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PROGRAM FOR STATE NURSERYMEN'S ASSOCIATION CURTIS HOTEL, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. DECEMBER 4 and 5, 1961

Monday, December 4, 1961

A. M.

- 8:30 Registration--Hotel Lobby
Coffee Hour--Cardinal Room
- 9:30 Invocation--Rev. Gilbert Kuyper,
Knox Presbyterian Church, St. Paul
Opening Remarks--Don Wedge, president
Committee appointments
- 10:00 Landscape Design of Small to Medium
Residential Lots--Anthony Tyznik
Slides of home landscaping from our
membership will also be shown.
Comments by guest speaker and general
discussion. Ken Zakariasen,
moderator.
- 12:00 Luncheon
How Do We Compare to Russia?--
Honorable Albert H. Quie

P. M.

- 2:00 How the Retail Nursery Can Best Survive
Increased Competition for Sales--
H. P. Quadland
- 3:00 Bureau of Plant Industry Report
1. Changes in Plant Pest Act--
Walter Trampe
2. Dutch Elm Disease--Film
3. The Control of Dutch Elm Disease
in Minnesota--Dr. Donald M. Coe
4. Introduction of Duane A. Wilson,
commissioner, Minnesota Department
of Agriculture
- 4:00 Storage and Care of Stock in the Retail
Nursery and Garden Center--
Dr. Donald B. White

6:15 Hospitality--East Room
Courtesy, J. V. Bailey Nurseries

- 6:30 Gene Eyman's Orchestra--East Room
- 7:00 Banquet--East Room
- 8:00 Entertainment--East Room

Tuesday, December 5, 1961

A. M.

- 8:30 Coffee Hour--Cardinal Room
- 9:00 Auction Sale of Nursery Stock--
Roy Simon, bonded and licensed
auctioneer, Rosemount, Minnesota
Proceeds will go to Arboretum development
fund.
- 9:30 Business Meeting
Committee reports
Election of officers
Old business
New business
- 11:00 Weed Control in the Nursery and Garden
Center--Lynn Coultas
- 12:00 Luncheon
Know Your Freedoms--Paul Overgaard

P. M.

- 2:00 Arboretum Report--Dr. Leon Snyder
- 3:00 Current Pest Problems in Minnesota
Nurseries--Walter P. Trampe
- 3:30 Idea Sharing Session--Jerry Arneson,
moderator

SPEAKERS:

Anthony Tyznik. Mr. Tyznik is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin where he majored in Landscape Architecture. He has done a great deal of private landscape design work, and is now assistant to the director of the Morton Arboretum.

Honorable Albert H. Quie, congressman, First District of Minnesota. Mr. Quie has just returned from a trip to Russia, Germany, Finland, Sweden, and Denmark. He made this trip as a member of the House Committee on Education and Labor. Mr. Quie is also a member of the very important House Committee on Agriculture. His talk will be a report on his recent trip to these countries, and he will draw some interesting comparisons between Russia and the United States.

H. P. Quadland. Mr. Quadland is well known as a member of the staff of the Washington AAN Office. He is director of information, Public Information Service of the American Association of Nurserymen.

Walter Trampe. Walt is well known to all of us as the supervisor of the Section of Nursery Inspection, Minnesota Department of Agriculture. His program this year is especially timely.

Dr. Donald M. Coe. Dr. Coe is the director of the Division of Plant Industry, Minnesota Department of Agriculture.

Duane A. Wilson. Mr. Wilson is the new commissioner of agriculture. This is the first opportunity we have had to have Mr. Wilson with us since he took office.

Dr. Donald B. White. Dr. White, assistant professor of horticulture, University of Minnesota, is a native of Massachusetts. He received his bachelor of science degree in ornamental horticulture at the University of Massachusetts and his Ph.D. in horticulture at Iowa State University under Dr. John Mahlstedt. He worked closely with Dr. Mahlstedt on research work regarding storage and handling of nursery stock.

Lynn Coultas. Mr. Coultas is a native of Illinois. He took his undergraduate work at the University of Illinois, obtained his master's degree from Iowa State University. His major was in soils and his minor in plant physiology. Before joining the J. V. Bailey Nurseries in charge of their research work, Mr. Coultas was employed by Iowa State University for four and one-half years.

Paul Overgaard. Mr. Overgaard is personnel manager of Queen Products Division of King Seeley Thermos Company of Albert Lea. He is first president of the Albert Lea Management Club; is candidate for chairman of Minnesota State Young Republican League; has been honored by the Albert Lea Chamber of Commerce for his outstanding work as chair-

man of Industry Recognition Week. Mr. Overgaard will have a most inspiring message for us.

Dr. Leon C. Snyder. Dr. Snyder is well known to the membership as head of the Department of Horticulture, University of Minnesota, director of University of Minnesota Landscape Arboretum, and superintendent of the Fruit Breeding Farm.

A. Jerome Arneson. Jerry Arneson is the owner of the Pine Cone Nursery. He has kindly consented to moderate the novel idea sharing session. He has some good ideas to offer and will be looking for yours.

DUTCH ELM DISEASE-RESISTANT ELMS

The Dutch Elm Disease Committee* of Minnesota thinks that a statement in regard to the resistance of elm hybrids to Dutch elm disease should be made at this time to guide the public and nurserymen in evaluating various advertising claims now appearing over the state.

A claim has been made that a cross between the American elm, Ulmus americana, and the Siberian or Chinese elm, Ulmus pumila, is available. This alleged hybrid is purported to be resistant to elm diseases generally.

This committee is not aware of the existence of any cross between the American elm and the Siberian elm. In fact, to the best of our knowledge, the cross has never been successfully accomplished. It is recognized that crosses of other species of elm have been made.

Considerable work is being done by the USDA on breeding for disease resistance. This work is done under the direction of Dr. Roger U. Swingle in Delaware, Ohio. Should a Dutch elm disease-resistant tree be developed, this information will undoubtedly be released to the public at once.

Claims for resistance to phloem necrosis in elms have also been made. It is the opinion of this committee that phloem necrosis will not become a problem in Minnesota.

Quick Cures for Dutch Elm Disease

Once a tree becomes infected with Dutch elm disease, we know of no way in which it can be cured, chemically or other-

* The Dutch Elm Disease Committee of Minnesota is composed of representatives of various departments in the University of Minnesota and the Division of Plant Industry, Minnesota Department of Agriculture. It is the purpose of the committee to act as a guide in the control of the disease within the state.

wise. However, elm tree losses in areas of infection can be held to levels similar to those occurring before the advent of the disease. This may be done through the application of good housekeeping (sanitation) measures and a spray program. Information leading toward the development of such a program in any Minnesota municipality may be had upon request by communicating with the Division of Plant Industry, Minnesota Department of Agriculture, State Office Building, St. Paul.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Minnesota State Nurserymen's Association, Inc.
1961

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Minnesota State Nurserymen's Association, Inc.

ARTICLE II - OBJECTS

The objects of this association shall be to coordinate the interest of nurserymen and bring them into closer relationship of mutual helpfulness to members; through conference and correspondence; to promote interest in every phase of horticulture where trees and plants may be used for ornamental or economic purposes; to help disseminate information of benefit to the public in the care and use of nursery products; to encourage the exchange and sale of stock among its members. Each member of the Minnesota State Nurserymen's Association is pledged to conduct himself and business in the highest ethical plane and to endeavor to elevate the standards of the nursery industry.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Active membership in the Minnesota State Nurserymen's Association will be limited to those firms or individuals who are actively engaged in the growing, landscape planting, and/or landscape designing, or merchandising of nursery stock and are currently pursuing that work and deriving the major part of their living from it.

Only those whom the Executive Board consider to be of good professional standing and possessed of a good credit rating and good personal and business references will be admitted. A voting member may be removed, for just cause, by secret ballot at a regular meeting of the Association with two-thirds active members present and two-thirds active members of those present voting for removal. Formal application will be required before the Executive Board will consider any applicant for membership.

SECTION 2. Associate, non-voting, membership may be given any firm or individual who engages in the production or sale of allied products. Nurserymen who are not

Minnesota residents, or Minnesota resident firms or individuals who do not derive the major portion of their income from the growing, landscape planting, and/or landscape designing or merchandising of nursery stock. Minnesota resident firms or individuals who do not derive the major portion of their income from the growing, landscaping, or merchandising or nursery stock may be considered for active membership after three years as an associate member by action of the Executive Board. The same standards will be required for associate members as are required of a regular member. An associate member may be removed by the same method required for a voting member. Formal application will be required before the Executive Board will consider any applicant for membership.

SECTION 3. Complimentary annual or honorary life membership may be voted by the Association.

SECTION 4. Every member in good standing is entitled to receive all circular material, notices, and other available material of interest.

SECTION 5. Annual dues in the association shall be as follows:

Total Business--Less than \$5,000 ...	\$ 5.00
Total Business--\$5,000 to \$7,500 ...	\$10.00
Total Business--\$7,500 to \$15,000 ..	\$15.00
Over \$15,000	\$20.00
Associate	\$15.00

Dues must be paid by July 1st of each year or membership expires.

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The Officers and Directors of this Association shall be a President, a Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and five Directors.

SECTION 2. The President and Vice-President shall be elected for a term of one year by the voting members at the annual business meeting of the Association by a majority vote of the members present, and shall hold office until their successors are elected.

SECTION 3. Board of Directors. The Directors of the Association shall consist of five members who shall be elected at the annual business meeting of the Association by a majority vote of the members present, and shall hold office until their successors are elected. The Directors shall be elected to hold office for terms of two years and shall be elected in groups of two or more to replace the members whose terms have expired or replace elected officers. The retiring President shall be a member of the Board of Directors for a period of one year after retiring from the office of President, or until replaced by the next retiring president.

SECTION 4. The Secretary-Treasurer

shall be appointed by the Board of Directors, and shall serve as a member of the Board of Directors for the term of his appointment. The Board of Directors have the power to compensate the Secretary-Treasurer for work done, as they deem proper.

SECTION 5. Thus, the Board of Directors shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, five Directors, and the emitted past President.

SECTION 6. Any vacancies on the Board of Directors shall be filled by appointment by the President for the unexpired term.

ARTICLE V - MEETINGS

SECTION 1. The Executive Board shall meet at the call of the President. Four members shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION 2. The annual meeting shall be held at the time and place selected by the Executive Board. Ten active members attending an officially called meeting of the Minnesota State Nurserymen's Association shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION 3. The Executive Board may cancel any activities of this Association provided for by the Constitution which they deem advisable during any emergency.

ARTICLE VI - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The President shall preside at all meetings, appoint all committees and perform such other duties as pertain to the office.

SECTION 2. In the absence of the President, the Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President.

SECTION 3. The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep the records of the Association, handle all funds and carry on all business of the Association. His activities shall be under the supervision of the Executive Board. The Secretary-Treasurer shall close the books on November 30th or just prior to the annual meeting at which time he shall make his annual report. The books shall be audited at the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE VII

The Minnesota State Nurserymen's Association is affiliated with the Minnesota State

Horticultural Society and shall pay dues for its members. The Minnesota State Nurserymen's Association is a member of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society.

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended at any Annual Meeting by a two-thirds vote of the active members present provided proposed amendments have been approved by the Executive Board and have been presented in writing to the members at least ten days before the Annual Meeting.

EDITOR'S COMMENTS

Two terms which are commonly used concerning diseases and their relationship to plants are resistant and immune.

A resistant plant is one which may exhibit an ability to ward off a disease, but (1) become infected and show no symptoms, (2) may become infected to a limited degree, (3) become infected but continue to grow very poorly for some time and then die.

An immune plant is one that under no circumstances will become infected by a specific disease organism.

It becomes obvious that the nurserymen are looking for an elm variety which is immune to the Dutch elm disease.

The nurserymen's conference provides an excellent opportunity for nurserymen to get together for exchange of cultural information and to plan ahead for the industry. No nurseryman should neglect his responsibility to himself and to the industry by missing these meetings.

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