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MONTHLY REVIEW OF DAIRY PRODUCTION IN CANADA, OCTOBER 1937.

CREAMERY BUTTER PRODUCTION in October decreased approximately 4 per cent as compared with the October make of 1936 and decreased 24 per cent as compared with the output for the preceding month. During the month of October 21.8 million pounds of butter were produced and during the ten months ending October the output reached a total of 221.3 million pounds. The decrease in the October make occurred in five provinces only, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Saskatchewan and British Columbia.

CHEESE PRODUCTION declined 6 per cent in October as compared with October, 1936, and decreased 29 per cent as compared with the output for the preceding month. The October make was 14.1 million pounds and the total during the period January to October amounted to 121.3 million pounds. All provinces except New Brunswick, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia contributed to the decrease recorded herein.

The production of CONCENTRATED MILK PRODUCTS for the month of September registered an increase of 47.5 per cent over the same month last year and a decrease of 1.9 per cent as compared with the preceding month. During September 12.8 million pounds of Concentrated Whole Milk Products were manufactured in Canada and 2.8 million pounds of Concentrated Milk By-Products. During the nine months January to September, 93.7 million pounds of the former and 24 million pounds of the latter were produced in condenseries and creameries in the Dominion, making a total of 15.6 million pounds for September and 117.7 million pounds for the nine months ending September.

CREAMERY BUTTER PRICES at Montreal, as quoted daily by the Canadian Commodity Exchange for the first grade product, averaged 28 1/8 cents a pound, compared with 23 7/8 cents in October, 1936. Ontario coloured cheese at Montreal based on daily quotations, averaged 14 5/8 cents in October compared with 13 1/4 cents in October, 1936.

The combined output of creamery butter and factory cheese during the month of October represented the equivalent of 669.3 million pounds of milk, registering a decrease of 30.9 million pounds as compared with the combined make in terms of milk for the same month a year ago. Creamery butter represented 76.5 per cent and cheese represented 23.5 per cent of the total.

The total disappearance of Canadian-made butter in October advanced 22.3 per cent over last month and was 13.3 per cent greater than that recorded a year ago, having increased 3.3 million pounds. The October disappearance of 28.4 million pounds is estimated on a basis of stock holdings adjusted for new firms on a comparative basis with the preceding year, amounting to 55.2 million pounds on October 1 and 48.6 million pounds on November 1, 1937. October exports reached a total of 1.7 million pounds as compared with 52 thousand pounds reported last month.

The total disappearance of Canadian cheddar cheese advanced 14.9 per cent over last month and was practically the same as October of last year. The October disappearance of 20.6 million pounds is estimated on a basis of stocks adjusted for new firms and comparative with the same month of the previous year, amounting to 40.9 million pounds on October 1 and 34.3 million pounds on November 1. October exports reached a total of 15.6 million pounds as compared with 14.8 million pounds reported last month.

1.- PRODUCTION OF CREAMERY BUTTER IN CANADA BY PROVINCES, OCTOBER, 1936 AND 1937.

Province	SEPTEMBER			OCTOBER		
	1936	1937 x	More (+) Less (-)	1936	1937 /	More (+) Less (-)
	Lb.	Lb.	%	Lb.	Lb.	%
CANADA	23,402,496	26,692,780	(+) 14.0	22,712,633	21,362,235	(-) 5.7
Prince Edward Island	299,506	231,729	(-) 22.6	195,891	152,973	(-) 21.9
Nova Scotia	542,108	525,631	(-) 3.0	434,137	433,702	(-) 0.1
New Brunswick	391,951	409,052	(+) 4.4	247,092	268,456	(+) 8.6
Quebec	9,585,000	10,200,000	(+) 6.4	7,606,000	8,300,000	(+) 9.1
Ontario	8,637,753	8,035,079	(-) 7.6	7,827,107	6,341,067	(-) 19.0
Manitoba	2,848,410	2,875,323	(+) 0.9	1,899,004	1,980,852	(+) 4.3
Saskatchewan	2,804,287	2,913,980	(+) 3.9	1,839,009	1,682,116	(-) 8.5
Alberta	2,750,000	3,077,274	(+) 11.9	2,204,325	2,283,099	(+) 3.6
British Columbia	483,481	424,712	(-) 12.2	460,068	420,030	(-) 8.7

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11.- PRODUCTION OF FACTORY CHEESE IN CANADA BY PROVINCES, OCTOBER, 1936 AND 1937.

Province	SEPTEMBER			OCTOBER		
	1936	1937 x	More (+) Less (-)	1936	1937 /	More (+) Less (-)
	Lb.	Lb.	%	Lb.	Lb.	%
CANADA	13,551,912	19,694,994	(+) 6.2	15,047,074	14,064,475	(-) 6.5
Prince Edward Island	59,073	95,800	(+) 62.2	44,295	4,388	(-) 90.1
New Brunswick	70,624	79,565	(+) 12.7	42,773	55,537	(+) 29.3
Quebec	4,594,000	4,800,000	(+) 4.5	3,076,000	2,800,000	(-) 9.0
Ontario	13,350,227	14,195,627	(+) 6.3	11,519,018	10,816,433	(-) 6.1
Manitoba	220,271	243,242	(+) 10.4	190,566	147,245	(-) 22.7
Saskatchewan	56,948	52,802	(-) 7.3	23,283	25,159	(+) 8.1
Alberta	185,416	218,558	(+) 17.9	131,416	194,653	(+) 48.1
British Columbia	15,253	9,400	(-) 38.4	19,723	21,060	(+) 6.8

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111.- CUMULATIVE PRODUCTION OF CREAMERY BUTTER AND FACTORY CHEESE IN CANADA BY PROVINCES, JANUARY TO OCTOBER, 1936 AND 1937.

Province	JANUARY TO OCTOBER					
	BUTTER			CHEESE		
	1936	1937	More (+) Less (-)	1936	1937	More (+) Less (-)
	Lb.	Lb.	%	Lb.	Lb.	%
CANADA	224,608,618	221,328,932	(-) 1.5	109,911,360	121,321,591	(+) 10.4
Prince Edward Island	1,879,463	1,917,282	(+) 2.0	282,986	431,036	(+) 52.3
Nova Scotia	5,157,729	5,157,875	(+) -	-	-	-
New Brunswick	3,310,245	3,388,053	(+) 2.4	412,104	584,523	(+) 41.8
Quebec	67,046,000	66,889,804	(-) 0.2	24,157,000	28,385,611	(+) 17.5
Ontario	75,885,105	71,192,025	(-) 6.2	81,320,823	87,990,343	(+) 8.2
Manitoba	20,839,226	22,474,599	(+) 7.8	1,555,250	1,776,131	(+) 14.2
Saskatchewan	22,462,706	22,383,438	(-) 0.4	507,776	333,515	(-) 34.3
Alberta	23,069,325	23,454,096	(+) 1.7	1,279,160	1,609,779	(+) 25.8
British Columbia	4,958,819	4,461,760	(-) 10.0	326,261	210,653	(-) 46.8

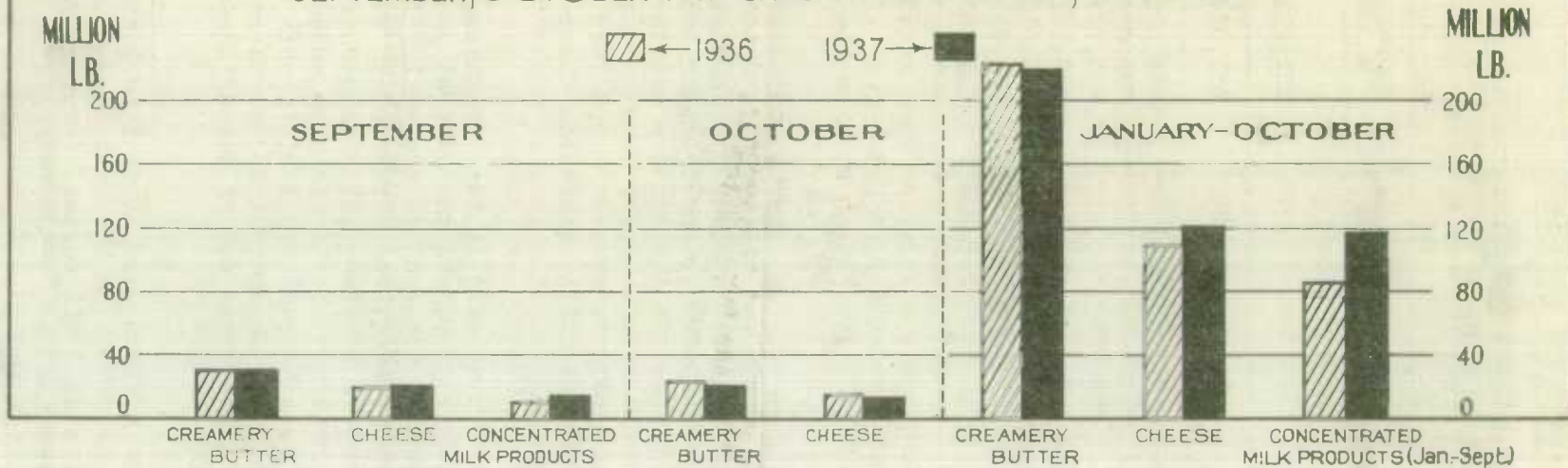
Correction: Since this report was prepared telegraphic advice has been received changing Prince Edward Island cheese production in October to 19,930 lb. and Alberta cheese production to 181,807 lb., which changes the all Canada figure to 14,067,171 lb.

Heavy and almost continuous rainfall throughout the month of October has produced a fresh and abundant growth of grass on pastures and meadows in most parts of Eastern Canada. Pastures will go into winter in better shape than for some years past, thus giving the grass a good start next spring. In the western provinces the weather has been exceptionally mild with occasional rains. Dairy cows continue to pasture on the open fields and it has been unnecessary to draw on extra feed supplies. Fall sown cover crops have done well, and in the foot hills of Alberta these crops are supplementing the heavily pastured native grass.

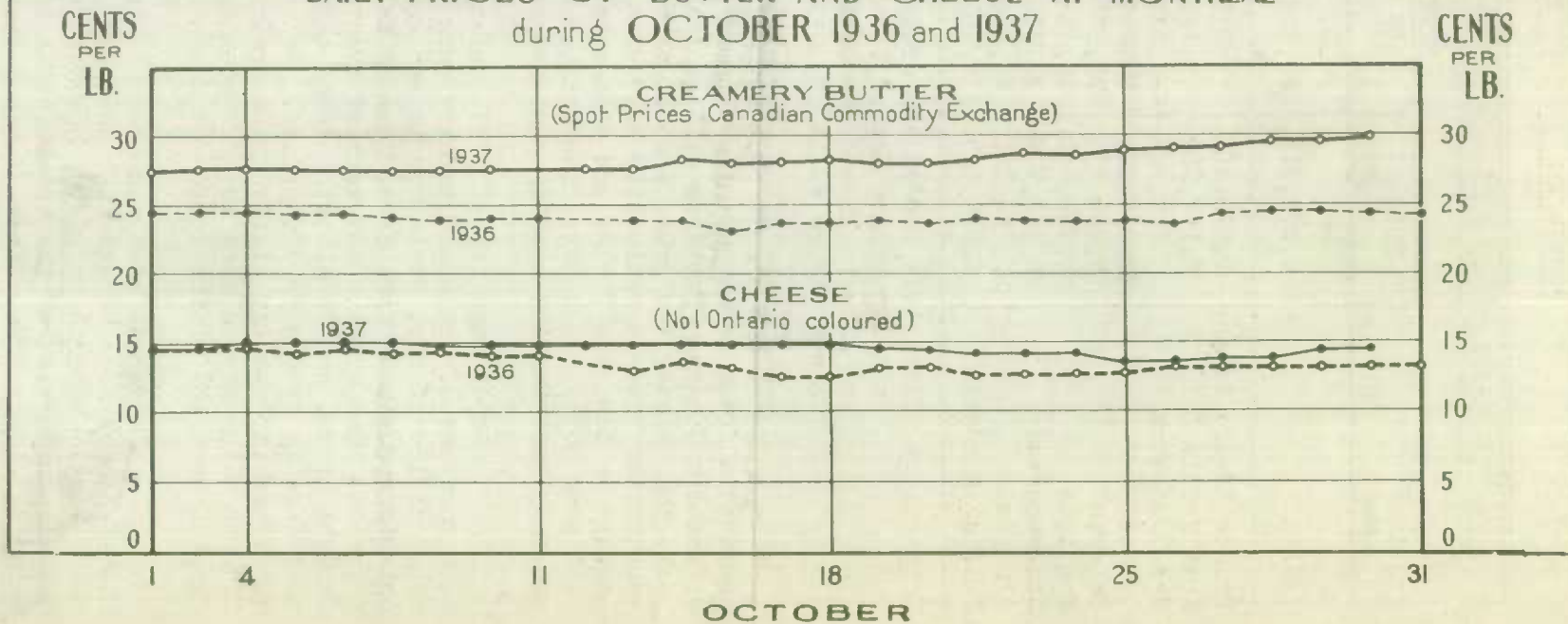
Ample supplies of good quality hay are available in the Maritimes but there is a shortage of grain, and turnips were only a fair crop. In the central provinces heavy yields of hay, grain, roots and corn were obtained. Silos are well filled in Ontario and a good corn crop, some of it fit for husking, was harvested in Manitoba. There has been quite a movement of feed from western Manitoba into Saskatchewan drought areas, and in Alberta second and third cuttings of alfalfa have added considerably to the feed supplies. Owing to a late harvest and early frosts a considerable quantity of low grade grain is available in central and northern Alberta which may be used to good advantage in those areas and in the adjacent drought sections of the south-

There has been a noticeable influx of western live stock into Ontario this fall and some buyers took advantage of lower prices in the west to purchase dairy cows. Reports indicate, however, that cows sold off western farms represent a small proportion of the total cattle sales, and the best producing females are being retained. The effect of the movement is that the production per cow may be expected to increase. With the approach of winter, short feed supplies in western drought sections and the closing of cheese factories in Ontario and Quebec, a heavy decline may be looked for in December as compared with December, 1936.

## PRODUCTION OF CREAMERY BUTTER, CHEESE AND CONCENTRATED MILK PRODUCTS SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER AND JANUARY-OCTOBER, 1936 & 1937



## DAILY PRICES OF BUTTER AND CHEESE AT MONTREAL during OCTOBER 1936 and 1937



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