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KINGS COUNTY
HANFORD, CALIFORNIA

To The Honorable Board of Supervisors and the
Director of the State Department of Agriculture

The Annual Crop Report for 1946 is hereby submitted, in compliance with Section 65.5 of the Agricultural Code of the State of California.

The income for 1946 marks an all time record. The figure are the gross Farm prices, and include the cost of production, harvesting, and in some cases the cost of preparation for market. While the gross is very high, many crops were produced at a very low margin of profit, due to increased costs of production.

Where it was possible to compile accurate data on crops, such figures were used, but in some cases estimates were necessary. In all such cases, estimates were conservative.

It was an unusual year with a fine combination of good crops and high prices. There were very few crop failures; in fact most crops were unusually good and prices as a whole were high.

We cannot attempt to enumerate all who have contributed information towards the compilation of this report, but it was made possible by the cooperation of growers, warehousemen, shippers and Governmental Agencies.

Respectfully submitted,

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FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

KINGS COUNTY

<u>CROP</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>YIELD</u>	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>VALUE</u>
<u>GRAPES</u>				
Table	217	1699.11 T	85.00	144,424
Black Juice	606	5278.26 T	100.00	527,826
Muscat:	8274	<i>4.837 price = 37,963.7m</i>		
Dried		200. T	310.00	62,000
Shipped Fresh		4605. T	85.00	391,424
Winery		34608.42 T	85.00	2,941,716
Thompson:	2410			
Dried		4 x 1060. T	310.00	328,600
Winery		7810. T	65.00	507,650
Sultana:	338			
Dried		1530. T	65.00	99,450
Winery		40. T	300.00	12,000
	<i>11,845</i>			
TOTAL GRAPES- - - - -				\$ 5,015,090.00
Apricots	2624			
Cannery-Quick	<i>7217</i>	7217. T	75.00	541,300
Freeze	<i>11,407</i>	1755. T	520.00	912,600
Dried		810. T	26.00	21,060
Pits	<i>1186</i>	1186. T	75.00	88,950
Shipped Fresh	<i>19,810</i>			
TOTAL APRICOTS- - - - -				1,563,910.00
Peaches:				
Cling	406	5826.10 T	63.00	367,044
Freestone	2786			
Local Market		500. T	60.00	30,000
Eastern Shipment		2678. T	60.00	160,680
Cannery-Quick				
Freeze		3500. T	60.00	210,000
TOTAL PEACHES- - - - -				767,724.00
Persimmons	8	55. T	100.00	5,500
Plums	148	444.88 T	110.00	48,937
Prunes	79	118. T	250.00	29,500
Walnuts	596	247. T	540.00	133,380
Olives:				
Pickling	292	400. T	350.00	140,000
Oil		50. T	150.00	7,500
				<u>364,817.00</u>
TOTAL FRUIT AND NUTS- - - - -				\$ 7,711,542.00

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FIELD CROPS - VEGETABLES

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<u>CROP</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>YIELD</u>		<u>PRICE</u>	<u>VALUE</u>	
<u>FIELD CROPS:</u>						
Cotton	57,000	79,783	BLS	165.00	\$13,164,195	
Cotton Seed		31,913.2	T	87.00	2,776,448	\$15,940,643.00
Hay:						
Alfalfa	31,000	162,750	T	25.00	4,068,750	
Grain	6,000	9,000	T	24.00	216,000	4,284,750.00
Grain:						
Barley	132,000	140,316	T	54.00	7,577,064	
Egyptain						
Corn	2,150	3,225	T	62.00	167,700	
Flax	9,537	207,906	BU	3.84	798,361	
Wheat	18,000	14,937	T	64.80	645,088	9,188,213.00
Alfalfa Seed		83	T	600.00	49,800	
Sugar Beets	718	7,176.80	T	14.65	107,004	
Sunflowers	235	94	T	150.00	14,100	<u>170,904.00</u>
TOTAL FIELD CROPS-					- - -	-\$29,584,510.00

VEGETABLE PRODUCTION:

Sweet Potatoes	109	584	T	150.00	87,600	
Pink Beans	4.50	2.25	T		700	
Tomatoes	41	11,400	CRTS	1.75	19,950	
Potatoes	81	8,100	SAX	2.00	16,200	
Persians	40	8,500	CRTS	3.00	25,500	
Crenshaws	40	4,300	CRTS	3.00	12,900	
Cantaloupes	410	30,961	CRTS	3.00	92,883	
Watermellons	207	1,449	T	35.00	50,715	
TOTAL VEGETABLE CROP-					- - -	\$ 306,448.00

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LIVESTOCK - MISCELLANEOUS CROPS

KINGS COUNTY

<u>CROP</u>	<u>YIELD</u>	<u>VALUE</u>
<u>LIVESTOCK</u>		
Cattle:		
Shipped	41,306 HD.	\$5,049,045.
Slaughtered	6,594 "	628,896.
Hogs	3,496 "	87,103.
Sheep	21,600 "	315,360.
Wool	167,293 LBS	73,609.
Butterfat	8,139,007 LBS	8,423,383.
		TOTAL LIVESTOCK- - - - - \$ 14,577,396.00
<u>MISCELLANEOUS:</u>		
Honey (5394 Colonies)	¹²⁹ 258,912 LBS	50,747.
Beeswax	6,472.8 "	2,913.
Berries	30 T	12,000.
Poultry and Eggs		300,000.
Turkeys	66,550	450,875.
Turkey Eggs	355,500 Eggs	88,875.
Nursery Stock:		
Flats-Bedding plants		5,000.
Trees	18,430 Trees	9,215.
Grape Vines	76,640 Vines	4,598.
		TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS- - - - - 924,223.00
		\$ 53,104,118.00