

*Passiflora maliformis*. (Passifloraceae.) 39223-226. Seeds of four varieties of the kuruba from Bogota, Colombia. Presented by Mr. F. L. Rockwood, Clerk of the Legation. "In my opinion the yellow kuruba will be a valuable addition to table fruit in the United States, for it grows in a fresh cool climate, and it is the main market fruit of that class here. The red kuruba is not common and the families that have it think it is the best, but it is not a prolific bearer and not so hardy. A climbing vine, it covers walls, outhouses and small buildings with evergreen, continually bearing fruit. The flowers are very handsome." (Rockwood).

*Persea americana*. (Lauraceae.) 39173. Seeds of an avocado from Lumija, Chiapas, Mexico. Presented by Mrs. H. H. Markley. "These are slightly pear-shaped, 5-6 inches long, and 10 inches in circumference at the largest point. The skin is very thin, the tree a prolific bearer, growing 40 or more feet high, symmetrical in shape, like a well formed oak. Our temperature ranges from 70 to 100° F." (Markley.)

*Prunus avium*. (Amygdalaceae.) 39175. Seeds of a cherry from Rome, Italy. Presented by Dr. Gustav Eisen. "Marasca Grossa di Firenze, probably a seedling from Marasca di Piedmonte. Very large, dark brownish black, flesh very firm, very slightly adhering to the stone, which however separates rapidly. Subacid, sweet and slightly astringent. Fine shipper. Suitable both for table and preserves. This cherry is larger than any I have seen in California, and in my opinion of exceptional qualities." (Eisen.)

*Rosa abyssinica*. (Rosaceae.) 39186. Seeds of a rose from Asmara, Eritrea, Africa. Presented by the Director, Bureau of Colonization. *Technical description*. "An erect or often clambering shrub, glabrous, with spines more or less curved. Leaves of 5-7 membranous, oval or elliptical, acutely serrate, leaflets, with the petiole usually glandular. Flowers corymbose, rarely solitary, with pubescent peduncles, receptacles and calyxes; sepals lanceolate-acuminate, three, with one to three setiform lacinations or without; petals white; style free, projecting. Habit that of *R. sempervirens*." (Adriano Fiori, Boschi e Piante Legnose dell'Eritrea.)

*Saccharum officinarum*. (Poaceae.) 39165. Cuttings of a fodder cane from Brisbane, Queensland. Presented by Mr. Leslie Gordon Corrie. "Quacsofoca. The standard fodder cane grown here for stock food purposes and known as the Indian cane. Amongst other seedlings tested for this pur-