

ing private properties for motion picture locations, funds received from the major studios for the privilege of using the Arboretum contributed substantially to the early success of the Foundation's program.

Under her direction, the membership of the Foundation tripled in number during her five year term of office.

Mrs. Turner was instrumental in promoting such financial aids to the Foundation as the sale of peacock feathers, feeders for ducks and other bird life, colored picture post-cards of Arboretum views, Kodachrome transparencies, certain horticultural publications and herb charts and recipe booklets.

Yearly, at least 150,000 people enjoy riding the famous "Jeep Train". This was possibly one of Mrs. Turner's most important supervisory responsibilities.

By choice, Mrs. Turner wished always to remain in the background at any meeting or gathering of the Foundation membership. However, her sparkling blue eyes and captivating ready smile, never failed to draw the members and brightened any function she attended. She will be remembered by all of us in her role of a charming and interested hostess.

Although she will not be in the office, she will continue to be associated with the Foundation in a very active manner on a volunteer basis.

The Board of Trustees of the Foundation, during their regular March dinner meeting, paid honor to Mrs. Turner, expressing their sincere thanks for her many accomplishments in the name of the Foundation.

To Lee, we wish the best of luck and happiness in the years to come and tender her a most heart felt 'au revoir'.

### BOOK REVIEW

*Le Monde des Plantes*, by Fernand Seguin and Auray Blain. 186 pp. Illustrated with colored frontispiece, 2 colored maps, 6 color plates and 467 color photographs. Published by Centre de Psychologie et de Pédagogie, 8225 boulevard Saint-Laurent, Montreal 11, P. Q., Canada. 1959. \$2.75, plus postage.

It is rare that an elementary textbook is deserving of review and that a text of any kind is of general interest. However, this little volume, written for eighth and ninth grade classes in Botany, makes the conventional book drab and uninteresting in contrast. Over four hundred of the almost five hundred plates are excellent reproductions in color of original kodachromes taken largely at the Montreal Botanic Garden by Dr. Blain, staff cytologist and geneticist. Only a few of the plates have suffered in reproduction and the quality of most is excellent. The plates are arranged to illustrate the parts of a plant, and the common plants in several families and major groups of the plant kingdom. Colored charts are used where photographs would not be effective. The whole format of the book shows the experience of both authors in popularizing the sciences in movies, radio and television. They are to be congratulated on another successful production.

*Le Monde des Plantes* is a book which pleases the eye, attracts the reader and should be a pleasure for the beginning student. If you have a child learning French here is an easy-to-read book which will give him Botany as well. If you are a green-thumber needing some elementary information on plants attractively presented this book will prove a useful addition to your library. All too often our references are monotonous and unattractive. This book is a model of what can be done and should provide inspiration to many a student, author and publisher. An English edition is in preparation which will give the book even wider circulation and is certain to be met with similar acclaim since it fills a long-felt need. *Le Monde des Plantes* is recommended for every reference shelf from library and schoolroom to that of the professional taxonomist, horticulturist or just plain plant-lover.

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## CALIFORNIA NATIONAL FUCHSIA SOCIETY

Annual Fuchsia Flower and Shade Plant Show, sponsored by the California National Fuchsia Society, will be held Saturday and Sunday, June 18 and 19, in the Long Beach Municipal Auditorium, Long Beach, California. The show will be open to the public from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and from 12 noon to 9 p.m. Sunday. Admission will be \$1.00.

Individual garden displays will be exhibited by California National Fuchsia Society's 30 branches, extending as far north as San Luis Obispo, featuring landscaped gardens, outdoor living areas, unique ideas and natural settings. The show will be developed around the theme "Fact or Fantasy".

Garden areas by other cooperating garden clubs will feature related shade plants.

Individual entries are open to the public as well as to society members. These will include hundreds of fuchsias, fuchsia blossoms, begonias, ferns, African violets, gloxinias and bromeliads. Separate classifications will be provided for novices who have not won a ribbon or trophy in any previous show and for experienced amateurs.

Blossoms of fuchsia seedlings for future introduction, as well as recent year's choice introductions, will be on exhibit by some of California's most prominent hybridizers.

Hundreds and hundreds of fuchsia blossoms, each variety displaying its proper name and growing habits, will be on exhibit to the viewing public.

Additional displays will feature the latest in garden equipment and material for gardeners. The Southland's most prominent shade plant horticulturists and TV and radio garden personalities will be at the show to give individual advise on garden problems.

Grand introduction of the show will take place Saturday at 2 p.m. when Miss Fuchsia Queen of 1960 will cut the ribbon, thus ushering in the opening of the show officially.

Miss Fuchsia of 1960 will be officially crowned Saturday evening by Miss Betsie Gayle Davis of Inglewood, last year's queen. Thereafter the Fuchsia Queen of 1960, assisted by her two princesses, will award over 50 trophies to winners in the various classifications.

California National Fuchsia Society is a non-profit organization with a zest to stimulate interest in and the culture of fuchsias and other shade plants, and is probably the largest shade plant society of today.

## HORTICULTURE

### Plant Nutrients and Manures

### How the Various Elements Affect Growth

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Dr. Jacks, a widely known soil scientist, has prepared for the readers of *The New Zealand Gardener* a series of articles on the role of fertilizers and other nutrients in plant nutrition... these articles... provide the scientific explanation for the reactions of plants to the various fertilizers and manures.

(Reprinted from *The New Zealand Gardener* Vol. 15, No. 11 July 1, 1959 and Vol. 15, No. 12 August 1, 1959)

NO FERTILIZER recommendation can be made generally valid, as crops for which they are made are grown under different conditions, which make fertilizer treatments subject to study of soil, climatic and crop factors over a considerable period. Only then can recommendations be made for a definite soil type and district.

To obtain favorable responses to fertilizer treatment the grower must pay attention to the following:





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