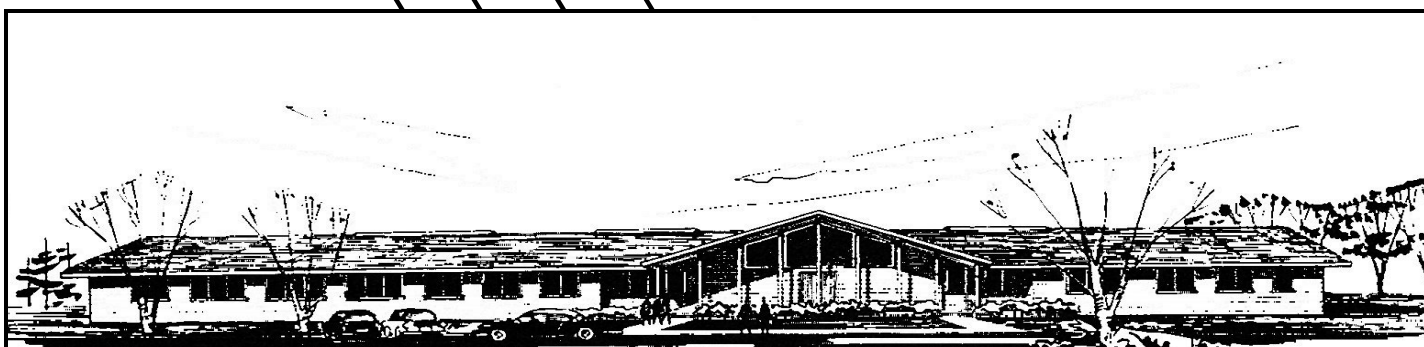


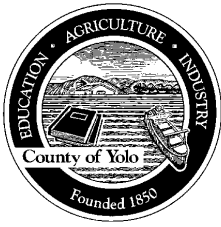
Agricultural
**CROP
REPORT**



**THE NEW COUNTY AGRICULTURAL BUILDING
DEDICATED OCTOBER 6, 1956**

***Yolo
County***

1956



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COUNTY AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

TO: THE HONORABLE W. G. JACOBSEN, STATE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE
TO: THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF YOLO

Gentlemen:

The California Agricultural Code, Section 65.5, requires that the County Agricultural Commissioner compile and submit an annual report showing the conditions, acreages, production and value of the agricultural crops, including livestock and livestock products, of his county. This is the report covering the year of 1956.

Yolo County can be proud of the fact that in 1956 we had seven crops, each which returned gross farm values in excess of four million dollars, including tomatoes, barley, livestock and livestock products, sugar beets, almonds, rice and alfalfa hay.

The added cost this year of \$4 per acre in the production of alfalfa, due to aphid control was more than required for pest control purposes in any former year.

Our gross farm return total for Yolo County agriculture in 1956, of \$70,653,900, exceeds the corresponding figure of 1955 by about \$5,000,000. This healthy increase can be attributed largely to good land management on the part of our farmers and good crop care; also the weather was very favorable for production and harvesting of all crops. It should be borne in mind, however, that the gross farm value reported for Yolo County does not represent net income to the farmers. Their expenses of operation are very heavy.

New trends in crop production in our country include increased production of hybrid corn, milo maize and safflower.

I take great pleasure in acknowledging the high degree of cooperation extended to this office during the past year as in former years. I thank particularly the farmers, livestock men, and others who have contributed information for the preparation of this report.

Again, I would like to take this opportunity of expressing the appreciation of our Department for the splendid new quarters made available to us in the Yolo County Agricultural Building, dedicated in 1956. This new building and equipment, for which we are thankful, greatly facilitates the performance of our duties and the giving of proper service to the public.

Respectfully submitted,

Chas. H. Hardy
Agricultural Commissioner

YOLO COUNTY

Annual

Agricultural Crop Report

Compiled by
Yolo County
Department of Agriculture

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**Duties performed by the Yolo County
Agricultural Commissioner's Office**

Quarantine and Pest Control

Tree and Plant Inspection
Nursery Inspection
Field and Orchard Inspection
Insect Pest Control
Regulating Pest Control Operators
Use and Application of Injurious Materials
Plant Disease Control
Noxious Weed Control
Rodent Control
Bee Disease Control
Predatory Animal Control

Standardization

Fruits and Vegetables
Market Inspection
Packing Inspection
Truck Inspection
Honey Inspection
Egg Inspection

Poultry and Rabbit Meat Inspection

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Seed Law Enforcement

Agricultural Statistics

Crop Reports

Weights and Measures Enforcement

Administration and Enforcement

Dog Control

- PERSONNEL -

GEORGE DAHL..... Agricultural Inspector and Deputy
Sealer of Weights and Measures

ORVILLE WRIGHTAgricultural Inspector

MILTON SHARPAgricultural Inspector (Winters Office)

HERBERT CHANDLER..... Agricultural Inspector and Deputy
.....Sealer of Weights and Measures

JOHN BARTELSAgricultural Inspector and Crop Statistician

CHARLES JUSTUSAgricultural Inspector

JOHN WATSON.....Agricultural Inspector

CHARLOTTE LUCCHESI Senior Account Clerk

CARMEN LANDUCCI Stenographer-Clerk

IRWIN HERTZBERG Weed Spray Truck Operator

JACK MOORE Weed Spray Truck Operator

HARLEY McCLAIN Weed Spray Truck Operator

ALBERT BACCHINI..... Poundmaster

JAMES EDDY Poundmaster

TONY DeHEUS..... Poundmaster

ELDEN BURKET..... Predatory Animal Control

BENJAMIN TAYLOR..... Predatory Animal Control

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

YOLO COUNTY

1956

<u>CROP</u>	<u>BEARING ACREAGE</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>GROSS FARM VALUE</u>
<u>ALMONDS</u>	9,000		
Meats		4,000 Tons	\$6,240,000
Hulls		7,000 Tons	84,000
<u>APRICOTS</u>	2,123		
Canning		1,200 Tons	144,000
Dried		100 Tons	96,000
Shipping		316,400 Tons	949,200
Pits		25 Tons	2,800
<u>FIGS</u>	263		
Fresh		14,000 Flats	28,000
Dried		300 Tons	30,000
<u>GRAPES</u>	137	500 Tons	22,500
<u>OLIVES</u>	411	500 Tons	58,000
<u>ORANGES</u>	17		27,500
<u>PEACHES</u>	659		
Canning		600 Tons	36,900
Fresh		9,000 Lugs	18,000
Dried		200 Tons	100,000
Pits		10 Tons	100
<u>PEARS</u>	383		
Canning		4,500 Tons	332,600
Fresh		1,300 Tons	96,000
<u>PRUNES</u>	1,060	2,400 Tons	528,000
<u>WALNUTS</u>	1,300	1,300 Tons	650,000
<u>BLACK WALNUTS</u>			37,000
<u>NURSERY STOCK</u>			<u>222,000</u>
TOTAL	15,353		\$9,702,600

SEED CROPS

YOLO COUNTY

1956

CROP	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	GROSS FARM VALUE
<u>CERTIFIED SEED</u>			
<u>ALFALFA</u>			
Atlantic Alfalfa	168	113,400 Lbs	\$41,400
Buffalo Alfalfa	1,200	480,000 Lbs	177,600
Caliverde Alfalfa	500	200,000 Lbs	45,000
Ranger Alfalfa	1,100	484,000 Lbs	179,000
Vernal Alfalfa	500	220,000 Lbs	110,000
Pennscott Red Clover	18	7,800 Lbs	3,900
Smilo Grass	25	10,750 Lbs	9,000
Sudan Grass	3,200	3,200 Lbs	480,000
Tall Fescue	19	14,000 Lbs	4,200
<u>ALFALFA (Miscellaneous)</u>			
Non Certified	2,000	800,000 Lbs	160,000
<u>VEGETABLE SEED</u>			
Asparagus	21	9,300 Lbs	7,000
Beans	4	2,000 Lbs	250
Beets (Table)	156	83,100 Lbs	15,800
Cabbage	8	4,400 Lbs	2,400
Cantaloupe	51	27,700 Lbs	14,550
Carrots	82	52,400 Lbs	15,700
Collard	40	23,000 Lbs	4,600
Cucumbers	53	45,800 Lbs	21,890
Lettuce	20	2,100 Lbs	1,600
Mustard	68	44,400 Lbs	5,350
Onion Bulbs	9	491,000 Lbs	8,100
Onion Seeds	50	20,400 Lbs	19,000
Parsley	5	3,100 Lbs	550
Peas (Garden)	13	124,000 Lbs	800
Pepper	7	500 Lbs	1,500
Squash	14	7,500 Lbs	3,200
Swiss Chard	14	10,200 Lbs	1,550
Tomatoes	16	1,700 Lbs	6,900
Watermelons	137	43,300 Lbs	18,500
<u>MILLET</u>	700	700 Tons	56,000
<u>PEAS (Field)</u>	300	51 Tons	5,000
<u>SUDAN (Sweet)</u>	7,200	7,200 Tons	756,000

SEED CROPS - Continued

YOLO COUNTY

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<u>CROP</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>GROSS FARM VALUE</u>
<u>TREFOIL</u>	700	88 Tons	88,000
<u>VETCH</u>	1,100	220 Tons	26,400
<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>			<u>300,000</u>
Total	19,498		\$2,590,700

* Prices are the best available

FIELD CROPS

YOLO COUNTY

1956

<u>CROP</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>GROSS FARM VALUE</u>
<u>BEANS</u>			
Dry	3,200	3,500 Tons	\$528,000
<u>GRAIN</u>			
Barley	174,000	218,800 Tons	9,846,000
Rice	26,285	52,600 Tons	4,153,000
Wheat		10,150 Tons	710,500
<u>HAY</u>			
Alfalfa	26,000	167,000 Tons	4,008,000
Grain	9,000	9,000 Tons	207,000
<u>STRAW</u>	20,000	15,000 Tons	180,000
<u>HOPS</u>	347	2,780 Bales	278,000
<u>CORN</u>			
Hybrid Field	9,700	19,400 Tons	1,164,000
Milo	13,500	25,000 Tons	1,275,000
<u>SAFFLOWER</u>	23,700	20,145 Tons	1,490,700
<u>SUNFLOWERS</u>	600	450 Tons	72,000
<u>SUGAR BEETS</u>	24,080	493,600 Tons	6,911,000
<u>PASTURE</u>			
Grain Stubble	30,000		60,000
Irrigated	17,500		525,000
Range	<u>200,000</u>		<u>200,000</u>
TOTALS	578,912		\$31,608,200

*Including Government Payments

TRUCK CROPS

YOLO COUNTY

1956

<u>CROP</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>GROSS FARM VALUE</u>
<u>ASPARAGUS</u>			
	2,052		
Canning		1,540 Tons	\$323,400
Market		96,200 Crates	769,600
<u>VEGETABLES</u>			
Cabbage	37		18,300
Carrots	163	1,966 Tons	137,600
Cauliflower	9	3,000 Crates	3,300
Corn (Sweet)	175	70,000 Crates	178,000
Egg Plant	3	1,800 Crates	2,300
Mushrooms			9,000
Onions (Green)	34		50,000
Onions (Dry)	16	3,500 Bags	7,700
Parsnips	28	140 Tons	14,000
Peppers	11	5,000 Crates	11,250
Radishes	55		4,950
Rutabagas	8	64 Tons	3,200
Squash			14,900
Turnips			4,600
<u>BERRIES</u>			6,000
<u>CUCUMBERS (Field)</u>	260	900 Tons	45,000
<u>MELONS</u>			805,000
<u>ONIONS</u>			
Dehydrator-Market	600	9,800 Tons	575,000
<u>SPINACH</u>			
Canning	1,000	7,000 Tons	157,500
Quick Freeze	155	1,027 Tons	29,400
<u>TOMATOES</u>			
Canning	27,000	634,500 Tons	14,276,000
Market			200,000
<u>MISCELLANEOUS GARDENS</u>			
			<u>70,000</u>
TOTAL	31,606		\$17,716,000

APIARY – LIVESTOCK - POULTRY

YOLO COUNTY

1956

<u>CROP</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>GROSS FARM VALUE</u>
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APIARY PRODUCTS

Honey (Bulk)	600 Tons	\$150,000
Package Bees	14,000 Pkgs	52,500
Pollination		57,000
Queens	17,000 Pkgs	18,700
<u>Wax</u>	<u>10 Tons</u>	<u>12,000</u>
TOTAL		\$290,200

LIVESTOCK

Cattle (Beef, Feed Lot & Other Gains)	17,000 Head	\$3,020,000
Veal	5,000 Head	250,000
Sheep (Ewes sold)	20,000 Head	300,000
Lambs sold	97,000 Head	1,940,000
Swine sold	16,800 Head	426,000
Horses	600 Head	21,000
Rabbits	1,000 Head	1,000
Milk & Milk Products	739,000 Lbs	811,000
<u>Wool*</u>	<u>1,142,500 Lbs</u>	<u>749,500</u>
TOTAL		\$7,518,500

* Including Government Payments

POULTRY PRODUCTS

Chickens (Hens sold)	45,000 Birds	\$33,700
Fryers	204,000 Birds	132,000
Turkey Poults	7,500 Birds	5,200
Baby Chicks	4,000 Birds	1,800
Eggs	30,000 Cases	405,000
<u>Turkeys</u>	<u>100,000 Birds</u>	<u>650,000</u>
TOTAL		\$1,227,700

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RECAPITULATION

Apiary	\$290,200
Field Crops	31,608,200
Horticultural Crops	9,702,600
Livestock Products	7,518,500
Poultry Products	1,227,700
Seed Crops	2,590,700
Truck Crops	<u>17,716,000</u>
Total	\$70,653,900
1952 Gross Farm Value	\$59,036,462
1953 Gross Farm Value	55,030,000
1954 Gross Farm Value	56,460,700
1955 Gross Farm Value	65,683,620
1956 Gross Farm Value	70,653,900