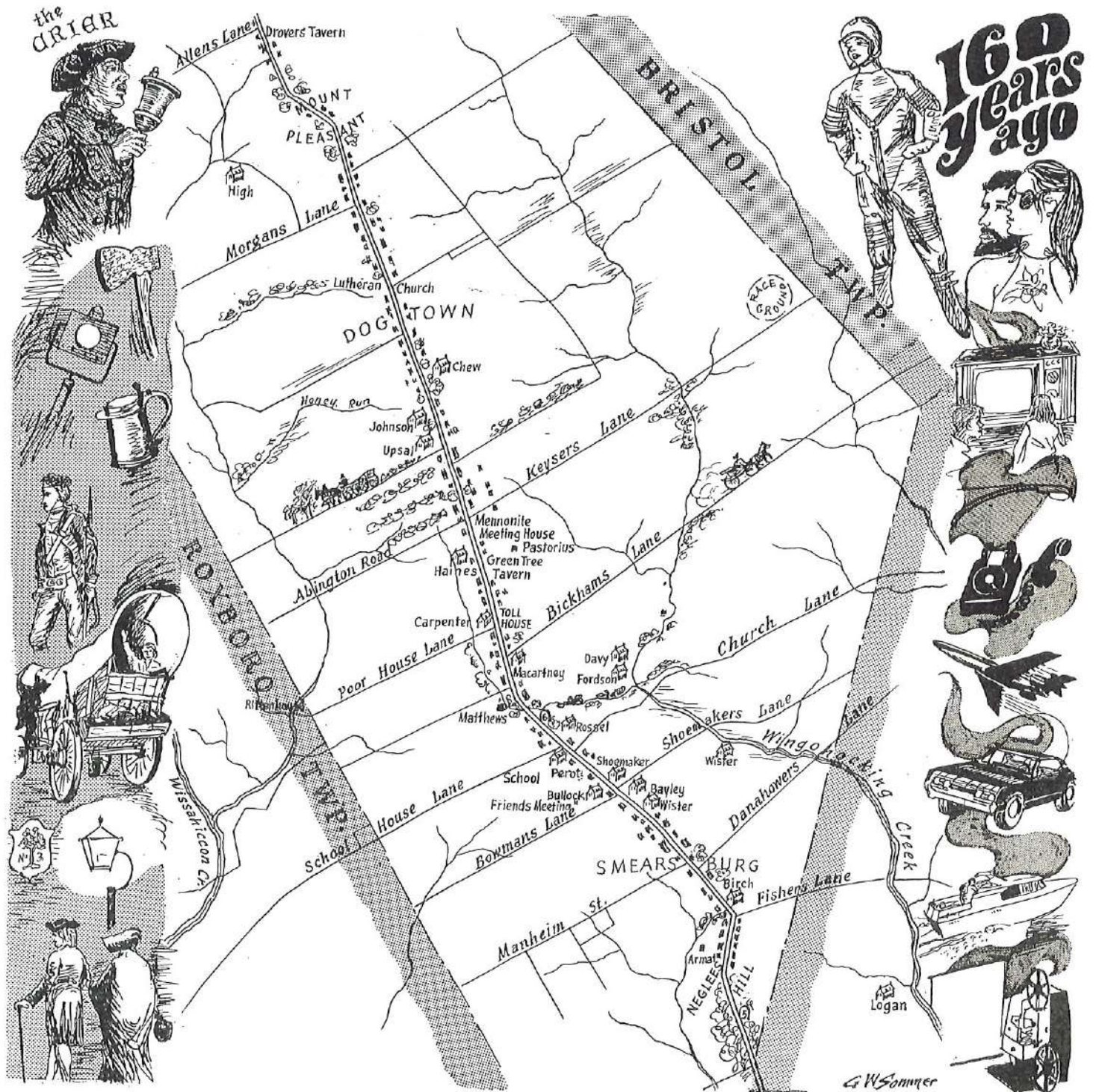


GERMANTOWNE CRIER



Great and Historic Trees of Philadelphia County

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Mr. McNeill is a naturalist and historian. He has a fine collection of maps, books, and information on, particularly, Northeast Philadelphia. He is said to have "Adopted" the Pennypack Valley to which he has devoted a lifetime of interest and which he surveys regularly. He is chairman of the Penn's Woods Committee which is developing, in The Bowman Hill Wild Flower Preserve, a stand comprising all the trees which are native to Pennsylvania. He conceived and, with the aid of members of the Comstock Naturalist Society of the Delaware Valley, carried out an extensive survey of the great trees in this valley in an area lying in three states. Some of his findings have been accepted as National Records for the United States. Mr. McNeill has led a Christmas Bird Census of the Pennypack Valley, with the National Audubon Society, for many years.

PENN'S WOODS, by Edward E. Wildman¹, was published by The Christopher Sower Company in 1933. The introduction, written by Charles F. Jenkins², gives the necessary background.

It was an inspiration when Edward E. Wildman conceived the idea of finding and listing those monarchs of the forest and grove which, still growing lustily, were here when William Penn first reached these shores in October of 1682 and were thus part of Penn's Woods. The locating and listing of these trees became part of the program sponsored by the committee appointed by the Mayor of Philadelphia (J. Hampton Moore) to fittingly commemorate this important Two Hundred and Fiftieth Anniversary of Penn's first landing in Pennsylvania. All of these trees were then growing, most of them saplings it is true, but others were already trees of size and individuality.

The compilation given in this article was made by John T. McNeill with assistance given by a number of individuals including members of the Comstock Society, a natural history group. Their purpose was to bring Edward C. Wildman's little book, *Penn's Woods*, up to date. About fifty percent of the trees in Wildman's book were located, plus additional notable and historic trees, both native and exotic. The effort was to be made on a county basis and brought under cover in book form but publishing costs were found to be beyond available resources. *The Notable Trees of Delaware County* was completed by the late Mark Robinson and the *Comstock Quarterly* has published compilations for Bucks County and a portion of Chester County (see bibliography). This present portion is devoted to Philadelphia County and because of the great number of historic and valuable trees in the Germantown area, the compiler, and the editor, believe that publication of this material is a con-

tribution to local history and may inspire efforts to preserve the remaining specimens of Penn's Woods.

Tribute should be paid to those citizens who have aided in the preservation of these often magnificent trees and to the Meehan family who have contributed much beauty to our landscape by supplying so many native and exotic trees from their nursery. The author wishes to acknowledge valuable advice given by Mrs. Elmer Holmes of Rosemont, Pa., Dr. John C. Swartley of Temple University, Mr. Louis E. Hand of New Lisbon, N. J., and Mr. Michael F. McLenigan of Haddonfield, N. J. The late Richard Carpenter, Editor of *Asplundh Tree* gave valuable assistance.

Penn's great settlement in Penn's Woods was called by its Indian residents, Coaquannock, or "Grove of Tall Pine Trees." It would seem that the old area between Dock Creek and Gunners' Run would, probably, have been the area so called.

From old letters and the evidence of our own eyes, the slopes of the Wissahickon and Pennypack Creeks were hemlock festooned in those days. The local trees were probably giants since an early account states that "a man on horseback could ride through the forest without trouble from the lower limbs."

With the growth of our city open areas have disappeared, the villages of Holmesburg, Torresdale, Fox Chase, and Roxborough no longer exist, our large estates have been subdivided, and our roads widened. All these have made a vast difference in Wildman's list of Penn's Woods. Philadelphia County, as shown by the present compilation, has lost fifty percent of the trees listed by Wildman. Other counties show a loss of twenty percent. There is no question that Philadelphia had its share of twenty foot oaks and individual trees of great size in other species. The Stenton Mansion property and the John Bartram Park are examples for most of their tree treasures are gone. Oliver Wendell Holmes traveled down from Harvard University in the third quarter of the last century to see the magnificent white oak which stood at what is now Second Street and Cheltenham Avenue (Old Fisher Estate).

However, we can point with real pride to the trees of the area around the site of the old Horticultural Hall and the Morris Arboretum in Chestnut Hill. German-

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town's Penn Street, School House Lane, and Chew Mansion grounds have much to offer to the observant eye. Our city is reputed to have more trees along its streets and in its parks than any other city in the world. Fifty of our city's streets are named after trees. The late W. R. Carpenter wrote about, and photographed, the Mimosa at 6531 North Seventh Street which he stated was the largest in the United States. Actually, this now common tree is the Chinese Silk Tree (*Albizia Julibrissin*). The writer, while interviewing the owner, was informed that the tree was brought from China by the owner's missionary mother some 75 years previous.

Philadelphia produced two varieties of pear trees not previously known, but now of world-wide distribution. First, the Seckel with its unique flavor and mysterious origin, was first found on the farm of Lawrence Seckel and introduced to the public at the old market sheds on Market Street. It was popularized by Benjamin Franklin and other Colonial worthies. One guess as to its origin is that a Dutch or Swedish sailor tossed the core of a pear into the Delaware River and it was carried by the tide to the soft ground of one of the many creek beds of our "Neck" where the seed took root. The pear is not a native tree.

The second pear, the Keiffer, is still growing off Henry

Avenue in Roxborough and is doing well. It is described in the compilation.

In the old sections of Tacony, in the vicinity of the 4800 - 4900 blocks of Longshore and Disston Streets, may be found numerous garden and street trees of real age and, in many instances, of great size for their species. There are Catalpas, Mulberries, various Maples, Pear and Apple trees. A separate survey could be made of this interesting area which was settled by the Swedes in 1640.

In the lists given on the succeeding pages the circumference of the tree, measured at a level four to five feet from the ground, is given in feet and inches (14' 5" = 14 feet 5 inches in circumference). Dr. Wildman has written:

The size of the trees as indicated by its girth at breast height is the first criterion of its age. But this alone is not sufficient. - - - When this species (white oaks) grows in well-watered soil it will average but three to five rings per inch, especially while less than sixty years of age. But on well-drained soil this average rises, and in older trees it reaches fifteen to twenty rings per inch of radius. Bearing this in mind, it will be seen that many of the white oaks listed below must be more than 250 years old.

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COMPILATION

- Ash, White** *Fraxinus Americana*
- 14' 5" Germantown Friends School, Main and Coulter Streets, many fine trees on property. The buttonwood referred to on page 186, Wildman, died and was removed.
- 13' 8" Pennypack Creek Park—Rhawn Street Dam, Holmesburg.
- 12' Horticultural Drive, West from the "Pagoda," Fairmount Park.
- Apple** *Malus Pumila*
- 7' 10" Measured at 2 feet from the ground.
Pennsylvania School for the Deaf, Mount Airy.
- Basswood, White** *Tilia Heterophylla*
- 12' 11" Morris Arboretum, near Administration Building, Chestnut Hill.

Beech, American *Fagus Grandifolia*

- 10' 7½" Schuylkill Nature Center, Roxborough.
- 10' 3" Pennypack Creek Valley near Frankford Avenue, Holmesburg. Others approaching this measurement are near Rhawn Street and south of the bridge over the boulevard along Pennypack Creek.
- 10' 3" Perry property, Kitchen's Lane, Wissahickon Valley.

Beech, European *Fagus Sylvatica Atropuninca (Variety)*

- 23' 2" Measured in 1963. It was 16' 6" when measured in 1932. Gravers Lane east of Germantown Avenue, Chestnut Hill. See Wildman, p. 181. Philadelphia's largest tree based on girth measurement.
- 20' 10" Measured at one foot from ground. 215 Lynnbrook Lane, Chestnut Hill.
- 18' 9" Excellent, Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.
- 14' 7" Excellent, 12' 11", Fernhill Park, Germantown.
- 13' 8"
- 12' 5" Chew House, Germantown Avenue, Germantown.
- 13' 6" Good, Ivy Lodge, East Penn Street, Germantown.
- 13' 4" Dodge Estate, Clapier and McKean Streets, Germantown.
- 20' 5" Measured at 2 feet above the ground. 4030 Timber Lane, Germantown.

Beech, European Cutleaf *Fagus Sylvatica Lacinata*

- 9' 1" Chew House, Germantown Avenue and Cliveden St., Germantown.
- 6' 9" Ivy Lodge, East Penn Street, Germantown.

Birch, River *Betula Nigra*

- 13' 4" Measured at 26 inches above the ground. Awbury Arboretum, Germantown

Boxelder *Acer Negundo*

- 15' 2" Possible national record. Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.
- 11' 4" 999 Haines Street, Germantown.

Buckeye, Yellow *Aesculus Octandra*

- 9' 10" Close to national record. 3399 School House Lane, Germantown.
- 8' 9" Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.

Buckeye, Red *Aesculus Pavia*

- 6' 5" Negley Hill Park, Germantown Avenue, Germantown.

Buckeye, Ohio *Aesculus Glabra*

- 9' A possible Pennsylvania State Champion. Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.

Catalpa, Southern *Catalpa Bignonioides*

- 11' 11" The Chew House, Germantown Ave., Germantown.

Cedar, Lebanon *Cedrus Lebani*

- 8' 10" Measured at 1 foot.
- 11' 7" Cherokee Village, 724 Wolcott Street, Chestnut Hill.

Cedar, Atlas *Cedrus Atlantica*

- 8' 10" Difficult to measure due to limbs. Excellent specimen. Jewish Home for the Aged, Old York Road above Wagner Avenue, Logan. Site of the Cope homestead and arboretum.

Cherry, Choke *Prunus Virginiana*

- 9' 6" Lansdowne Ravine, Fairmount Park.

Coffee Tree, Kentucky *Gymnocladus Dioicus*

- 9' 10" Horticultural Drive near Lansdowne Drive, Fairmount Park.
- 8' 7" Horticultural Circle, close to expressway, Fairmount Park.
- 8' 4" Historic Stenton, Home of James Logan, 18th and Courtland Streets, Phila.



EUROPEAN BEECH
Variety
8304 Stenton Avenue
Chestnut Hill

- Corktree, Japanese** *Phellodendron Japonicum*
8' 2" Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.
- Cottonwood, Eastern** *Populus Deltoides*
17' 3" Good condition.
84th and Tinicum—a curbstone tree.
- Cryptomeria, Japonica**
6" 3240 School House Lane, Germantown.
(Record contributed by Dr. John C. Swartley)
- Cucumber Tree** *Magnolis Acuminata*
10' 3" School House Lane west of Wissahickon Avenue, Germantown.
- Cypress, Bald** *Taxodium Ascendens*
9' 10"
8' 10" Upsala, Germantown Avenue, Germantown.
Smaller tree necessarily measured at 5½ feet.
7' 7" Fernhill Park, Roosevelt Extension, Germantown.
Measured at 3 feet. Suspect ground filled in, possibly 8 feet or more.
6' 9" Old Cope Arboretum, Wagner Avenue side, Logan.
6' Negley's Hill Park, Lower Germantown.
- Cypress, Pond** *Taxodium Ascendens*
5' 7" East Shawmont Avenue, Roxborough.
- Elm, American** *Ulmus Americana*
11' 6" Upper Germantown Burial Ground, Germantown Avenue, Germantown.
- Elm, Chinese** *Ulmus Parvifolia*
11' 3" Necessary to measure at 1 foot.
Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.
7' Leamy House, Roumfort Road, Mount Airy.
- Elm, Siberian** *Ulmus Pumila*
15' 1" Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.
- Elm, Slippery**
10' 9"
9' 4" 6400 Block of Ardleigh Street, Mount Airy.
- Empress Tree** *Paulownia Tomentosa*
16' 9" Philadelphia Textile College, Germantown.
- Fir, Chinese** *Cunninghamia Lancolata*
Outstanding specimen.
Jenkins Property, Kitchen's Lane, Wissahickon Valley.
Base has five trunks, largest measures 3' 10".
Tree is 35' high, 30' crown.
- Franklin Tree** *Franklinia Alatomaha*
1' 5" Particularly noted since the original tree brought from Georgia was planted at this site, Bartram's Gardens, Southwest Philadelphia. It is in poor condition. This species appears to be short lived. A specimen tree, probably the national record, at Arden, Del., has died.
3' 5" Measured at 6 feet; 30 feet high, 30 foot crown.
Sawyer Property, 622 East Gravers Lane, Mt. Airy.
- Ginkgo** *Ginkgo Biloba*
16' 5" Samuel Rosenbaum property, 3242 West School House Lane, Germantown.
(Record contributed by Dr. John C. Swartley)
13' 3" Truly a "specimen tree," more than 90 years old.
H. E. Thompson property, 512 Church St., Germantown.
12' 9" 25 Summit Avenue, Chestnut Hill.
9' 7" Rear East Penn Street, Germantown.
8' 9" Upsala, Germantown Avenue, Germantown.
- Hackberry** *Celtis Occidentalis*
10' 10" Site of old Cope Arboretum.

- Hemlock** *Tsuga Canadensis*
 11' 10" Measured at four feet.
 Philadelphia College of Textiles and Sciences, West School House Lane, Germantown.
 7' 10" Upsala, Germantown Avenue, Germantown.
- Hickory, Pignut** *Carya Glabra*
 11' Excellent condition.
 Pennypack Creek, Park, along creek, north bank, west of Verree Road.
- Hickory, Shagbark** *Carya Ovata*
 7' 6" Good condition.
 Chew House, Germantown Avenue, Germantown.
- Hickory, species**
 7' 9" Upper Germantown Burial Grounds, 6300 Germantown Avenue.
- Holly, American** *Ilex Opaca*
 6' Gravers Lane and Prospect Ave., Chestnut Hill.
- Horse Chestnut, Common** *Aesculus Hippocastanum*
 12' 2" Chew House, Germantown Avenue, Germantown.
 10' 1" These are in fair to good condition. The writer is of the opinion that the tulip trees mentioned, the
 9' 7" horse chestnuts, and the black walnut were standing when the Battle of Germantown was raging on
 8' 9" these premises.
 11' 1" Good condition.
 Sisters of the Good Shepherd, Chew Street, west of Wister Street, Germantown.
 9' ½" Fair condition.
 Magnolia Street and Church Lane, Germantown.
- Katsura Tree** *Corcidiphyllum Japonicum*
 15' 5" Measured at 2 feet.
 Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.
 11' 6" Lansdowne Drive, Fairmount Park.
 In excellent condition, one of many in the old Centennial Grounds.
- Larch, Golden** *Larix Kaemferi*
 7' 1" Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.
- Linden, Bee Tree** *Tilia Heterophylla*
 Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.
- Linden, European** *Tilia Europea*
 17' 6" Measured at 4 feet.
 3240 West School House Lane, Germantown.
- Linden, Silver** *Tilia Tomentosa*
 17' Good condition.
 6022 Chew Street, opposite Germantown Awbury Arboretum.
 15' 1" Poor condition, massive limb down in storm.
 Site of old Cope Arboretum, Old York Road, rear of Logan Free Library, Logan.
 15'+ Good condition.
 6300 Seventh Street, Logan.
- Linden, Weeping** *Tilia Petiolaris*
 16' at 4'
 13' at 5' Alden Park Manor, near restaurant parking lot.
 (Record contributed by Dr. John C. Swartley)
- Locust, Black**
 7' 3" Pennsylvania School for the Deaf, Mount Airy.
- Locust, Honey** *Gleditsia Triacanthos*
 9' 2" Penn Street, just east of Germantown Ave., rear.
- Magnolia, Fraser**
 9' Lutheran Theological Seminary, 7301 Germantown Avenue, Mount Airy.
 (Record contributed by Dr. John C. Swartley)

Magnolia, Swamp *Magnolia Virginia*

- 1' 5"
1' 4" Two limbs or trunks of the same tree.
Chew House, Germantown Avenue, Germantown.

Mahogany, Chinese *Cedrela Sinensis*

- 1' 5"
1' " Two limbs or trunks of the same tree.
Chew House, Germantown Avenue, Germantown.

Mahogany, Chinese *Cedrela Sinensis*

- 7' 10" Vernon Road between Chew and Sprague Streets, Mount Airy.
thru
7' 6" About 30 trees were planted circa 1900—old Meehan Nursery grounds.

Maple, Ash-leaved, see *Boxelder*

Maple, Japanese *Acer Palmatum*

- 7' 6" Measured three feet from the ground.
Davis property, Tohopeka Lane, West Highland Avenue, Chestnut Hill.

Maple, Silver *Acer Saccharinum*

- 20'+ 3202 W. School House Lane, Lankenau School, Germantown.
15' 9" N.E. corner Belmont Avenue and George's Hill Lane, Fairmount Park.
(Record contributed by H. Allesandro)
14' 11" Rhawn Street, second bridge, Pennypack Creek Park, Holmesburg.
11' 4" Shoemaker Property, Locust and Musgrave Streets, Germantown.

Maple, Sycamore *Acer Pseudplatanus*

- 11' 2" Mr. Airy Presbyterian Church, 7100 Germantown Avenue, Mt. Airy.
7' 10" Negley's Hill Park, lower Germantown.

Maple, Trident *Acer Buergerianum*

- 7' 7" Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.

Mulberry, White *Morus Alba*

- 8' 4" Historic Wyck Property, Germantown, Phila.

Oak, Bebbs (*Quercus Macrocarpa* X *Q. Alba*)

- 8' 9" Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.

Oak, Bender (*Quercus Rubra* X *Q. Coccinea*)

- 13' 7" Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.
A specimen tree. I do not find this cross listed in the check list of the trees of the United States
Agricultural Handbook 41.

Oak, Black *Quercus Velutina*

- 14' 9" Manatawna Avenue, wooded area reached from Ridge Avenue.
12' 3" Manatawna Farm, Spring Lane and Hagy's Mill Road, Talc and soapstone in quantity on this prop-
erty. Wildman, p. 181.
11' 6" Michaux Grove, Lansdowne Ravine, Fairmount Park.
11' 2" Old Cope Arboretum, 5200 Old York Road, Logan.

Oak, Bur *Quercus Macrocarpa*

- 10' 10" H. E. Thompson, 512 Church Street, Germantown.
12' 5" 407 Green Lane, Roxborough. (adjacent properties)
11' 11" Connaroe and Pechin Streets, Roxborough. (adjacent properties)

Oak, Bushes (*Quercus Velutina* X *Q. Marilandica*)

- 9' 7" Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.

Oak, English *Quercus Robur*

- 14' Measured at 2 feet.
St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill.
10' 3" Measured at 3 feet 3 inches.
550 E. Evergreen Avenue, Chestnut Hill.
8' 3" Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.

- Oak, Overcup** *Quercus Lyrata*
7' 3" Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.
- Oak, Pin** *Quercus Palustris*
12' 7" Shoemaker property, Locust and Musgrave Streets, Germantown.
12' 3" Chew House, Germantown Avenue, Germantown.
11' Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.
(Record contributed by Dr. John C. Swartley)
- Oak, Red** *Quercus Rubra*
16' 7" Between Welsh Road and Rhawn Street, north side Pennypack Creek, Holmesburg.
14' 2"
12' 3" Negley's Hill Park, Germantown Ave., Germantown.
12' 10" Good Specimen.
Fernhill Park, Wissahickon Avenue, Germantown.
12' 8" Excellent Specimen.
431 East Church Lane, Germantown.
12' 2" Good Specimen.
George's Hill, Fairmount Park.
11' 2" North Horticultural Drive, near Montgomery Avenue, head of Belmont Ravine.
- Oak, Swamp Chestnut** *Quercus Michauxii*
11' 6" Negley's Hill Park, Germantown, above Wayne Junction.
- Oak, Turkey** *Quercus Cerris*
12' 3" Fernhill Park, Germantown.
13' Measured at 4 feet 2 inches.
Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.
12' 1" Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.
12' Horticultural Building area, near Verdi statue, Fairmount Park.
- Oak, Water** *Quercus Nigra*
10' 9" Historic Washington Square, east side, central Philadelphia. (possibly a hybrid)
- Oak, White** *Quercus Alba*
15' 5½" Belmont and Wynnefield Avenue, Fairmount Park.
12' 4" North Horticultural Circle, Fairmount, Park.
11' 8" North Horticultural Circle, Fairmount Park.
14' 7" Northwood Cemetery, Cheltenham Avenue, west of Broad Street, West Oak Lane.
13' 10" Pennypack Creek Park, North of Roosevelt Boulevard, Bustleton.
13' 6" Pennypack Creek Park, left side, below Welsh Road, Holmesburg.
13' 5" Pennypack Creek Park, north of Roosevelt Boulevard, Bustleton.
12' 8" Dodge Estate, Clapier and McKean Streets, Germantown.
12' 6" Below Lexington Avenue, near first Rhawn Street Bridge, Holmesburg.
12' 3" One half block from Pechin and Lyceum Streets, near Connaroe Street, Manayunk.
- Oak, Willow** *Quercus Phellos*
12' 9" Hunting Park, Old York Road above Pike Street, Nicetown.
- Pear, Common** *Pyrus Communis*
5' 7" Powel House, 244 South 3rd St., Philadelphia.
- Pear, Keiffer** *Pyrus (variety)*
5' 3" Valley Green Farm, Shawmont Avenue, reached from Ridge Road, Roxborough, second house from park area of Henry Avenue (west) reputed spot where Keiffer was first recorded. Mrs. Kelly (present owner) states it was a cross between Bartlett and Sand Pear, original tree not marked. There are many Keiffers in the vicinity, several dozen in fact. It is the compiler's opinion that the soil in this area is particularly suitable to this tree as drops seem to take root from the seeds. I have known many Keiffer's in other areas but have never seen young trees growing from seeds elsewhere.
- Pine, Austrian—***Pinus Nigra*
7' 10" Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.
- Pine, Himalayan White** *Pinus Griffithi*
10' 2" Old John Wister property, Wister and Clarkson Streets, Germantown.
9' Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.

- Pine, Scotch** *Pinus Silvestris*
6' 11" Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.
- Pine, White** *Pinus Strobus*
8' 2" Shoemaker property, Locust and Musgrave Streets, Germantown.
8' Chew House property, Germantown Avenue.
7' 5" Near Rhawn Street Bridge, Pennypack Creek Park, Holmesburg.
6' 4" Summit Avenue, Chestnut Hill.
- Pagoda Tree, Japanese** *Sophora Japonica*
14' 4" Morris Arboretum bee farm, Chestnut Hill.
Measured at 2 feet.
12' + (Estimated)
2500 block south Hobson Street, southwest Philadelphia. (Philadelphia Inquirer)
- Rubber Tree, Hardy** *Eucommia Jlnoides*
6' 5" Measured 4 feet from ground.
Morris Arboretum, near greenhouse, Chestnut Hill.
- Sassafras, Common** *Sassafras Albidum*
9' 8" Rosenbaum property, School House Lane, Germantown.
(Record contributed by Dr. John C. Swartley)
- Sassafras, Silky**
6' Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.
- Silk Tree, Chinese** *Albizia Julibrissim*
6' 6" Branches at 18 inches above the ground, 77 feet grown, 60 feet high.
Estate of Theodore G. Smith, North 7th Street, Oak Lane.
Called Mimosa by most people. The leaves are similar but the true Mimosa is sub-tropical.
- Silver Bell, Japanese** *Styrax Japonica*
6' Measured at 6 feet from the ground.
45 feet high, 45 ft. crown, good condition.
Old Savage property, 622 East Gravers Lane, Chestnut Hill.
(Record contributed by Dr. John C. Swartley)
- Silver Bell, Carolina** *Halesia Carolina*
8' 6" Measured at 1 foot from the ground.
429 Chestnut Hill Avenue, Chestnut Hill.
- Sweet Gum** *Liquidambar Stracifla*
10' 9" Historic Wyck property, Germantown Avenue, Germantown.
8' 1" Northwest corner School House Lane and Henry Avenue, Germantown.
- Sycamore, American** *Platanus Occidentalis*
Also called Buttonwood
Also called American Plane Tree
19' 2" 8813 Lisser Avenue, Goldhaber property, Tinicum.
15' 7500 Germantown Avenue, Mount Airy.
Wildman, p. 179.
14' 10" Pennsylvania School for the Deaf, 7700 Germantown Avenue, Mount Airy.
Wildman, p. 179.
14' 7" Germantown Friends School, Germantown.
Wildman, p. 186.
13' 3" 603 Church Lane, Germantown.
Probably London Plane, Platanus.
10' 5" 52nd and Parkside, West Philadelphia.
Contributed by H. D'Allessandro.
- Tupelo, Black** *Nyssa Sylvatica*
6' 7" Pennypack Creek Valley.
Contributed by Louis E. Hand.

Tulip Liriodendron Tulipifera

- 15' 7" Pennypack Creek Park.
- 14' 3" Pennypack Creek Park.
- 12' 9" Pennypack Creek Park.
- 11' 3" Pennypack Creek Park.
- 15' 7" Edge of Lansdowne Avenue, near Old Memorial Hall, Fairmount Park.
- 15' 6" Chew House, Germantown.
- 14' Chew House, Germantown.
- 13' 7" Chew House, Germantown.
- 13' 2" Chew House, Germantown.
- 11' Chew House, Germantown.
- 10' 9" This tree has a remarkable cavity but is apparently doing well.
- 15' 4"
- 14' 7" Both trees are in poor condition.
Wildman, p. 35.
Cobbs Creek Park, south bank, near Thomas Avenue, Kingsessing.
- 14' 6" Sisters of the Good Shepherd, Chew Street west of Wister, Germantown.
- 13' 6" Good condition, close to pavement.
Wildman, p. 169.
Bradley property, Mt. Pleasant Avenue, east of Stenton Avenue, Mount Airy.
- 12' 9" 3525 School House Lane, near Gypsy Lane, Germantown.
- 12' 8" 8806 Towanda Street, Chestnut Hill.
Wildman, p. 38.
- 12' 6" Lansdowne Ravine, Fairmount Park.
- 10' 4" Historic Wyck, Germantown Avenue, Germantown.

Walnut, Black Juglans Nigra

- 13' 4" Negley's Hill Park, lower Germantown.
An ancient tree. Has been damaged by lightning but is in good condition.
- 11' 9" Chew House, Germantown Avenue, Germantown.

Willow, Black Salix Nigra

- 14' 11" Pennypack Street, at the Delaware River, Holmesburg.
- 11' 3" Pennypack Creek Park, west of Frankford Avenue.

Willow, Weeping Salix Babylonica

- 13' 8" Morris Arboretum, Chestnut Hill.

Yellow-wood Cladrastis Lutea

- 10' 5" Bartram Gardens, Southwest Philadelphia.

ENGLISH OAK
Ivercus Robur

St. Paul's Church
Chestnut Hill

