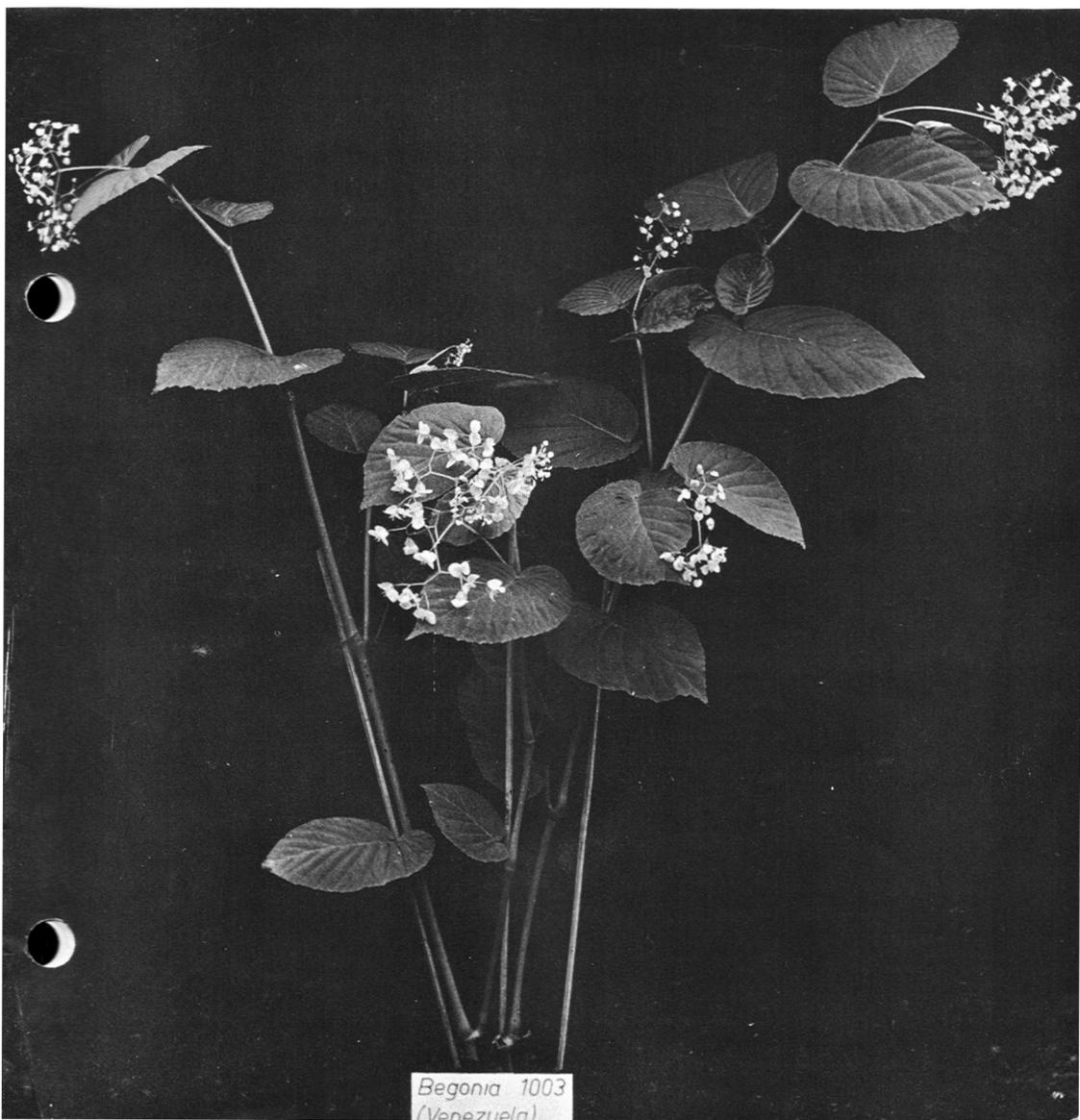


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# NORTHEAST BEGONIAS IN JULY

By ELDA HARING

While May and June are hectic months in our outdoor gardens in the northeast, by July, hopefully, most garden plants have grown large enough to require a minimum of care. The weather is likely to be warm and humid and this is a time of year when we can start looking over our collections of begonias with a view to propagating varieties and species.

If specimen plants are desired and there is room for them, large plants are repotted now so that they may continue to grow and develop. If I am planning to exhibit in a fall show, July is not too early to choose which plants might be suitable for showing. Fertilized every other week with one-half strength fertilizer and kept in good growing condition, these will be potential blue ribbon winners.

For growing most of my begonias, I use a potting soil mix consisting of one part good garden loam, one part peat moss, and one part sand with a 4-inch flower pot of bonemeal added to each bushel of soil. For rexes and others grown mostly for their foliage, I add a cup of Bacto-peat to each quart of soil. I do not feel we need to be too concerned about soil mixes for I have grown fine specimens of many varieties in pure vermiculite, giving them a weekly feeding of a water-soluble plant food usually alternating several different brands.

July is a good time to take cuttings of begonias. I do this with many of mine mainly as insurance against losses of valuable varieties. As begonia growing is a hobby and not a commercial project with me, I have to use restraint in the number of cut-

tings I take. Stem cuttings and leaf cuttings are very easy. For stem cuttings take a shoot from a growing tip, 4 to 6 inches long. Cut off any flowers, remove lower leaves so that at least two nodes or joints are inserted into the rooting medium. For leaf cuttings, choose a fresh, young, crisp leaf with 1½ to 2 inches of stem attached. Insert into the medium just so that the leaf clears the medium. Hairy-leaved kinds are likely to rot if the edge of the leaf rests on moist soil or seedling mix. To take cuttings from rhizomatous varieties, I cut off a piece of the rhizome with one or more leaves attached and place it in mix with ½ of the rhizome inserted into the mix. Rexes are propagated either by a leaf stem cutting or by cutting each leaf into pie-shaped wedges, with the pointed end of the wedge inserted into the mix.

For all cuttings, I use a mixture of ⅓ peat moss, ⅓ milled sphagnum, and ⅓ vermiculite or a mixture of ½ peat moss and ½ sand.

In summer in the northeast, it is rarely ever necessary to enclose cuttings in a plastic tent as suggested for hot, dry areas. Our weather is usually warm and humid in July. I like to use aluminum foil loaf pans with a few holes punched in the bottom for containers. These fit nicely on a window sill and are convenient for use on the fluorescent light shelf. They are light and easy to handle. Cuttings should be given good light but no sun must shine on them. Usually roots are formed within two or three weeks and in six weeks small plants are ready for 2 or 3-inch pots. These make fine small plants for narrow window sills or decorative glass window shelves. Plants of such miniatures as 'China Doll,' 'Chine Boy,' 'Virbob,' *hydroco-*  
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## COVER PICTURE

*Begonia venezuela* Sp. #1003. See item No. 4 in Clayton M. Kelly Seed Fund Flight.

## ROUND ROBIN NOTES

Robins have been full of seed sowing and watching, as well as discussions of hybridizing, artificial lights, special species, and cultivars.

*From Seed:* Lucile Mearns of Louisville, Illinois, wrote that some say seed of *Sinningia* 'White Sprite', the white *pusilla* sport, should be sowed within thirty days of picking. Her *Begonia evansiana* seed came up thickly in about three weeks. *B. sutherlandi* showed six or seven seedlings in the same time, and rexes were up well.

All the semps Grace Shatto of Idaho Springs, Colorado, has started have come up in at least thirteen days, some earlier. *B. semp* 'Jewellite' showed two seedlings in eight days, 'Derby' in about twelve, 'Cinderella' in twelve — all on sphagnum, for the first time. Grace thinks she prefers the vermiculite she used before. 'Orangeade' and 'Strawberry Parfait' took ten to fifteen days. Canes have always taken fifteen days. She has found that warmth on top the refrigerator hastens germination.

Grace's crosses using *B. semp* 'Firefly' all produced bronze-leaved seedlings. Two of the semp 'Orangeade' seedlings were thimble, the rest single.

Bea Blake of Barneveld, New York, had three flats of *B. accuminata* transplants from a three-inch pot of seed. Most germinated in nine to thirteen days.

Robert Shatzer of Albright, West Virginia, finds most semps, *B. leptotricha*, and most cane-stemmed species easy to germinate. Tuberous and semituberous seed is more difficult, even failing to germinate — a dormancy possible in seed? Crosses, especially of rhizomatous and tuberous begonias, may often be slow. Seedlings of the maple-leaved semituberous *B. richardsiana* will have spots the first year and then rest, and will come back into active growth to surprise you with more delicately cut leaves, unspotted — a real

changer. Bob is cherishing one selfed 'Orange Rubra' seedling with almost perfectly oval leaves, heavily silver-spotted.

Edna Stewart of Tarentum, Pennsylvania, believes much trouble with seed is due to not leaving the pod to ripen on the plant long enough. Pods should turn brown and the stem should dry to a thread. Viable seed has enough life in it to grow seed leaves plus a set of true leaves even in an inert medium like vermiculite.

*Under Lights:* Jo Burgos of Philadelphia notes that artificial lights speed up her hybridizing program: she can get semps blooming from seed in three months. Barbara Walker of Bloomington, Indiana, warns on new fluorescents that the lamps should run 100 hours before plants should be put under them, allowing lamps to stabilize in intensity. Damage is more severe on gesneriads than begonias.

*Hybridizing:* Jo Burgos is interested in possibilities of crosses among three tuberous species from three continents: *B. martiana*, *B. sutherlandi*, and *B. evansiana*. All three form bulbils, and she has been told all have a twenty-four-chromosome count.

Flight 29 is discussing definitions of terms — hybrid, species, cultivar, variety, selection, grex — hunting common usage with consistent meanings, so we can all speak the same language. Members stress the need to avoid duplicating cultivar names, of registering begonias under the rules, and of using the correct begonia names.

Flight 33 flies to England and back rapidly despite an extra heavy load of what amounts to an advanced course in botany and hybridizing, pages and pages of notes and diagrams.

In the newest robin, Flight 46, Thelma O'Reilly of La Mesa, California, sent each member a bit of seed from her cross of two rexes she found particularly hardy, giving back-

ground and description of parents. Members will compare results. Dorothy Behrends of Encinitas, California, follows the advice of Louise Schwerdtfeger and finds that begonias grown on the dry side produce more flowers eager to hybridize. The plant is anxious to reproduce itself if it thinks it may die. Hence, more male pollen and acceptable females. Dorothy believes that strong parents make strong cultivars, and by selection we should obtain beauty also.

Ruth Pease of Los Angeles emphasizes the importance of keeping the name of the hybridizer and of parents of a cross with the seed sowed and with seedlings, as well as with cuttings taken from them.

*Rexes:* In February, Virginia Withee of Brooklyn gives her wakening rexes thin drinks of manure water for encouragement. If long-necked rexes don't leaf out, she cuts the old rhizome back above leaves and repots the plant in a two-sizes-larger pot, so roots can spread, not become balled and prevent water absorption. Bob Shatzer is convinced rexes winter best at a cool temperature; his best ones this past winter were kept at 50° and high humidity.

Daisy Austin of Anaheim, California, notes that rexes may be rhizomatous, with horizontal or upright rhizomes, or may have succulent stems as in B. 'Thrush.' A horizontal rhizome should not be covered entirely in repotting. It may be broken and sections potted. Since the heaviest growth is toward the terminal end, in repotting an overcrowded rex, repot new rhizomes with ends pointing toward the center of the pot in a spoke pattern, for a full specimen. Often with begonias, more than one to a pot is nicer. Rexes especially should be underpotted, the size of pot gauged by rhizome and variety. For tall varieties, pot height should be one-third the total plant height. Because begonias are shallow rooted, Daisy prefers squatty pots and puts the large rhizomatous begonias in

wooden tubs or ten-inch fern pots.

On horizontal rhizomes, new growth can be made to start by scoring slightly along the rhizome. The smaller rhizomatous varieties seem to put out more leaves along the rhizome than the larger.

To join a robin, write:

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## BALLARAT BEGONIA FESTIVAL

By JOHN SCOTT  
*Middrie, Victoria, Australia*

One week early in March each year, the flower-conscious city of Ballarat, eighty miles from Melbourne, Australia, celebrates its Begonia Festival — a display of large-flowered tuberous begonias grown to perfection by city council gardeners.

The festival coincides with Melbourne's 'Moomba' (an aboriginal word meaning get-together), which includes a week of sports, theater, concerts, and dancing displays, and ends with a carnival procession of floats. Ballarat is less ambitious, but the highlight is a beautiful display of flowering begonias in a large glasshouse in the Botanical Garden, which I think is world famous. A Begonia Queen presides over a procession.

All plants are grown in the city council nurseries, under Superintendent Beaumont, and are maintained in new condition by replacements as needed during the week. Begonias include a number of Blackmore and Langdon products. All are grown from cuttings each year; the tubers are used to provide the cuttings and are then discarded.

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# CLAYTON M. KELLY SEED FUND FLIGHT

## No. 1 — *B. versicolor* —

China. This is a miniature terrarium plant. Three inch leaves are toned mahogany, emerald, silver, apple-green and maroon. Flowers are salmon-pink. Seeds have been tested and germinated in three weeks on sifted sphagnum moss in a covered container. Temperature should be 70-75 degrees and humidity should be high. We have *versicolor* growing in a covered container under lights and although it has suffered at least two hard blows from my Siamese cats, it has started to grow again. This plant was grown from a leaf. It will not survive in dry conditions. Price \$1.00 per pkt. See cover picture on April, 1965, *Begonian*.

## No. 2 — *B. Cameroun sp.*

Collected near Elbowi in Cameroun by Dr. H.C.D. de Wit. Strictly rhizomatous with large oblong leaves. Flowers profusely in winter with bright crimson flowers with white edges. The male flowers are borne in dense umbels on a short stem while the female flowers are sessile on the rhizome in groups of from one to three (see illustration). It is not known to science as far as can be determined and certainly not in this country. Seeds are large but not as large as *B. eminii*. A peculiar and interesting begonia. Price \$1.00 per pkt.

## No. 3 — *B. staudtii var dispersifolia* Irmscher.

One of the most beautiful rhizomatous species. During almost the whole year it is covered with large, deep yellow flowers. The plant was collected in Ebolowa in Southwest Cameroun and seeds furnished by a botanist in Holland. Seeds were offered of *B. staudtii* several months ago and we suggest that if you are now growing this plant, please let some one else have a chance this time. Price \$1.00 per pkt.

## No. 4 — *B. Venezuela sp #1003* —

This may be the begonia that was

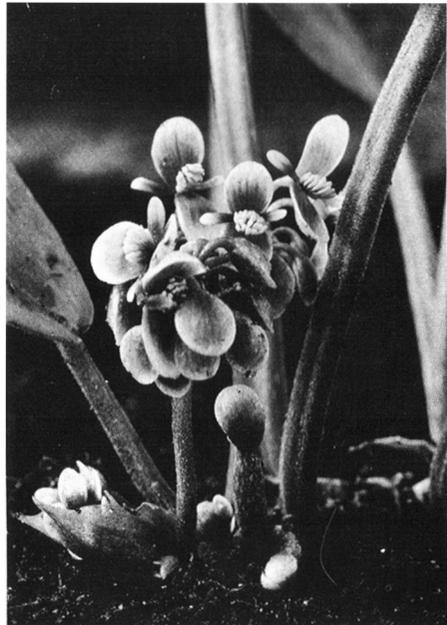
featured in the May *Begonian*. Comparison with the picture we received with that as shown in the article shows the same bell-shaped flowers and tall stems. We are trying to determine if it is the same and will have information later. It is beautiful (See cover picture). Price \$1.00 per pkt.

## No. 5 — *B. parvifolia* KL.

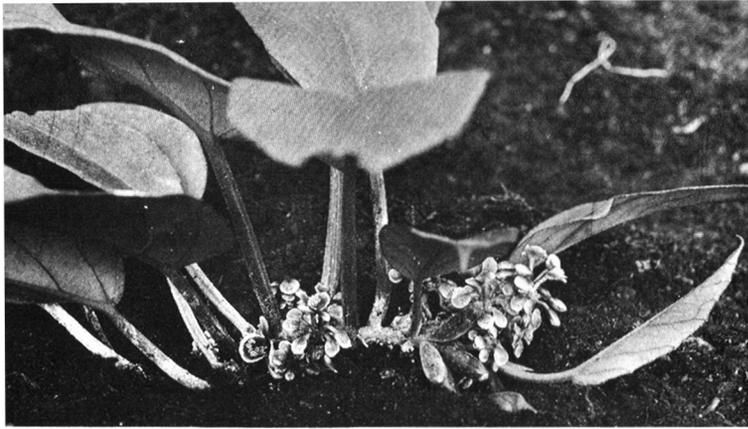
Nice little plant for terrarium. Grows rapidly, has reddish stems, bronzy leaves with red backs. Flowers pink, heavy bloomer. Plenty of light will keep it to about fourteen inches high. Beautiful and interesting. Price \$1.00 per pkt.

## No. 6 — *B. Brazil sp #44* —

Collected from plant grown from seed that came from Brazil last year. Described as being a beautiful upright begonia. Continuous bloomer, male flowers four petals, female flowers three petaled. Underside of leaf ox-blood red, top dull green but glossy. We hope to have identifica-



Begonia from Ebowi, Camaroun. Close-up of male inflorescence and two female flowers in bud.



**Begonia from Ebowi, Camaroun.** Open female flower at left and three fruits at right (below the third leaf from the right). The rest are male flowers.

tion of this beautiful begonia, very soon. Price \$1.00 per pkt.

**No. 7 — B. palmaris —**

Mexico. (ADC) Stems erect; petioles to four inches long; leaves roundish, to eight inches long, usually palmately lobed, sometimes merely once-cleft between the base and tip, slightly green, slightly hairy above and on the nerves beneath, margins toothed and ciliate, flowers in dense axillary clusters. Price 50 cents per pkt.

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Rudolph Ziesenhenné, begonia authority.

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**JOHN R. WILLIAMS CUP**—For the best Rhizomatous Begonia in the Show.

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**THE INGLEWOOD BRANCH AWARD** — For the most distinctive species in Division O.

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**EDNA KORTS PERPETUAL TROPHY** — For the best Cane type Begonia in the Show.

**ALFRED D. ROBINSON MEMORIAL MEDAL** — To the hybrid Begonia for 1960 back to 1957.

**JACK BAILEY MEMORIAL CUP**—For the best Branch Garden Plot Display.

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- Class 1. Foliage green, flower single.  
 2. Foliage dark, flowers single.  
 3. Foliage green, flowers double.  
 4. Foliage dark, flowers double.  
 5. Foliage variegated, as 'Charm', 'Calla Lily', 'Kallaking'.

## DIVISION B—FIBROUS BEGONIAS

- Class 6. Tall types (over 3 ft.), as 'Lucerna', 'Orange Rubra', etc.  
 7. Intermediate types (18 in. to 3 ft.), as 'Medora', 'Albia', etc.  
 8. Any low growing types (under 18 in.), as 'Richmondensis', 'Catalena', etc.  
 9. Thickened root stalk, as 'Sceptrum', 'Roxburghi', etc.

## DIVISION C—HAIRY FIBROUS BEGONIA

- Class 10. Hairy, as scharffi, alta scharffi, etc.  
 11. Sparsely hairy, as 'Neely Gaddis', 'Braemar', 'Dorothy Grant'.  
 12. Heavy textured tomentum-covered foliage, as incana, kellermanni, 'San Miguel', etc.  
 13. Distinctive foliage, erect growth, as 'Mrs. Fred Scripps', luxurians, etc.

## DIVISION D—MISCELLANEOUS FIBROUS BEGONIAS

- Class 14. Any other varieties not covered in the above three divisions.

## DIVISION E—RHIZOMATOUS BEGONIAS

(EXCLUDING B. REX CULTIVARS)

- Class 15. Small leaves, as boweri, imperialis, rotundifolia, etc.  
 16. Medium leaves, star type, as 'Glendale', 'Silver Star', 'Virbob'.  
 17. Large star leaves, as 'Ricinifolia', heracleifolia, 'Sunbar'.  
 18. Medium leaves, no marginal cutting, as Erythrophylla, etc.  
 19. Large leaves, no marginal cutting, as 'Freddie', barkeri, etc.  
 20. Spiral or crested leaves, as 'Crestabruchi', 'Ricky Minter', etc.  
 21. Distinctive, unusual or odd foliage, as acida, 'B. Masoniana', etc.  
 22. Hairy leaved types, as 'Otto Alfred', fusca, etc.  
 23. Rhizome upright, as carolinefolia, kenworthyi, etc.  
 24. Any other varieties not covered in the above classes.

## DIVISION F—REX CULTURUM BEGONIAS

- Class 25. Miniature leaves, as 'Annie Robinson', 'Butterfly', etc.  
 26. Small leaves, as 'Dew Drop', and others of approximate size.  
 27. Medium leaved types, as 'American Beauty', and many of the new rexes that are available.  
 28. Large leaved types, as 'Cardoza Gardens', 'Helen Lewis', 'Rajah'.  
 29. Miniature spiral leaves, as 'Cute', 'Berry's Brown Curl' etc.  
 30. Medium spiral leaves, as 'Bronce', 'Curly Haze', 'Mary Ann'.  
 31. Large spiral leaves, as 'Bronze King', 'Mt. Baldy', 'Green Pastures'.  
 32. Branching types, as 'Van Ex', 'Silver Van Ex', 'Silver Sweet'.  
 33. Any other varieties not covered in the above classes.

## DIVISION G—TUBEROUS BEGONIAS (OTHER THAN B. RUBRA)

- Class 34. Species, as evansiana  
 35. Cultivars, as 'We' etc.  
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 37. Semi-tuberous roc  
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 52. Rex Begonias, Clas  
 53. Tuberous Begonia

## DIVISION K—HANGING BASKETS

- Class 54. Fibrous Begonias, (C  
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 56. Rex Begonias, Clas  
 57. Tuberous Begonias

## DIVISION L—BEGONIAS GROWN C

- Class 58. Totem poles.  
 58a. Trellises.  
 58b. Other unusual r  
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Class 67. Plantings of Begonias.

68. Plantings with other house plants.

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Not to exceed 30" square.

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(REFERENCE: L.A. INTER. FERN CLASSIFICATION)

Class 69. Mounted large leaved epiphytic, as Platyceriums.

70. Hardy North American species, as Woodwardia  
fimbriata.

71. Hardy tropicals, as Pteris and some Polystichum.

72. Tender and rare tropicals, as some Polypodium  
varieties.

73. Adiantum (Maidenhair) varieties.

74. Tree ferns.

75. Hanging baskets, fine or heavy fronds.

75a. Davallias.

76. Wall baskets, fine or heavy fronds.

76a. Davallias.

DIVISION V—ORCHIDS

Class 77. Cattleya.

78. Phalaenopsis.

79. Species.

80. Terrestrial.

80a. Other varieties.

DIVISION W—OTHER SHADE PLANTS

Class 81. African violets.

82. Bromeliads.

83. Fuchsias, upright.

84. Fuchsias, basket.

85. Gloxinias.

86. Any shade or tropical plant not listed previously.

DIVISION X—FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS

Class 87. Begonia flowers and foliage, other than "Tuber-  
hybrida".

88. Low container, tuberous begonia flowers.

89. Begonias and other plant material.

90. Rex Begonia foliage only.

91. Corsage using tuberous Begonias.

92. Corsage using Begonia blossoms or foliage other  
than "Tuberhybrida".

CLASSIFICATIONS

NOVICE CLASSES

Any amateur who has never won a blue ribbon  
in any A.B.S. show may enter plants in this divi-  
sion, as classified in the previous classes, for a pe-  
riod of three consecutive years. These will be staged  
separately and judged accordingly. Class ribbons  
and trophies will be awarded in this classification.

COMMERCIAL GROWERS

In this division Commercial Growers may exhibit  
plants in any of the classes in this schedule. A  
trophy will be awarded to the best plant en-  
tered, which may also compete for the President's  
Trophy. See Rules and Regulations No. 11.

## A.B.S. Flower Show Rules and Regulations

1. All exhibits are, from the commencement to the close of the exhibition, in the charge of the Show Committee.

2. Competitive entries must be made according to division and classes.

3. All competitive entries must be in place by 9:30 a.m., Saturday, September 2 and judging will commence at 10:00 a.m. All entries not in by 9:30 a.m. will be eligible only for non-competitive exhibition.

4. All entries will receive sealed entry cards at times of entering plants, allowing same to remain sealed until after judging.

5. Chairman of Judges Committee will assume complete charge at start of judging and no person will be allowed to interfere, to offer criticisms, or to distract the decisions of the judges. Only judges and their clerks will be permitted in show room at time of judging.

6. Any chairman or members of committees engaged in the show preparation will be permitted to exhibit and to compete under the same conditions as any other exhibitor, with adherence to all show rules.

7. Each entry may compete for only one class award and only one entry per exhibitor may be made in any class with the exception of Division K.

8. All plants and flowers exhibited in competitive classes must have been grown by the exhibitor and have been in his possession for three months prior to the show. This rule does not apply to flower arrangements. Only class award blue ribbon winners may be considered for trophy awards in the novice, amateur, and commercial divisions.

9. *Novice*: A novice is an amateur who enters A.B.S. competition for the first time and he remains a novice for three consecutive years, after which he must enter in the amateur class. In the event a novice wins a total of five blue ribbons or wins one of the A.B.S. trophy awards prior to the expiration of this three year period he must thereafter enter as an amateur.

10. *Amateur*: An amateur is one who grows plants for self-pleasure and by self-effort and does not hold a commercial license. Any member of the family not falling into this category disqualifies the entire family as amateurs.

11. *Commercial Grower*: A commercial grower may enter any class. However, his plants will be judged only against other commercial entries. A commercial grower is a person who obtains his livelihood from the sale of plants.

12. The management shall have the right to exclude infected or diseased plants.

13. No plant may be removed from the show except by official permission.

14. While the management will exercise due caution and care in safeguarding exhibits, it cannot assume responsibility for loss or injury.

15. Judges shall award premiums as in their opinion an entry merits. Whether a group of entries is in competition, or an entry is without competition, it will be at their discretion to award only on merits. The decision of the judges is final.

16. Sweepstakes trophies will be awarded on total number of blue ribbons only in begonia divisions. In case of a tie, second and third place ribbons will be counted on the basis of 3 points for first place, 2 points for second place, and 1 point for third place.

17. All trophies must remain on display for the duration of the flower show.

18. Individual entries in the competitive show are open to all, members or non-members.

19. Challenge trophies are to be returned to the A.B.S. Flower Show Chairman four weeks prior to the 1966 A.B.S. Flower Show.

20. Any container, wire, clay, ceramic, wood, or metal, without hanger wires, may be entered as a potted plant.

21. Pictures submitted in Division Q & Q-A should be accompanied by the following information, which will be needed if they are reproduced in *The Begonian*: Name and address of exhibitor, name of exhibitor's Branch, name and approximate age of the begonia, and any interesting facts about its culture and growth.

22. Pictures submitted in Division Q & Q-A will not be returned to exhibitors.

23. Snapshots submitted in Division Q & Q-A should be sent to Ralph Corwin, photo chairman, 4825 Willard Ave., Rosemead, Calif. 91770. They must be received by August 15.

24. Perpetual and challenge trophies must score 85 points or over.

25. Perpetual and challenge trophies are for A.B.S. members only.

26. Divisions J and K. You may enter one plant in each of both Division classes 1 to 49.

27. Synonymous names of plants are acceptable.

28. No judge may change an entry before consulting the show chairman.

## ELSA FORT BRANCH EXHIBIT

The Elsa Fort Branch of the A.B.S. staged an educational exhibit in the Spring Flower Show of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, at Civic Center in Philadelphia, from March 12 to 19.

Staged against an outdoor background, the exhibit included more than forty different begonias. It attracted much attention and favorable comment, and received a Special Award from the Horticultural Society.

Among the begonias exhibited were *B. 'Red Compta'*, *B. foliosa*, and *B. serratifpetala*. There were large pots of *B. masoniana* (Iron Cross), *B. luxurians*, *B. 'Margaritacea'*, *B. 'Crestabruchi'*, and numbers of dwarf and rex varieties.

— ESSIE V. MORRIS

## SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY FAIR FLOWER SHOW

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## SACRAMENTO SHOW

The Sacramento Branch of the A.B.S. will present a Begonia Show on Saturday, July 22 (2 to 8 p.m.), and Sunday, July 23 (10 a.m. to 6 p.m.). The location will be the Art and Garden Center, 3330 McKinley Blvd., Sacramento. Admission will be free.

For further information, contact Mrs. Josephine Darr, Publicity Director, 9679 Gerber Road, Sacramento, Calif. 95829.

## ORANGE COUNTY SHOW

The Orange County Branch of the A.B.S. will present its 14th Annual Shade Plant Show at the Orange County Fairgrounds in Costa Mesa, California.

The time of the show will be Saturday, August 12, from 1 to 10 p.m., and Sunday, August 13, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission will be 75 cents.

## WESTCHESTER SHOW

The Westchester Branch of the A.B.S. will present its Sixth Annual Begonia and Shade Plant Show on August 5 and 6, at the Westchester Woman's Club, 8020 Alverstone Ave., Los Angeles. The show will feature the theme: "The Wonderful World of Begonias."

The show will be open Saturday, August 5, from 1 to 9 p.m., and Sunday, August 6, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission will be 50 cents.

## EASTERN CONFERENCE

To be honored at the Eastern Conference hosted by the Bessie Raymond Buxton Branch on August 4 and 5, at the Lexington Motor Inn, Lexington, Massachusetts, will be Belva Nelson Kusler, with special classes for single specimens and collections of her handsome cultivars at the show, with a trophy for the best plant exhibited. It is hoped that she will be able to be present. Several other trophies have been generously donated for the show.

The featured speakers will be M. Carlton L'Hommedieu at the Friday dinner, Robert L. Shatzer at the Saturday luncheon, and Mabel Corwin at the Saturday evening banquet. A tribute to the late Bessie Raymond Buxton will be given by the master of ceremonies, Daniel J. Foley.

Registrations should be sent to Mrs. Lester H. Fox, 170 Marsh Hill Road, Dracut, Massachusetts; fee \$25. Early registrations are requested by the Motor Inn.

RUTH P. MERRY  
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## IT'S TIME TO VOTE

At the meeting of the Board of Directors in May, a slate of officers for the coming year was submitted by the nomination committee. Committee members were Mrs. Elsie M. Joyce, chairman, Malcolm Rich, and Floyd E. Neff.

Candidates are:

President-Elect: Carl E. Naumann  
 Secretary: Virginia J. Barnett  
 Treasurer: Walter J. Barnett  
 Vice-President: Mrs. Frederick Kingsbury

Use the attached ballot, and send in your vote today.

## CANDIDATE FOR SECRETARY

Mrs. Virginia J. Barnett was born in Holdredge, Nebraska, and has been a resident of California since 1952.

She is a member of the San Gabriel Valley Branch of the A.B.S., where she has served as co-chairman of the Hospitality and Social committees.



CARL  
NAUMANN

## CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT-ELECT

For members who are new, here are a few facts about myself.

I started my study of horticulture at the age of 9 or 10. Since that time I have grown all types of plants, my favorite being begonias and shade plants.

In 1961 I was President of San Gabriel Valley Branch. In 1963 I had the honor of being your National President. I made mistakes then and, if you elect me, no doubt I will make mistakes again, but I assure you I will do my best.

At this time I do know if there will be more than one candidate or not. Either way, please vote. If there is only one candidate, give a vote of confidence. If there is more than one, vote for your choice, but please vote.

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**Aechmea "Foster's Favorite" —** Striking wine-red leaves, with a polished look. Deep blue flowers, followed by blue berries, which last for months.  
**Cryptanthus Bromelioides 'Tricolor' —** Beautiful variegated colors of pink, green, and cream stripes.  
**Streptocalyx longifolius —** Long slender leaves, turning a little rose color at blooming time. The flower spike is short but rather round and pink in color. Very striking as a hanging plant.
3. **FERNS — Diplazium esculentum —** Semi-dwarf tree fern. Short trunk. From India to Polynesia.
4. **PALMS (small seedlings) — Chamaedorea erumpens —** (Bamboo palm). Excellent house palm.  
**Chamaedorea seifrizii —** Small palm with clustering slender cane-like stems. Plant has a lacy look because of the spreading fronds. Withstands wind, sun and some cold.
5. **ORCHIDS — Oncidium teres (Honduras) —** This orchid, pencil-shaped, is like *Oncidium stipitatum*. Panicles are heavily flowered with yellow flowers, spotted with reddish-brown, the lip bright yellow.
6. **VINES — Hoya carnosa compacta —** A new form with dark green leaves, deeply twisted in unusual form.  
**Chlorophytum comosum 'vittatum' —** "Spider plant" white stripe in center. We also have the variety with white stripe on edges of leaf, and also the plain all green.
7. **FOLIAGE PLANTS — Dracaena godseffiana —** Small shrubby plant with wiry stems. Glossy deep green, spotted yellow.  
**Dracaena marginata —** Slender trunk, with a terminal rosette of narrow leaves. The leaves are shiny olive-green edged in red.  
**Dracaena sanderiana —** Slender cane-like trunk, with deep green leaves, slightly twisted and broad marginal bands of white.
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## REPORT OF A.B.S. BOARD MEETING

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the American Begonia Society was called to order by President Everett Wright at the South Gate Auditorium on Monday, May 22, 1967, at 7:45 p.m.

Roll was called, with fourteen Board members and nine Branches reporting.

There was much correspondence read. Two letters from Terry Olmsted were read; and one from Muriel Perz gave her views on the library. After discussion, President Wright asked permission to have Mrs. Wright finish the year as librarian. Margaret Lee made this a motion; seconded by Anne Rose, the motion carried.

A discussion arose after a mix-up over a book that had been borrowed. It was suggested that the Membership Secretary should be contacted before sending out library books, to be sure that those asking to borrow books are members in good standing. Ralph Corwin made a motion that the Secretary write a letter of apology to the lady involved in the book mix-up. Carried.

Mr. Cocke, Business Manager, presented the bill for insurance on the library, which is now due, \$30.00 for three years. Anne Rose made a motion that we pay this premium; seconded by Terry Olmsted; carried.

The Treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$742.27. He also reported that to date we were only \$15.50 short of having reached our \$500.00 goal for the Dr. Creighton fund. Two bonds matured in 1966, so they were cashed and placed in the Life Membership fund.

The Membership Secretary reported a total membership of 2389, with 133 new members and renewals for the past month.

The Advertising Manager reported \$77.50 received and receivables of \$112.50.

The Round Robin report was read. Two new flights are in orbit, one on semperflorens and one on ferns.

The Public Relations Director reported receiving much mail, and is training someone to help her with her work. She has some good chairmen in other sections of the country helping her in their areas.

Show Chairman Bert Slatter reported on the A.B.S. entry in the fern show the previous week at the Los Angeles County Fairgrounds. The American Begonia Society took first place and a prize of \$100.00.

The Ways and means Chairman reported

on the hamburger dinner which was held at the home of the John Martins. There was a profit of \$36.30 and a cost of \$49.35.

Carl Naumann reported that he is over-seeing the greenhouses at the Los Angeles State and County Arboretum. The San Gabriel Valley Branch will help to get the plants in shape in the A.B.S. greenhouse there. The A.B.S. has more than 150 varieties of begonias in this greenhouse. If any member has spare time to help Carl, it will be appreciated. Arrangements are being made so that if you will send extra cuttings to Carl, he will exchange cuttings from this greenhouse for some of yours.

President Wright appointed Mrs. Edna Stewart to be Cultural Advisor. Margaret Lee made a motion, seconded by Anne Rose, that we accept this appointment.

The report of the nominating committee was read and approved. The following members have been selected to run for office this year: President-Elect, Carl Naumann; Secretary, Virginia Barnett; Treasurer, Walter Barnett; Vice President, Mrs. Frederick Kingsbury.

—LUCILLE WILLIAMS  
Secretary

## CORRECTION

In the May issue of *The Begonian*, page 96, the name of one member of the Awards Committee was inadvertently omitted.

Add: Mrs. Bessie Lockett, 150 Katherine Street, Baytown, Texas 77520.

The Chairman sincerely regrets this error and begs your indulgence.

MARGARET M. LEE

Chairman of Awards Committee

## NEW LIBRARIAN APPOINTED

Beginning July 1, the A.B.S. Librarian will be:

Mrs. Lucille Wright  
4508 West 133rd Street  
Hawthorne, Calif. 90250  
Phone: 676-3565

After July 1, all outstanding books should be returned to Mrs. Wright when they are due, and all communications and inquiries regarding books should be sent to her.

# Branch Directory

VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT THESE MEETINGS

## BRITISH BRANCH

F. J. Bedson, Secy., Kent, England

## BUXTON, BESSIE RAYMOND BRANCH

3rd Saturday, Homes of Members  
Mrs. Nancy Alvord, Secy.  
48 Norton Rd., Quincy, Mass. 02169

## CONNECTICUT BRANCH

4th Sunday of each month  
Mrs. Peggy E. Fratus, Secy.  
1363 Boston Post Road,  
Old Saybrook, Conn. 06475

## DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS BRANCH

3rd Monday, 10 a.m. Member's Homes  
Mrs. George Wilkins, Secy.  
3625 N. Fitzhugh St., Dallas, Texas 75206

## EAST BAY BRANCH

2nd Thursday, 7:45 p.m., Willard School  
Telegraph at Ward, Berkeley, California  
Mrs. Edmund H. Ellerbusch, Secy.  
1051 Ordway, Albany, Calif. 94706

## EASTSIDE BRANCH

4th Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Natural Gas Co. Building  
Crossroads Shopping Center, Bellevue, Wash.  
Catherine Mead, Secy.  
9030 Points Dr., Bellevue, Wash. 98004

## EL MONTE COMMUNITY BRANCH

3rd Friday, Members' Homes  
Sylvia B. Leatherman, Secy.  
2637 N. Lee Ave., So. El Monte, Calif. 91733

## FOOTHILL BRANCH

3rd Thursday, 8:00 p.m.  
La Verne Community Bldg.  
2039 Third St., La Verne  
Mrs. Christine Kapranos, Secy.  
433 W. Philadelphia St., Ontario, Calif. 91762

## FORT, ELSA BRANCH

1st Saturday, 1:30 p.m.  
Miss Lola Price, Secy.  
628 Beach Ave., Laurel Springs, N.J. 08044

## GLENDALE BRANCH

2nd Tuesday, 8 p.m.  
Tuesday Afternoon Club, 400 N. Central  
Mrs. Edna L. Korts, Corr. Secy.  
3628 Revere Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. 90039

## GREATER BATON ROUGE BRANCH

Mrs. J. R. Cox, Secy.  
5757 N. Afton Park Way, Baton Rouge, La. 70806

## HOUSTON TEXAS BRANCH

2nd Friday, 10:00 a.m.  
Garden Center, 1500 Herman Drice  
Mrs. Grant Herzog, Secy.  
12601 Broken Bough, Memorial Station  
Houston, Texas 77024

## HUMBOLDT COUNTY BRANCH

2nd Monday, 8:00 p.m.  
Los Amigos Club, Loleta, Calif.  
Miss Margaret Smith, Secy.  
P.O. Box 635, Ferndale, Calif. 95536

## INGLEWOOD BRANCH

2nd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Business and Professionals Women's Club  
820 Java St., Inglewood, Calif.  
Mrs. Lydia Austin, Secy.  
15329 Eastwood Ave., Lawndale, Calif. 90260

## KNICKERBOCKER BRANCH

2nd Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Library, Horticultural Society of N.Y.  
157 West 58th St., New York  
Luis Lopez, Corr. Secy.  
421 East 64th St.  
New York, N.Y. 10021

## LONG BEACH PARENT CHAPTER

4th Friday, 7:30 p.m.  
Social Hall of Community Savings and Loan,  
3901 Atlantic  
Mrs. Mabel Gage, Secy.  
3214 Delmar Ave., Long Beach, Calif. 90807

## LOUISIANA CAPITAL BRANCH

1st Friday, Sear's Garden Center  
6201 Florida St., Baton Rouge  
Mrs. Louis Sicard, Sec'y.  
4520 Clark St., Baton Rouge, La. 70811

## MIAMI BRANCH

4th Tuesday 8:00 P.M.  
Simpson Memorial Garden Center  
Miss Rosemond Meriweather, Secy.  
1552 Plascentia Ave., Coral Gables, Fla. 33134

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3rd Tuesday, 11 a.m.  
Member's Homes  
Kansas City, Mo.  
Miss Nina Austin, Secy.  
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## NEW LONDON COUNTY-NUTMEG BRANCH

2nd Saturday, Members' homes  
Mrs. Donald Beck, Secy.  
R.F.D. 1, Mystie, Conn. 06355

## NORTH LONG BEACH BRANCH

3rd Friday, 7:30 p.m.  
3901 Atlantic Ave., Long Beach  
Kathleen Powers, Secy.  
12418 E. 221st St., Artesia, Calif. 90701

## ORANGE COUNTY BRANCH

2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m.  
Garden Grove Grange Hall, Century and Taft Sts.  
Garden Grove, Calif.  
Mrs. William M. Hastings, Secy.  
621 Orchid St.  
Corona del Mar, Calif. 92625

## PHILOBEGONIA BRANCH

2nd Friday, Members' Homes  
Mrs. Anne W. Stiles, Secy.  
R.D. No. 2, Box 43B, E. Delaware Trail,  
Medford, N.J. 08055

## REDONDO AREA BRANCH

4th Friday each Month  
Lincoln School Recreation Center  
Ernest and Vail Sts., Redondo Beach, Calif.  
Opal Murray Ahern, Secy.  
1304 N. Poinsettia Ave.,  
Manhattan Beach, Calif. 92066

## RHODE ISLAND BRANCH

1st Saturday, Homes of Members  
Mary E. Tourgee, Sec'y.  
92 Rodman St., Peace Dale, R.I. 02833

## RIVERSIDE BRANCH

2nd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Shamel Park  
3650 Arlington Riverside, Calif.  
Mrs. Jim Smith, Secy.  
8631 Clearview Pl., Riverside, Calif. 92509

## ROBINSON, ALFRED D. BRANCH

3rd Friday, 12 noon, Homes of Members  
Constance D. Bower, Corr. Secy.  
1609 W. Lewis St., San Diego, Calif. 92103

## SACRAMENTO BRANCH

3rd Tuesday, 8:00 p.m., Garden Center  
3300 McKinley Blvd., Sacramento, Calif.  
Mrs. Carrie Hughes, Secy.  
2709 Florence Place, Sacramento, Calif. 95818

## SAN DIEGO BRANCH

4th Monday, Barbour Hall  
2717 University Ave., San Diego  
Mrs. Nellie Castillo, Secy.  
5443 Bonita Dr., San Diego, Calif. 92114

**SAN FRANCISCO BRANCH**

1st Wednesday, 8:00 p.m.  
Garden Center, Golden Gate Park  
9th Ave. and Lincoln Way  
Linda Priest, Secy.  
6 Locksley Ave., Apt. No. 1-D  
San Francisco, California 94122

**SAN GABRIEL VALLEY BRANCH**

2nd Friday, 8:00 p.m.  
Los Angeles State and County Arboretum  
501 N. Baldwin Ave., Arcadia, Calif.  
Mrs. Ruth Eppley  
9133 E. Longden Ave., Temple City, Calif. 91780

**SAN MIGUEL BRANCH**

1st Wednesday, Youth Center, Lemon Grove, Calif.  
Mrs. Margaret Lee, Secy.  
1852 31st St., San Diego, Calif. 92102

**SANTA BARBARA BRANCH**

2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m.  
Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History  
2559 Puesta Del Sol  
Mrs. S. E. Wilband, Secy.  
1542 Marquard Terrace, Santa Barbara, Cal. 93101

**SEATTLE BRANCH**

3rd Tuesday, 7:45 p.m.  
Loyal Heights Field House,  
21st Ave., N. W. and N. W. 77th St.  
Miss Sally Harding, Secy.  
11632-1st Ave. S., Seattle, Wash. 98168

**SHEPHERD, THEODOSIA BURR BRANCH.**

1st Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Alice Barlett, C.H., 902 E. Main, Ventura, Calif.  
Mrs. Avril Butler, Secy.  
2619 Ocean Avenue, Ventura, Calif. 93003

**SMOKY VALLEY BRANCH**

2nd Monday of each month  
Mrs. Lyle L. Melvin, Secy.  
833 E. Jewell, Salina, Kansas 67401

**SOUTHERN ALAMEDA COUNTY BRANCH**

3rd Thursday, 8:00 p.m.  
Lorenzo Manor School  
18250 Bengal Ave., Hayward, Calif.  
Elma Midgley, Secy.  
16105 Via Descanso, San Lorenzo, Calif. 94580

**TARRANT COUNTY BRANCH**

2nd Monday, 10:00 a.m.  
Members' Homes  
Mrs. F. E. Mahler, Secy.  
1815 Sixth Ave., Forth Worth, Texas 76110

**TEXAS STATE BRANCH**

4th Thursday, Sabine National Bank Bldg.  
Port Arthur, Texas  
Mrs. R. J. Wilson, Secy.  
4620 Evergreen St., Port Arthur, Texas 08055

**TEXASTAR BRANCH**

3rd Thursday, 10 a.m., Garden Center  
1500 Herman Dr., Houston, Texas  
Mrs. V. O. Herman, Secy.  
306 Cody, Houston, Texas 77009

**WESTCHESTER BRANCH**

1st Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Westchester Women's Club  
8020 Alverston St., Los Angeles, Calif.  
Opal Murray Ahern, Secy.  
1304 N. Poinsettia Ave.,  
Manhattan Beach, Calif. 90266

**WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA BRANCH**

2nd Wednesday, 11:00 a.m., Homes of Members  
Mrs. Irene Fediaczko, Secy.  
125 Arlington Ave., Butler, Pa. 16001

**WHITTIER BRANCH**

1st Thursday, 7:30 p.m.  
Palm Park Community Center,  
5703 S. Palm Ave., Whittier  
Anne L. Rose, Secy.  
14036 E. Ramona Dr., Whittier, Calif. 90605

**WILLIAM PENN BRANCH**

4th Tuesday, Noon, Homes of members  
Mrs. Robert E. Waite, Secy.  
209 N. Locust Lane, Exton, Pa. 19341

**CALENDAR**

July 12 — Inglewood Branch: Guest speaker will be writer and lecturer Joe Littlefield. Pot-luck dinner at 6:30 p.m.

July 14 — San Gabriel Valley Branch: Mrs. Ruth Pease will speak on something different on the subject of begonias, showing the results of crosses of some of our outstanding begonias.

July 22-23 — Sacramento Branch: Begonia Show at the Art and Garden Center, 3330 McKinley Blvd., Sacramento.

July 22-23 — San Gabriel Valley Branch: Begonia and Shade Plant Show, Los Angeles State and County Arboretum. (See details in June issue.)

July 29-30 — Seattle Branch: 13th annual Seafair Begonia, Fuchsia, and Shade Loving Plant Show, at Loyal Heights Recreation Center. (See June issue.)

August 2 — San Francisco Branch: 11th annual Begonia Show.

August 4-5 — A.B.S. Eastern Conference, Lexington, Massachusetts. (See June issue.)

August 5-6 — Westchester Branch: Sixth annual Begonia and Shade Plant Show, Westchester Woman's Club.

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