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WYMAN, D.

ARNOLD ARBORETUM, HARVARD UNIVERSITY  
JAMAICA PLAIN  
MASS.

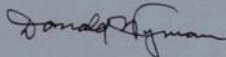
June 13, 1945

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.  
Department of Botany  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Fogg:

I have a copy of your new book "Weeds on Lawn and Garden" which I hope to review for a future issue of *Arnoldia*. It is grand! We happen to be running some experiments with weeds at this time, and the illustrations are excellent for identification purposes. Although several other books have come out in the past ten years on the subject, I think that from the amateur standpoint your book is superior to them all. I hope that it has a bright and prosperous future. Congratulations to you!

Very truly yours,



Donald Wyman  
Horticulturist

DW:F



January 25, 1946

Dr. Donald Wyman,  
Arnold Arboretum,  
Harvard University,  
Jamaica Plain, Mass.

Dear Donald:

Joe Adams has been talking to me about your interest in securing information concerning the blooming dates of horticultural and wild species of plants. You may recall that you and I discussed this matter when you were here a number of years ago and at that time I told you of a project which I was launching, under the auspices of the American Philosophical Society, for accumulating data on a rather large scale from interested and qualified amateur botanists and gardeners throughout this area.

So far as the gardeners are concerned the results were very disappointing. Despite a tremendous amount of initial enthusiasm, I actually succeeded in securing the cooperation of only a very few persons in the matter of keeping accurate and sustained records of the plants in their own gardens. Since I assume that you are primarily interested in horticultural varieties, this is most unfortunate.

I am enclosing a copy of a six-page log which I have devised for this purpose and which I have placed in the hands of a large number of "workers" in this area as well as elsewhere throughout the State. It is accompanied by a page of instructions and I give each person two copies of the log so that one may be returned to me and the other retained for comparison with succeeding years. I wish I could say that the response had been impressive, but such is not the case. Perhaps the war has had something to do with this and it may be possible in the future to secure more information in this matter.

My own records cover a period of six years and I should be happy to make them available to you for whatever they may be worth. Let me give you, as an example, the data on a pink flowered dogwood in my garden from 1940 to 1945 inclusive:

Cornus florida, forma rosea

	<u>First flowers</u>	<u>Full bloom</u>	<u>Last flowers</u>
1940	May 8	May 15	----
1941	April 25	May 1	May 14
1942	April 25	April 30	----
1943	May 4	May 10	----
1944	May 4	May 6	May 17
1945	April 10	April 14	May 3

I am not sure from what Joe said whether your interest is confined to date of first bloom, but it seems to me that the second and third columns which I have listed also contain pertinent information, although I see that in the matter of final bloom I have on three occasions failed to record the date for this particular plant. It is, of course, not always possible to determine the exact day on which a plant such as a dogwood is in full flower, so that I attach little importance to the exact date given in the middle column. It does, however, seem to me highly significant to know the duration of bloom, which in the case of the present species seems to be approximately two and a half weeks. This is information which I think is rarely secured but seems to me important from the point of view of horticulture and the attempt to work out such details as succession of bloom, proximity of species with clashing colors, etc.

I find also, as a result of this kind of study, that duration of bloom may be controlled by the weather, and cite as an interesting example the case of Halesia carolina, the flowers of which in my garden usually last only about four days, but which, during the remarkable spring of 1945, continued in bloom for nine days. It's interesting, is it not, that in the case of dogwood, last year the flowers were completely gone by May 3rd, a day before the opening of the first flowers in 1943 and 1944.

One of the studies which has furnished me with the keenest enjoyment has been my series of records on tall bearded iris, of which I have about a hundred varieties. In this case I have kept only the dates of the first flowers but have transferred my information to a series of graphs. It is interesting to note that the succession of bloom from Zua, which is always the first, to Marsh Marigold, which brings up at the end, is essentially constant year after year. Very seldom does one variety get ahead of another by more than a day. When plotted on graph paper the whole thing looks very wonderful because it shows such remarkable correlation with weather data and demonstrates how the whole complex responds to advanced or retarded conditions.

I don't know how much interested you are in all this, but as I said before, I should be happy to place at your disposal my own records as well as those which I have accumulated through the efforts of others.

With warm personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,  
Professor of Botany.

THE ARNOLD ARBORETUM  
HARVARD UNIVERSITY

JAMAICA PLAIN, MASS., U.S.A.

January 29, 1946

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.  
Vice-Provost  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear John:

Thank you for your letter concerning blooming dates. I am very much interested in what you have to say. We have been keeping track of some woody plants over a long period of time and you might be interested in the chart of some of these in the enclosed reprint.

Because of the large number of plants which we have recorded, it has been very difficult to get data on early flowers, full bloom, and last flowers of each plant. I realize that such information is very important, but it must also be admitted that the length of time flowers are in bloom--especially single flowers on trees and shrubs--varies considerably with the weather and wind conditions. Shadblow with us, for instance, may last only three or four days in hot or windy weather, whereas with cool, cloudy weather, they may last either a week or even ten days. Crab apples also may be effective for a week under certain weather conditions, or two weeks under others. Since these small flowers are high in the air, wind enters the picture as one of the unknown variables.

I have the sequence of bloom for woody plants worked out fairly well for this area, but I have been interested in checking this same sequence in other parts of the United States to make sure that it was the same, and that was the reason why I wrote Henry Skinner of the Morris Arboretum. I have also been interested in taking a generally known plant, like *Cornus florida*, to note the exact dates on which it blooms in various places throughout the country. If the sequence of bloom is the same the country over, then it would appear that all that is necessary is to know the exact time one or two plants in that sequence would bloom in any given area in order to have a complete order of bloom for that area on file.

Last year was most unusual here in New England for being materially earlier than most other seasons. Your idea of working out some of these data on graph paper sounds enticing and I will have to try it.

Thank you very much for your offer to let me see your records of blooming dates, and I trust that the next time I come to Philadelphia I will have an opportunity to check through them and compare with mine. Henry Skinner has just given me a large number of dates chiefly for the years 1933 and 1935, but these will suffice for my work at the present.

With kindest personal regards,

Very truly yours,  
*Donald Wyman*  
Donald Wyman

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from Wyman



American Horticultural Council  
ARNOLD ARBORETUM, JAMAICA PLAIN 30, MASS.

November 18, 1957

Mr. John R. Fogg  
9414 Meadowbrook Avenue  
Chestnut Hill, Phila. Pa.

Dear Jack

Could you give me any current information concerning the status of the former Jenkins Hemlock Arboretum in Chestnut Hill? Is this still being kept up? Is the arboretum open to the public or is it merely a private garden? Do you feel it should be included in our 1958 list of Arboretums?

Very truly yours

Don

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WYMAN, DONALD DR.

November 22, 1957

Dr. Donald Wyman  
Arnold Arboretum  
Jamaica Plain 30, Massachusetts

Dear Don:

The present status of the Jenkins Arboretum is a little ambiguous. Mrs. Jenkins is old and not well, nevertheless she welcomes visitors and complains when she is neglected.

Henry Skinner was there on Monday, November 18 and was permitted to take some cuttings. We went there last Spring for the same purpose and were graciously received.

I suppose it is a semi-private rather than a public garden and what will happen to it when Mrs. Jenkins dies is anybody's guess. My advice would be to drop her a line and ask whether she wishes to be continued in your listing.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,  
Director

JMP:am

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JAMAICA PLAIN 30. MASS.

July 23, 1958

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.  
The Morris Arboretum  
9111 Meadowbrook Avenue  
Philadelphia 18, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Fogg:

As you may know, I am revising the book "Arboretums and Botanical Gardens of North America," and have all the pertinent information about the various arboretums and botanical gardens on hand, as a result of a questionnaire sent to every organization last summer.

However, it may be possible to use some illustrations; how many, I do not know at this point. Do you have one or two glossy prints of pictures taken in your garden which would be indicative of your individual grounds--possibly the old trees or the fernery? If you could send one or two such prints to me at once, I would promise to return them after we have made a final decision of what we can use in this new publication. Your cooperation in this respect would be gratefully appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Donald Wyman  
Horticulturist

DW:emg

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ask Gilchrist for copies of:  
Fernery  
Swan Pond  
Rose garden

WYMAN, DONALD D.

July 28, 1958

Dr. Donald Wyman, Horticulturist  
The Arnold Arboretum  
Harvard University  
Jamaica Plain 30, Mass.

Dear Don:

In response to the request contained in your letter of July 23rd I am forwarding three glossy prints of pictures taken recently in the Morris Arboretum. You are welcome to use any or all of them and I would be glad to accept your offer to return them when you have finished with them.

I hope some of these days to have a real visit with you. My trips to Arnold are always such rush affairs that I never manage to catch more than a fleeting glimpse of you. Also, it has been a long time since you have been to see us and I wish you could arrange to get down this way. We should be delighted to have you stay with us at any time.

Best wishes and warm regards,

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,  
Director

JMF:am

Wyman, Don

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JAMAICA PLAIN 30, MASS.

January 10, 1961

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr., Director  
Morris Arboretum  
9414 Meadowbrook  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Jack:

The Arnold Arboretum is expanding its collection of Chaenomeles to include all the named cultivars and varieties from all over the world. Would you, therefore, be willing to send us at once 8 or 10 scions of the variety listed below so that we can graft it in our greenhouses?

Please send these by air mail, wrapped in polyethylene so they will not dry out.

Many thanks for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

*Donald Wyman*  
Donald Wyman  
Horticulturist

DW/sw

Chaenomeles japonica tricolor

January 12, 1961

Dr. Donald Wyman  
The Arnold Arboretum  
Jamaica Plain 30, Mass.

Dear Don:

I have your letter of January 10, in which you request propagating material of Ghaenomeles japonica tricolor.

It is true that we reported having this form here when we checked Mrs. Weber's list a couple of months ago. However, it now appears that there may be an error involved. Apparently, Dave Hammond, who used to be on our staff, showed our material to Ben Blackburn who informed him that it was alpina.

We have herbarium material labeled tricolor, but it does not show the characteristic rosy variegation of the leaves. This, however, is a feature that may not always persist in dried material. I think I would prefer to wait until our plant comes into leaf this spring and if we find that we really have tricolor send you scions at that time.

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,  
Director

JMF:am

*Wyman, D*  
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JAMAICA PLAIN 30, MASS.

February 27, 1961

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.  
Morris Arboretum  
Chestnut Hill  
Philadelphia 18, Pa.

Dear Jack:

Since you are registering a genus,  
I thought you might be interested in these two  
issues of *Arnoldia*, which may help to solve  
some of the problems that you may be running  
into!

Very truly yours,

*Donald D. Wyman*  
Donald Wyman  
Horticulturist

Enc.  
DW/sw

March 3, 1961

Dr. Donald Wyman, Horticulturist  
The Arnold Arboretum  
Harvard University  
Jamaica Plain 30, Mass.

Dear Don:

It was most thoughtful of you to provide me with the issues of *Arnoldia* containing Dick's articles and I greatly appreciate your kindness.

My Magnolia job has progressed a great deal even since I last wrote to you and I hope by the time I come up for the May meeting to be able to show you the manuscript in practically final form.

With best wishes and warm regards,

Sincerely yours,

John M. Pogg, Jr.,  
Director

JMF:am

Wyman, D.

March 10, 1961

Dr. Donald Wyman  
Arnold Arboretum  
Jamaica Plain, Mass.

Dear Don:

George Taylor has very kindly sent me a manuscript list of the Magnolias grown at Kew as it will appear in the next edition of the Kew Handlist. The list includes the following reference:

"Juddii hort. (We have not traced the publication of this name)".

Since this is the first time I have seen this name - in many months of scrutinizing the literature on Magnolia - I am wondering whether you can tell me anything about it. Naturally, it suggests the Judd of Arnold Arboretum, but of course it may commemorate someone entirely different.

I'll be grateful if you can throw some light on this.

Best wishes and warm regards.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,  
Director

JMF:am

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April 14, 1961

Dan Tucker Miller, M.D.  
100 N. Madison Avenue  
Fowler, Indiana

Dear Dr. Miller:

I do not know the "Wissahickon Shrub." If there is a plant by this name, I believe that Dr. John Fogg of the Morris Arboretum, 9414 Meadowbrook Avenue, Philadelphia 18, Pennsylvania, would know of it.

Sorry I cannot be of more assistance.

Very truly yours,

*My dear Dr. Fogg,*

*Donald Wyman*  
Donald Wyman  
Horticulturist

DW/sw

*When a student of Univ  
of Pa in 1908-1909 a  
Lady showed me a shrub in  
Fairmount Park  
called "Wissahickon"; it grew*

and blossoms with small  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch compact  
white + pink flowers  
similar to Althea?

Do you know  
where I could  
get some of these  
plants?

Dr Dan J. Miller <sup>(MD)</sup>  
100 North Madison St

Fowler R

Indiana

It was along  
Wissahickon Creek?

April 21, 1961

Dr. Dan Tucker Miller  
100 N. Madison Avenue  
Fowler, Indiana

Dear Dr. Miller:

Although I live almost on the edge of the Wissahickon, have studied its vegetation for many years, and have compiled a checklist of the plants growing in the valley, I have never heard of a shrub called "Wissahickon."

Your statement that it bears white and pink flowers, 1/2 to 3/4 inches long, suggests Pinxter Flower, Rhododendron nudiflorum, although this does not square with your remark that the flowers are "similar to Althea."

It would help somewhat to know at what time of year you saw this plant. The Pinxter Shrub will be in flower about the end of April or the first week in May. It is usually about 3 to 5 feet tall and is common on dry acid slopes throughout the Wissahickon. If this is the plant you have in mind it can be obtained from almost any good nursery, especially one which specializes in rhododendrons and azaleas.

I am sure you could get it from G.F. Gens & Sons at Norwalk, Ohio or from Kallay Brothers at Painesville, Ohio, and I imagine that several of your Indiana Nurseries carry it.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,  
Director

JMF:am

cc to Dr. Donald Wyman

WYMAN, DONALD Dr.

April 24, 1961

Dr. Donald Wyman  
Arnold Arboretum  
Jamaica Plain, Mass.

Dear Don:

I am enclosing a carbon of a little article which I plan to publish in the next issue of our Bulletin. It is a follow-up of my account of cultivars which appears in the current number.

Would you be good enough to look it over critically and especially, to bring up to date if you will the listing of those who have accepted responsibility for special groups. I assume that others have been added to the last published list in *Arnoldia* or the AABCA Newsletter.

I enclose, also, a copy of my reply to the man who inquired about the *Wissahickon* shrub.

I look forward to seeing you in May.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,  
Director

JMF:am

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WYMAN, DONALD

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

JAMAICA PLAIN 30, MASSACHUSETTS

April 28, 1961

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr., Director  
The Morris Arboretum  
9414 Meadowbrook Avenue  
Philadelphia 18, Pennsylvania

Dear Jack:

I have gone over your article and suggest that you note the fact that Cornus, Forsythia, Gleditsia and Pieris lists have already been published in Arnoldia and are available in leaflet form for cost price from the Arnold Arboretum.

I would also like to say that in process of compilation at the Arnold Arboretum are Cytisus, Deutzia, Eleagnus, Euonymus, Exochorda, Fagus, Ligustrum, Lonicera, Malus, Philadelphus, Potentilla, Prunus, Robinia, Spirea, Tilia, Ulmus and Weigela. This is a sizeable group, but we are putting them out as soon as we can. My only wish is that some of these people who have agreed to do lists would get them done and completed. I know you are well along on yours, but some of the others have not done too much work, as yet. In any event, that's the story -- more power to you!

Very truly yours,

Donald Wyman  
Horticulturist

Enc.  
DW/sw

Wyman, Donald Dr.

May 2, 1962

Dr. Donald Wyman  
Arnold Arboretum  
Jamaica Plain, Mass.

Dear Don:

When I come up for the Visiting Committee meeting on Tuesday, the 15th, I would like to bring with me Miss Elizabeth Orsatti who is in charge of our records.

I know that this will be a busy day for you, but I am wondering whether you could spare some time to talk to Miss Orsatti about the manner in which your records are kept. We have had no less than seven different systems here and in attempting to remedy this situation it would be a tremendous help to know how you have solved your problem.

I would also like very much to have her talk to Al Fordham to learn how plants are recorded in the greenhouse and nursery and how his system is integrated with yours.

Would you be so kind as to let me know whether you can see the girl and also whether Al can do likewise. We'll arrive about 11 A.M. and I thought I could show her around the grounds a bit before our luncheon which is scheduled for 12:30. Or perhaps it would be more convenient for you to see her then, if you or Al are involved in the afternoon meetings.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr., Director

JMF:am

WYMAN, DONALD DR.

May 16, 1962

Dr. Donald Wyman  
Arnold Arboretum  
Jamaica Plain, Mass.

Dear Don:

I certainly thank you most warmly for the time you gave to Betty Orsatti yesterday. I realized what an imposition it was to descend on you on such a day and am deeply grateful to you for being so generous and helpful.

Betty derived a great deal from what you and Al told her and it is now going to be possible to go ahead with our own revised system on a much sounder basis.

Best wishes and warm regards.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,  
Director

JMF:am

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Wyman, Donald Dr.

August 20, 1962

To the Nurserymen who have entered into a Co-operative Agreement with the Arnold Arboretum regarding the New or Rare Plants it distributes:

Gentlemen:

The enclosed list of 12 plants is what we have available for distribution this fall. These are extremely rare or new. Not all are desirable ornamentals in all parts of the country. You will note that 10 are new. A few have been in the Arnold Arboretum a long time, but as yet are not being grown commercially. Last year we distributed Cornus pumila, Forsythia 'Karl Sax,' 'Sorbus cashmiriana and Viburnum plicatum 'Lanarth,' but either plants, cuttings or scions are available from them for those who did not receive sufficient material last year.

We do not want to burden any nurseryman with unwanted plants, so please go over the enclosed list carefully and let me know at once what you would like to try. Enclosed is a list for your reply. The supply is limited and we will have to grant requests in the order in which they are received, and sometimes send only a single plant to a firm.

As in the past, the agreement between us is that this material cannot be sold or patented, but it can be used for stock from which you can propagate salable plants whenever you wish. The plants are all relatively small, mostly under two feet tall, and will be sent by parcel post some time early this fall.

You are the sole judge as to whether any of these would be valued additions to the list you already grow. This is one of the methods by which the Arnold Arboretum tries to introduce desirable new or rare ornamental woody plants into the commercial nurseries of the United States.

Very truly yours,

*Donald Wyman*

Donald Wyman  
Horticulturist

Encs.  
DW/sw

*Filled out and  
returned  
Sept. 25, 1962*

WYMAN, DONALD

Wyman to Fogg

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JAMAICA PLAIN 30, MASS.

Sept 21

Dear Jack

Dick tells me that you, Mrs Fogg, Mrs Barnes & a friend will be here Thursday Sept 29. Brian Mulligan flies in that afternoon from England, is all enthused about his trip & wants to talk to some people who are interested in what he grows in Washington. Says he has slides. Florence & I would be glad to invite all of you to our house for a 6:45 supper Thurs. evening, together with some of our staff members to hear Brian & see what he is talking about. Could you come?

Transportation would be easily arranged with some of the staff members from Cambridge.

R.S.U.P., P. D. O

Don