Smoothee has shown much russetting in our orchard. Other Golden types, Sungold, Badami Golden Delicious, Blushing Golden and Prime Gold, all of which have fruited, are seedlings and not sports. They show less russet, but their quality is a little different from Golden Delicious; and for this reason, I would guess they will never go. Other seedlings, Honeygold and Ozark, which have fruited, develop considerable russet here."

-G. M. Kessler

A. P. S. Sponsored Apple Book Ready for Publication

A book entitled, "North American Apples: Rotstocks, Outlook," sponsored by A. P. S., and edited by W. H. Upshall (president of A. P. S. 1961 and 1962), will be published in late November of this year. It will consist of about 200 pages and numerous illustrations. The subjects and authors of the different chapters are as follows:

(1) Introduction and a historic view of apple introductions to North America—by A. P. French.

(2) Varieties of Yesteryear—by A.

P. French.

(3) Trends in Current Apple Varieties—by E. C. Wilcox.

(4) Delicious—by Virginia Maas.

- (5) Golden Delicious—by Virginia Maas.
 - (6) Jonathan—by R. P. Larsen.
- (7) McIntosh—by W. H. Upshall. (8) Northern Spy—by W. H. Upshall.
 - (9) Rome—J. B. Mowry.

(10) Winesap—E. S. Degman.

- (11) York Imperial—H. A. Rollins, Ir.
- (12) Rootstocks in Relation to Apple Cultivars—R. F. Carlson.

(13) Apple Orchards of Tomorrow

—by H. A. Rollins, Jr.

"North American Apples" should prove useful and interesting to fruit growers, pomologists, nurserymen, teachers, and to anyone else with a special interest in the apple.

Although the price for the book has not yet been set, it is not too early to send your orders for it to the publisher, Michigan State University Press, Box 550, East Lansing, Mich. 48823.—R. F. Carlson, Chairman, Editorial Committee, A. P. S.

Holly Apple from Ohio

Holly, a late Delicious type apple, was released by the Ohio Agr. Research and Development Center, of Ohio State University, at Wooster, on June 30, 1970. A cross between Jonathan and Delicious, it is completely covered with deep, bright red, resembles Delicious in shape, but has less prominent points at the calyx end. Holly is juicy and sweet in flavor, although more tart than Delicious. It matures about eight days after Delicious and its sports at Wooster. It becomes ripe in storage between January and February, and shows less of a tendency to become mealy in storage than Delicious. The original tree of Holly began to bear at Wooster after eight years in the orchard.

Holly was developed by F. S. Howlett, who retired on the very day it was introduced. Dr. Howlett made the original cross for Holly in 1952, and the unnamed seedling was first planted at Wooster in 1954.

Spur-Type Golden Delicious

Spur-type Golden Delicious strains of apple were dropped from their recommended list of varieties for 1970 by the Summerland Research Station in British Columbia. This decision was based on accumulating evidence that the compact growth character of many of the strains is unstable, and the fact that indexing at Summerland has revealed that there are currently no strains free from the rubbery wood virus.