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PLANT INTRODUCTION GARDEN

Plant Industry Station
 Beltsville, Maryland.

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Mr. J. B. Brouwers
 Colonial Williamsburg
 Williamsburg, Virginia

Dear Mr. Brouwers:

Not being able to match your oak specimen here I sent it to Dr. Rehder at the Arnold Arboretum. He identifies it as *Quercus comptonae* Sarg., a hybrid between *Q. lyrata* and *Q. virginiana*. This has been found in the wild state previously in Mississippi, Texas, and Louisiana, and has also been produced artificially from the parents mentioned. There is an article on it by Ness in the Journal of Heredity 9: 263. 1918, with illustrations.

The specimens you sent were too brittle to make good herbarium specimens. We should greatly appreciate it if this year you could find it possible to prepare for us two or three sheets of good herbarium material of mature leaves and acorns.

Very truly yours,



S. F. Blake
 Senior Botanist

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