

performed well under the conditions of this test have shown promise as wine grapes, none are now being recommended as table grapes or for processing of unfermented juice. However, Seibel 5898 and Seibel 8357 may have potential in blends of processed juice, and Seibel 11803 and Meridian 17 show promise as table grape varieties. Many of the French Hybrid grapes are reported to be very susceptible to diseases, although no particular disease problems have appeared in the Clarksville vineyard under a routine spray program. Perhaps the greatest value of these varieties would be in their use as parents in a breeding program. Many of the northern varieties which are not adapted to hot, dry conditions have desirable fruit qualities. It should be possible, through controlled breeding, to develop adapted varieties having good fruit quality.

Sundar and Nuevo Peaches

The 'Sundar' peach is being commercially released in 1965 by the California Citrus Research Center and Agricultural Experiment Station at Riverside. It is a large, juicy, white-fleshed freestone which ripens in mid-September in southern California. Its winter-chilling requirement is moderately short, and is therefore suitable for warm-winter climates. Dr. J. W. Lesley, Professor Emeritus, developed it from crosses involving Prenda, Late Champion, Elberta, and Peento.

In 1961 Dr. Lesley introduced his 'Nuevo.' However, this is a large, yellow-fleshed, clingstone for canning, ripening in late August to early September. It, too, has a low winter-chilling requirement, being similar to Rubidoux in this respect.

—R. M. Brooks

Glenn Thomas, of Stark Bros., Passes Away

When Glenn Thomas died this past summer, we lost a highly regarded horticulturist and highly respected member of the church and community.

He graduated from Michigan State College in 1917 with a degree in Landscape Architecture. He joined the Stark Bros. organization that year, and remained with them until his death, 47 years later. He was in charge of the Mail Order Department at the time of his passing.

Glenn was a life member of APS and the Masons, active in his church, the Boy Scout movement, the Red Cross, United Fund, and other worthy activities.

—G. M. Kessler

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