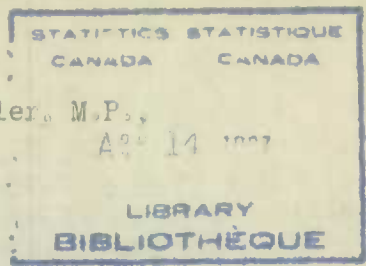




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MONTHLY REVIEW OF DAIRY PRODUCTION IN CANADA, JULY, 1938.  
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CREAMERY BUTTER PRODUCTION in July increased approximately 8.4 per cent as compared with the July make of 1937 and decreased 7.1 per cent as compared with the output for the preceding month. During the month of July 38.9 million pounds of butter were produced and during the seven months ending July the output reached a total of 152.2 million pounds. The increase in the July make occurred in all provinces except Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and Manitoba.

CHEESE PRODUCTION declined 14.2 per cent in July as compared with July, 1937, and decreased 967 thousand pounds as compared with the output for the preceding month. The July make was approximately 21.3 million pounds and the total during the period January to July amounted to 58.6 million pounds. All provinces except Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia contributed to the decrease recorded herein.

The production of CONCENTRATED MILK PRODUCTS for the month of June registered an increase of approximately 28 per cent over the same month last year and an increase of 14 per cent as compared with the preceding month. During June, 16.8 million pounds of Concentrated Whole Milk Products were manufactured in Canada and 5.5 million pounds of Concentrated Milk By-Products. During the six months January to June 67.4 million pounds of the former and 18.6 million pounds of the latter were produced in condenseries and creameries in the Dominion, making a total of 22.3 million pounds for June and 86 million pounds for the six months ending June.

CREAMERY BUTTER PRICES at Montreal as quoted daily by the Canadian Commodity Exchange for the first grade product, averaged 25 cents a pound, compared with 26 cents in July, 1937. Ontario coloured cheese at Montreal based on daily quotations, averaged 14 1/2 cents in July compared with 14 3/4 cents in July, 1937.

The combined output of creamery butter and factory cheese during the month of July represented the equivalent of 1.15 billion pounds of milk, registering an increase of approximately 35 million pounds as compared with the combined make in terms of milk for the same month a year ago. Creamery butter represented 79.0 per cent and cheese represented 21.0 per cent of the total.

The total disappearance of Canadian made butter in July, 1938, amounted to 21.9 million pounds, an increase of 175 thousand pounds as compared with last month, and an increase of 176 thousand pounds as compared with the same month last year. This disappearance estimate is based on storage and transit stocks combined, amounting to 33.5 million pounds on July 1, and 50.6 million pounds on August 1. In addition to these holdings 162,000 pounds of imported butter, including stocks in bond were reported in storage on August 1, as compared with 177,000 pounds on July 1, 1938. Exports in July, 1938, reached a total of 80,600 pounds as compared with 55,700 pounds last month and 49,100 pounds in July, 1937.

The total disappearance of Canadian cheddar cheese in July, 1938, amounted to 15.0 million pounds, an increase of 2.3 million pounds as compared with last month. Making stock adjustments to place the figures on a comparative basis with last year (30,661,752 pounds at July 1 and 37,078,903 at August 1) a decrease of 192 thousand pounds is recorded as compared with the disappearance in July, 1937. July exports reached a total of 11.7 million pounds as compared with 5.5 million pounds last month and 15.1 million pounds in July, 1937.

I - PRODUCTION OF CREAMERY BUTTER IN CANADA BY PROVINCES, JULY, 1937 AND 1938.

Province	JUNE			JULY		
	1937	1938x	More (+) Less (-)	1937	1938/	More (+) Less (-)
	lb.	lb.	%	lb.	lb.	%
CANADA	38,258,922	41,868,648	(+) 9.4	35,916,043	38,916,360	(+) 8.4
Prince Edward Is.	373,474	431,322	(+) 15.5	440,347	402,198	(-) 8.7
Nova Scotia	898,989	957,260	(+) 6.5	845,627	885,321	(+) 4.7
New Brunswick	701,991	821,949	(+) 17.1	728,021	725,213	(-) 0.4
Quebec	12,195,202	13,144,016	(+) 7.8	10,993,492	12,300,000	(+) 11.9
Ontario	11,407,042	12,419,277	(+) 8.9	9,984,863	10,669,437	(+) 6.9
Manitoba	4,089,036	4,181,436	(+) 2.3	4,051,199	4,026,550	(-) 0.6
Saskatchewan	4,047,481	4,328,372	(+) 6.9	4,192,502	4,507,167	(+) 7.5
Alberta	3,906,296	4,884,187	(+) 25.0	4,171,942	4,872,810	(+) 16.8
British Columbia	639,411	700,829	(+) 9.6	508,050	527,664	(+) 3.9

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II - PRODUCTION OF FACTORY CHEESE IN CANADA BY PROVINCES, JULY, 1937 AND 1938.

Province	JUNE			JULY		
	1937	1938x	More (+) Less (-)	1937	1938/	More (+) Less (-)
	lb.	lb.	%	lb.	lb.	%
CANADA	24,818,823	22,262,013	(-) 10.3	24,823,239	21,295,463	(-) 14.2
Prince Edward Is.	81,879	68,314	(-) 16.6	147,546	101,824	(-) 31.0
New Brunswick	153,049	122,999	(-) 19.6	144,720	113,173	(-) 21.8
Quebec	6,257,562	4,953,667	(-) 20.8	6,700,933	5,300,000	(-) 20.9
Ontario	17,549,785	16,145,957	(-) 8.0	17,015,558	14,891,895	(-) 12.5
Manitoba	430,950	477,144	(+) 10.7	463,044	406,534	(-) 12.2
Saskatchewan	70,116	80,987	(+) 15.5	79,813	90,438	(+) 13.3
Alberta	243,931	347,818	(+) 42.6	255,466	333,404	(+) 30.5
British Columbia	31,551	65,127	(+)106.4	16,159	58,195	(+)260.1

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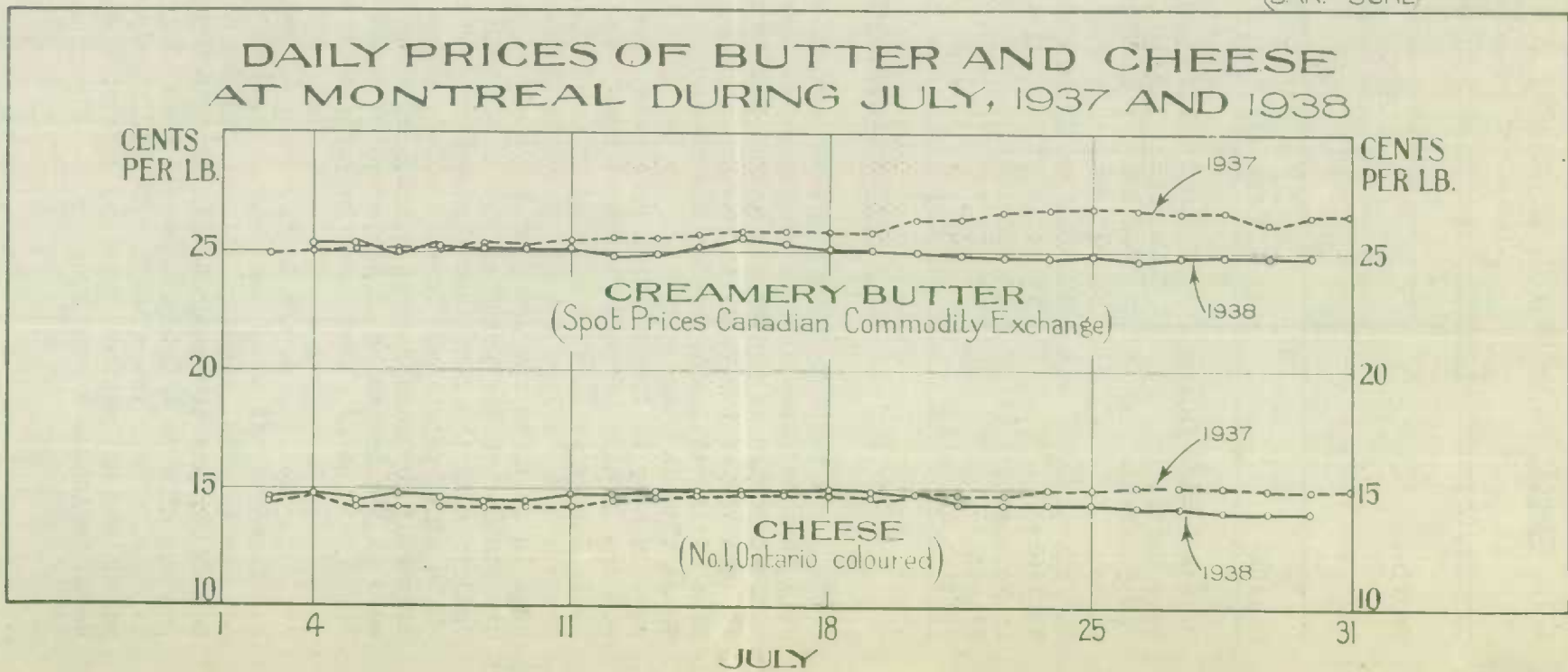
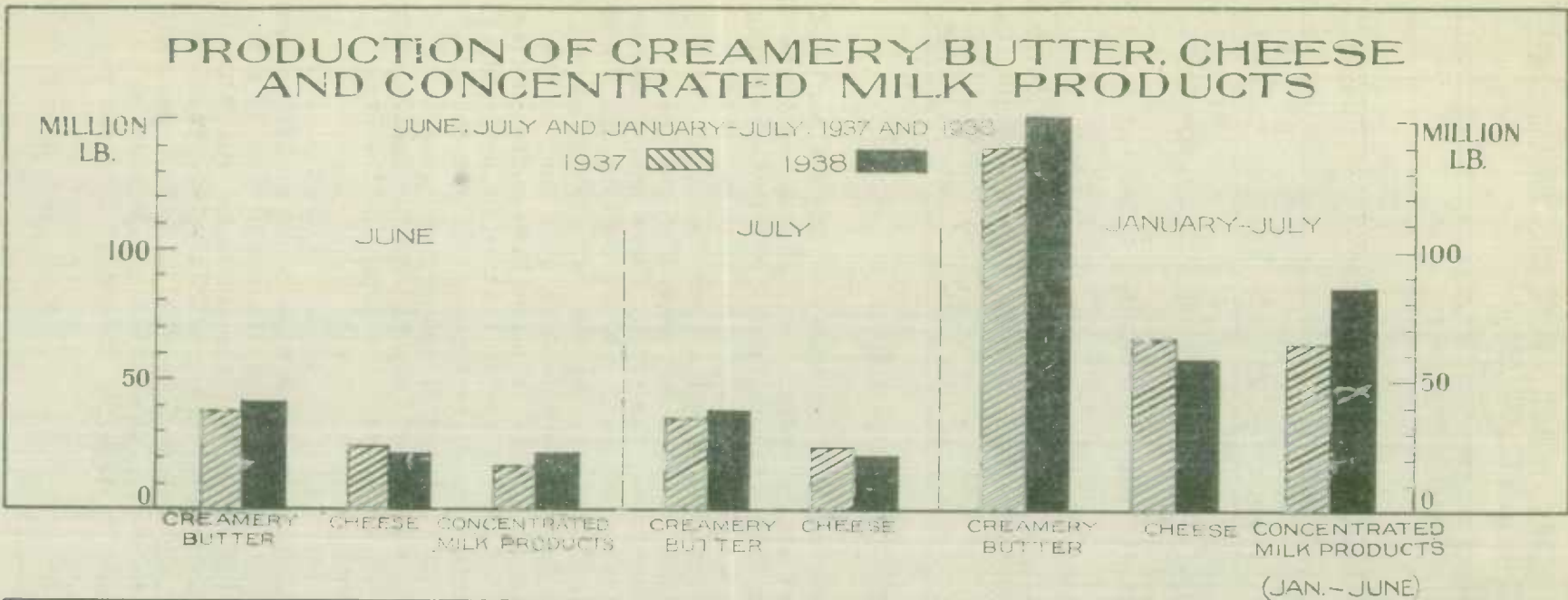
III.- CUMULATIVE PRODUCTION OF CREAMERY BUTTER AND FACTORY CHEESE IN CANADA BY PROVINCES, JANUARY TO JULY, 1937 AND 1938.

Province	JANUARY TO JULY					
	BUTTER			CHEESE		
	1937	1938	More(+) Less(-) %	1937	1938	More(+) Less(-) %
lb.	lb.	%	lb.	lb.	%	
CANADA	140,419,228	152,192,211	(+) 8.4	66,492,335	58,624,176	(-) 11.8
Prince Edward Island	1,213,040	1,300,292	(+) 7.2	229,635	170,208	(-) 25.9
Nova Scotia	3,588,865	3,925,202	(+) 9.4			
New Brunswick	2,165,078	2,434,005	(+) 12.4	353,119	284,961	(-) 19.3
Quebec	38,297,898	41,280,663	(+) 7.8	15,386,186	12,225,130	(-) 20.5
Ontario	49,336,728	52,223,408	(+) 5.8	47,565,869	42,251,728	(-) 11.2
Manitoba	14,441,036	15,657,713	(+) 8.4	1,675,825	1,851,322	(+) 10.5
Saskatchewan	14,013,483	13,754,130	(-) 1.9	184,465	203,046	(+) 10.1
Alberta	14,161,927	18,259,132	(+) 28.9	934,651	1,275,062	(+) 36.4
British Columbia	3,201,173	3,357,666	(+) 4.9	162,585	362,719	(+) 123.1

REVIEW OF THE PRODUCTION SITUATION

A continuation of wet weather in the eastern provinces during the month of July kept pastures at full growth but delayed haying operations. In some sections the over-abundance of clover per animal has permitted the development of fibre, reducing the quality of the crop for pasture purposes as compared with the previous month. Late haying will also render the aftermath from meadows and clover fields of less value than in other seasons. The hay crop will be heavy but excessive rainfall, particularly in the Maritime Provinces, has weathered the crop. Where help could be secured, modern harvest practices have been discarded in favour of coiling and stacking. Haying is about completed in Ontario, and while better weather toward the end of the month has helped the situation in Quebec and the Maritimes, a good deal of the crop is still in the open and the quality will be poor. Pastures have suffered from dry weather on the prairies within the past fortnight, and in British Columbia the condition of the grass and forage crop has deteriorated as a result of the drought which still persists. Cereals will yield well in the east, and western Canada is preparing for a good average crop, although the prospects are not as favourable as they were at the beginning of the month. Yields are expected to be light in the Peace River section of Alberta and in British Columbia.

Dairy cows are in fair to good condition, and the absence of excessive heat has lessened the usual seasonal decline in milk production. The production of milk per cow in June, based on all cows in the herds of Dairy Correspondents, was 20.2 pounds per day as compared with 19.7 pounds in June of the previous year. The percentage of cows milking increased from 85.1 per cent in June, 1937, to 86.6 per cent in June, 1938. The situation is not likely to show a pronounced change next month, but unless hot weather develops more milk would be expected in August than was produced in August a year ago.



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