Jan. 8, 1948

The Covington Garden Club met in the recreation room at the home of Mrs. Earl A. Buquoi on the afternoon of Thursday, January 8th- with Mrs. Buquoi the hostess of the evening.

The meeting was opened by Mrs. H. D. Hagerty- and in the absence of the secretary the minutes were read by Mrs. Owen Heyer and approved.

The Treasurer's report stated a balance on hand of $161.45.

The various committees made reports- Mrs. Heyer, chairman of literature- was authorized to purchase additional books for the club - a motion to that effect being made my Miss Krause and seconded by Miss Frotscher.

Mrs Hagerty reported that Mrs. F A Lambert, chairman of the plant exchange, had made presentation of ninety gifts.

Following these reports, Mrs. Tweedy extended an invitation to attend the Washington Parish Camelia show in Franklinton.

As Program Chairman, Miss Krause then presented Mrs. B.S. Nelson of New Orleans- who entertained the members and guests present with a talk on iris, illustrated with many interesting plates.

Questioned by Mrs. Menetre on the conflict of dates with P.T.A. meetings, Miss Frotscher explained that the regular date of first Thursday had been moved to the second Thursday due to New Year's day -

When the business meeting terminated, refreshments were served in the beautifully appointed dining room of the Buquoi home- where the flower motif of the evening was carried out in the table arrangements.

Coffee and tea were poured by Mrs. Buquoi, Mrs. Hagerty and Mrs. Woodruff. There were forty-two guests present for the meeting-

Submitted by:

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Mary Frances Morgan, Sec't

Feb. 5, 1948

The Garden Club met at the lovely home of Mrs. Welden Poole on Jahncke Avenue on the afternoon of Thursday, Feb. 5.

The meeting was called to order and opened by Mrs. H. D. Hagerty- who asked that the minutes be read. The secretary read the minutes which were approved.

The President then called for the Treasurer's report, and the club learned that there was a balance on hand of $157.45.

Mrs. Lambert made a brief report on the plant exchange, explaining the actual meaning of this service to the members as 'a friendship garden we would like to form'.

Mrs. Heyer reported in behalf of the literature committee a splendid bulletin on iris by Mr. Richard , which bulletin Miss Winnie McGee gave her to distribute .

In the absence of the chairman of Membership, Mrs. Morgan introduced two new members- Mrs. Usina and Mrs. Loeb.

There being no further business, the meeting was turned over to Miss Krause, chairman of the program for the day. Miss Krause explained her many and varied disappointments in attempting to plan the February program. It seemed that everyone she had expected to be available for a talk was either ill or recuperating from illness and was , therefore, unable to be with the club. Finally she was able to persuade Miss McGee to address the group. Miss Krause then introduced Miss McGee- who, as she said, needed no introduction in Covington.

In a lively, helpful talk, Miss McGee discussed many problems which confront the amateur gardener. In line with this, she discussed the service offered by the local agriculture office, Louisiana State University and the Department of Agriculture in Washington. For the most useful booklet of all, she suggested writing for "Miscellaneous Publication No.60,

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Office of Information, Washington;

Following Miss McGee's remarks, Mrs. Ralph Guichard made a motion that the meeting be adjourned, which motion was seconded by Mrs. Owen Heyer.

An informal half-hour, during which dainty refreshments were served by the co-hostesses, Mrs. Poole and Mrs. Louis Ross, terminated a most enjoyable afternoon.

Submitted by:

Mary Evans Morgan
Recording Secretary

The Covington Garden Club met on March 4 at the home of Mrs. S. P. Jenson, with Mrs. Jenson and Mrs. S. E. Talley as hostesses.

In the absence of the president, Mrs. Hagerty- the meeting was conducted by Mrs. Louis Ross. The treasurer reported a balance on hand of $134.29- and Miss Krause read the minutes for Mrs. Morgan.

Following a brief business meeting, during which a most interesting report on the Plant Exchange by Mrs. Lambert was presented- the club was informed of the month's activity along those lines, and Mrs. Lambert- whose report was read by Mrs. Valoxis, suggested that anyone having or wanting plant cuttings get in touch with her either by postcard or by phoning #647.

The speaker of the evening, Mr. R. H. Hanchey, assistant professor of horticulture at L.S.U. was introduced by Miss Louise Krause. In his talk on camellias, he explained and demonstrated his own experiments in the grafting of the camellia. He also praised the excellent condition and rare varieties of flowers he saw in the extensive garden of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Katz.

The hostesses then served refreshments, assisted by Miss Iris Jenson as tea girl and by Mrs. Adolph Ringen, pouring. The party was enjoyed by forty-five guests and members and the meeting closed with the announcement that the April meeting would be held at the home of Mrs. A. R. Blossman.

Respectfully submitted:

Mary Frances Morgan
Secretary

Treasurer's Statement
March 1948

Receipts

March 1 - Balance Forwarded		134.29
Dues Collected during Month		11.10
Total receipts		$ 145.39
Less Disbursements		8.17
Balance March 31, 1948		$ 137.22

Disbursements

March 4 -	Mrs Owen Heyer The Dris Book f. Library	2.50
" 28	Mrs. J H Warner Stamps to send out reminders	1.39
" 31	Miss Lorine B. Krause Phone - Feb. Meeting (.68) Exp. f. Mr. Handley - March Meetg. (3.60)	4.28
	Total Disbursements	$ 8.17

The Covington Garden Club gathered at the home of Mrs. W. G. Edmondson, on Riverside Drive, for its May meeting. After a heavy downpour which took quite a toll of flowers, it was feared that there would be few, if any, floral arrangements on display by the members. But the weather decided to clear up at the last minute, the flowers lifted their heads, and by mid-afternoon both flowers and Garden Clubbers were out in full spring array.

Mrs. Hagerty, presiding, called on Mrs. Morgan for a reading of the minutes, which were approved as read. Mrs. Warner then gave the Treasurer's Report, announcing a balance on hand of $119.63.

This report having been approved, Mrs. Hagerty called on Mrs. Lambert for news of the Plant Exchange. In one of her usual interesting chats, Mrs. Lambert - after citing the continued success of the exchange- suggested that all those interested listen to the Old Mud Dauber over Station WWL at 9 A.M. on Saturdays for valuable gardening help.

As Mrs. Helena Young had left for a trip without having been able to make a report on Iris, Mrs. Rose Heyer gave a lively and entertaining account of the Convention held by the Louisiana Iris Society at Lafayette- the high spot of which was an Iris hunt which sounded like great fun for all- including Rose! Mrs. Heyer also discussed entering the main Society of Louisiana Iris and Miss Lydia Frotscher made a motion that 25¢ be sent to the Iris Society.

At Mrs. Hagerty's request, Mrs. Lowell McKee reported on the Annual Flower Show held at Adler's, in New Orleans. The Covington Garden Club was the only out-of-city club, with the exception of Baton Rouge, invited by the Chairman, Mrs. Bert J. Ruhlman, to place a display. Mrs. McKee described the various tables and assured the Club that while Covington did not win a prize, it made a very creditable showing.

A nominating Committee was appointed by the President - said Committee consisting of- Chairman, Mrs. Charles H. Sheffield, assisted by Mrs. Walter Valois and Mrs.F.F. Chapman.

There being no formal program, Miss Louise Krause spoke briefly on the flower arrangements brought by the members and which were colorfully and attractively displayed on the spacious porch of the Edmondson home.

When the business meeting adjourned the hostesses, Mrs. Edmondson and Mrs. Maurice B. Keen served punch and cakes on the porch where everyone gathered for a pleasant social visit and to admire the beautiful surroundings and the view of the river. It was announced that the next meeting - which would introduce our new set of officers- would take place on Thursday, June 10, at the home of Mrs. J.H. Warner.

Submitted by:

Mary Frances Morgan

M. F. Morgan, Secretary

The Covington Garden Club met in June for the final gathering of the 1947-48 season at the lovely home of Mrs. J. H. Warner.

Presiding was Mrs. Hagerty, the president, who opened the meeting by calling upon the out-going secretary, Mrs. Mary Frances Morgan, for a reading of the May minutes. Mrs. Warner then gave a report on the treasury, and following this, Mrs. Hagerty called upon the chairmen of the various committees to report on their activities for the year.

A specially interesting and highly encouraging account of the lively activities of the Plant Exchange was given by its enthusiastic chairman, Mrs. Lambert- and it was agreed by all those present that this helpful and friendly enterprise has thrived beyond all expectations. Mrs. Hagerty thanked Mrs. Lambert for energetic championship of the plant exchange and wished her continued success in conducting it.

Other chairmen reporting on their committees were: Mrs. Earl Buquoi, Placement Chairman,- Miss Louise Krause, Program Chairman, - and Mrs. Will Morgan, Membership.

The following officers were elected for the coming year, Mrs. Walter Jones, Vice-President, Mrs. Lowell McKee, Recording Secretary, - Mrs. Maurice Keen, Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Oliver Hebert, Treasurer and an Executive Board consisting of Miss Lydia Frotscher, Covington, Mrs. Arnaud Loustalot, Abita Springs and Mrs. Felix Larue, representing New Orleans.

There was no other business, and the meeting concluded with a talk by the President- who thanked the out-going officers for their work and welcomed the new officers. Special thanks were extended by Mrs. Hagerty to the committee chairmen and their co-workers for having completed a banner year for the Covington Garden Club.

At the close of these remarks, the party was turned over to Mrs. Warner, its gracious hostess- and a charming social hour followed in the spacious and beautiful gardens of the Warner home.

Respectfully Submitted:

Mary Frances Morgan
Secretary