Plainfield will be on display. Miss Detwiler, who was a Garden Club member, died here in the house she had lived in for many years ago.

Potted roses, supplied by Vaez Graf of North Plainfield, will be shown outside the library. There will also be displays of insecticides and gardening tools.

Study Roses in Design—Members of the committee planning the Rosé Garden Center of the Plainfield Garden Club admire some examples of china and fabric in rose design. Mrs. Francis P. Boy (left) and Mrs. Robert McLeod, past chairmen, look on while Mrs. Robert McLeod, past chairman, holds a china plate and Mrs. Edward R. Ladd, Jr., co-chairman, and Mrs. William F. Elliott, head of the center, look on. The center will be open to the public at the Plainfield Public Library from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday.
Answer
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Design to be grown by

STUDY ROSES IN DESIGN—Members of the
Board of the Rose Garden Council, Mrs.
Francis P. Dill (left), co-chairman, and Mrs.
Robert McLeod, president, examine samples of rose bush cuttings to be used in arrangements
for the Saturday flower show of the Westfield Rose Society. The show will be held on
Saturday afternoon at the public library.
SILVER MEDAL TO PLAINFIELD CLUB—The Silver Medal of the Garden Club of New Jersey was presented to the president of the Plainfield Garden Club, Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood, right, yesterday by president of the Garden Club of New Jersey, Mrs. Francis F. Merriam, for the Plainfield club’s initiation of the Shakespeare Garden in Cedar Brook Park. Awards were presented at the annual meeting of the state club at Graulich’s, Orange.

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Books on View

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Film to Be Shown

A film in color, “All America Roses,” will be shown each hour beginning at 11 a.m. and ending at 4 p.m. This will deal with the growing and selection of roses.

Members of the committee are: Mrs. Alden de Hart, rose arrangements; Mrs. Robert McLeod, posters; Mrs. William P. Elliott, assisted by Mrs. Victor R. King and Mrs. Noah C. Barnhart, prints and roses in design; Mrs. William Dunbar, books; Mrs. Homer P. Cochran, hostesses; Mrs. A. D. Seybold, library arrangements; Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux, rose consultants; Mrs. David C. Foster, outside display; Mrs. Harlan B. Pratt, publicity.
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Shakespeare Garden Project
Wins Honors for Plainfield

By JEAN SHERARD

Three top awards of the Garden Club of New Jersey were presented to garden clubs at its annual awards meeting held in Plainfield recently.

Plainfield Club Honored

The Plainfield Garden Club was presented the Silver Medal of the Garden Club of New Jersey for its development of the Shakespeare Garden in Community Park. The Plainfield Garden Club was represented by Mrs. Frederick W. Lindeman, the state president. The club received the medal for its outstanding contributions to the development of the garden.

Top State Awards Are Presented

Top State Awards were presented to outstanding garden clubs from New Jersey. These awards are presented annually to clubs that have achieved exceptional growth and development.

Show Results Announced

Mrs. Clarence W. Slocum, Pastimes, and Misses chairman, announced the winners of the show. The winners were: Best in Show, the Mountain Lake Club; Second Place, the Berkeley Heights Club; and Third Place, the Union Beach Club.

WINS GARDEN CLUB AWARD—Mrs. E.L. Groves, right, president of the Garden Club of Westfield, accepts the Elizabeth Hurd Silver Trophy from Mrs. Sidney Rodda, garden center chairman of the Garden Club of New Jersey, at the annual awards presentation of the state club yesterday. The award is presented to outstanding garden center members who have demonstrated excellence in their field.

Junior Group Wins Cup

The Katherine Cutter Silver Cup, awarded to the Junior Garden Club of the Year, was presented to the Junior Garden Club of the Blue Star Club of Mountainside. The club was chosen for its outstanding contributions to the youth of the community.

Other Awards

Other important awards went to: Charles S. Caldwell, Master Gardener, the Helen Blumenthal Award for outstanding achievement in horticulture; Dr. Cynthia Westcott of Glen Ridge, the Silver Medal of the Garden Club of New Jersey; and to the Grow and Show Garden Club of Asbury Park, the Garden Club of New Jersey.

JUNIOR GARDEN CLUB WINNER—Shown receiving the Katherine Cutter Silver Cup for the Junior Garden Club of the Year, is Mrs. E.L. Groves, right, president of the Blue Star Garden Club of Mountainside, senior sponsoring club for the award winner. Mrs. J.W. Catlin, donor, presented the award to Mrs. Groves yesterday's annual awards presentation of the Garden Club of New Jersey.
Junior Group Wine Cup

The Katherine Cutler Silver Cup for the Junior Garden Club of the Year went to the Junior Garden Club of Mountainside "for most faithful carrying out of junior garden club objectives." The donor, Mrs. J. W. Cutler of Westfield, presented the cup. The Panwood Junior Garden Club also received honorable mention for outstanding work in this connection.

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Garden Club Background Discussed

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Mrs. Keith, formerly national horticultural chairman and about to become president of the Philadelphia Garden Club, stressed the work and importance of the Garden Club of America. She said the organization was founded in 1913 by J. Willis Martin in Philadelphia with only 12 original clubs.

Mrs. Keith also reported that Alden Hopkins, the first to receive the Garden Club of America fellowship to Rome, now has charge of all planting at Williamsburg, Va.

Prize Exhibit Noted

Mrs. J. Willoughby Frost, exhibitions chairman, reported that Mrs. Edward Fitzpatrick won third prize in the country cousins class at the Trailside Museum flower show Sept. 16. Mrs. Albert E. Stillman exhibited in the invitation class of the New Jersey Rose Society's second rose show held in East Orange Sept. 22.

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Mrs. Keith also reported that Alden Hopkins, the first to receive the Garden Club of America fellowship to Rome, now has charge of all planting at Williamsburg, Va.

Prize Exhibit Noted

Mrs. J. Willoughby Frost, exhibitions chairman, reported that Mrs. Edward Fitzpatrick won third prize in the country cousins class at the Trailside Museum flower show Sept. 16. Mrs. Albert E. Stillman exhibited in the invitation class of the New Jersey Rose Society’s second rose show held in East Orange Sept. 22.

Several members were reported to have exhibited horticultural specimens at the Morristown Garden Club show Tuesday. Miss Margaret Tyler will exhibit Monday in the invitation class at the Monday Afternoon Club flower show.

Ragweed Noticed

Mrs. Frank Clawson commented on the excess of ragweed along the streets throughout the city and the town’s laxity in removing it. Miss Harriette R. Halloway, iris garden chairman, reported on the extensive summer work devoted to the iris gardens of Cedar Brook Park. As a result of plant thinning, Miss Halloway said, more than 2,000 irises have been given to the Park Commission for use in other parks of the county. She also acknowledged generous gifts of plants from out-of-town friends.

A $20 donation was given for magnolia planting at Independence Hall in Philadelphia, a Garden Club of American project since 1949.

Mrs. Stillman, chairman of the Blue Star Drive, announced that the ceremony for dogwood plantings recently won in the Blue Star Memorial Highway contest would be held at West End Ave. and Route 22, North Plainfield, at 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 4.

Mrs. Henry Brower and Mrs. C. Benson Wigton presided at the tea table.

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Other reports were given by Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, program; Mrs. John H. G. Rogers, hospital service for Lyons; Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr., Christmas wreath project. Mrs. Leslie Fort and Mrs. Ladd poured tea.

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Mrs. Ware, Miss Hollaway, and Mrs. Lawrence were among the group who attended the presentation of the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreta, the Plainfield Garden Club.

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Other reports were given by Mrs. Edward L. Ladd, president; Mrs. John B. Rogers, long-time member; and Miss Ladd, who gave a talk on the history of the Garden Club.
Somerset People Told Of Union County Parks

Somerville—The lack of county parks facilities in Somerset County and comparison with existing park systems in other parts of the state were major topics of speakers at the Somerset Junior Chamber of Commerce this past week.

The Jaycees offered their services in bringing information on parks and recreation before the public for the fall referendum, at which time Somerset County voters will decide on establishment of a county park system.

More than 200 members of the Central PTA of Somerville heard members of the Jaycee speakers bureau present a summary of the entire parks situation in Somerville High School. After a discussion period, the PTA passed a resolution urging the voters to cast a favorable ballot on section one of the referendum, which would authorize appointment of a park commission and would inaugurate a park system.

Other Appearances

Other appearances during the week were before the Plainfield Junior Chamber of Commerce, the North Plainfield League of Women Voters and the Ladies Auxiliary of the Jewish Community Center of Somerville. A large number of speaking engagements have already been set, and any service, civic or community groups in the county interested were told to contact President John McLachlan at 860-1140.

County residents have been given descriptions of county park facilities in Union County, a system that was established 35 years ago. A total of 18 parks that provide almost every type of recreational activity possible.

Rugged areas of the type found in the mountain areas of Somerset County have been set aside and partly developed in Union County at the Watchung Reservation, nearly 2,000 acres of woods, fields and primeval nature surroundings. Activities closely associated with outdoor sports include an extensive nature museum, a miniature zoo, riddle paths, riding stables and picnicking areas, it was pointed out.

WHAT ANOTHER COUNTY DID—Somerset County is watching Union County’s improvement of park areas. Top view shows the ugly, sub-marginal area in Rahway River Park before anything was done. Lower photograph demonstrates what Union County, with 18 parks built over 35 years, has accomplished.

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Miss Harriette Hallaway of the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday was awarded a Horticultural Certificate of Merit from the Garden Club of New Jersey for her outstanding contributions to the beautification of the park and the city in the improvement of Cedar Brook Plantings.
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Mrs. Holloway was cited for helping found the iris garden in the park, for supervising and collecting the dogwood varieties, and for her work as horticultural consultant in the daffodil plantation, peony garden, hemerocallis collection and chrysanthemums planting, also in Cedar Brook Park.

In other business, Mrs. Morris F. Benton, landscape design chairman, reported on the landscaping project in front of the YWCA, and Mrs. William K. Dunbar Jr. announced members would make wreaths for patients at Lyons Veterans Hospital today and tomorrow in the field house at Cedar Brook Park.

Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost, exhibitions chairman, reported Mrs. Albert L. Stillman was among the judges at the Bound Brook Greens Show last Friday, Mrs. Paul Geary took part in the YWCA Community Tea Nov. 17, and Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr. represented the club at Spade and Trowel Garden Club’s Greens Show last week.

Mrs. Frost, Mrs. Alden de Hart and Mrs. David S. Foster demonstrated gift-wrapping.

Floral arrangements in the home were done by Mrs. William P. Elliott, Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Geary, Mrs. Lawrence S. Healy, Mrs. Victor R. King, Mrs. Ladd, Mrs. Webster Sandford, Mrs. William S. Tyler and Mrs. William G. Wigton.

Mrs. Leslie R. Fort and Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux were at the tea table.

Swamps Reclaimed

Vivid examples of use of sub-arginal land for park purposes also evident throughout Union county. Swampland along the away and Elizabeth rivers has been transformed to attractive recreation areas. A classic example of reclamation is Cedar Brook Park in Plainfield which was once a swamp and garbage dump. Now, known as the garden center of the county system, it contains a nationally famous iris garden, a Shakespearean garden, roves of dogwood and large playreas. Somerset residents have been told.

The Galloping Hill golf course is another conspicuous example of the manner in which a park system can develop utility for ind valueless for other purposes. The area was transformed from worthless swamp by installing rains to lower the water table, project which took a year and half. The course, opened several years ago, is among the nest public courses in the East, was noted.

The speakers emphasized that such developments were not accomplished in a single year, but actually took place over a long period of time. Similar park progress in Somerset County can be achieved only after a park commission is established, a question on the voters will decide in November, Somerset people were told.
Club Hears Problems of Gardening

“What is Your Problem” was the theme of the Plainfield Garden Club meeting recently in the home of Mrs. Paul Geary, 1440 Highland Ave.

Questions were answered by several members, with Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux as moderator. Mrs. Frank Clawson and Mrs. William S. Tyler answered the most questions and received flowers.

The president, Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood, announced the resignation of Mrs. Seymour Perkins, Jr., and welcomed Mrs. John R. Wells, a new member. She announced three committee appointments: Mrs. Morris Bostin, landscape design chairman; Mrs. Alden de Barr, member-at-large; and Mrs. Helen I. Flanders, Plainfield Garden Club representative to the City Beautification Committee.

Reports Article

Horticultural chairman, Mrs. William K. Dunbar Jr., reported that Miss Harriette R. Halloway has written an article, “Cornus Arboretum — Cedarbrook Park” which was published in the Arboretum Bulletin, the quarterly magazine of the University of Washington, Seattle.

Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost and Mrs. David Foster demonstrated Christmas decorations at a Junior League meeting. Mrs. Loizeaux demonstrated arrangements to the Junior League Garden Group and Mrs. Webster Sanford will conduct a flower arrangement course for Junior League members.

Six members of the club will exhibit in this year’s international Flower Show in New York in March.

Tell of Luncheon

Conservation chairman, Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux reported on the Conservation luncheon of the Garden Club of America which she and Mrs. Francis P. Hay attended. She urged members to write Senator Albert Gore of Tennessee protesting the allowance of signs and billboards on the proposed 41,000 mile federal highway system.

Garden Club Hears Talk

Begonias and exotic plants for the home were discussed by Mrs. Joy Logue, Martin of Danielson, Conn., before the Plainfield Garden Club Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Donald C. Luce, 1061 Raritan Rd.

Mrs. Martin demonstrated her talk with over 100 different species which she brought from her Connecticut greenhouse.

President, Mrs. F. M. Lockwood, conducted the business meeting. Horticulture chairman, Mrs. William K. Dunbar Jr., announced that the January issue of The Bulletin of the American Iris Society carried an article by Miss Harriette R. Halloway concerning iris gardens in Cedarbrook Park. Miss Halloway told members to look for early blooming irises in March.

Other reports were given by Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost, Mrs. Edward H. Ladd, and Mrs. Lockwood.

Arrangements for the meeting were by Mrs. William Morrell, Mrs. J. Rex Shoemaker was co-hostess, Miss Halloway and Mrs. D. F. Ginja presided at the tea table.
Garden Club Hears Talk By Naturalist

Dr. Alfred Bailey, naturalist and director of the Denver Museum of Natural History spoke before the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday at a guest meeting in the Monday Afternoon Club.

His subject was the Cajun country of southern Louisiana, and in this connection he showed a film which he made in the area under the sponsorship of the Audubon Society. Some of Dr. Bailey's pictures were used in the Walt Disney film, "Water Birds."

Dr. Bailey has also worked in the Egyptian Sudan, Siberia, Alaska, New Zealand, the Fiji Islands, and Abyssinia among other places. His next project will be a world tour.

Hostesses at the meeting were: Mrs. Morris Benton, Mrs. Arthur D. Seybold, Mrs. Helen I. Flanders, Miss Elsie Harmon and Mrs. Frederic E. Mygatt Jr. Presiding at the tea table were Mrs. Albert L. Stillman and Mrs. William P. Elliott.

Dr. Bailey was entertained at luncheon by the president, Mrs. F. M. Lockwood and Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, program chairman.

Flower Show Aides Named

Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood and Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost are representatives of the Plainfield Garden Club on the board of garden education which has been planning the International Flower Show. The show will open this year on Mar. 31 and continue through Apr. 6 at the New York Coliseum, Columbus Circle, New York.

Emphasis will be on "Gardens of Little Old New York" and "Flowers from Other Lands." Twenty-eight separate gardens and more than 200 additional exhibits will be keyed to helping the home gardener.

Exhibitors from this area include: Mrs. William G. Wiston, Mrs. Albert L. Stillman, Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr., Mrs. William P. Elliott, Mrs. Victor R. King and Mrs. Frost.

Wednesday, Apr. 3 has been set aside as New Jersey Day at the show, with emphasis placed on amateur competition.
Plainfield Garden Club Elects New Officers

Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood, 969 Oakland Ave., was elected president of the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday.

Other officers elected in the home of Mrs. William Wighton, 999 Hillside Ave., were: First vice president, Mrs. Robert McLeod; second vice president, Mrs. William Elliott; recording secretary, Mrs. Charles Eaton; corresponding secretary, Mrs. William Wighton; and treasurer, Mrs. Helen Flanders.

Mrs. C. Benson Wighton, nominating committee chairman, presented the slate.

Miss Harriette Halloway, chairman of the Iris Garden in Cedarbrook Park, told of the early blooms to be seen there. She gave a brief outline of the history of the Iris Garden since its origin 25 years ago.

Mrs. Harold Loizeaux, chairman of the conservation committee, announced that two teachers from Plainfield public schools would be invited to attend the Audubon Camp in Maine this Summer.

Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost, exhibitions chairman, gave the results of the Plainfield Garden Club’s participation in the International Flower Show in New York. Mrs. Victor King and Mrs. William Wighton won a blue ribbon for their arrangement in the novice class. Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost won second prize in the Creative Artistry Class.

Mrs. Lockwood reported that Mrs. Alden de Hart and Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr. have given a course of lectures on flower arranging to the Junior League Garden Group.

In May, Mrs. Lockwood and Mrs. William Elliott will attend the annual meeting of the Garden Club of America in Winnetka, Ill.

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It was announced that Mrs. Laurence S. Heely will represent the Plainfield Garden Club at the Shackamaxon Garden Club of Scotch Plains "Open Homes Tour" on June 6. It also was reported that Mrs. Albert L. Stillman participated in the Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield flower show, and judged a flower show for junior gardeners which was held in Wilson School, Westfield.

Mrs. Lockwood announced that members will contribute flowers and make decorations for Lyons Hospital on June 7 and 14.
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IRIS: HARRIETTE HALLOWAY

The Plainfield Garden Club
1957-1958
‘True Blue’ Flower

It is perhaps the idea of horticulturists who named a new iris in honor of Miss Harriette R. Halloway of 832 Madison Ave. that it best depict her loyalty to floriculture and beautification. For blue is the color of loyalty and the new iris, hybridized by Kenneth Smith of Staten Island and named “Harriette Halloway” is described as “clear blue.”

Loyalty cannot better be shown than in the 25 years Miss Halloway has “worked tirelessly,” as the citation says, “that the public planting in Cedar Brook Park at Plainfield should be a thing of beauty.”

Miss Halloway, volunteer garden consultant for the Union County Park Commission, has made splendid contributions to our city, not only in iris, daffodil, chrysanthemum, day lily and peony plantings, but in the gorgeous Cornus (Dogwood) Arboretum which makes springtime in Cedar Brook Park memorable.

It may be trite to say “a thing of beauty is a joy forever,” but it is pleasing to note that the joy Miss Halloway has given others is to become eternal in a new flower.
Flower Show Features
Garden Club Meeting

A flower show for the Plainfield Garden Club was held yesterday in the home of Mrs. Robert T. Stevens, Woodland Ave., with Mrs. Delano W. Ladd as co-hostess. Tea, which was served following the meeting, was poured by Mrs. J. P. Stevens Sr. and Mrs. Noah C. Barnhart Sr.

The show was divided into three classes and judging was done by Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, Mrs. Alden de Hart and Mrs. Willoughby Frost.

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Club Commemorates Founding of

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Park.

Sunny skies and colorful iris in bloom provided the setting
for the brief, simple program. About 100 persons were present.

Miss Harriette Halloway, founder of the garden and chair-
woman of the Iris Garden Committee since the project was started
in 1932, was presented a medal
by Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood, president of the Garden Club.

The medal is inscribed “from
the grateful members of the
Plainfield Garden Club: Harriette
R. Halloway, founder and mentor
of the Iris Garden of Cedar Brook
Park, Plainfield, 1932-1957.”

Guests viewed a recently in-
stalled bronze tablet marking the
anniversary of the garden.

‘Exercise in Perfection’

Victor R. King, president of
the Union County Park Com-
misson, told the gathering the gar-
den display was “an exercise in
perfection. It is evidence of
the interest of this area in perfection
in gardening,” he said.

The Park Commission provided
the setting for the garden and has
cooperated in the project since its
inception, providing labor and
general maintenance.

W. Richmond Tracy, executive
head of the Park Commission
when the Iris Garden was started,
paid tribute to Miss Halloway
for her “tireless work and pain-
taking effort.”

Another speaker was Dr. John
C. Wister of Swarthmore, Pa.,
president of the American Iris
Society, when the garden was
started and author of an illu-
strated article about the garden
in the current issue of the Jour-
nal of the New York Botanical
Garden.

Miss Halloway spoke briefly
and commented on the work of
the men who care for the Iris
Garden. She introduced Kenneth
Smith, one of the largest con-
tributors of plants to the garden.

Clubs Attend

Mrs. Lockwood presided at the
program. Guests included mem-
er of nearby garden clubs and
members of the Garden Club.

The Iris Garden Committee
includes Mrs. Morris S. Benton,
Mrs. Alden de Hart, Mrs. Lock-
wood, Mrs. Donald S. Luce, Mrs.
William K. Dunbar Jr., Mrs. C.
Norcross, Mrs. Webster
Northrup Pond, Mrs. Webster
Sandford, Mrs. Arthur S. Sey-
bold, Mrs. John R. Wells, Mrs.
William G. Wigton, Mrs. Robert
MacLeod, vice chairman, and
Miss Halloway, chairman.

Special aides yesterday for the
chairman were Mrs. Charles A.
eaton Jr., Mrs. F. Willoughby
Frost and Mrs. Edwin M. Treat Jr.

Mrs. Victor R. King was chair-
man of the special committee,
assisted by Mrs. J. Harold
Leoneaux, Mrs. E. B. Newberry, and
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erating were Mrs. N. C. Barn-
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Fort, Mrs. William A. Holliday,
Mrs. Richard M. Lawton, Mrs.
Robert T. Stevens, Mrs. C. Board-
man Tyler, Mrs. William S. Tyler,
Mrs. Thomas Van Boskerck and
Mrs. Orville G. Waring.

The Iris Garden now has more
than 1,500 named varieties, pro-
perly labeled, representing all
types of iris, and totaling more
than 75,000 plants.

The main part of the garden is
just coming into bloom and is
expected to be in good bloom
through the rest of the month.

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Garden Club Gets Reports

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A brief business meeting was held, in which committee chairmen gave their reports. Mrs. Edward H. Ladd, 3rd, horticulture chairman, urged members to exhibit in the “Sweepstakes Flower Show” in Morristown on Sept. 24.

Mrs. Albert L. Stillman, chairman of the Shakespeare Garden project in Cedar Brook Park, reported on present blooms in the garden, and announced a contribution had been received from the East Orange Garden Club after that club had held its May meeting in that section of the park. Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost, exhibitions chairman, announced Mrs. Stillman had received an honorable mention for an arrangement in the “Judges Class” of a flower show held at the annual meeting of the Garden Club of New Jersey.

Mrs. Morris F. Benton, chairman of a new committee, Landscape Design, read a letter from Mrs. Henry F. Foster of the YWCA, asking that the club be in charge of replanting the area in front of the YWCA. Plans for this project will be made during the summer.

After the business meeting, Mrs. David I. Mackie, of Somerset Hills Garden Club who is on the board of the Central Eastern Zone Interchange Fellowship in Horticulture, spoke on plans for the fellowship student who will start her studies in September. The student, an English girl, will come to this country late in August, and study horticulture at the University of Pennsylvania. The Plainfield Garden Club has made a financial contribution to the scholarship fund.
Garden Club Approves Project To Beautify ‘YW’ Entrance

The Plainfield Garden Club voted yesterday to re-landscape the entrance of the YWCA building, E. Front St. The club met at the home of Mrs. Harlan B. Pratt of Watchung.

The club’s landscape design committee, headed by Mrs. Morris F. Benton, had been working on the project during the summer at the invitation of YWCA board of directors. The “Y” has offered to remove the present shrubbery.

In a lecture entitled, “The Uses of Herbs,” Mrs. Harry Brokaw Smith traced the history of herbs, their medicinal, religious and culinary uses since Biblical times. Herb cooking has increased in popularity in recent years, she said, because women have learned to use herbs sparingly. Mrs. Smith’s talk was illustrated with color slides.

Guest Speaker

It was announced that John N. Ott Jr., a photographer whose works include filming of Walt Disney’s “Nature’s Half Acre” and “Secrets of Life,” will be guest speaker at the Oct. 18 session. He will also show films he has taken.

Tickets have been distributed to other garden clubs and to science classes in Plainfield schools.

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Photography Talk Slated

The Plainfield Garden Club will present John Nash Ott Jr., pioneer in time-lapse photography, at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday in Maxson School.

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Nature Films
To Be Shown

Natural wonders through the medium of time-lapse photography will be shown by John Ott Jr. at 8:30 p.m. tomorrow in Maxson School.

The program, sponsored by the Plainfield Garden Club, will feature films taken by Ott for two Walt Disney motion pictures, “Nature’s Half Acre” and “Secrets of Life.”

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Mr. and Mrs. Ott, whose home is in Winnetka, Ill., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood of 969 Oakland Ave. during their stay in Plainfield. Mrs. Lockwood, club president, will entertain members of the executive board at a tea Wednesday honoring the Otts.
Blooming Flowers Shown In Time-Lapse Photographs

Some 400 persons glimpsed the wonder of blooming flowers last night through the medium of time-lapse photography.

John Ott Jr. of Winnetka, III., who's been taking time-lapse pictures for 31 years, showed many of his sequences in Maxson School during a program sponsored by the Plainfield Garden Club.

Time-lapse photography is the process of slow motion photography. Motion pictures are taken over long periods—sometimes six months or a year—and then projected on the screen in a matter of minutes.

This procedure—as Ott demonstrates—reveals flowers blooming or growing. Some pictures taken through a microscope show cells multiplying.

Highlight of the presentation was a scene of films Ott took for Walt Disney's "Nature's Half Acre" and "Secrets of Life." All the films were accompanied with music—producing pleasing and humorous effects. At one point, for example, waltz music kept time with the opening of beautiful blossoms.

Ott was introduced by Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood, garden club president. Mr. and Mrs. Ott are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Lockwood of 909 Oakland Ave.

Ott told the group that he gave up a banking career in 1948 to devote full time to his photography. Feat the ratio of male and female time-lapse work has led him to fish. His work—for General Electric, knowledge in other fields, he said, he will determine whether he said his next project would fluorescent lighting in schools be studying the effect of fluorescent and factories would have similar lighting plays on determination of effect on human birth rates, he sex. Ott said it had been deter.
Plainfielder Asked To Exhibit Flowers

A Plainfield woman is among the American 18th Century Garden Club, has been asked to take part in a "Demonstration of Flower Arranging and Judging." Flower container stressing color and line as New York's Metropolitan simplicity.

Museums of Art. The event is sponsored by the Garden Club of America.

Mrs. Alden deHart of 817 Second PL, a member of the Plainfield Garden Club, has been asked to take part in the "American 18th Century arrangement in a pewter container stressing color and line as New York's Metropolitan simplicity."
Garden Club Hears Author

More than 100 members and guests of the Plainfield Garden Club heard an illustrated talk on “Gardens in Japan” by Miss Alice Chauncey, author, photographer and lecturer, Wednesday afternoon at Grace Episcopal Church parish house.

Hostesses were Mrs. Victor R. King, Mrs. William P. Elliott, Mrs. Albert L. Stillman, Mrs. Edwin M. Treat, Mrs. Leslie R. Fort and Mrs. Philip W. Nash.

Mrs. Ferris Hetherington, Mrs. Morris Benton, Mrs. C. Boardman Tyler and Mrs. James K. Whitehead were at the tea table.
Garden Club Member Cited For Cedar Brook Plantings

Miss Harriette Halloway of the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday was awarded a Horticultural Certificate of Merit from the Garden Club of America for her work in setting up and supervising various gardens in Cedar Brook Park.

The presentation was made by Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, horticultural chairman of the Plainfield club, at the group’s Christmas party in Mrs. Ladd’s Nepawin Lane home.

Mrs. Halloway was cited for helping found the iris garden in the park, for supervising and collecting the dogwood varieties, and for her work as horticultural consultant in the daffodil plantation, peony garden, hemorrhocallis collection and chrysanthemum planting, also in Cedar Brook Park.

In other business, Mrs. Morris P. Benton, landscape design chairman, reported on the landscaping project in front of the YWCA, and Mrs. William K. Dunbar Jr. announced members would make wreaths for patients at Lyons Veterans Hospital today and tomorrow in the field house at Cedar Brook Park.

Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost, exhibitions chairman, reported Mrs. Albert L. Stillman was among the judges at the Bound Brook Greens Show last Friday. Mrs. Paul Geary took part in the YWCA Community Tea Nov. 17, and Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr. represented the club at the Spade and Trowel Garden Club’s Greens Show last week.

Mrs. Frost, Mrs. Alden de Hart, and Mrs. David S. Foster demonstrated gift-wrapping.

Floral arrangements in the home were done by Mrs. William P. Elliott, Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Geary, Mrs. Lawrence S. Heely, Mrs. Victor R. King, Mrs. Ladd, Mrs. Webster Sandford, Mrs. William S. Tyler and Mrs. William G. Wigton.

Mrs. Leslie R. Fort and Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux were at the tea table.
Slides of Trips Shown To Plainfield Garden Club

Colored slides of members' trips through this country and abroad were shown to the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday at the home of Mrs. Edwin J. Fitzpatrick of 1734 Sleepy Hollow Lane. Mrs. N. Chisholm Barnhart Jr., program chairman, was the commentator. Many pictures of gardens in bloom were featured.

Committee chairmen reported during the business portion of the meeting. Mrs. Victor R. King reported that cold frames and greenhouses, as club projects, were discussed at the Garden Club of America Horticultural Committee meeting she attended in New York City on Jan. 8. There was also a talk on year-round cellar gardening under artificial light at the New York meeting, she said.

Reports on Meeting

Miss Harriette R. Halloway, Iris garden chairman, announced that her committee held its annual meeting Jan. 10 in her home and that the past year's work was reported on. Plans also were made for the coming year.

Mrs. Morris F. Benton, landscape design chairman, told of a landscaping course, sponsored by the Garden Club of New Jersey, that she attended in Orange. She announced that the Plainfield YMCA started such a course on Jan. 14, called "Plan and Plant for Year Round Beauty," to run for the next 10 weeks.

Mrs. Albert L. Stillman reported on "May Day in Princeton," to be sponsored by the Garden Club of New Jersey of which she is ways and means chairman. Five historic homes in the Princeton area, including the Governor's mansion, "Morven," are to be opened then for public viewing. At a future date further plans are to be announced.

Committee Selected

Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood, president, announced the following as members of the nominating committee for the coming year: Chairman, Mrs. Edwin M. Trent Jr., and Mrs. Paul Geary and Mrs. J. Rex Shoemaker. Final arrangements in the hostesses' home were done by Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, Mrs. Charles H. Detwiller, Mrs. King and the hostess. Mrs. Homer P. Cochran and Mrs. Geary presided at the tea table.
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4 to Decorate Tour Home

Four members of the Plainfield Garden Club have been invited to decorate a New York City apartment for a holiday tour of New York homes to be held Wednesday. The show, entitled “Christmas Comes to New York Homes,” will benefit New York’s Botanical Garden.

Those who will assist in decorating the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Bancroft Jr., 71 E. 71st St., are: Mrs. Alden de Hart, who will do the dining room mantelpiece; Mrs. William S. Tyler, the dining room table arrangement; Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux, an arrangement in the study, and Mrs. William P. Elliott, a wreath to be placed over the dining room mantel.

Five homes will be included in the show, and will be decorated by members of garden clubs affiliated with the New York Botanical Garden and the Garden Club of America.
‘Y’ Landscaping Project Near Its Completion

The re-landscaping project in front of the YWCA Building, begun last Summer as part of the community beautification policy of the Plainfield Garden Club’s landscape design committee, is nearing completion, Mrs. Morris F. Benton, chairman, announced today.

Included in the landscaping plan has been the extension of a hedge along the E. Front St. side, the planting of a Juliana barberry hedge along the sidewalks and front walk, and the planting of two shade masters, a new variety of the Moraine locust tree developed by the Princeton University nurseries. These and two arbor vitae have been placed on the front walk.

Still remaining is the planting of Baltic ivy. Committee members have prepared the ground around the trees, but planting will not be done until Spring.

On Mrs. Benton’s committee are: Mrs. James H. Whitehead, Mrs. Alden de Hart, Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost, Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr., and Mrs. Charles H. Detwiler.
‘Landscape Design’ Topic
At Garden Club Meeting

"Landscape Design" was the topic of Mrs. Alice Recknagel Ireys, landscape architect and guest speaker of the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday in the home of Mrs. C. Boardman Tyler, 525 W. Seventh St. She also showed colored slides of gardens she has designed.

Mrs. Ireys said that where gardens were previously made to be looked at, today they are made to live in. Terraces for outdoor living must be planned for easy access to the house. This is best done, she noted, when landscaping is designed at the same time as the architectural plans.

Maintenance Factor
In most cases low maintenance is an important factor, she said, and advised using ground covers and low materials which require a minimum of care.

Mrs. Ireys stressed that garden plans should conform to the individual style of the house and the owner's mode of life. She pointed out the need for a play area for families with growing children. This could be converted to a garden later, she said.

At the business meeting preceding the talk Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost, exhibitions chairman, reported that Mrs. Charles H. Detwiller Jr. and Mrs. Webster Sanford will exhibit arrangements in the International Flower Show in New York City next month. The club will provide coffee and refreshments for garden club members and exhibitors Sunday, March 9, the day the show opens.

‘May Day’ Report
Plans for "May Day in Princeton," an open house tour of historic homes to be held May 1, were reported by Mrs. Albert L. Stillman, ways and means chairman of the Garden Club of New Jersey. Mrs. Aiden deHart will do a flower arrangement to be displayed in "Morven," the governor's mansion and one of the homes to be open that day. Mrs. Robert Meyner will serve refreshments in the garden the day of the tour.

Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood, president, extended an invitation to members to attend a program being presented by the Men's Garden Club of Westfield on May 11. It will feature iris growing and hybridizing.

After the meeting tea was served by Mrs. Daniel E. Glimm.
Local Garden Club to Enter International Flower Show

Planes for participation by Plainfield Garden Club members in the 41st International Flower Show at the New York Coliseum have been announced by Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost, the club's exhibitions chairman. The show will be held from Mar. 9 to 15.

On the opening day, Sunday, Mrs. Charles H. Dettwiller will enter an arrangement in the novice class. It requires an arrangement in a black iron container, suitable for a terrace.

Mrs. J. Webster Sandford will enter the novice-challenge class Saturday, Mar. 15, when entrants will work with identical floral material and containers.

The Plainfield Garden Club will also supply coffee and refreshments for exhibitors and Garden Club of America members on opening day. Each day a different Garden Club of America club provides this hospitality between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. The show opens to the public at 2 p.m.

Mrs. Corenliu B. Tyler, Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux and Mrs. Al- den deHart will assist with the serving when the club is host.

Club members who will serve on the show's housekeeping committee are: Mrs. Frost on Sunday; Mrs. Charles A. Eaton Jr., Monday; and Mrs. Victor R. King, Saturday.

On Friday, Mar. 14, club members Miss Harriette R. Halloway, Mrs. deHart, Mrs. King, Mrs. Frost, Miss Margaret Tyler and Mrs. William G. Wigton will serve as hostesses in the Garden Club of America section.

Theme for this year's show is "The World is Your Garden." It will feature the rolling countryside, lush meadows in May, a farm scene, many different gardens and other colorful settings.

The show is sponsored jointly by the Horticultural Society of New York and the New York Florists' Club.
Garden Club Backs Billboard Controls

Mrs. Webster Sandford, conservation chairman of the Plainfield Garden Club, yesterday asked members to write their U. S. senators to urge support of the bill that would prohibit billboards on new federal highways. Mrs. J. Harold Laisaux of Cooper Rd., Scotch Plains, was hostess to the group.

The club will send a contribution to support a students' conservation program sponsored by the conservation committee of the Garden Club of America, Mrs. Sandford announced. The program will enable high school and college students to work in national parks during the Summer.

Report Submitted

Mrs. Robert T. Stevens reported on a conservation meeting she attended Mar. 12 in New York when a panel discussed effects of mass chemical insecticide spraying. Federal-state cooperation was recommended because of the dangers of poison sprays.

Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, horticultural chairman, announced she will make a list of members' gardens at their peak blooming time. Each month she will read the list of those recommended for viewing the following month.

Iris Near Bloom

Miss Harriette H. Halloway, iris garden chairman, announced that the Reticulatas, a small bulbous iris, will be in bloom in the Cedarbrook Park garden during the last week in March or first week of April, depending on the weather. She also displayed a Reticulatas bloom from her garden.

Tickets and descriptive pamphlets for the "May Day in Princeton" tour of homes and gardens were distributed by Mrs. Albert L. Stillman, club member and ways and means chairman of the state Garden Club. She announced the 30th anniversary of the Shakespeare Garden in the park will be celebrated in June.

Mrs. Noah C. Barnhart Jr., program chairman, did the commentary for slides of the 1957 International Flower Show shown after the business meeting. Mrs. C. Boardman Tyler and Mrs. Al- den deHart poured when tea was served.

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Miss Marquette R. Hallows reported on the early blooms to be seen in the iris garden in Cedarbrook Park. Mrs. Albert L. Stillman announced a hawthorne tree had been planted in the Shakespeare Garden in celebration of the club’s forthcoming 50th anniversary.

Mrs. Aiden deHart, reporting for exhibitions chairman, Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost, said Mrs. Laurence S. Heely would do a flower arrangement for the open house show of the Garden Circle of Westfield.

Arrangements in Mrs. Whitehead’s home were done by Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, Mrs. Stillman, Mrs. Victor R. King and Mrs. deHart.

Invitations to events sponsored by neighboring garden clubs were read by Mrs. Lockwood. One was to the Garden Center in Mudwaski Park, Westfield, May 2 and 3, by 11 garden clubs in the Westfield area.

Mrs. Lockwood will be hostess in “Wellevreden” and Mrs. Morris F. Benton in “Morven.” Mrs. deHart will do a flower arrangement for “Morven.”

Earrings and shoe buckles, made of fresh flowers and foliage and worn by members, were judged for originality and design by Mrs. deHart and Mrs. David S. Foster. Mrs. King’s shoe buckles of begonia leaves, andromeda flowers and Turkish tulips, won first prize. Miss Margaret Tyler’s earrings of flowering crab buds poured.

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Decorative Floral Designs Recall Historical Periods

Flowers express many things and the ability to arrange them decoratively is gaining wide recognition as an art form. Museums and art exhibitors often ask garden groups to fashion floral arrangements that will complement their presentations. A current example is an exhibit at the Museum of the City of New York "Furniture by New York Cabinetmakers, 1650-1840," which is highlighted with floral arrangements by the Garden Club of America. It will remain on display through March 5. Members obtained data from museum officials and keyed their designs to the periods represented. Dried materials prevail for their historical value and durability. The five arrangements illustrated were done by member clubs in New Jersey.

For a marble-top Chippendale console the Plainfield Garden Club used dried marigolds, yarrow and magnolia leaves.

To characterize the Victorian Era the Romson Garden Club put strawflowers, sea oats and celosia before a mirror.

The Millbrook Garden Club used magnolia leaves and eucalyptus.

In the center of a seventeenth century gate-leg table the Short Hills Garden Club set a provender filled with lavender, hellebore and statice.
Clubwomen Visit Botanical Gardens

Members of the Plainfield Garden Club took a field trip yesterday to the New York Botanical Gardens. Mrs. Noah C. Barnhart Jr., program chairman, and Mrs. Victor King made the arrangements.

Mrs. Albert L. Stillman heads the committee that will welcome visitors to the Shakespeare Garden in Cedar Brook Park on Wednesday, June 4, from 1 to 5 p.m. when its 30th anniversary is celebrated.
NEW FLOWER BOXES—Douglas Davis, president of the Plainfield Trust Company, and Mrs. Robert MacLeod, president of the Plainfield Garden Club, admire one of the new flower boxes placed over windows in the bank. The project was sponsored by the garden club. (Coronet Photo by E. T. Wiggins)

The Plainfield Garden Club has entered on a new project—window boxes for Plainfield. The first boxes have just been installed and planted at The Plainfield Trust Company.

H. Douglas Davis, president of Plainfield Trust, expressed enthusiasm for this plan to beautify the city and voiced the hope that many others in the city would support the plan.

The club has expressed the hope that the project will spread through Plainfield. The Courier-News is one of the local firms installing such boxes.

The window boxes will be placed beyond reach of possible damage and will be planted with various types of plant material, according to the amounts of sun or shade available. The boxes will be supervised and maintained by the garden club.

Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, horticultural chairman of the club, said that credit for the success of this enterprise should go to the business men of Plainfield, "who have had the imagination, foresight and civic pride enabling them to carry out an idea."

Mrs. Ladd said all money that had come to the club from the public, making possible the success of its open houses and plant sales, had gone back to the public in the form of planting in Cedarbrook Park (under the club's direction) and at The Salvation Army building in Watchung Ave., and the new planting at the Plainfield YWCA.
GARDEN CLUB GIFT—Mrs. Albert L. Stillman, chairman of the Shakespeare committee of the Plainfield Garden Club, places identification card on English hawthorne tree in Cedar Brook Park. Watching, left to right, are: Mrs. Morris S. Benton, Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd and Mrs. C. Sidney Trewin, club members. (Coronet Photo by E. T. Wiggins)

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Mrs. Robert F. MacLeod of 11 Brook Lane, president of the Plainfield Garden Club, and members of the club’s Shakespeare committee, headed by Mrs. Albert L. Stillman of 73 Leland Ave, described to visitors the 100-odd varieties of plants and shrubs in the garden.

The Garden Club, the Shakespeare Club, and the Union County Park Commission established the garden 30 years ago. It now consists of 17 beds and two long borders in a park area of about 150 by 40 feet, located off Randolph Rd.

The idea was to include all the plants and shrubs—there are 44 of them, Mrs. Stillman said—mentioned by Shakespeare in his plays and sonnets.

Other Plants Included

But the garden was so large, Mrs. Stillman said, that it was agreed to include other plant varieties grown in English gardens in the 16th and 17th Centuries.

All of the 44 varieties mentioned in the bard’s works are labeled by markers, which include the particular Shakespearean quotations referring to them.

The garden was laid out 30 years ago by a landscape architect from Olmsted Brothers of Boston. The Garden Club and the Park Commission split the cost. The garden is cared for by a Park Commission gardener, and supplemental work is done by the Garden Club’s Shakespeare committee.

Mrs. Samuel T. Carter Jr. of 940 Woodland Ave., the club’s first Shakespeare committee chairman, was unable to attend the outdoors open house yester...

Termed ‘Second Finest’

Mrs. Carter, author of the book, “Shakespeare Gardens,” has termed the Plainfield garden probably the second finest in the nation. She has said top honors belong to a Shakespeare garden in Rockefeller Park in Cleveland, Ohio. Established in 1915, the Cleveland garden was one of the first to be planted in the United States.

Mrs. Stillman said Shakespeare gardens bring together flowers grown in England in one period of garden history, thus keeping forgotten flowers from being lost to U.S. gardens. The projects also add beauty to public parks and provide a place where Shakespeare poetry is illustrated with living plants and shrubs.

Mrs. Stillman’s Shakespeare committee includes Mrs. Morris F. Benton, Mrs. C. Sidney Trewin, Mrs. Victor R. King, Mrs. William P. Elliott and Mrs. Georges J. His.

Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, horticultural chairman of the club, was also among those who pointed out features of the garden to guests.

The hospitality committee included Mrs. Henry DeForest, Mrs. Benton, Mrs. Ladd, Mrs. His and Mrs. King.

Punch was served by Mrs. William P. Elliott, Mrs. Trewin and Mrs. His...
Anniversary Set By Club Unit

The Shakespeare Committee of the Plainfield Garden Club will celebrate its 30th anniversary June 4, it was announced today by Mrs. Albert Leeds Stillman, 73 Leland Ave., committee chairman. The Shakespeare Garden, in Cedar Brook Park, will be the scene of the meeting, where Mrs. Stillman and her committee will receive members of the club and anyone else interested from 1 until 5 p.m.

Mrs. C. S. Trewin, 21 Myrtle Ave., and Mrs. William P. Elliott, 322 Arlington Ave., are in charge of refreshments. They will be assisted by Mrs. Morris F. Benton, 1223 Prospect Ave.; Mrs. Georges His, Valley Road, Watchung; Mrs. Henry L. De Forest, 955 Hillside Ave.; Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd; and Mrs. Victor R. King, 826 Arlington Ave.
Area Garden Clubs Receive Awards at State Meeting

Plainfield and Plainfield area Garden Clubs played a prominent part in the annual meeting of the Garden Club of New Jersey yesterday in Orange. The theme of the day was “What Is So Rare As a Day in June?”

Mrs. Norman Smalley of the Washington Valley Garden Club of Bridgewater impersonated “Alice” in a skit entitled “Alice in Garden Club Land” and the cast included Mrs. William Bagley of the Bound Brook Garden Club, Mrs. Mary Robinson of the Westfield Garden Club and Mrs. Lester Clausen and Mrs. Don Creager of the Washingning Valley Club.

Mrs. Clarence W. Slocum of Fanwood, president, gave a resume of the work of the executive board, and a change in bylaws was proposed by Mrs. Lloyd E. O’Neal of Westfield, parliamentarian.

Mrs. Albert L. Stillman of Plainfield, chairman of ways and means, thanked those who helped make the year a productive one and Gold Medal awards were announced by Mrs. J. Westford Cutler of Westfield.

Merit Certificates Presented

Certificates of Merit with gold seals were presented to Dr. Harold Moldenke, director of the Trailside Museum; and the Plainfield Garden Club for work in the Iris Garden at Cedar Brook Park. Mrs. Harriette Halloway directed this work and Mrs. Robert T. MacIvor is the club president.

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The Spade and Trowel Club of Plainfield's Silver Trophy for the best Greens Show was awarded to the Bound Brook Garden Club. Mrs. Roland F. Simons is president of the Spade and Trowel Club.

The National Council White Ribbon Special Achievement Certificate went to the Plainfield Garden Club for designing, planting and maintaining a Shakespearean Garden which is open to the public. Mrs. Stillman is chairman of the garden.

Officers Elected

Area residents who were elected officers for the 1956-57 period were: Second vice president, Mrs. Douglas Valentine of Martinsville, and treasurer, Mrs. Robert G. Weyker of North Plainfield.

Mrs. Lester A. Clausen of Bedminster was elected a director for two years for Zone 8 and Mrs. Edward L. Coffey of Westfield was elected a director for one year for Zone 7.

Mrs. Oneal was elected to the nominating committee for a one-year term.
WINS HORTICULTURE AWARD—Miss Harriette R. Halloway, right, of 832 Madison Ave., is congratulated on being presented the Garden Club of America's Distinguished Service Medal for her work in Cedar Brook Park's special gardens. Mrs. Randolph C. Harrison, president, made the presentation at the awards dinner meeting Wednesday in York Harbor, Maine. (AP Wirephoto)
Garden Club Holds Picnic

Mrs. John R. Wells of Valley Rd., Watchung, was hostess yesterday to the Plainfield Garden Club at a picnic.

Mrs. Robert MacLeod, president, and Mrs. William G. Wighton will attend the 45th annual meeting of the Garden Club of America in York Harbor, Maine, from June 24 to 27 as guests of the Piscataqua Garden Club.

The program will include tours of homes and gardens in York, York Harbor and Kittery Point, all in Maine, and in Ipswich, Mass., and Portsmouth, N. H.

Miss Harriette R. Halloway, chairman of the Iris Garden in Cedar Brook Park, reported her committee recently took a census of the plants, as is done every fifth year, and which entails counting and checking the names of all varieties. She added that the Japanese Iris would begin to bloom late in June.

Mrs. William P. Elliott, exhibitions chairman, announced that Mrs. Laurence S. Heely won a blue ribbon for her arrangement in the Westfield Flower Show and Mrs. Edwin M. Treat and Miss Elizabeth R. Browne won red ribbons for their arrangement in the Fanwood Flower Show.

The following committee chairmen were appointed by Mrs. MacLeod: Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood, membership; Mrs. Victor King, conservation; Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, horticulture; Mrs. Noah C. Barnhart Jr., program; Mrs. Homer P. Cochran, publicity; Mrs. Elliott, exhibitions; Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost and Mrs. David S. Foster, members at large; Mrs. Donald C. Luce, hospital services; Mrs. J. Rex Shoemaker, bulletin; and Mrs. Charles H. Detwiller Jr., landscape design.

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6 Honored By Garden Club Group

The Garden Club of America, in session in York Harbor, Me., for its forty-fifth annual meeting, honored six distinguished leaders in conservation, landscape restoration and botany, with Garden Club of America medals presented in tribute to their accomplishments.

Ralph E. Cresswell, landscape architect, Pittsburgh, received the gold medal of honor for his landscape restoration of the Athenian Agora, Athens, Greece, and the American Military Cemetery at Anzio, Italy.

Cited for Service to Club

Mrs. Charles Platt, Garden Club of Philadelphia, received the achievement medal for devoted service to the national organization, her manifold achievements, and her great gifts as an artist.

Arnold M. Davis, member-at-large of the Garden Club of America and director of the Garden Center of Greater Cleveland, received the Amy Angell Collier Montague Medal for his outstanding public achievements.

Mrs. Robert G. Work, of the Garden Club of Barrington, Ill., received the Margaret Douglas Medal for her lifetime of work in conservation-education.

Garden Founder Honored

Miss Harriette H. Halloway, of Plainfield, N. J., Garden Club, received the distinguished service medal for her work in founding the Irish Garden in Cedar Brook Park, Plainfield.

Mrs. George Russell Marriage, Broadmoor Garden Club, Colorado, received (posthumously), the Eloise Payne Luquer Medal for her work with alpine plants brought under cultivation and distributed throughout Great Britain, Europe, North and South America.

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Horticulturist Gets National Recognition

Miss Harriette R. Halloway of 832 Madison Ave., a member of the Plainfield Garden Club and founder of Cedar Brook Park's many special gardens, last night received the Distinguished Service Medal of the Garden Club of America at the group's annual awards dinner meeting in York Harbor, Me. Miss Halloway was present to receive her award.

The citation given at the discretion of the awards committee only when a candidate is proposed, read: "For distinguished service in the field of horticulture, and as an outstanding gardener and expert grower and authority on iris, daffodils and peonies, for your good judgment, your ability, your energy and tenacity in starting public projects and keep them functioning, the Garden Club of America takes pleasure awarding you its Distinguished Service Medal."

Five Others Honored

Albert Burrage, awards chairman, presented medals to five other horticulturists from other parts of the country for achievements in landscaping, natural history, conservation and civic accomplishments.

Miss Halloway's lifelong interest in horticulture was developed in her "own back yard" at her old Central Ave. home. She used many of her unusual specimens there in flower arrangements and horticultural exhibits which won her blue ribbons in local and other area flower shows.

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Her desire to perpetuate the park’s beauty prompted Miss Halloway to direct the daffodil planting there in 1936 and to develop the peony garden three years later. She was also a consultant in the park’s day lily and chrysanthemum plantings.

In 1946 she was named chairman of a committee which initiated the development of a section of the dogwood planting into an arboretum which today includes nearly 50 varieties.

**British Recognition**

Her long career reached a climax in 1950 when she was elected a fellow of the Royal Horticultural Society of England, partly in recognition of her work in Cedar Brook Park’s special gardens.

Besides the Plainfield Garden Club, Miss Halloway is a member of the New York Horticultural Society, the American Horticultural Society, the American Iris and Daffodil societies and the New York Botanical Garden, and has served as a consultant for the Union County Park Commission.

She holds associate memberships in the American Horticultural Council and the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboretums.

She has also had two newly hybridized plants named for her: Chrysanthemum “H. R. H.” and Iris “Harriette Halloway,” developed by Charles H. Totty and Kenneth D. Smith, respectively.

Miss Halloway has lectured on both iris and peonies at the New York Botanical Garden and has had many articles published, including about 25 requested by the editors of Horticulture Magazine.
MEDAL AWARDS

ANNUAL DINNER, THE MARSHALL HOUSE, YORK HARBOR, MAINE
JUNE 25, 1958

MRS. ALBERT C. BURRAGE, NORTH SHORE GARDEN CLUB, PRESIDENT

Distinguished Service Medal

TO

HARRIET RICE HALLOWAY
PLAINFIELD GARDEN CLUB

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MISS HALLOWAY: Madame President, Mrs. Burrage, fellow members of the Garden Club of America, this is one of the greatest surprises of my life. A reward was something which had never occurred to me—except the reward of the success of the projects themselves. I thank you for it most sincerely and with great appreciation.
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Left to right: Mr. Griswold, Mrs. Platt, Mr. Davis, Mrs. Work, Miss Halloway, Mrs. Leffler
Japanese Flower Display Demonstrated

A Japanese flower arrangement demonstration was given to the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday by Mrs. Makoto H. Kajiwara of New York.

Mrs. Kajiwara, who studied art for many years in Japan and received a first class teacher's diploma there, lectured following the business session in the home of Mrs. George J. His of Valley Rd., Watchung.

Mrs. William G. Wigton reported on the 45th annual session of the Garden Club of America which was held this Summer in York Harbor, Maine. Mrs. Wigton and Mrs. Robert F. MacLeod, president, attended.

Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, chairman of the horticulture committee, read a letter from Harvey L. Benner, business manager of The Courier-News, thanking the club for supervising the installation of window boxes at the newspaper's building.

Members will attend the Second Landscape Design course Oct. 8 and 9 in State Garden Club Headquarters, Orange.

Mrs. Arthur D. Seybold was co-hostess.
Club Hears Chinese Taxonomist

Dr. Hui-Lin Li, taxonomist in the Morris Arboretum in Philadelphia and an associate professor of botany in the University of Pennsylvania, lectured on conifers and taxads for the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday in the home of Mrs. W. Manning Barr, Woodland Ave.

Li was educated at Soochow and Yenching Universities and received a doctorate from Harvard.

He taught botany in Soochow and the National Taiwan University, Formosa.

He demonstrated the differences in conifers, the true bearing evergreens, and the taxads, evergreens that produce berries.

It was noted that a workshop for the Dec. 9-10 open house had been set up in the home of Mrs. David S. Foster, Clarke's Lane. Next month's event will be held in the Old Martine House. Directing the preparations is Mrs. William P. Elliott, chairman. A variety of Christmas decorations are being made.

Mrs. William K. Dunbar gave the horticulture report in the absence of the chairman, Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, who was attending a Garden Club of America meeting in New York on “Garden Design.”

Miss Harriette R. Halloway, chairman of the iris garden committee, reported gifts of plants and said the iris garden in Cedar Brook Park had been cleaned, fertilized and closed for the Winter.

It was announced that Mrs. William S. Tyler and Mrs. William P. Elliott would exhibit antique American tinware in the YWCA Sunday. It was noted that several members planned to participate in the annual greens show of the Spade and Trowel Club Dec. 11-12 in the First-Park Baptist Church.

Mrs. Delano W. Ladd and Mrs. John P. Stevens Jr. poured at the tea table.
TOUCH OF BEAUTY — Trailing ivy and yews in flower boxes decorate the front of the Plainfield Trust State National office at Second St. and Park Ave. (Photo by E. T. Wiggins)

FLOWERY FACADE — Fifty-six feet of window boxes, bearing Fall plants, decorate Tepper's.

Tepper's Gets Touch of Beauty

Fifty-six feet of window boxes bearing Japanese holly, chrysanthemums and ivy were set up along the front of Tepper's last week in a program sponsored by the Plainfield Garden Club to beautify the downtown section of Plainfield.

The Tepper's boxes, made of cypress, were hung just above the awning along the Front St. facade of the building. Last Spring two boxes were set up at the Plainfield Trust Company building (now the Plainfield Trust State National Bank).

Later two boxes were set up at The Courier-News building, and two more were added to the bank building.

The original two at the bank were replaced for the Fall and Winter with yews and ivy. They originally had yews, begonias, fuschia, and vinca vine.

Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, horticulture chairman of the club, said more boxes would be set up, at least by Spring. She said she hoped the project would spread much farther than it has so far.

Eventually the boxes will be turned over to garden club members for care, she reported.
TOUCH OF BEAUTY — Trailing ivy and yews in flower boxes decorate the front of the Plainfield Trust State National Bank's main office at Second St. and Park Ave. (Trust Photo by E. T. Wiggins)
AMERICAN SPECIES IRIS IN GERMANY

Harriette R. Halloway
Plainfield Garden Club, N. J.

A few years ago the Director of the Arboretum at the University of Cologne wrote to us asking us to send to them American species iris. They were not interested in the usual bearded types but in unusual native beardless varieties and their hybrids.

We consulted Dr. Robbins, then director of the New York Botanical Garden who had just returned from horticultural conferences in Europe. His quick response was, “Do help them if you can. They are trying so hard to repair war damages, to restore their collections.”

At our request they sent to us a list of their survivals, a considerable number of varieties, to prevent duplication. We sent over fifteen varieties, about fifty plants, American and others, two growers cooperating by shipping them for us, and a delightful letter of appreciation was received.

Since then two members of our club have seen the plants in their now home, one in the summer of 1957 and one this summer. To our great pleasure one of the members of the horticultural staff at Rutgers not only saw them a year ago, reporting their good growth and correct labeling, but brought us pictures of them.

These native species iris, especially the low growing ones, are so much more graceful than the stiff tall bearded types, although the latter have spectacular landscape value, that we shall be glad to send a copy of our list to any interested fellow gardener.

Miss Halloway received the Distinguished Service Medal of the G.C.A. at the Annual Meeting last June.—Ed.
Plainfield Garden Club Plans Open House Benefit

"Christmas in the Old Martine House" will be the theme of the open house benefit that the Plainfield Garden Club will stage Dec. 9-10.

This was announced yesterday by the club in the home of Mrs. John P. Stevens Jr., Woodland Ave. The Old Martine House is the current house of Mrs. Robert F. MacLeod, club president. The building dates back to 1717.

Mrs. William F. Elliott is chairman of the open house. Assisting will be Mrs. Alden de Hart, Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost, Mrs. Webster Sandford, Mrs. Albert L. Stillman, Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr., Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood, Mrs. Sidney Trewhin, Mrs. Morris F. Benton and Mrs. David S. Foster.

In charge of tickets are Mrs. Homer P. Cochran and Mrs. Wayne J. Holman Jr.

Fall Conference

Mrs. Sandford, first vice president, reported that she and the president had attended the Fall Conference and Presidents' Days of the Garden Club of New Jersey Inc. Sept. 24-25 in Asbury Park. Mrs. Stillman was also present and as talent chairman arranged the conference entertainment program.

Mrs. James H. Whitehead won third prize at a Morristown horticulture show Sept. 23 and Mrs. Foster won honorable mention. It was announced.

It was noted that Mrs. Paul Geary had an entry in the invitation class at the Monday Afternoon Garden group Oct. 10 show.

The project is sponsored by the club and is under the direction of Mrs. Edward H. Ladd Jr.

Mrs. Thomas R. Van Beek are the recent home of Seattle, Wash., was elected an honorary member.

An all-member flower show was arranged by Mrs. Elliott.

Winners Named

Winners were: Class 1 (an arrangement for suitability to location), Mrs. Victor R. King, first; Mrs. William S. Tyler, second; Mrs. Foster and Mrs. J. Harold Loheaux, third; and Mrs. Charles H. Detwiller Jr., honorable mention.

Class 2 (a composition in a semi-circular niche), Mrs. Charles A. Eaton Jr., first; Mrs. David F. Sanders, second; Mrs. John S. Roome, third; and Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood, honorable mention.

Class 3 (a small arrangement), Mrs. Elliott, first; Mrs. Homer P. Cochran, second; and Mrs. H. Williamson Ghriskey, third.

Judges were Mrs. De Hart, Mrs. Frost, Mrs. Geary, Mrs. Ladd, Mrs. Stillman and Mrs. Stuart.

Tea was served by Mrs. Stevens and Mrs. Henry L. de Forest.
Old Garden Club

Open House Benefit

The Old Martine House will be the theme of a benefit yesterday by the club in the home of Mrs. Robert F. MacLeod, club president. The house is at 1717 Woodland Ave. The Old Martine House is the former home of Katherine de Vries. The club was founded in 1925.

Elliott is chairman, and Mrs. Alden de Vries is vice chairman. Alden de Vries, Ralph H. Frost, and Mrs. Edward H. Ladd, Mrs. Robert F. MacLeod, and Mrs. Harry Trewin were among those present.

It was reported that Tepper's had installed window boxes along the front of its building. The project is sponsored by the club and is under the direction of Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd.

Mrs. Thomas R. Van Bokker, who recently moved to Seattle, Wash., was elected an honorary member.

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Tea was served by Mrs. Stevens.
COMING EVENTS
See special notices for more details on various events

NOVEMBER  DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS IN A 1717 HOME
The Plainfield Garden Club presents Christmas in the gracious home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. MacLeod, 11 Brook Lane, a residence which is Plainfield's oldest landmark. Tuesday and Wednesday, December 9th and 10th, from 1 to 9 P.M. you will be greeted by hostesses in costumes of the period and escorted through rooms made festive in the holiday manner.

Refreshments prepared from century-old recipes will be served, and a corner cupboard will offer delicacies for sale, all made by members.

Mrs. William P. Elliot is chairman of the benefit and the proceeds will be used for civic planting.

Apply to Mrs. Homer P. Cochran, 961 Oakwood Place, PL 6-2123, for tickets at $2 each.
Plainfield Garden Club, Christmas Show at home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. MacLeod, 11 Brook Lane. Dec. 9-10, 1-9 p.m. Tickets $2.
THE PLAINFIELD GARDEN CLUB
presents
CHRISTMAS IN THE OLD MARTINE HOUSE

Home of
Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. MacLeod
11 Brook Lane, Plainfield, N. J.
Built in 1717

Tuesday and Wednesday, December 9th and 10th from 1 to 9 p.m.

Christmas Cupboard
Refreshments

Tickets $2.00 — Benefit of Community Planning

N° 1000
Tour Planned at Plainfield's Oldest Building

By JILL MAAS

If there were ghosts of the Indians and colonists who lived in this area before the Declaration of Independence they would most probably visit the home of Mrs. Robert F. MacLeod on Dec. 9 or 10.

These are the dates for the Plainfield Garden Club's presentation of "Christmas in the Old Martine House," a public tour from 1 to 9 p.m. at Plainfield's oldest building. Proceeds will be used for community planning.

Now 241 years old, the site of the house's erection is clearly marked in bold black figures just under the avenue over what is now the back entrance at 11 Brook Lane. The figures were burned into the hand-hewn timbers of the oldest section of this imposing white mansion.

Built in 24 Hours

It is on the site where Thomas Gorden, a Scotman and brother of the Laird of Straloch, built his "wigwam" within 24 hours from the time he started construction on Nov. 18, 1774. The old foundation of this cabin, near Cedar Brook, was still visible until recent years.

The Old Martine House, which is near the cabin site, was the home, for many years, of United States Senator James E. Martine. It was erected by William Webster Jr. and his son, John, who later became the owner.

During the early part of the 19th Century, David L. Dodge, philanthropist, and W. B. Kinney, minister to France under President Pierce, occupied the house.

Dodge's sister was Elizabeth Stedman, mother of the poet, Edmund Clarence Stedman and he lived in the Martine house as a boy.

Owners of the house, before the MacLeods purchased it, included Mrs. George S. Clay and Henry D. Smith.

Subject of Calendar

The Courier-News used a picture of it for the subject of the year's art calendar for 1958.

Still standing are the ivy-covered, brick gateposts of the former driveway entrance on Cedar Brook Rd.

Each of the charmingly furnished rooms on the first floor will be enhanced with filling flower arrangements prepared by members of the Plainfield Garden Club.

The garage adjacent to the house will contain the "Christmas Cupboard." It will offer for sale delicacies, Christmas ornaments, miniature Christmas trees and wreaths for the holidays. These are being made by the club members in a workshop set up at the home of Mrs. David S. Foster.

Of particular interest is the breakfast cupboard, adjacent to the fireplace, that contains many fine figurines and other pieces of china. It is in this room that the club will have a decorated Christmas tree.

A step to the right and down and we are in the dining room with a fireplace that is easily twice the size of any other two in the house. It also contains an iron cooking rod and built-in storage space.

An Annapolis points of the MacLeods, who will be kept out of sight during the tour of "Christmas in the Old Martine House." Sweetmeat is a large black cat of affectionate and friendly nature, whose favorite haunt is the dining room. Congo is a Labrador dog who can open the storm door and front door for himself, thank you.

SOCIAL NEWS

From there the visitor steps into what used to be the entrance hall and thence into the "Gold Room," used as the living room.
nished at Plainfield’s Oldest Building

In conjunction with the 150th anniversary of Plainfield, the Plainfield Garden Club will present the annual Christmas dinner and bazaar to be held on November 24th.

The dinner will be held at the home of Mrs. David S. Foster, 11 Clarke Lane.

The hostesses will wear dresses of past eras and refreshments will be served. Mrs. William P. Elliott is chairman. Tickets may be obtained from Mrs. Homer P. Cochran, ticket chairman, or The Board.

Visions of a cold Winter night and soup bubbling in a pot over the fireplace will come to mind as visitors enter what is now the entrance hall. No doubt it was at one time the kitchen, for the huge fireplace contains a heavy iron cooking rod. In keeping with the atmosphere an iron pot hangs on the rod and there are andirons of Colonial soldier figures.

Throughout the house the flooring is of wide planking, richly gleaming with age and secured with handmade nails.

To the right of the entrance hall is the drawing room. Its higher ceiling indicates it had been added to the house later. Appropriately it is known as the “Blue Room” for the walls and drapes are a soft light blue. Here too is a huge fireplace and many fine antiques such as the English coffee table.

The chill of long ago Winters was also warded off by the fireplace in the library where the walls are lined with books and many Tobi jugs. Near the window is a leather topped sled that was probably the delight of some child of yesteryear.

Figurines of Interest

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An important part of the household are Sweetmeat and Congo, pets of the MacLeods, who will be kept out of sight during the tour of “Christmas in the Old Martine House.” Sweetmeat is a huge black cat of affectionate and friendly nature, whose favorite haunt is the dining room. Congo is a Labrador dog who can open the storm door and front door for himself, thank you.
SOCIAL NEWS

TOUR HOSTESS — Mrs. Robert F. McLeod dressed as she and other hostesses of the Plainfield Garden Club will be attired for the open tour on Dec. 9-10 of “Christmas in the Old Martine House,” her home at 11 Brook Lane. (Coronet Photo by Wiggins)
State Garden Club
Delegations Expected

A state-wide attendance of garden club members and their friends is expected at the “Christmas in the Old Maritime House” in the home of Mrs. Robert F. MacLeod, 11 Brook Lane, from 1-9 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, according to Mrs. William P. Elliott, general chairman. The open house benefit is being presented by the Plainfield Garden Club.

Hostesses, headed by Mrs. C. Sidney Trewin, will be in costume. At the door will be Mrs. William K. Dunbar, Mrs. Victor R. King, Mrs. John S. Roome, Mrs. E. J. Fitzpatrick and Mrs. Albert L. Stillman.

In Blue Room
In the Blue Room will be Mrs. MacLeod, Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, Mrs. Wandell M. Mooney and Mrs. Paul Geary. Guests in the library will be greeted by Mrs. Trewin, Mrs. J. Rex Shoemaker, Mrs. Charles A. Eaton, Mrs. Noah C. Barnhart Jr., Miss Margaret Tyler and Mrs. Laurence S. Heely.

Hostesses in the Christmas tree room will be Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr., Mrs. Frederic E. Mygatt, Mrs. H. Williamson Griswold and Mrs. David F. Sanders.

Mrs. Morris F. Benson, refreshments chairman, has as her assistants, Mrs. Francis F. Day, Mrs. Leslie R. Fort, Mrs. Mygatt, Mrs. Harlan R. Pratt, Mrs. John H. Rogers, Mrs. Shoemaker, Mr. Edwin M. Trex and Mrs. Trewin.

Will Pour
Pouring at the dining table on Tuesday will be Miss Harriette R. Halley, Mrs. Ferris S. Hetherington, Mrs. King, Mrs. James H. Whitehead, Mrs. Henry L. deForest, Mrs. C. Boardman Tyler, Mrs. Robert T. Stevens, Mrs. C. Benson Wightman and Mrs. J. Harold Loiseaux.

Those who will pour on Wednesday are Mrs. Crevelle G. Waring, Mrs. William R. Tyler, Mrs. Stillman, Mrs. Blanche P. Nash, Miss Helen Harmon, Mrs. George J. Hie and Mrs. Leslie R. Fort.

Christmas decorations throughout the house have been prepared, under the direction of Mrs. F. Willsoughby Frust, Mrs. David S. Foster, Mrs. William S. Tyler, Mrs. Alden deHart, Mrs. Ladd 3rd, Mrs. William A. Norvell, Mrs. Charles Defwiter, Mrs. Stuart Jr. and Mrs. Heely.

Also by Mrs. King, Mrs. Geary, Mrs. Elliott, Miss Tyler, Mrs. Eaton, Mrs. C. Nothrup Pond, Mrs. Loiseaux, Mrs. William G. Wightman, Mrs. Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Roome, Mrs. Sanders, Mrs. Trex, Mrs. Dunbar, Mrs. Stillman, Mrs. Griswold and Mrs. Mygatt.

Direct Sales
Mrs. Webster Sanford and Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood, in charge of sales in the Christmas Cupboard in the garage, will be assisted by Mrs. Pond, Mrs. Roome, Mrs. F. Gregg Burger, Mrs. Sanders, Mrs. John Tyler, Mrs. Heely and Mrs. Philip W. Nash.

Also Mrs. Frust, Mrs. deHart, Mrs. Ladd 3rd, Mrs. Geary, Mrs. King, Mrs. Pond, Mrs. Nash. Tickets will be on sale at the door and at The Wardrobe, Mrs. Wayne J. Holman is assistant to the ticket chair-
Garden Clubbers To Hold Benefit

Turning back the pages of time will be exciting for members and friends of the Plainfield Garden Club as they stage their open house benefit, "Christmas in the Old Martine House" from 1 to 9 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday. The house, located on Brook Lane, Plainfield, is presently the residence of Mrs. Robert M. Leed, club president. The building dates back to 1717 and is the oldest structure in the vicinity.

Mrs. William P. Elliott of Plainfield is chairman of the tour project. Mrs. Homer P. Coughran and Mrs. Wayne J. Halman Jr., ticket chairman, have arranged to have tickets sold at the door and also at the Wardrobe in Plainfield.

Club members, under the direction of Mrs. F. Willoughby Friel, have decorated all the rooms to harmonize with the antique décor. A feature of the tour will be a "Christmas Cupboard" storeroom where members will sell baked delicacies, Christmas ornaments, miniature Christmas trees and wreaths of pine cones, nuts and pods.

Refreshments made from century old recipes will be served to all guests by Mrs. Morris F. Benson and her committee. Hostesses will lend extras quietly to the guests by wearing costumes of a past era.

PLAINFIELD, N. J., COURIER-NEWS, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1955

Jersey Shiver In Record Cold

The Plainfield area, like the rest of New Jersey, continues to shiver in the cold tonight and tomorrow...
ANTIQUE AMBLINGS—An eye-catching scene at the Old Martine House benefit tour will be the attractive old fireplace being shown here by Mrs. Robert McLeod, owner of the 241-year-old Plainfield home. Mrs. McLeod will be a hostess at the Plainfield Garden club open house Tuesday and Wednesday.
Jersey Shivering In Record Cold

The Plainfield area, like the rest of New Jersey, will continue to shiver in the cold tonight and tomorrow.

Mrs. Vivian Scherer, cooperative weather observer, forecast clear and continued below freezing weather.

Coldest of Year
Tonight's low will approximate this morning's 11 degrees, a record for Dec. 10 and the coldest temperature recorded so far this year.

Martine Home Fete Resumes

“Christmas in the Old Martine House,” the benefit open house being held by the Plainfield Garden Club in the home of Mrs. Robert F. MacLeod, 11 Brook Lane, continues today from 1-9 p.m.

Yesterday's attendance of about 300 included women from more distant communities such as Short Hills, Princeton, Rumson and Morristown.

Advance ticket sales for the two-day event totaled about 500 and approximately 100 were purchased at the door yesterday. An added attraction is the Christmas Cupboard, in the garage, offering holiday decorations and delicacies made by the club members. Proceeds will be used for community planting such as that at the YWCA and the Salvation Army.
Plainfield
Garden Club
Hears Talk

Mrs. Percy S. Howe, former
president of the Short Hills Gar-
den Club, lectured on dried or
preserved flowers before the
Plainfield Garden Club yesterday
in the home of Mrs. Alden de-
Hart of 817 Second Pl. Mrs. F.
Willoughby Frost was co-hostess.

Mrs. Noah C. Barnhart Jr. in-
troduced Mrs. Howe who explain-
ed the different methods of pre-
serving flowers and exhibited
many specimens. She also showed
four of her arrangements of dried
plant materials and flowers.

Mrs. Robert F. MacLeod pres-
sided.

Miss Harriette R. Halloway an-
ounced that the iris garden com-
mittee had planned the work for
the coming season at its annual
mid-Winter meeting. A report on
a horticultural center to be estab-
lished in the Duke estate in Hills-
borough was given by Mrs. Ed-
ward H. Ladd 3rd, horticultural
chairman. Mrs. Victor R. King,
chairman of conservation, report-
ed on the student program for
conservation of national park
areas.

Mrs. William K. Dunbar Jr.
spoke of a panel discussion on the
Japanese art of dwarfing trees,
that she had attended at the
Brooklyn Botanical Gardens. Mrs.
Donald C. Luce reported she had
directed 12 members in making
200 flower arrangements at Lyons
Veterans Hospital before the
Christmas season.

Mrs. William P. Elliott an-
ounced that she, Mrs. Ladd and
Mrs. Albert L. Stillman would
enter flower arrangements in the
International Flower Show on
March 7-14 in New York. Eight
members of the club will act as
hostesses during one day of the
show.

A report on the Christmas open	house held in Mrs. MacLeod's
home Dec. 9-10 was given by Mrs.
Elliott. Proceeds will be used
for civic planting.

Miss Halloway, Mrs. William S.
Tyler and Mrs. MacLeod presided
at the tea table.
Conservation Bills Backed

Pending conservation legislation should be urged and supported by all garden club members and citizens, Mrs. Victor King told the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday in the home of Mrs. Homer P. Cochran, Oakwood Pl. Mrs. Blanche Nash was co-hostess.

Mrs. King, conservation chairman, described two conservation bills to be brought up in Congress and urged members to write to their congressmen expressing their views.

The bills concern a method of preserving wildlife in federally owned or controlled areas, and a measure to protect animals from toxic materials used in insecticides.

Mrs. Robert MacLeod, president, announced landscape and garden courses, sponsored by the Garden Club of New Jersey, would be held March 3-5 at Rutgers University.

Other reports were given by Mrs. William Dunbar Jr., and Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, horticulture chairman.

Mrs. Francis Schietz of the Wissahickon Garden Club in Philadelphia gave an illustrated lecture on "The Migration of Birds."
Club Advocates Restricting Billboard Advertising

The Plainfield Garden Club, meeting yesterday in the home of Mrs. Waudell M. Mooney, Cedar Brook Rd., endorsed an Assembly bill that would restrict billboard advertising along New Jersey highways.

Another resolution opposed a bill that would provide for appointment of park commissioners by Board of Freeholders in four counties, including Union. The commissioners are appointed now by the assignment judge of Superior Court in this district.

Chairmen Named

Mrs. Robert F. MacLeod, president, appointed Mrs. Francis P. Day as project finding chairman for the civic planting program and Mrs. Paul Geary as ways and means chairman.

Miss Harriette R. Halloway, chairman for the Cedar Brook Park iris garden, told of plans to rebuild the beds that were washed away by a storm several years ago.

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Mrs. Laurence S. Heely, was co-hostess for the meeting and members were entertained at tea with Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr. and Mrs. William G. Wigton pouring.
Beautification Program Told

Mrs. Robert F. MacLeod was elected president of the Plainfield Garden Club in the home of Mrs. Charles Detwiller, Clarke's Lane, yesterday.

Others elected were first vice president, Mrs. Webster Sandford; second vice president, Mrs. Paul Geary; treasurer, Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr.; recording secretary, Mrs. David F. Sanders, and corresponding secretary, Mrs. Philip W. Nash.

Mrs. E. H. Ladd 3rd, horticultural chairman, reported that efforts of the club to place window boxes in strategic locations of the business district have met with renewed interest.

During the last year, flower boxes have been blooming at The Courier-News, Tepper's and at the main office of the Plainfield Trust State National Bank.

Additional locations planned include the Suburban Trust Company, Interstate Printing, Public Service, and the State Trust branch of the Plainfield Trust State National Bank. Mrs. Ladd also announced that Mrs. Harry Brokaw Smith is general chairman of redesigning and replanting of the herb garden at New York Botanical Gardens.

Mrs. William P. Elliott showed colored slides of the club's recent open house and Christmas sale. Mrs. C. Benson Wigton and Mrs.
Garden Club Told Care of Seedlings

The correct way to raise and transplant seedlings was demonstrated to the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday by Mrs. Henry L. deForest, a member, assisted by Miss Anet Wessell, a guest. The meeting was in the home of Mrs. Webster Sandford, 1275 Denmark Rd. Mrs. John S. Roome was co-hostess.

Mrs. William K. Dunbar Jr. reported on a recent horticultural meeting she and Mrs. John R. Wells Jr. had attended in the New York Botanical Garden. Mrs. Wells also attended a meeting and tour of Ambler (Pa.) Junior College of Horticulture with Miss Harriette R. Halloway.

Mrs. Victor R. King announced there would be a tour of the Pennsylvania State Forest, Pine Barrens of this state and the Batsto Area of the Wharton Tract in this state on June 3 for members of the Garden Club of New Jersey.

Winners Cited

Mrs. William P. Elliott, exhibitions chairman, announced that Mrs. David F. Sanders had won a blue ribbon for her flower arrangement at the flower show of the Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield. Mrs. Roome won a second prize at the flower show of Cherry Dell Garden Club in South Plainfield.

Miss Halloway reported on the progress of the restoration of the species bed in Cedar Brook Park. She said that the next two weeks would show mass bloom in the park's Iris Garden.

Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd reported that her committee had replanted the window boxes at the Plainfield Trust State National Bank, The Plainfield Courier-News and Tepper's and that new window boxes had been placed at the Public Service Electric and Gas Company and the Interstate Printing Corporation.

Reports on Meeting

Mrs. Robert F. MacLeod, president, and Mrs. Paul Geary, vice president, reported on the recent 46th annual meeting of the Garden Club of America in Richmond, Va. It was voted at the annual meeting to give the Founders Fund award to the Lake Minnetonka Garden Club to establish a Minnesota Arboretum in Zone 1. It will contain 2,000 specimens of plant material that will be used for horticultural research for other cold regions of the world.

Mrs. MacLeod and Mrs. Geary also visited Williamsburg, Va.

The flower arrangements in the Sandford home were done by Mrs. Sanders and Mrs. Charles H. Detwiller Jr. Mrs. Albert L. Stillman and Mrs. William P. Elliott presided at the tea table.
Cedar Brook Park
A Report was filed to the Shaker Board by Vernonino, the landowner. The report stated that the park will be closed on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Garden Club
The Garden Club of Plainfield will meet on Monday, September 10th, at 7:30 PM at the Plainfield Library. The meeting will feature a presentation by Mr. Edward Wilson on the history of the Garden Club and its accomplishments.

City Planner
The City Planner, Peter Johnson, will present the proposed improvements for the downtown area at a meeting on October 1st at 7:00 PM at the Plainfield Library. The meeting will be open to the public.

Evergreen Club
The Evergreen Club will hold its annual picnic on July 4th at the picnic grounds in Plainfield. The picnic will feature games, food, and entertainment.

Addresses
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Club to Plant Evergreens

Evergreens will be planted in the downtown window boxes by the Plainfield Garden Club, according to Mrs. Edward H. Ladd. Other club plans include flower arrangements in the Plainfield Public Library at Easter time. Mrs. William Elliott is chairman of this project.

The Pine Barrens cover one-fourth of New Jersey, Mrs. James Woodford of that area, told the club Wednesday in the home of Mrs. Wayne J. Holman, 1039 Rahway Rd.

As she lectured on flowers, plants and wild life there, Mrs. Woodford made arrangements from native material.

A memorial was read for Mrs. Ferris Hetherington. It was reported that Mrs. Robert F. MacLeod had attended a recent horticultural meeting of the Garden Club of America in New York; the club's opening of its new offices and commemorative rooms there; and the recent Strawberry Mansion Festival in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Webster Sandford reported on the Eastern zone meeting of the Garden Club of America held in Englewood earlier this month. Mrs. Albert L. Stillman announced that Mrs. Samuel Carter Jr. had given two thornless rose bushes to the Shakespeare Garden in Cedar Brook Park.

A report was given and pictures shown of the new herb garden in the New York Botanical Garden. Mrs. Harry Brokaw Smith is vice chairman of the committee that planned it.

Miss Harriette R. Halloway reported on the Summer's work in the Iris Garden of Cedar Brook Park.

Flower arrangements in the hostess' home were done by Mrs. Stillman, Mrs. Elliott and Mrs. Victor King. Mrs. Stillman and Mrs. Harris F. Benton presided at the tea table.
Hears Expert On Landscape

Frederick W. G. Peck, landscape architect of Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, presented an illustrated lecture before the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday at its meeting in the Monday Afternoon Club.

Introduced by Mrs. Robert F. MacLeod, president, Peck suggested that foundation planting should be used with restraint and should be suitable to the architecture. He said terraces, the hub of outdoor living today, should be readily accessible for complete enjoyment.

A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and a former professor, Peck emphasized that design is the most important part of a garden and that a garden should look attractive throughout the entire year.

Mrs. Victor R. King, Mrs. Gregg Burger, Mrs. Hugh M. Gaston, Mrs. Frederic E. Mygatt Jr., Mrs. John A. Tyler and Miss Elizabeth B. Browne were hostesses at the guest meeting. Refreshments were served with Mrs. C. Boardman Tyler and Miss Harriette R. Halloway pouring.

Following the lecture, there was a sale of gifts and decorations made at the Christmas Workshop held at the home of Mrs. John P. Stevens Jr. under the chairmanship of Mrs. William P. Elliott and Mrs. Paul Geary.
Locust Tree Planting Completed

A step toward beautifying the business section of Plainfield was completed today with the final planting of Maine locust trees on Park Ave., between Front and Second Sts.

The trees were planted by the Shade Tree Commission of Plainfield and were donated by the Plainfield Garden Club which believes that trees can be grown in city streets.

Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost and Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr., club chairman of the project, presented it for approval to Mayor Richard P. Dyckman, Sidney Durrant, Superintendent of the Plainfield Shade Tree Commission, and Councilman John P. Romer, president of the commission. It was approved by the commission and council and endorsed by the Retail Trades Division of the Plainfields.

Maine locust trees were chosen since they are fast growers and able to withstand city conditions. They are a clean tree with a delicate foliage that allows shade and filtered sunshine. The same kind of trees have been successfully planted in Westfield and New York.

The Plainfield Garden Club’s tradition of promoting civic planting in the city has been previously acted upon with the establishment of the Shakespeare and Iris Gardens and Dogwood Arboretum in Cedar Brook Park and plantings at the YWCA and Salvation Army Building. The Union County Park Commission is joint promoter of the park projects and has maintained them for more than 25 years.

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**Beauty Experiment**

Something new has been added to Plainfield’s business district. Both sides of Park Ave., between Front and Second Sts., have been planted with shade trees which should bloom next Spring.

This beautification has been made
Plainfield Garden Club Has Social

Mrs. C. Benson Wigton and Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr. were co-hostesses yesterday in Mrs. Stuart’s home, 900 Hillside Ave., for the Christmas party of the Plainfield Garden Club.

Gifts donated and wrapped by members for the veterans at Lyons Hospital were judged for their beauty and ingenuity of packaging.

Mrs. C. Benson Wigton, Jr. was welcomed as a new member by Mrs. Noah C. Barnhart Jr.

Largest Collection

Miss Harriette Halloway reported that Roy Nordine, national authority on woody plants, had inspected the Cornus Arboretum in Cedar Brook Park which is jointly maintained by the club and the Union County Park Commission.

He stated, she said, that this dogwood plantation represents the largest collection of healthy dogwood trees in the country.

Mrs. Victor King, conservation chairman, announced that the club would give a scholarship to the Student Conservation Program of the National Parks Association. The program is designed to educate high school, college and graduate students in conservation by field work and other methods.

More Than $30,000

The association, she said, has estimated that the work done by students in the national parks during the past two years represents a contribution of more than $30,000.

Mrs. William P. Elliott announced that the club would enter in competition in the Garden Club of America section of the International Flower Show in March in New York.

Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost reported on the trees that had been planted in Plainfield’s business section by the club and the Shade Tree Commission.

Wassail was served by Mrs. Sidney Trewin and Mrs. James Whitehead presided over the
Botanical Gardens' Scope Told

Thomas H. Everett, assistant director of horticulture at the New York Botanical Gardens, and Mrs. Lillian Weber, instructor in charge of the Children's Garden there, spoke yesterday before the Plainfield Garden Club. Mrs. Orville G. Waring, 1339 Highland Ave., was hostess and Mrs. C. Benson Wigton, co-hostess.

Everett said that the gardens have an active department of research and an educational program which trains young professional gardeners. Until recently the educational program was for adults only. Now there is a workshop for 600-700 children from the city.

Taught Plant Care

The children have their own gardens and are taught the proper care of soil and plants. The program is similar to those of the Brooklyn and Montreal botanical gardens, he said.

Mrs. Weber showed slides of children working in their gardens and said there were classes also for teenagers.

Mrs. Webster Sandford reported on the recent zone meeting of the Garden Club of America at the Monday Afternoon Club and spoke of the big success the club had in its drive.
Course at YWCA

Mrs. Charles H. Detwiler Jr., landscape design chairman, reported that a 10-week course on "Design Your Own Property" begins next week at the YWCA. Miss Jean Eastman, Bennett graduate of the Virginia School of Horticulture for Women, will lecture on the state's garden clubs as the instructor.

Mrs. Robert MacLeod, president, announced the election of Mrs. William K. Dunbar Jr. as nominating chairman.

At the tea table, Mrs. C. Burnett Tyler poured tea for the guests, including Miss Helen B. Tyler and Mr. E. W. Tyler.

Mr. Weber said that the gardens have a special department on research work with young professionals. He informed that the program will be held for another 100 children working in the garden.

Mr. Weber, speaking of their own gardens, said that they are not different from the city's parks. The program is for children, with school hours from 9 to 5 daily.

At the end of the meeting, Mr. Weber invited all to the gardens to see the flowers and plants. The meeting was also held in the New York Flower Show, on the third day.

Mrs. John R. Wells held a demonstration on the Garden Club of America at the Garden Club of America headquarters in New York.
Local Gardeners Hear State President

Mrs. Austin B. Sayre of Essex Fells, president of the Garden Club of New Jersey, spoke on "World Friendship Through Gardening" before the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday in the home of Mrs. H. Williamson Ghriskey, Inman Ave.

She said the National Council of State Gardens had sent 5,000 letters, with a packet of seed in each from the Burpee Seed Company, to gardeners all over the world to exchange information.

This brought in 700 answers from 83 countries including seven from behind the Iron Curtain. The Garden Club of New Jersey answered all the letters and exchanged technical and scientific information.

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At the request of the Horticultural Society in Alexandria, Egypt, the state's garden club sent 200 books. The club also sent horticultural slides to Ethiopia, 50 dogwood trees to Tokyo, and at the request of the embassy in Seoul, Korea, sent rosebushes. The roses were planted at the city hall, soldiers' cemetery and the president's house. Mrs. Sayre played a recording of the dedication ceremony in Seoul.

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Mrs. John R. Wells, horticulture chairman, will attend an open meeting of the conservation and horticultural committees of the Garden Club of America on March 9 in New York. The subject will be "Organic Gardening." She attended a recent meeting of the Garden Club of America where Dr. P. P. Perone of the New York Botanical Gardens spoke on "Chemical Aids to Gardening."

Jetport Discussed

Mrs. Victor R. King attended a luncheon of the conservation zone chairmen Tuesday in Far Hills. The discussion was about preserving the land and water table "which would be destroyed by the proposed jet airport."

Mrs. William P. Elliott announced that plans are progressing for the club's exhibit in the New York Flower Show March 5-12. Club members will enter the competitive class of pool planting. Mrs. Elliott is chairman. Assisting are Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost, Mrs. Victor R. King, Mrs. Charles H. Detwiler Jr., Mrs. Alden deHart and Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr.

Mrs. William K. Dunbar Jr. and Mrs. Francis P. Day poured.
Plainfield Club Wins 2nd Prize

The Plainfield Garden Club won a second prize for one of four pool-side plantings in mosaic design at the 43rd International Flower Show which opened Saturday at the New York Coliseum.

Mrs. William Elliott was chairman of the exhibit which displayed an old Spanish type planting of red and yellow kalanchoe with bronze begonia.

Mrs. Elliott was assisted by Mrs. Linden Stuart, Mrs. Willoughby Frost, Mrs. Victor King, Mrs. Alden De Hart, Mrs. Charles Detwiller and Mrs. Larry Brokaw Smith.

Snyder Brothers Orchids of Plainfield won a first for three cymbidium plants.

Mrs. Donald F. Hyde of Somerville received seven awards. They were: First, iris, any color; first, foliage plant, single; second, vase cut flowers; second and third, antirrhinum, white; second and third, primula obconica.

The National Gardeners Association, New Jersey Branch, won a first prize for a woodland rock garden, planted with narcissus and other flowering shrubs by George Knapp of Somerville.
PRIZE GARDEN—Winner of second prize in the gardens class of the International Flower Show this week in the New York Coliseum was this mosaic garden created by the Plainfield Garden Club. The show continues through Saturday.

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The second prize awarded to the Plainfield Garden Club this week for the mosaic garden it staged at the International Flower Show in the New York Coliseum was not easily won. Our entry was the product of three months of concentrated effort.

Those who see our exhibit at the show, which opened Saturday and will remain open through Saturday, often ask: “How does one go about such a project.”

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The requirements were: “Four competitive pool plantings, mosaic in design. Flowers and ground cover be used. Flowers to be predominant. Color combinations, wild, yellow, apricot, brown and green. Space approximately 10 feet by five feet. Free form in shape. Plant material not to exceed two feet in height from the floor.”

Committee Begins Work

As soon as our application was accepted, the committee I head-ed set to work. Our dedicated members were Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost, Mrs. Linden Stuart, Mrs. Aileen de Hart, Mrs. Victor King, Mrs. Charles Del- willer and Mrs. Harry Brokaw Smith.

We conducted research in museums and libraries to find out everything possible about mosaiques (both ancient and modern), their designs and techniques.

Trips to greenhouses followed. Our investigation of plant materials available caused us to travel many miles in New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania. Incidentally, there are no finer people to deal with than the nurserymen we met.

The next step involved our spending many hours with pencil and paper. Finally, we decided to use a design created by Mrs. Frost. Her inspiration was a picture of a mosaic walk in Alicante, Spain, which had been brought back by one of our members, Mrs. David Farto, who recently traveled there.

Mechanical Problems

We then put our theories into practice by working with sample plant materials on patterns cut to scale in order to determine the amount of plant materials required and the amount of real moss necessary to fill the given space. We also faced the mechanical problems of “putting it together.”

Then, followed the problem of transporting all our precious materials to the Coliseum on March 1. Fortunately, we were able to find a wholesale florist in Scotch Plains who could provide a heated truck and driver.

The morning of March 8 finally arrived, and with it the snow. What a blizzard that was! In spite of it, however, our conservatory driver collected and loaded the plants and other materials into the truck and set forth to battle the elements on route to the city. We are grateful to him for their safe arrival.

Meanwhile, our president, Mrs. Robert F. MacLeod, had bravely driven the storm to drive to New York to receive our precious cargo upon its arrival at the Coliseum. After her job was done, storm and traffic conditions made it impossible for her to return to Plainfield, and she had to spend the night with friends in the city.

Five of us left Plainfield at 7 a.m. the next day and, after a slow but safe drive, reached the Coliseum in time to take the final steps in our project. By 8 p.m. we were finished in more ways than one.
Bard's Use of Flowers
Topic of Garden Club

Mrs. Marguerite Phillips of Germantown, Philadelphia, spoke on "Flowers in Shakespeare" before the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday at the home of Mrs. Horlan R. Pratt, Valley Rd., Watchung.

Mrs. Phillips, a graduate of Vassar and a professional artist, illustrated her talk with slides. She told of Shakespeare's poetic use, in his plays, of the horticultural names of flowers and plants.

Often, she said, were attractive in his day, although they were shunned by the women. The actors in his plays held bouquets in their handkerchiefs to create tears. She also read a verse she had written about various Shakespearean herbs, their uses and curios.

Gift Proposals Read

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Mrs. Alden DeHart will do an arrangement for the Spade and Trowel Club Open House Show on May 5. Mrs. Donald C. Love and Mrs. Webster Sandford will leave Apr. 3 for the annual Garden Club of America convention in Palm Beach, Fla. Mrs. C. Beeson Wighton Jr. and Mrs. Charles H. Detwiller Jr. will make flower arrangements for the Plainfield Public Library at Eastertime.

Mrs. Harry Brokow Smith will stage a display of herbs and their culinary uses Apr. 12-34 in the Chamber of Commerce window.

Mrs. Detwiller Jr., landscape chairman, announced there would be a flower show school Apr. 12-34 given by the Garden Club of America at 369 Park Ave., Orange. Mrs. C. Northrup Pond reported for Miss Harriette Holloway that the title of the exhibit will be in bloom in the Iris Garden of Cedar Brook Park early in April and that the June Iris may be seen there by the middle of April. Mrs. Albert Stillman said repair work is being done in the Shakespeare Garden.

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The flower arrangements in...
Club Exhibit Recreates Flavor of Herb Culture

By JILL KOEHLER

Herbs, used by Egyptians three thousand years before Christ, are still a mystery—an unknown quantity—to many people.

A Plainfield Garden Club educational exhibit of culinary herbs, in the window of the Plainfield Chamber of Commerce at 243 W. Front St., has shed some light on the mystery.

The exhibit, on view today through the end of next week, will show the use of herbs not only for cooking but as designs in fabrics, wallpaper and other items.

It has been planned and prepared by Mrs. Harry Brokah Smith, who planned a herb garden at Morven in Princeton, the governor's mansion. She has been assisted by Mrs. William P. Elliott and Mrs. C. Northrup Pond.

Safe Green Scenery

In the background hang vases of dried herbs on top of louvered shutters. Such herbs as garlic may be viewed through the French press used to crush it. The center shutters have been decorated with herb-patterned wallpaper in a soft green and white.

To the right is a large vinegar jug resting on an antique stand. On the floor are antique bottles, some of the shape of Moses, George Washington and Lincoln. These contain various vinegars such as tarragon, basil and shallot. Draped on the leg and garter (the frame that supports the leg) are a panel and a dish towel in herb prints by Tommy Koon.

To the left is a shutter from the Drake House holds a papa listing many herbs and their suitable uses to achieve that taste-pleasing filip in food, that gourmet touch. On a bench nearby is an old Dacord's apothecary jar used for storing dry herbs; a large mortar and pestle for grinding dried herbs; a smaller one set to grind the seeds, and a bowl glass to time herbal preparations.

A for oven,orange honey. Another holds wine made from wild掀agger (sweet woodruff); the herb that smells like new mown hay when dry. A little holds some saffron which adds a delicious touch to apple pie.

Grandmother Uses It

Just in front of the background shutters is a cluster of living herbs. Among those is the rose geranium, the herb that many a grandmother used—just a small piece—in her pie pan with mouth-watering results.

Another is the nasturtium seeds and leaves of which are used in salads.

The center of the exhibit contains a rose exhibit. There are the living roses, dried roses, rose petals, candied roses, rose vinegar, rose water, rose cordial and rosehip jam.

Arrangements in vases are done by and Mrs. Stillbeth Brown.

Framing the exhibit at each side are two window boxes of living herbs. These include nasturtium, a substitute for sumac; Bible, which is the old days people chewed in church during the long sermons; lemon verbena, good in lemon tarts; and pineapple sage, excellent for adding special flavor to iced drinks.

Mrs. Smith, first vice president of the Herb Society of America and former chairman of the society's New York unit, has her own herb garden behind her house at 876 W. Eighth St.

104 Kinds

It contains more than 100 kinds of herbs and is a formal knot-style garden. Herbs are interfaced in a threadlike knot design. The knot is a motif of the French "garde robe" because it is a moth deterrent.

There's lady's mantle with a leaf design which looks like a clover. It is a strewing herb used in Elizabethan times on the floors for sanitation and its fragrance.

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Safe Green Sensory

In the background hang rolled-up “stands” of staring, dry herbs, and plant pots in the foreground hold a range of greenery. A small book on the table is filled with Mrs. Stillman’s notes and pictures of herbs. A guidebook is available to help visitors identify the herbs and their uses.

A sign over the display reads: “Herbs are versatile and can be used in cooking, medicine, and decoration. Learn about their properties and uses.”

The exhibit is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. until April 30.

The Plainfield Garden Club will hold its annual meeting on May 3 at the home of Mrs. Donald C. Long.
THE PLAINFIELD GARDEN CLUB PRESENTS THE FOLLOWING GARDEN PLANTED IN A MOASIC PATTERN IN FREE FORM DESIGN WITH SUCCULENT PLANTS IN A BLENDING OF COLORS.

KALANCHOE BLOSSFELDIANA - VARIETIES -
  DARLING - PALE YELLOW
  TOM THUMB - SCARLET - RED-EDGED LEAF
  VULCAN - VIVID - GREEN LEAF

BEGONIA HYBRID - INDIAN MAID

THE SEEDUM ACRE IS USED AS A GROUND COVER.
THE DESIGN WAS INSPIRED BY THE PASEO DE LA ESPANA AT ALICANTE, SPAIN.
Second Prize

International Flower Show
NEW YORK
MARCH, 1960

Class POOL PLANTING

Exhibited by
Club PLAINFIELD
Garden Club Gives Library Easter Touch

Floral arrangements appropriate to the Easter season are on display in the Plainfield Public Library through the courtesy of the Plainfield Garden Club, L. A. Moore, library director, announced.

Included are a specially constructed tile window box of hyacinths and ivy, an urn of geraniums and ivy, and an arrangement of Easter lilies and greens.

Mrs. W. P. Elliott, exhibition chairman of the club, arranged for the displays where were executed by Mrs. C. Benson Wigtan Jr. and Mrs. Charles H. Dewiller Jr.

The display is the fourth arranged by local garden clubs. Previous exhibits were prepared by the Monday Afternoon Garden Club, the Spade and Trowel Club, and the Junior League Garden Club.

An exhibit next month will be sponsored by the Junior Women's Section of the Monday Afternoon Garden Club.
Garden Club Elects Staff; Gets Reports

Mrs. J. Webster Sandford was elected president of the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday at the home of Mrs. Donald C. Luce, 1061 Rahway Rd. Mrs. J. Rex Shoemaker was co-hostess.

Others elected were: First vice president, Mrs. Edwin J. Fitzpatrick; second vice president, Mrs. Noah C. Barnhart; recording secretary, Mrs. David Sanders; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Phillip W. Nash; and treasurer, Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr.

Mrs. Nash reported that more than 1,200 people had visited the Iris Garden in Cedarbrook Park last year. Mrs. Albert Stillman reported that Mrs. Samuel Carter had given two thornless rose bushes to the Shakespeare Garden there.

Cornus Aboretum

Mrs. John Wells said the Cornus Aboretum in Cedar Brook Park has the largest collection of plants in the country. She announced that the horticultural committee of the Garden Club of America would have a guided tour of the Cloisters in New York on May 10.

Mrs. Harry Brokaw Smith has an exhibit of herbs in the Chamber of Commerce window. Mrs. William P. Elliott announced that Mrs. Alden delHart would make a flower arrangement for the Spade and Trowel Garden Club's May 5 open house and garden tour.

Mrs. Paul Geary announced that the New York Botanical Garden would hold a Spring garden tour in Princeton May 12.

Mrs. Sanford and Mrs. Luce reported on the annual convention of the Garden Club of America they had attended in Palm Beach, Fla.

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Talk on “Choosing Daffodils” by Harriette R. Holloway, there are three important things: choose daffodils that have them like the low soil, not too wet and shade, and plant them they will look well. In planting in rows you mix the yellow and green.

Holloway said large daffodils should not be too high to not blow in the

Garden Club

Hears of Art of Training Shrubs

Espalier, the art of training trees or shrubs to grow in formal design against a wall, fence, or a house, was explained to members of the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday by Mrs. Beaumont Whitney of Chestnut Hills, Pa. The club met at the home of Mrs. Paul Geary in Highland Ave.

Using a simulated brick wall and a firethorn plant, Mrs. Whitney demonstrated the art, which was originated in Switzerland and Italy, and noted that design, scale and suitability of material were important elements in the achievement of good results. She said plants which could be used for espalier, besides firethorn, included ilex, yew, ivy, climbing hydrangea, euonymus and sasanqua camellia.

Mrs. John Welles, horticulture chairman, offered small ivy, firethorn and holly plants to club members for espalier projects during the Summer.

Mrs. Webster Sandford, club president, announced that Mrs. David Sanders had won a third prize at the Westfield Garden Club open house tour for a formal French arrangement.

Mrs. E. H. Ladd 3rd said window boxes at The Courier-News, Interstate Printing, Public Service and the Plainfield Trust State National Bank had been replanted this week.

Mrs. William K. Dunbar Jr., conservation chairman, urged members to continue to oppose development of a jetport in the Morris County Great Swamp.
New Quarters Needed

The retirement of Mr. Sidney Durrant, superintendent of the Shade Tree Commission, is a real loss to the city, and as such, it is felt by all who have any interest in the beautification of the city. The Shade Tree Commission has done much to improve the appearance and value of the city, and it is hoped that the new superintendent will continue in the same spirit of service.

The city, for its part, has, in concert with the Shade Tree Commission, taken steps to improve the city's appearance, and it is hoped that the new superintendent will continue these efforts.

The city of Plainfield has been modernized and has a large number of shopping centers, which has made the city a popular place to live. However, the city is now faced with the problem of finding new quarters for the Shade Tree Commission.

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Plainfield Garden Club
Given Report on Activities

Mrs. William P. Elliott, a member of the Plainfield Garden Club, spoke on "The British Isles in May" before the club yesterday at the home of Mrs. David S. Foster of Clarks Lane. She also showed colored slides taken on her trip.

A memorial was read for Mrs. William Wallace Coriell.

Mrs. Donald C. Luce reported that more than 1,000 people had visited the Iris Garden in Cedar Brook Park over Decoration Day. She said that 2,000 iris plants had been sent to nurseries for planting in other Union County parks.

Mrs. Webster Sandford, president, announced that Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost would attend the zone meeting of the Garden Club of New Jersey on Oct. 6-7 in Haddonfield. Mrs. Sandford and Mrs. David Sanders will attend the Garden Club of America's zone meeting in Philadelphia on the same dates.

Mrs. Elliott, exhibitions chairman, announced that Mrs. Paul Geary had won first prize at a flower show at Lyons Veterans Hospital on Sept. 13 and that Mrs. Edward Clendenin had won honorable mention at a show at Trailside Museum, Watchung, on Sept. 18.

Mrs. Charles H. Detwiller Jr. reported that the club had given more ivy and peat moss to the YWCA. Mrs. Robert T. Stevens announced that more varieties had been ordered for the cornus aboretum in Cedar Brook Park.

The club will provide flower arrangements for the Plainfield Public Library in March.

The flower arrangements in Mrs. Foster's home were done by Mrs. Geary, Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux and Mrs. Foster.

PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY

Drake House Wide Lane

Plans for landscaping the gardens presented to the Drake House. Mrs. Alden De Hart, who represents the Plainfield Garden Club, announced Wednesday the club would supervise the landscaping and also solicit funds to carry out the proposed plan. The plans, which were designed by Ronald Heth, were donated by the club.

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25 Years Ago, 1936

Drake House Plans
Wide Landscaping

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The current plans for the landscaping include large formal and informal gardens and an herb garden all to be connected by brick pathways. In addition, more adequate parking facilities will be installed. The Garden Club of the Junior League has made arrangements for the painting of the Drake House sign. A donation of a red maple tree, to be planted on Arbor Day, Apr. 28th, has been made by the Student Council of the Plainfield High School.

Those members of the Drake House council who attended were: Herbert Taylor, Charles Detwiller of the Historical Society, Mrs. Alfred W. Green, Mrs. Bruce A. Reid, and Mrs. Charles Krause of the Junior League, Mrs. Arthur Smith, Mrs. J. Ross Hall of the DAR. Others who attended the meeting were, Mrs. Parker W. Silzer, Mrs. Gardner R. Cunningham, Mrs. John Enders, Mrs. Frank G. Hewitt, Mrs. Jan D. Robinson of Westfield and Mrs. Paul J. Loizeaux of Plainfield, all from the Junior League.

The council’s annual meeting will be held May 3rd, at which time a sub-committee composed of Herbert Taylor, Mrs. Alfred W. Green, and Mrs. Arthur Smith will present a plan to enlarge the Drake House council to better facilitate the development of Drake House.
THE COURIER-NEWS
Plainfield, N. J., Tuesday, April 25, 1944

Mrs. Webster Sandford of 1275 Denmark Rd., president of the Plainfield Garden Club, and Mrs. Frederick Lockwood of 969 Oakland Ave., program chairman, will attend the annual meeting of the Garden Club of America to be held in Honolulu.

Mrs. Sandford will leave Plainfield tomorrow to visit her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Carvell of Rialto, Calif., before joining Mrs. Lockwood in Los Angeles Monday.

From Los Angeles they will fly to Hawaii, where they will be entertained by the Garden Club of Honolulu. They also will take a plane trip to the outer islands of Hawaii and Maui, and on May 11 will fly to Tokyo.

Highlights of their two-week stay in Japan will be a trip to the Imperial Palace as guests of the Crown Prince and Princess, a three-day visit to Kyoto, and a reception to be given by the Prime Minister for members of the Garden Club of America.

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**COURIER-NEWS**
Tuesday, April 18, 1961

Mrs. Webster Sandford of 275 Denmark Rd., entertained the board of the Plainfield Garden Club at a luncheon yesterday.

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**10 Years Ago, 1951**

Mrs. Edward H. Ladd was elected president of the Plainfield Garden Club in the home of Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux of Cooper Rd.

*Apr 20, 1961.*
City Garden Club
Planning Tour

The Plainfield Garden Club is holding a tour of members' gardens, for members only, from 2 to 5 p.m. Tuesday with Wednesday the rain date. Mrs. Noah C. Barnart is general chairman of the tour and Mrs. Edwin J. Fitzpatrick is vice chairman.

Hostesses who will open their gardens for the tour are: Mrs. Richard M. Lawton, 1215 Prospect Ave.; Mrs. Harry Brokaw Smith, 676 W. Eighth St.; Mrs. William P. Elliot, 822 Arlington Ave.; Mrs. Victor R. King, 826 Arlington Ave.; Miss Elsie Harmon, 437 Randolph Rd.; and Mrs. James H. Whitehead, 1340 Watchung Ave.
Herb Garden

Planted in the protection of the house is the herb garden which includes sweet woodruff, the herb used by the Germans to make May wine.

Green plantings for shade, enhanced by the use of brick and ironwork, are the features of the Elliott garden.

A lead figure of a young girl called “Growing Things” stands near a pink wall of brick and stucco. The wall is a backdrop for the Fashion roses whose blooms will soon blend with the pink.

Once a glaring white, a mauve colored garage wall now sets a peaceful tone as it catches the shadows of fluttering leaves and is reflected in the pool in front of it.

Ironwork grilles on the pink wall were once horse stall dividers. A grille over the garage window was once a gate and ironwork snow eagles on the edge of the garage roof are from an old Pennsylvania house.

Additions this year include a brick walk to the gate-enclosed compost heap; and steel curbing in the driveway where new plantings have replaced three overgrown cedar trees.

Other Plantings

Among the many plantings are Delaware Valley azaleas, magnolia and flowering cherry trees, skimmia, cotoneaster, jasmine and clematis.

Visitors to Miss Harman’s garden first viewed it as they stepped from living room to terrace. To the right of the terrace is the cryptomeria tree, a native of Japan, that could well be an inspiration to an artist. The texture of its bark is of great beauty and the essence which the garden of the home, a place of rest, comfort, the beauty of flowers, the fragrance of blossoms.
Spring's Beauty Displayed
On Tour of 6 Gardens

By JILL KOEHLER

Small gardens are oases from heat-reflecting streets and traffic's din. They're welcome retreats from today's harsh realities. They're as individual as the people who plan and lovingly nurture them.

That was evident yesterday in the Plainfield Garden Club's tour, for members and their guests, of six members' gardens.

Hostesses in their gardens were: Mrs. Harry Brokaw Smith, 676 W. Eighth St.; Mrs. Victor R. King, 826 Arlington Ave.; Mrs. William P. Elliot, 822 Arlington Ave.; Miss Elsie Harman, 437 Randolph Rd.; Mrs. Richard M. Lawton, 1215 Prospect Ave.; and Mrs. James H. Whitehead, 1340 Watchung Ave.

Mrs. Noah C. Barnhart Jr. was general chairman and Mrs. Edwin J. Fitzpatrick, vice chairman. Mrs. F. Gregg Burger was in charge of publicity.

Covers ¾ of Acre

The Smith property, which includes the horticultural interests of both Mr. and Mrs. Smith, is a series of gardens covering three-quarters of an acre. These contain plantings of ornamental trees, flowering shrubs, bulbs, perennials and a few annuals.

Winding through a small woodland of wild flowers and shrubs is an Enoch's walk, named from the verse about the patriarch in Genesis.

Standing watch over a patterned medieval herb garden is a statue of Fiacre, after whom the first cabs in Paris were the many trees is an unusual

and the branching of its arms is unusual.

The large expanse of lawn is gracefully framed by a border of ten varieties of shrubs. Another tree of note is the pine oak, while dogwoods gently branch out over pink and violet tulips.

The path follows a series of "rounds" from an old millstone at the foot of the terrace steps; to a sundial, more than 100 years old, from an English estate; to the Moon Gate with spider web at the end of the garden.

Sandstone Birdbath

Near the terrace is the figure of "Dancing Girl" and an old Jersey sandstone birdbath, probably originally used as a horse trough.

The Lawton garden 60 by 178 feet, contains 48 trees, 94 shrubs, 10 climbing and 23 shrub roses and 102 kinds of herbaceous perennials, not including those in the rock garden.

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Fitting in decorously among the many trees is an unusual and Slimly Tall Japanese cherry tree. A silver bell tree over the pool still drinks in refreshing rain for its promised future bloom. While nearby the wild crocus blossomed and sang farewell in March.

Many of the late arriving jonquils still spread their petals wide and the dainty blue flowers of the anchusa dot the ground here and there.

A lush growth of myrtle, grown from a few shoots from the garden of Mrs. Lawton's great-grandmother, covers the driveway bank.

Formal Garden

The Whitehead garden of 75 by 200 feet gives one a vista of the more formal English type garden. Designed and maintained by her, until recently, it opens to box hedged rose beds flanking the garden walk.

It is a garden of serenity, a Spring garden with bulbs, anchusa and bleeding hearts followed by white azaleas, lilacs, peonies and pink and white hawthorne trees.

In June the roses will give delightful contrast to the verdant rich carpet of grass and in the Summer it will become a cool and shady spot.

To the visitor there is the pleasant surprise of a garden within a garden on a right angle at the rear. Focal point of this banked garden, framed with shrubs and flowers, is its pool with a fountain statue...
Outstanding Good Deed 10/18/61 Window Boxes
TOUR—Viewing the garden of Mrs. W. Elliott of 822 Arlington Ave., were members of the Plainfield Garden Club tour committee, left to right, Mrs. Gardner Smith Jr., Mrs. Victor R. King, Mrs. W. Robert Burger and Mrs. Elliott. (Photo by Kenneth Keesing)

THE COURIER-NEWS
Plainfield, N.J.
Friday, May 26, 1961

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Mrs. Frederick Lockwood of 969 Oakland Ave. and Mrs. Webster Sandford of 1275 Denmark Rd. have returned to Plainfield from a trip to Honolulu and Japan, where they represented the Plainfield Garden Club at the annual meeting of the Garden Club of America.
Japan Visit Is Described

Mrs. Robert T. Stevens of Woodland Ave. was hostess to the Plainfield Garden Club for a picnic yesterday.

Mrs. Webster Sandford, president, and Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood, program chairman, reported on the annual meeting of the Garden Club of America they had attended recently in Honolulu, Hawaii. They showed slides of the Islands of Maui and Hawaii.

They also told of their visit to Japan where they and other members of the Garden Club of America were guests of the America-Japan Society.

When they visited the Akasaka Detached Palace in Tokyo, the group was received by the Crown Prince and Princess. Receptions were held by Foreign Minister and Mrs. Zentatsu Kosaka at the official residence of the prime minister and at the American Embassy by Ambassador and Mrs. Edwin O. Reischauer.

A formal dinner was given in the Imperial Hotel in Tokyo by the America-Japan Society, Society for International Cultural Relations and the Japan Tourist Association. Another dinner in Osaka was given by the governor of Osaka Prefecture, mayor of Osaka, the president of the Osaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry and the president of the America-Japan Society.

Mrs. Sandford and Mrs. Lockwood showed pictures of a garden party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shojiro Ishibashi, Mr. Ishibashi is president of the Japan Landscape Architects.

Other pictures shown were of the Nomura Gardens in Kyoto and of the garden in Oiso of Shigeru Yoshida, former prime minister and now chairman of the Welcome Committee of Japan, who received them in the garden with a message of welcome.

Special performances in their honor were given at the Imperial Palace Music Hall, including a performance of Gagaku (ancient imperial court music). In Kyoto, as guests of the mayor, they saw Geisha girls dance the famous Cherry Dance in the Kaburenjo Theater and at Senke Kaikan Hall they took part in the traditional Tea Ceremony.

Gifts and invitations from all these people and places were displayed on a bright red Japanese banner.
The Fanwood Garden Club had the distinction of having a life membership awarded a member, Mrs. Hunter, for her outstanding service to the state board.

It also received a certificate of merit with the gold seal of the Garden Club of New Jersey for its standard and judged flower show and Christmas Flower Show, for its show "This Is Christmas".

It received a similar award for its garden work therapy in Lyons Hospital for the past 10 years and honorable mention for its 1960-61 yearbook.

A certificate of merit with the Garden Club of New Jersey gold seal was awarded the Garden Club of Westfield for their show, "And Lovely is the Rose."

Certificates Presented

Certificates of merit were presented to the Garden Circle of Westfield for its home and garden tour, "Serendipity"; the Trailside Garden Club of Union County for its show, "Nature's Wonderland", and to the Ber...

NEW OFFICERS—Plainfield and area Garden Club members elected to state office at the annual conference of the State Garden Club held in Orange, yesterday, are: From left to right, Mrs. Maurice B. Cooke of the Spade and Trowel Garden Club, who was elected director; Mrs. Douglas Valentine of Martinsville, a member of the Washington Valley Garden Club there, first vice president; Mrs. Albert L. Stillman of the Plainfield Garden Club, state president; and Mrs. John Moment of the Monday Afternoon Club Garden Department, corresponding secretary.

(Photoby Fred Keesing)
Club Board Feted

Mrs. J. Webster Sandford, 1275 Denmark Rd., president of the Plainfield Garden Club, entertained board members at a luncheon yesterday in the Stage House Inn, Scotch Plains.
Roles in Greens Show

will be done by Mrs. Fred H. Laible of the Water- 
chung Garden Club, Mrs. C. E. 
Ward of the Monday 
son Club, Mrs. D. A. Childs Jr. of the Junior 
n of the Plainfield League of Plainfield, Mrs. 
Women’s Club, Mrs. Percy Cooke of the Cherry 
ington Jr. of the Plain- 
Dell Garden Club and Mrs. 
Garden Club, Mrs. William F. Lehr of the Green 
F. Peters of the North Brook Garden Club.

Two tables for children’s demonstration table for the 
spades will be done by the making of Christmas decorations and gifts, a sales table of holiday items and Audubon Stationery, an exhibit of dried flowers and an educational display.

Trumpet carrying cherubs and bells will accent the theme of “Joy to the World.” Features will include a demonstration by Spade and Trowel members. Spade and Trowel Garden Club started the custom of Christmas greens shows in the area in 1936. Each year presents a trophy to be given by the Garden Club of New Jersey for the best greens show in the state. In 1937 Spade and Trowel received national award for its Christmas greens show.
Drake House has been closed for the last month while finishing touches on the hall and four front rooms, the original area of the house, were made.

Beginning today, the museum again will be open Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays from 2 to 5 p.m.

Heads Project

Mrs. Bruce A. Reid of Clark Lane, the former Miss Beverly Paulson, has been project chairman for the Junior League, in charge of renovating the four oldest rooms—the kitchen, dining room, living room and downstairs bedroom.

She has been assisted in the work by C. Allan Hudson Jr. of Red Bank, a trustee of the Historical Society of Monmouth County and a recognized expert in colonial antiques.

One of the most interesting rooms in Drake House is the colonial kitchen, believed to be the oldest part of the house. An outstanding display is the herb cabinet arranged by Mrs. Harry Brokaw Smith of W. Eighth St. It contains dried specimens of herbs used by housewives of about 1730 for cooking and medicinal uses. Alfred Rappe has contributed to the display a still which was used to prepare tinctures from the medicinal herbs.

The colonial bedroom is dominated by a Tree of Life quilted bedspread made by the daughter of John Hart, signer of the Declaration of Independence. It also contains a framed sampler of 1730, which was found in the house, blanket chest donated by the Junior League and a cabinet on which are displayed examples of colonial toilet articles.

In the parlor, which was added in Empire days, perhaps around 1830, Mrs. William P. Elliott has executed a border stencilled on the repainted floor. She also has stencilled an early colonial design on the bedroom walls.

To enhance the colonial atmosphere, Junior League members and members of the Plainfield Garden Club, which also is assisting in the Drake House project, have made flower arrangements of dried material typical of the period.

Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux's arrangement is displayed in the dining room, and Mrs. Alexander Kroll's in the bedroom. An arrangement reflecting Empire styles has been done for the parlor by Mrs. Alden deHart.

Charles H. Detwiller Jr. is president of the board of trustees, which includes Junior League, DAR and Historical Society members, as well as leading citizens who represent the community.
NEW PLANTINGS — Inspecting the new plantings around the foundation of the Drake House are, left to right, Mrs. Hayward F. Day, vice president of the Spade and Trowel Club; Charles Detwiller, executive vice president of the Historical Society; Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, president of the Plainfield Garden Club, and Paul Westergard, chairman of the museum committee. The Garden Club donated the foundation plantings. (Tony Dell Photo)
Garden Club anniversary

By KATHERINE DUNLAP
Society Editor

Continued from First Page

America project. The tour also will include points of historic interest in center city and the colonial mansion and gardens in Fairmount Park.

SERVES AS ADVISER

Mrs. Albert F. A. King is serving as adviser for the tour. Others working out the problems of transportation are Mrs. Richard K. Page, Mrs. Hubert Earle, Mrs. H. Dickson S. Boenning, Mrs. Alfred Steele, Mrs. William P. Davis, Mrs. Robert E. L. Taylor, Mrs. H. Cameron Morris and Mrs. Charles L. Ritchie.

May 8 is Wilmington Day on the schedule. Buses will leave the Sheraton at 8:45 A. M. and will not return until the evening. In between time the men will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Francis du Pont during a tour of the Winterthur Museum with its rare treasures and gardens. They will have cocktails and lunch at Winterthur and then move on to visit members' gardens in the Wilmington area. They are expected at Longwood Gardens at 5 o'clock where they will tour the gardens and greenhouses. Dinner will follow and there will be a display of the famous Longwood fountains as a glamorous evening finale.

Mrs. Nicholas R. du Pont and Mrs. Donald P. Ross are co-chairman of arrangements for Wilmington, Mrs. W. Glasgow Reynolds is vice chairman, Mrs. Henry Canby, secretary, and Mrs. George Edmunds, treasurer.

DINNER AT MUSEUM

Delegates have an early-to-late day again on May 9. Dr. Richard A. Howard, director of the Arnold Arboretum in Boston, will address a session at 8:45 A. M. The afternoon will be given over to a series of luncheons and tours of members' gardens in this area. In the evening there will be a dinner at the Philadelphia Museum of Art where there will be a special exhibit of flower paintings and prints. Medals and other awards will be presented at this time.

A farewell luncheon at the Sheraton will follow an annual business session and directors' meeting on May 9.

FUND FOR PROJECTS

Among the points of business to be taken up will be the allocation of income from the Founders' Fund. The money goes to worthwhile projects in the fields of horticulture and conservation. These are suggested in addition the clubs are active in behalf of conservation projects throughout the country. Among the notable achievements has been the promotion of Jackson's Hole in Wyoming as a national preserve by Mr. Robert C. Wright, of Haverford, was among the leaders in this movement.

OTHERS ASSISTING

The Garden Club of America was founded by Mrs. J. Willis Martin. Among the Philadelphians assisting at that time were Mrs. Charles Ludington, and Miss Elizabeth Williams, who were members of the Gardeners, and Mrs. C. Stuart Patterson, Mrs. Franklin Pepper, Miss Charles Biddle, Mrs. Henry Middleton Fisher, Miss Ernestine A. Goodman and Mrs. Bayard Henry, all members of the Garden Club of Philadelphia.

Mrs. J. Ebert Butterworth and Mrs. J. Sewell Botte are in charge of registration for the 50th anniversary meeting. The hospitality committee includes Mrs. Van Horn Ely, Mrs. Edward L. Elliot, Mrs. H. Martyn Kneeler, Mrs. John S. Newbold, 2d, Mrs. Townsend Munson, Mrs. Henry M. Watts, Mrs. William P. Wood, Mrs. Philip A. Bregy and Mrs. Brooke Roberts.

The handbook and printing will be the responsibility of Mrs. Howard W. Taylor, Miss Gainor Roberts and Mrs. Alfred Putnam. Mrs. Wyllie Terry and Mrs. Henry Cadwalader are chairman of publicity.

Mrs. Samuel E. Slaymaker, Mrs. Richard Barringer, Mrs. Donald B. Barows and Mrs. Harry C. Groom are chairmen of the decorating committee. Others assisting are Mrs. Stuart S. Taylor, Mrs. Barton H. Lippincott, Mrs. James C. H. Lippincott, Mrs. Eugene G. Grace, Mrs. Bayard H. Roberts, Mrs. Robert C. Lea, Mrs. Wi
Mrs. C. Wilgus, Retired Teacher

Ocean Grove — Mrs. Helen Lissner Wilgus of 137 Mount Herman Way died yesterday (Dec. 16, 1964) at Ocean Grove Nursing Home after a long illness. She was the widow of Charles B. Wilgus.

She had lived in Ocean Grove 65 years. She was born in Germany.

Mrs. Wilgus was a retired school teacher. She had taught in Warren, Pa., Neptune and Ocean Grove.

She was a past matron of Twin City Chapter 67 of the Eastern Star, Asbury Park; member and past high priestess of Mizpah White Shrine of Jerusalem, Belmar, and a member of St. Paul's Methodist Church, Ocean Grove, and Willard WCTU.

She was an amateur painter. One of her paintings is in the White House.

She is survived by two sons, Charles M. of 1160 In...
Garden Club Entertained
At Historic Lee House

By VICTORIA FURMAN
(Club Member)

The Plainfield Garden Club was entertained yesterday by Mr. and Mrs. William P. Elliott in the historic Lee House, located at 11 Black Birch Rd., Scotch Plains.

The ghosts of the historic homestead must be rattling their skeletons with joy that the Christmas season because, at last, through the efforts of the owners, the house has achieved the charm and beauty it deserves.

The guests stepped over the threshold to a scene of great charm. In the center hall stood a Christmas tree on which members hung gifts of candy, wrapped as ornaments. Later the gifts were taken to Lyons Veterans Hospital where for many years the club has contributed greens and gifts at Christmas.

The president, Mrs. Wayne J. Holman, conducted the meeting and welcomed two new members. The hostess, a member of the club, was assisted by Mrs. Victor King and Mrs. James H. Bird.

Stormy History

A varied and sometimes stormy history has characterized Lee House since 1725, when the original small structure was built at the corner of Cooper and Terrill Rds., by the Lee family. During the Revolutionary War, the house was on the line of march of both the British and Colonial armies, and many a tired soldier warmed his feet at its open fires.

The little house was moved to Hackett Rd. in 1828, to be joined to another farmhouse built in 1790 by Moses Frazier. One hundred thirty-five years later, Mr. and Mrs. Elliott had the house moved to its present location. Barns and other small buildings were moved also, and now are grouped around Lee House in companionable symmetry.

The Elliots have added a wing to the house and restored the main parts, utilizing the old brick and stone, the ceiling beams and original floor boards to keep it an authentic early American home.

The program was announced by Mrs. Bird. Readings on "The Symbols and Legends of Christmas" were given by Mrs. A. D. Seybold and Mrs. King, with incidental music played on the harp by 32-year-old Joyce Heiman. As the symbols were described, they were displayed by Mrs. Benson Wighton Jr.

The first of the symbols, an "Advent Wreath," was made of evergreens with four white candles, which are traditionally lighted one at a time on each of the four Sundays during the Advent Season.

Gold Angel

A gold angel brought from Oberammergau, Germany by Mrs. Seybold, was displayed as the second symbol. The reading explained that angels are used throughout the world in forms varying from rough clay figures to the finest of wood carvings and porcelains.

Among symbolic Christmas greens are holly, ivy and mistletoe. Long ago it was thought that holly was the man's plant, ivy the woman's and the one brought into the house first indicated which sex would rule the house that year.

Bells, used to proclaim the joyful tidings, were shown and that beloved yuletide symbol, the Christmas Tree. According to one story, Martin Luther in 1528 cut down a small evergreen tree and carried it into his house, where he fastened candles to the branches and lighted them to share with his family the wondrous of the Christmas sky.

A beautiful creche was shown as the most holy and revered symbol. The program ended with the angelic tones of the harp and the beloved Christmas blessing, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

Afterwards guests adjourned to the dining room to exchange greetings before the centuries old fireplace. The table was decorated with brilliant red poinsettia massed in an old brass milk pan, brass candlesticks and an antique samovar, from which coffee was served, completed the picture of early American hospitality.

Presiding at the tea table were Mrs. Wayne J. Holman, Mrs. William S. Tyler, Mrs. Webster Sandford, Mrs. Noah C. Barnhart, Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux and Mrs. Charles H. Detwiller Jr.
THE GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA

Schedule of Classes
at
INTERNATIONAL FLOWER SHOW
THE COLISEUM
Columbus Circle—Broadway and 8th Avenue at 58th Street
New York City
MARCH 5 through MARCH 13, 1966
Show opens to the public SATURDAY, March 5, at 1 p.m.

GARDENS IN COMPETITION
(To be staged by 10 o'clock on Saturday, March 5th, and removed on Sunday, March 13th, after 7 p.m.)

FOUR BACK DOOR PLANTINGS
A colorful planting to enhance a "Back" or "Kitchen" door. One or more of the following household necessities must be included in the exhibit: garbage pail, milk bottles, dog door, mail box, children's call bell or laundry yard. Any style doorway may be constructed or suggested with or without steps, but the planting should predominate. Season optional. Approximate size 7' wide x 9' deep. All gardens will have a back wall approximately 10' high and will be about 2' apart. Choice of location will be by order of entry. Questions in regard to gardens should be addressed to Mrs. Dorrance Sexton, 16 Sutton Place, New York, N. Y. -
Report from Runnells

When very ill, I was admitted to John E. Runnells Hospital and placed in Mary Connolly Hall, its latest addition. I greatly appreciate what I know is first-class medical and nursing care that prolongs my life. Professional physical and occupational therapy directors have greatly helped me and others in the institution.

As an alert and very observing patient, I honestly believe that our county and hospital officials are doing the best they can, but I know many citizens are losing confidence because of what some regret as “bad publicity.” Not a few are questioning motives and doubt the good judgment of some officials.

Our superintendent and medical director have medical and executive experience said to be equalled by few. Our nursing staff belongs to the noblest profession on earth. I have seen them attend patients faithfully day and night, even when they, themselves, are almost exhausted. Obviously, it hurts morale anywhere to read destructive criticism that could make no one proud of being employed here.

Special diets are prepared for some patients. All patients receive excellent food, well-prepared and pleasantly served in the large dining room. Groups from surrounding communities frequently provide entertainment and social functions. Some garden clubs furnish flowers and plants weekly. Volunteers come regularly to read to patients and assist the staff. Life here reveals interesting people.

Since George Washington’s is still a model for similar institutions.

Services for our county family have kept expanding. Our citizens have believed in the good intentions of the hospital Board of Managers and in our elected Board of Freeholders. Their decisions mean life or death to patients.

Officials and any other citizens may be stricken at any moment and need the best possible up-to-date medical care, physical and occupational therapy, and recreation that subtly relaxes and improves mental outlook. In any business, industry, or institution like this mistakes have been, and always will be made, but can be quietly ironed out without being publicized.

Isn’t it better to be respected as a quiet builder than to be a person suspected of selfish motives? The general public is rather quick to see the difference. It certainly isn’t right to create the wrong impression about this truly wonderful institution that continues to do so much for so many.

I feel sure that more of our county family should visit this institution and see for themselves the wonderful care and improvement of patients. No one today can be sure that he himself or members of his own family will not need the care of J. E. Runnells Hospital. What I have experienced and what I have observed here that promotes recovery is almost beyond belief.

To me this seems a well-managed and progressive hospital. I believe that it deserves more appreciation and confidence, along with generous financial support.
GARDENS TO SEE

Shakespeare Memorials Are Located
In Urban Areas From Coast to Coast

By RUTH ALDA ROSS

GILLYVORS, lark’s heels, cuckoo buds and long purples—these are a few of the sixty plants Shakespeare mentioned in his plays and sonnets. Although their names have changed to carnations, nasturtiums, ranunculus and lythrum, they still are grown in gardens today. These plants can be found in Shakespeare memorial gardens across the country from Connecticut to California.

Most of the gardens are formal in style and are enclosed by hedges or walls to duplicate the intimate Tudor garden. The newest memorial to the Bard was begun this summer at Stratford-on-Housatonic, Conn., where the American Shakespeare Festival is held. The Fairfield County Garden Club, a group of thirty-one local clubs, raised enough money to start the project.

Nine in All

When completed, the garden will be a series of nine gardens, stretching from the entrance gate to the costume museum and exhibit hall. They will include Ariel’s Garden, Titania’s Bower, Perdita’s Garden, Caliban’s Rock, Caesar’s Court, Ophelia’s Herbary, Portia’s Bel-mont, Puck’s Grotto and Juliet’s Courtyard.

The first to be planted this summer was Perdita’s Garden, it contains boxwood from Anne
Thomas Van Boskerck. The second part, covering the years from 1940-1965, was written by Mrs. Gerald Furman, and highlights the accomplishments of all the departments of the club.

Special emphasis is given to the three continuing projects: the Shakespeare Garden, started in 1927; the Dogwood Collection, sponsored since 1946; and the Iris Garden begun in 1932; all in Cedar Brook Park. These three gardens have received national recognition and many awards for excellence.

The Union County Park Commission has just named the dogwood planting, “The Harriette R. Halloway Cornus Collection,” in appreciation of the club’s many years of service to park activities. Miss Halloway, 90, is the Garden Club’s oldest living member and an authority on cornus and iris.

Mrs. Edwin J. Fitzpatrick, nominating chairman, presented the slate of officers which was elected as follows: President, Mrs. Wayne J. Holman Jr.; first vice president, Mrs. David Sanders; second vice president, Mrs. F. Gregg Burger; treasurer, Mrs. William K. Dunbar Jr.; recording secretary, Mrs. C. Northrup Pond; and corresponding secretary, Mrs. C. Benson Wigton Jr.
Backyard Gardens Stressed

Plainfield Club Takes a First at Flower Show

by ALICE DENNIS
special correspondent.

NEW YORK—The 4th International Flower Show opened on Monday afternoon at the Coliseum, in its usual large attendance, despite the weather is more national than international this year. The theme, "Planta America Beautiful," has inspired a number of exhibits on cacti and native planting and small backyard gardens which demonstrate the Natural Beauty program of the Garden Club of America. One of the main awards presented yesterday was the Lambert C. Bobbink Memorial Trophy, presented by his family in memory of the late horticulturist of Rutherford, for outstanding horticulture, in the 1,000 square foot Primrose garden of Mrs. Pendleton. Roger Mount, Mink Moke of Rye, N.Y. This garden also won first William Robertson Cope trophy for the best private estate exhibit, the Arthur Rappinti home of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, gold medal for cultural excellence of plants.

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Waterfront

The above plant, an 84,000-foot improvement, was completed in 1966 at a cost of $275,000 in taxes, and was during peak periods of production, amounted to 5,000 people. Engaged would suffer severe consequences from a continued amateur depression. Industry, which is in the old days, has been sold for $100,000 prime waterfront, pays in $75 to $100 per month of the borough's taxes.

In one way or another, the story of determining how much water has been allocated to New York City, where the water is deep enough for ocean-going vessels, the land which might be used for cargo handling and storage of support for major

Bamberger's
 Winners of the miniature flower show of the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday in the home of Mrs. C. Benson Wighton Jr., 980 Woodland Ave. Mrs. C. Sidney Trewin was the co-hostess.

The judges were Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr. and Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost Jr. The two classes of miniature arrangements and one class of special arrangements were placed in designated spots in Mrs. Wighton's home.

Mrs. F. Edgar Davis, exhibitions chairman, announced that seven members had been hostesses at the International Flower Show in New York last week. Mrs. William P. Elliott had an entry of dried flowers, to simulate crewel work, in the show.

Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, president, announced that the Plainfield Trust State National Bank is sponsoring a trip to Longwood Gardens, Wilmington, Del., Saturday, and the club members had been invited.

Three competitive proposed projects, for the Garden Club of America's Founders Fund Award, were presented by Mrs. Charles A. Eaton Jr., Mrs. Gerald S. Furman and Mrs. Noah C. Barnhart Jr. They were: Landscaping for the Senate House, oldest public building in New York state; gardens proposed for Children's Hospital, Birmingham, Ala; and landscaping of Rock Run House in the 11,000-acre park in Harford, Md.

The reports will be voted on at the Garden Club of America's annual meeting on May 12 in Portland, Oregon.

Mrs. Edward H. Clendenin and Mrs. Bruce A. Reid presided at the tea table.
GETS FIRST PRIZE — This backyard garden display designed by Mrs. William Elliott won first prize for the Garden Club of Plainfield at the 49th International Flower Show currently being exhibited at New York's Coliseum. Planted with apple blossom geraniums, English ivy and French strawberries, the garden features an espaliered apple tree and a low sundial concealing a garbage pail. The backyard garden competition was sponsored by the Garden Club of America.
The Cedar Brook Park Iris Gardens is one of two large successful public iris gardens in the United States. They contain collections of all divisions or types of iris. There is a succession of bloom from late March until July and a Chinese species in August. Because of the late season, the bloom was not at its usual height at this time of May.

Delegates who came from all parts of the country wandered over the park enjoying the other special paintings, including the Shakespeare Garden, the Daffodil Plantation, Peony Garden and Day Lily collection.

Of special interest was the dogwood collection, one of the largest collections of varieties in the United States.

Members of the Iris Garden committee of the Plainfield Garden Club are Mrs. Morris K. Benton, Mrs. F. Gregg Burger, Mrs. Edward H. Clendenin, Mrs. William K. Dunbar Jr., Mrs. Charles A. Easton Jr., Mrs. Wayne J. Holman Jr., Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood and Mrs. Donald C. Luce.

Also, Mrs. Edwin J. Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Phillip W. Nash, Mrs. C. Northrup Pond, Mrs. John S. Roome, Mrs. David F. Sanders, Mrs. John Tyler, Mrs. J. Webster Sandforf, Mrs. Harry Brokaw Smith, Mrs. John R. Wells, Mrs. William G. Wigtom, Mrs. C. Benson Wigtom Jr.

Aides Named

Special aides were Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, Mrs. Arthur D. Seybold and Mrs. Albert B. Diss.

The delegates also planned to visit the public gardens at Rutgers University. Officers from the police department provided a motorcycle escort for the five buses in and out of the city.

Refreshments were offered to the delegates at two points, at the Park clubhouse and on the lawn. Hostesses were: Chairmen, Mrs. Morris K. Benton and Mrs. Victor R. King, assisted by Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux, Mrs. Robert T. Stevens, Mrs. Delano W. Ladd, Mrs. F. Edgar Davis, Mrs. Francis P. Day, Mrs. Alexander Kroll and Mrs. J. Rex Shoemaker.
New Jersey Garden Club Tour
Draped in Pastoral Splendor

By JILL KOEHLER

Mist laced the hills and vales as hundreds of women braved the chill and intermittent rain yesterday to cover the "Tally Ho" home and garden tour of the Garden Club of New Jersey in Somerset Hills and environs.

First stop of the tour was the 16-acre estate of Mr. and Mrs. David Ives Mackle in Spook Hollow, Fars Hills, a showcase of trees and shrubs planted in islands and groups for color and interest. Here were the coral dogwood bush, dwarf red firethorn, spreading yew, hydrangea, cotoneaster, pink lilac, salmon flowering quince, and dwarf peach, just to mention a few.

A wee brook in one of the islands and numerous bird feeders enhanced this lovely example of landscaping.

As guests wound their way up the drive to "Clearfields," the estate of Mr. and Mrs. Russel J. Fosbinder in Spook Hollow, they were appropriately reminded "Caution, Horses, 15 m.p.h."

Clear Vistas of Fields

Here there are clear vistas of the fields where thoroughbred race horses graze. The light and spacious dining room with its indirect lighting boasts an exquisite mural by Margareta Dornbusch, a scenic of blossoming trees, birds and animals in soft shades of pinks, yellows and gray. In the sunny salmon and shell pink living room is an impressive coffee table created from a half piece of an English Oak. Outside, the house is beautifully framed in wisteria, yews, pyracantha and ilex crenata.

Next is the Essex Fox Hounds Club in Holland Rd., along the center of sporting activity where many a famous hunt has been initiated. Being a dog lover, I particularly enjoyed talking to and petting several of the hounds.

After that came the U. S. Equestrian Team offices and stables housed in the fabulous Hamilton Farms Stables. Some of the stalls housed wealth of flower arrangements. Others contained champion horses of Olympic Games and other international competition, some of whom I became acquainted with.

A series of small gardens on various levels are featured at "Bittersweet Hill," the estate of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Gaerste in Gladstone. Mrs. Gaerste's specialties, lilies, delphiniums and chrysanthemums, have as their background boxwood, yew and hemlock hedges.

Artful Merger

By the kitchen door there is an interesting herb garden. The merging of antique and modern in an artful manner is shown by the house and grounds.

Winding roads leading into the Mortimer J. Schiff Reservation in Mendham and its huge lake call for the brush of the painter.
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The garden and arbor are included.

To the south of the arbor lies Titania's bank of wild thyme, which is overhung with the fragrant eglantine rose.

A special attraction is a planting of old-fashioned roses in one of the formal beds. These include Rosa damascena, the original rose of Damascus, and the York and Lancaster, a semi-double fragrant rose. Also noteworthy are two opposite beds at the south end of the garden which contain English yew (Taxus baccata) underplanted with T. canadensis.

Informal Design

Another Shakespeare garden is located on the campus of Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill. Members of the Garden Club of Evanston maintain the eight formal flower beds and authentic knot garden of herbs and perennials. A committee of sixteen contribute.

IN THE PARK—The Cedar Rapids, Iowa, memorial to the Bard is a typically Elizabethan garden containing graveled walks, clipped hedges, old-time herbs and a shelter of trees.
NEW PLANTINGS — Inspecting the new plantings around the foundation of the Drake House are, left to right, Mrs. Hayward F. Day, vice president of the Spade and Trowel Club; Charles Detwiler, executive vice president of the Historical Society.

Drake House Plants Donated

The Plainfield Garden Club has donated foundation plantings for the Drake House to the Historical Society with funds raised at a plant sale and open house.

The Spade and Trowel Club of Plainfield also has completed the planting of three dogwood trees with a ground covering of myrtle.

A master plan drawn by landscape architect Ronald Hebblewaite was donated last year to the Drake House Council by the Plainfield Garden Club, and further planting will be done by the Drake House landscape committee when funds are available.

Contributions are being accepted by Mrs. Alden de Hart of 817 Second Pl., who is serving as chairman of the landscape committee.
HOSPITAL LANDSCAPING PLANNED—
Plans to landscape the proposed Edison Community Hospital were discussed last night at a joint meeting of four area garden clubs in the Community Presbyterian Church in Edison. Roger Wells, seated left, a Rutgers senior majoring in landscaping, and Mrs. Albert Stillman of Plainfield, state Garden Club president, center, spoke on project. Mrs. John Regan, right, president of the Nixon Park Garden Club, was chairman of the joint meeting. (Photo by Ted Fogel)

Garden Clubs Join In Hospital Project

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GARDEN CLUB MEETS — Mrs. Ernest U. Peirson, president of the host Fanwood Garden Club, (seated) offers refreshments to (from the left) Mrs. Harry B. Coxhead of Plainfield, Zone 7 chairman; Mrs. Douglas Valentine of Martinsville, first vice president and state zone chairman; and Mrs. Albert Leeds Stillman of Plainfield, president of the Garden Club of New Jersey, at an all-day Garden Club session yesterday in the Southside Firehouse, Scotch Plains. (Photo by Fred Keesing)

State Leaders Review
Garden Club Activities

Scotch Plains—Officials of the Garden Club of New Jersey and representatives of member clubs in the Seventh Zone which embraces the Plainfield area, reviewed activities at an all-day district meeting yesterday in the Southside Firehouse.
Plainfield Garden Club Meets In Lee House, Scotch Plains

The Plainfield Garden Club was entertained yesterday in historic Lee House, home of Mr. and Mrs. William P. Elliott at 11 Black Birch Rd., Scotch Plains.

Two new members were welcomed by Mrs. Wayne J. Holman, president. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Victor King and Mrs. James R. Bird.

Mrs. Bird introduced the program of readings on “The Symbols and Legends of Christmas” given by Mrs. A. D. Seybold and Mrs. King. As the symbols were described, they were displayed by Mrs. Benson Wigton Jr.

A letter of congratulation from Mayor Robert C. Maddox to club member Mrs. Alden deHart was read. Mrs. DeHart has received a state award in the “Green Thumb Competition” of the New Jersey Tercentenary Commission for her work as chairman of the grounds committee of Drake House.

A member of the Plainfield Historical Society, she supervised outdoor planting at the museum with funds for the planting donated by the Plainfield Garden Club. She also was awarded a special rose bush which will be planted at Drake House in her name in the spring.

Presiding at the tea table were Mrs. Holman, Mrs. William S. Tyler, Mrs. Webster Sandford, Mrs. Hoah C. Barnhart, Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux and Mrs. Charles H. Detwiller.
Plainfield Woman Heads
Garden Club of New Jersey

Mrs. Albert L. Stillman of 73 Leland Ave. was elected president of the Garden Club of New Jersey at the annual conference yesterday in headquarters, 969 Park Ave., Orange.

She is a member of the Plainfield Garden Club.

Other women elected to executive office were: First vice president, Mrs. Douglas Valentine, Mount Hope Rd., Martinsville; treasurer, Mrs. Douglas Valentine, Mount Hope Rd., Martinsville; secretary, Mrs. John J. Howard, 1226 Martine Ave., of the Monday Afternoon Garden Club; and assistant treasurer, Mrs. Herbert C. Hunter, 153 Hunter Ave., Fanwood, of the Fanwood Garden Club.

The club had the distinction of having a life membership awarded to a member, Mrs. Hunter, for her outstanding service to the state board.

Richard Mikulas of Scotch Plains, president elect, cited the club for its outstanding educational, conservation and wild flower exhibits.

The Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield received the blue ribbon for achievement in home and garden show. "There Was Everything and More" was the theme of its show held last December. Mrs. Charles L. Warcheke of Westfield accepted the award on behalf of the club.

The Scotch Plains Garden Club also received the state award, "The Mrs. David L. George Silver Cup," a perpetual trophy, for its show.

State Awards

State awards were presented as follows:

Leonard J. Buck of Far Hills received a bronze medal for creating Allwood Gardens and sharing their unique beauty with others.

The Fanwood Garden Club had the distinction of having a life membership awarded a member, Mrs. Hunter, for her outstanding service to the state board.

It also received a certificate of merit with the gold seal of the Garden Club of New Jersey for a standard flower show and Christmas Flower Show, for its show "This IS Christmas."

It received a similar award for its garden work therapy in Lyons Hospital for the past 18 years and honorable mention for its 1960-61 yearbook.

A certificate of merit with the Garden Club of New Jersey gold seal was awarded the Garden Club of Westfield for their show, "And Lovely is the Rose."

Certificates Presented

Certificates of merit were presented to the Garden Circle of Westfield for its home and garden tour, "Serendipity"; the Trailside Garden Club of Union Country for its show, "Nature's Wonderland," and to the Ber-
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HORTICULTURE HOUSE

Roll of Honor
East Orange Garden Club
East Brunswick Garden Club
Grow & Show Garden Club of Allenhurst
Spade & Trowel Garden Club
Plainfield Garden Club
Garden Club of New Shrewsbury
Beechcrest Garden Club
Hopewell Valley Garden Club
Floraphile Garden Club of Cranford
Bernardsville Garden Club
Garden Club of the Caldwells
Garden Dept. Tenafly Woman’s Club
Hunterdon Hills Garden Club

Special Gifts
Mrs. Herman J. Cook (Past President)
Mrs. Walter S. Slocum
(former Vice President)
Afton Gardeners—Florham Park

Book of Remembrance
Laura vomLehn (Mrs. R. E.)
Mrs. Ernest A. Holthausen
Mr. Norton L. Smith
Area Garden Clubs Get Awards from State Unit

JUNIOR GARDEN CLUB CERTIFICATES OF MERIT went to Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield, Mahahoe Garden Club of Cranford, and Belleman Garden Club of Metuchen. Junior Garden Club Certificates of Merit went to Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield; and to the Garden Club of Fanwood for its printed yearbook. The Garden Club of Watchung received a Certificate of Merit with Gold Seal for its 1963 program.

National Council awards for the highest-rated flower shows in the state were presented to Mrs. T. J. S. Freudenstein, president of the Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield and to Mrs. E. Morton Fenno, chairman of the Garden Department of the Monday Afternoon Club.

Recipients of other awards were: Garden Club of Watchung, Certificate of Merit with Gold Seal for a standard show; Community Garden Club of Hunterdon County, Trailside Garden Club of Union County, Roycefield Valley Garden Club of Somerville and Washington Valley Garden Club of Somerset County, Certificate of Merit for a standard show.

Also: Certificate of Merit to a senior garden club for exceptional work with juniors, Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield; and Certificate of Merit to an individual for exceptional work with juniors, William Lawrence and Guy Miller for leadership of the Green Brook Boys Science Club.

The Certificate of Merit for hospital service and garden therapy went to Mrs. K. Allan Taylor of Westfield and the Terra Nova Garden Club of Metuchen.

Certificates of Merit also went to: Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield (with gold seal), New Providence Garden Club and Garden Club of Watchung.
HISTORIC HOUSE—Mrs. Bruce A. Reid, Junior League project chairman in the restoration of Drake House, and Charles Detwiller Jr., president of the board of trustees, inspect piano during open house yesterday at the colonial museum. (Coronet Photo by E. Wiggins)
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Since George Washington's ragged troops trudged through this area, our little "Garden State" has the right to be proud of public-spirited citizens who sacrificed much to help advance the "good life" for everyone. Rutgers and Princeton are early examples.

Our county's care of its sick, the mentally ill, the blind, and the crippled is said to rank among the best in the United States. From earliest days Union County has been like a big family. Unlike many other geographical areas, our county has long aimed at the best possible care, and sought first-class facilities. Respected rich and poor citizens have accepted public office and devoted much time and little-recognized work to benefit the sick of Union County.

Inspired by Dr. John E. Runnels and his comparatively small medical staff, these officials have always slaved to make this institution outstanding in modern care of its patients. Readers
Plainfield Woman Acclaimed For Conservation Activities

Elizabeth — Mrs. Garret Smith of 132 Crescent Ave., Plainfield, was honored last night by the New Jersey Park and Recreation Association for the many years she has devoted to conservation.

Mrs. Smith, who received a plaque at a dinner in the Winfield Scott Hotel, was cited as "a conservationist, horticulturalist, civic worker, and speaker."

She has given most of her 89 years, the citation read, "to making this world a better place in which to live by placing emphasis on the need for conservation activities."

In her address, Mrs. Smith commended the Green Acres program and expressed concern about a proposed state budget provision which would cut $5 million from a fund to help local and state agencies construct sewage facilities.

Cunningham, speaking on "Saving New Jersey's Best," stressed the urgency for preserving open spaces in the state. This land is vitally needed for conservation and recreation, he said. He indicated real estate for industrial developments along with various other agencies are trying to take this land and use it for "purposes other than that for which it was intended."

F. S. Mathewson of Plainfield was re-elected president of the N.J. Park and Recreation Association. Among those re-elected to the executive committee were Paul E. Felting of Watchung, Mrs. Victor R. King of Plainfield and J. Harold Loizeaux of Scotch Plains.
Washington Work

Mrs. Udall also described projects in Washington and sub-urbs carried out by Mrs. Johnson, local residents and gardeners to beautify areas around schools and homes in deteriorated neighborhoods and at a public housing unit for the elderly.

Mrs. Udall arrived at the show too late for the formal opening as she was delayed at Newark Airport. She had told Charles D. Webster, second vice chairman of the show, that he could identify her by a pink suit, thinking she would be the only woman wearing one in Newark on a rainy day. She said there were about 20 other women in pink suits at the airport. It took her and Webster some time to find each other.

The Garden Club of Plainfield won first prize for one of those featured backyard gardens, a club competition in the Garden Club of America. It is one of four small gardens which will be on view all week. Outside a putty-colored kitchen door with shingled canopy in a red frame house, the garden is planted with apple blossom pale pink geraniums, an espaliered apple tree by the door with French strawberries (Fraise de Bois). English ivy (Hedera, Heix) was planted in borders and around a low sundial which concealed a garbage-pail.

Mrs. Alexander Kroll, exhibi-
A day on Saturday, Mr. P. Elliott, received first prize for the best display of Aloft of small plants. The Alexander Garden Club of America section, the ladies are showing a group of four kitchen door-yard gardens. None are over 8-by-16 feet in size, yet they are actual, full-sized plantings even one would be pleased to have at their own back-door.

The Plainfield, N. J. Garden Club has the winning entry. They use espaliered fruit trees, strawberries, and a border of pale pink geraniums around a small gravel court with the garage pan right in the center. But the plan is in the ground and its top concealed as a broad base for a low sun dial of the same material.

In its flower-arranging exhibit, the Plainfield Club has had one class for dish planters staged in a niche. All through the week, there have been miniature landscapes of live material gem-like in their proportions and quality of workmanship being shown. The third and final group goes on view this morning.

DALSIMER

Two other small gardens on the upper level worthy of the careful study. They have been receiving by spectators are the entries of Dalsimer Inc., Cedarhurst, L. I., and Atlantic Ave. Nurseries Inc., of Freeport, L. I., in a class calling for Broadleaf and Coniferous Evergreens arranged in a patio. Both entries show contemporary-oriental influences and use flagstones and pebble paved areas, moss-covered rocks and beds on several levels as a setting for choice plant material.

Dalsimer, awarded a second prize, has used dwarf azaleas, yew, andromeda with specimen weeping and standard flowering cherries. Atlantic, awarded 1st prize, has worked with unusually choice material including weeping hemlock, creeping Cotoneaster, the rare plum yew, aucuba, mahonia and Ilex-cocceae, among others. They are tongue-twisters, but choice.
French estates come to mind on viewing the chateau type red brick and blue shuttered house of Mr. and Mrs. Winchester L. Hotchkiss of Bernardville. Huge sycamores sentinel the approaching avenue; the entry is framed by a huge court, and a garden framed on two sides by brick invites the visitor to rest and enjoy the vista.

**Breathtaking View**

“Cragwood,” the estate of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Engelhard Jr. of Bernardville, brings a view of river and hills that is breathtaking. It boasts a pair of colorful peacocks; an English paymaster’s table of hexagonal mahogany with inlaid brass letters on the drawers; a rare 18th Century mirror-framed mirror, and many other fine objet d’arts.

The 15-acre estate of Mr. and Mrs. Tudor R. Finch of Basking Ridge is most impressive, with its modern house designed by architect William Thun, and its recreation in miniature of the Great Swamp.

May baskets at each of the stops were created by Mrs. Albert J. Phillips, Mrs. Donald Squires, Mrs. Charles B. Hellerson and Mrs. Maurice B. Cooke of the Spade and Trowel Garden Club; Mrs. W. J. Holman Jr., Mrs. Fred G. Acomb, Mrs. C. B. Wigton Jr., Mrs. David Foster and Mrs. David Potter of the Edwin H. Glendingen of Plainfield Garden Club; and Mrs. David N. Potter and Mrs. Robert G. Weyker of the Monday Afternoon Club Garden Department.

Today is the final day for this biennial tour.

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Here was housed the flower show in which children participated. Melanie White, entry in the second and third grade class on “Animal Life,” took the blue ribbon for the Bernardville Garden Club with her imaginative little boy created from a grapefruit, orange and other items. While the red ribbon went to Suzette Mathews in the same class and club for her bunny made from a grapefruit, lemon, carrots and a white carnation tail.

Formal gardens on various levels, reminiscent of the great 19th Century estates, surrounded the home of Mrs. Stevens Baird in Bernardville. Of particular interest were four huge potted oleander trees in a pebble garden. Especially noteworthy was the Corsican yew tree given to her ancestor, John Stevens, by Napoleon’s brother, Jerome Bonaparte.

In the 18th Century type home of Mr. and Mrs. Archibald S. Alexander of Bernardville are contained distinguished family portraits; an unusual carved newel post at the foot of the stairs; a beautiful collection of Oriental Export ware in the inviting living room, and a Hepplewhite sideboard and cellarette in the dining room that would be the envy of any antique collector.
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Arrangements by the garden club and dining hall will be displayed in the restored rooms. Refreshments will be served.

Chairman is Mrs. James P. Bader. Mrs. Alice Drake House will arrange the plant sale. Mrs. Francis P. Reaughby and Mrs. Stuart Jr. Holman plan the ticket and Mrs. Edward Goodwin will be treasurer.

Committee heads are: Mrs. Frederick Rund, Mrs. Arthur Brunner Jr.; Mrs. Webster Sandford (left) and Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood demonstrate how the kitchen in the historic Drake House in W. Front St. must have looked in Revolutionary days. Both have served as president of the Plainfield Garden Club which is sponsoring a "Maytime at Drake House" Saturday for the benefit of the landscaping fund. The house and grounds are being restored to their original condition.
3 Get Awards For Landscapes

Three local establishments have received awards from the Plainfield Garden Club for their outdoor landscaping as the result of a survey of area businesses and institutions by the Roadside Council of the Garden Club of New Jersey. Awards for exceptional landscape design were presented to the Netherwood branch of the Plainfield Trust State National Bank, the Lockheed Electronics Corporation in Watchung, and South Plainfield High School.
MONDAY, MAY 11, 1964
Garden Clubs Join In Hospital Project

Edison—Plans for landscaping the proposed Community Hospital to be erected on a 45-acre tract in the Menlo Park section were discussed by four garden clubs last night in the Community Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Albert Stillman of Plainfield, president of the Garden Clubs of New Jersey, spoke. "I think it is a wonderful thing for the clubs to work on a project of this type and it will be a fine accomplishment," she said.

Mrs. Stillman introduced Roger Wells, a senior at Rutgers University studying landscaping on a scholarship from the state organization, who developed plans for the proposed landscaping project.

James Monis, chairman of the Community Hospital Fund, spoke on the need for the hospital and urged the cooperation of all those present.

Mrs. John Regan, president of the host club, the Nixon Park Garden Club, presided at the joint meeting with the Vineyard Village Garden Club of Edison, the Terra Nova Garden Club of Edison and the Metuchen Garden Club.

Entertainment was provided by Girl Scout Troop 8, sponsored by the host garden club, with an original play entitled "The Litterbug Convention."

Chairmen will be appointed by each club to coordinate planning for the landscaping. Mrs. Robert West was in

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Garden Club parlé

Week-long meeting in May to mark Golden anniversary of group

By KATHERINE DUNLAP
Society Editor

The Garden Club of America, formed 50 years ago by a group of prominent Philadelphians, will return to the Quaker City on May 6 for a week-long annual meeting and celebration of its golden anniversary.

The Sheraton will be headquarters for some 550 delegates representing 171 member clubs throughout the country including Hawaii. For many of the women the annual session will be a homecoming as well as a time to develop the many interests of the national organization.

50-YEAR MEMBER

For instance, the president, Mrs. Erastus Corning, 2d, of Albany, N. Y., is the former Edith Platt of Philadelphia. Her mother, Mrs. Charles Platt, of Chestnut Hill, is a 50-year member and one of the few still active in the organization who attended its first annual meeting. Horticulture appears to be a particular interest of the Platt family. Mrs. Corning’s sister, Mrs. Sidney Keith, of North Hills, is chairman of the 50th anniversary planning committee.

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Mrs. Frost
In N.Y. Show

Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost of Rahway Rd., a member of the Plainfield Garden Club, will compete in the Garden Club of America Challenge class tomorrow at the International Flower Show in the New York Coliseum.

The container, plant material and necessary mechanics will be supplied by the committee and Mrs. Frost will supply the working tools. She will then prepare her alcovy arrangement at the show, for judging later in the day.

At the opening day on Saturday the club received first prize for its back-door planting exhibit. Mrs. Alexander Kroll was chairman of the project, which was designed by Mrs. William P. Elliott.

Other members on the exhibition committee included Mrs. Wayne J. Holman Jr., president; Mrs. Victor R. King, Mrs. F. Edgar Davis, Mrs. C. Benson Wigton Jr., Mrs. Bruce A. Reid and Mrs. Richard Shevle.

Mrs. H. Edward Ladd 3rd and Mrs. David S. Sanders were awarded third prize for their arrangement of geraniums in a small planter.
State Leaders Review Garden Club Activities

Scotch Plains—Officials of the Garden Club of New Jersey and representatives of member clubs in the Seventh Zone which embraces the Plainfield area, reviewed activities at an all-day district session yesterday in the Southside Firehouse. The Fanwood Garden Club was host.

Mrs. Harry B. Coxhead of Plainfield, zone chairman, welcomed the delegates. Mrs. Douglas Valentine of Martinsville, state zone chairman, presided.

Mrs. Albert Leeds Stillman of Plainfield, president of the state organization, urged members to support legislation controlling billboards in the state. She called attention to a landscape design school being scheduled at Rutgers in the spring and also announced the annual meeting of the state garden club May 24 in Princeton, and other sessions scheduled for the fall.

Mrs. Edward L. Coffey of Westfield, state garden center chairman, pushed the establishment of garden centers as a means of furnishing information to the public and encouraging civic beautification.

Garden Therapy

About 94 per cent of the member clubs are participating in a garden therapy program, Mrs. Vincent T. Mulligan of Elizabeth, state garden therapy chairman, reported. Referring to the program as one of "human conservation," Mrs. Mulligan said the work carried on for some time in veterans hospitals in East Orange, Lyons and Fort Dix has been extended to Marlboro State Hospital.

The state organization's plan for the state homes tour, "Tally Ho," May 1-2 in the Somerset hills area was explained by Mrs. Lawrence P. Galt Jr. of Bloomfield, chairman of the flower show section of the open homes event.

Reports Given

Reports of activities were given by area club presidents as follows: Crestwood Garden Club of Scotch Plains, Mrs. R. B. Carr; Fanwood Garden Club, Mrs. Ernest U. Peirson; Watchung Garden Club, Mrs. Edwin F. Jones; Garden Club of Westfield, Mrs. Joseph P. Moran; Garden Department of the Woman's Club of Westfield, Mrs. George S. Braun.

Also, Green Thumb Garden Club of Dunellen, Mrs. Cameron E. Morrison; Mountainside Garden Club, Mrs. F. H. Whitaker; Mountain Trail Garden Club of Mountainside, Mrs. Robert H. Goodhart; Plainfield Garden Club, Mrs. Webster Sandford; Rahway Manor Garden Club, Mrs. Albert Kastner; Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield, Mrs. Thomas Q. Gilson.

Also, Scotch Plains Garden Club, Mrs. Richard Mikulas; Shackamaxon Garden Club of Scotch Plains, Mrs. Alan Beeler; and the Spade and Scythe of Plain
Civic Worker Cited for Service

Mrs. Garret Smith of 132 Crescent Ave. has been listed in “Who’s Who in American Women.” The 87-year old civic worker was cited for her conservation and horticultural work on state and national levels.

At present Mrs. Smith is active as chairman of the committee for a Veterans’ Bronze Plaque on which 5,000 local World War 2 and Korean Conflict veterans’ names will be listed.

Mrs. Smith is also an active member of the Plainfield Garden Club and the Plainfield Beautification Committee.
Plainfield Garden Club Meets
In Lee House, Scotch Plains

The Plainfield Garden Club was entertained yesterday in historic Lee House, home of Mr. and Mrs. William P. Elliott at 11 Black Birch Rd., Scotch Plains.

Two new members were welcomed by Mrs. Wayne J. Holman, president. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Victor King and Mrs. James R. Bird.

Mrs. Bird introduced the program of readings on “The Symbols and Legends of Christmas” given by Mrs. A. D. Seybold and Mrs. King. As the symbols were described, they were displayed by Mrs. Benson Wighton Jr.

A letter of congratulation from Mayor Robert C. Maddox to club member Mrs. Alden deHart was read. Mrs. deHart has received a state award in the “Green Thumb Competition” of the New Jersey Tercentenary Commis-

sion for her work as chairman of the grounds committee of Drake House.

A member of the Plainfield Historical Society, she supervised outdoor planting at the museum with funds for the planting donated by the Plainfield Garden Club. She also was awarded a special rose bush which will be planted at Drake House in her name in the spring.

Presiding at the tea table were Mrs. Holman, Mrs. William S. Tyler, Mrs. Webster Sandford, Mrs. Hoah C. Barnhart, Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux and Mrs. Charles H. Detwiller.
MARKS NINE DECADES—Mrs. Garret H. Smith, formerly of 132 Crescent Ave., who is noted for her horticultural interests and civic activities, today is celebrating her 90th birthday at John E. Runnells Hospital, Berkeley Heights. (Courier-News Photo by Fred Keesing)
Mme. Chiang Tours Flower Exposition

By Henry B. Aul
Horticulture Editor

Despite the cold March winds swirling around the Coliseum yesterday, crowds waited in long queues as sure that once they arrived inside, they would find a full measure of the warmth, color and fragrance of spring that is being presented by the 48th International Flower Show which opened there Saturday.

They were not disappointed.

The flamingos were strutting in Keisman Kodak’s summer scene of bright annual flowers, and two white pansies pressed themselves in the all-white garden of Sterling Forest Gardens. While this was not a wildlife show, everyone enjoyed the color and movement of the birds among the flowers.

A distinguished visitor to the show was Madame Chiang Kai-shek who had accepted an invitation from Dr. Albert L. Irwin of New York, chairman of the show.

Greeted at the door by Dr. Irwin and Pat Denne, Queen of the Show, she was presented with a large bouquet of Madame Chiang roses, a yellow hybrid tea.

In a tour of the exposition, accompanied by Dr. Irwin and Charles W. Webster, president of the Horticultural Society of New York, Madame Chiang expressed amazement that a show of its size and finish could be staged in only 72 hours.

She was especially interested in the thousands of hybrid pansies in the Daneworth exhibit, and exclaimed over the primroses in the garden of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Glenn Mock of Rye, N. Y., and the cluster-type orchids being shown in the garden of Mr. and Mrs. John Hay Whitney of Manhasset, L. I. She said the small-flowered orchids were her favorites and she was intrigued with one large-flowered variety that had its white flowers growing out of the root mass.

After judging which took place Saturday, many trophies have been displayed in the gardens. One of the biggest winners was the Primrose Garden of Mr. and Mrs. Mock. It received the coveted Lathbury C. Robbink Memorial Trophy for the outstanding horticultural exhibit of more than 50 feet. The William Robertson Cie Trophy was awarded to a private estate exhibit, the Massachusetts Horticultural Society Gold Medal for cultural excellence of plants and the Arthur Harrington Memorial Trophy.

James Jack, superintendent, has arranged a gentle hillside garden awash with large drifts of white, yellow, pink, lavender and red primroses set against a background of spring flowering trees and shrubs. A seat at the top of the hill, chimes of daffodils and water falling into a pool fill out the design. Grape hyacinths, anemones and squills backed into pockets around the outcropping rocks are deep touches here.

Not all the winning flowers, however, are in the gardens or on the exhibit tables. Many are being worn by the ladies and are contained from the Women’s Florists Association Inc., the auxiliary of the New York Florists’ Club. They sell them from a booth on the upper floor of the show, and all proceeds go to a special scholarship fund for student nurses.

Show hours are 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. today through Saturday and 1 to 6:30 p.m. on the closing day, Sunday.
Acclamations and Activities

PLAINFIELD GARDEN CLUB
1915 -- 1965

Mrs. George Elliott, president; Mrs. H. V. Loizeaux, vice-president; Mrs. H. H. Peck, executive secretary, Mrs. Hebert, treasurer. The club was organized in 1915, and incorporated in 1931.
Plainfield Garden Club Elects New President

Mrs. David F. Sanders of 1261 Rahway Rd. was elected president of the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday at a meeting in the home of Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, Nepawin Lane. Mrs. William K. Dunbar Jr. was co-hostess.

Other officers elected were: First vice president, Mrs. Gerald S. Furman; second vice president, Mrs. F. Gregg Burger; recording secretary, Mrs. Alden R. Loosli; corresponding secretary, Mrs. John S. Roome; treasurer, Mrs. James R. Bird.

Annual reports were read by the officers and chairmen of the standing committees. Mrs. Webster Sandfor reported on the Garden Club of New Jersey activities for the year. Mrs. Charles A. Eaton, Jr. presented changes in the constitution which were accepted by the membership.

Mrs. Wayne J. Holman Jr., outgoing president, reviewed the activities of the Plainfield Garden Club for the past year, including the 50th anniversary party and the prize-winning exhibition at the International Flower Show held at the New York Coliseum. She also noted that nine azalea plants will be planted at the City Hall Park on Apr. 29, Arbor Day.

The club voted to send an annual contribution to the National Redwood Grove Committee.

Tea was served following the meeting with Mrs. Holman and Mrs. Sanders presiding.
Mrs. Garret Smith Honored
By State Arbor Association

Mrs. Garret Smith of 132 Crescent Ave. was presented a
television set yesterday at her home by the Arborists Association
of New Jersey, the New Jersey Society of Certified
Tree Experts and the New Jersey Federation of Shade Tree
Commissions.

Walter R. Whitham, general chairman of the special activities committee of the Arborists, made the presentation on behalf of the three organizations.

The gift, Whitman said, expresses "our appreciation for your many years of effort and devoted interest to our activities to promote a better understanding and appreciation of trees and their important contribution to our comfort, pleasure and prosperity."

Now an honorary member, Mrs. Smith had previously been cited as "having done more than any other woman in the cause of shade trees, not only in New Jersey but throughout the nation."

For many years she was the only woman member of the board of directors of the N.J. Federation of Shade Tree Commissions and of the Plainfield Shade Tree Commission. She was the first woman appointed to these offices and the only woman to address the National Shade Tree Conference.

Mrs. Smith is a member of the National Arbor Day Committee which obtained a proclamation of the last Friday of April as Arbor Day in New Jersey and obtained legislative adoption of the red oak as the state tree.

She proposed and assisted in the planting of the Peace Tree—a red oak—at Morven, the Governor's home, and the Centennial trees, also red oaks, at the West Orange Presbyterian Church which was attended by Civil War General George B. McClellan.

The planting of dogwoods, the...
Drake House Benefit Set

An open house, "Maytime at Historic Drake House," will be held Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. under the sponsorship of the Plainfield Garden Club at the Drake House Museum, 602 W. Front St. Included will be a plant and food sale. Proceeds will go toward landscaping of the museum grounds.

Flower arrangements by club members and dish gardens by girl scouts will be displayed in the restored rooms. Refreshments will be served.

General chairman is Mrs. Edwin J. Fitzpatrick. Mrs. Alden de Hart is Drake House chairman, and plant sale chairmen are Mrs. Francis P. Day, Mrs. Willoughby Frost and Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr. Mrs. Wayne Holman is ticket chairman and Mrs. Edward Clendenin is treasurer.

Other committee heads are: Food pantry, Mrs. Frederick Lockwood; refreshments, Mrs. Philip W. Nash; dish gardens, Mrs. William Dunbar Jr.; and apron chairman, Mrs. Northrup Pond.
The Drake House

This week the trustees of the Historical Society of Plainfield and North Plainfield reopened the doors of the Drake House on W. Front St. after an extensive restoration project. What they have done is to recreate a bit of Colonial charm in the center of the city. The interested persons who worked on the project may have restored more than a building. We would hope so.

It was not too long ago that Drake House was a repository for a collection of dusty memorabilia. Now order has been brought to the rooms, and selection has been exercised in the grouping of period pieces. The walls are painted. The furniture and brass polished. Good taste has made the old house ready to receive guests.

Credit is due to Charles H. Detwiller Jr., president of the board of trustees, and to members of the Junior League of Plainfield, the Continental Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Plainfield Garden Club, Historical Society members, city officials and friends who brought about this restoration.

Detwiller, as an architect, has shown his interest in preserving some of Plainfield's past and of bringing about authentic restoration of its historical buildings. He brings professional training to his appraisal and his plans. The city needs more men like him who combine an appreciation of the old with a vision of the future.

At Drake House—and in the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Coach House neighborhood—residents can find a link to the Colonial days of our area. The Colonial period should be, and is, presented there not as something musty and old, but very much alive and fresh. After all, that was the period when a new nation was being conceived in liberty. The times were vibrant. The men courageous. Government was dynamic. Life was full of adventure, uncertainty and challenge, and also of great promise.

In preserving Drake House as a historical memorial, we might probe for a bit of that old spirit which gave men like George Washington, Nathaniel Drake and other patriots the determination to resist tyranny, to overcome adversity, and to fight for God and country.

The job at Drake House is not finished. Interested citizens working there to reconstruct the historical past may discover the way to give this community a more glorious future.
The entrance to the garden is marked by two stone pillars, each with a wall of aged stone. Lining the walk are beds of sweet lavender, pink and hyssop. Other herbs are planted on either side of the walk that extends up a slope toward a bust of Shakespeare. Although the garden is enclosed for the most part by a pleached avenue of elms, the bust can be seen by passers-by on the boulevard.

The oldest Shakespeare garden is located in Rockefeller Park in Cleveland, Ohio. On dedication day, April 11, 1916, Julia Marlowe read the flower scene from "The Winter's Tale." The elm she planted that day still stands. The success of the garden inspired a chain of nineteen Cultural Gardens that represent the national background of Cleveland's citizenry.

The Shakespeare garden is Elizabethan in mood and pattern. Boundaries are defined with hedges, and paths are bounded with herbs. Visitors can tarry in "mulberry shade," for the original cuttings sent from Stratford-on-Avon have flourished. The roses in the circular bed were a gift from the Mayor of Verona, the setting of "Romeo and Juliet." Sycamore maples from Scotland and other English forest trees comprise a section called Birnam Wood. One of the newest Shakespeare gardens is also one of the largest (about an acre). It was begun two years ago at the Huntington Botanical Gardens in San Marino, Calif. No attempt was made to duplicate any garden, Tudor or otherwise, and only those Elizabethan plants which thrive in the California climate have been planted. Fortunately several of the trees mentioned by Shakespeare—the olive, oak, mulberry and holly—were already growing in the area, giving the plantings an established look.

Forming the axis of the informal landscape design are a bust of Shakespeare on a pedestal, an authentic eighteenth century urn from England, and an ornate fountain. Surrounding these are free-form beds, neatly defined by generous walkways. The melding of old and new has been accomplished smoothly.
Boy Scouts will assist at the plant sale. An exhibit of dish gardens by girl scouts will be judged by a member of the club and ribbons awarded. The exhibitors will be from Plainfield Girl Scout Troops 259, 681, 390 and 699 and North Plainfield Troops 66, 255, 64, 132 and 476.

The Plainfield Garden Club has provided a landscape design plan by the Englishman, Donald Hebblethwaite. Three steps of the plan already taken have been: Planting of a red oak last Arbor Day by the Plainfield High School Student Government Association; furnishing a weathered board fence around the service area by the Rotary Club; and improving and widening the driveway.
For Conservation Activities

Elizabeth — Mrs. Garret Smith of 132 Crescent Ave., Plainfield, was honored last night by the New Jersey Park and Recreation Association for the many years she has devoted to conservation.

Mrs. Smith, who received a plaque at a dinner in the Winfield Scott Hotel, was cited as “a conservationist, horticulturist, civic worker, and speaker.”

She has given most of her 89 years, the citation read, “to making this world a better place in which to live by planting trees, plans and flowers and strenuously urging others to do likewise.”

Speaking at the program were Robert A. Roe, New Jersey commissioner of conservation and economic development, and John T. Cunningham, author, lecturer and conservationist.

Active with Groups

Mrs. Smith was commended for the following activities: as a long time member of the Plainfield Shade Tree Commission, the only woman to serve on the board of directors of the N.J. Federation of Shade Tree Commissions, members of the Plainfield Garden Club, Garden Club of New Jersey, Garden Club of America, charter member of the Union County Association of Shade Tree Commissioners, originator and life honorary president of the Little Garden Club of New York City, and a member of the N.J. Association of Certified Tree Experts.

shortage, commended the Green Acres program and expressed concern about a proposed state budget provision which would cut $5 million from a fund to help local and state agencies construct sewerage facilities.

Cunningham, speaking on “Saving New Jersey’s Best,” stressed the urgency for preserving open spaces in the state. This land is vitally needed for conservation and recreation, he said. He indicated real estate for industrial developments along with various other agencies are to take this land and use it for “purposes other than for which it was intended.”

F. S. Mathewson of Plainfield was re-elected president of the N.J. Park and Recreation Association. A new vice president will be appointed.

Victor R. King of Plainfield and J. Harold Loizeaux of Scotch Plains.

“She was an originator and leader in a national movement to beautify and advance the utilitarian use of church grounds,” the citation continued, “and has been a strong and articulate advocate of parks, large and small, especially neighborhood parks, and has proposed and helped create parks in her own city.”

2 Get Citations

Citations also were presented to W. Richmond Tracy of Summit, retired engineer and secretary of the Union County Park Commission, and to Mrs. Robert L. Loyd of Morristown, a member of the Morris County Park Commission and leader in the Great Swamp project.

Roe said he favors Senate Bill 234, which would elevate the Bureaus of Parks, Forestry and Recreation to division status.

He noted the “vital concern” his department has in the state’s present water
City Garden Club Hears
Advantages of Idea Flow

Mrs. Alexander Keyes of Basking Ridge, Zone 4 representative of the Garden Club of America, spoke to the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday following a luncheon in the home of Mrs. Charles H. Detwiler Jr., Clarks Lane. Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost was the co-hostess.

Mrs. Keyes said that the individual garden clubs take on a national point of view through close contact with the Garden Club of America. There are 23 garden clubs in Zone 4 (Pennsylvania and New Jersey) and they are developing the flow of ideas from one club to another.

Flower Show Details

Mrs. F. Edgar Davis, exhibitions chairman, reported on details of three flower shows to be held on May 18. Mrs. John Wells, conservation chairman, reported that 75 garden conservation pamphlets had been distributed to school children and that the club plans to again send a school teacher to the National Audubon Camp in Maine for two weeks this summer.

Mrs. Albert Diss announced that 13 members had arranged flowers at Lyons Veterans Hospital twice last year.

Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood, reporting for Miss Harriette R. Halloway, chairman of the Iris Garden in Cedarbrook Park, said some of the iris bulbs are now blooming.
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TOURS SCHEDULED

Plans for the week’s program have been under way for many months with Philadelphians and members of the Garden Club of Wilmington combining efforts to draw up a schedule that should delight the hearts of the visitors.

Historic points of interest will be included on the tours that also will take the women to many of the magnificent gardens in the Philadelphia and Wilmington areas. In addition, the delegates have been invited to a special concert on the evening of May 6 to be given in honor of the Garden Club of America at the Academy of Music by the Philadelphia Orchestra with Eugene Ormandy as conductor. Mrs. James S. Hatfield and Mrs. Charles R. Tyson made arrangements for this feature.

UDALL TO SPEAK

Registration for the annual meeting will open on the morning of May 6. Mrs. Corning will call the session to order.
Diminutive Gardens Are Winners

By Henry B. Aul

Horticulture Editor

Among the prize-winners in the 49th International Flower Show are a group of delightful pocket-size gardens, carefully conceived and beautifully executed.

Right in the street level lobby of the Coliseum, where the show goes on through Sunday, Old Westbury Gardens, Old Westbury, L. I., has staged a woodland walk. It encompasses a very small space but contains no less than 36 spring wild flowers used with suitable trees and shrubs. In every detail, the display has the appearance of an actual section of natural woodland set down indoors just off Columbus Circle. Created iris, bleeding heart, columbine and primroses bloom around a log seat placed there for a restful pause. There are epi-mediums, blue phlox and many others.

FRUIT TREES

On the third floor, the upper level of the show, there is a whole series of expertly done small gardens. In the Garden Club of America section, the ladies are showing a group of four kitchen door-yard gardens. None are over 8-by-10 feet in size yet they are actual, full-sized plantings every one would be pleased to have at their own back-door.

The Plainfield, N. J., Garden Club has the winning entry. They use espaliered fruit trees, strawberries and a border of pale pink phloxes around a small gravel court in the center. But the plan is in the ground and its top concealed as a lead base for a low sun dial of the same material.

In its flower-arranging exhibit, the Plainfield club has had one class for dish planters.
Mrs. Wayne J. Holman Jr., president of the Plainfield Garden Club, will entertain at a luncheon at her home at 1039 Rahway Rd., preceding a member-guest meeting to be held tomorrow at the Grace Episcopal Church House. William G. Kenney, Mrs. Kenney is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neil B. Conley of Sarasota, Fla., former residents of Plainfield.

Thomas Miller, executive assistant curator at the Cloisters, will speak on the subject of "Flora of the Unicorn Tapestries."

Mrs. Albert B. Diss also will entertain at a small luncheon at her home at 945 Cedar Brook Rd. before the meeting.
Garden Club Entertained
At Historic Lee House

By VICTORIA FURMAN
(Club Member)

The Plainfield Garden Club was entertained yesterday by Mr. and Mrs. William P. Elliott in the historic Lee House, located at 11 Black Birch Rd., Scotch Plains.

The ghosts of the historic homestead must be rattling their skeletons with joy this Christmas season because last, through the efforts of the owners, the house has achieved the charm and beauty it deserves.

The guests stepped over the threshold to a scene of great charm. In the center hall stood a Christmas tree on which members hung gifts of candy, wrapped as ornaments. Later, the gifts were taken to Lyons Veterans Hospital where many years the club has contributed greenery and gifts at Christmas.

The president, Mrs. Wayne J. Holman, conducted the meeting and welcomed two new members. The host, a member of the club, was assited by Mrs. Victor King and Mrs. James R. Bird.

Stormy History

A varied and sometimes stormy history has characterized Lee House since 1725, when the original small structure was built at the corner of Luck and Terrill Rds. by the Lee family. During the Revolutionary War, the house was on the line of march of both the British and Colonial armies, and many a tired soldier warmed his feet at its open fires.

The little house was moved to Harriman Rd. in 1838, to be joined to another farmhouse built in 1750 by Moses Frazier. One hundred thirty-five years later, Mr. and Mrs. Elliott had the house moved to its present location. Barns and other small buildings were moved also, and now are grouped around Lee House in companionable symmetry.

The Elliotts have added a wing to the house and restored the main parts, utilizing the old brick and stone, the ceiling beams and original floor boards to keep it an authentic Early American home.

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The first of the symbols, an "Advent Wreath," was made of evergreens with four white candles, which are traditionally lighted one at a time on each of the four Sundays during the Advent Season.

Gold Angel

A gold angel brought from Oberammergau, Germany by Mrs. Seybold, was displayed as the second symbol. The reading explained that angels are used throughout the world in forms varying from rough clay figures to the finest of wood carvings and porcelains.

Among symbols, Christmas greens are boughs, ivy, and mistletoe. Long ago, it was thought that boughs were the man's plant, ivy the woman's and the one brought into the house first indicated which sex would rule the house that year.

Bells, used to proclaim the joyful tidings, were shown and that beloved yeuletide symbol, the Christmas Tree. According to one story, Martin Luther in 1528 cut down a small evergreen tree and carried it into his house, where he fastened candles to the branches and lighted them to share with his family the wonders of the Christmas sky.

A beautiful creche was shown as the most holy and revered symbol. The program ended with the angelic tones of the harp and the beloved Christmas blessing, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

Afterwards guests adjourned to the dining room to exchange greetings before the decades old fireplace. The tea table was decorated with a brilliant red poinsettia and was illuminated by an old brass milk pan, Brass candlesticks and an antique samovar, from which tea was served.
office of the Plainfield Garden Club.

She also is a member of the New Jersey Arbor and Garden Committee appointed by Governor Hughes for next year’s New York World’s Fair. She has written numerous articles on herbs for horticultural publications and also is the author of a book on the Gaspe Peninsula where the Smiths formerly spent their summers, “Gaspe Romantique.”

But she credits her husband with being a better horticulturist. He is an engineer by profession, but his hobby is raising hollies from cuttings and cross-breeding English varieties. His most prized achievement is a large tree, now over 20 feet high in their garden, grown from one of his cultivars and named for his wife, “Olive Smith.”

The Smiths’ gardens frequently have been visited by horticultural classes from Rutgers University and opened on local benefit tours.

Connected Series

Presumably these tours followed the route along which Mrs. Smith guided us which revealed one surprise after another. We started on the side lawn where daffodils, azaleas, mallows, hardy orange, white and French lilacs and other flowers and shrubs bloom in season.

Between cascades of two mock orange trees which make a natural gateway we entered a large oval garden “room” designed around an ancient apple tree which must have been there before the garden was started about 30 years ago. Three huge branches, themselves like trunks, curve out just above the main trunk of this tree to form a natural seat.

At left of the entrance to this hidden room is a rock garden, with a tiny stream of water cascading down over rocks into a deep fish pool at the side. At right of the entrance is an armillary of armil which — like a sundial

The side which continues down from the rock garden leads just to the left of the tall holly tree. Here the shrubs are parted to admit the visitor to a path for meditation, which the Smiths call “Enoch’s Walk.” This leads between rhododendrons and azaleas, through a wild garden and past Smith’s holly nursery. Circling along a hedge of lilacs, past white birches and

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A driving force for the development of shade trees and beautification, she is listed in "Who's Who of American Women." She has served as secretary of the Plainfield Shade Tree Commission and president of the Plainfield Garden Club and became the first woman on the board of directors of the N.J. Federation of Shade Tree Commissions.

She was cited for her work by President Roosevelt, Henry Morgenthau and Miss Frances Perkins, former secretary of labor.

Founded Clubs

Mrs. Smith is a life honorary president of the Little Gardens Club of New York of which she was the originator and founder, and a life honorary member of the N.A. Arborists Association.

She holds honorary memberships in the Plainfield Garden Club, N.J. Federation of Shade Tree Commissions and (with certificate of merit) in the N.J. Association of Certified Tree Experts.

Mrs. Smith also headed the committee which selected the design and site of a bronze honor roll of veterans of World War 2 and the Korean War.

Her other activities have included: Radio chairman of the Federated Garden Clubs; member of the Child Welfare Council of Plainfield; executive board of Plainfield Women's Republican Club; board of directors of City's Garden Club of New York; member of the National Arbor Day Committee; and organizer of the Plainfield Civic Beautification Committee.

In 1965, Mrs. Smith was honored by the N.J. Park and Recreation Association for her many years devoted to conservation.

As state conservation chairman of the Garden Clubs of New Jersey during the depression she led an appeal to various agencies that resulted in the planting of 500,000 trees throughout the state along highways and in municipalities.

Church Gardens

She became prominent too for her advocacy of "useful church gardens," a project that has been adopted in many parts of the country.

She was instrumental in the creation of the New Jersey Tree Expert Bureau. As an amateur sculptor, she designed and executed the medal of award and official seal of the Garden Club of New Jersey, the gold medal award of the American Rock Garden Society and the bronze medal of the New Jersey Federation of Women's Clubs.

Mrs. Smith also has served as vice president of the Monday Afternoon Club, and as a member of the executive board of the League of American Pen Women.
Mme. Chiang Tours
Flower Exposition

By Henry B. Aul
Horticulture Editor

Despite the cold March winds swirling around the
tulips yesterday, crowds waited in long queues as-
ured that once they arrived inside, they would find a
full measure of the warmth, color and fragrance of
spring that is being presented by the 49th International
Flower Show which opened there Saturday.

They were not disappointed.
The east-west were strutting in flower. Kodak's
summer scene of bright annual flowers, and two white
peacocks preened themselves in the all-white garden of
Sterling Forest Gardens. While this was not a wildlife
show, everyone enjoyed the color and movement of the
birds among the flowers.

A distinguished visitor to the show was Madame
Chiang Kai-shek, who had accepted an invitation from Dr.
Albert J. Irving, chairman of the show. Greeted at the door by Dr. Irving and Pat Denne, Queen of the Show, she was presented with a large bouquet of
Madame Chiang roses, a yellow hybrid tea.

In a tour of the exposition, accompanied by Dr. Irving
and Charles W. Webster, president of the Horticultural
Society of New York, Madame Chiang expressed amaze-
ment that a show of its size and finish could be staged in
only 72 hours.

She was especially interested in the thousands of hy-
pernic flowers in the Dauernheim exhibit, and exclaimed
over the primroses in the garden of Mr. and Mrs. Roger
Glenn Monk of Rye, N. Y., and the cluster-type orchids
being shown in the garden of Mr. and Mrs. John Hay
Whitney of Manhasset, L. I. She said the small-flowered
orchids were her favorites and she was intrigued with one
large-leaf variety that had its white flowers growing out
of the root mass.

After judging, which took place Saturday, many
awards were presented in the gardens. One of the
biggest winners was the Primrose Garden of Mr. and Mrs.
Monk. It received the coveted Lambertus C. Bobbink
Memorial Trophy for the outstanding horticultural exhibit
of more than 50 feet, the William Robertson Duyck Trophy
awarded to a private estate exhibit, the Massachusetts
Horticultural Society Gold Medal for cultural excellence
of plants and the Arthur Herrington Memorial Trophy.

James Jack, superintendent, has arranged a gentle
hillside garden aglow with large drifts of white, yellow,
pink, lavender and red primroses set against a back-
ground of spring flowering trees and shrubs. A seat at
the top of the hill, clumps of daffodils and water falling
into a pool fill out the design. Grace hyacinths, anemones
and scilla tuck into pockets around the outcropping
rocks are deft touches here.

Not all the winning flowers, however, are in the gar-
dens or on the exhibit tables. Many are being worn by the
ladies and are obtained from the Women's Florists As-
sociation Inc., the auxiliary of the New York Florists' Club.
They sell them from a booth on the upper floor of the
show, and all proceeds go to a special scholarship fund
for student nurses.

Show hours are 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. today through
Saturday and 1 to 6:30 p.m. on the closing day, Sunday.
Garden Club To Mark 50th Anniversary

The Plainfield Garden Club will celebrate its 50th anniversary at a formal reception at the Monday Afternoon Club at 8:30 p.m. Saturday. Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd is general chairman.

Invitations have been sent to all members and their husbands, according to Mrs. Homer P. Cochran, invitations chairman.

Other chairmen are: Hospitality, Mrs. David F. Sanders; decorations, Mrs. William P. Elliott and Mrs. David S. Foster, and program, Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood.

The Plainfield Garden Club was organized in 1915 by 48 charter members under the leadership of the late Mrs. Frank O. Herring. Its primary concern, today as then, is to stimulate knowledge and love of gardening among its members and to encourage interest in horticulture, conservation and civic planning and planting.

The Shakespeare Garden, Iris Garden and Cornus collection in Cedar Brook Park are several of the many civic projects initiated by the club.
Former Plainfielder Cited by Herb Group

Mrs. Harry Brokaw Smith of Colts Neck, formerly of Plainfield, this week received the Helen de de Conway Little Medal of Honor for 1966 awarded by The Herb Society of America.

She was cited for “her educational contribution of lectures, writing and gardens and her devotion to the ideals of The Herb Society of America and her deep interest in its future.”

of 132 Creston was presented yesterday at her home by the Arborists Association of New Jersey, the New Jersey Society of Certified Arborists, and the New Jersey Federation of Shade Tree Thitham, general manager of the Arborists, said that the presentation was on behalf of the organization.

Mr. H. W. Smith, president of the Arborists, said, expressing appreciation for the work done and the impact of the Arborists on our environment, "the Arborists are a better underappreciated group of workers and it's a pleasure to be associated with them."

Mrs. Garret Smith, a member of the Arborists, and the only member of the N.J. Arborists, is a member of the Plainfield Arborists Commission. She is the only member of the Arborists who is appointed and the only member of the Arborists who is appointed by the state. Memorial trees and other plantings at the boulder at City Hall grounds honoring those who served in World War II.
Garden Club Opposes Overpass Advertising

A protest against advertising proposed for railroad overpasses in Plainfield has been sent by the Plainfield Garden Club to W. F. Woodrich, chairman of the Plainfield Planning Board.

Such advertising would detract from the image of the city, from an aesthetic viewpoint, and it would distract drivers, Mrs. John R. Wells, conservation chairman of the club, said.
**Great Swamp Exhibit To Be Held**

Short Hills — A "Nature Showcase," dramatizing the need for saving the Great Swamp as a natural museum, will open Monday in the Short Hills Mall, Route 24.

Art works and photos inspired by nature, maps depicting the formation of the swamp, proposed plans to make the area a living museum and live specimens of the flora and fauna found in the swamp will be featured.

Several noted artists, the Newark Museum, the Trailside Museum from Watchung Park, and the Morris Junior Museum have contributed displays to the show. Fairleigh Dickinson University, Drew University and St. Elizabeth's University also contributed displays to the show.

The show offered by the Great Swamp Committee will be sponsored by the Garden Clubs of Short Hills and Summit and its patrons include the Plainfield Garden Club.

Included among the displays will be those from Mollie Adams of Mendham, Milan Popovic of Califon, Mrs. F. L. Bower of New Vernon and Jane Schultz of Green Village.

Mrs. Robert MacPhail of New Vernon, show chairman, said the project "will bring home to the people of New Jersey the many reasons for saving the Great Swamp from becoming a jetport."

A showing by invitation only is scheduled for Sunday afternoon. Public viewing will be open until Apr. 20.
Nine in All

When completed, the garden will be a series of nine gardens, stretching from the entrance gate to the costume museum and exhibit hall. They will include Ariel's Garden, Titania's Bower, Puck's Garden, Caliban's Rock, Caesar's Court, Ophelia's Herbarium, Portia's Belmot, Puck's Grotto and Juliet's Courtyard.

The first to be planted this summer was Perdita's Garden, containing boxwood from Anne Hathaway's house, crown imperials, fumitory imported from an English estate, rosemary, rue, lavender, carnations, fleur de lis (iris) and fourteen species of lilies. A hawthorn tree will be added in the fall.

Edibles, too, are included in the Stratford plantings. For vegetables there are squash, peas, unusual varieties of lettuce, potatoes, fava beans, leeks, garlic, turnips, onions, cabbages, radishes, and, of course, turnips, a carrotlike vegetable better known to Shakespeare's audiences than to us. According to actor-gardener Will Geer, a member of the festival company, Shakespeare mentioned six varieties of apples—leather coating, bitter sweeting, codling, apple-john, pome water and pippin—and so some sort of apple is to be included in the landscape scheme.

Picturesque Pathways

Another garden-cum-theatre can be found in New York City's Central Park between Seventieth and Eightieth Streets. Landscaping is informal, with narrow, winding paths that lead in and out of the flower beds. Constant maintenance is required to keep the more aggressive plants from crowding out less vigorous ones; two gardeners are assigned to the plot. Unfortunately for visitors identifying tags on the plants have long since disappeared.

In Cedar Brook Park, Plainfield, N. J., plant labels add to the educational value and interest of the rustic Shakespeare garden. Quotations from the plays plus botanical and folk names of each plant are given. Flower beds are geometric in design, but an informal rock

ON CAMPUS—Stone fountains provide accents for formal gardens at Rockefeller Park in Cleveland, Ohio. On dedication day, April 11, 1946, Julia M. Read read the flower scene from "The Winter's Tale." She planted that day a stand of the Elizabethan garden inspired a chain of "Elizabothan Gardens" representing the national back of Cleveland's citizenry.

The Shakespeare garden, Elizabethan in mood and form, evokes the setting of Stratford-on-Avon. Flower beds are a gift from the city of Verona, the setting for "Juliet." Maple trees from Scotland and English forest trees form a section called Birnam Wood. One of the newest additions is a bay window filled with trees and shrubs, as if you were reading it naturally.
Garden Club to Conduct Benefit at Drake House

The Plainfield Garden Club will present "Maytime at Historic Drake House," an open house at Drake House Museum, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. tomorrow. Proceeds from admission tickets will be used for planting around this historic landmark.

There will be special exhibits, flower arrangements appropriate to the rooms, and a sale of plants and home baked goods.

Period pieces loaned to supplement present contents are: Canton china from the collection of Mrs. Jane Inge and Miss Louise Cox; a harp from Mrs. Carlyle Crane; antique musical instruments from Mrs. Georges Hiss; a collection of old dolls arranged on the attic stairs by Mrs. Webster Sandford; and furniture from Mrs. F. Gregg Burger and Mrs. F. Edgar Davis.

In the kitchen Mrs. Harry Brokaw Smith will display rare and unusual herbs.

Hostesses, both inside and out, will wear period costumes collected from this area and from as far away as Baltimore by Mrs. Arthur D. Seybold.

Flower arrangements will be by Mrs. Morris F. Benton, Mrs. Charles Detwiller, Mrs. William Elliott, Mrs. David Foster, Mrs. Paul Geary, Mrs. Alexander Kroll, Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, Mrs. Asger F. Langlykke, Mrs. Bruce A. Reid, Mrs. John S. Roome, Mrs. David Saunders and Mrs. Harry Brokaw Smith.

Nature Film Shown

The Plainfield Garden Club sponsored the showing of the National Audobon Society's film, "The Bald Eagle," at assemblies at Hartridge School today. It was shown by Mrs. Arthur D. Seybold and Mrs. Webster Sandford of the club. The film was shown to students at Maxson Junior High School yesterday and Hubbard Junior High School students last week.
CITED FOR HER EFFORTS — Mrs. Garret Smith of Plainfield was cited for her many years of conservation work by the New Jersey Park and Recreation Association last night in Elizabeth. Citation is presented by Mrs. John M. Mackie of Summit, second from left, Mrs. Smith's sponsor for the award, while state Commissioner of Conservation and Economic Development Robert A. Roe, left, and association President F. S. Mathewson of Plainfield look on.

Plainfield Woman Acclaimed
held on May 18. Mrs. John Wells, conservation chairman, reported that 75 garden conservation pamphlets had been distributed to school children and that the club plans to again send a school teacher to the National Audubon Camp in Maine for two weeks this summer.

Mrs. Albert Diss announced that 13 members had arranged flowers at Lyons Veterans Hospital twice last year.

Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood, reporting for Miss Harriette R. Halloway, chairman of the Iris Garden in Cedarbrook Park, said some of the iris bulbs are now blooming in Cologne, Germany. She said Miss Halloway had received a request from university students in Taiwan for bulbs and seed from the Iris Garden and they are now on their way.

Anniversary Near

Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, president, noted that next year will be the club’s 50th anniversary.

Mrs. Francis P. Day, nominating chairman, announced election of the following: President, Mrs. Wayne J. Holman; first vice president, Mrs. David F. Sanders; second vice president, Mrs. F. Gregg Burger; treasurer, Mrs. William K. Dunbar Jr.; recording secretary, Mrs. C. Northrup Pond; and corresponding secretary, Mrs. C. Benson Wigton Jr.
GARDEN TOUR—Viewing the garden of Mrs. William P. Elliott of 822 Arlington Ave., were members of the Plainfield Garden Club tour committee, left to right, Mrs. Noah C. Barnhart Jr., Mrs. Victor B. King, Mrs. F. Gregg Burger and Mrs. Elliott. (Photo by Fred Keesing)
By KATHERINE DUNLAP
Society Editor
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America project. The tour also will include points of historic interest in center city and the colonial mansion and gardens in Fairmount Park.
SERVES AS ADVISER
Mrs. Albert F. A. King is serving as adviser for the tour. Others working out the problems of transportation are Mrs. Richard K. Page, Mrs. Hubert Earle, Mrs. H. Dickson S. Boening, Mrs. Alfred Steele, Mrs. William P. Davis, Mrs. Robert E. L. Taylor, Mrs. H. Cameron Morris and Mrs. Charles L. Ritchie.
May 8 is Wilmington Day on the schedule. Buses will leave the Sheraton at 8:45 A.M. and will not return until the evening. In between time the men will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Francus du Pont during a tour of the Winterthur Museum with its rare treasurers and gardens. They will have cocktails and luncheon at Winterthur and then move on to visit members' gardens in the Wilmington area. They are expected at Longwood Gardens at 3 o'clock where they will tour the gardens and greenhouses. Dinner will follow and there will be a display of the famous Longwood fountains as a glamarous evening finale.
Mrs. Nicholas R. du Pont and Mrs. Donald P. Ross are co-chairmen of arrangements for Wilmington. Mrs. W. Glasgow Reynolds is vice chairman, Mrs. Henry Canby, secretary, and Mrs. George Edmonds, treasurer.
DINNER AT MUSEUM
Delegates have an early-to-late day again on May 9. Dr. Richard A. Howard, director of the Arnold Arboretum in Boston, will address a session at 8:45 A.M. The afternoon will be given over to a series of luncheons and tours of members' gardens in this area. In the evening there will be a dinner at the Philadelphia Museum of Art where there will be a special exhibit of flower paintings and prints. Medals and other awards will be presented at this time.
A farewell luncheon at the Sheraton will follow an annual business session and directors' meeting on May 9.
FUND FOR PROJECTS
Among the points of business to be taken up will be the allocation of income from the Founders' Fund. The money goes to worthwhile projects in the fields of horticulture and conservation. These are suggested by member clubs. In the Philadelphia area the fund has financed construction of a pond in the Bowman's Hill area and the exhibition the clubs are active in behalf of conservation projects throughout the country. Among the notable achievements has been the promotion of Jackson's Hole in Wyoming as a national preserve. Mrs. Robert C. Wright, of Havertford, was among the leaders in this movement.

OTHERS ASSISTING
The Garden Club of America was founded by Mrs. J. Willis Martin. Among the Philadelphians assisting at that time were Mrs. Charles Ludington, and Miss Elizabeth Williams, who were members of the Gardeners, and Mrs. C. Stuart Patterson, Mrs. Franklin Pepper, Mrs. Charles Biddle, Mrs. Henry Middleton Fisher, Miss Erminece A. Goodman and Mrs. Bayard Henry, all members of the Garden Club of Philadelphia.
Mrs. J. Ebert Butterworth and Mrs. J. Sewell Borie are in charge of registration for the 50th anniversary meeting. The hospitality committee includes Mrs. Van Horn Ely, Mrs. Edward L. Ellis, Mrs. H. Martyn Kneider, Mrs. John S. Newbold, 2d, Mrs. Townsend Munson, Mrs. Henry M. Watts, Mrs. William P. Wood, Mrs. Philip A. Bregy and Mrs. Brooke Roberts.
The handbook and printing will be the responsibility of Mrs. Howard W. Taylor, Miss Gainor Roberts and Mrs. Alfred Putnam. Mrs. Wyliys Terry and Mrs. Henry Cadwalader are chairmen of publicity.
Mrs. Samuel E. Slaymaker, Mrs. Richard Barringer, Mrs. Donald B. Barrows, and Mrs. Harry C. Groome are chairmen of the decorating committee. Others assisting are Mrs. Stuart S. Taylor, Mrs. Barton H. Lippincott, Mrs. James C. Hon, Mrs. Eugene G. Grace, Mrs. Bayard H. Roberts, Mrs. Robert C. Lee, Mrs. James E. Miller, Mrs. Irving Warner, Mrs. Robert Harbison, Mrs. Stoney Simons, Jr., Mrs. S. Stoney Simons, Mrs. John S. Gates, Mrs.
MRS. Nash reported that more than 1,200 people had visited the Iris Garden in Cedarbrook Park last year. Mrs. Albert Stillman reported that Mrs. Samuel Carter had given two thornless rose bushes to the Shakespeare Garden there.

Cornus Arboretum

Mrs. John Wells said the Cornus Arboretum in Cedar Brook Park has the largest collection of plants in the country. She announced that the horticultural committee of the Garden Club of America would have a guided tour of the Cloisters in New York on May 10.

Mrs. Harry Brokaw Smith has an exhibit of herbs in the Chamber of Commerce window. Mrs. William P. Elliott announced that Mrs. Alden deHart would make a flower arrangement for the Spade and Trowel Garden Club's May 5 open house and garden tour.

Mrs. Paul Geary announced that the New York Botanical Garden would hold a Spring garden tour in Princeton May 12.

Mrs. Sanford and Mrs. Luce reported on the annual convention of the Garden Club of America they had attended in Palm Beach, Fla.

The flower arrangements now in the Plainfield Public Library were done by Mrs. C. Benson Wigton Jr. and Mrs. Charles H. Detwiler Jr.

Miss Halloway Speaks

In a talk on "Choosing Daffodils," Miss Harriette R. Halloway said there are three important points: choose daffodils you like, have them like the location and soil, not too wet and in partial shade, and plant them where they will look well. Instead of planting in rows you should mix the yellow and white in groups.

Miss Halloway said large trumpet daffodils should not be naturalized as they are too heavy and do not blow in the wind. They should be massed in a recessed place, while the small trumpet variety is perfect for naturalization.

The flower arrangements in Mrs. Luce's home were done by Mrs. Edward H. Ladd, Mrs. John Roome and Mrs. William K. Dunbar Jr., Mrs. Leslie R. Fort and Mrs. Delano Ladd poured.
The Historical Society of Plainfield and North Plainfield, which administers Drake House, has been assisted in an ambitious and continuing program for the last several years by the Junior League, the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Plainfield Garden Club to decorate various rooms with authentic period furniture and to beautify the grounds surrounding the house.

The Garden Club has been assisted also by the Spade and Trowel Club and the Plainfield Rotary Club in the latter project.

Project Director

Mrs. Bruce A. Reid has been director for the Junior League work at Drake House, a major community project for the year and one which the league will continue next year. Mrs. Reid's interests in Drake House is threefold, inasmuch as she is a member also of the Historical Society and of the Plainfield Garden Club.

She has had the technical advice of Mrs. Lydia Powell of the American wing of the Metropolitan Museum of Art and also has retained C. Allen Hudson of Red Bank, a trustee of the Monmouth County Historical Society, as consulting curator.

Four downstairs rooms, a kitchen, dining room, living and bedroom have been re-decorated and furnished with many period pieces by the Junior League.

Small Art Gallery

Indirect lighting has been installed in the main hallway, making it possible to turn the area into a small art gallery.

The board of trustees of the Historical Society will hold a special preview of the re-opened period rooms Sunday from 4 to 7 p.m. Their guests will be members of the Junior League and those who have contributed toward the restoration project.
Cloisters Tapestries
Garden Club Subject

Thomas Miller, executive assistant at the Cloisters museum in New York, spoke on "The Flora of the Unicorn Tapestries" at the member-guest meeting of the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday in Grace Episcopal Church parish house. He was introduced by Mrs. Wayne J. Holman Jr., president.

Miller, who was assistant director of a museum in Birmingham, Ala., before coming to New York, has completed graduate work at the Institute of Fine Arts.

He showed slides of the tapestries, the herb gardens and other gardens at the Cloisters gardens.

Mr. Miller said the tapestries, of wool, silk and metallic threads, were woven to celebrate the marriage of Ann of Brittany and were re-woven after the Revolution at which time the royal coat-of-arms was removed. They were purchased by John D. Rockefeller and presented to the Cloisters in 1938.

Mrs. J. Rex Shoemaker read a tribute in memory of the late Mrs. James H. Whitehead.

Mrs. David F. Sanders, first vice president, announced the club had been asked by the Plainfield Trust State National Bank to decorate its Park Ave. windows for the Christmas holidays. Mrs. William P. Elliott is chairman of this committee and the decorations will be on display from Dec. 10 through the holidays.

Mrs. Holman announced the club would enter the garden class of the International Flower Show.

On display were flower arrangements, examples of two courses just completed under the direction of Mrs. John M. Langenberger of Navesink. Abstract arrangements were by Mrs. Holman, Mrs. Roswell H. Rausch and Mrs. David Foster.

Problem arrangements were by Mrs. Alden R. Loosli, Mrs. Dorothy M. Lockwood, Mrs.
The guests stepped over the threshold to a scene of great charm. In the center hall stood a Christmas tree on which members hung gifts of candy, wrapped as ornaments. Later the gifts were taken to Lyons Veterans Hospital, where for many years the club has contributed greens and gifts at Christmas.

The president, Mrs. Wayne J. Holman, conducted the meeting and welcomed two new members. The hostess, a member of the club, was assisted by Mrs. Victor King and Mrs. James R. Bird.

Stormy History

A varied and sometimes stormy history has characterized Lee House since 1725, when the original small structure was built at the corner of Cooper and Terrill Rds., by the Lee family. During the Revolutionary War, the house was on the line of march of General Burgoyne's army. After the war, the house was sold to Dr. Benjamin Rush, a signer of the Declaration of Independence. Later it was owned by the Eirott family, who sold it to the Lee family in 1895. The house was restored to its original charm and is a fine example of colonial architecture.

The Elliotts restored the house and restored the main parts, utilizing the old brick and stone, the ceiling beams and original floors to keep it an authentic Early American home.

The program was announced by Mrs. Bird. Readings on "The Symbols and Legends of Christmas" were given by Mrs. A. D. Seybold and Mrs. King, with incidental music played on the harp by 12-year-old Joyce Heiman. As the symbols were described, they were displayed by Mrs. Benson Wighton Jr.

The first of the symbols, an "Advent Wreath," was made of evergreens with four white candles, which are traditionally lighted one at a time on each of the four Sundays during the Advent Season.

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Presiding at the tea table at intervals were Mrs. Wayne J. Holman, Mrs. William S. Tyler, Mrs. Webster Sandford, Mrs. W. C. Barnhart, Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux and Mrs. Charles H. Detwiller Jr.
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Dedicated to her work, Mrs. Smith has been actively involved in horticulture and gardening for many years. She is a member of the Garden Club of America and the American Horticultural Society.

Her dedication to horticulture has been recognized by numerous honors and awards, including the Garden Club of America's award for outstanding service in horticulture.

Mrs. Smith is a dedicated and active member of the horticulture community, and her contributions have been widely recognized and celebrated.
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Horticultural Society of New York

Flower Compositions
The Plainfield Garden Club will hold a reception for its members tomorrow evening at the Monday Afternoon Club to celebrate the 50th anniversary of its founding. Among those who will entertain at small dinner parties at their home are Mr. and Mrs. William P. Elliott, "Lee House," Scotch Plains; Mr. and Mrs. Gerald S. Furman of 1096 Oakland Ave., Mr. and Mrs. Wayne J. Holman Jr. of 1039 Rahway Rd., and Mr. and Mrs. John S. Roome of 1071 Cooper Rd.
Area Gardens Clubs Win State Awards

A number of local clubs were among those receiving awards at the annual meeting of the Garden Club of New Jersey yesterday at the Brunswick Inn, East Brunswick.

Certificates of merit with gold seal went to the Garden Club of Westfield for work at Lyons Veterans Hospital and to the Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield for its mimeographed yearbook.

Receiving certificates of merit for work at Lyons were Mendham Garden Club and Crestwood Garden Club of Scotch Plains. The Neshanic Garden Club won a certificate of merit for work at Watson Army Hospital at Fort Dix.

Certificates of merit with gold seal for outstanding standard and judged flower shows went to the Washington Valley Garden Club of Somerset County and the Community Garden Club of Hunterdon County. Trailside Garden Club of Union County received a certificate of merit for standard and judged flower shows.

Certificates of merit were awarded Country Hills Garden Club of Somerset County, New Providence Garden Club and the Community Garden Club of Hunterdon County for their Christmas green shows and the Neshanic Garden Club received a certificate of merit for its garden tour.

Other award recipients included: Community Garden Club of Hunterdon County, Helen Hull silver bowl for the finest horticultural exhibit; N. J. Chrysanthemum Society, illuminated citation for its national show; N. J. College of Agriculture and Environmental Science at Rutgers, illuminated citation for its furthering of garden club activities in the fields of landscape design and horticulture.

Also: New Providence Junior Garden Club and the Junior Garden Club of Hunterdon Hills, certificates of merit for being outstanding junior clubs; and Basking Ridge Junior Garden Club, standard junior garden show award. Richard Goodeenough of Far Hills received a silver medal for his conservation work on the Upper Raritan Watershed.

Top honors went to the Sunny Acres Garden Club of Cranford, the Suburbanite Garden Club of Madison-Florham Park and the East Brunswick Garden Club. The Suburbanite club won the Spade and Trowel Club of Plainfield silver bowl for its Christmas greens show.
Area Entries Winners in Flower Show

Mrs. William P. Elliott of the Plainfield Garden Club has won a first prize at the International Flower Show in the New York Coliseum.

Her entry was in Class A of the Mailing Classes to simulate a commemorative tray in keeping with the 50th anniversary of the Garden Club of America.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Heinrich of Somerville took five first prizes, three second prizes and one third prize in the Orchids Classes.

Mrs. Glenn B. Hudson of Westfield was awarded best in class three times for her entries in the African Violet Classes and another of her entries was awarded outstanding.

A silver medal certificate went to Mrs. W. Redmond Cross of Bernardsville and New York for her doorway entry garden created by Leigh Hammond of New York.

To Mrs. Paul C. Johnson of Murray Hill went a best in class and an excellent award for her entries in the Cacti and Succulent Classes.

Mrs. Donald F. Hyde of Somerville won a first prize and a second for her entries in the Private Growers' Classes.

Show hours continue this week from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and on Sunday, the closing day, they will be 1-7 p.m.
Garden Club Hears Talk

Mrs. Carlton Vanderwarker of New Canaan, Conn., spoke on and demonstrated flower arrangements at the guest meeting of the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday in Grace Episcopal Church parish house.

She also demonstrated mechanical aids and stressed that the texture and form of the material to be used must be harmonious. She held a flower arrangement class Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Charles H. Detwiler Jr. of Clarks Lane.

Mrs. Webster Sandford, president, announced the Garden Club of New Jersey would hold a house and garden tour in Somerset Hills and environs May 1-2. Mrs. Edward Fitzpatrick told of plans for a fund raising Maytime open house and plant sale.

Hostesses were Mrs. Gerald S. Furman, Mrs. Frederic E. Mygatt, Mrs. Phillip W. Nash, Mrs. C. Northrup Pond, Mrs. Arthur D. Seybold and Mrs. John Tyler.
N. J. Garden Club
To Host Meeting

The Garden Club of New Jersey, whose president is Mrs. Albert Leeds Stillman of Plainfield, will be hostess club for the Central Atlantic Regional Conference of garden clubs Monday through Wednesday at the Chalfonte-Haddon Hall in Atlantic City.

Club representatives from New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Maryland, Delaware, the District of Columbia and this state will attend the conference.

The Garden Club of New Jersey will hold its Fall conference at the same time.
A Medieval Design
Herbalist Has a Tudor Knot Garden

By ALICE DENNIS

Visiting the herb garden of Mrs. Harry Brokaw Smith in Plainfield is not only an education in herbs, their culture and history, but an adventure in other aspects of horticulture and in landscaping.

The Smith garden is really a series of connected gardens and hidden away in their midst like a sanctuary is a Tudor knot herb garden, surrounded by old-fashioned garden roses with a statue of St. Fiacre, the patron saint of gardeners, placed in the background in a shrine above a bank of thyme. The shrine is under a late-blooming Chinese dogwood.

Mrs. Smith is a recognized authority on herbs. She is a vice president of the Herb Society of America, a former chairman of the New York Unit of this society and now chairman of the planting committee of the unit which maintains the Herb Garden at the New York Botanical Garden. She retired last spring as horticultural chairman of the Garden Club of New Jersey and also from that office of the Plainfield Garden Club.

She also is a member of the New Jersey Arbor and Garden Committee appointed by Governor Hughes for next year's New York World's Fair. She has written numerous articles on herbs for horticultural publications and also is the author of a book on the Gaspe Peninsula where the Smiths formerly spent their summers, "Gaspe Romantique."

But she credits her husband with being a better horticulturist. He is an engineer by profession, but his hobby is raising hollies from cuttings and cross-breeding English varieties. His most prized achievement is a large tree, now over 20 feet high in their

--- tells the time. The instrument includes a pedestal holding a bronze sphere on which the hours are marked in Roman numerals, and two arrows. The time is signified when the shadow of an arrow falls on a numeral. A rain-gauge is nearby.

Forget-me-nots bloom around the pool all summer. Arrowhead or sagittaria, an aquatic herb, also blooms around the edge and mountain laurel is among shrubs in the background. Flowering trees, and shrubs — including witch-hazel, spindle-tree (Euonymus alatus) English hawthorne, and Viburnum tene- morsum start blooming around the circle of the garden in early spring, then in July come the long-lasting pink racemes of albizia. A Franklinia tree also is a late bloomer. There is a rose border below the armillary.

The side which continues down from the rock garden leads just to the left of the tall holly tree. Here the shrubs are parted to admit the visitor to a path for meditation, which the Smiths call "Enoch's Walk." This leads between rhododendrons and azaleas, through a wild garden and past Smith's holly nursery. Circling along a hedge of lilacs, past white birches and

"His and Hers" compost heaps, one turns right into the secluded herb garden.

The herb collection numbers more than 100 varieties in medicinal, culinary and fragrant categories including some herbs mentioned in the Bible. Mrs. Smith sometimes arranges a collection of these for Christmas exhibits, including Lady's Bed Straw, said by some to have been the straw in the manger at Bethlehem.

White strawberries obtained from a nursery and seed house in Paris, grow in the herb area. Plants of different textures and varying shades of green make the knot garden design stand out. Varieties used in the design include several thymes, germanders (teucrium) with T. chamaedrys at the center of the knot, santolina (lavender cotton) and other lavenders. Outside the knot are all the other numerous herb varieties.

Mrs. Smith has said that she first became interested in herbs through their flavor for cooking, but an heirloom picture of her family, the Willeys who came to Virginia from England, must also have stirred her interest.

This is a tinted engraving representing "The King's Herb Women" who last appeared in coronation processions when George IV was crowned.
Garden Club Wins Grant

The Plainfield Garden Club is one of five clubs awarded $200 grants from Sears, Roebuck and Company in the contest for the improvement of “Historic Sites” in their communities.

More than 50 member clubs of the Garden Club of New Jersey competed for grants, according to Mrs. Albert L. Stillman, president of the state club, and Mrs. Karl M. Mann of Upper Montclair, chairman of the project.

Drake House was the Plainfield Garden Club’s entry and the grant will be used to continue beautification of the Drake House grounds, according to Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, president of the club.
Area Clubs Have Roles in Greens Show

Eight other clubs will be represented in the Christmas Greens Show of Spade and Trowel Garden Club from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Thursday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday in Fellowship Hall of First-Park Baptist Church. Holiday decorations will be done by Mrs. Fred H. Laible of the Wat-}
{chung Garden Club, Mrs. C. E. Gerald Ward of the Monday Afternoon Club, Mrs. D. A. Childs Jr. of the Junior League of Plainfield, Mrs. Lackland of the Plainfield Garden Club and Mrs. C. H. Wigton Jr. of the Plainfield Garden Club and Mrs. William F. Lehr of the Greenshade Garden Club, Mrs. Charles F. Peters of the North Brook Garden Club.

Two tables for children's construction will be by Spade and flowers and an straw collection display.

Trumpet carrying cherubs, Spade and Trowel Garden Club's and bells will accent the Club with the theme of "Joy to the World," Christmas green show in 1962.

Features will include a demonstration in the area in 1962.
Arrangement Prizes Given

Five members of the Plainfield Garden Club have received ribbons for their flower arrangements at the "Famous Paintings from Private Collections" show now in progress at MacCulloch Hall Museum, Morristown.

The winners were: Mrs. William P. Elliott, a red ribbon for her arrangement to complement a picture by Sir Henry Raeburn; Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux, a blue ribbon for an arrangement for a painting of a battle scene by Jacques Courtois; and Mrs. Edward H. Ladd, a red ribbon for an arrangement for a portrait by Jean Honore Fragonard.

Mrs. Alexander Kroll and Mrs. F. Edgard Davis won a blue ribbon for their arrangement on a pie crust table in the center of the room.

The show will continue through Sunday.
25 Years Ago, 1939

The Plainfield Garden Club held an exhibition of flower arrangements, open to the public, at the homes of six of its members to demonstrate the use of flowers in the home. Exhibitions were on view in the homes of Mrs. Ferris S. Hetherington, 205 Stelle Ave.; Mrs. William Wallace Coriell, 963 Central Ave.; Miss Elsie Harman, 437 Randolph Rd.; Mrs. Edward H. Ladd Jr., 500 Stelle Ave.; Mrs. William S. Tyler, 520 W. Eighth St., and Mrs. C. Boardman Tyler, 525 W. Seventh St. Effingham Pinto assisted in a special exhibit at Mrs. Ladd’s home.

Miss Elvra Cornelia
DINNER AT MUSEUM

Delegates have an early-to-late day again on May 9. Dr. Richard A. Howard, director of the Arnold Arboretum in Boston, will address a session at 8:45 a.m. The afternoon will be given over to a series of luncheons and tours of members' gardens in this area. In the evening there will be a dinner at the Philadelphia Museum of Art where there will be a special exhibit of flower paintings and prints. Medals and other awards will be presented at this time.

A farewell luncheon at the Sheraton will follow an annual business session and directors' meeting on May 9.

FUND FOR PROJECTS

Among the points of business to be taken up will be the allocation of income from the Founders' Fund. The money goes to worthwhile projects in the fields of horticulture and conservation. These are suggested by member clubs. In the Philadelphia area the fund has financed construction of a pond in the Bowmar's Hill wild flower preserve and the establishment of a garden of drug plants in the Morris Arboretum in Chestnut Hill in addition to the magnolia garden.

Among the aims of the Garden Club of America are the promoting of garden interest among amateurs, aiding in protection of native plants and birds and encouraging civic planning. Toward these ends Philadelphians will report during the session on support of the Neighborhood Gardens project and the city's 4-H Clubs. Members also maintain many of the gardens at Philadelphia's historic homes and help support the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society and the Philadelphia Flower Show. In ad-
Reviews City's Growth, Lists Goals, Prospects for 1960

Under the headline housing develops, a new giving the city a new face, and new buildings are being completed. A new fire station is being built, and the city is expanding in all directions. The commission itself has plans for the future, and its work has been generally taken for granted by the people.

Our City has a comprehensive program of parks and recreation facilities. The improvement of the parks will continue during 1960 and beyond. The city is welcoming new businesses, and the city is expanding its services. These personal services are the principal commodities that the city is offering to its citizens.

Mack Announcement

Perhaps this is the proper time to make reference to some important developments which have been announced recently. Mack Truck Line, Inc., has constructed a new plant in Plainfield, and 25 years in his office. This is an important milestone in the history of Plainfield.

I am assured that their decision has been dictated by circumstances beyond the control of the city. First of these is the beautification of the street, which includes a more modern appearance. These recommendations and requests, the 1963 Council will have to make these subjects first. The city is in need of new buildings, and it is important that the new developments should be completed in a timely manner.

The city is also planning the planting of the 132 trees which you now see on Park Ave., between Front and Second Sts. These are the general location of the city of Plainfield Garden Club in continuation of their efforts to improve the appearance of Plainfield. It is hoped that with the fine examples set by the Garden Club, the public, and the merchants, will feel encouraged to expand and expand the planting of trees in the shopping area.

The retirement of Mr. Sydney Durrant, superintendent of the Shade Tree Commission, is sincerely regretted by all. It is to those who SYD has endeared himself. We wish him continued happiness in his retirement.

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It is generally conceded that one of Plainfield's most urgent needs is a new fire station. The city has not recently given

Grounds Improved

Perhaps as you entered this building you noticed a new scene very attractive, newly planted shrubs at the entrance, together with the freshly painted flagpole. These are the final results of perseverance of our efficient city clerk, and an efficient fire department, which is highly respected by the taxpayers. It is to be expected that this group of taxpayers, if implemented, will be a heavy burden, though they may have merit.

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Museum Reopens After Restoration

By MILDRED CARSON

Four years ago, the Junior League of Plainfield undertook as a project the restoration of Drake House, one of the few surviving links to Plainfield’s colonial days.

It was in this historic building where General George Washington met his officers for consultation before and after the Battle of the “Short Hills” on June 26, 1777 near the site of the present-day Plainfield Country Club.

Yesterday, the trustees of the Historical Society of Plainfield and North Plainfield, which administers the museum, held a preview for members of the Junior League and others who have contributed toward the restoration project.

Drake House has been closed for the last month while finishing touches on the hall and four front rooms, the original area of the house, were made.

Beginning today, the museum again will be open Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays from 2 to 5 p.m.

Heads Project

Mrs. Bruce A. Reid of Clark Lane, the former Miss Beverly Paulson, has been project chairman for the Junior League, in charge of renovating the four oldest rooms—the kitchen, dining room, living room and downstairs bedroom.

She has been assisted in the work by C. Allan Hudson Jr. of Red Bank, a trustee of an antique dough table purchased by the Junior League adds to the room’s authentic air.

In the dining room, a Tole chandelier dating from 1740 has been given to the museum by the Junior League and gold initialed and banded Lowestoft teacups have been donated by Mrs. Sidney Stokes of Arlington, VT, formerly of Belvidere Ave.

'Tree of Life'

The colonial bedroom is dominated by a Tree of Life quilted bedspread made by the daughter of John Hart, signer of the Declaration of Independence. It also contains a framed sampler of 1730, which was found in the house, blanket chest donated by the Junior League and a cabinet on which are displayed examples of colonial toilet articles.

In the parlor, which was added in Empire days, perhaps around 1830, Mrs. William P. Elliott has executed a border stencilled on the repainted floor. She also has stencilled an early colonial design on the bedroom walls.

To enhance the colonial atmosphere, Junior League members and members of the
He showed slides of the tapestries, the herb gardens and other gardens at the Cloister gardens.

Mr. Miller said the tapestries, of wool, silk and metallic threads, were woven to celebrate the marriage of Ann of Brittany and were re-woven after the Revolution at which time the royal coat-of-arms was removed. They were purchased by John D. Rockefeller and presented to the Cloisters in 1938.

Mrs. J. Rex Shoemaker read a tribute in memory of the late Mrs. James H. Whitehead.

Mrs. David F. Sanders, first vice president, announced the club had been asked by the Plainfield Trust State National Bank to decorate its Park Ave. windows for the Christmas holidays. Mrs. William P. Elliott is chairman of this committee and the decorations will be on display from Dec. 10 through the holidays.

Mrs. Holman announced the club would enter the garden class of the International Flower Show.

On display were flower arrangements, examples of two courses just completed under the direction of Mrs. John M. Langenberger of Navesink. Abstract arrangements were by Mrs. Holman, Mrs. Roswell H. Rausch and Mrs. David Foster.

Problem arrangements were by Mrs. Alden R. Loosli, Mrs. Frederic M. Lockwood, Mrs. William K. Dunbar Jr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Mann. Arrangements of evergreen branches, cones, nuts and berries were by Mrs. Arthur D. Seybold and Mrs. J. Harold Loizeaux.
Social

Garden Club History
Reviews Past 50 Years

A history of the Plainfield Garden Club was presented to the members Wednesday by Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd at the club’s annual meeting in the home of Mrs. Edgar F. Davis, 1080 Rahway Rd. Mrs. Alexander Krull was co-hostess.

The history has been published to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Garden Club, which was formed in 1915.

The first part of the history was written by a charter member, now deceased, Mrs. Thomas Van Boskerck. The second part, covering the years from 1940-1965, was written by Mrs. Gerald Furman, and highlights the accomplishments of all the departments of the club.

Special emphasis is given to the three continuing projects: the Shakespeare Garden, started in 1927; the Dogwood Collection, sponsored since 1946; and the Iris Garden begun in 1932; all in Cedar Brook Park. These three gardens have received national recognition and many awards for excellence.

The Union County Park Commission has just named the dogwood planting, “The Harriette R. Halloway Cornus Collection,” in appreciation of the club’s many years of service to park activities. Miss Halloway, 90, is the Garden Club’s oldest living member and an authority on cornus and iris.

Mrs. Edwin J. Fitzpatrick, nominating chairman, presented the slate of officers which was elected as follows: President, Mrs. Wayne J. Holman Jr.; first vice president, Mrs. David Sanders; second vice president, Mrs. F. Gregg Burger; treasurer, Mrs. William K. Dunbar Jr.; recording secretary, Mrs. C. Northrup Pond; and corresponding secretary, Mrs. C. Benson Wighton Jr.

Mrs. Holman and Mrs. Sanders will attend the annual meeting of the Garden Club of America in Cleveland, Ohio from May 10-14. Mrs. Holman will present a resume of a recent program given by members of the Plainfield Club on the botanical background of the malow plant family.

Mrs. John Wells of Valley Road, Watchung, said the club will again give scholarships to the Audubon summer camps or the N.J. State School of Conservation at Stokes Forest, as has been done since 1941. School teachers and scout leaders are eligible to apply for the scholarships.

A colored movie, entitled “Wings Over Blitzen,” was shown, picturing wildlife in its natural state in the Malheur Wildlife Refuge near Burns, Ore.

Tea followed the meeting. Mrs. C. Benson Wighton and Mrs. Blanché P. Nash presided at the tea table, which was decorated with an arrangement of white spring flowers.
City Club Wins Award
In N.Y. Flower Show

The Garden Club of Plainfield won first prize for its entry Saturday in the 49th International Flower Show which opened at the Coliseum in New York. Two members were also cited.

The club won the award in a competition sponsored by the Garden Club of America for a back yard garden. It is one of four small gardens which will be on view all week.

Outside a putty-colored kitchen door with shingled canopy in a red frame house, the garden is planted with apple blossom pale pink geraniums, an espaliered apple tree by the door with French strawberries (Fraise de Bois). English ivy (Hedera Heix) was planted in borders and around a low sundial which concealed a garbage pail.

Mrs. Alexander Kroll, club exhibition chairman, was in charge of the planting and Mrs. William Elliott designed the garden. Others on the committee were Mrs. E. Wayne Holman, president; Mrs. Victor R. King, Mrs. F. Edgar Davis, Mrs. C. Benson Wigton, Mrs. Bruce Reil, and Mrs. Richard Sheble.

Mrs. Edward Ladd 2nd and Mrs. David Sanders, also of the Plainfield club, exhibiting together, won a third prize for artistic arrangement of geraniums in a small planter. They used variegated plants in rose-colored tones with a lichen to match.

The theme, “Planting Keeps America Beautiful,” has inspired a number of exhibits on civic and roadside planting and small backyard gardens which demonstrate the Natural Beauty program of President and Mrs. Lyndon Johnson.

Mrs. Stewart L. Udall, wife of the secretary of the interior, who is responsible for carrying out the program, spoke.
Top Winners Listed for Flower Show

Mrs. Alden DeHart, Mrs. Victor King, Mrs. David S. Foster and Mrs. Homer P. Cochran were the blue ribbon winners in the all-member flower show of the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday in the home of Mrs. C. Benson Wighton Jr., 980 Woodland Ave. Mrs. C. Sidney Trewin was the co-hostess.

The judges were Mrs. Linden Stuart Jr. and Mrs. F. Willoughby Frost Jr. The two classes of miniature arrangements and one class of special arrangements were placed in designated spots in Mrs. Wighton's home.

Mrs. F. Edgar Davis, exhibitions chairman, announced that seven members had been hostesses at the International Flower Show in New York last week. Mrs. William P. Elliott had an entry of dried flowers, to simulate crewel work, in the show.

Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, president, announced that the Plainfield Trust State National Bank is sponsoring a trip to Longwood Gardens, Wilmington, Del., Saturday, and the club members had been invited.

Three competitive proposed projects, for the Garden Club of America’s Founders Fund Award, were presented by Mrs. Charles A. Eaton Jr., Mrs. Gerald S. Furman and Mrs. Noah C. Barnhart Jr. They were: Landscaping for the Senate House, oldest public building in New York state; gardens proposed for Children's Hospital, Birmingham, Ala; and land...
GETS FIRST PRIZE — This backyard garden display designed by Mrs. William Elliott won first prize for the Garden Club of Plainfield at the 49th International Flower Show currently being exhibited at New York’s Coliseum. Planted with apple blossom geraniums, English ivy and French strawberries, the garden features an espaliered apple tree and a low sundial concealing a garbage pail. The backyard garden competition was sponsored by the Garden Club of America.
Flower Compositions

Orchid Glasses

Trophy Awards

Special Awards

New York Chapter of the American Association of Landscape Architects, Inc. Special Award: Mr. & Mrs. R. C. Berliner.
Plainfield Garden Club Marks 50th Anniversary

The Plainfield Garden Club observed its 50th anniversary Saturday night with a reception at the Monday Afternoon Club. A pictorial history of the club’s activities highlighted the evening.

Several past presidents and two charter members, Mrs. William S. Tyler and Miss Josephine Lapsley, were among the honored guests.

Members and their husbands were welcomed by Mrs. Wayne J. Holman Jr., president, and Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, chairman of the celebration and a past president.

Others serving as hostesses were former presidents Mrs. Leslie R. Fort, Mrs. C. Boardman Tyler, Mrs. J. Webster Sandford and Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood, Mrs. Alden de Hart and Mrs. Victor R. King, also past presidents, were hostesses at the coffee table.

Mrs. William P. Elliott and Mrs. David S. Foster, decorations chairmen, carried out the anniversary theme with yellow table cloths and golden urns arranged with flowers dipped in gold. Two white alabaster urns filled with red roses adorned the entrance hallway, and the buffet table featured two decorated 5-branch candelabras and a tiered anniversary cake.

The pictorial history, planned and executed by Mrs. Lockwood, included movies of club members taken many years ago by the late Leslie Fort. Slides showed such club activities as the planting of the Moraine locust trees in Park Ave., the planting around the YWCA and the Salvation Army buildings, window boxes on downtown buildings, the Cornus collection and the Shakespeare and iris gardens in Cedar Brook Park.

A challenge class, in which husbands of six members participated, was directed by Mrs. Lawrence S. Hesly. Alden R. Looshi was declared the winner of the arrangement competition.

The Plainfield Garden Club is a member of the Garden Club of America and the Garden Club of New Jersey.
American Iris Society
Visits Cedar Brook Gardens

The Cedar Brook Park Iris Gardens, initiated by Miss Harriette R. Halloway, chairman, and maintained for the past 30 years by the Plainfield Garden Club and the Union County Park Commission were visited yesterday by 300 members of the American Iris Society on the first day of its national convention.

Convention headquarters are the Robert Treat Hotel, Newark, which is in Region 19, New Jersey and Staten Island.

The Cedar Brook Park Iris Gardens is one of two large successful public iris gardens in the United States. They contain collections of all divisions or types of iris. There is a succession of bloom from late March until July and a Chinese species in August. Because of the late season, the bloom was not at its usual height at this time of May.

Delegates who came from all parts of the country wandered over the park enjoying the other special paintings, including the Shakespeare Garden, the Daffodil Plantation, Peony Garden and Day Lily collection.

Of special interest was the dogwood collection, one of the largest collections of varieties in the United States.

Members of the Iris Garden committee of the Plainfield Garden Club are Mrs. Morris K. Benton, Mrs. F. Gregg Burger, Mrs. Edward H. Clendenin, Mrs. William K. Dunbar Jr., Mrs. Charles A. Easton Jr., Mrs. Wayne J. Holman Jr., Mrs. Frederick M. Lockwood and Mrs. Donald C. Luce.

Also, Mrs. Edwin J. Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Phillip W. Nash, Mrs. C. Northrup Pond, Mrs. John S. Bently, Mrs. R. Bently, Ms...
Drake House Schedules Re-Opening on Monday

The Drake House, Plainfield’s Revolutionary Museum at 519 W. Front St., will re-open Monday after several weeks of extensive renovation undertaken by the Junior League of Plainfield as one of its projects to enhance and preserve the city’s historical treasures.

The Historical Society of Plainfield and North Plainfield, which administers Drake House, has been assisted in an ambitious and continuing program for the last several years by the Junior League, the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Plainfield Garden Club to decorate various rooms with authentic period furniture and to beautify the grounds surrounding the house.

The Garden Club has been assisted also by the Spade and Trowel Club and the Plainfield Rotary Club in the latter project.

Project Director

Mrs. Bruce A. Reid has been director for the Junior League work at Drake House, a major community project for the year and one which the league will continue next year. Mrs. Reid’s interest in Drake House is threefold, inasmuch as she is a member also of the Historical Society and of the Plainfield Garden Club.

She has had the technical advice of Mrs. Lydia Powell of the American wing of the Metropolitan Museum of Art and also has retained C. Allen Hudson of Red Bank, a trustee of the Monmouth County Historical Society, as consulting curator.

Four downstairs rooms, a kitchen, dining room, living and bedroom have been redecorated and furnished with many period pieces by the Junior League.

Small Art Gallery

Indirect lighting has been installed in the main hallway, making it possible to turn the area into a small art gallery.

The board of trustees of the Historical Society will hold a special preview of the re-opened period rooms Sunday from 4 to 7 p.m. Their
Flower Show Begins Week at Coliseum
International Exhibition Attracts Displays From Twelve Countries

COMPETITIVE CLASSES—POOL PLANTINGS
FIRST PRIZE—Millbrook Garden Club, Inc., N. Y.
SECOND PRIZE—Plainfield Garden Club, N. J.
THIRD PRIZE—Rumson Garden Club, N. J.
HONORABLE MENTION — Ulster Garden Club, N. Y.

Plainfield Club Wins 2nd Prize
The Plainfield Garden Club won a second prize for one of four pool-side plantings in a classic design at the 43rd International Flower Show which opened Saturday at the New York Coliseum.

Mrs. William Elliott was chairman of the exhibit which played an old Spanish planting of red and yellow hydrangea with bronze begonia. Mrs. Elliott was assisted by Mrs. Linden Stuart, Mrs. Joseph Frost, Mrs. Victor C. Smith, Alden De Hart, Charles Detwiller and Larry Brokaw Smith.
Garden Club Elects Staff

Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd was elected president of the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday in the home of Mrs. W. Manning Barr, Woodland Ave., South Plainfield.

Also elected were: First vice president, Mrs. Webster Sandford; second vice president, Mrs. Edwin J. Fitzpatrick; treasurer, Mrs. Wayne J. Holman; secretary, Mrs. Gerald S. Furman; and corresponding secretary, Mrs. H. Williamson Griswold.

Mrs. Sandford announced the club will make flower arrangements for the Plainfield Public Library for Easter.

A contribution of $50 was made to the National Park Student Conservation Program, which provides food and lodging for a student working in the national parks under a forest ranger during the summer.

The club will decorate May baskets for the open house tour “Tally Ho” in New Vernon May 1 and 2, sponsored by the New Jersey Garden Club. Mrs. David Sanders was awarded a red ribbon in the flower show currently being held in the Plainfield Trust State National Bank, it was announced.

Mrs. Robert T. Stevens and Mrs. Francis P. Day presided at the tea table. Flower arrangements were by Mrs. William K. Dunbar.
Cedar Brook Iris Blooming

Spring flower enthusiasts may now see the Cedar Brook Park Iris Garden at its best, according to a report given to the Plainfield Garden Club yesterday.

Miss Harriette R. Halloway reported that the mass bloom of small iris at the garden was at its peak. Many species are in full bloom.

Soon 60 different varieties of dwarf bearded iris may be viewed. During the past year, the garden was augmented by 40 new varieties and 555 additional plants of old varieties. Mrs. Albert Stillman reported that a new hawthorn tree had been added to the Shakespeare Garden.

Mrs. Georges His announced that a dogwood was in full bloom at the Park Ave. entrance to the Cornus (Dogwood) Arboretum in the park. The club has added new varieties to the collection.
Club Delegates At Conference

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The conference will be held through Wednesday in Chalfonte-Haddon Hall.

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Guests Greeted

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Miss Harriette R. Halloway, who helped found and develop the Iris Garden in Cedar Brook Park, died early today (Oct. 14, 1966) in Muhlenberg Hospital where she had been a patient for two days.

She would have been 92 years old next month. She had been living at the McCutchen Home, 21 Rockview Ave., North Plainfield.

Studied at Columbia

After attending the Scribner-Newton School here, a forerunner of the Hartridge School, Miss Halloway studied at Columbia University.

For several years she was actively interested in the promotion of church missions and was the first secretary of the Presbyterian synod. She also wrote pamphlets for the Board of Foreign Missions.

Started as Teacher

She was hired by John Leal in 1916 as a teacher in his school in the same year that Charles D. Wardlaw began his career with the school that he later headed. Miss Halloway remained on the faculty until 1949.

"To the end she was a devoted friend of the school," Prentice C. Horne, headmaster of Cedar Brook Park, since the collection was her chief love.

Contribution to the Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church Endowment fund were also mentioned by Miss Halloway in lieu of flowers.

The A. M. Runyon and Son Funeral Home which is in charge of funeral arrangements has announced services will be held Monday at 2:30 p.m. in the chapel of the Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church with the pastor, the Rev. Dr. Charles L. Mead, officiating. Interment will be in Hillside Cemetery.

There will be no calling hours at the funeral home.
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Bromley noted that the dangers from nuclear energy are "wildly over-rated" and said there is little radiation from a nuclear reactor. "There is 10 times as much from a gas powered plant and 100 times as much from a coal fired plant," Bromley said. This means that Americans have actually been living with radiation all of their lives.

The physicist went on to point out that "fantastic changes" have been made in medicine the past five years as a result of nuclear research and that a nuclear reactor can desalt 150 million gallons of water per day. He mentioned this fact in noting the world need for pure water and said a reactor can be built where needed. "At the same time a reactor is pumping water it can generate ammonia for fertilizer. This would make it invaluable in arid areas, he noted. A reactor can support a population of 2½ million people," Bromley said.

There has been a problem of disposing of radioactive waste, the educator said, and presently it is being pumped several thousand feet into the earth. "The ultimate solution is to fling it back into the sun and we are working on that," he said.

"We have to make more imaginative and effective use of this new source of energy," Bromley concluded.

A highlight of the meeting was the presentation of the Zone 4 Conservation Award to Mrs. Richard Gambrill of Peapack for "unflagging support of all facets of conservation."

Officers Elected By Garden Club

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Tea was poured by Mrs. William G. Wigton and Mrs. Frederick L. Hall.
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Miss Halloway earned many awards for flowers and flower arrangements and was recognized internationally for her work in horticulture.

Received Many Honors

Besides being honored by the Royal Horticultural Society in England, Miss Halloway was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal by the Garden Club of America in 1958.

In 1931 she helped establish the nationally known dogwood area of Cedar Brook Park and the famous Iris Garden was founded by her the following year. In 1938 she directed the daffodil plantings there and later a peony garden.

She also served as a consultant to the Union County Park Commission. During her lifetime she was honored with membership in the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreums and the New York Botanical Gardens and the American Horticultural Society are among the national groups who recognized her accomplishments.

She also was the author of many horticultural writings.

Garden Club Member

A member of the Plainfield Garden Club since 1920, she served at various times as chairman of the conservation, program and horticultural committee.

Mrs. Edward H. Ladd 3rd, president of the Garden Club, said that Miss Halloway had asked the members of the club long ago that in lieu of flowers, she would prefer a memorial plaque "Halloway Collection" to be placed in the Garden Club.
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It's Been Said
If a man speaks or acts with pure thought, happiness follows him like a shadow that never leaves him.—Buddha

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SPRING SERENADE—Cedar Brook Park beckons invitingly with a song of Spring blossoms and verdure. Its daffodils, now on the wane, seem to wave a farewell. Nine-month-old David Myers is shown the wonders of a daffodil by his mother, Mrs. Ronald Myers of 128 Randolph Rd. In the background is the Shakespeare Garden. (Photo by Fred Keelings)

Park Flowers Called
Harbinger...
Sees Touch of Beauty

As an older member among Plainfield residents, I do not own a car, but probably see a great deal more than those who ride, while I walk about.

I have been so impressed by some of the things I have seen on my trip to town and back that I just thought I would like to make folks know about a few of them.

Now that Plainfield is celebrating its one hundredth birthday, I would like to mention a few items I have noticed that have made the city nicer. And they are free to be seen by walking a few blocks:

The neat little park which the Garden Club has made possible on Park Avenue between Fourth Street and Depot Park; the colorful gardens on the railroad property near the Park and Watchung Avenue bridges; the underpasses of the railroad are much cleaner — less glass on the sidewalks. This is true of Watchung Avenue, Park Avenue, Madison and Central Avenues.

The Plainfield Book Shop on Park Avenue is to be commended on their fine display of picture postal cards in their right hand window.

The Chamber of Commerce has a fine display of antique articles. I was fascinated by the cards of unusual buttons. The Public Library looks so nice with the tree blossoming at this time.

We are so quick to speak of something unpleasant. Let's look at the pleasant things and encourage others to see them.

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Plainfield
Enjoys gardens

Your recent story and picture expressed well deserved appreciation of the charming gardens, especially on the embankments along the railroad at Park and Washing Avenues in Plainfield. The Garden Club is making an important contribution to the city in these gardens. The gardens are a real joy to those of us who look at them and enjoy their beauty.

M. R. BONNELL
North Plainfield
A TRIBUTE GARDEN
by MRS. GARRET SMITH

Every city and town, even the smallest village, wishes many times to express long-deserved appreciation of its citizens who served in World War II, the Korean conflict or other such activities. Naturally, too, it wants to carry out such a project tastefully and without an undue amount of expenditure. What could be better than creating a miniature park where its citizens can sit and reflect on a suitably inscribed bronze tablet? Such a tribute, still lacking in many a home town, expresses its finest feelings. Obviously, it also enables the clergy of Catholic, Jewish and Protestant faiths approved the inscription. To those who went from this city, to serve in World War II, 1941-45—The Korean Conflict, 1945-53, “to loose the hands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free.” Isaiah, LVIII-6.

The stone selected by the city’s Beautification Committee isn’t “pretty.” It is rough and handsome. Unlike our common conglomerate which is also full of little stones, this one was so fused by heat that they will permanently enhance the attractiveness of the community and its historical status.

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AUTHOR PHOTO
Color, Light in Flowers Described to Local Club

"Color and Light in Flowers" were described by Mrs. Hortense Dean, managing director of the Ohara Center of N.Y., before The Spade and Trowel Garden Club yesterday in the home of Mrs. Hayward F. Day, 144 Rockview Ave., North Plainfield.

Mrs. Dean showed the intensifying as well as the receding effects of colored lights and backgrounds on a variety of flower arrangements. She has studied and demonstrated flower arranging in Europe, South Africa, South America and Asia. She holds teachers certificates in the Enshu and Sogetsu Schools of Japanese Arranging and a master's certificate in the Ohara School.

Anti-Litter Week

Mrs. Charles B. Hellerson, co-chairman of the City Beautification Committee, announced that Anti-Litter Week will be dramatized April 29 in the Madison-Park Renewal area with the Plainfield High School Band participating.

Mrs. Hellerson also reported that the Parking Authority, the Plainfield Garden Club and the Spade and Trowel now have definite plans for landscaping the parking lot opposite the Police Station starting with the embankment on the Watchung Avenue side.

Mrs. E. Leslie Boyer, president, announced that Mrs. Maurice B. Cooke and Mrs. Harry B. Coxhead would make flower arrangements for one of the houses to be included in the Garden Club of N.J. Home and Garden Tour May 17. Mrs. Charles B. Hellerson, program chairman, said that 20 members were planning to take the tour.

Primary Explained

Mrs. Harold N. Scherer advised members on the proper pruning techniques for flowering shrubs and evergreens.

The floral arrangement on the ten table was by Mrs. Robert J. Berney, Mrs. Fred D. Laiizeaux and Mrs. William E. Ganse poured.

Plainfield Yeshiva

Enrolling Classes

Applications for September classes are being accepted now at the Yeshiva of Plainfield, and early registration is recommended to ensure enrollment.

Qualifying ages are: Kindergarten, 3 years, 8 months; primer, 4 years, 5 months; grade one, 5 years, 5 months. Further information is available at the school.
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Park Flowers Called Color Kaleidoscope

By JILL MAAS

Spring's colorful garments of blossoms and greens have completely erased Winter's somber scenic tones in Cedar Brook Park.

To one side of Cedar Brook Lake the double flowering cherry tree blooms are "blushing" their prettiest pink. Daydreaming beneath them, stretched out on the lush grass, was a bicyclist. Nearby a young mother kept a watchful eye on her little boy as he explored the edge of the lake.

Here and there along the park driveways people were parked in their cars to admire the kaleidoscope of color, the evidence of more beauty to come.

A leisurely, scrutinizing walk in the Shakespeare Garden, near the field house, and one can discover the fragile violets shyly peeking out here and there. Then there are the cuckoo flowers, a scattering of still living tulips, and the bleeding heart.

At one corner of this garden, spreading its branches decked profusely with delicate pink-white blossoms, is one of many crabapple trees.

Nearby stands a mammoth bush of forsythia with its golden bells, the hardy and long-lived shrub that grows in any soil. This is the flower that ornaments the seal of Plainfield's Chamber of Commerce.

In the Iris Garden there are scatterings of blooms. While due to make their debut the latter part of next week are the dwarf bearded iris.

Still nodding their heads to the whims of the wind, but in diminishing numbers, are countless daffodils in the meadow and border planting. This is a project of the Union County Park Commission.

More than 200 labeled varieties of daffodils, both old and new types, are in the border planting. Many of these are about to bow out of the picture.

However the poeticus, the daffodils of the standard division, should open their faces to the sun soon, providing Dame Nature doesn't turn whimsical.

For those who wish an inspiration, a lift of the spirits and those who enjoy increasing their knowledge of flowers, a trip to Cedar Brook Park should be made as soon as possible.
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Cited for beautification work

City garden club is lauded

By MILDRED CARSON

PLAINFIELD — "I think Plainfield Garden Club is doing a fine job in this city — we are very conscious of civic beautification. And this is especially important in a mid-sized city like Plainfield. A very new city or a very old historic one doesn't have the same need for beautification that a city of Plainfield's age has." This was the opinion of Mrs. Joseph M. Greely of Westfield, Ill., national conservation chairman for the Garden Club of America. Mrs. Greely and several other national officers and committee chairmen spent two days last week with 50 or more delegates from the Garden Club of America affiliates in Zone IV, the New Jersey area.

The Plainfield club, which was hosting a zone meeting for the first time, planned an extensive bus tour for the delegates which included views of the civic projects, the club's work in Cedar Brook Park, and visits to private gardens and homes of several members.

"The mini-park in Park Avenue is one of the finest I have ever seen," Mrs. George H. F. Lacey of Cleveland, another national chairman, declared. She expressed admiration, too, for the work the local garden club members have done in community activity. She praised particularly the high quality of maintenance care lavished by the members on their vest pocket park project.

During the downtown part of the tour, the visiting garden club members observed the many beautification projects, tree plantings and

Mrs. Arthur D. Seybold, president of the Plainfield Garden Club, spent nearly two years growing, pinching, and pruning rosemary plants into miniature topiary tree form to present to the club. She described the pruning process, saying it involved removing dead wood and shaping the plants into desired forms. The club's garden is a popular location for events and serves as an example of the beauty that can be achieved through hard work and dedication.

Also included in the tour were visits to other notable gardens, including one dedicated to Shakespeare, which was praised for its careful maintenance and attention to detail. The garden features plants mentioned in Shakespeare's plays, creating a unique and educational experience for visitors.
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Expanding this simple plan, the communities might then make the boulder the focal point of an unpretentious design, as was done in Plainfield, New Jersey. The 8-ton boulder, now on the City Hall grounds, first emerged from obscurity when a small hill was levelled for a new housing project a few miles away. Moved and set on a concrete foundation about 30 feet back from the street, the boulder stands near the flagpole. It is in a busy shopping area. For many years, other tablets honored those who served in earlier wars. Before the tablet was cast, never come loose. Thus, the long search for just-the-right boulder was well rewarded. It has been particularly interesting to amateur and professional geologists as well as to members of garden clubs, who have learned how to embellish gardens and add to their interest by the addition of carefully-selected stones. The Japanese have been doing this for centuries.

White dogwoods, a few laurels, white azaleas, dwarf yews, ivy and pachysandra were planted. Flagstones furnished the stepping stones from street to boulder, and on either side of this walkway was placed a large bench. This strong but simple design is admired by all who visit the garden.
This attractive vest pocket park of trees, shrubs and flowers once was a paper strewn downtown eyesore (below). The efforts of the Plainfield Garden Club brought about the transformation.

‘Mini’ Park Blooms

PLAINFIELD—Combine some civic-minded women, a small patch of land and some cooperative businessmen, then add a few plants, trees and flowers and you have a ‘mini’ park, an attractive alternative to an unattractive downtown lot.

That’s the recipe members of the Plainfield Garden Club hope others will use to follow the example they set yesterday with completion of a “Vest Pocket” Park sandwiched between two businesses at 329 Park Ave.

The planting of colorful geraniums was the final touch—the outgrowth of many meetings held by the Garden Club Conservation Committee headed by Mrs. Gerald S. Furman.

The aim was to extend the civic planting theme started by the Mayor’s Beautification Committee. The result was a complete

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Plantings Expanded

The suggestion of W. R. Tracey of the commission led, in 1946, to further expansion of the plantings into a full arboretum. In its development, the advice and cooperation of Ralph H. Carver of the commission, was an important factor.

There are now 45 varieties of dogwood in the Arboretum, and some young trees are grown to add to the arboretum in the commission’s nurseries. So extensive has the local display grown that it now is necessary to exchange with other arboreums in the nations, since the average nursery.
Park's Dogwood Center
Scene of 25-Year Honors

As residents of the area strolled through Cedar Brook Park arboretum late yesterday afternoon enjoying the view of dogwood trees about to bloom, two women responsible for the planting 25 years ago were being honored at a reception-tea in the Field House.

Miss Harriette R. Halloway and Mrs. Thomas van Boskerck received representatives of the Union County Park Commission and members of the Plainfield Garden Club at the tea on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of Coraus (Dogwood) Dr. and the 10th anniversary of the arboretum itself, one of the outstanding horticultural exhibits in this region.

It had been Mrs. van Boskerck's idea to enhance the park by planting dogwood trees in 1931, a suggestion which was supported by Miss Halloway and Mrs. Henry Wells, club president at the time. The 1931 planting of 78 white and pink dogwoods was supplemented in 1940 by the addition of 110 trees.

Made Chairman

Miss Halloway was named chairman in 1946 of the arboretum, which had developed from a suggestion by W. R. Tracey of the park commission and was accepted by the garden club during the administration of Mrs. Boardman Tyler. Miss Halloway held the position for eight years and since has been secretary.

Until 1950, some 31 varieties were selected, the majority from nurseries. Since that year, 15 unusual and rare cuttings were obtained from various sources.

Present at the commemoration yesterday were residents of the area, including Mrs. Frederick L. Lockwood, president of the club, Mrs. Victor R. King, Mrs. Allen D. Tompkins, wife of Plainfield's mayor; and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lozeaux. From the Union County Park Commission were Mr. Tracey, executive head of the commission, Donald L. Ferguson, president; Ralph Carver, forester and Mrs. Carver; Rudolph Kres-
Speaker Tells About Project Of Gardening vs. Blight

A gardening project which has visibly won its attack against urban blight in Philadelphia and received national and international recognition for its victory was outlined Wednesday at a joint guest meeting of the Plainfield Garden Club and the Spade and Trowel Garden Club at the Monday Afternoon Club.

"Flowers—A Beacon of Light for Blighted Areas" was the topic of Mrs. James Bush-Brown, Philadelphia horticulturist who heads the Neighborhood Garden Association of Philadelphia.

Mrs. Bush-Brown showed slides of block gardens and of the association's demonstration gardens.

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Herb horticulture will be the topic Wednesday at a meeting in the Plainfield Garden Club. Mrs. William Y. Dear Jr., a life member of the New York unit of the Herb Society of America.

The bus tour of Plainfield Wednesday afternoon will include visits to the Vest Pocket garden in Park Avenue near Depot Place, which the Plainfield Garden Club planned and planted last year, and care for on a continuing basis; the Shakespeare Garden in Cedarbrook Park, which was first conceived in 1927; the Iris Garden and the dogwood collection there; and a number of plantings of shade trees in the downtown area and other beautification projects the club has undertaken or supported.

The tour will include the grounds, home and gardens of Mr. and Mrs. Noon, and Mrs. David S. Foster Thursdays morning from Mrs. Loosli's home at 11:30 a.m. following the conservation meeting.

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PLAINFIELD, N. J., Oct. 14 — Harriette Rice Halloway, a nationally known horticulturist, died today in Muhlenberg Hospital. Her age was 91 and her home was at 112 Linden Avenue, North Plainfield.

Miss Halloway designed the iris garden in Cedarbrook Park in 1932, was consultant to the Union County Park Commission and helped to set up the cornus (dogwood) collection in Cedarbrook Park in 1946.

She received many honors for her work, among them a distinguished service medal from the Garden Club of America in 1958, and had been active as a horticultural judge. She was a member of the Royal Horticultural Society. In 1957 an iris was named for her.

Miss Halloway was born in Newark and attended Columbia University. She taught geography at the Wardlaw School, a country day school for boys, from 1916 to 1949.
25TH ANNIVERSARY—A dogwood tree commemorating the 25th anniversary of Cornus Arboretum was planted yesterday in Cedar Brook Park by the Plainfield Garden Club. Ralph H. Carver, chief forester of the Union County Park Commission, is turning a spade of earth. Left to right are: Mrs. W. K. Dunbar Jr., horticulture chairman; Mrs. Georges J. His, chairman of the Cornus Arboretum Committee; Mrs. Robert R. King, retiring Halloway, founder who served as its Mrs. Frederick L. Van committee member.