

A REVERSE MUTATION IN THE FISHER PEACH

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Peach grower Joseph Peay, Goodlettsville, Tenn., has a branch on one of his trees of the Fisher variety which in 1947 and 1948 ripened about a month later than Fisher. The fruit is fully free-stone, but otherwise like the Fisher. By all appearances it is a reversion to the Valiant variety, from which the Fisher originated by mutation. Has anyone else seen such a case of "reverse sporting" in the Fisher or any of the other bud sport peach varieties?



ARROWHEAD STRAWBERRY

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The Arrowhead strawberry appears to be a promising new variety. Mr. Emil Soderlund of Excelsior, a grower of considerable experience says this variety looks good to him. He has produced some fine Arrowhead berries for market in recent years. —W.P.J.

12 GRAPE VARIETIES THRIVE IN SOUTHERN NEW MEXICO

Several varieties which are crosses of American and European species seem well suited to commercial plantings. One of these, the Extra, is a heavy yielder of a medium-sized, sweet, thin-skinned black berries, with good shipping qualities. Another is Lindley, a red grape of the highest quality, *viniifera* type with the mellow foxiness of the *labrusca* grape. Goethe is another red variety that is a pleasing combination of the American and European types.

Among the American grapes, the California Concord maintains its position as the most versatile of grapes by yielding a heavy crop of medium-sized, black berries, with the famed Concord flavor. This grape is suited for either home or commercial plantings, and ranks first in the production of grape juice. It also makes excellent jelly and wine.

The heaviest yielding of the European varieties was the Black Hamburg, with some clusters a foot long. The berries are large, juicy and sweet, and are tinted red over a white ground color. This variety, unsurpassed as a

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