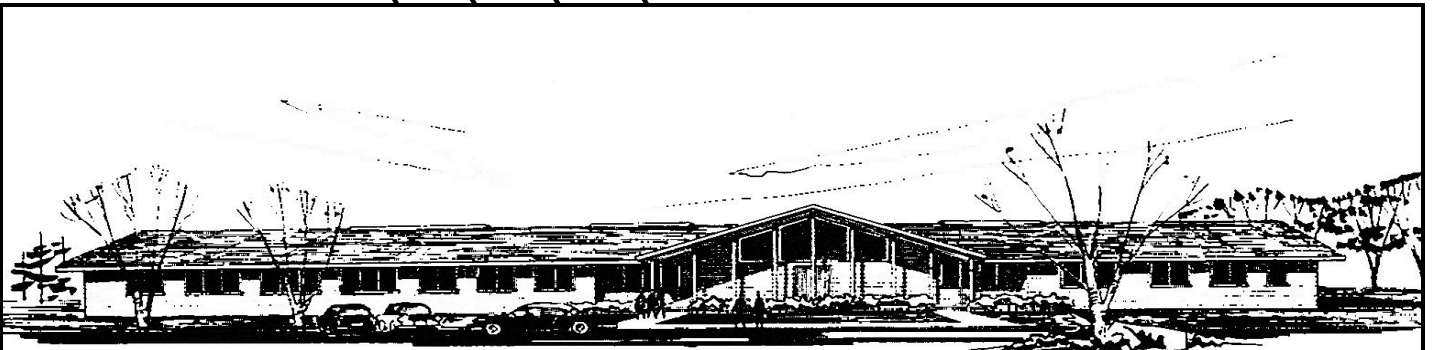


Agricultural
**CROP
REPORT**



THE NEW COUNTY AGRICULTURAL BUILDING

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1955



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TO: W. B. JACOBSEN, DIRECTOR, STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
and THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF YOLO COUNTY

Gentlemen:

This annual crop report is required by Section 65.5 of the California Agricultural Code.

The farm values as given for each commodity represents the gross value and in no way should be interpreted as the net farm income received by the producer.

The year proved to be favorable for the growing of crops which in most cases showed a satisfactory grower return. The annual rain fall was normal throughout the year. During the first quarter of the year, there was a dry period followed by timely late spring rains which allowed crops to make a satisfactory recovery. The volume of available water necessary to mature crops in some areas was a limiting factor in the normal irrigation practice since underground water table were lower. The larger crop acreage planted and the higher yield harvested increased the financial returns over the previous year, although some farm commodities were marketed at lower prices.

The field crops listed with the greatest returns in the order of their financial importance were tomatoes, barley, sugar beets, alfalfa hay and rice. The number of livestock marketed from farms showed a financial increase over the previous year, although some market price fluctuations were encountered. The Agricultural crop trend for the coming year appears to be for an increase in the production of hybrid corn, sweet corn, sorghums and safflower.

The cooperation and assistance of all those individuals who helped in compiling this crop report is acknowledged with sincere appreciation.

We announce with a great deal of satisfaction that by Spring, the County Department of Agriculture and the Agricultural Extension Service will occupy the new Agricultural Building located South of the Yolo General Hospital and West of Woodland.

On the cover of this report, the architect's sketch illustrates this building.

We are grateful to the Board of Supervisors and the People of Yolo County for establishing a centralized Agricultural Service Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Chas. H. Hardy
Agricultural Commissioner

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Annual Agricultural Crop Report

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Tree and Plant Inspection
Nursery Inspection
Field and Orchard Inspection
Insect Pest Control
Regulating Pest Control Operators
Use and Application of Injurious Materials
Plant Disease Control
Noxious Weed Control
Rodent Control
Bee Disease Control
Predatory Animal Control

Standardization

Fruits and Vegetables
Market Inspection
Packing Inspection
Truck Inspection
Honey Inspection
Egg Inspection

Poultry and Rabbit Meat Inspection

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Seed Law Enforcement

Agricultural Statistics

Crop Reports

Weights and Measures Enforcement

Administration and Enforcement

Dog Control

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JACK MOORE..... Weed Spray Truck Operator

HARLEY McCLAIN Weed Spray Truck Operator

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JAMES EDDY Poundmaster

DONALD MONTGOMERY Poundmaster

ELDEN BURKET..... Predatory Animal Control

BENJAMIN TAYLOR..... Predatory Animal Control

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

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<u>CROP</u>	<u>BEARING ACREAGE</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>GROSS FARM VALUE</u>
<u>ALMONDS</u>	9,500		
Meats		6,300 Tons	\$4,772,600
Hulls		4,400 Tons	66,000
<u>APRICOTS</u>	2,185		
Canning		1,000 Tons	75,000
Dried		200 Tons	132,000
Fresh		388,000 Lugs	795,000
Pits		20 Tons	240
<u>FIGS</u>	327		
Fresh		15,000 Flats	22,500
Dried		500 Tons	70,000
<u>GRAPES</u>	185	370 Tons	11,000
<u>OLIVES</u>	399	800 Tons	80,000
<u>ORANGES</u>	20	9,000 Lugs	22,500
<u>PEACHES</u>	580		
Canning		3,500 Tons	350,000
Fresh		9,000 Lugs	22,500
Dried		400 Tons	184,000
Pits		20 Tons	200
<u>PEARS</u>	394		
Canning		5,000 Tons	370,000
Fresh		1,500 Tons	124,500
<u>PRUNES</u>	1,100	2,475 Tons	643,500
<u>WALNUTS</u>	1,100	1,100 Tons	682,000
<u>BLACK WALNUTS</u>			<u>35,000</u>
TOTAL	15,790		\$8,458,540

SEED CROPS

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CROP	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	GROSS FARM VALUE
<u>CERTIFIED SEED</u>			
Atlantic Alfalfa	130	17 Tons	\$11,900
Buffalo Alfalfa	3,000	600 Tons	264,000
Caliverde Alfalfa	210	32 Tons	16,000
Ranger Alfalfa	2,200	440 Tons	193,600
Vernal Alfalfa	320	40 Tons	24,000
Ladino Clover	80	6 Tons	6,000
Pennscott Red Clover	50	10 Tons	10,000
Barley	140	140 Tons	9,800
Milo Double Dwarf	280	420 Tons	21,000
Smilo Grass	25	9 Tons	3,200
Sudan	3,500	3,500 Tons	350,000
Tall Fescue	74	15 Tons	12,000
Trefoil	80	9 Tons	8,500
Wheat	175	300 Tons	22,000
<u>ALFALFA (Not Certified)</u>			
Buffalo	1,200	240 Tons	96,000
Common	1,000	200 Tons	80,000
Ranger	700	140 Tons	56,000
<u>VEGETABLES, ETC.</u>			
Asparagus	21	3 Tons	4,500
Beans	340	41 Tons	10,250
Cantaloupe	17	5 Tons	5,100
Carrots	8	3 Tons	1,900
Collard	10	5 Tons	2,150
Cucumbers	15	3 Tons	3,700
Lettuce	13	700 Lbs	930
Mustard	100	34 Tons	8,200
Onions	5	3,500 Tons	3,600
Parsley	5	3,200 Tons	650
Squash	25	2,200 Tons	8,200
Turnips	25	4 Tons	800
Watermelons	25	6 Tons	5,300
Miscellaneous			70,000
Millet	550	400 Tons	32,000
Peas (Canadian)	150	24 Tons	2,400

SEED CROPS – Continued

<u>CROP</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>GROSS FARM VALUE</u>
<u>SUDAN</u>	7,500	7,500 Tons	600,000
<u>SUNFLOWERS</u>	300	150 Tons	24,000
<u>TREFOIL</u>	700	70 Tons	51,800
<u>VETCH</u>	<u>1,270</u>	<u>276 Tons</u>	<u>53,400</u>
TOTAL	24,243		\$2,072,880

* Prices are the best available

FIELD CROPS

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<u>CROP</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>GROSS FARM VALUE</u>
<u>BEANS</u>			
Dry	3,500	2,450 Tons	\$330,800
<u>GRAIN</u>			
Barley	175,000	218,700 Tons	9,841,500
Rice	33,000	58,000 Tons	4,930,000
Wheat	10,000	10,000 Tons	680,000
<u>HAY</u>			
Alfalfa	27,000	178,000 Tons	4,984,000
Grain	6,500	6,500 Tons	162,500
Straw	15,000	12,000 Tons	140,000
<u>HOPS</u>	330	2,970 Bales	267,300
<u>CORN</u>			
Hybrid Field	7,500	15,000 Tons	810,000
Milo	12,800	23,700 Tons	1,066,500
<u>SAFFLOWER</u>	10,519	9,200 Tons	680,800
<u>PASTURE</u>			
Grain Stubble	25,000		50,000
Irrigated	20,000		500,000
Range	200,000		200,000
<u>SUGAR BEETS</u>	<u>22,753</u>	<u>466,500 Tons</u>	<u>6,298,000</u>
TOTAL	568,902		\$30,941,400

TRUCK CROPS

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<u>CROP</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>GROSS FARM VALUE</u>
<u>ASPARAGUS</u>			
	2,176		
Canning		1,650 Tons	\$462,000
Market		65,000 Crates	520,000
<u>VEGETABLES</u>			
Cabbage	50	30,000 Crates	54,500
Cantaloupes	20	4,900 Crate	14,700
Carrots	200	7,800 Tons	391,000
Cauliflower	5	2,000 Crates	2,500
Corn (Sweet)	230	69,000 Crates	172,500
Cucumbers	71	710 Tons	32,000
Lettuce	30	18,700 Crates	36,700
Onions (Green)	153		160,700
Peppers	10		15,000
Radishes	81		7,200
Summer Squash	12	7,500 Lugs	15,000
Banana Squash	4	80 Tons	2,800
Turnips	13		14,600
Pumpkins	10	100 Tons	3,000
Miscellaneous			120,000
<u>MELONS</u>			648,000
<u>ONIONS</u>			
Dehydrator-Market	500	10,000 Tons	553,500
<u>PEAS</u>			
Market	280	56,000 Hampers	70,000
<u>SPINACH</u>			
Canning	760	4,560 Tons	102,600
Quick Freeze	180	360 Tons	10,800
<u>TOMATOES</u>			
Canning	20,000	480,000 Tons	10,920,000
Market			<u>240,000</u>
TOTAL	24,685		\$14,569,100

APIARY – LIVESTOCK - POULTRY

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<u>CROP</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>GROSS FARM VALUE</u>
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APIARY PRODUCTS

Honey (Bulk)	920 Tons	\$211,600
Package Bees	15,500 Pkgs	42,900
Queens	13,800 Pkgs	13,800
Pollination		105,500
<u>Wax</u>	<u>16 Tons</u>	<u>16,000</u>
TOTAL		\$389,800

LIVESTOCK

Cattle (Beef, Feed Lot & Other Gains)	18,600 Head	\$3,441,500
Veal	6,000 Head	360,000
Sheep (Ewes, Etc. sold)	17,000 Head	255,000
Lambs sold	89,000 Head	1,691,000
Swine sold	15,000 Head	412,000
Wool	1,192,500 Lbs	703,500
Milk & Milk Products	875,000 Lbs	903,000
Horses	500 Head	17,500
<u>Rabbits</u>	<u>1,200 Head</u>	<u>1,200</u>
TOTAL		\$7,784,700

POULTRY PRODUCTS

Chickens (Hens sold)	54,000 Birds	\$43,200
Baby Chicks	50,000 Birds	8,500
Fryers	348,000 Birds	261,000
Eggs	31,000 Cases	444,500
<u>Turkeys</u>	<u>95,000 Birds</u>	<u>665,000</u>
TOTAL		\$1,422,200

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RECAPITULATION

Apiary	\$389,800
Field Crops	30,941,400
Horticultural Crops	8,458,540
Livestock Products	7,784,700
Poultry Products	1,422,200
Seed Crops	2,072,880
Truck Crops	<u>14,569,100</u>
Total	\$65,638,100
1951 Gross Farm Value	\$58,091,462
1952 Gross Farm Value	59,036,462
1953 Gross Farm Value	55,030,000
1954 Gross Farm Value	56,460,700
1955 Gross Farm Value	65,683,620