A handsome small plant previously known only from Costa Rica.

Notylia Cordesii L. O. Williams, sp. nov. (pl. 21, figs. 3-4). Herba epiphytica, parva. Folia aequantia, lineari-lanceolata vel lanceolata, acuta vel acuminata. Pseudobulbus parvus, complanatus, unifoliatus. Inflorescentia subumbellata; bracteae scariosae, lanceolatae, acutae vel acuminatae. Sepalum dorsale lineari-lanceolatum, acuminatum, trinervium. Sepala lateralia linearia, acuminata, uni- vel binervia. Petala sepalo dorsali similia sed angustiora, basi trinervia. Labellum unguiculatum; unguis medio biauriculatus; lamina hastata, acuminata; lobi laterales recurvi, serrulati. Columna generis.

A small epiphytic herb. Leaves equitant, laterally flattened, linear-lanceolate to lanceolate, acute or acuminate, sessile, 4-6 cm. long, 3-5 mm. broad (laterally). Pseudobulbs small, complanate, inclosed in the bases of leaves, unifoliolate, 1-1.5 cm. long. Inflorescence a subumbellate raceme, simple or branched; scape from the base of a pseudobulb, slender, about 4-6 cm. long, with several infundibuliform bracts; bracts of the inflorescence scarious, lanceolate, acute or acuminate, about 1.5-2 mm. long, spreading. Pedicels filiform, spreading, with the ovary about 6 mm. long. Dorsal sepal linear-lanceolate, acuminate, 3-nerved, about 10 mm. long and 1.5 mm. broad. Lateral sepals linear, acuminate, slightly oblique, 1-2nerved, about 12-13 mm. long and 1 mm. broad. Petals similar to the dorsal sepal but slightly narrower, 3-nerved at the base, 1-nerved above. Lip arising at the base of the column but free from it, long-unguiculate, the claw about 4 mm. long, thickened and biauriculate at a point half way between the base of the lip and the lateral lobes, the thickening papillosepubescent on the anterior side; blade of the lip hastate, acuminate, about 4 mm. long and 2 mm. broad, the lateral lobes recurved, serrulate, the apex strongly acuminate. Column slender, about 3 mm. long, characteristic of the genus.—BOCAS DEL Toro: epiphytic, Mosquito Hill, Aug. 12-16, 1938, (comm. by Dr. H. Cordes to) Woodson, Allen & Seibert 1932 (Herb. Missouri Bot. Garden, TYPE).

Notylia Cordesii is allied to several of the Central American species of the genus, among them N. bicolor Lindl., N. linearis A. & S., N. ramonensis Schltr., and N. Wullschlaegeliana Rehb.f. It is most closely allied to the last of these, N. Wullschlaegeliana, from which it may be distinguished as a larger plant with distinctly larger leaves and flowers; by having the lip entirely free from the column; by having the auricles near the middle of the claw instead of at the base.

It is a pleasure to name this fine little orchid for Dr. Cordes, who has shown much interest in the flora of Panama.