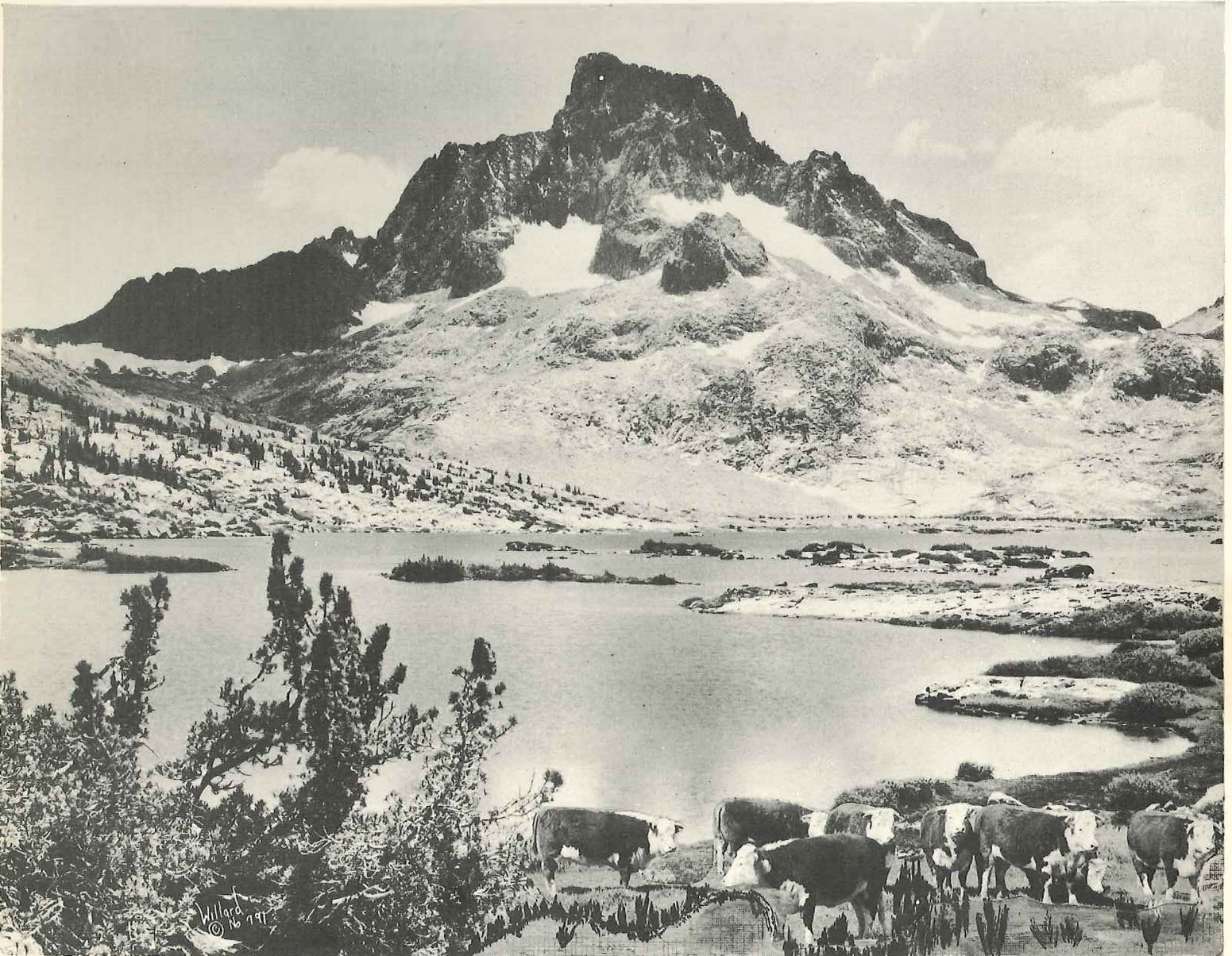


AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT



1954

MADERA COUNTY

Madera County
Department of Agriculture

221 WEST 7TH STREET
MADERA, CALIFORNIA

To: W. C. Jacobsen, Director
State Department of Agriculture

To: Madera County Board of Supervisors
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Section 65.5 of the Agricultural Code of the State of California requires the Agricultural Commissioner shall compile reports of the condition, acreage, production, and value of the Agricultural products of his County, and that the Commissioner may publish such reports and shall transmit a copy thereof to the Director.

In accordance herewith I respectfully submit our 1954 report, which is the twenty sixth report to be compiled by this office.

Since we are dependent on growers, packers, livestock producers and many others to reveal the information to our representatives, individual figures are held in strictest confidence.

I wish to express my appreciation to Stephen H. Willard for the picture of Mt. Ritter and to Harry A. Jeter of the Chamber of Commerce for the cattle scene and the montage of the pictures.

Howard T. McLean
Agricultural Commissioner

FRUIT & NUT CROPS -- 1954

	Bearing Acreage	Non-bear Acreage	Production	Total Value F.O.B. Farm
Almonds	446	41	328 tons	\$ 178,850
Apples	68	3	136 "	8,160
Apricots	85		255 "	30,600
Figs	1,354	575	678 "	135,080
Grapes-raisin	14,161	903	*17,205 "	3,021,550
			43,674 "	1,736,075
Grapes-table	432		3,890 "	126,430
Grapes-wine	3,331	10	29,930 "	1,049,300
Nectarines	105	12	773 "	102,865
Olives	518	40	1,036 "	182,230
Peaches-clingstone	283	160	2,264 "	124,520
Peaches-freestone	921	155	6,412 "	469,300
Plums	272	4	1,632 "	204,000
Walnuts	41	28	17 "	6,120
				<u>\$ 7,375,080</u>

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TRUCK CROPS

		Production	
Berries	7	6,700 crates	\$ 12,780
Cabbage	2	600 "	860
Corn-sweet	276	32,000 "	65,560
Lettuce	2	300 "	525
Melons-other	200	23,000 "	65,550
Melons-water	120	1,320 tons	26,400
Onions	20	6,000 50# sacks	6,900
Peppers	20	2,300 crates	7,500
Tomatoes	390	63,560 lugs	151,015
		2,638 tons	51,905
Misc. Vegetables	16	--	8,425
			<u>\$ 397,510</u>

FIELD CROPS - 1954

	Bearing Acreage	Production	Total Value F.O.B. Farm
Alfalfa	45,664	319,648 tons	\$ 7,032,260
Barley	85,298	47,612 "	2,380,600
Beans	559	7,703 cwt.	69,370
Beans-castor	24	36 tons	5,760
Beets-sugar	2,407	52,236 "	574,600
Corn-field	1,130	2,260 "	171,760
Corn-silage	4,925	73,875 "	517,130
Corn-Gr. sorghum	3,455	6,910 "	345,500
Cotton	55,011	lint-72,000 bales	12,705,000
		seed-29,040 tons	1,742,400
Grain hay	2,000	3,000 "	66,000
Oats	2,100	1,476 "	81,180
Potatoes	1,771	357,894 sacks	946,030
Potatoes-sweet	46	9,400 baskets	18,800
Rice	6,638	183,490 cwt.	789,000
Seed	420	5,071 "	53,585
Sunflowers	1,103	823 tons	124,200
Wheat	11,252	4,220 "	295,400
Permanent Pasture	39,066	--	1,367,310
Stubble	98,650	--	98,650
			<u>\$29,384,535</u>

ANIMAL PRODUCTION

	Amount Sold		\$
Registered beef cattle	568	head	149,900
Beef cattle and calves	66,127	"	9,088,955
Hogs	6,580	"	267,142
Sheep-lambs	21,700	"	419,125
wool	176,650	lbs.	97,158
Milk	1,293,160	cwt.	4,628,980
Poultry-chickens & turkeys	999,735	birds	3,319,410
eggs	1,150,200	dozens	345,060
Fertilizer	15,000	tons	67,500
			<u>\$18,383,230</u>

MISCELLANEOUS

Nursery stock	13	160,000 plants	\$ 12,000
Bees-honey		366,000 lbs.	40,260
beeswax		4,300 lbs.	1,980
pollination		3,500 hives	12,250
Agri. Conservation payments			<u>78,000</u>
			\$ 144,490

SUMMARY - 1954

Total value of fruit & nut crops	\$ 7,375,080
Total value of truck crops	397,510
Total value of field crops	29,384,535
Total value of animal production	18,383,230
Total value of miscellaneous	<u>114,490</u>
	\$55,684,845

Classification of Acreage

Fruit & Nut crops	23,948 Acres
Field, Vegetable & Nursery	339,737 "
Pasture, Arable	176,470 "
Pasture, Non--arable	284,160 "
National Forest	511,360 "
Roads, Cities, Canals, Non-agricultural, etc.	<u>39,045</u> "
	1,374,720 acres

SUMMARY OF INCOME FOR TWENTY FIVE YEARS
AS REPORTED

Year	Fruit	Truck	FIELD	Misc.	Animal	Lumber	Total
1929	\$3,393,400	\$45,300	\$4,884,100	\$	\$	\$	\$8,322,800
1930	2,470,540	31,700	3,199,900				5,702,140
1931	1,751,130	28,800	2,004,500				3,784,430
1932	1,386,100	27,500	1,436,100				2,849,700
1933	2,036,875	30,300	2,297,350				4,364,525
1934	1,975,240	65,220	3,212,090	13,250			5,265,800
1935	2,083,340	86,870	2,910,350	73,500			5,154,060
1936	2,328,165	134,338	5,391,230	144,000			7,997,733
1937	2,786,900	164,520	6,823,720	70,000			9,845,140
1938	1,745,830	198,725	4,668,690	719,800			7,333,045
1939	1,795,200	263,135	5,043,615	723,450			7,825,450
1940	1,665,825	188,280	5,997,630	994,246	3,887,475		12,733,456
1941	3,191,825	283,060	7,547,620	971,638	5,036,160		17,080,303
1942	3,795,820	467,045	9,567,590	520,080	8,557,290		22,907,825
1943	7,216,000	1037,100	11,939,360	606,410	9,955,082		30,753,952
1944	9,037,365	865,105	10,971,490	203,110	11,847,490		32,924,990
1945	8,227,865	826,300	12,357,000	280,720	11,856,720		33,548,335
1946	12,323,855	853,210	20,885,690	241,770	14,368,540	1,087,470	49,765,535
1947	5,660,625	641,895	24,689,040	193,178	16,334,015	1,517,250	49,091,003
1948	5,297,680	808,680	24,946,860	93,109	18,909,860	1,373,750	51,430,054
1949	4,348,640	447,145	20,739,980	130,205	16,505,155	812,200	42,983,325
1950	8,864,545	351,580	27,884,150	147,145	17,814,500	1,379,080	56,941,000
1951	6,280,580	506,020	35,805,870	178,870	23,058,195	2,540,720	68,370,255
1952	5,593,730	216,575	34,472,590	156,915	20,232,105	963,840	61,635,755
1953	6,325,820	344,880	28,453,640	109,175	18,895,705	--	54,129,220