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IRIS NEWS AND VIEWS OF THE TWIN CITY IRIS SOCIETY *****

Special I.N.V. News Service.....

Philadelphia, Penn. The most expensive seed listed by a large, local seedhouse, is the new Mrs. Dwight D. Eisenhower petunia seed, which is currently priced at \$ 15.00 per 1/28 of an ounce, or if you prefer, \$30,720.00 per pound.

Fort Knox, Ky. Approximately one half of the total gold bullion of the United States is deposited in the government vaults at Fort Knox. Gold is currently valued at \$35.00 per fine ounce or \$420.00 per pound.

Poem of the Month

The Seed Digger

The man that I marry need not be wise
He may be plain and of peculiar size
For his silver and gold, I have no greed
But he must have a pound of petunia seed.

Haven't the past two months gone by swiftly? Now there are only 60 days left before IRISTIME.

The weather for the February meeting was stormy, snowy and windy, with the usual bad driving conditions that we have become accustomed to for our monthly meetings, and yet, over 50 ardent irisarians braved the elements to attend. Our speaker, Dr. A. Orville Dahl, was most interesting and we all learned some things about IRIS we never knew before. Especially interesting were the dried or herbarium specimens and the discourse on embryo culture. At the conclusion of the talk we were permitted to inspect the exhibits and to ask questions about the various phases of IRIS culture and classification. Refreshments were served by our hospitality committee, headed by Mrs. L. A. Wright.

We were all saddened to hear of the sudden passing of Gary Stephan Frey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Frey, 2214 Lyndale Ave. No, Minneapolis, on February 7th. 1953. Gary was 3½ years old.

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If you have paid your dues and have not received either your Horticultural Society number or your Twin City Iris Society membership card, please be patient for just a little while longer. The Hort. Society is way behind on their membership applications due no doubt to the recent change in membership policy. The membership cards for our Society have been delayed in printing, but should be mailed to you shortly.

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If you have not paid your dues in the TCIS, you must do so before April 10th. next, as that is the date selected for revising our mailing list. So if you would like to secure future editions of this bulletin, please take care of this little matter at your earliest possible convenience. Printed elsewhere is a list of all members who are in good standing. If your name does not appear on this list you should contact your secretary, Mrs. Esther Berger, 2236 East 42nd. St. Mpls. telephone , Dupont 2605.

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A hearty welcome to the following new members:

Mrs. W. G. (Gus) Sindt, St. Paul.
Mr. Floyd Miller, Mpls.
Mrs. E. H. Maffett, Mpls.
Mr. & Mrs. Geo. C. Gee family, Wayzata.

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To those members who hybridize and have seedlings they wish judged, contact Mrs. Elsi Peterson, Regional Vice Pres. of the American Iris Society, 3731 Oliver Ave. No. Minneapolis. The accredited Iris judges (AIS) for Minnesota are; Mrs. Wm. C. Peterson, Mpls.; Mr. Charles Rooney, Mpls; Mr. W.G. Sindt, St. Paul; Mrs. Esther Berger, Mpls; Mr. G.B. Gable, Mpls; Mrs. Edythe Burns, Mpls; and Rev. Paul E. Folkers Owatonna.

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If you would like to have fellow members visit your garden during the blooming season, please drop a card to your editor, Mrs. Edythe Burns, 1707 77th. Ave. No. Mpls. 12. and we will print your name and address in the April issue of the News and Views. But please write before April 5th.

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Budd Straub and yours truly are still burning the midnight oil boning up on the Louisiana iris specie. Have patience Budd, we'll soon be called.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- Q. Several people have inquired about the use of weed controls, such as Herbicide, etc. for use in the iris garden.
- A. We understand that Herbicide has been used at Iowa State college Ames, Iowa, as a weed control around Iris with no apparent damage to the Iris plants. We ourselves have not tried any kind of weed control except the "Bend the knee" and "Man the hoe" methods and would welcome news of any actual experiences with the more scientific methods of weed control to pass on to our members.

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Short notes on short Iris

- Sound Money A deep golden-yellow of good shape. About 7" tall, very floriferous, fast of increase and early blooming as are all the dwarfs.
- Tony Deep wine with an orange beard. About 7" high. This variety is especially smooth and clean and a good doer.
- Atro-violacea The very first iris to bloom, this punila hybrid is deep purple red in color and only 4½" tall.
- Max A large flowered, deep orange yellow. Very brilliant as a clump. 7 to 8 inches tall.
- Azurea One of our favorites. The color is a beautiful light blue. This is one of the earliest to bloom. About 6".
- Heatherbloom A warm red blend with flaring falls. The clump effect red-brown. About 6" tall.
- Buzzer A light lavender blue with a distinctive pinkish cast. Very dainty and about 7" tall.
- Blue Mascot A new medium blue self, semi-flaring falls, large flowered, and a excellent grower. Only 5" tall.
- Bride A creamy white about 6" high and very early blooming. One of the few white dwarfs.
- Moonglean A soft creamy yellow of excellent form with rather long blooming habits. Only 6" tall but loaded with charm.
- Mist-O-Pink An arenaria hybrid with narrow foliage and small flowers. The color is lavender rose and gives a decided pink garden effect. Height about 9".

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Our next meeting is scheduled for THURSDAY, MARCH 26th. at Rutherford's Garden Store, 4995 Excelsior Blvd. St. Louis Park, at 6.30 P.M. This will be our annual "Pot Luck" supper meeting. The ladies will bring the food and the men will bring One dollar and their appetites. All money obtained from this meeting will be used by the hospitality committee to defray expenses for the coming year. To us this is one of the highlights of the year, so please do plan on coming and bring as many friends as you wish. Our speakers will be Miss Martha Crone, Curator of the Eloise Butler wildflower garden at Theodore Wirth Park., and Mr. Art Nygren, photography expert of the Pako film corp. Miss Crone will show color slides of native wild flowers while Mr. Nygren will point out the "does and don'ts" of color photography. Mr. Nygren will also bring along several of the popular types of cameras to further demonstrate the mistakes most amateur shutterbugs make. **if**

REMEMBER THE DATE: March 26th. at 6.30 P.M.

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The Twin City Iris Society membership list as of March 13th. 1953.

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| Miss Patricia Taylor | 215 Amherst | St. Paul, Minn. |
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(f) denotes family membership

(h) denotes honorary membership