

~~Juscarossa~~ Phenix City, Ala. ^{mal} 'Seed mimeo. sent '44
Smiths Station, Ala. ^{Clapper's} Weevil Memo Sent 1948-1951

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c/o G. W. Jones. 518-34th Ave.

1934 - 15 ML } Castanea mollissima
10 MO }

3/19/34 - Receipt acknowledged; Map in file

1/17/36 - No reply to our letter.

8/5/37 See envelope for report, 24 trees living; up to 5' current growth.

10/23/41 - Letter states trees growing beautifully and bearing lots of nuts now.

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2/19/44--No disease in the trees. 2 trees died about 2nd or 3rd year after planting; they appeared to be just weak trees. Can't say that the trees have been definitely exposed to blight; a few native chestnut trees about 1 mi. se of his trees on a high hill; native trees definitely diseased, as they continually sprout, but doesn't know what trouble is. The Asiatic trees were not pruned until last few years. The MLs grew faster than MOs. Began selling nuts from these trees in 1940 but in small quantity. Nuts spoil quickly. ~~Was~~ lost only a few pounds last fall by keeping in refrigerator until delivered. Trees were fertilized last fall; expect to top dress this spring with mineralized fertilizer. No weevils. This past fall experimented with the keeping quality of the trees with varied results, but after 6 weeks all the nuts were dry enough to float in water whether spoiled or good. Results of this test as of Nov. 25 on back of chart of orchard in file.

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8/13/51 - No weevil damage yet. One tree destroyed because of poor keeping quality of nuts, and 2 or 3 more should be removed. Crop this year about 2000 lbs. Removed a sap tree so orchard would be pure Chinese.