O'FALLON, ILL. Seed mimeo sent 144 St. Clair Co. Mr. Joseph Gerardi 4/15/36: 5 FP-462 Castanea mollissima 5 MZ do. 5 MAG do. 5 MAB do. 5 MAC 5 MAD do. 5 MAH do. 5 MAJ do. Sept. 1936 -- C. A. Reed says trees doing very well. Oct. 1944 - Tree #1-1 (MZ) "too small, cleans poorly, very sweet. B-" Tree #1-2W(") "too small, daeans poorly, very sweet, B-" Tree #2 (MZ) "too small, do not clean well, B-" REED 1/20/47 Scions to Gerardi, per Reed: 3/19/43 - Heming 3, 12, 13, 16, 19

## O'Fallon, Ill. (St. Clair County) - Joseph Gerardi

Milford from F. B. Austin

3/30/43 - Beltsville #418' (mostly ML), 464, 563, 571

"Nuts and Persimmons for St. Clair County, Illinois" by Joseph Gerardi, Northern Nut Growers Assn. Inc. 33rd Ann. Report 1942. p. 56-7.

"The Chestnuts.--Carr and Hobson are doing so well here that I am more than pleased with them. We have added Austin and Stoke but fruit ed neither. The Austin is not behaving so well here. Too many die the second season in the nursery row. I have now discovered that the method by which we grafted them is responsible for this mortality the second year. It seems at present that the chestnut should not be grafted on 3 or 4 year old stocks but budded on 2 year stocks either in fall or spring. This makes a much better union."