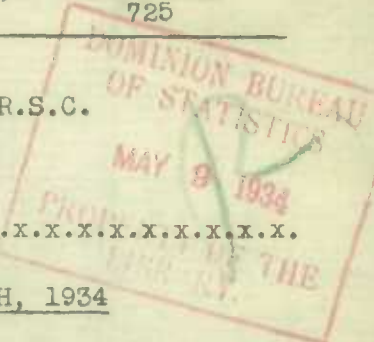


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PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION IN CANADA, MARCH, 1934

and

GASOLINE SALES IN CANADA, FEBRUARY, 1934.

CRUDE PETROLEUM - Canadian wells produced 130,046 barrels of crude petroleum in March. According to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa, this was the highest monthly output on record since June, 1931. In February 116,546 barrels were produced while in March, 1933, the output was 87,218 barrels. During the first quarter of 1934 the total Canadian production of petroleum was 371,017 barrels or 52.6 per cent above the output in the corresponding period of 1933.

An increase of 11.2 per cent was recorded in Alberta's production of petroleum in March; the month's total was 118,728 barrels as compared with 106,797 barrels in February. In March, 1933, the output was 75,225 barrels. The March, 1934, output consisted of 113,030 barrels of crude naphtha and 3,298 barrels of light crude oil from the Turner Valley field, 1,975 barrels of light crude oil from the Red Coulee and Keho fields and 425 barrels of heavy crude oil from the Wainwright field.

Petroleum, asphalt and their products imported into Canada in March were valued at \$2,990,150; in the preceding month the import valuation was \$1,827,978. The Canadian imports in March consisted of 73.6 per cent from the United States, 17.9 per cent from Peru, 7.7 per cent from Colombia, and the remainder from India, Germany, France, Great Britain, Belgium, Sweden, Australia, Japan and Brazil. Crude petroleum importations into Canada in March were obtained from the following sources, the United States, 51,026,031 gallons; Peru, 14,506,869 gallons, and Colombia, 7,910,873 gallons.

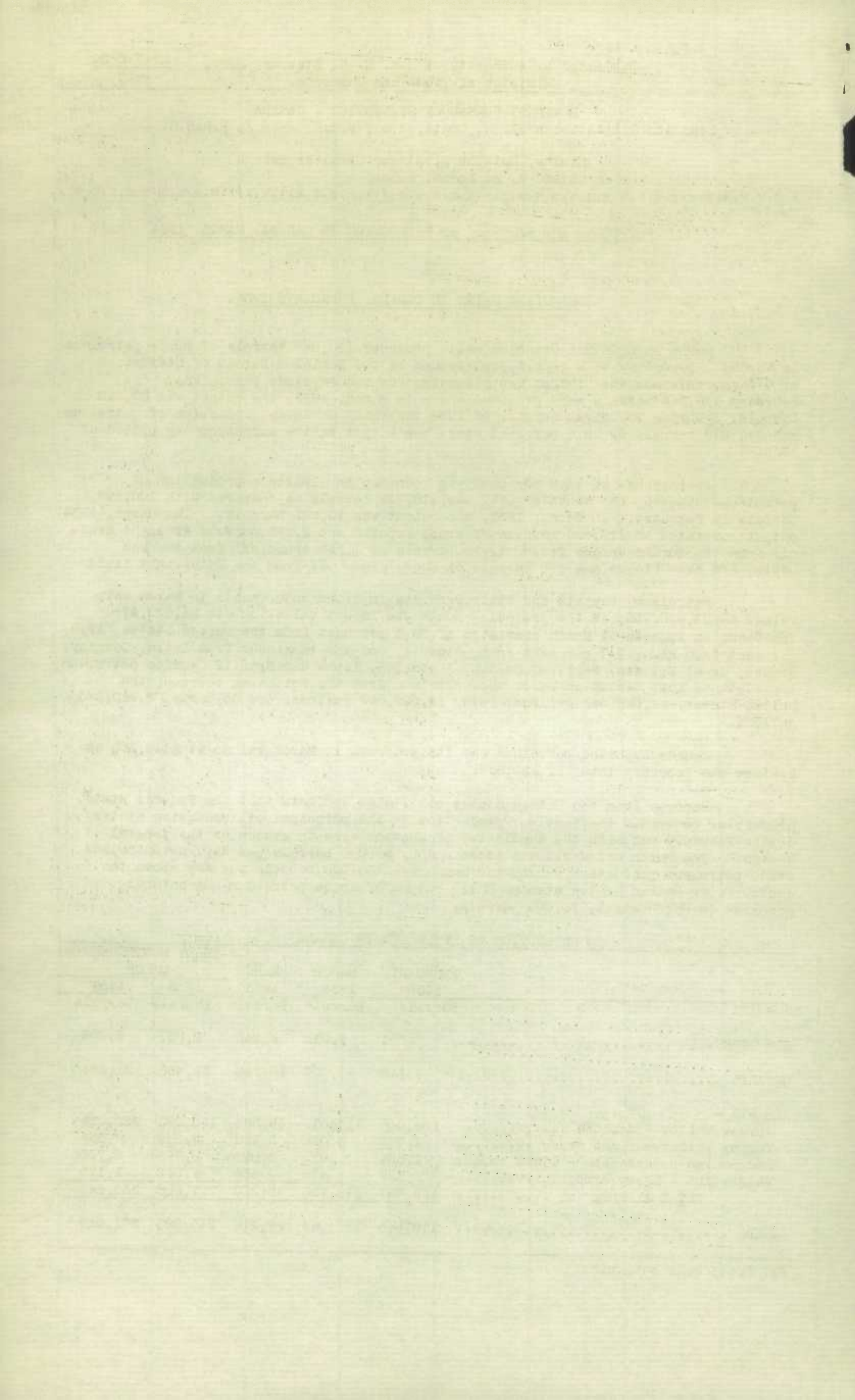
Canada exported petroleum and its products in March valued at \$146,308 as against the February total of \$24,845.

Reports from the United States oil fields indicate that the Federal state allowables continued ineffective; production in the principal oil producing states during February and also the cumulative production were in excess of the federal quotas. The March allowable was increased by 99,000 barrels per day, nevertheless crude petroleum production during the month was 138,000 barrels per day above the quota. The United States average daily output of crude petroleum and natural gasoline in March was 2,520,000 barrels.

PRODUCTION OF PETROLEUM IN CANADA

	FEBRUARY 1934	MARCH 1934	MARCH 1933	THREE MONTHS ENDING	
				MARCH	
				1933	1934
	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels
NEW BRUNSWICK .....	601	1,011	1,245	2,807	3,202
ONTARIO .....	9,148	10,307	10,748	32,468	31,574
<b>ALBERTA -</b>					
Turner Valley - naphtha .....	103,048	113,030	69,306	192,093	322,024
Turner Valley - light crude .....	1,706	3,298	2,158	5,080	7,336
Red Coulee-Border-Keho - light crude.	1,684	1,975	3,095	8,793	5,706
Wainwright - heavy crude .....	359	425	666	1,842	1,175
TOTAL ALBERTA (a) .....	106,797	118,728	75,225	207,808	336,241
CANADA .....	116,546	130,046	87,218	243,083	371,017

(a) Total well output.



PRODUCTION OF PETROLEUM IN CANADA, BY MONTHS, 1929 - 1934.

Month	1934(a)	1933(a)	1932	1931	1930	1929
	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels
January .....	124,425	82,778	96,912	179,711	98,205	54,726
February .....	116,546	73,087	90,841	155,651	87,911	52,882
March .....	130,046	87,218	97,484	160,358	116,630	69,503
April .....		84,974	95,585	153,705	100,002	83,317
May .....		89,754	95,222	156,392	103,915	100,508
June .....		113,447	89,525	148,602	118,636	107,539
July .....		99,510	86,969	119,327	120,062	108,740
August .....		100,602	85,229	103,314	132,955	111,093
September .....		97,342	79,813	101,435	136,757	100,525
October .....		107,045	78,845	99,924	167,446	113,723
November .....		108,304	77,107	99,835	157,063	114,029
December .....		113,677	80,841	106,201	182,638	100,783
TOTAL - Calendar Year.		1,013,040	1,054,373	1,584,455	1,522,220	1,117,368
TOTAL - Three months ending March .....	371,017	243,083	285,237	495,720	302,746	177,111

(a) Subject to revision.

NATURAL GAS - Canada's natural gas output in March amounted to 2,598,738 thousand cubic feet; in February 2,697,423 thousand cubic feet were produced and in March, 1933, the total was 2,497,762 thousand cubic feet.

Imports of mixed gas (natural and artificial) into Canada totalled 9,604 thousand cubic feet worth \$6,628 as compared with 9,598 thousand cubic feet at \$5,759 in February.

PRODUCTION OF NATURAL GAS IN CANADA

Month	1934(a)	1933(a)	1932	1931	1930	1929
	M cu.ft.	M cu.ft.	M cu.ft.	M cu.ft.	M cu.ft.	M cu.ft.
January .....	2,961,453	2,945,452	3,113,256	3,113,338	4,009,116	3,385,285
February .....	2,697,423	2,826,995	2,946,776	2,895,369	3,277,451	3,356,327
March .....	2,598,738	2,497,762	2,916,413	2,675,136	3,110,033	2,756,836
April .....		2,222,556	2,287,715	2,386,879	2,508,484	2,559,024
May .....		1,689,071	1,715,480	1,983,262	2,172,646	2,153,964
June .....		1,131,376	1,103,683	1,504,916	1,345,030	1,449,818
July .....		1,002,429	954,661	1,414,696	1,344,616	1,368,873
August .....		945,161	888,925	1,261,510	1,538,348	1,412,660
September .....		1,153,714	1,119,806	1,512,228	1,711,029	1,632,286
October .....		1,655,910	1,652,982	1,845,567	2,327,470	2,112,892
November .....		2,141,597	2,107,713	2,465,423	2,929,939	2,706,521
December .....		2,990,544	2,612,764	2,816,399	3,102,757	3,483,976
TOTAL - Calendar Year		23,202,567	23,420,174	25,874,723	29,376,919	28,378,462
TOTAL - Three months ending March ..	8,257,614	8,270,209	8,976,445	8,683,843	10,396,600	9,498,448

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GASOLINE - No data are as yet available on gasoline sales in Nova Scotia during January and February, 1934. Statistics on sales in Quebec, Saskatchewan and British Columbia during February were not obtainable at the time this report was prepared.

Sales of gasoline in Prince Edward Island during February amounted to 21,000 gallons or 10.5 per cent above the February, 1933, total. New Brunswick's sales declined 34.2 per cent to 204,000 gallons from the February, 1933, total of 310,000 gallons. During February, Ontario dealers sold 11,909,000 gallons as against 12,247,000 gallons a year ago. Sales in Manitoba advanced to 935,000 gallons from the February, 1933, total of 828,000 gallons. Provincial government records for Alberta show an advance of 6.2 per cent in gasoline sales; the February, 1934, total was 1,752,000 gallons as compared with 1,650,000 gallons a year ago.

Canada imported 1,172,354 gallons of casinghead gasoline worth \$56,437 during February; in the previous month 1,987,904 gallons at \$111,013 were imported and in February, 1933, the total was 868,600 gallons with a valuation of \$40,353. Imports of gasoline lighter than .8235 specific gravity declined to 381,457 gallons valued at \$42,144 from the January importations of 653,314 gallons worth \$69,350 and the February, 1933, total of 1,053,947 gallons at \$79,063.

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