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MONTHLY REPORT

PETROLEUM and NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION IN CANADA - APRIL, 1939,

and

GASOLINE SALES IN CANADA - MARCH, 1939.

CRUDE PETROLEUM - The Canadian output of crude petroleum and natural gasoline in April rose to 558,779 barrels from the preceding month's total of 384,461 barrels and the April, 1938, production of 464,316 barrels, according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. During the first four months of 1939 Canada produced 1,831,022 barrels compared with 1,815,685 barrels a year ago.

Alberta's output amounted to 543,489 barrels made up of 541,594 barrels from the Turner Valley field, 1,061 barrels from the Red Coulee field, 686 barrels from the Wainwright field, and 148 barrels from the Lloydminster field. The Alberta provincial government records the completion of the following wells in April:-

Harris #1 on April 26th at 7,244 feet. Royalite #35..... at 7,381 feet. Royalite #38 on April 12th at 7,494 feet.

Exports of petroleum and its products from Canada in April were valued at \$15,461; the March exports were worth \$14,213.

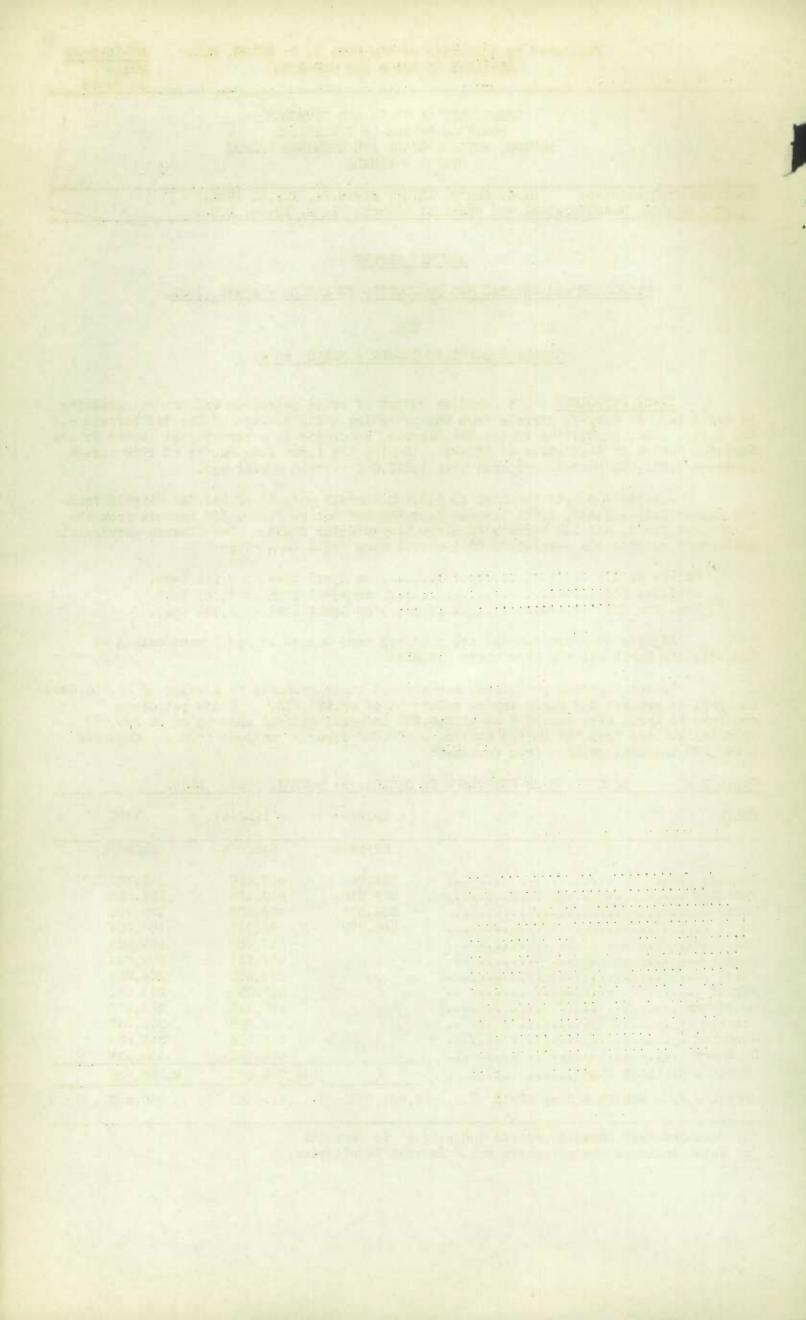
Canada imported petroleum, asphalt and their products to a value of \$2,151,949 in April as against the March import valuation of \$2,926,515. Crude petroleum receipts in April were recorded at 45,640,730 imperial gallons made up of 39,280,730 imperial gallons from the United States, 3,375,000 imperial gallons from Colombia and 2,985,000 imperial gallons from Venezuela.

PRODUCTION OF PETROLEUM IN CANADA, BY MONTHS, 1937 - 1939.

Month	1939(a)	1938(a)	1937
	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels
January February March April May June July August September October November December TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR	531,564 356,218 384,461 558,779	457,408 413,158 480,803 464,316 566,086 537,654 693,332 817,706 886,111 685,088 445,514 489,303 (b)6,959,333	141,135 154,025 176,721 188,069 192,936 209,727 244,931 291,641 303,983 342,557 341,627 408,681 2,996,033
TOTAL - FOUR MONTHS ending APRIL	1,831,022	1,815,685	660,950

⁽a) Compiled from monthly reports and subject to revision.

⁽b) Total includes the output in the Northwest Territories.



	MARCH	APRIL	APRII.	FOUR MONTHS	ENDING
	1939(a)	1939(a)	1938(a)	1939(a)	1938(a)
	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels	
NEW BRUNSWICK	42	1,275	3,417	1,447	3,505
ONTARIO	17,521	14,015	13,658	63,542	51,424
ALBERTA -					
Turner Valley - production from lime-					
stone oil wells	334,668	514,823)		1,616,110)	1. 7 125
Turner Valley - production from lime-)	442,752)	1,743,278
stone gas wells	28,049	26,012)		133,745)	
Turner Valley - shallow crude	751	759	431	2,934	2,760
Red Coulee - light crude	1,172	1,061	1,214	4,531	4,725
Wainwright-Ribstone - heavy crude	1,132	686	1,334	4,645	6,135
Lloydminster - heavy crude		148		348	
Taber - heavy crude	1,126		1,510	3,720	3,858
Moose-Dome - heavy crude					
TOTAL ALBERTA (b)	366,898	543,489	447,241	1,766,033	1,760,756
CANADA	384,461	558,779	464,316	1,831,022	1,815,685

(a) Compiled from monthly reports and subject to revision.

(b) Total well output.

Table 3 - IMPORTS OF CRUDE PETROLEUM INTO CANADA during MARCH and APRIL and the FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF 1939.

	MARCH	APRIL	FOUR MONTHS ending APRIL
	Imperial gallons	Imperial gallons	Imperial gallons
Nova Scotia	12,431,000	11,587,000	56,620,000
New Brunswick			
Quebec			
ntario	27,641,000	19,384,000	69,537,493
Manitoba	722,242	695,986	1,981,076
askatchewan	394,000	283,432	1,401,432
Alberta		72,312	1,189,264
British Columbia	· ·	13,618,000	64,128,715
TOTAL	65,766,622	45,640,730	214,857,980

NATURAL GAS - Natural gas production in Canada during April totalled 3,147,608 thousand cubic feet compared with 3,722,181 thousand cubic feet in the preceding month and 2,928,521 thousand cubic feet in April, 1938. Production during the four months ending April aggregated 15,102,911 thousand cubic feet or 6.8 per cent above the output a year ago.

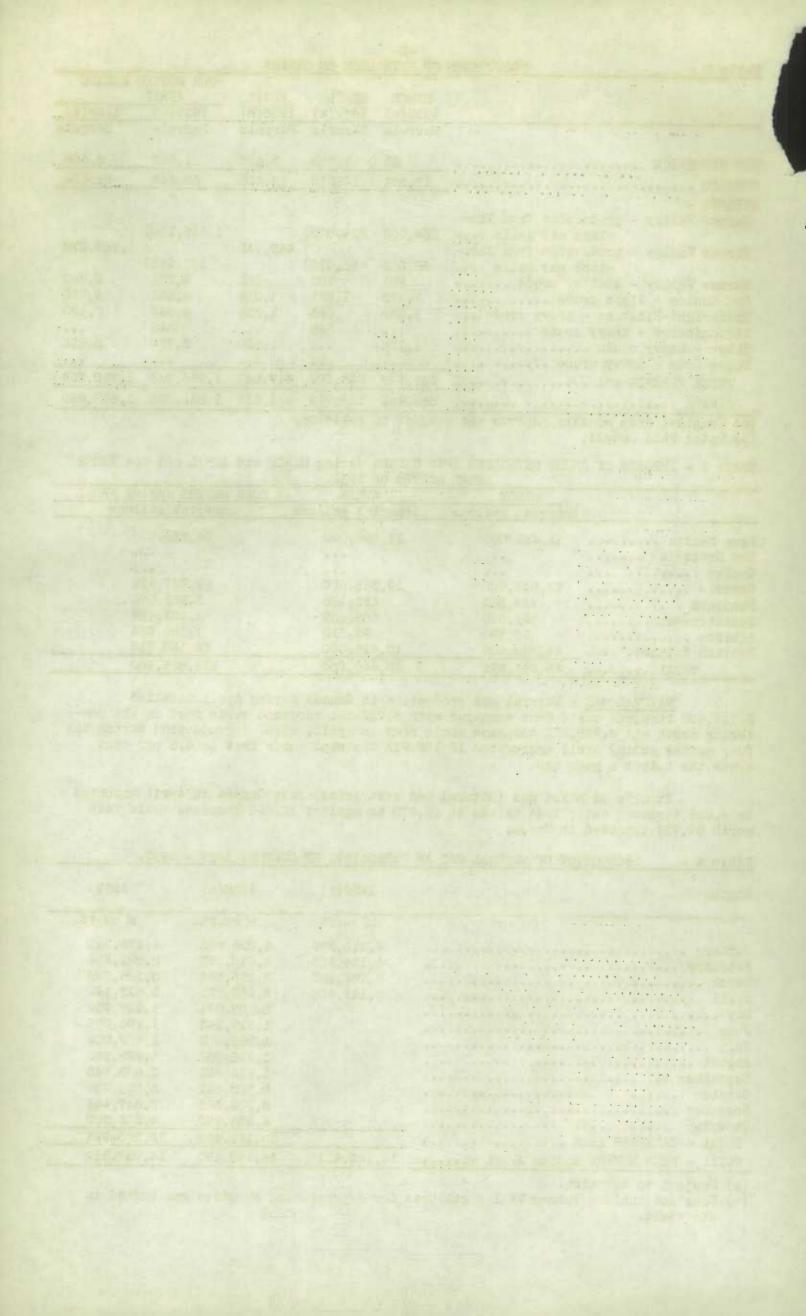
Imports of mixed gas (natural and artificial) into Canada in April amounted to 9,959 thousand cubic feet valued at \$5,975 as against 12,292 thousand cubic feet worth \$7,734 imported in March.

Table 4 - PRODUCTION OF NATURAL GAS IN CANADA(b), BY MONTHS, 1937 - 1939.

Month	1939(a)	1938(a)	1937
	M cu.ft.	M cu.ft.	M cu.ft.
January	4,118,179	4,025,936	4,476,141
February	4,114,943	4,010,772	3,821,554
March	3,722,181	3,175,266	3,186,773
April	3,147,608	2,928,521	2,613,142
ay		2,127,894	1,907,939
June		1,717,143	1,495,852
fuly		1,583,803	1,407,809
lugust		1,758,586	1,428,900
September		1,916,529	1,833,745
October		2,503,641	2,554,787
November		3,354,385	3,347,444
December		4,056,990	4,306,905
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		33,159,466	32,380,991
TOTAL - FOUR MONTHS ending APRIL	15,102,911	14,140,495	14,097,610

(a) Subject to revision.

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



CASOLINE - Table 5 records the monthly sales of gasoline in Canada during 1938 and 1939. In Table 6 the imports into Canada and exports of gasoline during MARCH and APRIL, 1939, are shown.

Table 5 - MONTHLY RETAIL SALES OF GASOLINE IN CANADA, 1938 and 1939(a)

	(in thousands of gallons)									
	P. E.		Nova New							
Month	Island		Scotia		Brunswick		Quebec		Ontario	
	1939	1938	1939	1938	1939	1938	1939	1938	1939	1938
January	100	55	1,566	1,367	987	857	6,758	5,650	19,682	17,507
February	73	49	1,349	1,204	866	794	5,311	5,462	17,675	17,451
March	90	46	1,386	1,501	1,025	1,030	6,042	6,275	24,286	21,447
Sub-total.	263	150	4,301	4,072	2,878	2,681	18,111	17,387	61,643	56,405
										00.345
April		114		1,863		1,068		8,916		26,143
May		396		2,808		1,967		12,728		30,891
June		481		3,099		2,461		14,147		32,711
July		494		3,264		2,720		15,269		35,755
August		569		3,703		3,095		16,772		38,424
September		495		3,171		2,711		14,735		33,993
October		429		2,873		2,291		13,847		31,804
November		341		2,579		1,817		12,391		28,072
December		160		2,054		1,187		8,835		23,683
TOTAL		3,629		29,486		21,998		135,027		337,881

	Manitoba		Manitoba Saskatchewan		Al	lberta (b)	British Columbia		TOTAL	
January February March	1,826 1,301 1,520	1,542 1,287 1,697	1,825 836 1,028	1,022 669 875	3,585 2,147 3,409	3,926 2,918 4,618	3,748 3,522 3,950	3,481 3,313 3,884	40,077 33,080 42,736	35,407 33,147 41,373
Sub-total.	4,647	4,526	3,689	2,566	9,141	11,462	11,220	10,678	115,893	109,927
April May June July August September October November December		2,686 3,379 3,923 4,129 4,901 5,059 4,191 3,336 2,467		4,006 9,170 8,248 7,174 8,449 10,872 8,133 4,616 1,856		5,217 8,103 7,320 6,018 8,341 9,120 8,589 5,571 3,984		4,383 5,037 5,379 5,824 6,308 5,571 4,866 4,822 4,290		54,396 74,479 77,769 80,647 90,562 85,727 77,023 63,545 48,516
TOTAL		38,597		65,090		73,725		57,158		762,591

⁽a) Compiled in the Transportation Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics from returns received from the gasoline tax departments of the Provincial Governments.

⁽b) Includes diesel oil to March 31, 1938.

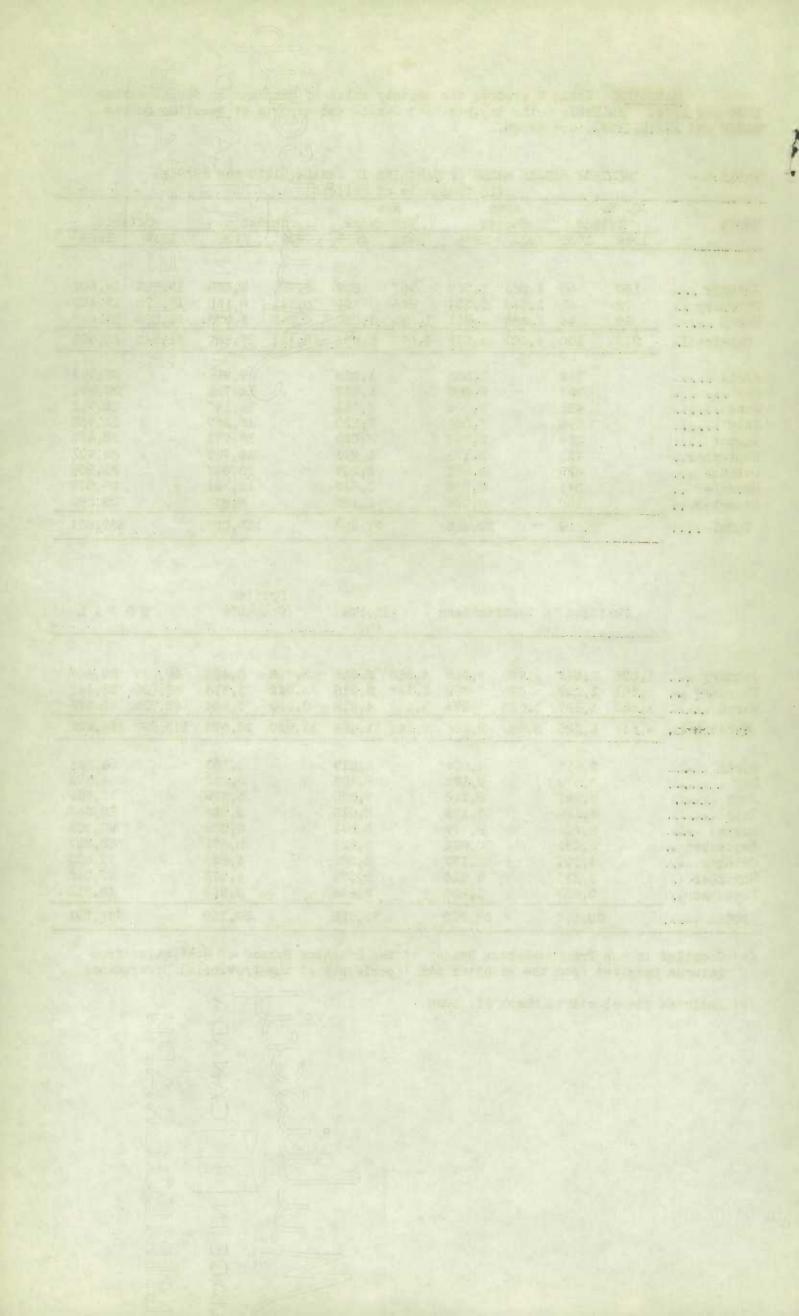


Table 6 - IMPORTS INTO CANADA and EXPORTS OF GASOLINE - MARCH and APRIL, 1939.

Gasoline, lighter than .8236 specific gravity at 60° temperature

Natural casinghead compression or absorption gasoline lighter than .6690 specific gravity at 60° temperature

		MARCH	APRIL	MARCH	APRIL	
IMPORTS -						
Nova Scotia	Imp. gal.		50		•••	
	\$		48			
New Brunswick	Imp. gal.	5,695	4,205			
	\$	840	636			
Quebec	Imp. gal.	263,233	283,565	6,874		
	\$	18,259	17,677			
Ontario	Imp. gal.	772,329	643,065	507,797	27,635	
	\$	50,491	41,411			
Manitoba	Imp. gal.	47,038	26,845	136,309	74,386	
	\$	4,356	2,262	• • •		
Saskatchewan	Imp. gal.	68,654	99,563	20,256	20,286	
	\$	5,235	7,884			
Alberta	Imp. gal.	776,565	819,240			
	\$	60,028	61,597			
British Columbia	Imp. gal.	483,727	262,839	1,622,755	895,662	
	\$	55,704	31,033			
CANADA	Imp. gal.	2,417,241	2,139,372	2,293,991	1,017,699	
	\$	194,913	162,548	148,476	70,335	
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EXPORTS -		Imp. gal.	\$	Imp. gal.	\$	
Gasoline and napht	tha	1,370	338	11,088	2,606	

