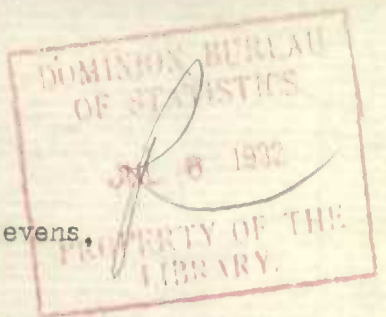


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FRUIT REPORT

Ottawa, July 5, 1932. The Dominion Bureau of Statistics, in co-operation with the Department of Agriculture of the Province of Quebec, today issued the following report on fruit prospects in Quebec, covering crop development up to June 28th, along with a preliminary estimate of the 1932 production of strawberries and raspberries.

Based upon crop development up to June 28th, prospects for orchard production are about normal with slightly above average outlook for cherries and plums. In general, strawberries and raspberries suffered from the cool, dry weather in June.

Apple prospects in Quebec are favourable with leading varieties showing an average condition at this time of the year. The condition of the Quebec apple crop is summarized in the following table:

(1 = Poor; 2 = Below average; 3 = Average; 4 = Above average; 5 = Exceptionally good.)

Varieties

McIntosh	3.0
Wealthy	3.0
Duchess	3.0
Fameuse	3.0
Yellow Transparent	3.0
Other Varieties	3.0

In particular, in Deux-Montagnes County, the apple outlook is considered exceptionally good.

Cool, dry weather in June reduced the probable yield of strawberries and raspberries. In general, strawberry production is estimated at from 60 to 75 per cent of an average crop, while raspberry production is estimated at about 75 per cent of an average crop.

Preliminary estimates of 1932 for production of strawberries and raspberries are as follows:

Strawberries -- 2,900,000 quarts;  
Raspberries -- 550,000 quarts.

The above estimates are of total production. The commercial production of strawberries and raspberries is considerably below last year.

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