

Blackjon are two well known sports of Jonathan, whose names may be confused with those of the two from Idaho which are the result of crossing Jonathan with Wagener. (Note that the last-mentioned variety isn't spelled "Wagner.")

In an earlier issue, we just missed publishing a "Firestone" apple, which might have taken its place alongside the "Rubber" grape. But the third proofreader changed it back to "Fireside," and he's still driving on old tires.—J.C.McD.

### *Three Recent Peach Introductions from the Ontario Station*

**Somervee Peach.** (Sdlg. 39011). Named and introduced in 1950. From a cross of Halehaven and Oriole. Somervee ripens 3 to 4 days after Erlyvee (see below), or about a week after Mayflower. An "average" date for Vineland would be August 1st. Because of this earliness, plus yellow flesh and good quality, Somervee attracted the immediate attention of growers several of whom now have bearing trees. Orchard performance appears to be good. The trees bear well, require thinning. The fruit is medium size, yellow flesh, clingstone, and of good quality for so early a variety. In appearance the fruit is round, well colored, attractive.

**Erlyvee Peach.** (Sdlg. 350113). Named and introduced in 1949. Erlyvee matures just after Mayflower and before Somervee. Early season is its chief value. Erlyvee is a seedling of Golden Jubilee and was first selected in 1941. One grower planted 100 trees in 1943 and these have borne good crops since

1947. Tree characters are good. It bears heavily and requires heavy thinning. The fruit is fair size only, this being its chief weakness. The fruit is highly colored, attractive. Flesh yellow, semi-freestone, fair quality.

**Vesper Peach.** (Sdlg. 290159). Named and introduced in 1949. Vesper is a late variety for growers who wish to extend the Elberta season. It ripens about 5 days after Elberta. Vesper is a cross of J. H. Hale and Vedette, and was sent out for grower trial, under the number 290159, in 1939. One Essex county grower now has 1,000 bearing trees, and reports very favorably. The tree is fair vigour only, Elberta bud hardness, susceptible to bacterial leaf spot in some seasons. It bears regularly. The fruit is well-colored, attractive, medium to large size, yellow flesh, freestone, good quality, hangs well to the tree.—Taken from the Report for 1949 and 1950 of the Horticultural Experiment Station, Vineland Station, Ontario.