

Howard Walton passed away several months ago and I am sending brief information on chestnuts with us - we have a couple of bearing trees in the yard besides those mentioned in orchard - the nuts are large and full - few are without meats - the trees grow very well and are a beautiful tree Mr Walton took great pleasure in caring for the plants & shrubs.

Howard Walton, Route #3, Newberg, Oregon.

Date of examination, June 13, 1934.

Of the total of 36 seedlings of various species of *Castanea* shipped Mr. Watson in 1925 and 1926, only 11 are now alive. These grew well for a few years and then 9 of them were killed back during a severe winter. Sprouting occurred and the new shoots have grown very rapidly, ranging in height from about 7 to 15 feet. The two trees not injured (being in a more protected location) are about 15 to 25 feet in height. None of these have borne nuts, although burs have developed which did not fill out. Most all of them are heavily laden with flowers this spring. Mr. Walton died a few years ago, but Mrs. Walton still lives on the place, although she has leased it. The tenant promised to watch the trees and collect nuts for us this fall if they develop. They intend to destroy these trees in a year or two, for it is their belief that they have not done well. They have planted filberts between them. All identification tags have been lost and I was unable to identify the species. There are also two much older trees of *C. dentata* on the place, which have never borne well, although an abundance of burs develop. One of these trees was very heavily laden with flowers.