

A SECOND BLOOMING OF MAGNOLIA SOULANGIANA.

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This note is to call attention to the fact of a second blooming in the same year of a purple variety of *Magnolia Soulangiana*. On the campus of Indiana University a group of thrifty magnolias is cultivated. Among these there are two varieties of *M. Soulangiana*, one with pink flowers and the other bearing blossoms of a deep purple color. Last spring at the usual time all trees of the two varieties bloomed profusely and, from a number of the flowers, fruits and seeds were developed. In midsummer (July 25 to August 10) three trees of the purple variety bore each two or three fine large flowers, which were normal in every respect. No flowers were seen on the variety bearing pink blossoms. This is the first time the writer has observed the occurrence of a second crop of blossoms on a magnolia. It has been learned through acquaintances that the purple variety bloomed a second time this year in one of the eastern states.

As the blossoms were removed from the trees by children or by unscrupulous admirers, it was impossible to know whether such flowers would develop fruits.

