

the importance of single-word names, a note on the extent to which the rule has been followed in recent years should be of interest to peach growers generally. Accordingly, the names of new peach varieties included in the forthcoming issue of the Proceedings of the American Pomological Society have been arranged according to the number of words per name. The list includes 937 names, so it may be looked upon as a fair sample of the trend in naming varieties. The following table is self-explanatory:

| Number of words<br>in the name | Number of<br>Varieties |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|
|                                | 427                    |
| 2                              | 407                    |
| 3                              | 90                     |
|                                | 10                     |
| 5                              | 3                      |
|                                | 937                    |

It will be seen from the above summary that we have not adhered very rigidly to the rule as stated. The trend in peaches seems to be similar to the practice with other crops—in fact, if we look into the hybrid corn field we see combinations that take on the general appearance of chemical or mathematical formulas. There is no doubt about a single-word name being convenient. On the other hand, some have not hesitated to use a name with four words in it, and three varieties have five words in the name. This provision in the Code is of long standing, and those who are naming varieties are urged to simplify matters as far as possible and not go beyond two-word names except in rare instances.

TWO NEW APPLES, PAYETTE and IDAGOLD, desirable products of the apple breeding studies of the Idaho station, were offered to the fruit growers of the State. Payette, obtained from a cross between Wagener and Ben Davis, is a red winter apple, and Idagold, a cross between Wagener and Esopus Spitzenburg, is a winter apple of rich golden color.

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