

Jan. 22, 1951.

Dear Richard:

We are all sorry that you are laid up with malaria, but we trust you are now in the pink "not the red".

To answer your questions:

1. There are about 950 orchid species (and 15 varieties) listed in the Flora of Costa Rica.

2. Schlechter lists 838 orchid species from Peru and I have over 925.

2. Schlechter lists 1293 orchid species from Colombia, and I fancy that the latter country will have a definite superiority, as it includes many species coming down from Central America (especially Panama).

We are having a very mild winter as the last two years, but more skating than recently.

Dr. Mangelson is now in Cuba + Florida till Feb.

We are busy preparing for the 50th meeting of the N. E. Bot. Club next month.

Doubtless Peru will ultimately be found to have far more orchids than Costa Rica, as it is relatively little known.

Greetings & best wishes from the Museum botanists.

Cordially,

Charles S.



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