68158 to 68169—Continued.

68168. IRIS SCHELKOWNIKOWI Fomin.

A species belonging to the Oncocyclus section and probably related to *Iris acutiloba*.

68169. IRIS TASCHIA Hort.

A horticultural variety.

For previous introduction see No. 64300.

68170. POPULUS MAXIMOWICZII A. Henry. Salicaceae. **Poplar.**

From Jamaica Plain, Mass. Cuttings presented by the Arnold Arboretum. Received November 8, 1922. Numbered September, 1926.

A very fast growing and stately tree native to China. It will succeed in the coldest portions of the United States on the poorest and driest soils. At all times it makes phenomenally rapid growth. Its leaves, which are handsomely crinkled like those of *Rosa rugosa*, appear very early in the spring and remain longer in the fall than those of almost any other deciduous plant. The tree is not attacked by borers or leaf-eating insects. It is highly recommended as a shade tree and windbreak generally, especially for the northwest Plains country.

For previous introduction see No. 51877.

68171 to 68177.

From Leningrad, Russia. Seeds presented by A. Kol, chief, bureau of introduction, Institute of Applied Botany. Received August 23, 1926.

68171. BROMUS INERMIS Leyss. Poaceae. **Brome grass.**

No. 7393. A perennial European grass, with creeping rhizomes and stems up to 30 inches high.

68172. FESTUCA ELATIOR L. Poaceae. **Meadow fescue.**

No. 2963. A loosely tufted perennial European grass with short creeping rootstalks and erect stems up to 4 feet high.

68173. LENS ESCULENTA Moench. Fabaceae. **Lentil.**

No. 3455. An annual legume, 1½ feet high, of Russian strain, native to southern Europe.

68174 and 68175. PHASEOLUS VULGARIS L. Fabaceae. **Common bean.**

Russian varieties.

68174. No. 2892. *Bomba.* Variety *ellipticus.*

68175. No. 2908. Variety *oblongus.*

68176. TRITICUM AESTIVUM L. (*T. vulgare* Vill.). Poaceae. **Common wheat.**

No. 6984. Variety *ferrugineum.* A Russian strain.

68177. VICIA ERVILIA (L.) Willd. Fabaceae. **Vetch.**

No. 3453. An annual erect vetch, native to the Mediterranean countries.

68178. AMYGDALUS PERSICA NECTARINA Ait. Amygdalaceae. **Nectarine.**

From Chico, Calif. A variety of unknown origin, grown at the United States Plant Introduction Garden under No. 26503, but distinct from the original trees of that number. Numbered September, 1926.

(Trees 7 and 8, new test orchard, propagated from trees 4 and 5, old test nursery.) Fruit very large, spherical, about 2½ inches in diameter; stem heavy; skin almost uniformly yellow-green, sometimes overlaid with more or less red; flesh medium firm, greenish white, moderately juicy, mildly subacid, of good rich flavor and of excellent quality; pit of medium size, slightly staining flesh. Fruit ripens at Chico the latter part of August.

68179. GARCINIA BENTHAMI Pierre. Clusiaceae.

From Manila, Philippine Islands. Seeds presented by S. Youngberg, Director, Bureau of Agriculture, through Dr. W. A. Orton, director, Tropical Plant Research Foundation, Washington, D. C. Received August 31, 1926.

A small, evergreen, rapidly growing tropical tree, closely related to the mangosteen (*Garcinia mangostana*). The edible fruits are very similar to those of the mangosteen except that they are slightly smaller, bright red, and have very acid flesh; probably suited for making preserves. Native to low altitudes in the Philippines.

68180 to 68293.

From Gandja, Transcaucasia, Russia. Seeds presented by the Director, Central Transcaucasian Agricultural Plant Breeding and Experiment Station. Received August 30, 1926.

Locally grown strains.

68180 to 68229. HORDEUM spp. Poaceae.

68180. HORDEUM DISTICHON PALMELLA Harlan. **Two-rowed barley.**

No. 8.

68181 to 68200. HORDEUM VULGARE NIGRUM (Willd.) Beaven. **Six-rowed barley.**

68181. No. 10.	**68191.** No. 158.
68182. No. 11.	**68192.** No. 159.
68183. No. 116.	**68193.** No. 160.
68184. No. 118.	**68194.** No. 161.
68185. No. 144.	**68195.** No. 162.
68186. No. 145.	**68196.** No. 163.
68187. No. 151.	**68197.** No. 164.
68188. No. 154.	**68198.** No. 165.
68189. No. 155.	**68199.** No. 167.
68190. No. 157.	**68200.** No. 169.

68201 to 68229. HORDEUM VULGARE PALLIDUM Seringe. **Six-rowed barley.**

68201. No. 3.	**68210.** No. 111.
68202. No. 4.	**68211.** No. 112.
68203. No. 7. A white variety.	**68212.** No. 114.
	68213. No. 123.
68204. No. 9.	**68214.** No. 124.
68205. No. 12.	**68215.** No. 125.
68206. No. 104.	**68216.** No. 126.
68207. No. 105.	**68217.** No. 127.
68208. No. 106.	**68218.** No. 128.
68209. No. 107.	**68219.** No. 129.