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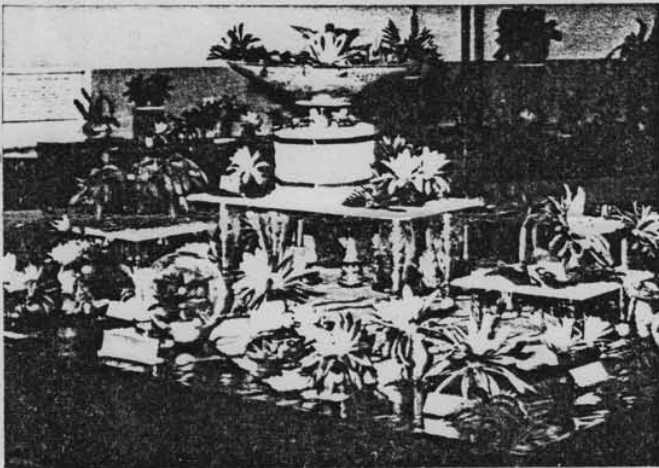
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With two annual shows, a Los Angeles bus tour and open gardens on consecutive weekends, we've had to catch our breath before tackling another EPI NEWS. And, incidentally, we've had so many fine and much appreciated compliments on last month's big issue that we know this edition will be hard pressed to live up to that initial effort. Nevertheless, we'll give it our best shot.

## BALBOA PARK SHOW OUTSTANDING SUCCESS

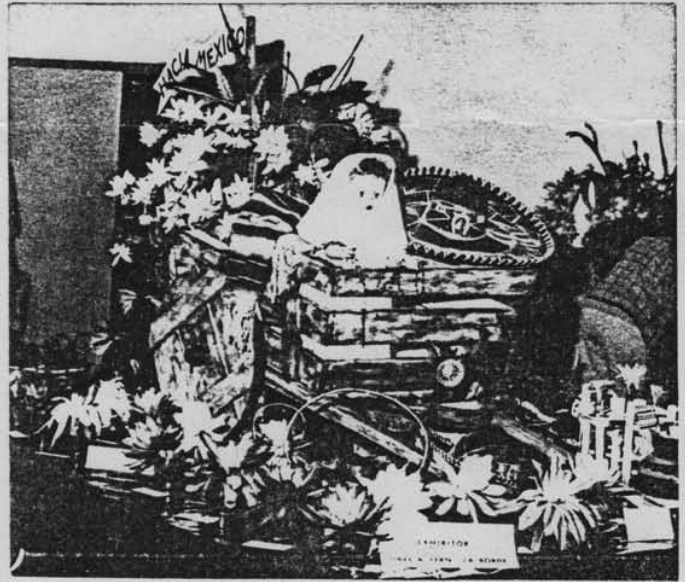
Despite downpours throughout the day, this seventh annual show in Balboa Park generated an impressive turnout of epi enthusiasts and plant lovers to view some twenty-three tables of truly spectacular flowers and table arrangements in keeping with this year's theme, "Down Mexico Way." If you missed it, here's our post-view.



We're sorry we can't show you all of the displays in full color but these black-and-white pictures should give you a little of the flavor of this major floricultural event.

George French handled arrangements and did his usual thorough job in organizing the exhibits along with providing most of the table coverings,

name tags and props that "got the show on the road." To George, a big vote of thanks from all of us.



Honors for the best large flower went to Nat Ogdon's Hazel Ruppe; for best medium-size flower, Fern La Borde's Saturnalia; and the best small flower, Chuck Everson's Equator. Congratulations.

The cutting table, which helps to raise money for our annual Christmas party, more than equaled last year's success both financially and in the

*Does this table look familiar?*

number of cuttings and plants donated by so many of the members. Credit for the record results go to Fern La Borde and her crew of tireless helpers.

One last note: Frank Granatowski did the demonstrating of potting while answering the many questions about potting mixes, fertilizing and the care which produced the finest display of blooms we've ever had for the show.

#### WILD ANIMAL PARK SHOW ATTRACTS CROWD

Tables of flowers welcomed visitors to San Diego's Wild Animal Park both Saturday and Sunday (April 30-May 1) for the second annual "mini-show" of epis. Nearly sixty participants exhibited both plants and blooms to the "ohs" and "ahs" of countless admirers. This show and the permanent collection of epies at the park are a tribute to the efforts of Howard Jones who has been largely responsible for the show's success. Incidentally, another lath house (the fifth!) is under construction at the park to help house the collection.

#### MEMBERS FILL TWO BUSES FOR LA TOUR

Some 75 members turned out for the annual bus tour of commercial nurseries and private gardens in the Los Angeles area at mid-month. Even the breakdown of one of the buses en route couldn't dampen the enthusiasm of the members for this annual event. The tour included Hawks Epiphyllum Nursery in Vista, Hurst's Redwood Nursery in Rosemead, and the private gardens of the C.L.Wrights and the Robert Buchanans (Alice is one half of the California Epi Center). Needless to say, it was a full day.

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY, DR. TROXELL

Since this edition of the EPI NEWS is being distributed at the regular June meeting (those not attending will get in the mail) we'd like to make note of the very important occasion this is: Dr. Troxell's birthday (which

also happens to be the birthday of the San Diego Chapter of the Epiphyllum Society of America). To help celebrate both occasions as well as to honor our first president, Bill Nelson, we're having our annual birthday party with a spectacular cake and all the appropriate "goodies." The cutting table tonight is FREE, the only time we do this during the entire year. So enjoy - or accept our sympathies if you had to be so unfortunate as to miss tonight's meeting.

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