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# **PETUNIAS**

A. B. C. "PRIVATE STOCK"

(ERIKSSON STRAIN)

#### SINGLE LARGE FLOWERING DWARF FRINGED AND RUFFLED MIXED

A very much improved strain of "hand pollinated" large flowering dwarf Petunias, produced under glass by that eminent florist-grower, Mr. Ernst Eriksson, Riverside, Ill. (originator of "Primula Malacoides Eriks soni"), and which, we believe, is the choicest mixture of Dwarf Large-Flowering Mixed Petunias obtainable. Exceptional for pot plants, porch and window boxes, bedding, etc.

| Tr. pkt. (1,000 seeds) | \$ 1.25 |
|------------------------|---------|
| 1 32 oz                | 4.00    |
| 1 16 oz                | 8.00    |
| 1/8 oz                 | 15.00   |
| 1/4 oz                 | 28.00   |

#### UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS

June 16, 1936. Parkersburg, W. Va. The Petuuia, A. B. C. "Private Stock" Mixed (Eriksson's Strain), is sure a fine Petunia. (Signed) G. OBERMEYER.

Dec. 9, 1935. Averill Park, N. Y. Your A. B. C. "Private Stock" Mixed Petunias (Eriksson's Strain), were the most beautiful I ever saw. Customers more than pleased.
(Signed) ELMER II. SAGENDORF.



Illustration Opposite Shows But a Few of the Multitudinous Colors Obtaining in This Exclusive Strain. See Above for Actual Size of Flower. From a Photograph. A. B. C. "Private Stock" Mixture Has No Competitor In Its Respective Class. **Exclusively Supplied** by American Bulb Co.

Petunio, A. B. C. "Private Stock" Single Dwarf Fringed and Ruffled Mixed (Eriksson's Strain)



# The Newest "Styles"

# in PETUNIAS

For the American public at large, the phrase, "What's new?" is rapidly becoming one of the most popular forms of greeting. To the florist, however, this expression has far greater significance, for he often interprets it in terms of dollars and cents. Accordingly, the florist who answers the question, "What's new?" with saleable merchandise soon discovers more customers, increased sales, and greater profits.

As a means to this end we recommend to growers liberal plantings of the newer strains of Petunias, particularly "World Beauty" (Original Strain) introduced and named by A. B. C., All Double "De Luxe" Mixed, A. B. C. (Eriksson's Strain), "Private Stock" Mixed, "Bountiful Portland Varieties," "A. B. C. Celestial" (Originator's German Strain), as well as the other new kinds illustrated and described in this list. "World Beauty" has especially proved to be a wonderful money-maker for the trade, and we believe florists will find it worth while to culture same in a large way.

Our object in sending this advance Petunia list is primarily to enable growers to make selection of those kinds, especially double sorts, which require early sowing of seed in order to have finished pot plants early in the spring season, and particularly for Mother's Day.

We respectfully solicit your order at this time and will forward new crop seed as received from the growers.

Awaiting your valued commands, Faithfully yours,

> American Bulb Company. Per A. Miller, President.



New Double Flowering Fringed Petunia, "World Beauty" Original Strain (Named and Introduced by the American Bulb Company)

#### THE "QUEEN" OF ALL PETUNIAS Double Large Flowered "World Beauty" (Illustrated Above)

Produces (from seed) practically 100%, large double fringed flowers of the most beautiful rosy carmine color, wonderfully free blooming plants of dwarf, compaet growth which makes this grand new sort particularly desirable for pot plants as well as bedding. World Beauty has really created a sensation wher ever shown. A few plants in bloom for demonstration to the public early in the season will undoubtedly result in an active and most profitable demand for this new favorite.

#### For Mother's Day

"World Beauty" has proved to be an ideal pot plant and a worth-while profit provider. We introduced "World Beauty" to the trade and are again securing our seed supply from the originator, thereby insuring our customers the true variety. Sow seed early and follow with successive plantings up to March 1st next. We say by all means if you culture Petunias, do not leave "World Beauty" off your list. It is unquestionably the "last word" in Double Petunias.

#### Price of "Warld Beauty" Seed, Original Strain:

500 seeds...**\$1.25** 1,000 seeds...**\$2.00** 3,000 seeds...**\$5.00** 

#### UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIAL

American Bulb Co., 1335 W. Randolph St., Chicago, Ill.

Viles, Ill.

Dear Sirs: Your World Beauty Petunia is a winner! As a pot plant it "sold itself" the past spring and when short of Carnations I used same for funeral work. After placing stems in the water a few hours the blooms remained firm for a long period.

Thanks for recommending this to me. Let me know when you have some more good new kinds of flower seed items. Yours very truly

(Signed) KABOT GREENHOUSES.





New Petunia, "Angela" Extra Dwarf Single Fringed, a Most Pleasing Shade of Velvety Violet-Blue Tr. pkt. \$1.00, 1/32 oz. \$3.50

Petunias, All Double

"Madonna" ar "Snawboll." 4 inches. Height 10 inches. We believe this to be the best Double White-Fringed Petunia. 1/2 tr. pkt., 75c; tr. pkt., \$1.50; 3 tr. pkts., \$4.00.

"Purple Robe." 4 inches. Height 10 inches. Dark velvety purple,

beautiful. 1/2 tr. pkt., 75c; tr. pkt., \$1.50; 3 tr. pkts., \$4.00. Veined Beauty. White with blue vein, 4 inches. Height 12 inches. In our trial grounds we found this strain to be exceptionally beautiful, flowers very large and practically 100 per cent true to color. Highly recommended. 1/2 tr. pkt., 75c; tr. pkt., \$1.50; 3 tr. pkts., \$4.00.

Shepherd's Pride. Attractive shade of salmon or shrimp pink. Produces about 60 per cent of large double flowers, the balance beautiful single blooms. ½ tr. pkt., 75c; tr. pkt., \$1.50; 3 tr. pkts., \$4.00.

#### Small Flowered Double Petunia "Double Rosy Morn." Dwarf

This beautiful small-flowered Double Pink Petunia has come into the greatest favor, especially as a pot plant. However, since seed produces only a nominal number of double flowers, it is well to sow early and take cuttings from the true double. The single flowers produced from this strain are, however, equal to the highest type of Rosy Morn and all available. Tr. pkt., \$1.00; 1/64 oz., \$1.75; 1/32 oz., \$3.00.

> Petunias— California Giants in Separate Colors

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|---|----------|--------|--------|
| ·   | Tr.      | 1/64   | 1/32   |
|   | pkt.     | OZ.    | az.    |
| Black Prince (Ruffled). Dark crimson, black | -        |        |        |
| throat                                      |          | \$1.50 | \$2.75 |
| Camilla. Pink, red veined, dark throat      | 1.00     |        |        |
| Copper Red Dork. Rich coppery crimson       | .75      | 1.25   | 2.25   |
| Copper Red Light. Rich old rose             | .75      | 1.25   | 2.25   |
| Floretto. Steel blue, veined black, dwarf   | 1.00     |        |        |
| German Empress. Bluish white                | .50      | 1.50   | 2.75   |
| Horlequin. Coppery scarlet                  | .75      | 1.75   | 3.00   |
| King Alphonsa. Rich crimson-rose            | .50      | 1.50   |        |
| Prince of Wuerttemberg. Dark crimson        | .50      | 1.50   | 2.75   |
| Princess of Wuerttemberg. Rose-pink         | .50      | 1.25   | 2.25   |
| Rheingold. Large white                      | .50      | 1.50   |        |
| Rabin Haod. Deep rose                       | 1.00     | 1.75   |        |
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#### Petunias— California Giants in Mixtures

An extra large-flowered, open throat type. Highly valuable for flowering in 3-inch or 4-inch pots. Very choice for bedding under favorable conditions.

A. B. C. Dwarf Giants. A selected dwarf giant strain. Tr. pkt., \$1.00; 1/64 az., \$1.75; 1 32 oz., \$3.00.

Dwarf Giants, Ramana Strain. A most desirable strain of Giant Petunias. Tr. pkt., \$1.00; 1/64 oz., \$1.75; 1/32 oz., \$3.00; 1/16

Giants of California, Medium Dwarf. Somewhat taller and stronger than the above. Tr. pkt., \$1.00; 1/64 oz., \$1.75; 1/32 oz., \$3.00; 1/16 az., \$5.00.

Giants of Colifornia, Medium Dwarf. Same as above except that it is a fairly light color mixture. Tr. pkt., \$1.00; 1/64 az., \$1.75; 1/32 az., \$3.00; 1/16 oz., \$5.00.

Giants of California, Regular or Tail. Tr. pkt., 50c; 1/64 az., \$1.25; 1/32 oz., \$2.00; 1/16 oz., \$3.50.

#### Large Flowering Fringed Petunias

(Petunia Hybrida Grandiflora Fimbriata)

While not quite so large as the Ruffled Giants, these big fringed Petunias have a charm of their own, due to their attractively fringed blooms. The varieties we offer are the finest in color and form.

|  | Tr.  | 1/64   | 1/32 |
|--|------|--------|------|
|  | pkt. | OZ.    | OZ.  |
| Apple Blossam. Shell-pink. Finely fringed          |      | \$1.50 |      |
| Aurora. Light rose, veined purple                  |      | 1.50   |      |
| Brilliant Rase. Bright rose                        | _    | 1.50   |      |
| Columbia. (New). Pleasingly attractive pink        |      |        |      |
| and white. Upright habit, for border work.         |      |        |      |
| Dainty Lady. (New). Beautiful light yellow.        |      |        |      |
| Trade packets only                                 | 1.00 |        |      |
| Dwarf Fringed Lilac. Extra large, heavy blue       |      |        |      |
| veins on light ground                              | .75  |        |      |
| Fascination. Bright carmine-rose. 1/16 oz.,        |      |        |      |
| \$1.00; ½ oz., \$1.75                              |      |        |      |
| Gaiety. (New). Dwarf growth with daintily          |      |        |      |
| fringed pink and white flowers                     |      |        |      |
| Gottfried Michaelis. Amaranthered                  |      |        |      |
| Lace Veil. (New). Fringed dwarf. White             |      | 2.00   |      |
| Moculota. Attractive rose and white                |      | 1.50   |      |
| Pepito. Carmine and white. Dwarf                   | _    | 1.50   |      |
| Pink Triumph. Fringed rose-pink                    | .50  | .75    | 1.25 |
| Pride of Portland. Rose-pink                       | .50  | .75    | 1.25 |
| Romany Lass. Crimson                               | .50  | 1.25   |      |
| Fringed Royol Purple. (Marine). Rich deep          |      |        |      |
| purple. Comes fairly true to type                  | .75  | 1.50   | 2.75 |
| Setting Sun. Brilliant rose, compact growth.       |      |        |      |
| Valuable for pot plants                            |      | 1.50   | 2.50 |
| The Art. Boldly striped and blotched with bril-    |      |        |      |
| liant carmine-rose and purest white                | 1.00 |        |      |
| Theodosia. Rose-pink with gold throat              | .50  | 1.00   | 1.75 |
| White Beauty. Fringed. Clear white                 | .50  | .75    | 1.25 |
| Youth. In color this is a stripe of velvet violet- |      |        |      |
| blue and purest white                              |      |        |      |

### Petunias-

| Large Flowering Single Fring                    | ed Mixt | ures |
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|   | Tr.     | 1/32 |
|   | pkt.    | oz.  |
| A. B. C. Single Fringed. This is an extra free  |         |      |
| flowering, medium size fringed Grandiflora      |         |      |
| strain. We can not too strongly recommend       |         |      |
| it for growing young stock in flats 1/16        |         |      |
| az., \$1.50; ½ oz., \$2.50; ¼ oz., \$4.50       | \$0.50  |      |
| A. B. C. Grondiflara Fringed Mixed. A mixture   |         |      |
| of named Grandifloras, all of excellent colors, |         |      |
| medium tall growth. 1/16 oz., \$2.50; 1/8       |         |      |
| oz., \$4.00                                     | .50     | 1.50 |
| Fluffy Ruffles. We supply the original stock of |         |      |
| this finely fringed mixture                     | .50     | 1.25 |
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See page one far listing of All-Double Petunio, "Warld Beauty" and back cover for A. B. C. All-Double DeLuxe Mixture, also Double Carnatian-Flawered Mixed.

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#### Petunias-Diener's Original Strains

The following varieties are grown by the originator and are supplied in his original packets. In addition we can also supply all varieties listed

| by Diener at his catalog prices. |        |        |        |        |         |
|----------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
|                                  | Tr.    |        | 1/32   |        | 1/8     |
|                                  | pkt.   | OZ.    | OI.    | OZ.    | OI.     |
| Ruffled Monsters Mixed No. 8     | \$0.50 | \$2.50 | \$4.00 | \$8.00 | \$15.00 |
| Pink Glory No. 14. Pure flame    |        |        |        |        |         |
| rose-pink                        | .25    |        | 3.00   | 6.00   | 12.00   |
| Giant Pink Glary No. 19. An im-  |        |        |        |        |         |
| provement on Pink Glory          | .50    | 2.50   | 4.00   | 8.00   | 15.00   |
| Copper Red No. 41. A coppery     |        |        |        |        |         |
| red shade                        | .50    | 2.50   | 4.00   | 8.00   | 15.00   |
| Double Ruffled Monsters Mixed    |        |        |        |        |         |
| No. 38                           | 1.00   | 5.00   | 10.00  | 20.00  |         |
| Double Frilled Mixed No. 42      | 1.00   | 5.00   | 10.00  | 20.00  |         |
| Mauve, Heavily Veined with Roy-  |        |        |        |        |         |
| al Purple No. 20                 | .50    | 2.50   | 4.00   | 8.00   | 15.00   |
| Diener's Blue, Semi-Dwarf No. 11 | .25    |        | 3.00   | 6.00   | 12.00   |
| Salmon Color, Frilled No. 27     | .25    | 3.00   | 6.00   | 12.00  |         |
| White Beouty, Heavily Fringed    |        |        |        |        |         |
| No. 16                           | .25    |        | 3.00   | 6.00   | 12.00   |
| Pearl of Kentfield No. 9. Flesh- |        |        |        |        |         |
| pink frilled, with golden yellow |        |        |        |        |         |
| center, dwarf growing            | .25    |        | 3.00   | 6.00   | 12.00   |
| Purple and White No. 15          | .50    | 2.50   | 4.00   | 8.00   | 15.00   |
| Red, Dork Veined with Cool Block |        |        |        |        |         |
| Center, Ruffled Monster No. 5    | .50    | 2.50   | 4.00   | 8.00   | 15.00   |
| Pink, Ruffled Monster No. 1.     |        |        |        |        |         |
| Strong veined center. Flowers    |        |        |        |        |         |
| 6 to 8 inches in diameter        | .50    | 2.50   | 4.00   | 8.00   | 15.00   |



"Theodosio", Rose-Pink with Golden Center, Very Large and Exquisitely Fringed, Very Beautiful Tr. pkt. 50c, 1 64 oz. \$1.00, 1/32 az. \$1.75



New Petunia, "Mantebello" Extro Dwarf Single Fringed Beautiful "Lo France" Pink Tr pkt. \$1.00, 1 32 oz. \$3.50

|   |         | 1 64<br>oz. |        | 1 16     | 1 8      |  |
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| Flesh-Pink, Ruffled Monster No.                       |         |             |        |          | V = .    |  |
| 2. Heavy veined center. Flow-                         |         |             |        |          |          |  |
| ers 5 to 6 inches in diameter                         | \$0.50  | \$2.50      | \$4.00 | \$8.00   | \$15.00  |  |
| Jumbo Mixture of Ruffled Man-<br>ster Petunios No. 47 | 1.00    |             |        |          |          |  |
| Rose Color. An improved Rosy                          |         |             |        |          |          |  |
| Morn No. 22   | .25     |             | 3.00   | 6.00     | 12.00    |  |
| Note. All of the above named                          | l varie | ties are    | single | flowered | l unless |  |

#### Large Single Petunias

(Petunia Hybrida Grandiflora)

Ruffled and plain-edged varieties. Excellent for growing in beds or

| pots. The large blooms are produced very freel |             |             |             |
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| poss. The large produced very free             | Tr.<br>pkt. | 1/64<br>oz. | 1 32<br>oz. |
| Balcony Queen. Irregularly blotched purple and |             |             |             |
| white  | \$0.50      | \$1.25      | \$2.00      |
| "Blue Stor" (Eriksson's). Illustrated on front |             |             |             |
| cover. 1/16 oz., \$12.00                       | 1.00        | 3.50        | 6.50        |
| "Elk's Pride Improved," (See listing on next   |             |             |             |
| page under title of "Bountiful Strain" Port-   |             |             |             |
| land Petunias). (6 Tr. pkts., \$4.50; 3 Tr.    |             |             |             |
| pkts., \$2.50)                                 | 1.00        |             |             |
| Giont Steel Blue. Light blue, dark veins       | .50         |             | 1.25        |
| Kermesino. Extra large clear rose              | .75         | 1.25        | 2.00        |
| Dworf Pink Glory. Of perfect dwarf habit. Deep |             |             |             |
| rose. About 40 per cent true                   | .75         | 1.40        | 2.50        |
| Purple Prince                                  | .50         |             | 1.00        |
| Queen of the Market. Dark carmine              | .50         | 1.25        | 2.00        |
| Violacea. Violet and blue                      | .75         | 1.50        |             |
| White Cloud. Dwarf Bedding. Clear white        | .50         | 1.00        | 1.75        |
| Silver Seam. Dark blue with edge of petals     |             |             |             |
| clearly seamed white. 500 seeds, 75c.          |             |             |             |







New Petunia, "Mars" Extro Dwarf Single Fringed Tr. pkt., \$1.00; 1/32 az., \$3.50.

LARGE SINGLE PETUNIAS—Continued

1/64 1/32 oz. oz.

Dwarf Striped Glory. White ground, striped crimson. A new and fancy color ......\$0.75

Dwarf White Glory. The flowers are of the purest white and the uniformity of the dwarf compact growth is marvelous .....

#### "Bountiful Strain" Portland Petunias Single, Large Flowered

(Fringed and Ruffled)

#### Originatar Stroins, Seed from Hand Pollinated Plants

Free flowering strong upright growths. Now very popular with the trade. Especially "Elk's Pride," which is the most outstanding

of all purple varieties.

All flowers are hand pollinated and the seed carefully gathered by hand when ripe, not before, so that every seed has full germinative power. Colors run true almost without exception, but nature still seems to insist upon a small percentage of reverts to small flowers. Infinite care and time seem unable to eliminate this natural trait in Petunias.

Apple Blossom. Light pink.

Elk's Pride, Improved. Royal purple.

Lilac Beauty. Soft lilac.

Pride of Portland. Deep rose.

Ruffled Heliotrope. Soft heliotrope.

Scarlet Beouty. Bright scarlet.

White Beouty.

Mixed Colors.

Price, each af above:

Tr. pkt. \$1.00 3 tr. pkts....\$2.50

6 tr. pkts....\$4.50

#### Petunias—Balcony Type

Of heavy free growth and as profuse flowering as the Hybridas but with larger flowers. Though not of compact habit, the Balconies are showy for bedding as well as window boxes.

Alba, Blue, Crimson, Rase, Royal Purple, and Mixed. Tr. pkt., each, 25c; 1/8 oz., 65c; 1 oz., \$3.50.

Black Prince. (New). Rich velvety crimson red. A valuable new addition to Balcony Petunias. Tr. pkt., 35c; 1/16 az., 60c.

#### Spreading Type (Hybrida Small Flowered)

|  | Tr. pkt. |        | laz.   |
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| Alba. Free flowering white               | .\$0.15  | \$0.25 | \$0.75 |
| Blue Bee. Violet-blue                    | 25       | .40    | 1.50   |
| Carmen Sylva. Violet, white throat       | 20       | .40    | 1.25   |
| Countess of Ellsmere. Rose, white throat | 15       | .25    | .75    |
| General Dodds. Velvety blood-red         | 25       | .40    | 1.50   |
| Inimitable. Deep carmine, striped white  | 25       | .40    | 1.50   |
| Lord Courtenoy. Golden rose              | 20       | .35    | 1.25   |
| Violet Gem. Deep violet                  | 25       | .40    | 1.50   |
| Special Mixed                            | 25       | .50    | 1.50   |

#### Hybrida or Bedding Petunias

Dwarf Compact Type (1 ft.)

(Petunia Hybrida Nana Compocto Erecta) Considered the Mast Satisfactory Dworf Bedding Class

Celestial Rose, Impraved. (Originator's German Strain). This is a big improvement over that old favorite, Rose of Heaven. Beautiful, rich, satiny, deep rose and unusually free blooming. This originator's strain comes practically 100 per cent true. Our customers have been highly pleased with this Originator's German Strain. Tr. pkt., 50c; 1/4 oz., \$2.75; 1 oz., \$10.00.

Tr. pkt. 1/4 oz. Celestial Rose. American grown seed. A good average strain of this desirable variety. 1/8 oz., 75c .....\$0.35 \$1.25 \$4.00 Chicago Blue. A beautiful, rich-colored blue which withstands bad weather admirably. Highly recommended ..... (Continued on next poge).



Petunia, "Dainty Lody." Tr. pkt., \$1.00.



#### HYBRIDA OR BEDDING PETUNIAS-Continued Tr. pkt. 14 oz. 1 oz. Flaming Velvet. (New) Flaming velvet-red. Color similar to the new Black Prince which see under Balcony type Gold medal winner in All-America Trials, 1 16 az., \$2.00.\$0.40 Adonis. Purple-rose, white throat, small free flowering ...... .40 1.35 Adara. Rosy carmine with pure white star. 1/8 oz., \$3.00 ..... .50 5.00 Alderman. Clear deep violet-blue ..... .35 .60 Admiral. Clear wavy edged blue, compact habit .... .75 Blue Bedder. (Sutton's) Deep blue with some violet ...... 1.25 4.00 Blue Bird. Deep velvety purple-blue ..... .35 .75 2.50 Blue Perfection. Medium deep blue ..... .75 2.50 Cockotoo. Violet irregularly marked white. 1/8 oz., 75c ..... .35 1.25 Heavenly Blue. Light or silvery blue. Extra select stock. 1/8 oz., 85c.... 1.50 Little Blue Star. Clear blue with white star. 1/16 oz., $$1.75; \frac{1}{8} \text{ oz.}, $3.00...$ .50 Mikodo. Boldly striped with clear carmine-rose on snow-white ground ... 1.00 3.50 Violet-blue, white star. Choice dwarf variety .25 .50 1.50 Rose of Heoven. Well known rose-pink ..... .50 1.75

#### New Petunia Ruffled nana compacta, "Martha Washington"

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Rosy Morn. Fairly deep rose with white throat .....

Senotor. Violet with white throat .....

A new break in Petunias. Martha Washington is a ruffled or frilled nana compacta. Its growth is about 9 inches high and it forms a perfect ball effect, literally smothered with lovely frilled blooms about 3 inches in diameter. Its neat, compact habit has never before been seen in Petunias

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Rose Gem. (New). Clear deep rose. Tr. pkt., 35c; 1 64 oz., \$1.25.

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#### Giant Fringed Dwarf Mixed

Same type as "World Beauty" illustrated on page one, but in choicest mixture. This notable strain produces 100 per cent Double Flowering Petunias mostly of the Giant-Fringed Type; the percentage of somewhat smaller flowering Doubles does not, as a rule, exceed 25 per cent; the remainder will be all large flowering fringed Doubles. The flowers are very large, often measuring 5 inches across, exquisitely ruffled and fringed, and contain a good range of brilliant colors. In addition to their desirability for pot plants and bedding they likewise provide valuable summer cut flowers for the retail grower.

| 1/2 tr. pkt. (500 seeds)\$ | 1.00  |
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| Tr. pkt. (1000 seeds)      | 2.00  |
| 3 tr. pkts                 | 5.00  |
| 1'64 az                    | 6.00  |
| 1 32 07                    | 11.00 |

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| Tr. pkt. (1000 seeds) | <br>\$1.25 |
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| 5000 seeds            | <br>5.00   |

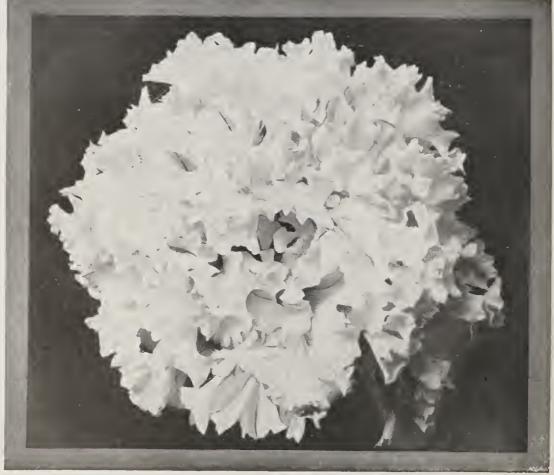
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Dear Sirs: Among my trials of about 15 varieties of flowers from seeds furnished by you this season, several of which have been more than satisfactory, I wish to advise that the A. B. C. "De Luxe" Double Mixed Petunias which were planted October 14th, began blooming early in February, and the bed is still a riot of color. They came 100 per cent double; about 80 per cent being super-double and frilled, with a splendid range of colors and color combinations, the remaining 20 per cent being fully doubled. I have won 2 first prizes at flower shows with exhibits from this planting. For the amateur gardener, its the best Petunia I have ever seen. Yours truly,

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