

April 4, 1939.

Dr. Caroline T. Rumbold,

Madison, Wis.

Dear Miss Rumbold:

Replying to your letter of April 1, we would appreciate receiving some of the seedlings from the American chestnut tree growing in central Wisconsin. We believe that this particular tree must be unusually hardy to have withstood the winters out there and we would like to use it in our breeding work in developing blight-resistant hardy chestnuts. If we get a number of scions from the parent tree, it would probably help us out more than getting the seedlings, as we could topwork the scions into some of the stock we have growing at Bell, Md., and would hope to have bloom within a few years to use in our breeding work.

Sincerely yours,

G. F. GRAVATT,  
Senior Pathologist.

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