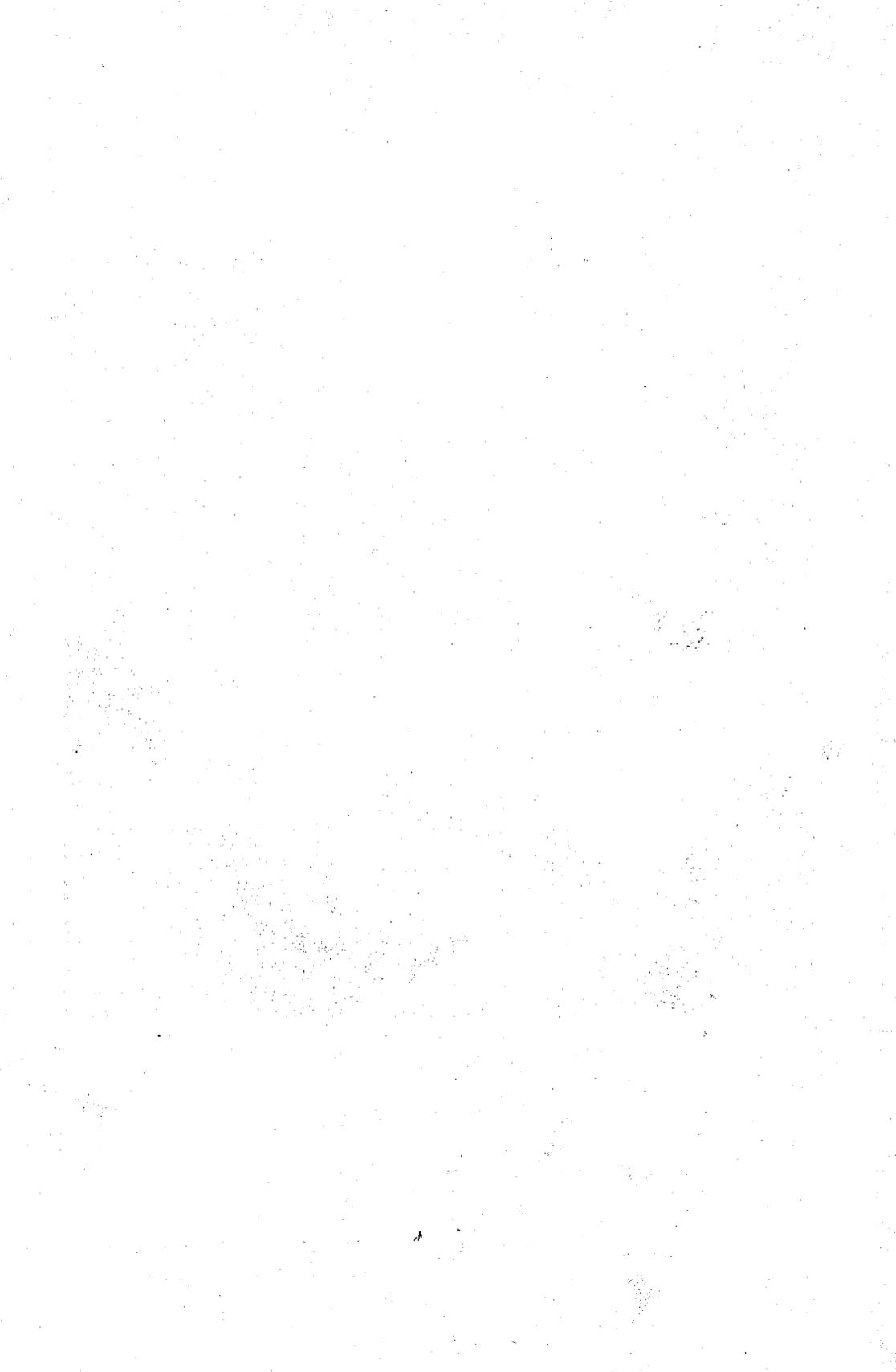


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Cemellia blooms in Classes A, B, C, D, E and G are open to all amateurs only and blooms in these classes will be judged in accordance with American Camellia Society Rules by variety and arranged alphabetically according to accepted nomenclature. Blooms in Class F (seedlings) are open to amateurs and professionals alike. No distinction shall be made by the judges between chemically treated and non-treated blooms.

**CLASS A** (White Card) Japonica blooms grown in the open by amateurs.  
AWARDS: Blue, red and yellow ribbons for each variety. Silver trophy and designating rosette for best flower and for runner-up in this class.

**CLASS B** (Green Card) Japonica blooms grown under cover by amateurs.  
AWARDS: Blue, red and yellow ribbons for each variety. Silver trophy and designating rosette for best flower and for runner-up in this class.

**CLASS C** (Green Card marked "Miniature") Miniature blooms grown by amateurs.  
AWARDS: Blue, red and yellow ribbons for each variety. Silver trophy and designating rosette for best flower in this class.

**CLASS D** (Yellow Card) Reticulata blooms grown by amateurs.  
AWARDS: Blue, red and yellow ribbons for each variety. Silver trophy and designating rosette for best flower in class and designating rosette for runner-up.

**CLASS E** (Green Card marked "Hybrid") Hybrid blooms grown by amateurs.  
AWARDS: Blue, red and yellow ribbons for each variety. Silver trophy and designating rosette for best flower in class and designating rosette for runner-up.

**CLASS F** (White Card marked "Seedling") Seedlings grown by amateurs or professionals.

AWARDS: American Camellia Society awards are available at the discretion of the judges. If plants from seedlings have been sold commercially, they are not eligible. Silver trophy and designating rosette for best flower in class.

**CLASS G** (Collections) Blooms grown by amateurs exhibited on tray or plate.  
Group 1. Collection consisting of five blooms of same variety grown in open.

Group 2. Collection consisting of five blooms of same variety grown under cover.

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Judges will place a maximum of 20 blue ribbon winners on Court of Honor. Each flower on Court of Honor will be awarded a Rosette.

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Arrangement in the Oriental manner

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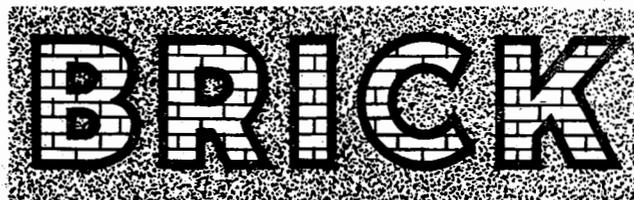
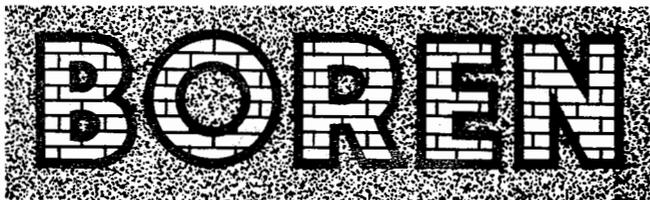
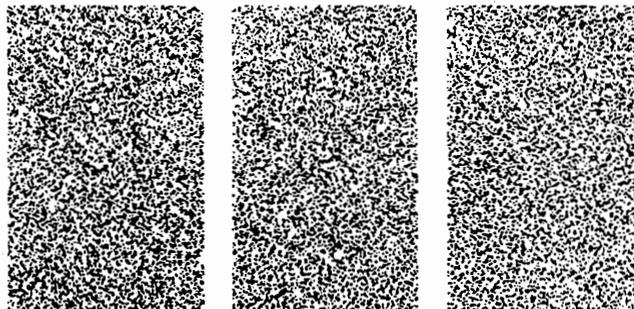
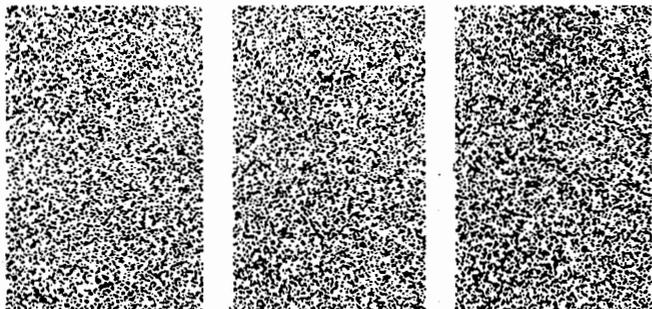
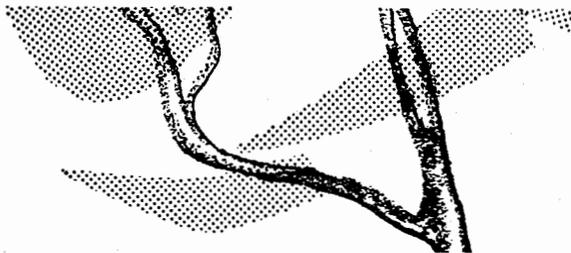
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Textural Values	20
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But we caution you that there have been many disappointments following local plantings. Many have enthusiastically bought and planted, without proper knowledge and advice, with almost total failure—plants killed by improper planting, or that died or wasted away from improper care and feeding after planting, or, even if the plants lived and prospered, their blooms were almost always killed or substantially damaged by winter freezes. The truth is that most of those who buy camellias in this area are ignorant as to proper culture and care of them. For sound advice read Mrs. Hope Brown's article on proper culture in this program. Also most of those who buy camellias here are ignorant as to varieties which are cold hardy and suitable to the Piedmont area. Many fine camellias are not suited to our area. You will have no success with camellias if you select and purchase your plants blindly as to variety.

Most of the members of the Men's Piedmont Camellia Club grow camellias successfully outside. We are growing hundreds of varieties outside with varying degrees of success or failure. Our advice to the beginner, in growing camellias in the Piedmont area, is that you learn how to plant them, learn how to feed and care for them, choose their location with extreme care, preferably with the aid of a local grower, and then limit the varieties that you plant to those which have been tested and found to be cold hardy and satisfactory in the Piedmont.

If you wish to plant only one to five plants, safe choices may be made from the following:

1. *Greensboro Red* (Bright red, semi-double)
2. *Berenice Boddy* (Light pink, semi-double)
3. *Governor Mouton* (Oriental red, spotted white, peony form)
4. *Kumaska* (Rose pink, rose form double to peony form)
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6. *Jarvis Red* (Turkey red, semi-double with tufted center)
7. *Lady Clare* (Deep pink, semi-double)
8. *Dr. Tinsley* (Pale pink shading to deeper pink at edge, semi-double)
9. *Professor Chas. S. Sargent* (Dark red, peony form)
10. *Sergeant Barios* (Rose red, semi-double)

If these ten are not enough for your needs, or if you still can't find enough plants available among the above ten, then try:

11. *T. K. Variegated* (Light pink edged darker pink, semi-double)
12. *Willie Hite* (Light pink edged deeper pink, semi-double)
13. *Winifred Womack* (Light pink, semi-double)
14. *Admiral Nimitz* (Deep rose pink and white, formal double)
15. *Pink Perfection*, (Shell pink, formal double)

You have no doubt observed that there are no white camellias listed above. While some are called cold hardy and are grown by us in this area, you cannot expect as good blooms from them as from reds and pinks for the reason that whites are much more subject to many blemishes—caused by cold, wind, frost, sun, even dew. But if you especially want white camellias, then we suggest:

16. *September Morn* (Semi-double to peony form)
17. *White Empress* (Fluted semi-double)
18. *Leucantha* (Semi-double)
19. *Elizabeth Boardman* (Semi-double)
20. *Finlandia* (Fluted semi-double)

Blooms of most if not all of the twenty varieties listed above are exhibited in this show, either in the section for blooms grown in the open or in the section for blooms grown under cover. Look for them because seeing is superior to telling. And we invite you to see most of them along with many others blooming in our yards during the next four to six weeks.

This is not intended as a guide to the planting and culture of camellias but merely as a guide to practical selection of plants for planting in the Piedmont area. If you are truly interested and wish more information ask us for advice. The show committees listed in this program include most of our members. We will be glad to advise you and actually help you. And of course we hope that your interest will cause you to join Men's Piedmont Camellia Club where you may share with us our love for camellias and our experiences in camellia culture and help us increase the popularity of camellias in the Piedmont.

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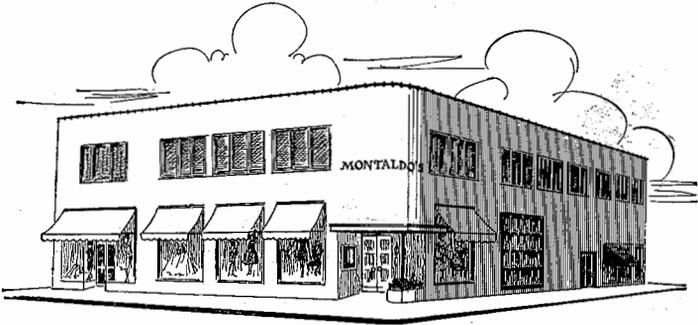
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# CAMELLIA CULTURE IN PIEDMONT NORTH CAROLINA

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Growing camellias in Piedmont North Carolina offers quite a challenge because we are on the northern fringe of the area where the most perfect camellias are usually grown. Our Spring, Summer and Fall weather is almost perfect. Our Winter weather is slightly too cold for some varieties; therefore, we should have a few early Fall blooming varieties and concentrate on our main show in March and April. The plants themselves make beautiful evergreen shrubs. They were perfectly hardy during the Winter of 1957-1958, when the temperature dropped below zero, and many gardenias, ligustrum, and fig trees were killed back. During the Spring of 1958, Greensboro had beautiful outdoor camellias (though somewhat later than usual) whereas in Wilmington, (usually considered a more favorable camellia area) there were almost no blooms, because temperatures ranged higher there during midwinter and the buds were more advanced when the very unseasonable drop occurred in February. It is for the same reason that some years our peach crop here and in the Sandhills is practically destroyed. We must learn to be philosophical about the weather or else build a greenhouse or enclose a porch with plastic screening.

## LOCATION AND PINE PROTECTION

The next step then for outdoor growers is to find or make the ideal location for their protection. Camellias thrive when planted under a grove of pine trees with screening on the north and west from cold Winter winds. The side protection from a house or an evergreen hedge helps considerably. A pine has a straight deep tap root which does not take up moisture or plant food from the surface. Overhead the needles form a perfect cover from snow and frost which accumulates on their top branches. Below pines, blossoms remain untouched at a temperature of 26°, when those not under pines will most likely turn brown. Camellias also appreciate cool shade in the Summer which keeps the foliage a deep green. If you do not have pines, try planting small ones in midwinter.

## PLANTING

Camellias may be planted in the Fall or Spring. They need good drainage. Planting four or five inches above the ground level is not too high to allow for future sinking. Remove the old clay in a wide circle to the depth of about a foot. Fill with a good porous mixture containing builders sand, peat moss, old manure, leaf mold, etc., allowing room for root growth outward rather than downward. Camellias, like azaleas, are very shallow feeders. A mulch of pine needles and half rotted oak leaves helps keep the roots cool and moist in Summer and protects from freezing in Winter.

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## FERTILIZING

The soil should be moderately acid. This can be easily regulated by the pine and oak mulch, plus feedings of commercial azalea-camellia plant food. Sprinkle 2 or 3 handfuls in a circle around the outer edge of the roots in March, April and May. Then in July or August, give a feeding of the following formula which you may mix yourself:

Superphosphate .....	8 lbs;
Potash .....	2 lbs;
Epsom Salts .....	1 lb.

This mixture promotes bud size and development and does not encourage late leafy growth which might be killed by frost. In November, or later, add some well rotted manure to the top of your mulch.

Camellias like high humidity, so be sure to soak the roots and sprinkle the foliage whenever we have a dry spell. If you keep fall blooming varieties very damp during July, August and September, they will bloom earlier and give you more blossoms before frost.

## DISEASES

Camellias have few diseases. Spray with Malathion or Volck after blooming and before the new growth starts. Try to keep old blossoms picked up from the ground. After blooming season, remove the top two inches of old mulch and add new. This gets rid of those you may have missed and is a sanitary measure to prevent petal blight—never yet seen in this area.

## PRUNING

Prune by cutting your blossoms with generous stems on a slant just above a leaf. This promotes healthy new growth and branching. Remove any weak, inside growth and straggling branches by cutting back flush with the main trunk and painting immediately with a good tree paint. Flint-Kote, non-fibrous water based roofing paint, is cheap and excellent.

## DISBUDDING

If you remove all crowded buds in August and September you will be rewarded by larger, more perfect blossoms. In the case of sasanquas and small flowered varieties, this is not necessary.

## COVERING

Covering camellias with plastic or burlap is hardly worthwhile except in very special cases. It might be worth a try if you have a favorite in full bloom or showing color when an early fall frost is on the way. Cover at night *only*. In this way, you may be able to enjoy a few weeks more of bloom during Indian Summer.



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