SUGGESTED NEW VARIETIES OF SMALL FRUITS FOR TRIAL PLANTING IN THE NORTHWEST

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These are new varieties, a few of which have been tried but many of which have not been grown but are suggested because they may have future possibilities in the Northwest.

STRAWBERRIES

Blakemore - One of the best for frozen pack, preserving and early market along middle Atlantic seaboard. It has been found unsatisfactory for these purposes in the Willamette Valley, but has shown promise east of the Cascade Mountains.

British Sovereign - Among the leading varieties grown in British Columbia and is a general market berry.

Corvallis - Developed at Oregon Experiment Station and has been more widely tested than other varieties on this list. It has excellent canning and frozen pack possibilities and is very vigorous.

Dorsett - New U.S.D.A. introduction and is attracting considerable interest in Middle Atlantic States because of its high dessert quality.

Fairfax - Introduced along with the Dorsett and also of high quality. It is a much firmer berry but not so vigorous.

Kanner King - A new canning variety from Michigan.

Naricessa - Another new U.S.D.A. introduction also of high quality. It has been tested to some extent in the Northwest. It is very productive and gives an early crop of very uniform berries.

Redheart - U.S.D.A. recent introduction - picking season with the Marshall. It is found to be vigorous, productive with berries dark red in color and very firm. It is slightly tart for dessert but has good quality. In canning its appearance is good but the flavor deteriorates.

Royal Sovereign - the leading variety of England - grown to a limited extent in British Columbia.

Rockhill - (everbearing) - has highest quality of any everbearing variety. It fruits steadily during late summer.
RASPBERRIES (Red)

Chief - New introduction of Minnesota Station. Hardy and vigorous, but does not equal Cuthbert as a canning variety.

Latham - An earlier introduction from Minnesota station. It is also hardy and vigorous. It crops a little later than the Chief but does not equal the Cuthbert quality.

Newburgh - New introduction of New York station. It is very productive, vigorous and has high quality in New York.

Lloyd George - The leading red raspberry of England. It has been tested to some extent in the Northwest. It is fairly good canned and fruits in the fall as well as in the summer.

Viking - New introduction of Ontario station. It is found to be vigorous, productive and having high quality in Ontario and Michigan.

RASPBERRIES (Purple)

Potomac - New U.S.D.A. introduction - very disease resistant in the Middle Atlantic States.

BLACKBERRIES and DEWBERRIES

Cosmo - An introduction of P. W. Meredith of Oregon City. It is similar to the Youngberry but not as hardy.

Youngberry - Now being quite generally tested in the Northwest and produces large high quality fruit. It appears to be quite hardy to winter conditions.

Thornless Youngberry - same as the above but without thorns.

Thornless Evergreen - same as common Oregon Evergreen but without thorns.

GOOSEBERRIES

Poorman - An old variety but little tried in Oregon. It is apparently as good or better than Oregon Champion for canning.

CURRANTS

Viking - White Pine Blister rust resistant variety from Norway. It is of the Red Dutch type.

BLUEBERRIES

On locations and on soils adapted to blueberry growing, the following Whitesbog, N. J. varieties may be tried: Cabot, Concord, Harding, Katherine, Pioneer, Sam, Rancocas, Rubel and Scammel.