

## 2. Tripsacum Collected in Colombia, Ecuador, and Venezuela.

On the corn collecting trips in the Andean region of South America, the field collectors have been on the look-out for *Tripsacum* growing wild. It has been found growing in six locations in Colombia, five in Venezuela, and one in Ecuador. These locations are:

	Elevation in meters.
<u>Colombia.-</u>	
1. El Morro, Cajambre, and Buenaventura. Valle	40
2. Joaquinquito, Naya, and Buenaventura, Valle	8
3. Marcelo, Calima, and Buenaventura. Valle	25
4. Rio Dulce, and Villeta. Cundinamarca	980
5. El Dinde, La Plata, and Rio Paez. Huila	950 - 1100
6. Afueras Gramalote. Santander del Norte	1020
<u>Ecuador.-</u>	
1. Kilometer 106, Railroad Guayaquil-Quito, Huigra, and Naranjapata.	550
<u>Venezuela.-</u>	
1. Kilometer 19, Highway San Cristobal-San Antonio. Tachira	880
2. Highway La Quinta-Seboruco, Rio la Grita. Tachira	800
3. Las Cruces, Eijido-Parroquia. Merida	1180
4. Confluente Momboy-Motatan, near Valera. Trujillo	500
5. Kilometer 18, Quiriquire-Maturin. Monagas	70

Herbarium specimens of all the *Tripsacums* found are kept at the Facultad de Agronomia, Medellin, Colombia and duplicate specimens are sent to the USA for identification. The studies of identification have not yet been completed. Living specimens from Colombia and Ecuador are growing at the Experiment Station "Tulio Ospina", Medellin. Those from Venezuela were transplanted on the Experiment Station Farm of the Instituto Nacional de Agricultura, Maracay, Venezuela. It is planned to transfer living specimens of these to Medellin in the near future so that all of the *Tripsacums* found in the Andean region will be brought together at one place and propagated for the convenience of anyone who is interested in studying them.