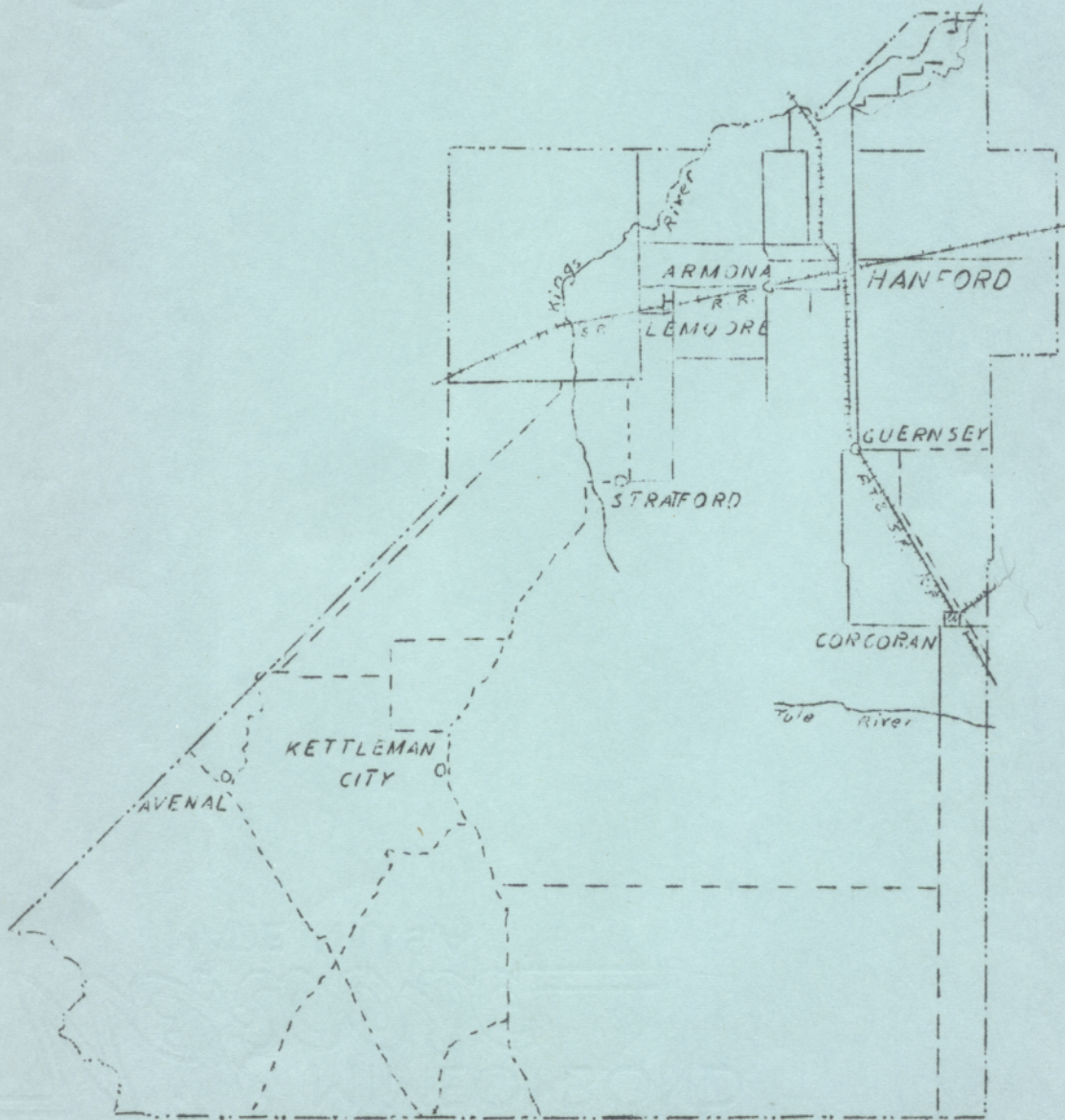


AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT

1947



KINGS COUNTY

Mr. A. A. Brock, Director
State Department of Agriculture
Sacramento, California
and
The Honorable Board of Supervisors
Kings County
Hanford, California

Gentlemen:

In compliance with Section 65.5 of the Agricultural Code I hereby submit my annual report covering the Agricultural products for Kings County in 1947.

Vineyard and orchard acreage has been greatly reduced during the last few years, but with renewed emphasis during the past winter. In most cases it has been old unproductive acreage, but recently young thrifty orchards have been pulled because of low prices of certain varieties.

Cotton acreage showed a very heavy increase. The planting season was favorable so most growers secured a good stand and the fall season was ideal for harvesting, resulting in a record crop of 1.46 bales per acre.

The entire Tulare Lake Basin was brought under cultivation the first time since flooding. The area was largely planted to barley. Acreage was somewhat less than 1946 but conditions were favorable for heavy yield of 1.321 tons per acre.

Every effort has been made to secure accurate data on which to base these figures but in some cases estimates have been necessary. These are F.O.B., prices, and in order to arrive at true farm value, harvesting, packing and other farm costs should be deducted.

We cannot attempt to give credit to all who have cooperated in the compilation of this report but it was made possible by the cooperation of growers, warehousemen, shippers and governmental agencies.

Respectfully submitted,

L. O. Haupt

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Agricultural Commissioner
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FRUIT & NUT CROPS
KING'S COUNTY

<u>CROP</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>YIELD</u>	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>VALUE</u>
<u>GRAPES:</u>				
Table	217	1547.21 T	\$ 30.00	\$ 46,416.30
Black Juice	606	3211.8 T	30.00	96,354.00
Muscat:	7,500			
Dried		749 = 2805 gr T	132.00	98,868.00
Shipped Fresh		8279 T	30.00	248,370.00
Winery		13650 T	30.00	409,500.00
Thompson:	2,000	24737		
Dried		5316 = 1329 T	135.00	179,415.00
Winery		5484 T	30.00	164,520.00
Sultana:	300			
Dried		388 = 97 T	120.00	11,640.00
Winery		1028 T	30.00	30,840.00
		1416		
				TOTAL GRAPES - - - - - \$1,285,923.30
<u>APRICOTS:</u>				
	2,098			
Cannery		494 T	61.00	30,134.00
Dried		5525 = 850 T	360.00	307,800.00
Pits		336 T	40.00	13,440.00
Shipped Fresh		1000 T	55.00	55,000.00
		7019		
				TOTAL APRICOTS - - - - - 406,374.00
<u>PEACHES:</u>				
Cling	385	5108.95 T	49.90	254,936.60
Freestone:	2,400			
Local Market		952 T	40.00	38,080.00
Eastern Shipment		2782 T	55.00	153,010.00
Cannery		4776 T	44.00	210,144.00
Dried		7975 = 1227 T	180.00	220,860.00
		16,415		
				TOTAL PEACHES - - - - - 877,030.60
Persimmons	8	67 T	100.00	6,700.00
Plums	123	467 T	120.00	56,040.00
Prunes	30	60 T	110.00	6,600.00
Walnuts	578	318 T	440.00	139,920.00
Olives	292	161 T	150.00	25,438.00
				<u>230,108.00</u>
				TOTAL FRUIT AND NUTS - - - - - \$2,799,435.90

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FIELD CROPS - VEGETABLES
KINGS COUNTY

<u>CROP</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>YIELD</u>		<u>PRICE</u>	<u>VALUE</u>
<u>FIELD CROPS:</u>					
Cotton	75,000	110,930	BLS	\$165.00	\$18,303,450.00
Cotton Seed		44,372	T	98.00	<u>4,348,456.00</u>
					\$22,651,906.00
<u>HAY:</u>					
Alfalfa	32,000	170,240	T	21.00	3,575,040.00
Grain	5,000	7,500	T	19.00	<u>142,500.00</u>
					3,717,540.00
<u>GRAIN:</u>					
Barley	110,000	145,310	T	65.00	9,445,150.00
Oats	700	280	T	65.00	18,200.00
Wheat	7,000	7,931	T	85.00	674,135.00
Milo	1,500	2,400	T	82.00	19,680.00
Flax	8,000	136,800	BU	7.25	<u>991,800.00</u>
					11,148,965.00
Alfalfa Seed		42.5	T	340.00	14,450.00
Sugar Beets	1,166.5	2,280	T		248,787.85
Straw		18,000	T	3.50	<u>63,000.00</u>
					326,237.85
TOTAL FIELD CROPS - - - - -					37,844,648.85
<u>VEGETABLE CROPS:</u>					
Watermelons	562	4,713	T	30.00	141,390.00
Cantaloupe	330	35,200	CRTS	3.00	105,600.00
Persians	300	24,000	CRTS	2.00	48,000.00
Tomatoes	10	2,000	LUGS	2.00	4,000.00
Sweet Potatoes	110	289	T	200.00	57,800.00
Carrots	15	5,040	CRTS	3.01	15,200.00
Broccoli	174	9,737	CRTS	1.85	<u>18,013.00</u>
TOTAL VEGETABLE CROPS - - - - -					390,003.00
TOTAL FIELD & VEGETABLE CROPS - - - - -					\$38,234,651.85

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LIVESTOCK - MISCELLANEOUS CROPS
KINGS COUNTY

<u>CROP</u>	<u>YIELD</u>	<u>VALUE</u>
<u>LIVESTOCK:</u>		
Cattle:		
Shipped & Slaughtered		\$ 5,500,000.00
Hogs	7,901 HD	276,633.90
Sheep	19,440 "	329,313.60
Wool	132,000 LBS	56,760.00
Butterfat:		
Manufacturing Milk	5,796,887 "	5,462,239.00
Market Milk	2,021,992 "	2,352,421.00
TOTAL LIVESTOCK - - - - -		\$13,977,367.50
<u>MISCELLANEOUS:</u>		
Honey (5,000 Colonies)	⁹⁰ 180,000 LBS	32,400.00
Beeswax	4,500 "	1,845.00
Berries	44 T	7,920.00
Poultry and Eggs		300,000.00
Turkeys	56,300	410,990.00
Turkey Eggs	231,000 Eggs	50,820.00
Nursery Stock		18,500.00
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS - - - - -		<u>822,475.00</u>
TOTAL LIVESTOCK & MISCELLANEOUS - -		14,799,842.50
TOTAL 1947 CROPS		\$55,833,930.25