## Miller Named American Horticultural Society President

MOUNT VERNON, Va. — Everitt L. Miller, former director of Longwood Gardens, recently became president of the American Horticultural Society at the Society's 41st Annual Meeting in San Francisco.

Miller has devoted almost 40 years to his interest in promoting horticulture in America. A native of Brooklyn, N.Y., he graduated from the State University of New York with a degree in landscape design.

Miller began his work in the field of horticulture as manager of the W.R. Coe estate, Planting Fields — now a public arboretum administered by the State University of New York — and presently serves as a trustee for the Planting Fields Foundation.

In 1956, Miller went to Longwood Gardens in Kennett Square to serve as head of the department of horticulture. He was later promoted to the position of assistant director of Longwood and became director of the gardens on Sept. 1, 1979.

As director of Longwood, Miller was responsible for overseeing the operation of the 1,000-acre gardens, which were originally created by the late Pierre S. du Pont. Longwood contains a historic arboretum, four acres of conservatories and greenhouses, an outdoor theater, spectacular fountain "gardens" and extensive specialized plant collections

ranging from rock gardens, topiary displays and demonstration vegetable gardens to perennial and annual borders. Miller retired as director of Longwood Ga dens in Oct. 1984.

In addition to his administrative contributions to horticulture, Miller has written many articles of interest to both professional and amateur horticulturists, delivered lectures throughout the country and is an accredited horticultural iudge. He has also served on the board of directors of several national organizations, including the American Camellia Society, the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreta, the Administrative Management Society and the American Rhododendron Society.

Currently, Mr. Miller is coauthoring with Dr. Jay Cohen, a
book entitled "The American
Garden Guidebook," the first
volume of which describes 320
gardens in the Eastern United
States. He is also a consultant for
various horticultural
organizations, including Cypress
Gardens in Florida, and Live Oak
Gardens in New Iberia, La.

Miller's contributions to public horticulture have been recognized by many organizations, including the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, which awarded him its Distinguished Achievement Medal in 1981. In 1983, Miller was awarded the American Hor-

ticultural Society's prestigious Liberty Hyde Bailey Medal.

Miller joined the American Horticultural Society's board of directors in 1982, and has served on both the Awards and Education Committees. He has also served as chairman of both the River Farm Grounds Committee and the Membership Committee as well as first vice president of the Society before assuming the presidency.

The Society also has four new directors on the board. They are:

Dr. Henry M. (Marc) Cathey, a widely recognized horticultural scientist and director of the U.S. National Arboretum, U.S. Department of Agriculture,

Washington, D.C. Dr. Cathey has received numerous horticultural awards and is a past president of the Society.

Stephen F. Keating is a retired vice chairman of the board of directors of Honeywell. Keating has also served as the chairman of the board of trustees of the Mayo Foundation, as a member of the board of trustees of the University of Minnesota Foundation, president of the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum Foundation and as the first president of the Urban Coalition of Minneapolis.

Roy Thomas is director of horticulture of RockResorts, Inc. He is a recognized expert in hor-

ticulture specializing in Tropical Resort Gardening and is a graduate of England's Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew. He is also a former chairman of the American Hotel and Motel Association's Committee for a Quality Environment.

Jean Verity Woodhull has been active in the Garden Club of America and has been involved with the planting of meadow flowers along interstates and other highways. She was a founding board member of the Cox Arboretum and has been in the forefront working on the beautification of urban Dayton, Obio

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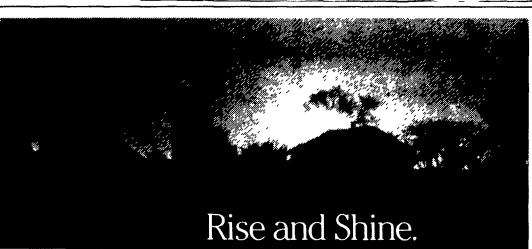
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