

# American Pomological Society Annual Meeting

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The 83rd annual meeting of the American Pomological Society was held on Dec. 12 and 13, 1968, at Lake Delton, Wisconsin, together with Wisconsin Apple and Horticultural Council and the Minnesota Fruit Growers Association. Some of the more important items of business transacted were as follows:

## Awards:

*Wilder Medals* for 1968 were awarded to the following men for their significant contributions in the breeding of stone fruits:

(1) Fred Anderson, private fruit breeder, of Medesto, California.

(2) John H. Weinberger, of the U. S. D. A. Field Station at Fresno, California.

*Shepard Awards* for outstanding writing in Vol. 22 of *Fruit Var. and Hort. Digest* to:

(1) George F. Waldo, for "Blackberry Breeding Involving Native Pacific Coast Parentage."

(2) Wilson Popenoe, for "Deciduous Fruit Varieties for Tropical America."

*John Bregger Awards* for best papers by college students on subjects related to varieties and their improvement to:

(1) Ronald Smith, University of Georgia, first prize (\$25) for his paper entitled, "Origin and Development of Fruit Tree Varieties in America."

(2) Joseph W. Chapman, University of Georgia, second prize (\$15) for his paper entitled, "The Origin and Development of the Pecan in America."

## Future meetings:

A summer meeting will be held

once again in conjunction with the American Society for Horticultural Science, this time in Pullman, Wash., in August, 1969.

The next annual meeting will take place Dec. 10 and 11, 1969, together with the Arkansas State Horticultural Society, in Fort Smith.

The following annual meeting is scheduled for December, 1970, in Ontario, Canada, with the Niagara Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association.

## Fruit Varieties and Hort. Digest:

An editorial committee will be named at the coming summer meeting to assist the editor.

The charge for single back-issues of the *Digest* will be \$1.25, beginning with Vol 24 No. 1 (Jan. 1970).

**Register of New Fruit and Nut Varieties:** A. P. S. will continue to provide financial support to the Register, which is prepared annually by H. Olmo and published in the *Proceedings of the Amer. Soc. for Hort. Science*. The amount of this support will be determined by the Executive Committee.

## McIntosh Revival?

Because of numerous weaknesses of the McIntosh apple, New England growers had, not too long ago, been talking of replacing this fine old variety. However, C. L. Calahan, of University of Vermont now tells us that McIntosh planting in New England is increasing. Apparently excellent scab controlling chemicals, stop drop sprays, and cell cartons are keeping the old McIntosh variety very much in the picture.