

Reviews and Abstracts

Vegetable Production and Marketing.

1955. By Paul Work and John Caw-
rew. John Wiley & Sons, Inc., N. Y.
537 pages. \$4.72.

This second edition of "Vegetable Production and Marketing" should provide fruit growers who wish to diversify, and others, with a very useful guide for the growing of vegetable crops.

Being keenly aware of the increasing demand on the part of the distributor and consumer for a vegetable pack of high quality and uniformity, the authors have devoted considerable space to the selection of the best varieties, and to the problems of proper harvesting, handling, grading, packing and storage. They have also added much new information concerning chemical weed control, the use of "hormones" and the latest methods of culture.



Practical Horticulture. 1955. By J. S. Shoemaker and B. J. E. Teskey. John Wiley & Sons, Inc., N. Y. 374 pages. \$4.20.

This book of horticulture is very down-to-earth, straightforward. It was written for the gardener and the high school student, and is concerned with the major groups of horticultural crops—flowers, ornamental trees and shrubs, vegetables and fruits. Each chapter deals with an important crop or group of crops with sufficient detail to provide the gardener or student with a very satisfactory guide for the growing of each crop.

The authors have succeeded in keeping their book simple and readable and free from the clutter of unnecessary detail, so that the novice will find it easy to follow.



American Pomological Society Meeting

The American Pomological Society met jointly with the New York Horticultural Society in January in Rochester, New York, as planned. I believe most of the members of the A. P. S. who attended the meeting came away with renewed enthusiasm and determination to continue their activities in the Society. All seemed to agree that evaluation of fruit varieties, the dissemination of information concerning varieties, initiation of variety surveys, and standardization of fruit variety nomenclature, should continue to be among the prime objectives of the A. P. S.

Stanley Johnston, of Michigan State University, expressed grave concern about the lack of interest in fruit breeding among young horticulturists. He urged that the Society consider ways in which young people might be attracted toward this field of work.

It was generally felt that good progress was being made with the **FRUIT VARIETIES** and **HORTICULTURAL DIGEST**, and we should consider enlarging this publication during the coming year.

It is hoped that more folks will become active members of the American Pomological Society.—*Editor*