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PRODUCTION AND VALUE OF COMMERCIAL FRUITS.

Ottawa, February 13, 1936.- Not since the year 1929 have Canadian fruit growers received so large a return for their produce as was the case last season. The 1929 crop was valued at \$19,591,200. Preliminary estimates of the 1935 crop as shown by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics in a report issued today, value the season's crop at \$18,562,000 as compared with \$15,759,500 for 1934 and \$15,412,000 for the five-year average, 1930-34.

Apples accounted for slightly more than two-thirds of the total, the estimate of the 1935 production being 4,432,700 barrels valued at \$12,452,100. The average value per barrel for last season's crop is \$2.89 as compared with \$2.15 for the 1934 crop and \$2.24 for the five-year average. While total production fell short of the bumper crop of 5,473,200 barrels produced in 1933, the net returns to growers were greater in 1935 because of the higher value per barrel.

Strawberries rank second amongst Canadian fruits in total value of production and the 1935 crop of 26,199,000 qts. valued at \$2,249,000 was well above the five-year average of 19,435,600 qts., worth \$1,785,900.

Peaches and grapes which in past years have been amongst the leaders, slipped down the scale in 1935 owing to the lower average value per unit. Third place is occupied by the raspberry crop which reports a total value of \$903,500 for 1935 as compared with \$824,300 for 1934 and the five-year average of \$835,800.

British Columbia apples made the largest single contribution to the gross value of the 1935 crop of fruit. Nova Scotia with a somewhat larger production but a lower value per barrel was a good second while Ontario's apple crop valued at slightly less than \$2,000,000, was the only other item which passed the million dollar mark. Quebec apples yielded the highest returns to growers with an average value of four dollars per barrel.

Production of pears is confined chiefly to Ontario and British Columbia and these two provinces produce most of the plums, peaches and cherries. Ontario accounts for practically all the grapes while British Columbia, Ontario and Quebec together grow the great bulk of the strawberries and raspberries.

The following tables show the production and shipping point value of fruits in Canada, 1935 as compared with 1934 and the five-year average, 1930-34. Figures are also shown for the different crops by provinces for 1935 and 1934.

Production and Shipping Point Value of Fruits in Canada 1935 as compared with 1934 and the five year average, 1930-34.

Description	Year	Total Quantity	Average Value per Unit	Total Value
		brl.	\$	\$
CANADA - Apples	1934	4,257,400	2.15	9,182,900
	1935	4,432,700	2.89	12,452,100
	5 year average	4,136,200	2.24	9,286,900
		bush.		
Pears	1934	440,800	1.34	592,900
	1935	355,200	1.42	506,100
	5 year average	436,300	1.20	514,800
Plums and Prunes	1934	240,200	1.53	369,500
	1935	225,300	1.36	306,400
	5 year average	247,200	1.18	293,500

Production and Shipping Point Value of Fruits in Canada
1935 as compared with 1934 and the five year average, 1930-34. - con.

Description	Year	Total Quantity	Average Value per Unit	Total Value
		bush.	\$	
Peaches	1934	443,800	2.32	1,033,600
	1935	613,600	1.44	888,600
	5 year average	745,500	1.46	1,088,600
Apricots	1934	100,800	2.43	244,900
	1935	44,800	2.55	114,600
	5 year average	51,000	2.45	125,100
Cherries	1934	194,700	2.34	457,100
	1935	202,200	2.62	529,500
	5 year average	243,300	2.33	568,500
		qt.		
Strawberries	1934	20,239,900	.10	2,070,100
	1935	26,199,000	.085	2,249,900
	5 year average	19,435,600	.09	1,785,900
Raspberries	1934	5,835,200	.14	824,300
	1935	7,169,000	.126	903,500
	5 year average	6,414,700	.13	835,800
		Lb.		
Grapes	1934	48,565,000	.020	984,200
	1935	39,350,000	.015	610,500
	5 year average	47,042,400	.019	913,800
TOTAL VALUE	1934	-	-	15,759,500
	1935	-	-	18,561,200
	5 year average	-	-	15,412,800

Production and Shipping Point Value of Fruits in Canada, by provinces,
1935 as compared with 1934.

Province and Description	Year	Total Quantity	Average Value per Unit	Total Value
		boxes		
BRITISH COLUMBIA -				
Apples	1934	5,404,300	.80	4,323,400
	1935	4,953,700	1.05	5,201,400
Pears	1934	278,600	1.17	325,900
	1935	222,900	1.30	289,800
		crates		
Plums and Prunes	1934	462,700	.63	291,500
	1935	338,500	.65	220,000
Peaches	1934	319,300	.86	274,600
	1935	133,900	.90	120,500
Apricots	1934	302,300	.81	244,900
	1935	134,800	.85	114,600
Cherries	1934	236,000	1.23	290,300
	1935	164,000	1.25	205,000
Strawberries	1934	522,600	1.02	533,100
	1935	546,000	1.35	737,100
Raspberries	1934	141,500	1.27	179,700
	1935	157,000	1.35	211,900
		lb.		
Grapes	1934	1,291,000	.03	38,700
	1935	1,350,000	.03	40,500
TOTAL VALUE	1934	-	-	6,503,900
	1935	-	-	7,139,000

Production and Shipping Point Value of Fruits in Canada, by provinces,
1935 as compared with 1934. - con.

Province and Description	Year	Total Quantity brl.	Average Value per Unit \$	Total Value \$
ONTARIO-				
Apples	1934	510,000	2.40	1,224,000
	1935	727,000	2.75	1,999,200
		bu.		
Pears	1934	201,800	1.30	262,000
	1935	161,000	1.30	209,300
Plums	1934	80,000	.90	72,000
	1935	104,500	.75	78,400
Peaches	1934	337,400	2.25	759,000
	1935	569,000	1.35	768,100
Cherries	1934	116,000	2.30	266,800
	1935	147,500	2.20	324,500
		qts.		
Strawberries	1934	6,753,700	.13	878,000
	1935	11,819,000	.07	827,300
Raspberries	1934	1,815,700	.18	327,000
	1935	2,640,000	.13	343,200
		lb.		
Grapes	1934	47,274,000	.02	945,500
	1935	38,000,000	.015	570,000
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TOTAL VALUE	1934	-	-	4,734,300
	1935	-	-	5,120,000
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QUEBEC -				
Apples	1934	121,000	3.50	423,000
	1935	222,000	4.00	888,000
		qts.		
Strawberries	1934	5,890,000	.09	530,000
	1935	6,160,000	.085	524,000
Raspberries	1934	2,250,000	.135	304,000
	1935	2,544,000	.13	331,000
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TOTAL VALUE	1934	-	-	1,257,000
	1935	-	-	1,743,000
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NEW BRUNSWICK -				
Apples	1934	25,000	2.50	62,500
	1935	32,500	3.00	97,500
		qts.		
Strawberries	1934	1,000,000	.09	90,000
	1935	1,100,000	.09	99,000
Raspberries	1934	37,500	.20	7,000
	1935	41,000	.16	6,600
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TOTAL VALUE	1934	-	-	159,500
	1935	-	-	203,100
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Production and Shipping Point Value of Fruits in Canada, by provinces,
1935 as compared with 1934 . - con.

Province and Description	Year	Total Quantity	Average Value per Unit	Total Value
		brl.	\$	\$
NOVA SCOTIA -				
Apples	1934	1,800,000	1.75	3,150,000
	1935	1,800,000	2.37	4,266,000
		bu.		
Pears	1934	5,000	1.00	5,000
	1935	7,000	1.00	7,000
Plums and Prunes	1934	6,000	1.00	6,000
	1935	8,000	1.00	8,000
		qts.		
Strawberries	1934	325,000	.12	39,000
	1935	568,000	.11	62,500
Raspberries	1934	34,000	.18	6,000
	1935	60,000	.18	10,800
TOTAL VALUE	1934	-	-	5,206,000
	1935	-	2	4,354,300

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