



**FIRST FRUIT OF THE ITZAMNA AVOCADO PRODUCED IN THE
UNITED STATES.**

(*Persea americana* Mill.; S. P. I. No. 55736.)

Itzamna was introduced from Guatemala in October, 1916. Two years later—November, 1918—a bud inserted in an old avocado tree at the Miami Garden had grown to a height of 18 feet and was carrying the fruit shown in the above photograph. When it is remembered that Guatemalan avocados require nearly one year from the time of flowering to reach maturity, the record made by this introduction seems remarkable. It is rarely possible to secure such prompt results in the introduction of tree fruits, most of which must be grown in this country several years before they give any indication of their character and value. (Photographed by Edward Goucher and Dr. B. T. Galloway, Plant Introduction Garden, Miami, Fla., November 22, 1918; P24578FS.)