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There are 22 official All-America Rose Selections testing gardens scattered throughout the United States and so located that the variations in soil and climatic conditions are well covered for all the major areas in which roses are grown.

The quality of the new rose hybrids entered into AARS trials, together with the stringency of the testing and the integrity of the All-America Rose Selections organization, have resulted in the AARS testing and award program being considered one of the very finest in the world. To the amateur gardener, an AARS award seal on the rose he buys represents an unprecedented and solidly reliable assurance of quality and growing satisfaction. To the rose breeder, an AARS award for his creation is the highest honor his rose can possibly receive. To the nurseryman and garden center operator, the presence of the green and white AARS seal on the rose he sells is an assurance to him and his customers that the plant will give superior performance, beauty and reliability under most any conditions.

HOW DID AARS COME INTO BEING? A long time ago, before the plant patent act, when there was little organization in the rose market,

rose names were changed at will by unscrupulous dealers and often a variety was marketed under half a dozen or more names in the same listing.

With the enactment into law of the Plant Patent Act, designed to protect the rights of the plant inventor and allow him compensation for his labors, the unsatisfactory condition of the rose market should have been corrected. Actually the situation failed to show much improvement, due to the wording of the law which required only that the patented plant be different in some respect from plants already in existence. As most new rose varieties could be claimed to be different in some characteristics, the market was soon flooded with patented varieties which were inferior to many roses already in commerce. The gardener still had little idea which varieties were good and which were not.

It was during this period that the leading rose growers of the country decided to act. In 1938, in Chicago, rose producers and introducers from all over the country banded together to organize All-America Rose Selections. This non-profit organization was set up specifically to test new varieties of roses and determine which, if any, were worthy of recommendation to the buying public as the very best to be found in new roses.

HOW DOES AARS OPERATE? Under the AARS testing program, which functions today exactly as it did when organized 32 years ago, plants in test are trial grown under actual garden conditions at 22 testing stations throughout the United States. These trial grounds are located so that all varieties of soil and climate in the areas where roses are generally grown are represented.

During the two-year testing period for each entry, the test gardens must be maintained as required by the AARS Test Garden Committee which specifies normal care such as would be provided by the ordinary good gardener. The roses may be judged only by an official AARS Judge and there

is one assigned to each test garden. Official Judges do not gain their appointments easily, as each must serve a carefully supervised two-year apprenticeship before he can hope to obtain his judgeship.

A major proportion of the AARS Judges are college professors, or men in charge of large public gardens throughout the country who take their judging appointment very seriously.

The scoring procedures, rose characteristics which are to be judged, and the maximum number of scoring points allowed each in the prescribed numerical scoring system, are all under the guidance of the AARS Scoring Schedule Committee. Candidate roses are graded on vigor, habit, hardness, disease resistance, foliage, flower production, bud and flower form, opening and finishing color, fragrance, stem and novelty.

In addition to its work on the scores, this committee labors constantly to improve the scoring technique of the Judges, and, every five years, calls them all in to attend a Seminar devoted to the study of improved methods of judging roses.

HOW ARE AARS WINNERS IDENTIFIED? It is a requirement of AARS that all plants of an award winner be identified by a green and white oval metal seal bearing the following wording — "This AARS rose, after two years of actual growing tests in all parts of the United States, has proved to be a superior variety."

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