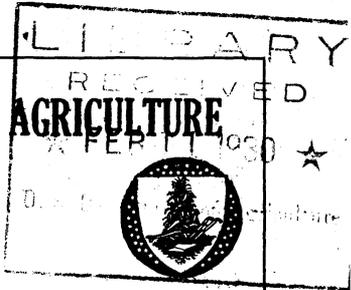


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INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT

The period covered by Inventory 95—April, May, and June, 1928—was the busy time for planting in our Northern Hemisphere. But the material received is a reminder that the Southern Hemisphere is just as busy harvesting crops. Two collections of Tasmanian and Australian plants obtained by Mrs. Frieda Cobb Blanchard (Nos. 76701 to 76724, 76931 to 76967) will be of interest to plant growers in the Southwestern States, as will the collection from New Zealand (Nos. 77173 to 77214). Thirty varieties of common wheat (*Triticum aestivum*, Nos. 76968 to 76997) from New South Wales, Australia, will be of interest to cerealists, and a collection, mostly succulents (Nos. 77217 to 77252) from Kirstenbosch, Cape Province, Africa, will add to the possibilities for rock gardens in the warmer parts of the country. Eight kinds of grasses from Argentina (Nos. 76878 to 76885), of possible value as forage crops, increase the receipts from the antipodes.

In line with the policy of adding to the ornamental plants already in cultivation in this country, new or little known species and varieties of *Abelia*, *Berberis*, *Buxus*, *Deutzia*, *Lonicera*, *Syringa*, and other genera have been obtained from Hon. Vicary Gibbs, of England (Nos. 76550 to 76602). A collection of Japanese azaleas, mostly horticultural forms (*Rhododendron* spp., Nos. 77064 to 77146), collected by R. K. Beattie, will add to this list of ornamentals as well as supply materials for breeding new varieties suited to American conditions.

Mr. Beattie also sent in some Japanese chestnuts (*Castanea crenata*, Nos. 76473 and 76474), several Japanese oaks (*Quercus* spp., Nos. 76478 to 76481), and a new strawberry (*Fragaria hayatai*, No. 76499) which may possess some new characteristics of value to breeders.

To the already large collection of bamboos being cultivated at the Barbour Lathrop Plant-Introduction Garden at Savannah, Ga., this inventory adds 15 varieties (Nos. 77000 to 77014) collected by F. A. McClure in China and 8 varieties (Nos. 77253 to 77260) from France.

Thirty-two varieties of filberts (*Corylus avellana*, Nos. 76821 to 76852) from Germany; a collection of new varieties of apples (*Malus* spp., Nos. 76454 to 76462) and pears (*Pyrus* spp., Nos. 76463 to 76465), and 23 varieties of red clover (*Trifolium pratense*, Nos. 76650 to 76672) from Russia; 39 cereals and forage crops from the Caucasus (Nos. 76500 to 76538); sugarcane varieties and closely related species (*Saccharum* spp., Nos. 76539 to 76549) from India; and 20 varieties of oats (*Avena sativa*, Nos. 76800 to 76819) from Manchuria, show that the Northern Hemisphere was not entirely dormant during this period.