

Eden Strawberry from New York

The strawberry selection, N. Y. 24248, has been named Eden. Growers and nurseries who have this variety under number may now distribute it as Eden without restriction. The undersigned requests those who have plants to sell to inform him, and to indicate whether plants will be shipped or whether they are sold only for delivery at the farm. There are no plants available from the Station and we need the names of growers to whom we may refer inquiries for plants.

Eden is being introduced primarily as a processing berry. In tests at the Station, it has made a satisfactory sliced frozen product. Tests by commercial processors indicate that the variety is satisfactory for preserving and canning. A canner reported that Eden was very easily hulled and "after processing

color was very good and excellent flavor." The flavor is rather tart for a good dessert berry.

The plants are vigorous, healthy and propagate rapidly. It is one of the more productive berries. The berries maintain the size well through the season. They are wedge conic to conic, attractive, glossy, medium to slightly dark red, firm, red to center, tart, fair to good. The skin is tough, seeds are yellow, and even with the surface of the berry. The first picking is with or slightly before Sparkle.

Eden was produced by crossing Dresden with Fairfax in 1940. Plants will be available from cooperating growers in the Spring of 1952.

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(McDaniel's, for instance) is another thing not sanctioned in a variety name. The editor can supply a copy of the code to any breeder or prospective introducer not already familiar with its provisions.

Can any reader furnish true to name scions of the Kawakami persimmon variety mentioned here in the issue before last? We have had

an inquiry on it from a Pennsylvania member, who is also interested in locating the Bennett variety of kaki persimmon, which originated in Newark, New Jersey.

Another minor fruit about which we've had several inquiries is the common pawpaw (*Asimina triloba*), not to be confused with the tropical papaya (*Carica papaya*.) Who can furnish scions of named varieties or select trees of pawpaw?—J. C. McD.