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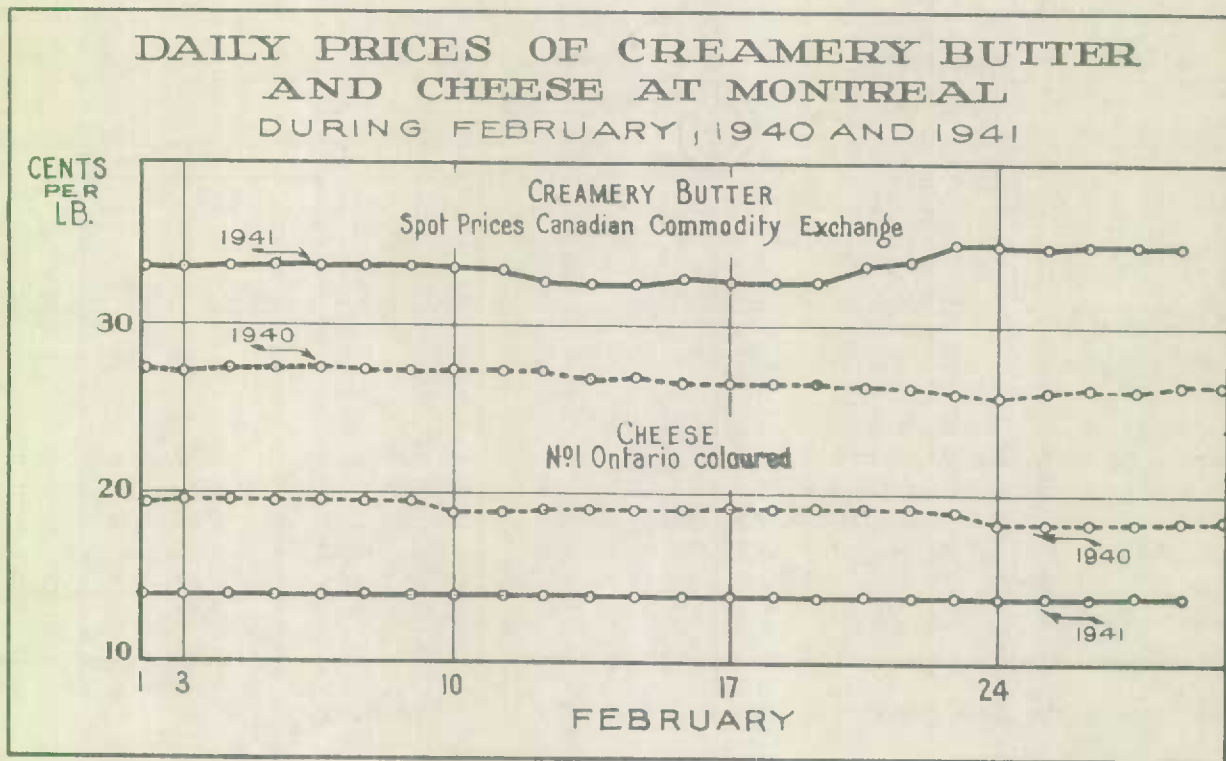
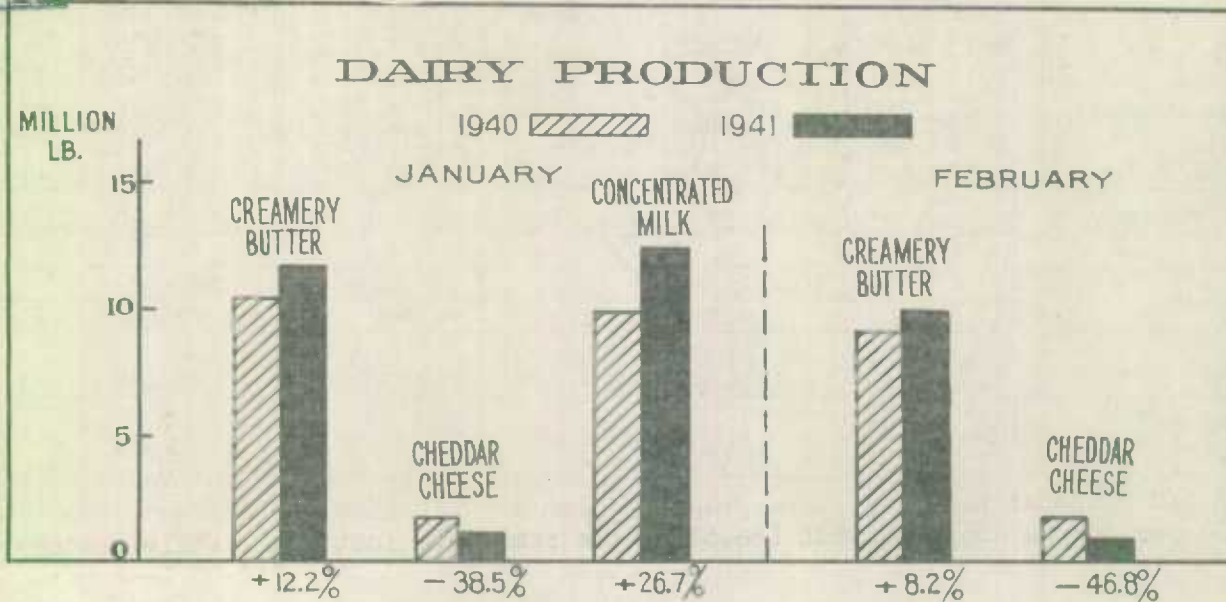
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I PRODUCTION OF CREAMERY BUTTER IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, FEBRUARY, 1940 AND 1941.

Province	JANUARY			FEBRUARY		
	1940 Lb.	1941 ^x Lb.	% Change %	1940 Lb.	1941 [/] Lb.	% Change %
CANADA	10,449,589	11,727,359	(+) 12.2	9,149,420	9,904,095	(+) 8.2
Prince Edward Island	65,441	78,187	(+) 19.5	58,095	66,832	(+) 15.0
Nova Scotia	375,575	379,839	(+) 1.1	348,323	338,846	(-) 2.7
New Brunswick	98,408	90,485	(-) 8.1	83,510	83,444	(-) 0.1
Quebec	1,273,383	1,477,942	(+) 16.1	596,536	645,339	(+) 8.2
Ontario	4,737,523	4,786,136	(+) 1.0	4,314,511	4,245,637	(-) 1.6
Manitoba	1,131,861	1,411,033	(+) 24.7	1,133,710	1,328,066	(+) 17.1
Saskatchewan	998,260	1,478,558	(+) 48.1	994,248	1,365,342	(+) 37.3
Alberta	1,334,282	1,599,281	(+) 19.9	1,286,734	1,471,892	(+) 14.4
British Columbia	434,856	425,848	(-) 2.1	333,753	358,697	(+) 7.5

II PRODUCTION OF FACTORY CHEESE IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, FEBRUARY, 1940 AND 1941.

Province	JANUARY			FEBRUARY		
	1940 Lb.	1941 ^x Lb.	% Change %	1940 Lb.	1941 [/] Lb.	% Change %
CANADA	1,806,159	1,110,347	(-) 38.5	1,830,874	973,480	(-) 46.8
Prince Edward Island	-	3,200	-	-	1,995	-
Quebec	226,384	158,419	(-) 30.0	155,671	71,465	(-) 54.1
Ontario	1,213,097	631,828	(-) 47.9	1,215,489	571,679	(-) 53.0
Manitoba	216,695	126,133	(-) 41.8	286,562	139,575	(-) 51.3
Saskatchewan	230	-	-	560	-	-
Alberta	110,682	141,242	(+) 27.6	126,827	136,021	(+) 7.2
British Columbia	39,071	49,525	(+) 26.8	45,765	52,745	(+) 15.3

III CUMULATIVE PRODUCTION OF CREAMERY BUTTER AND FACTORY CHEESE IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, JANUARY TO FEBRUARY, 1940 AND 1941.

Province	JANUARY TO FEBRUARY					
	BUTTER			CHEESE		
	1940 Lb.	1941 ^x Lb.	% Change %	1940 Lb.	1941 [/] Lb.	% Change %
CANADA	19,599,009	21,631,454	(+) 10.4	3,637,033	2,083,827	(-) 42.7
Prince Edward Island	123,536	145,019	(+) 17.4	-	5,195	-
Nova Scotia	723,898	718,685	(-) 0.7	-	-	-
New Brunswick	181,918	173,929	(-) 4.4	-	-	-
Quebec	1,869,919	2,123,281	(+) 13.5	382,055	229,884	(-) 39.8
Ontario	9,052,034	9,031,823	(-) 0.2	2,428,586	1,203,507	(-) 50.4
Manitoba	2,265,571	2,739,099	(+) 20.9	503,257	265,708	(-) 47.2
Saskatchewan	1,992,508	2,843,900	(+) 42.7	790	-	-
Alberta	2,621,016	3,071,173	(+) 17.2	237,509	277,263	(+) 16.7
British Columbia	768,609	784,545	(+) 2.1	84,836	102,270	(+) 20.6

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SUMMARY STATEMENT OF DAIRY PRODUCTION IN CANADA.
(February, 1941)

CREAMERY BUTTER PRODUCTION in February increased approximately 8 per cent as compared with the February make of 1940 and decreased 16 per cent, as compared with the output for the preceding month. During the month of February 9.9 million pounds of butter were produced and during the two months ending February, the output reached a total of 21.6 million pounds. The increase in the February make occurred in all provinces except Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Ontario.

CHEESE PRODUCTION decreased approximately 47 per cent in February as compared with February, 1940, and decreased 12 per cent as compared with the output for the preceding month. The February make was approximately 973 thousand pounds and the total for the two months, January and February, amounted to 2.1 million pounds. There was no cheese produced in New Brunswick and Saskatchewan in February; of the remaining provinces, all contributed to the decrease except Alberta and British Columbia.

The production of CONCENTRATED MILK PRODUCTS for the month of January registered an increase of approximately 27.0 per cent as compared with the same month last year and an increase of 2 per cent as compared with the preceding month. During January 10.2 million pounds of Concentrated Whole Milk Products and 2.4 million pounds of Concentrated Milk By-Products were manufactured in Canada, making a total of 12.6 million pounds, as compared with 9.9 million pounds produced in January, 1940.

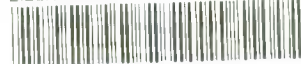
CREAMERY BUTTER PRICES at Montreal, as quoted daily by the Canadian Commodity Exchange for the first grade product, averaged 33 $\frac{3}{8}$ cents a pound, compared with 26 $\frac{3}{4}$ cents in February, 1940. Ontario coloured cheese at Montreal based on daily quotations averaged 14 cents in February compared with 19 $\frac{1}{8}$ cents in February, 1940.

The combined output of creamery butter and factory cheese during the month of February represented the equivalent of 242.8 million pounds of milk, registering an increase of approximately 8.1 million pounds as compared with the combined make in terms of milk for the same month a year ago. Creamery butter represented 95.5 per cent and cheese represented 4.5 per cent of the total.

Exports of Butter in February amounted to 74,100 pounds as compared with 66,300 pounds last month and 77,200 pounds in February, 1940.

Exports of Cheese in February reached a total of 1,106,700 pounds as against 866,700 pounds last month and 3,951,900 pounds in February a year ago.

The domestic disappearance of butter in the month of January amounted to 17.8 million pounds, representing a decrease of 4.9 per cent as compared with the same month last year and a decrease of 14.7 per cent in comparison with the preceding month. This estimate is based on storage and transit stocks amounting to 27.4 million pounds at February 1, 1941, and exports and imports amounting to 66,300 pounds and 125 pounds respectively.



DAIRY PRODUCTION CONDITIONS

Weather:

Temperature conditions during February were above normal except in Manitoba and Saskatchewan and at Harrow, Ontario. The precipitation was below normal throughout Canada; the greatest decline occurring at Nappan, N. S. which was 1.67 inches below normal. With the exception of the Maritimes, the hours of sunshine were considerably above normal. At Ottawa there were 140 hours of sunshine compared with a normal of 116.6 hours, while the reverse situation existed at Charlottetown, P.E.I. and Nappan, N. S. where they had only 79.1 and 72.9 hours of sunshine as compared with the normal of 115.2 and 108.7 hours respectively.

Feed Prices:

The price of Bran at Montreal and Winnipeg at the end of February was the same as last year. Oats declined about $3\frac{1}{2}$ cents per bushel at Montreal and $2\frac{3}{4}$ cents at Winnipeg, while the price of barley declined 1 cent at Montreal and $2\frac{3}{8}$ cents at Winnipeg. The price of Linseed Oil Cake, 38 per cent, was \$36.00 per ton as compared with \$36.50 on the same date last year, while Cotton Seed Meal, 41 per cent, was quoted at \$44.00, as compared with \$46.00 last year.

Milk Cows:

The numbers of milk cows on the farms of Dairy Correspondents in January showed a slight decrease from last year but the percentage milking increased from 62.2 per cent in 1940 to 64.4 in 1941.

Milk Production:

The reports from Dairy Correspondents indicated that milk production was practically the same as last year. The production per cow was 18.2 pounds per day; and including those both dry and in milk, the average was 14.8 pounds. These figures reveal an increase in the per cow yields over those reported in the corresponding month of the previous year, which were respectively, 17.6 pounds per day and 11.1 pounds.