

Mr. Wilson Popenoe, agricultural explorer. Quoted notes by Mr. Popenoe.

54270. "No. 626. Avocado No. 47. The parent tree stands in one of the huertas (fruit gardens) of the Hacienda San Vicente about half a mile north of the house at an altitude of 6,100 feet. This variety, so far as can be judged by an examination of the parent tree, is either a very unusual Mexican, or else a hybrid between the Mexican and West Indian races. The fruit is of good size, - about 18 ounces in weight, - and of convenient oval form. In appearance it is fairly attractive, being smooth, with the surface light green, washed or overspread with maroon-purple at the stem end. The skin is not woody; it resembles both in thickness and texture that of such large-fruited Mexican varieties as 'Pueblo' and 'Gottfried.' The flesh is cream-colored, with a very few, inconspicuous fiber markings. The quality is very good. The seed is small, and tight in the cavity. The tree appears to bear fair, but not heavy, crops."

54271. "No. 628. Avocado No. 49. The parent tree stands in one of the huertas at the Hacienda San Vicente, about half a mile north of the house. This is a Mexican avocado, of much the same general character as 'Pueblo,' but having a relatively smaller seed than the latter. The fruit is broadly obovoid, 8 to 12 ounces in weight, and glossy maroon-purple when fully ripe. The skin is of average thickness for a large-fruited Mexican avocado, the flesh devoid of fiber, and of good quality. The seed is tight in the cavity; in some specimens it is very small, in others, medium-sized. The parent tree is a very old and large one, and is said to be very productive."

54272. "No. 629. Avocado No. 50. The parent tree stands in one of the huertas of the Hacienda San Vicente, about half a mile north of the house. This is a fine large Mexican avocado of attractive and convenient form, having a small seed and flesh of rich, pleasant flavor. The form is broadly elliptic to nearly round, the color deep purple when the fruit is fully ripe, and the seed tight in the cavity. This may possibly be a hybrid between the Mexican and West Indian, but I can see no definite indication that such is the case."

54276. "No. 633. Avocado No. 54. The parent tree is growing in the huerta rented by Rosa Gon-