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Abbreviations: C—Cactus; H C—Hybrid Cactus; D—Decorative; P—Peony-flowered.

E. M. BISSELL
Wonderland Dahlia Gardens
12 Wells Place, E. Lynn, Mass.
Alice Whittier (Reed) H. C. The color of this prize winning Dahlia is a light yellow, the flower is well built with long, spike like petals 9 to 10 inches in diameter without forcing. Always a prize winner wherever shown. $7.50.

Ada Patterson (Kemp) H. C. The best white Hybrid Cactus Dahlia I have ever seen, the flowers are pure white and very large, 8-9 inches in diameter, with a fine stem will stand the hot sun and keep for days when cut. $7.50.

Altamont (Kemp) Dec. Rose pink shading to American Beauty Rose, the flower is large, 8 inches and over, is practically sunproof. on a good stem, the plant grows 6 to 8 feet high. $7.50.

Amun Ra (Seal) Dec. An exhibition dahlia with shades of copper and orange on a good stem, a good keeper when cut. $1.00.

Aibonita (Dec.). One of the largest dahlias. Colors glowing violet pink shading to rich yellow at center. $1.50.

Ambassador (H. C.). Golden yellow and salmon pink, very large. My strain of this variety has always had a full center, a consistent winner wherever shown, stem perfect. $2.00.

Big Brother (Bissell) Dec. Very free flowering and one of the largest in size. Color deep salmon with a silver sheen. Good for garden or exhibition. $3.00.

Bashful Giant (Dec.). One of the very largest grown. Color shades of pink and salmon; good keeper. $1.00.

Big Banker (Bissell) Dec. New for 1927. A very large and attractive flower; color a bright gold shading to a soft apricot, stem and formation are perfect, the plant grows high with the flowers well out of the foliage, a grand keeper. $5.00.

Ben Wilson (Dec.) One of the older ones that is always good, color orange red with yellow tips. 75c.

Bob Pluse (H. C.) Color claret red with white tips, good flower on a good stem, much admired. $3.00.
Black Cheif (P.)  A monster flower of very dark velvety maroon, almost black, measuring 10 inches, the flowers are borne on very long stems way above the foliage. It comes decorative the first of the season. $5.00.

Chonia (Bissell) Dec.  A 1926 introduction that is a beauty being a very large exhibition decorative of a carmine pink shading to yellow at base of petals, free flowering, stems straight. $5.00.

Collen Bawn (Dec.)  A large flower of odd formation, the petals very long and flat, it is always full center, which makes it a very deep flower. color a deep pink without any shading. $2.00.

Chas. Stratton (Dec.)  A grand exhibition flower having been awarded for size and coloring. Color is a pale gold. shaded with old rose. long stiff stems. $3.50.

City of Lawrence (Dec.)  This is one of the best yellows in cultivation. It scored 88 points at the trial gardens at Storrs, Conn. The flowers are mammoth. Best of habits. $3.50.

Cambria (Dec.)  Another one of the older ones that is always good. Rich pink shaded to white in the center, large. fine stems. $1.00.

C. P. R. (Dec.)  A beautiful Dahlia, but hard to describe, a very strong growing plant of medium height, full of flowers all the season. Color is primrose shaded to lavender and carmine markings which makes it very attractive. stems are good. $7.50.

Copper King (Dec.)  A most wonderful flower of enormous size, held erect on straight strong stems, color shades of copper. $5.00.

Champagne (Dec.)  An immense flower, color is delightful, warm autumn shades varying from burnished copper to a dull golden champagne and chamois. $1.50.

Deeka (Bissell) Dec.  Large flower with shades of pink and white. strong growing plant. stems 18 to 20 inches long. $3.00.
Dr. Marshall Howe (Dec.) Very large pink flower. $1.00.

Daddy Butler (H. C.) Rose carmine, free flowering, very desirable for a cut flower or for exhibition. $2.00.

Elinor Vandeveer (Seal). An incomparable dahlia of exquisite beauty and great size, having every desirable quality. The large blossoms are of a glowing, satiny, rose-pink. The flowers are of great depth and substance, and are held far above a tall sturdy bush on exceptionally long, stiff stems. $5.00.

Eva Williams (F. & M.) An exhibition decorative of amethyst color with slight silver shadings, very full center; stems upright and rigid, free bloomer. $2.50.

Elsie Daniels (H. C.) Pale or orchid shade on the outer petals, which are long and shaggy. The center ones are white, making a most wonderful combination of colors. $3.50.

E. T. Bedford (D.) Purple with lighter shading, giving it the appearance of a silver purple tone. $1.00.

Ethel M (H. C.) Attractive shade of pink at base, shading lighter, tips with white center. Plant is always covered with large flowers. Had a score of 88 points at trial gardens. $2.00.

Elite Glory (D.) It has been the winner of many prizes, perhaps the most coveted being the Court of Honor prize won at the Camden and New Jersey State Dahlia Societies where it was picked out of 106 entries. Color is a radiant bright red, and grows on a very stiff stem; size is enormous. Tubers, $10.00.

Esther Hunt (H. C.) A vivid color of oriental orange. $2.00.

Estelle Lawton Lindsey (D.) Scarlet and gold colors of the well-known Geisha; flowers seven to ten inches. $1.50.

Elizabeth A. Boston (P.) Enormous blooms of deep crimson shading to old gold tips, will hold its color entire season. $2.50.
Francis Lobdell (H. C.) Mallow pink shaded to white in center; very stiff stem; flowers are large and perfect form. $1.00.


Faith Garibaldi (D.) A superb rose pink decorative; it has great depth as well as large size, and is held up straight on a long, stiff stalk. The blossoms are full centered and keep well when cut. Tubers. $5.00.

Fort Washington (D.) ‘New.’ Color is a dark mahogany red. blossoms are immense in size. A very tall grower, a very fine Dahlia. $7.50.

Golden Rule (D.) Salmon color of largest size. Will grow ten inches without any special cultivation. Grand for exhibition. $2.00.

Gorgeous (P.) Yellow and crimson. $1.50.

Geo. Harvey (D.) Large purplish magenta, suffused white, one of the handsomest combinations you would wish to see: very large deep flower. $3.00.

Grenadier (D.) Purplish maroon shade combined with silver. The petals on one side are purple and on other pale silver; and they quill and turn back. The whole construction is unique; large flower and good stems. $3.00.

Gilda Gray (F. & M.) A flower that is hard to describe, medium sized, decorative, of pure lilac color, shading to a deep Tyrian-rose toward center, the deepening of color giving the effect of great depth to the flower, and looks as though an artist had overlaid the original petals with velvet. Stiff stems. $2.50.

Glory of Monmouth (D.) ‘New.’ Rich eosine pink color, shading deeper at center, base of each petal almost a pure salmon orange, long stems and profuse bloomer. one of our very best Dahlias. Grows 5 feet tall. $7.50.
Harry Sheldon, Jr. (D.)  T. J. Murphy's wonder pink and white decorative, of huge size and great depth, for beauty it is hard to beat. $3.00.

Hannah Kendall (D.) (Bissell). Clear pink with no shading; long stiff stem; one of the best for cutting. Will grow large if disbudded. $3.00.

His Majesty (D.) A very free bloomer. Color is a bright scarlet, formation of the petals is slightly irregular. This is one of Bessie Boston's biggest introductions, and flowers remain large all season. $3.00.

Jersey's Beauty (D.) W. H. Waite's wonderful 1923 introduction and is still the Queen of all Dahlias, a perfect true pink, carried high above the foliage on very long stiff stems. The finest exhibition variety to date, also fine for commercial purposes. $5.00.

Jersey's Beacon (D.) A decided novelty of Chinese scarlet with a paler reverse, giving a two toned effect. An exhibition flower of vigorous growth, excellent stem. $5.00.

Jersey's Mammoth (D.) The largest of Mr. Wait's introductions, a huge blossom, color a rich golden mahogany, a fine novelty. $5.00.

Jersey's Monarch (D.) Very large deep blossoms on long stiff stems, color a deep salmon, with yellow at the base of the petals. $3.00.

Jersey's Sovereign (D.) A new shade and hard to describe, a beautiful orange color, flowers are good size on fine stems, free bloomer. $2.50.

Jersey's Ideal (D.) The color of this variety is best described as a lavender pink; the flowers are borne face up on the stem and the long petals drooping gracefully down, make a very deep and massive flower. It is a vigorous grower, and very free bloomer, and an ideal stem. The plants grow medium height. $10.00.

Judge Marean (D.) A well-known exhibition variety. It is a riot of color, ever changing as the flower ages; salmon-pink, red, orange, yellow and pure gold. A constant bloomer. $1.00.
Junior (D.) An enormous flower of pure lavender. This Dahlia created a sensation at the recent shows. $1.00.

J. W. Davies (D.) A very large, deep flower with a perfect stem. Color a deep shade of cerise at the centre, graduating to a lighter tint, a very free blomer. $1.50.

Jean Roosevelt (D.) A large amber buff center shading through salmon-pink to a rose, with a rose reverse. $3.00.

Kitty Dunlap (D.) In this we have the delightful shade of American Beauty Rose, very large and free blomer, on the best of stems. This Dahlia will become very popular. $1.50.

King Solomon (H. C.) Color is a beautiful orange buff, with twisted and twirled petals forming a beautiful flower. Profuse blomer. Stiff stems. $5.00.

Lyndora (D.) Medium yellow with suffusion of amaranth pink on the reverse, large, form ideal having long wavy petals which show just enough of the pink in reverse to brighten and illuminate the entire flower, stem good, growth strong, producing tall robust bushes. Won Silver Medal (highest honors) for seedling at Philadelphia, 1925, and Gold Medal at New Jersey State Show, 1926. Awarded Certificates of Merit at both American Dahlia Society and New Jersey Trial Grounds in 1925. $10.00.

Lady Dorothy (D.) Large orange flower with lavender sheen; grand dahlia for all purposes. $1.00.

Lady Helen (H. C.) Pinkish red with white shadings. $1.00.

Lady Betty (D.) Creamy white with pinkish suffusion; very large flower on perfect stem. $1.00.

Lena Mac (D.) (Bissell) "New." A good size flower on a good stem. Color is a fawn pink bordered with silver. A very free blomer. $4.00.
Margaret Woodrow Wilson (D.) (F. & M.) A large decorative Dahlia having broad petals well placed, terminating in points, making a very thick flower. Color, opalescent pink (meaning the reverse of petals are so colored as to reflect a pink tone to the whole flower). Flowers held well out of dark green foliage on perfect stems. Medium height plant. Awarded Certificate of Merit by Dahlia Society of New Jersey, 1925. This is one of the most satisfactory dahlias I have ever grown, as the bushes are constantly covered with large blooms. $7.50.

Margaret Masson (D.) (F. & M.) A beautiful silvery rose pink decorative of great depth and size; wonderful exhibition variety on account of its good keeping qualities and fine upright stems; very free bloomer. $4.00.

Mabel Thacher (D.) Large flowers of a pale yellow shade are borne on stiff strong stems. They are of the finest type, and considered the highest perfection attained in this shade. $1.60.

Mary Curtin (D.) Large dark red blossoms with white tips. $2.00.

Meadow Lark (D.) A fine large flower of a new coloring, shadings of buff and straw, with the reverse side of the florets darker. This large sized flower is held high on extra long, straight stems, out from a tall plant with vigorous foliage. $2.00.

Miss California (New 1926) (D.) A large, decorative dahlia, perfectly formed and beautiful in color, known as oriental fuchsia (a new color). It is tall and hardy with strong stiff stems ranging from 4 to 5 feet in length with the bloom held high above the foliage; size 9 to 10 inches in diameter. It is an excellent keeper, therefore it is a wonderful bloom for commercial as well as exhibiting purposes. Miss California won First Prize, best 3 year old seedling, 6 blooms, at the California State Floral Society, 1925, also First Prize, best 12 blooms at the recent Palace Hotel Show, 1926. $5.00.

Mrs. John T. Sheepers (D.) Canary yellow and pink. $1.00.
Marion Weller (D.) Ture of type; extra large flowers carried on long stout straight stems. Color a most pleasing shade of soft pink. Should be in every fine collection. $2.50.

Mrs. John L. Gardner (H. C.) A large hybrid cactus. Color, blood red tipped white, borne on long stiff stems. $2.00.

Mariposa (HC.) A delightful shade of pink with violet suffusion and deepening in the center. $2.50.

Mrs. J. C. Hart (D.) Rich scarlet red without any shading. $ .75.

Mrs. I. De Ver Warner (D.) Deep mauve pink, large and fine. $ .75.

Myra Valentine (D.) Large golden bronze, long stiff stem. $2.00.

Mr. Crowley (D.) A glowing shade of salmon pink, with base of petals yellow; attracts immediate attention; held erect on strong stems. $1.00.

Mrs. Carl Salbach (D.) A beautiful shade of lavender pink; long stiff stem. $ .75.

Mandalay (H. C.) Yellow overlaid with copper bronze, with wavy petals. $1.50.

Mrs. John M. Root (H. C.) Enormous canary yellow; one of the largest grown. The bush growth is remarkable. Plants six or seven feet, holding massive blooms well above your head. $2.50.

Marian McCready (D.) Large flowers of intense velvet crimson shaded to a carmine red. $2.50.

Mordella (D.) A bright apricot buff color, flowers average 9 inches in diameter on top of long stems that come well out of the foliage, one of the best in autumn shades. $3.50.

Mrs. E. P. Judd (D.) Large flowers on good stems, very much admired; beautiful rose color shaded carmine and cream. If you want the largest dahlia get this one. $2.50.

Mrs. Edward Taylor (D.) Immense flower of a beautiful cerise color on rigid stems high above the foliage; one of the greatly admired dahlias; one of the best to date. $7.50.
Mrs. Happie Bedford (H. C.) An enormous flower of perfect form, a clear canary yellow. This flower can be grown to 12 inches. Petals are of a beautiful formation. $7.50.

Mrs. Emily Davis (D.) A light rose pink shading to yellow; large flowers on good stems. $5.00.

Mrs. J. J. Mashall (D. H.) One of the very best dahlias I purchased last season. A very large free-blooming variety, color a combination of buff, tan and brown, with a sheen lustre of salmon; plant has a free-growing robust habit; flowers borne high above the foliage on the best of stems; one of the very best new creations. $10.00.

Mrs. F. A. C. Perrine (F. & M.) (D.) One of the most beautiful exhibition decorative dahlias in existence, of a lovely shade of lilac with pale "Cattleya" reverse curiously twisted and curled petals, terminating in sharp points; a true staghorn type. Develops blooms from 8 to 10 inches in diameter on long, stiff stems. Highly recommended. $5.00.

Miss Bridgeport (D.) Extra large flowers held erect on cane stiff stems. Color creamy white overlaid with light lavender. A dahlia much admired. $2.50.

Moll Pitcher (D.) The flowers are very large, 8 to 10 inches in diameter and of staghorn type, always full to the center and held on good strong stems. The color is beautiful old gold, suffused salmon pink. $5.00.

Mrs. Frank Bailey (D.) Very large yellow on a high growing plant, a very free bloomer, can be seen all over the garden. $5.00.

Mrs. James A. Babbitt (D.) A deep yellow with reverse of petals overlaid with crimson, a very unusual combination of color. The flowers are immense in size and very attractive. $1.00.

Merveleaux (D.) A new variety with a very large broad pink flower; flowers grow well out of the bush; a grand flower for exhibition. $5.00.
Our Country (D.) The ground color is a very deep purple, while the florets are heavily tipped white; a very deep heavy flower, always coming with a full center and never producing any solid colored flowers; its only fault is its stem, which does not hold the large blossoms upright; but on account of its wonderful color it should be grown in every garden. $4.00.

Paul Revere (Bissell) (D.) This is the best dahlia of the color to date. The flowers are large, full centered, and of good depth, and are a rich crimson color, overlaid with a brilliant scarlet satiny sheen. Flowers of this Dahlia are about as near sun proof as any in existence, never showing more than the slightest trace of burning, even in the hottest weather, and then only on the old petals that are falling. $5.00.

Pollyanna M. (D.) Buff yellow, suffused with red; one of the largest dahlias grown. $2.00.

Premier Clemenceau (C.) A rich lemon yellow about half the length of petal then shading to white at tips. $4.00.

Paradise (H. C.) A bold, massive flower of the George Walter type, creamy old rose, so blended as to give it a striking brown tone. $3.00.

Pop Stewart (H. C.) This is a remarkable flower of great size. I can recommend it as one of the finest dahlias of its shade in existence. Color, purest lilac pink; long stiff stems. $4.00.

President Wilson (D.) This is one of the most attractive Dahlias I have ever raised, being a very bright crimson with each petal distinctly tipped white. This is one of the most popular dahlias grown. $2.50.

Perfect Beauty (D.) Bright light scarlet with white tips. $1.50.

Plum Island (D.) (Bissell.) One of the big ones. A rich plum color on a good stem; grand exhibition flower. $3.50.

Polar Snow (D.) Greatest pure white dahlia ever produced; fine type on strong straight stems. $3.50.
Papillon (H. C.) A beautiful shade of old rose with gold; a very free bloomer and good stems. $2.00.

Paul Michael (D.) Flower of largest size. Color, pure gold. $1.00.

Rose Fallon (D.) The big 1926 sensation that cleaned up the New York show as the best in something new. Color, odd shade of old gold. Flowers large on the best of stems. $10.00.

Radio (D.) This immense dahlia is surely a wonder; blooms 10 to 12 inches in diameter without dis-budding. Color is ox-blood red, bordered yellow, with yellow reverse. $2.00.

Rollo Boy (H. C.) Blooms are of great size carried erect on strong stems and are of a delicate shade of amber shading to old gold. For exhibition purposes it is one of the best. $3.00.

Roman Eagle (F. & M.) (D.) A flower that is typically an Autumn shade, which has helped make the dahlia "King of the Autumn Seasons." Large exhibition decorative of a flaming, brilliant, burnished copper color. Flowers held well above dark green foliage on stiff stems. $4.00.

Robert Treat (D.) A most pleasing American Beauty rose color of a distinctly different shade from any other existing variety. Beautifully formed large flowers on strong stems. Keep well after cutting. $2.50.

Rookwood (D.) The color is like that of the popular Mrs. Charles Russell rose, being a pure bright cerise rose, without the faintest touch of magenta; the flowers are immense, with good depth, and held upright on splendid stems. $2.50.

Rosa Bonheur (H. C.) A graceful combination of dainty form and clear color. Ivory white center, shading to a beautiful shell pink. Free blooming and splendid stem. Prize winner always. $2.00.
Ralph Blodgett (D.) Tan color with white tips; rare novelty. $1.00.

Robert Scott (D.) "New." A very beautiful apricot yellow with rose shading, extra large bold flower, also has great depth, excellent stems and a fine bloomer. One of the most popular in the garden. $7.50.

Susan Lee (D.) Orange and red. One of the outstanding varieties of the largest class. First prize in largest flower class in several of the Eastern shows. $2.00.

Sanhican's Magnate (F. & M.) (D.) As the name indicates, this is one of the big fellows of the Dahlia Kingdom. Exhibition decorative of pale amaranth face tinged with a deeper amaranth pink, reverse of petals a solid claret color, heavily veined. The large flowers are held erect on very stiff stems, profuse bloomer, medium height plants, dark green foliage. Awarded Certificate of Merit by D. S. of N. J., 1925. $6.00.

Sanhican's Monarch (F. & M.) (D.) A dazzling exhibition decorative dahlia of a deep Tyrion-rose at center of flower, shading to a lighter tone at points of petals. A profuse bloomer having dark green foliage and black cane-like stems which hold the flower perfectly out of foliage. A flower that never shows the center either early or late, of medium tall habit of growth. Excellent keeper. $5.00.

Sanhican's Bluebird (F. & M.) (D.) The color of this dahlia is a most uncommon shade, the outer petals at maturity are bright violet-blue, while the center retains the violet tint the nearest approach to a blue dahlia. Strong wiry stem. $3.00.

Sanhican's Gem (F. & M.) (D.) Color is a delightful shade of old rose, thickly suffused with amber in the young state. At maturity it is a clear old rose shade, petals are large and thickly placed, true staghorn type. $3.50.
Shudow Lavender (D.) Color a silvery lavender slightly shading to white. It will bloom constantly from early to late season and never show a center. The plant grows tall and has a very pretty foliage. $1.50.

Snowdrift (D.) This giant white deserves its name. A very full, deep-built flower with broad, waxy petals. 75c.

Susan G. Tevis (D.) This is a variety that produces an abundance of flowers throughout the season. It is among the first to bloom and holds size to the end of the season. The color is best described as a deep shade of lilac with a bluish sheen; a very large, graceful bloom of fine depth; a vigorous grower with fine, healthy foliage. Considered by many as the best 1923 novelty introduction. $2.50.

Sun Maid (H. C.) Beautiful soft blending of orange and gold. Flowers are very large and of perfect form, have good depth and are borne on long, stiff stems. Profuse bloomer. $7.50.

Silver Tip (D.) Carmine shading to chocolate with very distinct white tips. $3.00.

Siskiyou (H. C.) This dahlia has carried off many prizes for largest flower in show. Blooms are held erect on very strong stems. Color is pink, tinged mauve. Enormous flower. $2.50.

The Giantess (D.) One of the largest dahlias yet raised, color a beautiful amber, bushes grow tall and the blossoms are carried on extra long stiff stems. $3.00.

Trentonian (F. & M.) (D.) A giant decorative of a shade that appeals and captivates at one glance; the color is that of an Indian's skin, a wonderful blending of old gold, amber and coppery bronze. This flower is highly recommended either for garden or exhibition for its size, stem and grand color. Awarded Certificate of Merit at D. S. of N. J., scoring 89 points. $3.50.
The Bandit (Reed) (D.) One of the most striking Hybrid Cactus Dahlias to date. Color spectrum red with backs of petals buff yellow, reverse petals twist and curl, which makes the large blossoms very attractive. Flowering habit profuse. Stems are strong and erect, carrying the flowers on the top. Scored 88. $7.50.

Tommy Atkins (D.) Color flaming scarlet, a somewhat different color than any other dahlia, fine form and full centered and very large, and strong stiff stems. $2.00.

The Telegram (Marshall) (D.) "New." One of the most admired dahlias in my garden the past season. The bushes were covered all season with beautiful orange and white blossoms. Stems are stiff, although not long; bushes grow quite tall. $10.00.

The Surprise (D.) Color a light shade of wine, very large flower on a good stem. $3.00.

The Governor (D.) Another Autumn shaded flower. Tall plant and very free bloomer; good stems. $3.00.

The Capitol (D.) A very unusual combination. Pink splashed with white, good bloomer on strong stems. $3.00.

The Chrysler (D.) Here is a good size flower that grows right on top of a very stiff stem, color about the shade of Siskiyou; plant grows about 4 feet, very profuse bloomer. $3.00.

U. S. A. (H.C.) Color is a rich glowing orange. This massive flower is a prize winner. Beautiful. 75c.

Uncle Tom (D.) The color of this dahlia is nearly black. It was awarded a Certificate of Merit at the A. D. S. Trial ground. The flowers are large and held erect on long stiff stems. $7.50.

Violetta (H.C.) Large flowers of a petunia violet color produced on stout stems; a greatly admired variety. $2.00.
Walter Hindley (D.) (Bissell) Very large flower borne on a stem stiff as a cane. Very free bloomer. Color, rich claret wine. A flower that will create a sensation wherever grown. $5.00.

Wizard of Oz (D.) A very large flower and a strong growing plant. Color a rare shade of amber pink. $3.00.

World's Best White (D.) Very fine white; keeps full of large blooms with extra long stiff stems. $2.50.

Wonderland (Bissell) (D.) This is one of the most distinctive dahlias in existence, for both form and color. Flowers are very large, and the front of the petals are violet carmine; reverse of petals light rose pink, petals are twisted and curled, giving a fluffy ruffles effect that is unique; an exceedingly handsome two-toned effect. $5.00.

Winfield Slocombe (D.) In this we have a beautiful orange colored dahlia, the center is golden shading to burnt orange. It is perfect in form, stem and foliage, and very fine blooming. $1.00.

William G. (H.C.) (Emmett) This is without doubt the best hybrid cactus on the market. Nothing else like it. Color is a henna bronze with a high full center which never opens. Petals twist and curl, making it a most attractive flower. Flowers are all large, borne on good stems. Stock limited. $7.50.