

NOTES ON BROMELIACEAE, XXII

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PUYA

The present revision is the result of the use and consequent polishing of the rough manuscript key mentioned in "Notes on Bromeliaceae, XVI" in "Phytologia" 7: 426. 1961. Experience has shown that Puya is divisible into but two subgenera, of which Pitcairniopsis is the more primitive and includes most of the species, while Puya, the nomenclaturally typical subgenus, is a small specialized offshoot. Subgenus Chagualia, based on the character of appendaged petals, works well in Chile but breaks down in Bolivia and northern Argentina, and must be reduced to the synonymy of Pitcairniopsis.

The species of the subgenus Pitcairniopsis are arranged here on the idea that they have evolved from a lowland type with an open compound inflorescence, small bracts, narrow sepals, and scanty indument that give a minimum of protection to the flowers, to alpine types with compact simple inflorescences, large bracts, broad sepals, and dense wooly indument that give a maximum of protection. Puya floccosa of the first general type grows down to 600 meters elevation or less, while P. fosteriana of the second ascends to 4400 meters. The genus Espeletia in the Compositae is frequently associated with Puya in the high treeless páramos of the Andes and theories of its evolution make interesting comparison. See J. Cuatrecasas, "Distribution of the genus Espeletia" in "VIIIe Congrès International de Botanique 1954", section IV, p. 131.

A more effective key would result from making the primary divisions geographic, because with a few notable exceptions like Puya floccosa, P. raimondii, and a few Chilean species, all have very restricted ranges. However, to guard against publication of the same species more than once and to prove to my own satisfaction the validity of each species, the key has been made on traditional lines. Geographic locations have been added to the key so as not to lose the use of this helpful criterion entirely.

Some entries in the key are enclosed in parentheses to indicate that the combination of characters required for this position is to be expected, although not yet observed. For instance, a species with a depauperately compound inflorescence may be keyed out in the simple inflorescence part of the key but in parentheses.

1. Inflorescence and its branches fertile throughout or nearly so.....Subgenus PITCAIRNIOPSIS
2. Ultimate axes of the inflorescence more or less visible at anthesis; neither the inflorescence nor its branches strobilate.
3. Inflorescence compound.....Subkey I

- 3. Inflorescence simple.....Subkey II
- 2. Ultimate axes of the inflorescence completely covered; inflorescence or its branches strobilate (sometimes the flowers reflexed but the axis still covered).
 - 4. Inflorescence obviously compound (at least by the lobed outline).....Subkey III
 - 4. Inflorescence simple or pseudosimple with the short branches covered by the primary bracts.....Subkey IV
- 1. Inflorescence compound with branches sterile in large part toward apex.....Subgenus PUYA

Subgenus PITCAIRNIOPSIS

SUBKEY I

- 1. Branches of the inflorescence more than twice as long as the primary bracts, divergent to spreading; inflorescence usually broad.
 - 2. Floral bracts coarsely pectinate-serrate.
 - 3. Floral bracts shorter than the 20 mm long pedicels; sepals 40 mm long. Bolivia.....1. P. ultima
 - 3. Floral bracts much exceeding the pedicels. Peru.
 - 4. Pedicels 10 mm long; sepals 30 mm long....2. P. longisepala
 - 4. Pedicels almost lacking; sepals 16-18 mm long.
 - 3. P. roezlii
 - 2. Floral bracts entire or obscurely and irregularly denticulate or serrulate.
 - 5. Sepals sparsely lepidote or glabrous.
 - 6. Pedicels curved-ascending or suberect, slender.
 - 7. Sepals 8-14 mm long; inflorescence glabrous. Argentina.
 - 8. Floral bracts shorter than the pedicels; sepals 8 mm long, obtuse.....4. P. micrantha
 - 8. Floral bracts exceeding the pedicels; sepals 14 mm long, acute and mucronulate.....5. P. lilloi
 - 7. Sepals 17-40 mm long.
 - 9. Branches at least three times as long as the primary bracts.
 - 10. Racemes lax throughout, the rhachis wholly visible.
 - 11. Sepals alate-carinate throughout, even.
 - 12. Pedicels densely ferruginous-lepidote; sepals 20 mm long. Argentina.....6. P. smithii
 - 12. Pedicels sparsely white-lepidote; sepals 25 mm long. Bolivia.....7. P. alata
 - 11. Sepals carinate or alate only at base, strongly sulcate when dry in most cases.
 - 13. Pedicels soon glabrous.
 - 14. Leaf-blades glabrous above; sepals 18-22 mm long.
 - 15. Sepals acute. Argentina.....8. P. spathacea
 - 15. Sepals rounded-mucronate. Chile.....9. P. violacea
 - 14. Leaf-blades lepidote on both sides, though sometimes less so above. Bolivia.

16. Pedicels 15-18 mm long, about equaling the floral bracts.....10. P. hofstenii
16. Pedicels to 30 mm long, mostly twice as long as the floral bracts.....11. P. potosina
13. Pedicels persistently tomentose-lepidote.
17. Sepals alate at base, 20-32 mm long. Bolivia.
18. Leaf-blades densely lepidote on both sides when young; branches 20-30 cm long, many times exceeding the primary bracts.....12. P. rusbyi
18. Leaf-blades glabrous above; branches to 14 cm long, about three times as long as the primary bracts.
13. P. cristata
17. Sepals not more than carinate at base.
19. Leaf-blades tomentose beneath with coarse linear spreading scales; primary bracts only about half as long as the sterile bases of the branches; sepals 17 mm long. Bolivia.....14. P. laxa
19. Leaf-blades subspredding-lepidote to glabrous beneath but never tomentose.
20. Sepals rounded and apiculate; pedicels to 20 mm long. Peru?.....15. P. hortensis
20. Sepals acute.
21. Pedicels 15 mm long, mostly equaling or exceeding the floral bracts. Argentina.....16. P. harmsii
21. Pedicels 5-10 mm long, much shorter than the floral bracts. Bolivia.....17. P. sanctae-crucis
10. Racemes subdense; rhachis only partially exposed at anthesis.
22. Sepals 17 mm long, scarcely or not at all exceeding the floral bracts; pedicels glabrous. Bolivia.
18. P. fiebrigii
22. Sepals 28-40 mm long; pedicels tomentose-lepidote.
23. Floral bracts lanceolate, nearly flat.
- Bolivia.....19. P. meziana
23. Floral bracts ovate or elliptic, inflated.
24. Primary bracts much shorter than the long sterile bases of the branches; floral bracts much exceeded by the sepals. Bolivia.....20. P. secunda
24. Primary bracts far exceeding the short sterile bases of the branches; floral bracts nearly equaling to exceeding the sepals.
25. Floral bracts 20 mm long, exceeded by the sepals.
- Bolivia.....21. P. stenothyrsa
25. Floral bracts nearly 60 mm long, exceeding the sepals. Peru.....22. P. casmichensis
9. Branches little more than twice as long as the primary bracts. Bolivia.
26. Floral bracts lanceolate, acuminate.....23. P. glareosa
26. Floral bracts elliptic, ample, rounded and apiculate.
27. Pedicels to 25 mm long.....24. P. olivacea
27. Pedicels not over 10 mm long.....21. P. stenothyrsa
6. Pedicels straight and spreading, stout. Ecuador.

28. Floral bracts obtuse, about half as long as the pedicels; sepals 30 mm long.....25. P. obconica
28. Floral bracts acute or acuminate, exceeding the pedicels; sepals 20 mm long.....26. P. aequatorialis
5. Sepals densely and persistently lanate or tomentose-lepidote or stellate.
29. Pedicels over 15 mm long.
30. Pedicels stout; floral bracts drying dark.
31. Floral bracts about equaling the pedicels. Peru.
27. P. ramosa
31. Floral bracts much exceeding the pedicels. Bolivia.
28. P. riparia
30. Pedicels slender; floral bracts not drying dark.
32. Indument ferruginous-stellate. Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia.
(Immature specimens of Pitcairnia ferruginea might be sought here).
32. Indument white. Bolivia.
33. Primary bracts about 1/5 as long as the branches; sepals acute, 30 mm long.....29. P. alba
33. Primary bracts almost half as long as the branches; sepals obtuse and mucronulate, 35-40 mm long.
24. P. olivacea
29. Pedicels less than 15 mm long.
34. Sepals narrowly triangular or lanceolate, acute or acuminate with a narrow blunt apex.
35. Flowers distinctly pedicellate.
36. Pedicels 10-20 mm long.
37. Leaf-blades lepidote on both sides. Argentina.
16. P. harmsii
37. Leaf-blades soon glabrous above; flowers more or less secund. Bolivia.
38. Lateral branches over 30 cm long; floral bracts broadly elliptic.....30. P. pearcei
38. Lateral branches not over 9 cm long; floral bracts ovate.....31. P. penduliflora
36. Pedicels not over 5 mm long; flowers erect, not secund. British Guiana (Roraima), Venezuela, Colombia.
32. P. floccosa
35. Flowers subsessile. Colombia, Ecuador.
33. P. thomasiana
34. Sepals elliptic or oblong, broadly rounded or acute.
39. Flowers spreading-secund to nutant-secund.
40. Inflorescence ferruginous-stellate; primary bracts mostly shorter than the sterile bases of the branches Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia. (Immature specimens of Pitcairnia ferruginea might be sought here).
40. Inflorescence brown-tomentulose; primary bracts much exceeding the short sterile bases of the branches. Colombia.....34. P. bicolor
39. Flowers evenly polystichous or somewhat upwardly secund. (P. coerulea).

41. Sepals asymmetrically rounded; floral bracts reflexed.
 Ecuador.....35. P. pichinchae
41. Sepals symmetrical; floral bracts spreading.
42. Floral bracts about equaling or shorter than the pedicels.
43. Branches 20-30 cm long, very lax throughout. Peru.
 44. Floral bracts about half as long as the pedicels.
 36. P. glaucovirens
44. Floral bracts about equaling the pedicels.
 37. P. westii
43. Branches 15 cm long, dense except at base. Ecuador.
 38. P. roseana
42. Floral bracts much exceeding the pedicels.
45. Sterile bases of the branches (or the second internode) exceeding the primary bracts; floral bracts broadly ovate, closely enfolding the base of the flower. Colombia.....39. P. lehmanniana
45. Sterile bases of the branches much shorter than the primary bracts.
46. Sepals coriaceous, the posterior ones carinate at base. Colombia.....40. P. furfuracea
46. Sepals thin, ecarinate.
47. Indument thin, not obscuring the outlines of the bracts and sepals; branches elongate, many times exceeding the primary bracts. Chile.
 41. P. coerulea
47. Indument thick, lanate, obscuring the outlines of the bracts and sepals; branches little more than twice as long as the dark brown primary bracts.
 Peru.....42. P. araneosa
1. Branches of the inflorescence not more than twice as long as the primary bracts; inflorescence narrow or capitate.
48. Sepals glabrous or with a fine appressed deciduous stellate or lepidote indument.
49. Leaf-blades 12-75 mm wide.
50. Branches subspredding to reflexed; inflorescence more or less open.
51. Sterile base as long as or longer than the fertile part of the lateral branch. Chile.....43. P. venusta
51. Sterile base much shorter than the fertile part of the lateral branch.
52. Inflorescence drying to dark castaneous, almost black; floral bracts very broadly elliptic, obtuse. Bolivia.
 44. P. atra
52. Inflorescence pale; floral bracts ovate, acute, 12-25 mm long.
53. Floral bracts 12-16 mm long, exceeding the pedicels; inflorescence glabrous. Argentina.....5. P. lilloi
53. Floral bracts to 25 mm long, about equaling the sepals; inflorescence covered with fine white stellate trichomes. Peru.....45. P. tovariana

50. Branches erect or ascending; inflorescence compact.
 54. Sepals 11-12 mm long.
 55. Flowers secund; lateral branches subaborted; floral bracts much exceeded by the sepals. Venezuela.
 46. P. phelpsiae
 55. Flowers not secund; lateral branches well developed. Argentina.
 56. Terminal branch of the inflorescence little larger than the many divergent laterals; floral bracts equaling the middle of the sepals at anthesis.
 47. P. dyckiooides
 56. Terminal branch of the inflorescence much larger than the few strict laterals; floral bracts equaling the sepals at anthesis.....48. P. assurgens
 54. Sepals 15-35 mm long.
 57. Scape almost none; inflorescence capitate. Bolivia.
 (Immature specimens of Pitcairnia nana might be sought here).
 57. Scape well developed; inflorescence elongate.
 58. Scape-bracts and primary bracts thin, dark brown. disintegrating rapidly after anthesis; flowering plant 3-5 meters high.
 59. Sepals lanceolate, broadly acute; flowering plant to 5 meters high. Colombia.....49. P. goudotiana
 59. Sepals linear, rounded and apiculate; flowering plant to 3 meters high. Venezuela....50. P. aristeguietae
 58. Scape-bracts and primary bracts firm, persistent; flowering plant somewhat over a meter high at most.
 60. Pedicels 3 mm long; floral bracts pectinate-serrate; inflorescence cylindric, 2-3 cm in diameter. Peru.
 51. P. medica
 60. Pedicels 8-17 mm long.
 61. Primary bracts much shorter than the branches and covering only a fraction of each one.
 62. Lateral branches 14-15 cm long; floral bracts and sepals aristate. Bolivia.....23. P. glareosa
 62. Lateral branches 4-10 cm long; floral bracts and sepals acuminate. Peru.....52. P. densiflora
 61. Primary bracts large, covering most or all of each branch.
 63. Sepals lance-ovate, acuminate, 35 mm long. Bolivia.
 53. P. glabrescens
 63. Sepals elliptic, obtuse, 15 mm long. Peru.
 54. P. fulgens
 49. Leaf-blades 2-10 mm wide, covered beneath with pale narrow spreading scales; lateral branches few-flowered. Bolivia.
 64. Pedicels 4-7 mm long, longer or shorter than the floral bracts; leaf-blades 2-3.5 mm wide.....55. P. tuberosa
 64. Pedicels 1 mm long, the floral bracts 15 mm long; leaf-blades 10 mm wide.....56. P. reducta
 48. Sepals densely lanate or tomentose, the indument usually persistent.

65. Lateral branches of the inflorescence well developed, numerous.
 66. Flowers nutant-secund.
 67. Floral bracts broadly elliptic, apiculate, equaling or slightly exceeding the pedicels. Colombia. 34. *P. bicolor*
 67. Floral bracts lanceolate, acuminate, exceeding the sepals Peru.....57. *P. vargasiana*
 66. Flowers evenly polystichous.
 68. Floral bracts thin.
 69. Branches spreading; inflorescence open. Peru.
 42. *P. araneosa*
 69. Branches erect; inflorescence densely cylindric. Colombia.....58. *P. gigas*
 68. Floral bracts coriaceous or subcoriaceous.
 70. Floral bracts about equaling the sepals, sublustrous. Ecuador.....59. *P. parviflora*
 70. Floral bracts much exceeded by the sepals, dull.
 71. Primary bracts serrate; floral bracts (especially the lower) reflexed. Ecuador.....60. *P. sodiroana*
 71. Primary bracts entire except the obscurely serrulate apex; floral bracts straight. Bolivia..61. *P. mollis*
 65. Lateral branches of the inflorescence basal, mere vestigial fascicles. Peru.....62. *P. rauhii*

SUBKEY II

1. Sepals glabrous or with a fine appressed deciduous stellate or lepidote indument.
 2. Floral bracts strongly serrate.
 3. Sepals nearly 60 mm long. Bolivia, Argentina. (Fruiting material of *Pitcairnia mirabilis* might be sought here).
 3. Sepals 12-25 mm long.
 4. Pedicels 10-15 mm long; flowers spreading to reflexed at anthesis; sepals 15-25 mm long. Peru.
 5. Leaf-blades glabrous on both sides, 20-30 mm wide; sepals ovate, acute.....63. *P. pyramidata*
 5. Leaf-blades covered on one side with white scales; sepals obtuse.
 6. Leaf-blades lepidote beneath; sepals 25 mm long. 64. *P. wurdackii*
 6. Leaf-blades lepidote above; sepals 15 mm long. 54. *P. fulgens*
 4. Pedicels obscure; flowers subsessile, suberect; sepals 12 mm long. Ecuador.....65. *P. eryngioides*
 2. Floral bracts entire or obscurely serrulate.
 7. Sepals 16-40 mm long; leaf-blades 5-30 mm wide.
 8. Leaf-blades entire, 5 mm wide. Peru.....66. *P. mitis*
 8. Leaf-blades spinose-serrate, 10-30 mm wide.
 9. Floral bracts lustrous, dark castaneous, coriaceous; leaf-blades densely lepidote above, glabrous beneath. Colombia.....67. *P. killipii*

9. Floral bracts dull, often thin; leaf-blades evenly lepidote or glabrous above.
10. Pedicels 5-10 mm long.
11. Sepals rounded, 40 mm long; floral bracts black and brittle when dry. Peru.....68. P. nigrescens
11. Sepals acute or acuminate.
12. Floral bracts thick, coriaceous, rugose when dry. Colombia.....69. P. grantii
12. Floral bracts membranaceous, finely and evenly nerved. Peru.....70. P. gracilis
10. Pedicels 12-20 mm long; sepals often rounded and mucronate or apiculate.
13. Inflorescence lax; floral bracts little if at all exceeding the pedicels. Chile.....9. P. violacea
13. Inflorescence subdense; floral bracts much exceeding the pedicels.
14. Floral bracts reflexed, 5 cm long, lanceolate; leaf-blades glabrous with age. Colombia.
71. P. sanctae-martae
14. Floral bracts erect to spreading, smaller or much broader.
15. Floral bracts thick, coriaceous; pedicels stout; inflorescence glabrous. Peru.
72. P. pitcairnioides
15. Floral bracts submembranaceous; pedicels rather slender. Bolivia.
16. Sepals 25 mm long; floral bracts uniform narrowly lanceolate.....73. P. kuntzeana
16. Sepals 30-40 mm long; lower floral bracts much larger and ampler than the others...19. P. meziana
7. Sepals 7-11 mm long.
17. Leaf-blades 16 mm wide, covered beneath with appressed cinereous scales. Venezuela.....(46. P. phelpiae)
17. Leaf-blades 2-6 mm wide. Bolivia.
18. Plant flowering 25-30 cm high; trichomes of the leaf-blade linear, spreading.....55. P. tuberosa
18. Plant flowering 9 cm high; trichomes of the leaf-blade broad, subspreading.....74. P. minima
1. Sepals densely lanate or tomentose, the indument mostly persistent after anthesis.
19. Upper floral bracts nearly equaling to exceeding the sepals.
20. Floral bracts narrowly triangular-ovate. Peru.
75. P. ferreyrae
20. Floral bracts elliptic or orbicular. Colombia.
21. Leaf-blades sparsely and obscurely lepidote, the spines spreading; floral bracts elliptic, acute, lustrous
76. P. nitida
21. Leaf-blades covered on both sides with appressed cinereous scales, the spines antrorse; floral bracts orbicular with a triangular blade.....77. P. barkleyana
19. Upper floral bracts much exceeded by the sepals.
22. Pedicels about equaling the floral bracts or longer. Peru.

23. Leaf-blades glabrous above; sepals narrowly lanceolate, 35 mm long..... 78. P. macbridei

23. Leaf-blades covered on both sides with appressed scales; sepals oblong, 21 mm long..... 79. P. argentea

22. Pedicels much shorter than the floral bracts.

24. Flowers erect or suberect at anthesis. Peru.

25. Pedicels slender, subcylindric, 20 mm long; leaf-blades soon glabrous above..... (62. P. rauhii)

25. Pedicels stout, obconic, 5-6 mm long; leaf-blades densely lepidote on both sides.

26. Sepals oblong, acute..... 80. P. lopezii

26. Sepals linear-lanceolate..... 81. P. sagasteguii

24. Flowers spreading to reflexed at anthesis.

27. Leaf-blades 37 mm wide; sepals narrowly ovate, 25-35 mm long. Peru..... 82. P. reflexiflora

27. Leaf-blades 15 mm wide; sepals oblong, 20 mm long.
Colombia..... 83. P. grubbii

SUBKEY III

1. Sepals glabrous or with a fine appressed deciduous stellate or lepidote indument.
 2. Lateral branches well developed; flowers not fasciculate.
 3. Floral bracts much exceeded by the sepals.
 4. Floral bracts dull, even, distinctly nerved.
 5. Branches exceeding the primary bracts.
 6. Floral bracts triangular-ovate, acuminate, not inflated; sepals 23 mm. long. Colombia.....40. *P. furfuracea*
 6. Floral bracts ovate, acute, inflated; sepals 33 mm long. Bolivia.....21. *P. stenothyrsa*
 5. Branches shorter than the broadly ovate densely laciniate primary bracts. Peru.....84. *P. longistyla*
 4. Floral bracts lustrous, rugulose, nerveless. Peru.
 85. *P. ferox*
 3. Floral bracts nearly equaling to exceeding the sepals.
 7. Sterile base as long as or longer than the fertile part of the lateral branch. Chile.....43. *P. venusta*
 7. Sterile base much shorter than the fertile part of the lateral branch.
 8. Floral bracts spinose-serrate. Peru.....86. *P. grandidens*
 8. Floral bracts entire or sparsely and very minutely serrulate.
 9. Floral bracts lustrous black; sepals 26 mm long.
 - Bolivia.....44. *P. atra*
 9. Floral bracts dull, paler.
 10. Sepals ovate-elliptic, 17 mm long. Bolivia.
 18. *P. fiebrigii*
 10. Sepals narrowly lanceolate, 40 mm long. Peru.
 22. *P. casmichensis*
 2. Lateral branches very short with the flowers fasciculate, but the inflorescence interrupted at base and thus obviously compound.

11. Sepals 25 mm long; inflorescence dark purple. Peru.
87. P. depauperata
11. Sepals 11-12 mm long.
12. Leaf-blades glabrous on both sides; floral bracts spinose-serrate. Ecuador.....65. P. eryngioides
12. Leaf-blades lepidote at least beneath.
13. Floral bracts exceeded by the sepals. Venezuela.
46. P. phelpsiae
13. Floral bracts exceeding the sepals. Bolivia.
88. P. paupera
1. Sepals densely lanate or tomentose, the indument mostly persistent after anthesis.
14. Floral bracts much exceeded by the sepals.
15. Lateral branches well developed; flowers not fasciculate.
16. Pedicels 12-15 mm long.
17. Indument ferruginous. Peru.....89. P. llatensis
17. Indument cinereous or whitish.
18. Floral bracts thin, violet. Chile.....41. P. coerulea
18. Floral bracts coriaceous. Bolivia.
19. Leaf-blades densely appressed-lepidote beneath; floral bracts broadly ovate, about 35 mm long..61. P. mollis
19. Leaf-blades soon wholly glabrous; floral bracts elliptic-oblong, to 55 mm long.....90. P. valida
16. Pedicels not over 7 mm long.
20. Sterile base of the raceme 20-40 mm long, nearly equaling to exceeding the primary bract.
21. Sepals emarginate and mucronulate; sterile base of raceme 30-40 mm long. Colombia.....39. P. lehmanniana
21. Sepals obtuse; sterile base of raceme 20-25 mm long. Peru.....91. P. stipitata
20. Sterile base of raceme not over 12 mm long. Ecuador.
22. Racemes distinctly though briefly stipitate; sepals 40 mm long.....60. P. sodiroana
22. Racemes subsessile; sepals 22-23 mm long.
23. Indument whitish; floral bracts heteromorphic; pedicels 5 mm long; sepals asymmetrically rounded and emarginate.....92. P. gummiifera
23. Indument brown; floral bracts homomorphic; flowers subsessile; sepals subsymmetric.....93. P. asplundii
15. Lateral branches short with the flowers fasciculate, few and basal; pedicels slender, 20 mm long. Peru.
62. P. rauhii
14. Floral bracts nearly equaling (P. lasiopoda) to exceeding the sepals.
24. Sepals 32-45 mm long, narrow; inflorescence lax at least toward base.
25. Racemes secund; sepals narrowly lanceolate or linear, 40-45 mm long.
26. Racemes stipitate. Peru, Bolivia.....94. P. lasiopoda
26. Racemes subsessile. Peru.....95. P. commixta
25. Racemes not secund; sepals very narrowly triangular, 32 mm long. Peru.....96. P. oxyantha

24. Sepals 16-25 mm long.
27. Primary bracts conspicuously laciniate or pectinate-serrate; sepals elliptic, broadly acute or subobtuse.
28. Apices of the primary bracts narrowly triangular, distinct, the serration of slender spines. Bolivia.
97. P. ctenorhyncha
28. Apices of the primary bracts broadly triangular, merging with the bases, the serration of broad flat teeth.
- Peru.....98. P. fastuosa
27. Primary bracts entire or obscurely serrulate.
29. Primary bracts spreading to reflexed; racemes ellipsoid. Peru.....99. P. weberbaueri
29. Primary bracts suberect, racemes globose. Ecuador.
100. P. glomerifera

SUBKEY IV

1. Outer bracts (the primary bracts or in a simple inflorescence the floral bracts) conspicuously serrate.
2. Apical part of the outer bracts reflexed; bracts thin.
3. Inflorescence densely brown-lanate, compound; sepals 45 mm long; floral bracts light green, drying to stramineous. Bolivia.....101. P. fosteriana
3. Inflorescence sparsely white-lanate, simple; sepals 35 mm long; floral bracts rose. Argentina.....102. P. weberiana
2. Apical part of the outer bracts erect.
4. Flowers distinctly pedicellate.
5. Outer bracts lustrous. Peru.
6. Inflorescence compound; outer bracts strongly nerved.
103. P. laccata
6. Inflorescence simple; outer bracts obscurely nerved and rugose.....104. P. angulonis
5. Outer bracts dull or slightly lustrous.
7. Inflorescence compound at least toward base.
8. Sepals densely vestite, not contrasting with the pedicels
9. Leaf-blades covered on both sides with appressed whitish scales; sepals 30 mm long. Peru....105. P. cylindrica
9. Leaf-blades glabrous above; sepals 16-20 mm long.
10. Inflorescence ellipsoid, 30-50 cm long. Colombia.
106. P. santosii
10. Inflorescence slenderly cylindric, 10-20 cm long.
- Peru.....51. P. medica
8. Sepals soon glabrous and contrasting with the densely vestite slender pedicels. Bolivia...53. P. glabrescens
7. Inflorescence simple.
11. Flowering plant 40-80 cm. high. Colombia.
107. P. lineata
11. Flowering plant 15-30 cm high.
12. Floral bracts serrulate; sepals 20-30 mm long, oblong-lanceolate, acute. Argentina....108. P. volcanensis
12. Floral bracts pectinate-serrate; sepals 17-20 mm long. Peru.

13. Sepals with an acicular apex, lance-oblong, carinate.
 51. P. medica

13. Sepals obtuse, elliptic, ecarinate...109. P. pratensis

4. Flowers sessile or subsessile.

14. Sepals 18-30 mm long; inflorescence rufous-lanate.
 Colombia.....110. P. vestita

14. Sepals 12 mm long; inflorescence glabrous except for the
 furfuraceous axis. Ecuador.....65. P. eryngioides

1. Outer bracts entire or very obscurely serrulate.

15. Apical part of each outer bract reflexed.

16. Inflorescence compound; flowers fasciculate.

17. Sepals 17-20 mm long.

18. Outer bracts orbicular, apiculate, membranaceous, drying
 pale brown. Peru.....111. P. membranacea

18. Outer bracts narrower, attenuate.

19. Inflorescence 7-8 cm in diameter; outer bracts 7 cm long

20. Pedicels 10 mm long; sepals narrowly triangular.
 Ecuador.....112. P. compacta

20. Pedicels very short but distinct; sepals oblong-
 elliptic, rounded and apiculate. Bolivia.

 113. P. tristis

19. Inflorescence 3 cm in diameter; outer bracts 5 cm long.
 Bolivia.....114. P. leptostachya

17. Sepals 24-30 mm long.

21. Indument dark brown; inflorescence clavate; pedicels
 stout, obconic, 10 mm long. Colombia.

 115. P. cuatrecasasii

21. Indument white or nearly so. Bolivia.

22. Bracts all membranaceous and subhyaline, soon shattered;
 pedicels slenderly obconic; leaf-blades nearly
 glabrous.....116. P. cardenasi

22. Bracts firmer, persistent; leaf-blades densely and
 conspicuously appressed-lepidote beneath.

 117. P. herzogii

16. Inflorescence simple.

23. Flowers and bracts reflexed; sepals narrowly spatulate,
 obtuse, 40 mm long. Peru.....118. P. huancavelicai

23. Flowers erect to spreading; only the apices of the bracts
 reflexed.

24. Floral bracts narrow, leaving much of the flower exposed
 (mostly juvenile specimens keyed here).

25. Pedicels rather slender, 12-15 mm long; sepals 25 mm
 long.

26. Flowers arcuate-spreading. Colombia.

 71. P. sanctae-martae

26. Flowers erect or suberect. Bolivia....73. P. kuntzeana

25. Pedicels obconic, very short. Peru.....119. P. lanata

24. Floral bracts ample, ovate or elliptic.

27. Flowering plant 3-4 meters high; floral bracts 10-14 cm
 long. Argentina.....120. P. yakespala

27. Flowering plant and floral bracts much smaller.

28. Leaf-blades entire along their apical 1/4; flowering plant 2-3 meters high. Colombia.....121. *P. nivalis*
28. Leaf-blades serrate throughout although sometimes more laxly so toward apex.
29. Floral bracts much shorter than the sepals. Peru. 122. *P. lanuginosa*
29. Floral bracts covering the sepals.
30. Sepals 14 mm long, acuminate. Bolivia. 123. *P. tunarensis*
30. Sepals 20-37 mm long, acuminate to broadly acute.
31. Inner face of the floral bract glabrous and nearly black, contrasting sharply with the pale persistent indument of the outer. Peru. 124. *P. cerrateana*
31. Inner face of the floral bracts almost exactly like the outer, not blackening.
32. Sepals 35-37 mm long.
33. Floral bracts subcoriaceous, greenish. Peru. 125. *P. mariae*
33. Floral bracts membranaceous, rose. Argentina. 102. *P. weberiana*
32. Sepals 20-25 mm long.
34. Floral bracts recurved from near the apex only. Peru.....126. *P. isabellina*
34. Floral bracts more than half recurved. Colombia. 127. *P. trianae*
15. Apical parts of the outer bracts erect.
35. Outer bracts clearly defined, their outline not obscured by the indument.
36. Inflorescence compound with the flowers usually fasciculate; branches sometimes 1-flowered but then a floral bract in the axil of the primary bract.
37. Lateral axes developed, but covered by the large imbricate primary bracts before anthesis. Colombia. 58. *P. gigas*
37. Lateral axes reduced to pulvini, the flowers fasciculate.
38. Sepals thinly vestite to glabrous, 11-16 mm long.
39. Inflorescence 3 dm long, 5-7 cm in diameter; floral bracts broadly acute. Costa Rica. 128. *P. dasylirioides*
39. Inflorescence not more than 1 dm long; floral bracts acuminate.
40. Sepals obtuse; inflorescence continuous; flowers not secund.
41. Flowers pedicellate for 6 mm. Bolivia. 88. *P. paupera*
41. Flowers subsessile. Colombia.....129. *P. boyacana*
40. Sepals acute; inflorescence interrupted at base. Venezuela.....46. *P. phelpsiae*
38. Sepals densely lanate.
42. Leaf-blades lepidote only between the nerves beneath.

43. Inflorescence 30-50 cm long; leaf-blades concolorous. Colombia.
44. Inflorescence brown-tomentose....130. *P. occidentalis*
44. Inflorescence white-lanate.....106. *P. santosii*
43. Inflorescence 15 cm long; leaf-blades with a dark spot at the base of each spine. Ecuador.
131. *P. maculata*
42. Leaf-blades completely lepidote beneath.
45. Flowers slenderly short-pedicellate; plant 3 dm high. Ecuador.....132. *P. pygmaea*
45. Flowers subsessile; plant 7 dm high. Colombia.
133. *P. cryptantha*
36. Inflorescence simple with a single series of bracts.
46. Inflorescence nutant; sepals narrow, 18 mm long.
47. Upper scape-bracts and floral bracts firm, subchartaceous, opaque. Ecuador.....134. *P. nutans*
47. Upper scape-bracts and floral bracts membranaceous, translucent. Venezuela.....135. *P. venezuelana*
46. Inflorescence erect, or where uncertain (*P. angusta*), the sepals larger.
48. Sepals thinly vestite to glabrous.
49. Sepals 12-13 mm long; floral bracts acuminate. Bolivia.....136. *P. humilis*
49. Sepals 15-33 mm long.
50. Floral bracts narrowly lanceolate, acuminate; sepals triangular-acute, 25 mm long. Bolivia.
73. *P. kuntzeana*
50. Floral bracts broad.
51. Leaf-blades 7-8 mm wide; inflorescence few-flowered, 4-7 cm long. Colombia.....137. *P. brachystachya*
51. Leaf-blades 25-50 mm wide.
52. Pedicels 7-10 mm long.
53. Sepals obtuse, oblong, 15-20 mm long. Chile.
43. *P. venusta*
53. Sepals acute, 25-33 mm long. Peru.
54. Sepals broadly lanceolate, 30-33 mm long.
138. *P. dolichostrobila*
54. Sepals oblanceolate, 25 mm long.
87. *P. depauperata*
52. Pedicels very short and stout, the flowers appearing subsessile. Peru.
55. Inflorescence cylindric, 30 cm long, 10 cm in diameter.....126. *P. isabellina*
55. Inflorescence ellipsoid, 14 cm long, 6 cm in diameter.....139. *P. strobilantha*
48. Sepals densely lanate.
56. Sepals emarginate, not over 10 mm long. Ecuador.
140. *P. exigua*
56. Sepals obtuse to acuminate, 15-28 mm long.
57. Leaf-blades densely lepidote above as well as beneath; sepals acuminate. Peru.....141. *P. macrura*
57. Leaf-blades soon glabrous above.

58. Inflorescence over 15 cm long; sepals acute or acuminate.
59. Sepals membranaceous, elliptic, 27 mm long; inflorescence slenderly cylindric, 4 cm in diameter.
Colombia.....142. P. gargantae
59. Sepals coriaceous, lance-oblong or narrowly elliptic, 22-28 mm long.
60. Floral bracts soon glabrous and contrasting with the remainder of the inflorescence. Colombia.
143. P. angusta
60. Floral bracts equally vestite with the remainder of the inflorescence.
61. Leaf-blades sparsely lepidote beneath; sepals 22 mm long. Bolivia.....144. P. brittoniana
61. Leaf-blades densely appressed-lepidote beneath; sepals 28 mm long. Colombia....145. P. alpicola
58. Inflorescence 5-8 cm long; sepals obtuse.
62. Inflorescence globose, more than twice as wide as the scape and its bracts.
63. Sepals 20-28 mm long; indument nearly white.
Colombia.....146. P. santanderensis
63. Sepals 15 mm long; indument ferruginous. Venezuela
147. P. cardonae
62. Inflorescence subcylindric, scarcely wider than the scape and its bracts; sepals 18 mm long. Ecuador.
132. P. pygmaea
35. Outer bracts with their outlines obscured by the very long dense indument.
64. Floral bracts rounded and apiculate.
65. Pedicels 10 mm long; sepals ovate-oblong, 30 mm long, 15 mm wide. Bolivia.....117. P. herzogii
65. Pedicels short and thick; sepals oblong, 25 mm long, 11 mm wide. Peru.....148. P. herrerae
64. Floral bracts acute or acuminate, not rounded. Colombia, Ecuador.
66. Plants 1-1.5 meters high; indument of the inflorescence brown; sepals lanceolate.....149. P. clava-herculis
66. Plants 2.5-4 meters high; indument of the inflorescence white; sepals broadly elliptic.....150. P. hamata

Subgenus PUYA

1. Caudex prostrate, branching and continuing to live after the fruition and death of the flowering shoot; leaf-rosette on a level with the ground; floral bracts mostly exceeded by the sepals.
2. Petals yellow or yellow-green; leaves soon glabrous on both sides. Chile.
3. Inflorescence 1 meter or longer with 80-100 branches, dense; sepals soon glabrous.....151. P. chilensis
3. Inflorescence not over 5 dm long with few branches, lax; sepals always tomentose-lepidote.....152. P. boliviensis

2. Petals blue or blue-green.
4. Sepals 20-25 mm long; petals ca. 5 cm long; leaves densely white-lepidote beneath, flexuous, arching-recurred. Chile.
5. Leaf-blades 15-25 mm wide; inflorescence of not more than 20 branches, lax; branches laxly few-flowered; flowering shoot 1.2-1.5 meters high.....153. P. alpestris
5. Leaf-blades to 50 mm wide; inflorescence of 80-100 branches dense; branches densely many-flowered; flowering shoot to 4.5 meters high.....154. P. berteroiana
4. Sepals to 18 mm long; petals 35 mm long; leaf-blades glaucous-green. Bolivia.....155. P. weddelliana
1. Caudex erect, simple and columnar, dying after the fruition of the flowering shoot; leaf-rosette at the summit of the caudex 4 meters above the ground; floral bracts exceeding the sepals, imbricate. Peru, Bolivia.....156. P. raimondii

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- Flowering 35-80 cm high; leaves ca. 4 dm long; sheaths ovate, 15 mm wide, spinose-serrate toward apex; blades linear, long-attenuate, 10 mm wide, glabrous above, subdensely tomentose beneath with white linear trichomes, laxly serrulate with slender pale antrorse spines 4 mm long; scape erect, ca. 3 mm in diameter, finely white-stellate; scape-bracts erect, ovate with a caudate apex, red, the upper ones about equaling the internodes; inflorescence laxly bipinnate, sparsely white-stellate, becoming glabrous; primary bracts like the upper scape-bracts but not caudate, nearly the same size and form as the floral bracts, exceeding the axis of the very short few-flowered lateral branches; branches divergent to spreading with a very short naked sterile base, subdense but with the axis largely exposed; floral bracts suberect, broadly ovate, acute and apiculate, 15 mm long,

ecarinate, broadly convex, red with a narrow scarious margin, subchartaceous; pedicels about 1 mm long but slender and distinct; sepals linear-lanceolate, narrowly obtuse and apiculate, 27 mm long; petals ca. 4 cm long, naked, twisted together after anthesis. Pl. 1, fig. 1: Branch x 1; fig. 2: Sepal x 1.

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Flowering 3 m high; leaves incompletely known, over 6 dm long; blades narrowly triangular, 4 cm wide, soon wholly glabrous, laxly serrate with brown stiffly antrorse spines 3 mm long; scape erect, over 4 cm in diameter (! photo); scape-bracts early deciduous, unknown; inflorescence subdensely bipinnate, over 1 m long, except for the petals and genitalia covered with a fine white dense appressed tomentum; primary bracts small and inconspicuous (! photo); branches subspreading, strobilate, nearly 3 dm long, 7 cm in diameter; floral bracts elliptic-oblong, acute and apiculate, to 55 mm long, distinctly exceeded by the sepals, coriaceous, rigid, very minutely serrate toward apex; flowers suberect; pedicels subcylindric, 2 cm long, 5 mm in diameter; sepals lance-elliptic, rounded and apiculate, 35 mm long, coriaceous when dry, ecarinate; petals naked, twisted together after anthesis. Pl. 1, fig. 3: Flower and floral bract x 1; fig. 4: Sepal x 1.

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Var. a. *SANTOSII*. Leaf-blades 50-60 cm long, 30-35 mm wide; inflorescence 10 cm in diameter; primary bracts elliptic or suborbicular, the lowest with acuminate apices.

Var. b. *VERDENSIS* Cuatrecasas, Not. Fl. Colombia 6:39, figs. 32, 33. 1944. Leaf-blades 30-40 cm long, 45 mm wide; inflorescence considerably less than 10 cm in diameter; primary bracts ovate, apiculate.

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Flowering 6 dm high; leaves numerous in a spreading rosette, ca. 3 dm long; sheaths broadly ovate, 3-4 cm long, glabrous

toward base; blades linear-triangular, attenuate, pungent, 15 mm wide, glabrous above, covered beneath with subappressed white scales, laxly serrate with dark uncinate spines 4 mm long; scape erect, exceeding the leaves, coarsely brown-tomentose; scape-bracts suboliaceous, strict, many-ranked and densely imbricate, wholly covering the scape, brown-tomentose toward base; inflorescence densely ovoid, broadly rounded, 10 cm long, 8 cm in diameter, obscurely bipinnate, densely and coarsely brown-tomentose except the petals and genitalia; primary bracts attenuate from a suborbicular base, to 7 cm long, membranaceous, finely nerved, entire, the apical half reflexed at anthesis; branches nearly aborted, 2-flowered; floral bracts like the primary bracts but short-attenuate and only 35 mm long; pedicels short but slender and distinct; sepals oblong-elliptic, rounded and apiculate, 18 mm long, thin; petals over 3 cm long, blue, twisted together after anthesis. Pl. 1, fig. 5: Inflorescence x 1/4; fig. 6: Primary bract and flowers x 1/2; fig. 7: Sepal x 1.

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AECHMEA MCVAUGHII L. B. Smith, sp. nov.

In subgenere *Podaechmea* ab omnibus speciebus inflorescentia pendula lepidibus magnis fulgente albis praedita, floribus magnis, sepalis serrulatis differt.

Leaves to 1 m long, in a large erect basket, waxy glaucous beneath (! McVaugh & Koelz); blades ligulate, 9 cm wide, broadly subacute with a stout rigid mucro 6 mm long, glabrous above, covered beneath with white subappressed scales, laxly serrate with flat curved spines 3-4 mm long; scape decurved, ca. 1 cm thick at apex, covered with persistent spreading coarse brilliantly white scales; scape-bracts suberect, densely imbricate, lanceolate, involute-acuminate at apex, 23 cm long, subchartaceous, rose, glabrous above, covered with appressed white scales beneath; inflorescence pendulous, 1 m long in fruit (! McVaugh & Koelz), bi-pinnate toward base, racemose toward apex, its axes, ovaries, and sepals coarsely white-lepidote like the scape; primary bracts like the upper scape-bracts, much exceeding the 5 cm long laxly few-flowered branches; floral bracts linear, attenuate, about 10 mm long; pedicels spreading, straight, cylindric, to 15 mm long, 1 mm in diameter; flowers in line with the pedicels; sepals free or nearly so, subtriangular, 22 mm long, slightly asymmetric, serrulate toward apex, mucronate, ecarinate; petals imperfectly known, about 5 cm long, bearing 2 fimbriate scales at base; ovary globose, enlarged in fruit to 15 mm diameter; epigynous tube shallow; placentae elongate; seed suboblong, 3 mm long, black, finely reticulate. Pl. I, fig. 8: Flower and floral bract x 1; fig. 9: Sepal x 1.

MEXICO: Jalisco: Abundant on limestonerocks and on trees, high dense forest dominated by *Brosimum*, steep mountainside, 8 miles southwest of Pihuamo, alt. 500-600 m, December 6, 1959, McVaugh & Koelz 1491 (MICH, type; US).

HECHTIA JALISCANA L. B. Smith, sp. nov.

A H. fosteriana L. B. Smith, cui affinis, bracteis primariis dense serratis, bracteis florigeris sepala subaequantibus differt.

Known only from fragments of the pistillate plant; leaves (one known) to 8 dm long; sheaths elliptic, 5-6 cm long, stramineous, glabrous toward base, serrate toward apex; blades narrowly triangular, 3 cm wide, glabrous above, covered with fine appressed cinereous scales beneath, subdensely repand-serrate at base with slender curved antrorse spines 3 mm long, more laxly so above; scape 1 m high (! McVaugh); inflorescence bipinnate so far as known, lax, sparsely pale-lepidote becoming glabrous; primary bracts lanceolate, caudate-acuminate, to 4 cm long, slightly longer to slightly shorter than the bracteate sterile bases of the branches, densely serrate; branches divergent, 14-24 cm long, straight or slightly curved, ca. 3 mm thick, sulcate, laxly subverticillate-flowered, flattened at base; floral bracts lanceolate, acuminate, to 9 mm long, about equaling the sepals, strongly convex, minutely denticulate, green toward base and brown toward apex, the margin not contrasting; pedicels spreading, stout, subcylindric, to 4 mm long, subalate, contracted and articulate at base; pistillate sepals ovate, broadly acute or obtuse, 4 mm long, nearly even, brown with prominent scarious margin; petals ovate, acute, barely exceeding the sepals; ovary wholly superior; capsule narrowly ovoid, acute, 11 mm long, sharply angled, deeply divided between the carpels; seeds caudate. Pl. I, fig. 10: Pistillate flower x 1.

MEXICO: Jalisco: Local around rocks, below Presa de Santa Rosa, in the barranca of the Río Grande de Santiago north of Amapatán, 750-800 m, September 1, 1960, McVaugh 18530 (MICH, type).

HECHTIA LAEVIS L. B. Smith, sp. nov.

H. glabra Brand. atque H. reticulata L. B. Smith affinis, a priore pedicellis teretibus gracilibus, a posteriore carpellis laevibus distinguenda.

Known from very young staminate and very old fruiting plants, flowering 2 m high; leaves densely rosulate, over 6 dm long; blades narrowly triangular, rigid, 3 cm wide, covered with pale appressed scales on both sides, becoming glabrous above, laxly repand-serrate with curved antrorse spines 3 mm long; scape (staminate) straight, ca. 10 mm in diameter, sparsely pale-lepidote, very soon glabrous; scape-bracts erect, exceeding the internodes but so narrow as to expose most of the scape, entire or subentire, the lower linear from a small triangular base, the upper narrowly triangular; inflorescence laxly bipinnate in both sexes, sparsely pale-lepidote when young; primary bracts (staminate) like the upper scape-bracts, to 17 mm long; branches spreading or subspreading, densely flowered with a short flattened sterile base, the pistillate to 15 cm long; floral bracts broadly triangular, much shorter than the pistillate pedicels; staminate flowers much too young (ca. 1 mm long) to show characters but the anthers already exserted; pistillate flowers with pedicels selen-

derly cylindric, 3.5 mm long, smooth, basally articulate; sepals broadly ovate, apiculate, 1.5 mm long; petals triangular, 3.5 mm long, white; ovary wholly superior; capsule ovoid, 8 mm long, deeply sulcate between the carpels, castaneous, even, covered at first with appressed white scales. Pl. I, fig. 11: Fruit x 1; fig. 12: Pistillate sepal x 5.

MEXICO: Colima: Abundant in rocky ravine and on open rocky slopes above, mountains 10 miles south-southwest of Colima on Manzanillo road, alt. 400-500 m, July 18, 1957, McVaugh 15528 (MICH, type; US).

PITCAIRNIA ABUNDANS L. B. Smith, sp. nov.

P. aequatoria L. B. Smith in systema mea proxima sed rhachi sepalisque minutissime tuberculatis, floribus patentibus, ovario costato differt.

Short-caulescent, flowering 6-7 dm high; leaves subrosulate at the apex of the stem; sheaths concealed by each other; blades dimorphic, some reduced to dark pectinate-serrate flat spines, others foliaceous, deciduous, linear, acuminate, slightly narrowed toward base, 6 dm long, 18 mm wide, sparsely white-flocculose at base, entire above the line of abscission; scape erect, over 1 cm in diameter at base, soon glabrous; scape-bracts all exceeding the internodes, the lower subfoliaceous, the upper triangular, caudate-acuminate, green, entire, sparsely white-flocculose; inflorescence simple, 15-22 cm long, subdense, bearing a tuft of sterile bracts at apex; rhachis sulcate, minutely and obscurely tuberculate, otherwise glabrous; floral bracts narrowly triangular, caudate-acuminate, much exceeding the pedicels and the lowest about equaling the sepals; flowers stiffly spreading; pedicels 6 mm long, strongly sulcate when dry; sepals narrowly triangular, acuminate, 26-29 mm long, minutely tuberculate, sulcate when dry; petals linear, 6 cm long, probably white, bearing a truncate scale at base; stamens included; ovary about 2/3 superior, the lower part strongly costate; ovules caudate. Pl. II, fig. 1: Flower x 1; fig. 2: Sepal x 1.

MEXICO: Nayarit: Abundant on summits of rocks in shade in the barranca, mountains 10 miles southeast of Ahuacatlán, on the road to Barranca del Oro and Amatlán, alt. 1100-1300 m, November 17-18, 1959, McVaugh & Koelz 751 (US, type; MICH).

This is the first endemic Mexican species known to have deciduous leaves combined with appendaged petals.

GUATEMALA

TILLANDSIA LAMPROPODA L. B. Smith var. MAJOR L. B. Smith, var. nov.

A var. lampropoda foliis majoribus, inflorescentia digitata differt.

Flowering over 6 dm high; leaves ca. 8 dm long; blades 3 cm wide; scape-bracts subinflated, the lowest subfoliaceous, the highest apiculate; inflorescence digitate from 3 spikes; primary bracts like the upper scape-bracts, very broadly ovate, 5 cm

long; spikes lanceolate, strongly complanate, 13-19 cm long; floral bracts vermillion with green tips; petals white.

GUATEMALA: Without further locality, cultivated 1964, Wyly M. Billing, Jr. 55 (US, type).

COLOMBIA

GREIGIA MULFORDII L. B. Smith var. *MACRANTHA* L. B. Smith, var. nov.

A var. mulfordii foliorum laminis angustioribus, bracteis floribusque majoribus differt.

Leaf-blades ca. 3 cm wide, centrally subentire; primary bracts to 75 mm long, their green apices nearly as long as their castaneous bases; sepals 27 mm long; petals 45 mm long.

COLOMBIA: Cundinamarca: On páramo, Macizo de Bogotá, eastern drainage, Quebrada de Casarreales, Páramo de Palacio, alt. 3450 m, December 14, 1959, Cuatrecasas, Murillo & Jaramillo 25625 (US, type).

PERU

AECHMEA RETUSA L. B. Smith, sp. nov.

A Ae. chantinii (Carr.) Baker, cui affinis, foliorum laminis concoloribus, bracteis florigeris ellipticis retusis ovarium multo superantibus differt.

Flowering ca. 6 dm high; leaves 4 dm long, densely punctulate-lepidote; sheaths ovate, but slightly wider than the blades but mostly entire, nearly black above, brown with purple streaks beneath; blades ligulate, broadly subacute, 6 cm wide, wholly green, laxly serrate with dark spreading spines 3 mm long; scape erect, slender; scape-bracts much longer than the internodes but reflexed, lanceolate, rose, serrulate; inflorescence laxly bipinnate with 11 branches; primary bracts nearly all like the scape-bracts and reflexed, much exceeding the sterile naked base of the branch; branches spreading and then curved-ascending, 15 cm long, 2 cm wide, strongly complanate, dense, very sparsely white-flocculose; rhachis geniculate, winged, dark green drying to black, the internodes to 8 mm long; floral bracts distichous, suberect, exposing nearly all of the rhachis, elliptic, retuse, 17 mm long, much exceeding the ovary, ecarinate, pale green drying to stramineous, prominently nerved, soon glabrous; sepals free, asymmetric, suboblong, truncate with a minute mucro, 13 mm long, ecarinate, nerved; petals 16 mm long, bearing 2 fimbriate scales at base; ovary ovoid, 8 mm long at anthesis; epigynous tube distinct, 2 mm high; placentae apical; ovules caudate. Pl. II, fig. 3: Inflorescence x 1/10; fig. 4: Branch x 1/2; fig. 5: Sepal x 1.

PERU: Without further locality but probably from the Amazonian collections of Lee Moore, cultivated in Gotha, Florida, 1963, Julian Nally (US, type).

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BRAZIL

BILLBERGIA SEIDELII Smith & Reitz, sp. nov.

A B. pohliana Mez, cui verisimiliter affinis, scapi bracteis imbricatis, ovario obovoidea sulcato differt.

Flowering shoot 7 dm long, probably decurved; leaves 6 (! Seidel), over 5 dm long; blades ligulate, 3 cm wide, densely lepidote on both sides, prominently white-banded beneath, laxly serrulate with brownish spines 1 mm long; scape decurved, to 2 mm in diameter, soon glabrous; scape-bracts elliptic, acute, rolled about the scape in a slender cylinder, to 11 cm long, the upper imbricate, membranaceous, rose, covered with white appressed scales; inflorescence laxly bipinnate, few-flowered; axis slender, geniculate, finely and sparsely white-lepidote; primary bracts spreading, like the upper scape-bracts, to 8 cm long, much exceeding the branch-axes and about equaling the petals; branches short, 2-flowered; floral bracts broadly ovate, apiculate, about half as long as the ovary; flowers sessile; sepals slightly asymmetric, lance-oblong, broadly subacute and minutely apiculate, 25 mm long, 6 mm wide; petals 5 cm long, blue-purple toward apex; ovary ovoid, 5 mm long, strongly sulcate, densely white-lepidote except the ridge-crests, the epigynous tube short. Pl. II, fig. 6: Branch x 1/2; fig. 7: Sepal x 1.

BRAZIL: Rio de Janeiro: By the road from Niteroi to Campos, November 2, 1962, A. Seidel 504 (HBR, type; US photo).

DYCKIA ODORATA L. B. Smith, sp. nov.

Ab omnibus speciebus adhuc cognitis, scapo subnullo, sepalis 2, petalis 2, staminibus 4 differt.

Flowering shoot 10 cm high; leaves (separated) 15 cm long; sheaths triangular-ovate, inconspicuous, stramineous, smooth, sublustrous, sparsely lepidote toward apex; blades narrowly triangular, 5 mm wide, covered with white appressed scales on both sides, becoming glabrous above, laxly serrate with pale slender spreading spines 2 mm long; scape lacking; inflorescence simple but in 3 parts, a cluster of flowers at the base, the basal part of the raceme (4 cm) with obviously abortive flowers, and the terminal part with apparently well developed flowers, the whole subdensely white-flocculose; floral bracts broadly ovate, the basal ones with long narrowly triangular serrate blades that exceed the flowers, the highest merely apiculate; pedicels spreading, slender, 3 mm long; flowers 2-merous, "with a very sweet and strong fragrance" (David Hutt); sepals suborbicular, very broadly acute and minutely apiculate, 5-6 mm long; petals 10 mm long, orange, short-connate, the blade spreading, broadly rounded; stamens much shorter than the petals, the filaments almost completely connate, the anthers sagittate, curved, 1.5 mm long; ovary slenderly conical, the styles short but obvious and separate. Pl. II, fig. 8: Flower and bract x 1; fig. 9: Sepal x 2.

BRAZIL: Goiás: Region of the Chapada de Veadeiros at 47° 30' W, 14° 30' S, 5 km west of Veadeiros, Dawson 14578 (US, type; UC, cultivated in the Botanical Garden of the University of Califor-

nia and prepared October 5, 1963, by David Hutt).

NEOREGELIA CHLOROSTICTA (L. B. Smith) L. B. Smith, comb. nov.

Neoregelia sarmentosa (Regel) L. B. Smith var. chlorosticta L. B. Smith, Contr. Gray Herb. 104:79. 1934.

Neoregelia marmorata L. B. Smith, Contr. Gray Herb. 124:10. 1939; Smithsonian Misc. Coll. 126:157. 1955, in part, as to material cited not as to basonym.

Further study shows that Neoregelia chlorosticta has leaves of much thinner texture and more even surface than those of typical N. sarmentosa. Its sepals prove to be very close in form and size to those of collections that I had cited mistakenly under N. marmorata because of the leaf coloration. Actually N. marmorata has acuminate sepals while the material cited has them rounded and barely apiculate and much smaller.

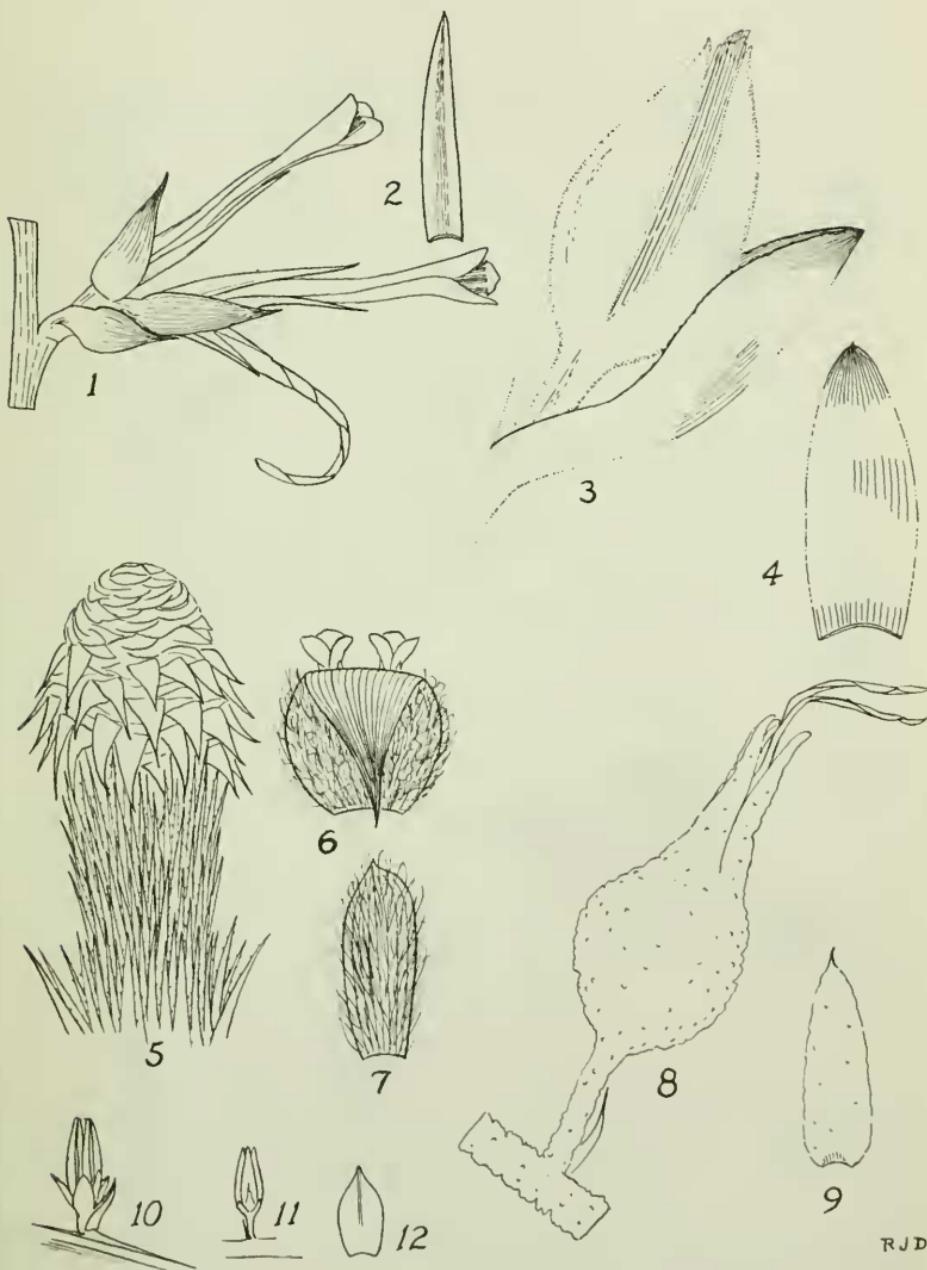
NEOREGELIA SEIDELIANA Smith & Reitz, sp. nov.

A N. cruenta (R. Graham) L. B. Smith et N. concentrica (Vell.) L. B. Smith, quibus affinis, foliis e lepidibus appressis magnis omnino cinereo-coloratis differt.

Leaves many in an infundibuliform rosette, 45 cm long, covered on both sides with coarse appressed cinereous scales that obscure their coloration especially beneath; sheaths elliptic, ample, 10 cm long, entire except toward apex; blades ligulate, broadly subacute and slenderly involute-apiculate, 4 cm wide, laxly serrate with flat antrorse reddish spines 3 mm long; scape 8 cm long; inflorescence hemispheric, many-flowered, 6 cm in diameter; outer bracts broadly ovate, apiculate, much exceeded by the sepals, cinereous-lepidote; floral bracts linear, acute and mucronulate, incurved at apex, plicate, about equaling the mid-points of the sepals, cinereous-lepidote; pedicels slender, to 15 mm long; sepals asymmetric, lance-oblong, acuminate, involute-subulate, 24 mm long, connate for 2 mm; petals free, acute, blue toward apex; stamens included; ovary ellipsoid, 12 mm long at anthesis. Pl. II, fig. 10: Floral bract and flower x 1; fig. 11: Sepal x 1.

BRAZIL: Espírito Santo: Santa Tereza, October 13, 1961, L. Seidel 71-A (HBR, type; US photo). Without locality but doubtless the same collection, cultivated in Corupá, Santa Catarina, A. Seidel s. n. (US, received November 8, 1962).

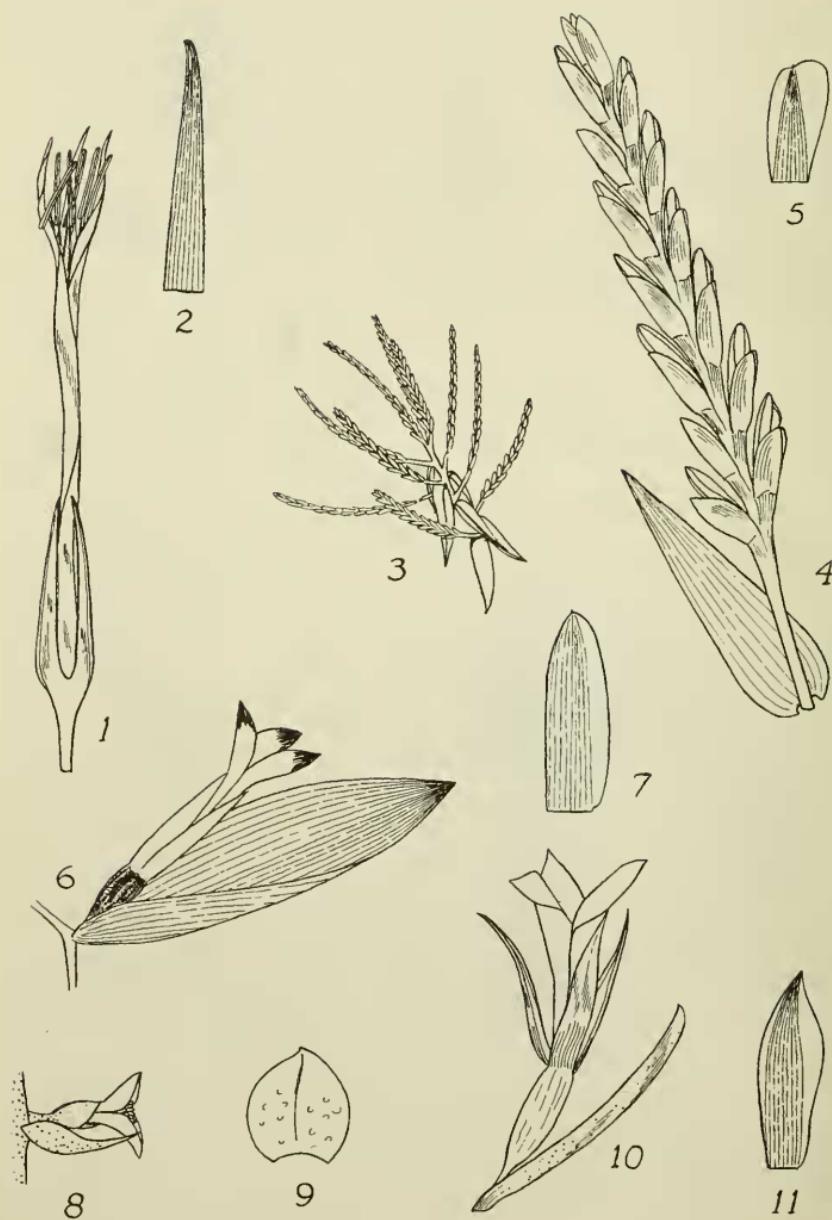
Plate I



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Fig. 1, 2: *Puya reducta*; fig. 3, 4: *P. valida*; fig. 5-7: *P. tristis*; fig. 8, 9: *Aechmea mcvaughii*; fig. 10: *Hechtia jaliscana*; fig. 11, 12: *H. laevis*.

Plate II



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Fig. 1, 2: *Pitcairnia abundans*; fig. 3-5: *Aechmea retusa*; fig. 6, 7: *Billbergia seidelii*; fig. 8, 9: *Dyckia odorata*; fig. 10, 11: *Neoregelia seidelii*.