

recent developments of concern to magnolia lovers, demonstrations, Society business affairs and election of officers, and tours of the several attractions of the Missouri Botanical Garden. St. Louis is a considerable city with many other places of interest to appeal to those who would like to stretch their time to see more of this area so important to the settling of the country.

A tentative schedule, to which will be added more precise details in a notice to be mailed to members within a few weeks, opens with registration in the Garden's Lehmann Building from 1 to 2 p.m. Friday, April 27.

Members will then gather for a tour of the nearby area, including the Herbarium, the English Woodland Garden, and the Japanese Garden, the newest and one of the most impressive additions to the 120-year-old institution.

At 5 p.m. the AMS guests will return to the place where they will be lodging, the Holiday Inn South, for dinner, a meeting, and further renewal of acquaintance.

On Saturday morning, April 28, Society members will gather in the Headhouse of the Missouri Botanical Garden's greenhouse complex for demonstrations. The remainder of the program is still being worked out at this writing.

The Missouri Botanical Garden is also known to St. Louisans as Shaw's Garden, a reference to its founder, an Englishman named Henry Shaw, who emigrated to the United States in 1819, made a fortune in hardware merchandising and real estate in

St. Louis, and eventually retired to his country home on the near south side of the city at the site today occupied by the Missouri Botanical Garden, founded in 1859 and administered under a trust created by Shaw.

The Garden's purposes are to carry out botanical research, disseminate botanical information to the public through botanical and horticultural programs, and provide botanical displays for contemplation by thousands of visitors. A 48-page color booklet describing the institution's various components shows extensive rose gardens; the Linnaean, Desert, and Mediterranean Houses, all under glass; the Climatron, a geodesic-domed, climate-controlled tropical greenhouse; Herb, Scented, Japanese, and English Woodland gardens; a fabulous (to judge from pictures) collection of traditional and modern sculpture and fountains throughout; and Tower Grove House, Shaw's former summer home, which has been restored for public viewing. The Missouri Botanical Garden is located at 2345 Tower Grove Avenue, St. Louis, Mo. 63110.

Among other St. Louis attractions are the big Gateway Arch on the riverfront with the Museum of Westward Expansion at its base; the McDonnell Planetarium, St. Louis Art Museum, and St. Louis Zoo, all at Forest Park, which was the site of the famous 1904 World's Fair (Louisiana Purchase Exposition). All are within 10 minutes drive by car from the Missouri Botanical Garden. Tours of several historic homes are available. Bring your camera. — Editor

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