## Reviews and Abstracts

New Strawberry Varieties. 1954. Bul. 762

New Raspberry Varieties. 1954. Bul. 763

New Blackberry Varieties. 1954. Bul. 764

By George L. Slate. N. Y. Agr. Exp. Sta.

The most recent varieties of strawberry, raspberry and blackberry introduced by the New York Agricultural Experiment Station are described in detail.

The varieties included in these three very attractive bulletins are as follows: Strawberry: Eden and Erie (June

bearers).

Raspberry: September (red everbearer), and Amber (yellow June bearer).

Blackberry: Bailey and Hedrick.

All of the above varieties are beautifully and realistically illustrated with colored photographs.

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Weeds. 1955. By W. C. Muenscher. Macmillan Co., N. Y. 2nd Ed. 560 pages. \$10.

This is the second edition of a book on weeds, originally published in 1935, and now brought up-to-date. It deals first with the general characteristics of weeds, and the grouping of weeds according to the situations in which they are found. Secondly, Dr. Muenscher very exactingly describes 575 weeds, gives their distribution, and recommends control measures for each. There are over 300 illustrations of weeds. A glossary of terms and botanical key are also provided for purposes of identification.

Almost all horticulturists are concerned with the problem of weed control and could profitably use this fine

reference book on weeds.

Johnny Appleseed Man and Myth. 1954. By Robert Price. Indiana Univ. Press, Bloomington. 320 pages. \$5.00.

If you have an interest in American history and folklore as well as in horticulture, then you will enjoy this book about John Chapman alias Johnny Appleseed, an early American nurseryman and pioneer.

You will find this book very scholarly and yet very readable. It is the product of 25 years of searching into the origin, life and legend of a man. "Johnny Appleseed" is well authenticated, well-written, and very much worth reading.

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Modern Systematic Pomology. 1955. By Quentin B. Zielinski. Wm. C. Brown Co., Dubuque, Iowa. 296 pages. \$5.00.

There has long been a need for a new text on the systematic study of fruit species, types and varieties. "Modern Systematic Pomology" is now available to meet this need in the high schools and colleges.

Most of the important fruits and nuts of the world are classified into related groups. The major fruit species and types are then described and their origins traced. The author devotes very little space to describing varieties because he feels the variety picture is so changeable.

This book includes over 100 illustrations, an extensive glossary of terms, and very helpful lists of references. Everyone with a serious interest in fruits should have this book on his shelf.