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MONTHLY REPORT

PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION AND GASOLINE SALES IN CANADA - FEBRUARY, 1937.

CRUDE PETROLEUM - The Canadian production of crude petroleum and natural casinghead gasoline in February totalled 153,906 barrels according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. In January, 141,078 barrels were produced and in February, 1936 the output was 107,928 barrels. During the two months ending February, Canada produced 294,984 barrels as compared with 229,159 barrels a year ago and 234,343 barrels in January and February, 1935.

In February, Alberta operators reported an output of 140,515 barrels consisting of 138,804 barrels from the Turner Valley field, 837 barrels from the Red Coulee field and 874 barrels from the Wainwright field. The output during January aggregated 127,977 barrels.

News from the Turner Valley field in February indicated that early in the month the B. & B. Royalties well in the western section of the field was brought into production with an initial output of 1975 barrels per day.

Exports of petroleum and its products from Canada in February were valued at \$22,098; the January export valuation was \$154,569.

Petroleum, asphalt and their products imported into Canada in February were appraised at \$2,148,471 as against the total of \$2,242,835 for the preceding month. The following countries were the sources of the February importations; the United States, 90.7 per cent; Peru, 4.6 per cent; Colombia 3.9 per cent, and India, Germany, Great Britain, Belgium, Alaska, France, Barbados, Japan, Australia and Switzerland, the remainder. Crude petroleum receipts during the month consisted of 46,428,755 gallons from the United States, 3,094,670 gallons from Peru and 3,021,547 gallons from Colombia.

Table 1. - PRODUCTION OF PETROLEUM IN CANADA, BY MONTHS, 1935 - 1937.

Month	1937(a)	1936(a)	1935
	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels
January	141,078	121,231	123,940
February	153,906	107,928	110,403
March		117,824	119,333
April		107,748	114,417
May		114,297	125,035
June		114,050	120,400
July		139,940	122,230
August		139,789	121,517
September		135,623	124,540
October		137,004	123,546
November		129,152	117,048
December		139,701	124,795
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		1,504,287	1,447,204
Total - Two months ending February ..	294,984	229,159	234,343

(a) Subject to revision.

Table 2 - PRODUCTION OF PETROLEUM IN CANADA.

	JANUARY 1937	FEBRUARY 1937	FEBRUARY 1936	TWO MONTHS ENDING FEBRUARY	
	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels	1937(a) Barrels	1936(a) Barrels
NEW BRUNSWICK	26	44	1,006	70	2,019
ONTARIO	13,075	13,347	10,845	26,422	25,892
ALBERTA -					
Turner Valley - naphtha	124,748	137,993	92,562	262,741	193,930
Turner Valley - light crude	966	811	1,198	1,777	2,547
Red Coulee-Border-Keho-Light crude	1,022	837	1,431	1,859	2,731
Wainwright - heavy crude	1,241	874	886	2,115	1,860
Skiff - heavy crude	-	-	-	180
TOTAL ALBERTA (b)	127,977	140,515	96,077	268,492	201,248
CANADA	141,078	153,906	107,928	294,984	229,159

(a) Compiled from monthly reports. (b) Total well output.

NATURAL GAS - The Canadian output of natural gas in February was recorded at 3,281,733 thousand cubic feet as compared with 3,822,291 thousand cubic feet in January and 4,011,882 thousand cubic feet in February, 1936. Production during the first two months of the current year totalled 7,104,024 thousand cubic feet; a year ago, 7,510,974 thousand cubic feet were produced.

Imports of mixed gas (natural and artificial) into Canada in February amounted to 6,138 thousand cubic feet at \$3,683 as against 7,600 thousand cubic feet worth \$5,543 imported in January.

Table 3 - PRODUCTION OF NATURAL GAS IN CANADA(a), BY MONTHS, 1935 - 1937.

Month	1937(b)	1936(b)	1935
	M cu. ft.	M cu. ft.	M cu. ft.
January	3,822,291	3,499,092	3,630,583
February	3,281,733	4,011,882	2,669,417
March		2,838,626	2,735,637
April		2,297,181	2,343,337
May		1,784,601	1,724,827
June		1,377,373	1,216,101
July		1,210,414	1,034,769
August		1,140,433	1,054,043
September		1,430,039	1,215,747
October		1,961,024	1,893,058
November		2,469,043	2,312,485
December		3,055,635	3,080,782
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		27,075,343	24,910,786
Total - Two months ending February ...	7,104,024	7,510,974	6,300,000

(a) Does not include Turner Valley gas used for repressuring or waste gas burned in the field. (b) Subject to revision.

GASOLINE - The latest available information re the sales of gasoline in Canada during 1937 is contained in Table 4 below. Gasoline imports into Canada and exports during January and February are recorded in Table 5.

Table 4 - MONTHLY SALES OF GASOLINE IN CANADA, 1935 and 1936(a)
(in thousands of gallons)

Month	P. E. I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que- bec	Ontario	Mani- toba	Saskat- chewan	Al- berta	Colum- bia	TOTAL
January	129	1,830	810	5,795	17,786	1,344	906	2,828	2,876	33,804
February	72	1,182	711	5,305	16,357	1,149	698	2,743	2,777	30,994
Total-Two months ending Feb.1937.	201	2,512	1,521	11,100	34,143	2,493	1,604	5,571	5,653	64,798
Total-Two months ending Feb.1936.	55	1,580	752	8,655	27,398	2,406	1,469	3,579	5,715	51,609
Month of February, 1936.	29	648	371	3,893	13,002	1,121	644	1,543	2,628	23,879

(a) Compiled in the Transportation Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.
(b) Data not available.

Table 5 - IMPORTS INTO CANADA AND EXPORTS OF GASOLINE JANUARY AND FEBRUARY, 1937.

	JANUARY		FEBRUARY	
	Gallons	\$	Gallons	\$
IMPORTS -				
Natural casinghead, compression or absorption gasoline, lighter than .6690 specific gravity at 60° temperature				
From - United States	563,485	35,811	330,656	21,480
Peru	2,483,713	167,274	-	-
TOTAL	3,047,198	203,085	330,656	21,480
Gasoline, lighter than .8235 specific gravity at 60° temperature -				
From - Great Britain	-	-	-	-
United States	875,184	77,841	760,232	65,007
Alaska	-	-	200	156
TOTAL	875,184	77,841	760,432	65,163
EXPORTS -				
Gasoline and naphtha	721,316	109,659	22,915	3,404



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