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The total value of all crops produced in Kern County for the year 1930 is \$13,581,153. This shows about 20 per cent less than the total value for crops for the preceding year and when compared with other lines of industry it shows that agriculture is not in such a bad state as would be expected from a season like we have just gone through.

There were some outstanding cases of profits made which offset some of the low prices on other commodities and demonstrated more than ever before the value of diversified farming. Among the outstanding increases in agricultural value was our potato crop this year. We had an increase of 1056 acres with an increased valuation of \$523,000 over last year's crop. Citrus production was 65,972 boxes more than last year and an increased valuation of \$262,943. We also had an increase of 600 acres in melons and an increase in value of that crop of \$193,180.

The crop which showed a loss under the preceding year was our major crop, cotton. Though the production and quality were equal to the year previous, the price has been considerably lower. The same thing is true with hay and grapes, which are some of our major crops.

The farmers are not discouraged with the conditions they face and are going into another year with all of the hope and expectancy of making a better crop and returning more money than they have during the present season.

The increase in acreage and production of melons and vegetables brought \$1,164,280 more than 1929.

CROP ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE
1930

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CROP	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	VALUE
<u>FRUITS</u>			
Apples	973 $\frac{1}{2}$	6 cars	4,800
Apricots	1725	175 "	175,000
Dry "		100 tons	8,000
Cherries	21	42 "	4,200
Figs	233	4 cars	4,800
Dry figs		60 tons	6,000
Walnuts	101	20 tons	12,000
Almonds	50	20 "	10,000
Olives	953	17 cars	23,800
Peaches	1127 $\frac{1}{2}$	122 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	110,250
Pears	1080	48 "	38,400
Persimmons	26 $\frac{1}{2}$	5000 lbs.	500
Pomegranates	60	17 cars	8,500
Prunes		186 tons	14,880
Plums	1203	182 cars	182,000
<u>CITRUS</u>			
Grapefruit	35	4829 boxes	16,901
Lemons	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	100	400
Oranges	1422 $\frac{1}{2}$	343 $\frac{1}{2}$ cars	644,788
Tangerines	108	6000 lugs	9,000
	<u>1573</u>		<u>\$ 671,089</u>
<u>GRAPES</u>			
Table	7061	1687 cars	1,155,595
Wine	2942	1065 "	533,800
Raisins	10098	1333 "	953,095
Raisin dry		4751 tons	332,570
	<u>20101</u>		<u>2,995,060</u>
<u>MELONS</u>			
Cantaloupes	560	86,700 crates	173,400
Watermelons	991	884 cars	309,400
Other melons	60	747 tons	22,410
	<u>1611</u>		<u>\$ 505,210</u>
<u>VEGETABLES</u>			
Potatoes	2446	456,600 sacks	913,200
Cabbage	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 cars	8,000
Carrots	353 $\frac{1}{2}$	38 cars	15,200
Cucumbers	3	10,000 lugs	7,500
Lettuce	352 $\frac{1}{2}$	17,280 crates	34,560
Onions	844	221 cars	99,450
Sweet Potatoes	468	2,555,000 lbs.	127,750
String Beans	10	7 tons	930
Tomatoes	30	7,000 lugs	7,000
Cauliflower	58	50 cars	20,000

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CROP	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	VALUE
<u>VEGETABLES</u>			
Egg Plant	10	750 crates	\$ 1,500
Peppers	11½	800 crates	3,200
Peas	526½	31,560 crates	189,360
Beans	145	1,740 bags	6,960
Mixed	60		6,000
	<u>5347½</u>		<u>1,440,660</u>

FIELD CROPS

Cotton	51,000	60,000 bales	3,000,000
Cotton seed		30,000 tons	720,000
Grain Hay	4,500	4,500 tons	67,500
Alfalfa	30,000	150,000 tons	1,500,000
Rice	900	20,600 bags	46,350
Rice Straw		1,200 tons	1,800
Silage cut	3,000	3,000 tons	30,000
Nursery stock	40		40,000
Mint	200	16,023 lbs.	40,057
Mint Hay		800 tons	4,000
Honey		384,000 lbs.	19,200
	<u>89,640</u>		<u>5,468,907</u>

GRAIN

Barley	16,830	8,514 tons	252,450
Milo	14,554	21,831 "	873,240
Wheat	17,603	17,605 "	792,225
	<u>48,987</u>		<u>\$ 1,917,915</u>

(Field Crops)			
TOTAL ACRES	133,629	TOTAL VALUE	\$7,336,322
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OTHER CROPS	<u>36,136</u>	OTHER CROPS	6,215,149
Total all crops	174,315 A	Total value all crops	<u>\$13,601,971</u>