

1. Gathered Jan. 9 and cut Jan. 11 (kept in cool basement).
2. Gathered Jan. 14 after -10 degrees on Jan. 10 and -4 degrees and high of 20 degrees Jan. 11-14. Cut 1-15.
3. Gathered Jan. 19 after -12 degrees on Jan. 17.

N.C. - Not Counted

Thirty (30) other varieties sampled Jan. 25-27 for the first time, are listed below:

These 22 varieties showed no live fruit buds (Jan. 25-27): Harbelle, KY #10, Velvet, Sentinel, Winblo, S.H. 5616-003, Monroe, Glohaven, Cresthaven, Marqueen, Jerseyqueen, Golden Monarch, Elberta, Redskin, B-7020, KY #11, Row 6 tree 3, Whynot, Baby Gold 5, Sunhigh, Triogem, and Chas. Beyer #3.

These 8 showed some live fruit buds: Stoner, 19%; Harrow4219 6%; Prairie Dawn, 4%; Pekin, 3%; Goldgem, 3%; Harrow 593, 2%; Troy, 1%; and Rubired, 1%.

In all: 53 varieties and selections were sampled.

Ralph Kreider

PIPHER'S PERSIMMON  
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In August of 1982, I heard of a good persimmon, and decided to check it out in early October. The tree is located about a dozen miles north of Decatur, IL, less than a block north of Cerro Gordo High School. This 14 inch diameter, tall stately tree is reported to be near 80 years old. I could have walked under it forty years before.

Fruit compares favorably with the named persimmons I have growing. Killen, at its largest, would only be medium sized compared with fruit from Pipher's tree. The fruit ripens from mid-September to the end of October.

This is flat land around here; Cerro Gordo got its Spanish name from being the highest point between St. Louis and Chicago along the railroad track.

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BITS AND PIECES  
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A. "Bishop" Clayton of Madisonville, Kentucky, says that he has a couple of sprouts for me of a very good quality red plum. He got it from a neighbor in the Hanson, KY area. I have not seen the fruit.

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