

August 16, 1955.

The regular meeting of the Upper Keys Garden Club was held at the home of Lotte Uhe, Key Largo. Called to order at 2:05 pm by the president.

The president read a poem titled "Dreams"

Minutes of the July meeting approved as read.

Treasurers report showed a balance of \$114.57 with \$1.00 for new member, Mrs. Kirtley. Total \$115.57

There were 19 members and 1 guest present.

Secretary read letters and gave report of visit by members of State Road Department-filed.

Secretary reported she had sent a get well card to Mary Heinlein.

Mrs. Tjader introduced her brother, Mr. Richard Carleton-Ward, professor of Botany at University of Vermont.

Orders for day lilies were received by Cohen, Davis, Kinzy, Gross, Bond, Young, Easton, Tjader, Lett. All want 1 dozen each, except Bond who wishes 2 dozen.

Roll call of members for flowers in bloom showed the following: Yellow and Red Ixora; Florida gardenia; Alamanda; Hibiscus; Double white Hibiscus; Night blooming cereus; Verbena; Lady of Night or Franciscan Rain Tree; Petrea; Petunia; Caladium; Frangipani, white and pink; Marigold, Passion Vine; Yang-Yang, and one unidentified blue flower which will be sent for identification.

Decided not to take the August book-

Next meeting will be at home of Alida Tjader, Lower Matecumbe

Mrs. Tracy introduced Mrs. Jones who started by saying that she had a formula for growing plants. She selected good stock, gave good care for 6 months and then they are on their own. If there is a failure she concentrates on those things that will grow as there are so many of them. Her failures, she listed, as avocados, pineapple(they need too much water) loquats, breadfruit, bombax and chioti.

She displayed a large bunch of Spanish Limes and a sugar apple.

Trees that are good growers in the area were shown as Horseradish Tree the flowers all the time, can be grown from cuttings and the root is used for horseradish. The Braziliah Pepper or Christmas Holly; Satin Leaf or Star Apple, which can be grown from cuttings and may be in either wild or cultivated form. It is a slow starter. Jerusalem Thorn or Paradise Tree which blooms year round with yellow flower. The Bucida or Black Olive which is a native and has a small bloom. The Glyricidia which has a pink blossom and drops leaves when it blooms. It is native and grows to 30 feet. The Petrea or Queens Wreath with lavender bloom that hangs like wisteria. The baby wood rose which climbs on a tree and is excellent for dry arrangements. The golden Dewdrop, as a shrub is most satisfactory. The carissa which makes a lovely shrub and also jelly. The Capsia, recommended instead of Carissa as you never need water or fertilize it. The Orange Jasmine and the Cecropia Tree.