

infection in the one tree of PI 304929; the typical brown plate was present at the union, but the tree exhibited no foliage or other symptoms (1).

Trees on 'Manson,' 'Sapa' and apricot seedlings were highly variable. Among trees on apricot seedling stocks, the largest was 3 times as large as the smallest; there was similar variability among trees on 'Manson.' Three of the trees on 'Sapa' were not thrifty from the beginning of the trial, and died before its completion. The 4 trees on PI 304921 were relatively uniform in size, yield and efficiency; these trees were about 80% as large as those on seedling roots.

The 'Alfred' fruit on the seedling-rooted trees ripened unevenly, requiring usually 3 pickings. Trees on apricot seedlings and on PI 304921, matured fruit 4 to 7 days later than trees on other stocks.

Although not as dwarfing as the PYO operator needs, PI 304921 merits further testing as a semi-vigorous stock for apricots. 'Manson,' 'Sapa,' PI 304928 and PI 304930 appear to have no promise as stocks for 'Alfred' apricot. Although BBX-1 had high mortality in this trial, it merits testing in more climatically favored locations such as Long Island.

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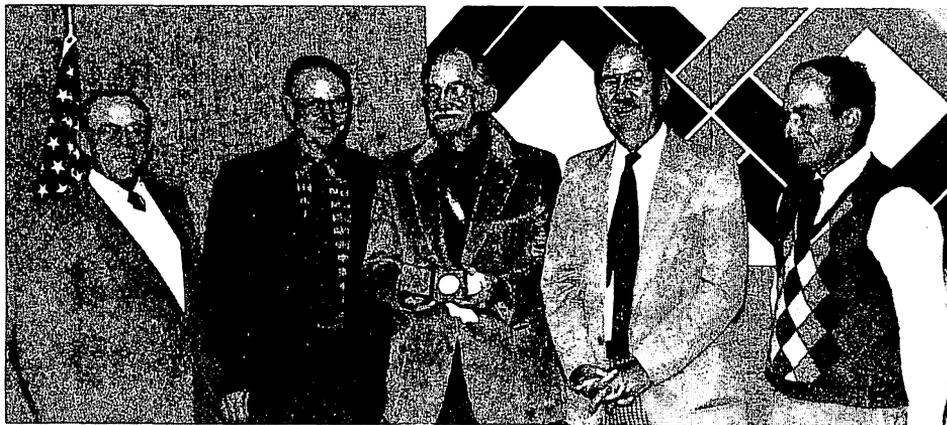
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W. D. "Army" Armstrong Presented the Wilder Medal

W. D. Armstrong, retired Extension Pomologist, University of Kentucky, was singled out for his contributions to his profession by the American Pomological Society and presented the Marshall Pinckney Wilder Silver Medal. The medal was presented

March 14, 1985 at the annual meeting of the Midwest Peach Pruning Conference by APS president, Kenneth W. Hanson. Preceding the presentation, four speakers outlined briefly some of the contributions Army has made to the fruit industry.



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