Covington Garden Club Minutes for January, 1954

The January meeting of the Covington Garden Club was held at the Southern Hotel. Forty-four members and five guests attended.

The President, Mrs. G. C. Mott, called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer, Mrs. N. J. Thomas, Jr., reported $187.25 to the credit of the Garden Club, and $198.00 in the Hospital Fund. Mrs. M.T.Benedict motioned acceptance of report; Mrs. E.A. Jacobs seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mrs. H. A. Hildebrand of Slidell, and Miss Mabel Smith of California were introduced.

Mrs. F.F.Chapman was announced as receiving the Garden of the Month Award.

The Camellia Show at the Episcopal Church Parish House, Jan. 9th and 10th, was announced. Mrs. Barton Hebert was asked to make an arrangement from the Garden Club.

Mrs. Warren gave her hints for January.

Book Review was announced for Jan. 20th; a musical drama to be presented.

Mrs. Thomas announced the March of Dimes was in progress, and that donations could be sent to her.

Mrs. L. J. Nunez read her witty little poem, "Love Thy Neighbor".

Mrs. Mott announced our next meeting Feb. 4th, at the Southern Hotel. Mrs. Bryar is our speaker.

Hostesses for the meeting were introduced.

Mrs. Capers reported for the Hospital Committee and asked those who have not paid their pledges to do so.

COVINGTON GARDEN CLUB

January 7, 1954.

Balance December 3/53		$ 134.43
RECEIPTS		
Dues collected	$ 64.00	
Amount collected for program books	2.25	
Reimbursement for 1 Xmas gift	.30	66.55
		$ 200.98
DISBURSEMENTS		
Cut prize and 6 Xmas gifts	$ 2.51	
Mrs. Oliver Hebert - stamps for mailing letters revised charter.	3.00	
Stamps and cards giving notice of delinquent dues	1.07	
W. H. Kentzel & Son.	7.15	13.73
Balance to credit of Garden Club		$ 187.25

HOSPITAL FUND

Donations previously reported	198.00
Total balance in bank	$385.25

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. N. J. Thomas, Treas.
(Mrs. N. J. Thomas, Jr.)

Board Meeting Jan. 28th, 1954

1. Decided to sponsor float and ask Mr. Philip Burns, Jr. to order material at $60.00

2. ~~00~~ Committee for float discussed, and Mrs. Mott to call prospects.

3. Mrs. Simmons was contacted by Mr. Bectel re planting tung trees in town and parish. Trees to be donated. Mrs. Mott and Mrs. Benedict to talk to city council. Discussed starting in town (Jefferson - 23rd- out Tyler and beyond hospital) then attempting rest of parish.

4. Cemetery Committee ready to discuss beautification and landscaping of cemetery. Mrs. Mott and Mrs. Benedict to contact Mrs. Oliver Hebert.

5. Plans for beautifying Covington to be under Civic Beautification Committee, Mrs. Leicester Landon, Chairman.

6. Mrs. Thomas requestsseeds for patients at Southeast Louisiana Hospital.

Resp.submitted

Joyce E. Landon
Secretary

COVINGTON GARDEN CLUB MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 4th, 1954.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. G. C. Mott, at the Southern Hotel. There were fifty-one members and one guest attending.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer, Mrs. N. J. Thomas, Jr., reported $173.06 to the credit of the Garden Club and $230.00 in the Hospital Fund. Mrs. Ralph Guichard motioned acceptance of the report, seconded by Mrs. Bernadine Rice. Motion carried.

Mrs. A. P. Dansereau was introduced as a new member of the Garden Club.

Mrs. Walker Percy introduced her guest, Mrs. Fannie Johnson.

Mrs. Capers reported on progress of the Hospital Fund, stating that postal requests for pledges had been mailed.

Mrs. Mott explained the Cemetery Committee and introduced Mrs. Oliver Hebert as Chairman. The Committee is to meet with the Covington Committee and plan for landscaping the cemetery. The Committee is to meet with the Covington Committee and plan for landscaping the Cemetery. Mrs. Mott and Mrs. Benedict are to serve with Mrs. Hebert.

The President announced Miss Ottalie Lambert had consented to be Chairman of the Committee for the Tung Festival Garden Club Float. Volunteers were requested for the Committee.

The President expressed the Garden Club's appreciation to Mrs. Mugnier for arrangement sent for the Club to Slidell Camellia Show, and to Mrs. Barton Hebert for arrangement sent for the Club to the Covington Camellia Show.

Mrs. Nunez read her enchanting poem entitled, "Spring".

Feb. 17th was announced as the date for the Book Review.

The Covington Camellia Show was announced for Jan. 8th & 9th. Mrs. Herbert Cannon is Chairman.

Mrs. Mott announced that the next Garden Club meeting would be our annual luncheon, to be held at the Southern Hotel Patio, 1:00 P.M. on March 4th, 1954. The luncheon is $1.50 per plate, and those wishing to attend should telephone Mrs. Peytral at 1195 by Tuesday, March 2nd.

The President announced that the Garden Club had been approached by Mr. Bectel regarding donation of tung trees by Mr. Baldwin for the beautification of Covington. The President and Mrs. Benedict spoke to the Town Council and the Town Council agreed to provide labor for the planting.

Mrs. Leicester Landon was appointed Chairman of the new Civic Beautification Committee. They are to have a clean-up campaign for the Tung Festival and function as a standing committee for planting of the tung trees, and other city beautification.

Miss Camellia Magee was chosen as the Maid to represent the Garden Club in the Tung Festival.

Mrs. M. P. Planche won the door prize.

Mrs. H. J. Bryar then took over the meeting, demonstrating hat-making rules. Everyone enjoyed her lovely creations.

The meeting was then adjourned, and the annual plant sale took place. Thirty-one dollars and thirty cents was collected.

Resp. submitted

Mrs. Joyce E. Landon

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Rec. Secretary

Garden Club Board Meeting - Feb. 25th, 1954

1. Resolution - Stock Law - Request 100%

2. Resolution - Endorsement of Country Club

3. Civic Beautification Committee requested awards for essay contest in schools. Three dollars for each category in highschools, three dollars for " " " frammar schools. For colored schools, three dollars High School, three dollars gram mar school. Total: 18.00 Mrs. Benedict made motion, seconded by Mrs. Heyer. Approved.

4. Approved buying additional name plates (badges)

5. Plant Exchange Chairman: one person. Call in and report overages and needs.

6. Board Meetings shall be Thursdays one week before meetings, 9:30 A.M. Mrs. Landon, motion, seconded by Mrs. Thomas. Carried.

Adjourned.

Resp. sub.
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Garden Club Mingtes for March 4th, 1954

After a delightful candlelit luncheon at the Southern Hotel, Mrs. Benedict, in the absence of the president, Mrs. G. C. Mott, called the meeting to order. There were 37 members and 2 guests attending.

Mrs. Warren Smith introduced her daughter, Miss Mabel Smith, and Mrs. Bernadine Rice introduced her guest, Mrs. Adeline McHugh. Mrs. Ralph Menetre, Sr. was introduced as our new members.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The tresurer's report was read. Miss Glisson motioned for acceptance, seconded by Mrs. Gomez. Carried.

The Chair reminded us that April 1st is our hat show. Mimeographed guides were given out by Mrs. Bryar.

There was a 100% approval for a resolution in favor of the stock law.

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Miss Glisson requested a committee go before the Town Council to inquire about a Community Center. Miss Glisson was made chairman of the committee, with Mrs. Benedict, Mrs. Guichard and Mrs. Morere to serve with her.

The Chair announced additional name plates had been ordered.

March 17th was announced as date for next Book Review.

Tung Festival Posters were shown to the Club. Mrs. Morere, Mrs. Rice and Mrs. Menetre were asked to distribute them in Mandeville, Abita Springs, and Mississippi, respectibely.

Mrs. Capers announced that she was ready to collect promised donations for the Hospital Fund.

Mrs. Warren Smith was asked to head our Plant Exchange. Members are asked to phone in to her their requests, and to inform her of any plants they wish to exchange with other members.

Garden Club Minutes for April 1st, 1954

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. G. C. Mott, at the Southern Hotel. There were 48 members and 6 guests attending.

Mrs. Elmo Rhodes and Mrs. Lloyd Cambre were introduced as newwmembers.

The hat show was held immediately in order to allow the judges, Mrs. Clyde Wells, and Mrs. Viskell an early return to New Orleans. The winners were as follows:

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Plans were discussed for beautification of the circle at Claiborne Hill. It was decided that this should be turned over to the Civic Beautification Committee, and that this Committee should contact the Highway Commission for recommendations.

Miss Lucille Glisson reported on the Community Center Project and exibited plans for a combination of Community Center and City Hall. After discussion, Mrs. Ralph Guichard moved that the Garden Club lend support to this plan, with provision for a seating capacity of 1500 people. Mrs. Moskovitz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mrs. Raymond Saal brought forward a resolution making Miss Winnie Magee a lifetime member of the Covington Garden Club in view of her many years of service to this Community. Copy attached to these minutes.

Mrs. Warren gave her garden hints, reminding members that this is the time to feed and spray camellias and azaleas.

Mrs. Valois announced Book Review to be held April 21st.

Mrs. Nunez, our poet laureat, read her lovely little poem, "Easter Hats".

Covington High School P.T.A. announced their coming Fashion Show.

Miss Lambert announced the annual Tour of Homes date, April 25th. She also announced that she would make reservations and procure tickets for the New Orleans Opera Guild.

Members of the Garden Club were reminded that May 6th is the next meeting date, and that Mrs. Adrian Bodet would be here to judge our flower arrangements.

Hostesses were introduced to the Club.

Mrs. Morere, seconded by Mrs. Warren motioned that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Joyce E. Landon
Corres. Sec.

Board Meeting - April 29th, 1954

1. Discussed selling magazine subscriptions to the members (Farm and Ranch; Gardening; Parents Magazine; Christian-Herald) for club fund. Decided to present to members.

2. Discussed letter to be written to Mrs. M.L.Pittman, Jr., regarding removal from membership list due to non-payment of dues.

3. Mrs. Gene Croft spoke to Board regarding the sponsorship of the Garden Club for the Girl Scouts. Presentation to Club for discussion decided.

4. Officers to be absent from meetings asked to inform President in advance.

5. Mrs. Benedict suggested a small token of appreciation to Mrs. Olga Bryer for her work in bringing so many speakers to us.

6. Voted Garden Club should pay for speaker guest and member at luncheon, when a member feels obligated for lunch.

7. Decided to present for discussion to Club, backing for Stock Law.

8. Meeting adjourned.

COVINGTON GARDEN CLUB

June 3/54

Balance in bank to actual credit of Garden Club May 6, 1954. . . . . $59.11

RECEIPTS - none

DISBURSEMENTS

Prize & Gifts - May		$13.12	
Luncheons - April	$2.50		
" - May	4.50	7.00	
Painting of sign		6.00	
Prizes and Gifts June		18.65	44.77
Balance to credit of Garden Club			$ 14.34

HOSPITAL FUND

Previously reported	$349.00	
Donations since last report	49.00	398.00
Total balance in bank		$ 412.34

Respectfully submitted,

_____Treas.
(Mrs. N. J. Thomas, Jr.)

Garden Club Minutes May, 1954

The meeting was called to order at the Park at Abita Springs by the President, Mrs. G. C. Mott.

In absence of the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Inez Thomas read the Secretary's report. The treasurer, Mrs. Thomas read the treasurer's report. Both reports were accepted upon motion by Mrs. Capers, seconded by Mrs. Moskovitz.

Mrs. Morere announced a luncheon given by the Jefferson Branch Needlework Guild on May 13th, and asked all who were able to attend.

Mrs. Bryar reported that Mrs. Leicester Landon's hat, decorated by Mrs. Bryar, won a first prize at the Spring Fiesta Chapeaux Show.

Mrs. Moskovitz made motion seconded by Mrs. Oliver Hebert that notice be given to the St. Tammany Farmer to commend the Fire House and the Health Center for their lovely grounds.

Mrs. Capers reported $41.00 more to go before our alloted $400.00 contribution to the hospital will be reached.

A "grab bag" was then held with wrapped gifts at 25¢ or more, and this amount was added to the Garden Club Fund.

Flower arrangements from the members were then judged by Mrs. Wyler and Mrs. Muller. Blue Ribbons were won by Mesdames Davenport, Perez, Warren, Price Magee, 3rd places were won by Mesdames Kenny and Koepp. Mrs. LeBlanc then won the award for the Specimen Flower.

The plan for magazine subscriptions was presented to floor and was refused. Motioned by Mrs. Capers, 2nd by Mrs. Gomez, carried.

The Garden Club presented Mrs. Bryar with a token gift with appreciation for her immeasurable aid in securing speakers and transporting them from New Orleans.

The Garden Club was asked to sponsor the Covington Girl Scouts. After discussion, motion was made by Mrs. Capers, seconded by Mrs. Haggerty to refuse this request. Carried.

Motion made by Mrs. Morere, seconded by Mrs. Brunning, for adjournment. Carried.

Resp. submitted
Joyce E. Landon
Joyce E. Landon, Rec. Sec.
As reported by Mrs. Bessie Capers

Garden Club Minutes for June, 1954.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Gerard Mott, at the Southern Hotel, June 3rd, 1954.

The minutes were corrected and approved.

The treasurer's report was read. Mrs. Wendt made motion, seconded by Mrs. Guichard, the report be approved. Motion carried.

Mrs. Capers, reported for the Hospital Fund. This fund totaled $415.00. Mrs. Capers motioned, seconded by Mrs. Guichard, that the $15.00 over the allotted $400.00 be retained by the Garden Club in its general fund. Motion carried.

Mrs. Oliver Hebert motioned, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, that the Garden Club extend Mrs. Capers a vote of thanks for her efficient work in collecting the $400.00 for the Hospital Fund. Motion carried.

Mrs. Mott asked members to put in donations for Girl Scouts and announced that the Club Treasury would complete the amount to $10.00. This was put into motion by Mrs. Morse, seconded by Mrs. Morgan. Motion carried.

Mrs. Warren gave her timely Garden Hints, and suggested that members see the native wild plants of Mrs. Nellie Denning, 1501 Tyler.

Our Club Poetess was absent.

It was announced that Mrs. Rose Heyer would give an organ recital on June 25th for the benefit of the St. Tammany Humane Society Shelter Fund at the Covington Grammar School auditorium.

A resume of the Terrebonne Garden Club meeting was given by Mrs. Morgan.

Mrs. Haggerty discussed the possibility of presenting the outgoing Garden Club presidents with a pin instead of the usual gift. Mrs. Wendt made motion that this be tabled for the next meeting. Motion seconded by Mrs. Guichard, carried by members.

Mrs. Morse, Chairman of the nominating committee, presented the following recommended slate of officers for the following year: Mrs. M.T.Benedict, president; Mrs. A.R.Blossman, 1st Vice President; Mrs. Owen Heyer, 2nd Vice President.

Replacing Mrs. Heyer on the board, Miss Ottilie Lambert. The rest of the officers and board to remain.

COVINGTON GARDEN CLUB MINUTES

The Covington Garden club held the first monthly meeting of the 1954-55 season on the afternoon of Thursday, October 7, at Bonnie Braes, the residence of Mrs. Charles Morse, on Military Road. Mrs. M. T. Benedict, president, conducted the business session after first welcoming into the club ten (10) new members; Mmes. Edgar Boren, W.D. Bullock, A. L. Combe, Eugene Croft, Fred J. Heintz, Meredith Lyons, George Miller, Warren Smith, Jr., John J. Stafford, and Miss Mary Alexander.

In the absence of the recording secretary, the treasurer read the minutes of the June meeting, which were approved as read except for a minor correction clearing the statement that Mrs. Heyer, while assuming the position this year of 2nd vice-president, still remains on the Executive Board. The treasurer's report was then read, approved, and accepted. Mrs. Benedict reported on the Flower Exhibit at the Fair, expressing appreciation for all the plants, flowers, and flower arrangements submitted and praising her committee for their cooperative work, summing up the general reaction toward the exhibit as most favorable. Mrs. Price Magee acted as spokesman of the Garden Club Fair committee and presented Mrs. Benedict with an orchid as a token of appreciation for the untiring and excellent leadership she provided.

Mrs. Bryer announced that plans had been completed to hold the school on flower arrangement, formerly scheduled for June, on the afternoon of Wednesday, October 27, and all day on Thursday, October 28. Mrs. Henry L. Muller and Mrs. W. A. Michaelis, of New Orleans, will conduct the school at the home of Mrs. Bryer, in Abita Springs. Flower Arrangement for Juniors, by Virginia Stone Marshall, was suggested as a suitable text.

Mrs. Benedict called the attention of the club to the fact that the new sign of welcome to Covington has been placed temporarily on the Mandeville Highway, with the thought that it is better to have the sign up in a temporary location than not at all.

The following guests were introduced by members: Mrs. Edward Adler, of New Orleans, by Mrs. Nunez; Mrs. Taylor, of Detroit, by Mrs. Haggerty; Mrs. Bamber, of New Orleans, by Miss Rice; Mrs. Donald Graham, of Covington, by Mrs. Ross; and Mrs. Biddle W. Allen, by Mrs. Lyons.

The president announced that our Tung Festival queen, Miss Carmen McKee, had been invited to attend the festival at Abbeville in mid-October. Since natural tung blossoms, which are used for her crown and scepter, are unavailable at this time of the year, members of the club were asked if they could produce a suitable crown and scepter for her to take to Abbeville, and Mrs. Hurd offered to lend her's.

The Ingathering meeting of the Covington Branch of the Needlework Guild of America was announced for November 20. An announcement from Mrs. Valois was read to the effect that the first meeting of the

Lydia E. Frotscher Book Review club will present Mrs. Dagmar LeBreton, Associate Professor of French and Spanish, at Newcomb College of Tulane University, on Wednesday, October 20. Her subject will be Madame Bovary, by Flaubert.

Mrs. Oliver Hebert, chairman of the Garden of the Month committee, announced that this month's award had been given to Mr. and Mrs. Urbain Laborde, on 17th Avenue. Mrs. Heiderick and Mrs. R. N. Menetre, Sr., are the other members of her committee.

Miss Ottilie Lambert, Junior Garden club chairman, told the club that she has been endeavoring to find out about the organization of junior clubs elsewhere in an effort to determine the most successful procedures. So far, replies to her inquiries have either been neglected or slow in coming, but she believed that at last she is on the trail of some good information which may be the means of making progress soon in this project.

Mrs. Oliver Hebert suggested that the Garden Club get to work on a revised list of plans to be used in the future at the Parish Fair. This met with general approval.

It was announced that Miss Winnie Magee has been given a National Service Award for her work as Home Demonstration Agent, and is to go to Chicago to receive it. The November meeting will be held at the Southern Hotel, with Reverend Dinwiddie as guest speaker, showing movies of his recent European trip. Mrs. Barton Hebert is chairman of hostesses. The treasurer called attention to the fact that dues are now payable.

Mrs. Price Magee briefly gave some very timely garden hints. Mrs. F. A. Lambert then gave the first of a series of short talks by members of the club on garden topics of general interest. Her subject was poisonous plants and shrubs, laying particular stress on those most familiar in this section.

Mrs. Nuñez, poet laureat of the club read her poems for October on Golden Rod and Flower Arrangements. Miss Krause won the entrance prize. The booklets of the garden club program for the year were distributed to all members and it was announced that Mr. A. R. Blossman had them printed and presented to the club with his compliments.

The meeting was then turned over to the Program chairman, Miss [illegible]rnadine Rice, who introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. Conrad Meyer, of New Orleans. Mrs. Meyer spoke on the basic principles of flower arrangements, illustrating with the tools used and some of the mechanics which may be followed, as she fashioned two arrangements, the one of autumn colored leaves and aster chrysanthemums, and the other a sophisticated arrangement of golden rod and aspidistra leaves. Her talk was received with interest and enthusiasm.

The meeting then adjourned and the social hour began in another section of the lovely garden on the banks of the Bogue Falaya.

Respectfully submitted,

Covington Garden Club Board Meeting - Oct. 29th, 1954

1. Discussed benefits derived from Garden Club Flower Arrangement Clinic.

2. Discussed necessity of changing meeting place for December.

3. Letter from Mrs. Salsbery, Federation of Garden Clubs, requesting permission to speak to Club re joining Federation. Request granted.

4. Progress report of Miss Lambert on Jr. Garden Club - information just made available.

5. Christmas decorations for Hospital discussed. Board to make some at next meeting - Mrs. Benedict to contact Mr. Landon concerning wishes for decorations.

6. Letters of appreciation to be written Mr. Joe Gagnard, Florida St., Covington, and Miss Ethel Diel, 23rd Ave., for lovely printing of Garden Club booklets.

7. Marie Lewis - 268M - information on old toys to be donated for Christmas.

Covington Garden Club Minutes - Nov. 4, 1954

The November meeting of the Covington Garden Club was called to order by the President, Mrs. M.T. Benedict, at the Southern Hotel. There were 61 members and guests attending.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was read. Mrs. G. Mott corrected the report stating that the bill for chair rental for the last meeting in the amount of $4.08 was supposed to be charged to her group of hostesses. Approved.

The guests were presented to the Club.

Mrs. C.M. Salberg was introduced. She spoke to us regarding the advantages of belonging to the Federation of Garden Clubs.

The President expressed appreciation again for Mrs. Bryar's hospitality and her aid in securing the two fine instructors, Mrs. Muller and Mrs. Michaelis, for our Flower Arrangement Clinic.

The Tung Festival Queen, Miss Carmen McKee, reported a lovely time at the Abbeville Fair. She has been invited to attend the Horse Show in Baton Rouge. Her appreciation for the loaning her crown and scepter was expressed.

Mrs. Valois announced the Book Review Nov. 17th, Harnet Kane to review "Spies for the Blue and Grey".

Mrs. Bessie Capers, our project chairman, stated that three projects had been suggesto her: beautification of the hospital, beautification of the St. Tammany Parish Humane Society Animal Shelter, re-beautification of the Library. Mrs. O. J. Hebert reminded the Club that when the Garden Club beautified the Library grounds, the Club's responsibility ended.

It was announced that the December meeting place was changed from Mrs. Haggerty's to Mrs. Loustalot's. Miss Rice is Chairman. Members were reminded to bring a Christmas gift, not to exceed fifty cents in price.

Covington Garden Club Board Meeting - Nov.18, 1954

1. Reported check for $5.00 from Mrs. Alsina recieved for Hospital Fund.

2. Sugested that a separate list be sent for guests in order that only members will sign regular list.

3. Discussed "federation": members polled. Dropped for further study.

4. Miss Lambert gave report of Madisonville Garden Club Flower Show. Mrs. Price Magee, Mrs. O. J. Hebert, Miss Lambert officiated.

5. Room 17 in Hospital has been chosen by Garden Club for room on which its name is to be placed. Garden Club was asked to plant box at front of Hospital entrance.

6. After four (4) unexcused meetings, members will be dropped from membership. Members to be so informed at the December meeting. Members absent from this December meeting will receive cards to inform them of this rule.

7. Secretary reminded Board that the Tung Festival time is drawing closer.

8. Meeting adjourned to make trees and snowmen (Christmas) to leave in Hospital rooms during Christmas holidays.

Resp.Submitted

Joyce E. Landon
Rec. Sec.

Mrs. Hebert, Chairman of the Garden of the Month Committee, announced the garden of Mrs. James T. Burns had won the monthly award.

A note of thanks from the Hospital Board to the Garden Club for the four hundred dollar contribution was read.

Mrs. Nunez, our poet laureat, read her delightful poem, entitled, "November".

The hostesses were introduced.

Mrs. Lacy Morse received the door prize.

Rev. William C. Dinwiddie gave us an interesting afternoon showing the beautiful slides of his European tour.

The meeting was adjourned, and delightful refreshments enjoyed.

Resp. Submitted

Joyce E. Landon
Rec. Sec.

Garden Club Minutes - December 2nd, 1953

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. G. C. Mott, in the lovely home of Mrs. A. R. Blossman.

The secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and approved.

Guests were introduced to the members.

Mrs. Weldon Poole was awarded the plaque for Garden of the Month.

The Santa Claus committee reported.

The Christmas Decoration Committee was asked to limit its awards to house and yard, be responsible for judging, and keep total cost of awards within ten to twelve dollars.

The Constitution Amendments were voted upon and approved by the Club.

A letter was read from the Christ's Episcopal Church requesting displays or single blossoms of the Garden Club for the Camellia Show sponsored by the Church.

Mrs. Valois announced Book Review would be held Dec.16. "Three at the Wedding" will be reviewed.

Mrs. Warren reminded Garden Clubbers to keep house plants dampened.

Mrs. Nunez read her lovely, seasonal poem, "Yuletide".

It was announced that the next meeting would be held at the Southern Hotel, January 7th.

Mrs. Mott won the door prize.

Mrs. Saal made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Moskovitz, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

Gifts were exchanged. Mrs. Heyer thrilled us with her versatile piano and organ renditions, and with her recording of "The Littlest Angel." Delicious holiday refreshments were served.

Resp. submitted,

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COVINGTON GARDEN CLUB

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR 1954-55

Balance July 7/54		$ 28.34
RECEIPTS		
DUES collected	$222.00	
Project Fund	9.00	
Reimbursement Oct. hostesses rental chairs and glasses	4.10	
Plant Sale	38.25	
Reimbursement 1 Xmas gift	.50	
From January hostesses	25.00	298.85
		$ 327.19

Note:
Proceeds sale of ribbons and donations amounting to $24.50 turned over to Chairman Xmas decorations.

DISBURSEMENTS		
W. H. Kentzel & Son for printing and receipt books	$ 41.17	
Prizes, gifts and President's pin . . .	96.54	
Luncheon for speakers	6.20	
Rental chairs and glasses Oct. meeting	4.08	
Sceptre for Tung Oil Queen	3.06	
Plants for Hospital	17.09	
Xmas decorations for hospital	5.45	
Tung Festival Float	25.00	
Humane Society Project.	18.50	
36 ribbons and tricolors	9.77	
Mrs. Benedict for flower pots, stationery and stamps	4.50	
St. Tammany Parish Fair Ass'n for two 1/8 page ads in catalog for 1954 and ~~1955~~ 1955	15.00	246.36
Balance in bank October 1, 1955		$ 80.83

Respectfully submitted,

Treas.
(Mrs. N. J. Thomas, Jr.)