

246917. *VANILLA PLANIFOLIA* Andr. Orchidaceae. **Mexican vanilla.**  
Col. No. 18385. 'Bauilha'.
246918. *WISTERIA SINENSIS* (Sims) Sweet Fabaceae. **Chinese wisteria.**  
Col. No. 18418. Climber; flowers fragrant, lilac-colored in pendent clusters.
246919. *EUGENIA* sp. Myrtaceae.  
Col. No. 18324. Grown as a hedge to 10 feet high; flowers small, white.
246920. *MALPIGHIA COCCIGERA* L. Malpighiaceae.  
Col. No. 18356. 'Sapato de Judeo'. Woody vine; flowers purplish.
246921. (Undetermined.)  
Col. No. 18367. Woody vine; flowers white with purple throat.
246922. (Undetermined.)  
Col. No. 18434. No field note.
246923. *PHILADELPHUS* sp. Hydrangeaceae.  
Col. No. 18360. See note under P.I. 246888.
246924. *OPUNTIA* sp. Cactaceae.  
Col. No. 18223. See note under P.I. 246668.
246925. (Undetermined.)  
No number or field note.

### 246926 and 246927.

From Africa. Bulbs collected by Louis Williams and Norris Gilbert, agricultural explorers, New Crops Research Branch, Crops Research Division, Beltsville, Md. Received April 2, 1958.

246926. *GLADIOLUS* sp. Iridaceae.  
Col. No. 21422. In mountains about 75 km. west of Astrida, Ruanda-Urundi. Plants to 1 meter high; flowers fairly large, orange-red, wild.
246927. *GLADIOLUS* sp. Iridaceae.  
Col. No. 21453. Northern Rhodesia, border with Belgian Congo, about 50 km. southeast of Elizabethville.

### 246928 to 246932.

From Afghanistan. Seeds presented by the United States Operations Mission, Kabul. Received April 2, 1958.

246928. *BRASSICA RAPA* L. Brassicaceae. **Turnip.**  
Roots not uniform in shape but the spherical form predominates, red-skinned, of good quality; leaves smooth.
246929. *CUCUMIS MELO* L. Cucurbitaceae. **Muskmelon.**  
Mixed seeds from choice melons purchased in Kabul bazaars, mostly from firm-fleshed fruits, similar to 'Casaba' or 'Honeydew', but of various shapes, size, flesh color and flavor.
246930. *CUCUMIS SATIVUS* L. **Cucumber.**  
From Jalalabad. Plant vigorous and prolific; fruit short, cylindrical, early; skin smooth, brown, leatherlike when ripe; spines black.
246931. *LUFFA ACUTANGULA* (L.) Roxb. Cucurbitaceae **Singkwa towelgourd.**  
Aliabad Experiment Station, Kabul. Edible gourd of medium size; skin gray with geometric ridging on the surface; flesh somewhat gelatinous in texture; flavor good.
246932. *SOLANUM MELONGENA* L. Solanaceae. **Eggplant.**  
Purchased at Dural-malamine, near Kabul. A long-fruited, midseason type, golden yellow at maturity.