

PREFACE

The Pisum Genetics Association (PGA) is a non-profit, unincorporated organization established to facilitate the exchange of information and to ensure the preservation of valuable genetic stocks. The number of PGA members now stands at 157.

Membership

Membership in the PGA is open to all interested persons. Dues are \$3.00 annually (U. S. currency) and are used to help defray the costs of publishing the PNL. Members are encouraged to pay dues for two or more years to simplify bookkeeping. Please make prime banker's checks or money orders payable to Pisum Genetics Association and send to G. A. Marx, Department of Seed and Vegetable Sciences, New York State Agricultural Experiment Station, Geneva, NY 14456, USA. The PNL will be sent upon receipt of dues.

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A few words of grateful praise are due a lady whom we know as our "Clerk". It is no exaggeration to say that this lady, Mrs. Fran Van Kirk, has been instrumental in keeping the PGA on track. Indeed she has played a vital part in whatever success we've achieved so far. I have regularly acknowledged her competence and dedication at the end of the Preface section but I wish now to underscore these sincere sentiments. Mrs. Van Kirk's primary responsibility is that of principal secretary for our department. The demands placed on her in that capacity are ceaseless and varied, she being a focal point of the department's business and administrative affairs. What she does for us, the PGA, is done more or less as a side issue, squeezing it into an already full schedule. For your key contributions to our cause, we salute you, Mrs. Van Kirk.

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As time marches on there is an ever increasing need for some charitable, selfless soul to volunteer to prepare a cross-referenced index of the contents of the PNL. The only compensation for this time-consuming task is self satisfaction and peer gratitude.

*Financial
Report*

The financial report for the period 3/15/80 - 3/14/81:

Balance on hand 3/15/80		880.76
Dues collected	269.94	
Expenditures		
Postage	234.02	
Publishing costs	220.39	
Bank charges	42.38	
	<u>496.79</u>	
Balance on hand 3/14/81		653.91

G. A. Marx, Editor

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COVER

The cover photo of Dr. DeHaan was taken in 1965 when I was in Europe on a sabbatical leave. The photo was taken in the glasshouse using 35 mm color film. Our own professional photographer, Mr. Paris Trail, converted the photo to black and white so that we could feature it on the cover.

DeHaan's few but significant and lasting papers mark him as an important early contributor to pea genetics and one deserving of our recognition.