

New Canaan, Conn. C. mollequina

See attached letter 10/18/43

Behind Hampton Inn on Oenoke Ave.

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CAMP RITCHIE, MARYLAND

18 October 1943.

Mr. G. F. Gravatt, Senior Pathologist,  
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Bureau of Plant Industry,  
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Beltsville, Maryland.

Dear Mr. Gravatt:

Thank you for your letter of October 12 and the reprint from "American Forests" by Mr. Clapper, also the reprint on the care of the nuts. These proved very interesting.

I am sending these to Major Robert F. Barrick, Post Engineer. Any future correspondence should be addressed to him, as due to the exigencies of the service, I do not know how long I will be here.

I should like to be put on your mailing list, however, for any future bulletins or literature on the subject of hybrid chestnuts, in the hope that these will eventually catch up to me.

It might be of interest to you to know that there are two chestnut trees in New Canaan, Connecticut, behind the Hampton Inn on Oenoke Avenue, which I was told were Chinese chestnuts. These are old trees bearing edible nuts--to thirty or forty feet, with a single trunk. They have been neglected, but show no signs of blight. "Joe", the Inn's man-of-all-work, could tell you about them. I do not know his last name.

Very truly yours,

GUY H. LEE,  
1st Lt., AUS,  
Assistant Adjutant.