

ACANTHOPANAX SENTICOSUS (Araliaceae), 57274. From Echo, Manchuria, China. Seeds presented by A. D. Woeikoff, director, Experimental Farm. No. 40. "A very spiny shrub bearing palmately divided leaves and having at the ends of its long shoots small umbels of black berries. It grows generally in dense shade, and may be of use as a park or garden shrub or as an undergrowth beneath tall trees." (Frank N. Meyer.)

ARECA sp. (Phoenicaceae), 57217. **Palm.** From Manila, Philippine Islands. Seeds presented by P.J. Wester, Bureau of Agriculture. "A very graceful dwarf palm, with a slender trunk about two inches in diameter, from Palawan. It ought to be a good conservatory plant." (Wester.)

ARTOCARPUS COMMUNIS (Moraceae), 57224. **Breadfruit.** From Honolulu, Hawaii. Plants presented by W. T. Pope, horticulturist, Agricultural Experiment Station. "There is but one kind of breadfruit in Hawaii; while there are slight variations, due probably to local conditions, there are no true varietal differences." (Pope.)

This variety which now grows wild throughout the Hawaiian Islands, was originally introduced from Tahiti. It has large, rough, ovate, deeply lobed leaves, and the staminate flowers appear in large yellow catkins. The large-stemmed fruit is either round or oblong and varies from 5 to 8 inches in diameter. The thick, tough rind, which is brownish at maturity, incloses a firm, very starchy, and somewhat fibrous pulp which becomes mealy when cooked, slightly resembling a dry sweet potato, and is much esteemed as an article of diet. The tree is propagated by suckers or by layering. (Adapted from G. P. Wilder, *Fruits of the Hawaiian Islands*, p. 100, pl. 48, under *Artocarpus incisa*.)

CALYDOREA SPECIOSA (Iridaceae), 57220. From Santiago, Chile. Bulbs presented by Dr. Carlos Camacho. An ornamental bulbous plant about 4 inches high, native to Chile, where it generally prefers the lower altitudes. The flower, about 2 inches wide, is a bright navy-blue with a golden center. The bulbs are eaten boiled, roasted, or baked. (Adapted from note of Jose D. Husbands, under S. P. I. No. 30074.)

CHRYSALIDOCARPUS BARONII (Phoenicaceae), 57214. **Palm.** From Algiers, Algeria. Seeds presented by Dr. L. Trabut, government botanist. A medium-sized palm, native to central Madagascar, with a cylindrical stem about 3 inches in diameter, and regularly pinnate leaves about 4 feet long, with very narrow pinnae 16 to 18 inches long. Native name "farihazo." (Adapted from Engler, *Botanische Jahrbuecher*, vol. 38, Beiblatt 87, p. 33.)