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## THEATERS, GARDENS AND HORTICULTURE<sup>1</sup>

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BROOKLYN BOTANIC GARDEN

I APPRECIATE the gracious words of President Nason, and I accept the award of the Arthur Hoyt Scott Foundation with a sense of profound gratitude to the committee of award, and especially to those who established the foundation, which has been, and which will continue to be, a potent factor in the encouragement and enrichment of American horticulture, in memory of one whose interest in plants reflected the highest ideals and accomplishments of a gifted amateur.

To be deemed worthy of a place in a group of medalists which includes Mr. John C. Wister, Professor Liberty Hyde Bailey and Mr. J. Horace McFarland,

<sup>1</sup> Given at Swarthmore College on May 23, on the occasion of the presentation of the 1941 Arthur Hoyt Scott Garden and Horticultural Award of a gold medal and \$1,000, and the dedication of a new open-air theater on the campus.

the previous recipients of this award, and Mr. Richardson Wright, to-day's recipient, is an honor which any one might justifiably covet.

And I specially appreciate the privilege and honor of having some part in the dedication of this beautiful outdoor theater, which adds so much to the cultural charm of Swarthmore College, already rich in cultural assets and traditions.

It is superfluous to say that every friend of Swarthmore is under special obligation to Mr. Thomas B. McCabe, of the class of 1915, whose generous interest in the college and in the promotion of all that is best in life has made this theater possible, as a memorial to Arthur Hoyt Scott.

The wish to be of service to mankind through the medium of botanical science, to help "the man in the

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