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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
Placer County

and

Honorable W. C. Jacobsen, Director
State of California Department of Agriculture

Gentlemen:

This is the Annual Crop Report, as required by Section 65.5 of the Agricultural Code, which covers the acreage, production, and values of the agricultural production of Placer County for the year 1955.

The total financial return to our farmers was \$16,223,629.00 which was \$1,173,867.00 less than the year of 1954. This was expected after noting that prices for plums, and livestock were considerable lower. Our pear crop was not of its usual high quality due to poor weather conditions, and our rice acreage was limited to slightly over half of the previous year.

Notable increases were made in the nursery production, forestry, and poultry business.

The values shown represent the gross return to farmers after harvesting, but before being packed and prepared for transport to the markets.

Respectfully submitted,



WM. H. WILSON
Agricultural Commissioner

1955 AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT
COUNTY OF PLACER

WM. H. WILSON, AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER
130 Maple Street - Auburn, California

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

<u>CROP</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>		<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>TOTAL VALUE F.O.B. FARM</u>
	<u>BEARING</u>	<u>NON-BEARING</u>		
Almonds	287	14	59 Tons	\$ 46,787.00
Apples	93	6	3,800 Boxes	7,600.00
Apricots	8	1	12,400 Lbs	1,488.00
Cherries	89	2		
Packed Fresh			11,445 Boxes	40,057.00
Cannery			195 Tons	39,000.00
Wine Grapes	1,105	10		
Packed Fresh			1,463 Tons	75,736.00
Winery			878 Tons	25,270.00
Nectarines	3	0	600 Boxes	600.00
Olives	254	17	50 $\frac{1}{4}$ Tons	11,558.00
Oranges	30	0	7,160 Boxes	16,088.00
Peaches	936	295		
Packed Fresh			22,000 Boxes	22,550.00
Cannery			2,074 Tons	145,894.00
Pears	5,562	1,488		
Packed Fresh				
Early Pears			15,567 Boxes	52,928.00
Bartletts			460,541 Boxes	980,952.00
Cannery				
Bartletts			25,442 Tons	1,307,913.00
Fall & Winter			1,784 Tons	89,236.00
Persimmons	100	3	28,232 Boxes	39,525.00
Plums	6,871	1,412		
Packed Fresh			1,424,566 Crates	1,709,725.00
Processed			1,397 Tons	45,264.00
Quince	9	0	24 Tons	1,200.00
Walnuts	58	11	22 $\frac{1}{2}$ Tons	14,063.00
				<u>\$ 4,673,434.00</u>

LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION

<u>KIND</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>		<u>VALUE</u>
Dairy			
Cows	2,200	Head	\$308,000.00
Milkfat Market	520,000	Lbs.	660,000.00
Milkfat Manufacturing	435,000	Lbs.	357,000.00
Beef Cattle	8,000	Head	800,000.00
Beef Calves	12,000	Head	840,000.00
Beef Feeders	2,000	Head	100,000.00
Hogs	5,000	Head	75,000.00
Sheep			
Lambs	42,000	Head	672,000.00
Wool	325,000	Lbs.	178,000.00
Includes 30,000 Lbs. From feeders.			
Milk Goats & Kids	1,800	Head	11,700.00
Mohair	2,200	Lbs.	1,540.00
Rabbits	32,000	Fryers	32,000.00
Horses	251	Head	14,000.00
Poultry Products			
Meat	1,151,535	Lbs.	276,368.00
Eggs	1,273,577	Dozen	445,752.00
Turkeys			
Meat	3,456,625	Lbs.	1,036,998.00
Hatchery Eggs	1,539,000	Eggs	430,920.00
Poults	210,000	Birds	157,500.00
		Total	<u>\$ 6,396,778.00</u>

MISCELLANEOUS

<u>CROP</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>		<u>VALUE</u>
Nursery Stock			
Fruit Trees	1,173,244	Trees	\$469,298.00
Ornamentals	31,000	Plants	23,250.00
Misc. Ornamentals	25,000	Plants	3,750.00
Bedding Plants	7,000	Flats	10,500.00
Grape Vines	40,000	Plants	4,800.00
Rose Bushes	6,000	Plants	3,000.00
Apiary			
Honey	70,000	Lbs.	8,400.00
Wax	1,250	Lbs.	625.00
Package Bees	4,500	Pkgs.	13,500.00
Queens	2,400		2,160.00
Colonies for Pollination	1,500		6,000.00
Misc. Berries & Vegetables	202	Acres	3,300.00
Government Payment (PMA)			76,480.00
		Total	<u>\$ 625,063.00</u>

FIELD CROPS

<u>CROP</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>VALUE</u>
Wheat	9,861	5,911 Tons	\$ 443,745.00
Oats	2,500	1,750 Tons	87,500.00
Barley	1,500	1,050 Tons	42,000.00
Rice	5,750	189,750 Sacks	884,235.00
Hops	360	492,480 Lbs.	172,368.00
Range & Pasture Rental	175,000		350,000.00
Irrigated Pasture	16,440		657,600.00
Ladino Clover	250	62,987 Lbs.	30,234.00
Sudan Grass Seed	275	341,976 Lbs.	15,388.00
Wheat Seed	280	294,200 Lbs.	10,297.00
Rice Seed	45	135,000 Lbs.	6,750.00
Misc. Seed Crops	92	10,533 Lbs.	6,775.00
		Total	<u>\$ 2,706,892.00</u>

FORESTRY PRODUCTION

<u>KIND</u>			<u>VALUE</u>
Lumber	113,137,500	Board Feet	1,759,262.00
Christmas Trees	41,800	Trees	62,200.00
		Total	<u>\$ 1,821,462.00</u>

SUMMARY

FIELD CROPS	\$ 2,706,892.00
FORESTRY PRODUCTION	1,821,462.00
FRUIT & NUT CROPS	4,673,434.00
LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION	6,396,778.00
MISCELLANEOUS	625,063.00
GRAND TOTAL	<u>\$ 16,223,629.00</u>

GRAND TOTALS SINCE 1943

1943 - \$ 13,761,065.76	1949 - \$ 11,334,332.30
1944 - 10,463,373.18	1950 - 14,943,138.94
1945 - 11,217,636.19	1951 - 19,708,308.00
1946 - 13,514,477.01	1952 - 20,425,483.00
1947 - 14,286,966.00	1953 - 16,304,666.00
1948 - 17,212,583.38	1954 - 17,397,496.00
1955 - \$ 16,223,629.00	