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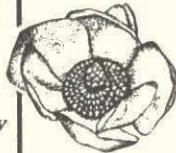
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Charter member Peter Sugawara, owner of Monte Bello Nursery, 1325 Fremont, Los Altos, Ca. 94022 sent this Polaroid photo of a flower of *Manglietia insignis* growing in a fifteen gallon container in his nursery. Pete writes: "The tree is about ten feet tall, with a three inch caliper. It was grafted by propagator Frank Chiappino on *Magnolia acuminata* root stock in 1969, and bloomed in 1974. Although defoliated by three days of nineteen degree temperatures in 1972, it recovered quickly. The bud was enclosed in a single sheathing bract, or 'false calyx' that curled slowly backward and dropped off just before the flower opened."