

and unusual form are generally appreciated.

Sweet juice grapes are those varieties of which the juice produces an acceptable beverage when it is preserved by pasteurization or germproof filtration. The juice must retain the natural fresh-grape flavor. Most vinifera (California) varieties lose their fresh flavor and acquire an unpleasant cooked taste. The strong-flavored American varieties, particularly the Concord, are less affected by pasteurization. This fact largely accounts for the general use of the Concord for juice in the United States.

The Thompson Seedless is the only variety which is commonly used in canning for the production of fruit salad and fruit cocktail.

Cultural Information

This article continues with a rather complete discussion of cultural and pruning methods, disease and insect control, harvesting of the crop, and wine making.

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GROWING GRAPES IN IOWA

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Although this bulletin is apparently intended to cover the entire subject of grape production, eleven of its thirteen pages of text are concerned with pruning and training. Brief notes are included on varieties, planting, soil management, and insects and diseases.

Varities

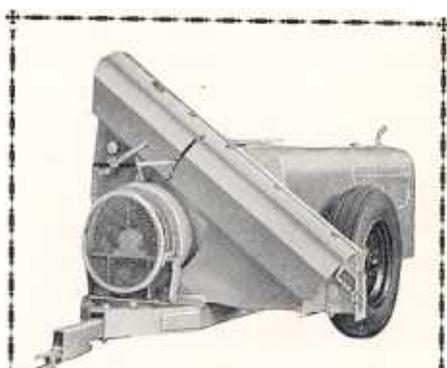
Concord is the leading grape in Iowa and should comprise 90 percent of com-

mercial plantings and 75 percent of any home planting. Fredonia, ripening about two weeks before Concord, is worthy of trial.

Beta is a small blue grape which is hardy even in northern Iowa. It is suitable for juice and jelly making.

Red and white varieties are not reliably hardy, even in southern Iowa.

—W. P. J.



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