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We all strive to take the best care of our orchids as we can but occasionally one shows signs of some strange malady. Is it pellagra? beri beri? rickets? We need to know what it is and what to do about it. The AOS pamphlet *Orchid Pests and Diseases* has the answer. It covers in clear terms cultural disorders, orchid pests, viruses and what to do about them. It covers the proper handling of pesticides. This pamphlet is truly the Dr. Spock of orchids.

The ROA library has a number of similarly informative pamphlets.



1. *An Orchidist's Lexicon* published by the Oregon Orchid Society. This booklet has a very good glossary with phonetic spelling and etymology. It lists multigeneric hybrids. It has lots of good information.
2. *Your First Orchid* published by the American Orchid Society. This is truly a pamphlet for the novice. It covers all cultural requirements for commonly grown orchids and suggests what types to grow for the conditions that the grower can provide. It covers that bain for the beginner – repotting. It also touches on pests and diseases. Every beginner should have a copy of this booklet.
3. *Growing Orchids* published by the American Orchid Society. This is the text for those who graduate from *Your First Orchid*. It covers the same material but in much greater depth. It also has a chapter on judging orchids.
4. *Guide to Growing Orchids* published by the National Capital Orchid Society. In addition to general culture this pamphlet covers growing orchids under lights. It discusses potting mixes, their advantages and their limitations. It includes thumbnail cultural tips on a number of popular orchids.

The ROA library has a number of these pamphlets on hand for sale. Additional copies can be obtained if more are desired. Let the librarian know if you want any.

Finally, this report started with *Orchid Pests and Diseases* for a point of emphasis. Every orchid grower should have his or her own copy for immediate reference rather than waiting to check out the library copy

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