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Abbreviations: C—Cactus; H.C., Hybrid Cactus;
Dec., Decorative; P, Peony.

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OUR INTRODUCTION FOR 1927

SULPHUR QUEEN (Dec.)—One of the outstanding dahlias in my garden this season. Flowers are large, grow from eight to nine inches in diameter full to the center, all season, held on long stiff stems well above the foliage. Very profuse bloomer and very strong growing plant. This dahlia should be in all dahlia growers collection. The color is a beautiful shade of Permanent or Sulphur Yellow. Tubers, \$10.00. Plants..... \$5.00

GOLDEN OCHRE (Dec. Peony)—This dahlia gets its name from its color. The first blooms being large massive decorative, later changing to an extra large peony with long wavy petals. A very fine bloomer; one which holds its size all season. The color being Golden Ochre with Salmon reverse. Tubers, \$10.00. Plants..... 5.00

EXCELL GLORY (H.C.)—A hybrid cactus that looks very much like a big "mum," one that has made a strong impression with all who have seen it growing in my garden. This dahlia is one of the best for cutting, an extra fine bloomer on long stems, and will last five days or more when cut. I have taken the color of this dahlia from Winsor & Newton's color chart, Primrose Aureolin, a very rich shade of yellow. Tubers, \$5.00. Plants 2.50

SEA-SHELL (Dec.)—In this dahlia we have a very beautiful flower with a very fine tight center, all season, and an early bloomer, color a fine shell pink shading to a white center, the outer petals being edged with light purple and covered with a golden sheen. Flowers grow from eight to nine inches in diameter on very long straight stems. A most profuse bloomer. Tubers \$5.00. Plants 2.50

987 SHIRLEY EILEEN SHATTUCK (D) (Murphy). The Silver Cup winner at the Boston Show for 1926. A beautiful dahlia of orchid lavender with a silver sheen on a long stiff stem growing from a nice constructed plant, a most profuse bloomer, one that will surely make a big hit. Tubers, \$15.00. Plants 7.50

- 973 TOP NOTCH (D) (Murphy)**—One that has stood the acid test, the flower opens a light primrose and as it matures graduates to cream and white. The habit of the plant is extra good; fine tight centers all season, extra good stems and fine bloomer. Tubers, \$10.00. Plants..... 5.00
- 1017 FLAME LICK (D) (Murphy)**—Flame Lick is a new brilliant flame shade flower on the end of the best of stems looking you full in the face, very free bloomer, plant habit excellent, the petals seem to have a transparent tissue sheen you don't see in other reds. A fine exhibition and cut flower. Tubers, \$10.00. Plants..... 5.00
- 997 MRS. HENRY E. FOLEY (H.C.) (Murphy)**—A very large 10 inch flower, well constructed, the color is a combination of white and two tone magenta clouded and suffused in a way hard to describe, must be seen to appreciate the new coloring. Great long cane like stems. Stock limited. Tubers, \$10.00. Plants..... 5.00
- 985 REFLECTION (D) (Murphy)**—This is a great exhibition and cut variety face of petals is white reverse suffused violet producing a light pink base, flower large and deep, held high above foliage on the best of stems, a free bloomer and will hold its size all season. Stock limited. Tubers, \$10.00. Plants 5.00
- "THE LEMONADE" (Ward) (D)**—Yellow dahlias are becoming quite plentiful, but in this we have the very best I ever saw and think it almost perfect. Color pale lemon yellow. An exhibition flower of vigorous growth, excellent, stem free flowering and flowers remain large all season. Net Tubers, \$10.00. Plants..... 5.00
- "COHASSET SUPREME" (Suggs) (D)**—This is a very large lavender pink, with lighter shadings. The stem is perfect, very tall plant, free flowering and will not burn in the sun. Stock is limited as to tubers but will supply green plants. Net Tubers \$10.00. Plants..... 5.00
- "MISS LYNN" (Marshall) (Peony)**—The color of this wonderful new dahlia is light pink with center shading almost white. A very deep flower and one of the largest grown. If you are looking for seeds get wise to this one. Net Tubers, \$10.00. Plants 5.00

- "MRS. J. J. MARSHALL"** (Marshall) (D)—We have here one of the largest and best H-Dec. we ever saw. Color old gold or dark golden orange, a constant bloomer, being at its best in September, carried erect on long stiff stems. Excellent for exhibition or commercial purposes. Tubers, \$5.00. PlantsNet 2.50
- "THE GHOST"** (Marshall) (H-Dec.)—A beautiful white H-Dec., dahlia that has attracted the attention of some of the best growers the past three seasons. A very large deep flower, a perfect stem. On account of very large sales last Fall will have only a few tubers but will supply green plants. Tubers, \$5.00. Plants.....Net 2.50

GENERAL COLLECTION

- ALICE WHITTIER** (H.C.) (Reed)—One of the very best yellows to date, and a first prize winner at the California Shows this past season, an extra fine growing plant; color primrose yellow with long spike like petals, will grow 9-10 inches. Tubers, \$7.50. Plants..... 3.75
- BLACK CHIEF** (P.)—A wonderful big flower on great long stiff stems well above the foliage; color very dark velvet maroon, very near black. Tubers \$5.00. Plants 2.50
- BEN WILSON** (D)—A large decorative, fine form, orange red tipped with gold. Tubers..... 1.00
- BASHFUL GIANT** (D)—One of the largest flower class. Flowers on good stiff stems; color, apricot with golden shadings. Tubers..... 1.00
- CARUSO** (D)—A fine flower on good stems, and will grow fine large flowers; color, yellow buff and salmon pink blending that is unique. Tubers..... 1.00
- CITY OF LAWRENCE** (D)—Here we have one of the best yellow decoratives. A dahlia of excellent flowering habit, color picric yellow shading to lemon yellow, a very strong bloomer and will grow 10 inches if disbudded. Tubers, \$3.00. Plants 1.50
- CAMBRIA** (D)—A fine large flower on long perfect stems; color is a rich rosy pink shading to white in center. Tubers 1.00
- CHARLES STRATTON** (D)—A very fine large flower, a grand exhibition variety, color is pale gold, shaded and tipped with old rose. This dahlia is a winner at all shows. Tubers, \$3.00. Plants 1.50

- CHAMPAGNE (D)**—One of the best dahlias, good strong growing plants, large flowers on long stiff stems; color pinkish orange buff or dull gold varying to chamois. Tubers..... 1.50
- EVA COLE (D)**—An unusually large fine type of flower, one that will grow 10 inches and over. A good growing plant and a free bloomer. This dahlia should be in all dahlia growers collections. Color bright clean red and gold. Tubers, \$5.00. Plants 2.50
- EDITH SLOCOMBE (H.C.)**—A fine hybrid cactus of a wonderful shade of rich fushia garnet. Tubers 1.50
- EARL WILLIAMS (D)**—A very rich flower of perfect form. The color, half of the petals are crimson scarlet, the ends of petals white. Tubers 2.00
- ELLINOR VANDERVEER (D)**—A beautiful dahlia and one that is sure to please, a strong growing plant with extra long stiff stems high above the foliage, color rose pink. Tubers \$5.00. Plants 2.50
- ELSIE OLIVER (H.C.)**—A most pleasing dahlia, fine plants and a good bloomer, color delicate shades of pink and cream. Tubers 1.50
- ESTHER HUNT (H.C.)**—Large blooms, composed of long rolled petals with serrated tips; a very free bloomer and never shows an open center. Color oriental orange. Tubers, \$2.00. Plants..... 1.00
- FORT WASHINGTON (D)**—In this dahlia we have one of the best, a wonderful growing plant with flowers that grow 10 inches without forcing on stems two feet long. A very free bloomer. Color is a very deep maroon. Tubers, \$10.00. Plants 5.00
- FAY LAMPHIER (H.C.)**—An enormous hybrid cactus of great depth and a beautiful flower; color the center is picric yellow, each petal gradually blending towards the outer edge to a creamy yellow. Good stems and fine for exhibition or cutting. Plants only..... 3.50
- GRACE SHERMAN (D)**—This is a very fine dahlia of the most pleasing shades. The color is a light pink overlaid at the center with a deep golden yellow; great long stems. Tubers, \$7.50. Plants 3.75
- GRENADIER (D)**—A purplish maroon with silver reverse, a very fine flower that is different from others. Flowers held high above the foliage on very long stems and a very free bloomer. Tubers, \$5.00. Plants 2.50

HIS MAJESTY (D) —Bright scarlet and one of the newer reds that is sure to please, very large flowers with good stems. Tubers, \$5.00. Plants	2.50
ISLAM PATROL (H.C.) —A dark velvet scarlet tipped with yellow. Tubers	2.00
JUNIOR (D) —An enormous flower of pure lavender, a fine flower in the largest flower class. Tubers	1.00
JERSEY'S BEACON (D) —A very strong robust growing plant, the flowers are extra large on long stiff stems; color a new shade of red called Chinese scarlet. Tubers, \$5.00. Plants	2.50
LORRAINE WOERNER (H.C.) —A very large fine flower on good long stems; color, creamy yellow and salmon pink. Tubers	1.50
LADY HELEN (H.C.) —Color a pinkish red with white shadings, a good growing plant with fine stems. Tubers	.75
LADY DOROTHY (Bissell) (D) —Large flower on good stems. Color, orange overlaid with lavender sheen. Tubers	1.00
MRS. ELINOR MARTIN (D) —One of the best decoratives; a large deep flower on good strong stiff stems. Color deep mulberry and rose; a very free bloomer. Tubers, \$2.50. Plants	1.25
MRS. JOHN L. GARDNER (H.C.) —One of the best dahlias for all round purposes. Color blood red petals tipped pure white, full to the center on long stiff stems. Tubers, \$2.00. Plants	1.00
MRS. M. F. HEAPHY (D) —A good strong growing dahlia of medium height and full of blooms all season; shades of wine, maroon and royal purple. Tubers	3.50
MRS. IDE VER WARNER (D) —One of the very best dahlias ever grown, a fine bloomer and one of the best for cutting; will grow very large on extra long fine stems that do not hang over. Color deep mauve pink. Tubers	.75
MARION WELLER (D) —A fine shade of soft pink, very free bloomer has good stems and none better for cutting. Tubers	2.50
MRS. E. P. JUDD (D) —Carmine and rose suffused with cream, fine large blossoms carried on good strong stems. Tubers, \$2.50. Plants	1.25
MYRA VALENTINE (D) —A dahlia that is very much admired at all the shows. A very large flower on extra long strong stiff stems. Golden bronze. Tubers	2.00

MARIPOSA (H. C.)—A perfect hybrid cactus, very free blooming and a good keeper, color pink shading very deep to center with violet suffusion. Tubers	1.50
MISS CALIFORNIA (D)—A new dahlia that is very fine, extra good growing plant and free blooming. Color bright cerise, making a beautiful flower. Plants only	3.50
MARMION (H.C.)—New! An extra large flower on strong stiff stems well above the foliage, this flower will grow 10 inches and over. Color creamy yellow shaded with pink. Plants only.....	5.00
MARGARET WOODROW WILSON (D)—One of Fisher & Massons' best introductions, a beautiful large flower on very strong stems; color is opalescent pink, face of petals creamy white reverse phlox pink. Plants only	3.50
OUR COUNTRY (D)—A dahlia that is different; color deep purple with perfect white tips, flowers grow large and a strong bloomer, one that never sports in color. Tubers, \$3.00. Plants.....	1.50
PAUL REVERE (Bissell) (D)—This is a real red dahlia and one of the best yet. No matter how long or often it rains the flowers never spot. A fine growing plant with 9 and 10 inch flowers on long stiff stems. Stock limited. Tubers \$5.00. Plants	2.50
ROSA BONHEUR (H.C.)—Ivory white center shading to a beautiful shell pink; a profuse bloomer with splendid stems for cutting. Tubers.....	1.50
RADIO (D)—A strong medium growing plant with flowers that will grow 10 inches without extra care; color blood red edged and tipped yellow; fine long stems. Tubers.....	2.50
ROSE FALLON (D)—The dahlia that made so much noise at the dahlia shows last season. Color deep old gold on perfect stems. Plants only.....	7.50
SNOWDRIFT (D)—One of the whitest of all whites, medium height plants and a good bloomer. Tubers	.50
SENORITA (D)—Immense blooms, rich deep red on good stems. Tubers	1.00
SOLI MIO (D)—One of the new 1926 varieties that has made a hit with all that have seen it, a very large flower of the 10 inch type. Color creamy yellow with large pointed petals. Stock limited. Tubers, \$7.50. Plants.....	3.75

- "THE TELEGRAM"** (Marshall) (D)—This is a wonderful novelty. The color is a deep orange tipped white. The plants are sturdy and a very free bloomer. This is the most attractive dahlia in the garden. Pinch out if you are after large blooms. Net Tubers \$5.00. Plants..... 2.50
- THE BAY STATE** (Marshall) (D)—A beautiful soft saffron cream with old gold shadings. Very large flowers on long stiff stems. According to a noted grower from Canada "The Bay State" is the very best dahlia seen this season, as it will grow very tall. I think it best to pinch out. Net Tubers, \$5.00. Plants 2.50
- THE GOVENOR** (Marshall) (D)—A perfect autumn shade, very large flowers carried high above the foliage on very long stiff stems, good for exhibition or for commercial purposes. Net Tubers, \$3.00. Plants..... 1.50
- THE NATIONAL** (Marshall) (D)—An immense flower on long stems. Color shades of orange blended with flame and apricot. Very free flowering. Net Tubers, \$3.00. Plants..... 1.50
- THE ORANGEADE** (Marshall) (D)—Very large deep blossoms on long stiff stems. Color deep orange. Very free flowering and not afraid to look one in the face. Net Tubers, \$3.00. Plants 1.50
- THE CHRYSLER** (Marshall) (D)—One of Mr. Marshall's best, a medium height growing plant with best of stems and a profuse bloomer and a dandy commercial flower. Color orchid. Net Tubers, \$3.00. Plants..... 1.50
- THE SUPREME** (Marshall) (H.C.)—A perfectly formed hybrid type; very long stiff stems. Color clear sulphur yellow. Very large and free flowering. The plants are glossy and sturdy. Net Tubers, \$5.00. Plants..... 2.50
- THE SURPRISE** (Marshall) (D)—The color of this dahlia is difficult to describe, but would say it is a rich deep wine shade. Very large and full with long stiff stems; fine for exhibition on account of its great size and desirable for garden because of its freedom in producing flowers. Net Tubers, \$5.00. Plants 2.50
- THE SCOUT** (Marshall) (D)—One of the very best yellows on the market, long stiff stems, good keeper and free flowering. Net Tubers, \$3.00. Plants 1.50

THE CAPITOL (Marshall) (D.P.)—Color of this dahlia is a very deep mauve with white center; very large, good stems and a free bloomer. Tubers, \$3.00. Plants.....	Net 1.50
THE LEXINGTON (Marshall) (H.D.)—A wonderful large pink, edge of petals lighter shade. Very best of stems. Free flowering all season and one of the best for all purposes. Tubers \$3.00. Plants	Net 1.50
TOMMY ATKINS (D)—A bright scarlet, large deep flowers on good stems. While they last! Tubers	\$1.00
TEHACHEPI (H.C.)—Good strong growing plant, large blooms and good stems; color canary yellow. Tubers.....	1.00
THE BANDIT (Reed) (H.C.)—Without doubt one of the best of its kind on the market. A very fine combination of color, spectrum red with backs of petals buff with yellow at base, with petals that twist and curl; grows very large and is very attractive. Tubers, \$7.50. Plants.....	3.75
WARREN'S JUMBO (D)—Extra large golden bronze that will grow 10 inches most all season; good stems and a fine bloomer. Tubers \$7.50. Plants	3.75
WIZARD OF OZ (D)—One of the older varieties that is always good; color amber and pink. Tubers	2.50
WONDERLAND (Bissell) (D)—Large flowers of the exhibition type, violet carmine with silver reverse; very good stems. Tubers.....	3.00
WILLIAM G. (H.C.)—This is a very fine type of dahlia that will grow very large on good long strong stems. Color being henna and bronze with long wavy petals deepening in color towards the center of the flowers, a profuse bloomer and will grow 9 and 10 inch flowers all season. Tubers, \$10.00. Plants.....	5.00
WORLD'S BEST WHITE (Murphy) (D)—One of the outstanding whites at all the shows for the past two seasons, very free blooming dahlia. Flowers on good long stems well above the foliage. Tubers, \$4.00. Plants.....	2.00
WHITE COURT (Murphy) (H.C.)—Another new white of Mr. Murphy's, a true type of hybrid cactus with long narrow petals. Tubers, \$7.50. Plants	3.75
WILLIAM SLOCOMBE (D)—One of the older varieties that is always good. Color canary yellow, good stems. Tubers	.50