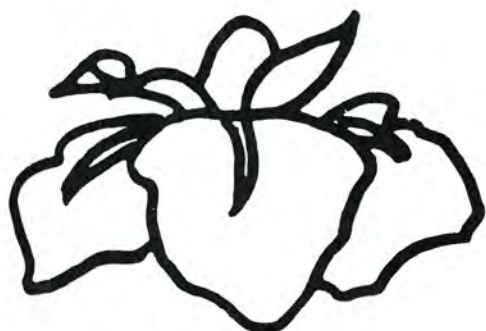
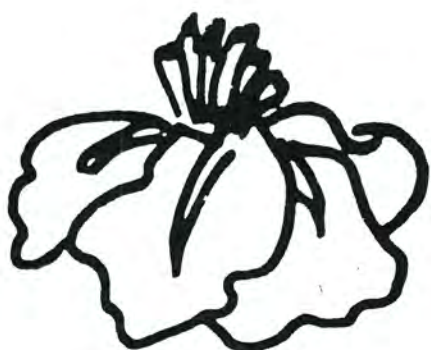


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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

A hearty hello to all members of the Society for Japanese Irises. I said yes to the nominating committee because I welcome the opportunity to be of service to the Society and to do what I can to encourage more people to grow Japanese irises.

With our widespread membership The Review is our only means of communication. So why not make use of what we have with more articles and letters to our Editor.

High on the priority list is more members. If each member would just sign up one new member our membership would double and so would our bank account. Bloom time is the right time to talk to prospective members. We also need more Japanese iris auctions like they have in Region One.

This is your Society, so let me know what you want done.

ADOLPH J. VOGT

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Your Editor has received the following letter from Mr. Leland M. Welsh, Chairman of the Nominating Committee:

1003 Newton Ct.
Kalamazoo, MI. 49008

Mr. William E. Oweneel
Editor, The Review
RR 31, Box 206
Terre Haute, IN. 47803

Dear Mr. Oweneel:

This note will confirm our telephone conversation of Friday regarding the current vacancy on the Nominating Committee of The Society for Japanese Irises.

Mr. Ben Hager, 309 Best Foad South, Stockton, CA. 95206, has agreed to accept appointment to the Nominating Committee for the term through 1981 succeeding Mrs. Charles E. Kenney.

Sincerely,

Leland M. Welsh (signed)
Nominating Committee

SUCCESS IN FORCING FLOWERS
OF TWO JAPANESE IRIS CULTIVARS

Wray M. Bowden
Simcoe, Ontario, Canada

In the fall of 1978, I decided to pot up a few fans of Japanese Iris cultivars with the aim of trying to force them into bloom under artificial lights in the cellar during the winter. I used plastic pots: a six inch diameter pot and five inches of soil for one fan of cultivar Galatea; and an 8½ inch pot and 3½ inches of soil for one fan of Royal Pageant. These rhizomes were the last of all my plants during the first week of September. I used the following soil mixture in the pots: five parts of loam topsoil, one part peat moss, and a small amount of sulphur. In order to keep the soil acidic as well as to supply mineral nutrients, the pots were watered well several times with a solution of Stern's Miracid (30-10-10) at the rate of one teaspoon per quart of water during the period September, 1978, to February, 1979. The plants were potted during the first week of September and left outside at ground level until December 1, 1978. The soil was kept moist but not soaking. By December 1, the soil in the pots was frozen.

On December first, the pots were transferred to bench level in the cellar under artificial lights. I noted that some roots were protruding through the holes at the bases of the pots. The artificial lights consisted of two 40 watt fluorescent Westinghouse Agro-lights (tubes) and three 100 watt incandescent bulbs. An automatic timer was used and set so that the lights were on for 15 hours of each 24 hours. The cellar temperature ranged from 63 degrees F. to 74 degrees F. Each pot was placed in a shallow tray which always had some water in it. The pots were watered every day and the soil was flooded at each watering. The pots were placed along the side of the area receiving most light. After several weeks, I noted the shoots of new leaf-blades just above soil level. The distance from the new shoots to the Agro-lites was about two feet. As the plants grew taller, they were illuminated sideways from the two Agro-Lites and two of the incandescent bulbs. The Galatea plant grew so tall that the top ten inches was above the lower edge of the light fixture.

The plants grew rapidly and by mid-January the leaves were quite long and a deep green. By January 19 I felt a small swelling near the base of each plant. By February 2, each plant had produced a flowering stalk with a terminal green bud. The stalks continued to elongate and the buds became larger and firmer. When the plants produced flowers, the height of the flowering stems was two feet for Royal Pageant and two feet six inches for Galatea, measured on February 14, 1979. The Galatea bud produced only one flower while the Royal Pageant bud produced two flowers. The first two flowers each lasted three days. The flowers were reasonably good in quality and each plant showed the expected cultivar characteristics for flower colour and pattern of veins as the plants produced outside in the garden during July, 1978. The forced flowers seemed somewhat

smaller than the flowers produced in the July garden. The measurements for the first flowers grown inside on February 15 were 6½ inches across for Royal Pageant and 6 inches across for Galatea. The second flower of Royal Pageant was slow in developing; it proved to be a small, abnormal flower when examined on February 23 and did not open but gradually atrophied. It was, of course, a real treat to see these plants in bloom inside when it was winter outside with all the ice, snow and cold!

The leaves of the forced plants seemed to me to be narrower and shorter compared with July garden plants. The leaves were deep green at least until mid-January. By early February, some of the newer leaves appeared to be lighter green than normal and a few leaves showed yellowish-green areas. Perhaps the soil was not acidic enough, or there may have been a chemical imbalance, or there may have been a deficiency in iron or nitrogen.

The flower of Galatea was pollinated with pollen from Royal Pageant. The ovary persisted until February 26 and then dropped off. It would be worthwhile to cross cultivars inside that are known to produce viable seeds outdoors. I would think that ideal greenhouse conditions should make it possible to make successful crosses with forced flowers.

I plan on bringing more potted rhizomes inside next winter for forcing. In assessing the first attempts this past season, I suggest that the following experiments can be tried: 1. size of pots, perhaps as small as three inches. 2. clay pots rather than plastic. 3. Compare rhizomes potted in September with rhizomes of the same cultivars potted in May. The May plants might have a much stronger root system. 4. Use more fertilizer to keep the soil acidic as well as to provide much more NPK nutrients. I think the solution of Stern's Miracid could be used every three weeks, perhaps at the rate of half a teaspoon per quart of water. Dilute solutions of 20-20-20 or 15-30-15 could also be used as a supplement to keep the level of nutrients high. 5. Since the plants grow so tall, there is a problem with artificial lighting in that it is difficult to place the plants so that they receive as much light as possible. It would be worthwhile to try forcing some Japanese Iris cultivars in a well-lit greenhouse or in a greenhouse that has the usual light as well as supplementary artificial light. 6. The pots could be left outside in the cold longer before transferring to the cellar, perhaps as late as December 15 or December 31. 7. Some of the other cultivars that bloom the best in the July garden might yield good results. 8. More water could be provided by flooding the plants two inches deep with water each day. A deep tray would be needed, as the water drains out of the pots after each watering.

Perhaps some Botanical Gardens or flower shows would be interested in displaying forced Japanese Irises during the winter season. It should be possible to develop a fairly accurate schedule so that one would know how many days would be required to bring the plants into bloom after bringing them inside for forcing under the artificial lights.

PSEUDACORUS X KAEMPFERI HYBRIDS

Your Editor has received the following letter, which is self-explanatory.

Jan. 12, 1979

Dear Bill,

In the October issue of THE REVIEW you asked for comments re the pseudacorus x kaempferi hybrids so I herewith submit my two cents worth.

In April 1977, just before entering the hospital for surgery, Therese Stirbis presented me with a gift of "Golden Queen" which she'd ordered from Parks Seed Co. It consisted of a single division which Therese had potted in a five inch clay pot. I had an eight-inch glazed, footed pot of oriental design on hand and later that summer, I transferred the clump to the larger pot. I didn't disturb the sandy rootball but filled in around it with a mixture of clay, peat, leaf-mold and sand. The mixture was fairly heavy with clay but made more porous by the other ingredients. Initially, the foliage was flimsy and yellow-green giving the appearance that it might be fragile and susceptible to sunburn so I sat the pot under a dogwood bough where it got sun except during midday. During the year, it added two new fans.

When the winter of 1977-1978 came, I moved "Golden Queen," together with bonsais and other potted plants, against the foundation of the house on the north side and mulched them with pine needles and hardwood leaves. In spite of the severity of the winter, we had practically no loss. The ground remained frozen for four to six inches for weeks which is unusual for us. Last spring as it warmed, I began to pull back mulch to find all but about two inches of foliage dead on "Golden Queen." As it continued to warm, the plant came out of dormancy and produced a flush of increases with the result that when I mulched in the pot this winter, the six-fold increase had about filled the pot.

Altho I did not get blooms last spring, I was pleased with the amount and vigor of the increase. Altho the foliage is pale by comparison to other iris, it has taken on a greener shade. Three or four times during the year, I scatter granulated 0-8-8 fertilizer and when I foliar feed my azaleas and rhododendrons, I also drench my Japanese iris.

Altho I didn't get bloom last year, I did photograph blooms on "Golden Queen" in Therese Stirbis' garden last spring on plants which she got the same time that she ordered mine.

Hers are grown in the ground and in full sun. She got blooms but not so much increase. I am hoping mine has enough vigor now to throw a beautiful floral display this coming year. If not, then it's going on a diet!

Best Wishes,
Skip (signed)

J. M. Ross
402 Mountain Gap Rd., SE
Huntsville, AL 35803

HORTICULTURAL TERMINOLOGY - THE INNER MEANINGS

The following definitions first appeared in THE SIBERIAN IRIS. They are here copied, with permission, from THE NEWSLETTER of The Siberian, Spuria and Japanese Iris Group of the British Iris Society.

Artistic: peculiar

Bargain: I went without shoes to buy it/It was left over from the auction.

Choice: I have it and you don't, nyah, nyah.

Clone: variety, only more elegant.

Commercial: Some people will buy anything/I can't afford it/The originator didn't give me a piece.

Commonplace: I didn't think of it first.

Cultivar: See clone.

Difficult: Takes too much work.

Dog/Real Dog: It stole Best-in-Show from mine/Someone else's prize seedling.

Easy: I sweated blood to make it grow.

Effective in the Garden: doesn't look bad at twenty feet.

Expert: doesn't really know any more but is organised and has slides.

Fanatic: someone who prefers TBs, Medians, etc.

Fancier: anyone who appreciates Siberians.

Figment of someone's imagination: I haven't seen it yet.'

Fine Show Specimen: only two stalks on a three-year clump/very gawky/The colour clashes with everything else in the garden.

Grooming: blow off the dust/ go over the whole thing with a camel's hair brush.

Needs Improvement: He really should know better than to introduce that.

JI BLUES

Anyone with a little experience photographing JIs knows that getting good blues or bluish tones is a problem.

The December, 1978, issue of SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN has a Kodak advertisement with the following text:

"By and large, it's a miracle how closely the photographic process can match the real thing for color.

"Except for an occasional special case.

"Why this happens is no great mystery. Certain pigments that occur in flowers reflect quite strongly somewhat beyond the long wavelength limit of human vision, while most color films have a red-sensing layer that does not drop off quite as rapidly at the longwavelength end as vision drops off. The consensus of technical opinion in our establishment holds that if we were to switch sensitizers for a shorter red cutoff to please photographers of blue flowers, photographers of other subjects might be a shade less pleased with their results.

"Now in designing a color film fast enough for general use with whatever light exists, we had to make it tolerant to situations where part of the illumination might come from skylight, part from tungsten, part from phosphorecents and perhaps part from a bonfire---even if it is balanced for daylight, blue flash and electronic flash. That's the real reason the new Kodak 400 film has a shorter red cutoff sensitization. When we took the above subject on this film and let the printing and processing machines take over, they turned out a print that looked like this.

(Editor's note: The advertisement includes a picture of a morning glory made with "long red" film in which the flower is pink and a picture of the same subject with 400 film in which the flower is morning glory blue.)

"If you are particularly interested in photographing blue flowers, give it a try and see if it does as well on others as it does on "Heavenly Blue" morning glories. If you would like some true sophistication on the subject of true color photography, we can send you an article by David L. MacAdam from the January, 1967, issue of PHYSICS TODAY. Just write 'Truer Blue' with your name and address on a postcard and mail it to Dept. 55-W, Kodak, Rochester, NY 14650.

REGION ONE AUCTION

The annual Region One Beardless Iris Auction last fall realized a profit for the SJI of \$115.50.

The Society For Japanese Irises

Section of THE AMERICAN IRIS SOCIETY

1003 Newton Ct.
Kalamazoo, MI. 49008
Jan. 16, 1979

Mr. Thornton M. Abell
President
Society for Japanese Irises
469 Upper Mesa Rd.
Santa Monica, CA. 90402

Dear Thornton,

The current nominating committee submits the following nominations for officers of The Society for Japanese Irises. The nominations are made for terms of two years, 1979 and 1980. All nominees have been contacted by telephone, and have expressed willingness to accept the offices to which they are nominated. The nominees are:

President-----Mr. Adolph J. Vogt
5101 Fegenbush Lane
Louisville, Kentucky 40218
Telephone---502-499-0024

Vice-President---Mrs. Orrin E. (Janet) Merrill
R. F. D. #1
Epson, New Hampshire 03234
Telephone---603-736-4544

Secretary-----Mr. Harley E. Briscoe
Route 1
White Hall, Illinois 60209
Telephone---217-374-6654

Treasurer-----Mr. Ford L. Grant
2125 Sturdevant
Davenport, Iowa 52804
Telephone---319-323-5247

We recommend that the above nominees be approved as officers of The Society for Japanese Irises. It is recognized that this committee report is unduly late in being presented. It is therefore suggested that approval be in the most expedient manner possible, for terms to start immediately. An appointment will be made at a later date to fill the present vacancy on the nominating committee.

Sincerely,
JILL COPELAND
LELAND M. WELSH

Copies to:
Ouweneel
Vogt

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 1, 1978 to December 31, 1978

Cash in Savings Account January 1, 1978	\$308.17
Cash in Checking Account January 1, 1978	\$495.77

DEPOSITS

Dues	\$331.50	
Sale of Review	8.00	
Iris Sale, Region 1	115.50	
	<u>\$455.00</u>	\$950.77

EXPENSES

April Review - Printing, Covers, Postage	\$190.61	
October Review - Printing, Covers, Postage	92.35	
Miscellaneous Postage	14.41	
	<u>\$297.37</u>	\$297.37
		<u>\$653.40</u>

Cash in Checking Account - December 31, 1978	\$653.40
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Savings Account - January 1, 1978	\$308.17	
Interest	15.80	
	<u>\$323.97</u>	\$323.97

Total Cash on Hand - December 31, 1978	\$977.37
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God L. Grant
Treasurer

BYLAWS OF THE SOCIETY FOR JAPANESE IRISES

ARTICLE I. NAME AND AFFILIATION

- Section 1. This organization shall be known as the Society for Japanese Irises.
- Section 2. This Society shall be a Section of the American Iris Society.
- Section 3. It shall be a non-profit organization.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSES

- Section 1. This Society shall foster the culture, appreciation, breeding and distribution of kaempferi irises of the series laevigatae and hybrids involving these irises.
- a. Definition: by kaempferi we mean the so-called Japanese irises; members of the genus Iris, subgenus Iris, Section Apathula, Subsection Apogon.
- Section 2. The Society shall promote a spirit of cooperation and good fellowship among its members, and between its members and those of other societies.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

- Section 1. All members of this Society residing in the United States and Canada shall be members of the American Iris Society.
- Section 2. There shall be three classes of membership in the Society:
- a. Voting membership: Dues \$2.00 per year. Any member who is a member in good standing of the American Iris Society and who has paid his dues for the current year in this Society shall be considered a voting member.
- b. Corresponding membership: no dues. The President may appoint as corresponding members any residents of countries other than Canada and the United States selected by him for the interchange of information of value to the membership or to such persons.
- c. Honorary memberships: no dues. The Board of Directors may grant honorary membership to any person in recognition of distinguished service in the field of the Society's activities.
- Section 3. All persons who became members of this Society during the calendar year 1963 shall be designated as Charter Members.
- Section 4. Dues and the fiscal year of memberships may be altered from time to time by the Board of Directors as the needs of the Society may require.
- Section 5. Every application for membership shall be considered by the membership committee. Provided proper dues accompany the application it may accept such application and place the name of the applicant on the roll or submit the application with its recommendation for acceptance or rejection to the Board of Directors. Any member may be dropped from the roll by the Board of Directors if such action is deemed in the best interest of the Society.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS.

- Section 1. The officers of the Society shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and three Directors at Large, all of whom shall be voting members of this Society.
- Section 2. The Directors at Large shall be elected biennially to serve for two years, and the other officers shall be elected biennially in the years alternating with the election of the Directors at Large, to serve for two years. The terms of all elected officers shall run from January 1st of the year following the election except that officers elected to fill vacancies shall begin to serve upon completion of the election. Terms shall continue until successors take office.
- Section 3. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society, of the Board of Directors, and of the Executive Committee. He shall be a member ex-officio of all committees except the Nominating Committee. He shall exercise the usual functions of a President. He shall be a member of the Board of Counsellors of the American Iris Society.
- Section 4. The Vice-President shall in the absence of the President exercise the functions of the office of President.
- Section 5. The Secretary shall keep the minutes and records of the Society, of the Board of Directors, and of the Executive Committee; and shall serve all notices to members. He shall conduct all correspondence of the Society provided that duties attending correspondence may be delegated to a Corresponding Secretary duly appointed by the Board of Directors.
- Section 6. The Treasurer shall receive, record, deposit and account for all moneys of the Society. He shall pay all bills approved by the President or the Board of Directors. He shall report on finances at the Annual Meeting and at such other times as the President or the Board may require.
- Section 7. Each officer shall perform such other duties as may be assigned by the Board of Directors or by these Bylaws.
- Section 8. The Board of Directors may appoint at any time such other officers as may be deemed expedient, and any such officer shall perform the duties assigned by the Board, and hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

ARTICLE V. BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- Section 1. The Society shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of the seven officers set forth in Article IV, Section 1, of these Bylaws. The Board of Directors shall have the control and management of the affairs, policies and business of the Society between meetings of the Society.
- Section 2. Regular or special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be called by the President whenever he deems them necessary or whenever he is called upon to do so by a majority of the Directors or by a majority of the Directors at Large. The Board of Directors shall make such rules and regulations covering its meetings as it may deem necessary.
- Section 3. Subject to the direction and control of the Board of Directors, between meetings of the Board the Executive Committee

shall have general direction of the management and operation of the Society, and exercise all of the powers and perform all of the duties of the Board provided by law or under these Bylaws except for the following, which are reserved to the Board:

- a. Removing members from the roll other than for resignation, non-payment of dues, or lapse of membership in the American Iris Society.
- b. Other disciplining of members.
- c. Creating or granting honors and awards.
- d. Filling vacancies in elective offices and Election Committee posts.

Section 4. The Executive Committee shall consist of the four officers other than Directors at Large, set forth in Article IV, Section 1 of these Bylaws.

Section 5. Special or Regular meetings of the Executive Committee shall be called by the President whenever he deems them necessary, or whenever he is called upon to do so by a majority of the Committee. The Executive Committee may make such regulations and rules covering its meetings as it may deem necessary.

Section 6. Five members of the Board of Directors, including at least two Directors at Large and at least two members of the Executive Committee, shall constitute a quorum of the Board of Directors for all purposes. Three members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum of such Committees for all purposes.

Section 7. In the intervals between meetings of the Board of Directors and of the Executive Committee, the President may refer and submit by mail or telegraph or telephone to all the members of the Board or Committee definite questions relating to affairs of the Society which, in the opinion of the President, require action on the part of such Board or such Committee.

The result of such referendum, which shall require a majority vote of such Board or such Committee, shall constitute valid action by such Board or such Committee.

ARTICLE VI. COMMITTEES

Section 1. There shall be the following standing committees: Registration and Awards, Finance, Membership, Publicity, Nominating, Elections, Pollen and Seed Supply, Publications, Research and Robins. In addition there shall be such special committees as are authorized by the Board of Directors or by the Society.

Section 2. Except for the Finance and Nominating Committees, all standing and special committees shall be appointed by the President subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, and shall be responsible to him.

Section 3. The Nominating Committee shall consist of three voting members, one of whom shall be elected each year at the Annual Meeting to serve for three years from the 1st of January following his election and until a successor has been elected to replace him. No member of the Board of Directors shall be qualified to

serve on the Nominating Committee. An effort shall be made to have the Nominating Committee represent as many sections of the country as possible, with a view to obtaining adequate regional representation and of extending interest in the Society. The President shall within three months of the election appoint from the three elected members of the Committee one to be its chairman for the year.

Section 4. The Finance Committee shall consist of the immediate past president of the Society as chairman, and the Vice-President and one Director at Large appointed by the Board of Directors. If the immediate past President shall not continue as a member or shall for other reasons be unable or unwilling to act as a member of the committee, the Board shall appoint from among themselves a third member, and select from the Committee one to be chairman.

ARTICLE VII. DUTIES OF COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Society shall participate in the Registration and Awards System of the American Iris Society. The Registration and Awards Committee shall have charge of such participation subject to direction and control of the Board of Directors. The Committee shall study the existing Registration and Awards system and submit recommendations from time to time for such changes in or extensions of this system as they believe will stimulate the production and breeding of more and better Japanese irises, including any special awards they deem advisable applicable to iris plants within official Test Gardens of the Society which will not conflict with the general awards outside such gardens.

Section 2. The Finance Committee shall annually prepare a budget of estimated income and expenditure for submission to the Board of Directors, and submit such other recommendations on finance as may be required by the Board or the President.

Section 3. The Membership Committee shall canvas for and record all memberships. It shall propose ways and means of increasing membership both in this Society and in the American Iris Society. It shall perform any other duties with respect to membership assigned to it by these Bylaws or by the Board of Directors.

Section 4. The Publicity Committee shall try to devise ways and means of popularizing Japanese irises among the general public by recommendations regarding uses, displays, contests, articles in publications, and by education by any available means.

Section 5. The Nominating Committee shall make nominations as directed in these Bylaws.

Section 6. The Elections Committee shall conduct elections as directed in these Bylaws.

Section 7. The Pollen and Seed Supply Committee shall arrange for the exchange of pollen and seed among members hybridizing to produce more and better Japanese irises, and for the dissemination of information about collecting, storing and shipping

pollen, and gathering, sowing and culture of seeds and seedlings.

Section 8. The Publications Committee shall edit and arrange for the publication of all printed matter authorized by the Board of Directors, and for the distribution of same. These shall include mimeographed and otherwise mechanically reproduced literature. To the extent required by the American Iris Society of its Sections, the Committee shall make arrangements with and obtain the approval of, the American Iris Society for publications.

Section 9. The Research Committee shall endeavor to aid those members engaged in scientific advancement in iris breeding, classification and culture of Japanese irises, and to coordinate their efforts by such means as the Board of Directors may deem advisable.

Section 10. The Robin Committee shall encourage the extensive circulation of robin letters and shall extract from them such information as may be worthy of publication in the Society's publications but not suited to the AIS Bulletin, with the consent of the writer.

ARTICLE VIII. MEETINGS

Section 1. The Board of Directors may call an Annual Meeting to be held at such time in September or October of each year and in such place as the Board may decide. The Board shall call such meeting upon the request in writing of one fifth of the voting membership. Special meetings of the Society may be called by the President or the Board of Directors when it is deemed to the advantage of the Society to do so. Nor more than one such meeting shall take place in any calendar year. Notice of such meetings, whether annual or special, shall be mailed to the last known residence or business address of each voting member at least thirty days prior to the date of the meeting. Twenty percent of the voting membership whether present in person or by proxy, shall constitute a quorum for all purposes at such meeting.

Section 2. Any business requiring action by the members may be conducted by mail at the discretion of the Board of Directors. The procedure for the conduct of such business shall be determined by the Board except as to matters with regard to which the procedure is determined by these Bylaws. The business of the Society may also be conducted at any Annual meeting that may be held, or at any Special meeting provided that the business to be conducted at any Special meeting shall be stated in the notice.

ARTICLE IX. NOMINATIONS, ELECTIONS AND VACANCIES

Section 1. If no Annual Meeting has been called and no request has been made by members requiring such a call before September 15, there shall be mailed on or before October 1 to all voting members a report of nominations which the Nominating Committee shall have made for all offices and Committee posts to be filled by election. If no additional nominations are made under the procedure hereinafter set forth, the ballot may be omitted and the persons first nominated considered elected.

Section 2. After such report of the Nominating Committee has been mailed nominations may be made by eight voting members. Such nominations shall be in writing, signed by the Nominating members, and filed with the chairman of the Elections Committee not later than November 1, together with a letter of consent to such nomination signed by the person nominated. If additional nominations are made, the Elections Committee shall prepare a ballot including all nominations and designating which were made by the Nominating Committee. The ballot shall be mailed to all voting members not later than November 10 with instructions for voting by mail. Ballots shall be returned to the Chairman of the Elections Committee not later than December 1.

Section 3. The Elections Committee shall tabulate the returns and inform the Secretary of the results of the election. By appropriate means the Secretary shall promptly inform the membership of the results.

Section 4. Instead of a special mailing to members, the report of the Nominating Committee may be published in any regular publication of the Society which is mailed to the members not later than October 15, in which case the dates set for subsequent steps in the election shall be delayed by the number of days from October 2 to the date of mailing, both dates inclusive.

Section 5. If an Annual Meeting has been called or requested before September 15 the election shall, a quorum being present, be held at such meeting. The Nominating Committee shall present its nominations at the meeting. Additional nominations may be made from the floor.

Section 6. All members classified as voting members under Article III, Section 2a, are qualified to vote.

Section 7. In case of a vacancy in any elective office or elective committee post, the Board of Directors shall have power to fill such vacancy for the unexpired term if less than a year. Any such vacancy having an unexpired term of over one year shall be filled at the next election occurring at least three months after such a vacancy shall have occurred. Elections by mail shall be deemed to occur on December 1 for the purposes of this Section. The Board of Directors shall have power to fill such vacancy until a successor has been elected.

ARTICLE X. FINANCE

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall decide the official depository for the funds of the Society, and the officers who may sign checks.

Section 2. Revenue from sources other than dues may be raised as recommended by the Board of Directors and used for meeting expenses of the Society.

Section 3. Debts shall not be incurred by any officer in the name of The Society unless authorized by The Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XI. AMENDMENTS OF BYLAWS

Section 1. These Bylaws may be amended at any Annual Meeting or Special Meeting of the membership by a two-thirds vote of the voting members present in person or represented by proxy, provided that such amendments shall have been submitted to the membership at least thirty days before the Meeting, and there be a quorum present.

Section 2. These Bylaws may also be amended by means of a mail poll of voting members provided such amendment shall have been mailed in writing at least 30 days before the date set for receipt of returned ballots. In any mail poll a two-thirds vote of all returned ballots in favor of such amendment will have the same effect as though the question had been voted upon at a Meeting.

Section 3. The Board of Directors may make proposals for amendments. Twenty-five percent of the voting membership may present to the Society proposed amendments in writing with a request that they be presented for a vote of the membership. In either event the Board shall call and order notice of an Annual Meeting, or of a Special Meeting, or may call a mail poll, of the membership, at which the proposals may be presented.