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Agricultural Commissioners' Crop Reports

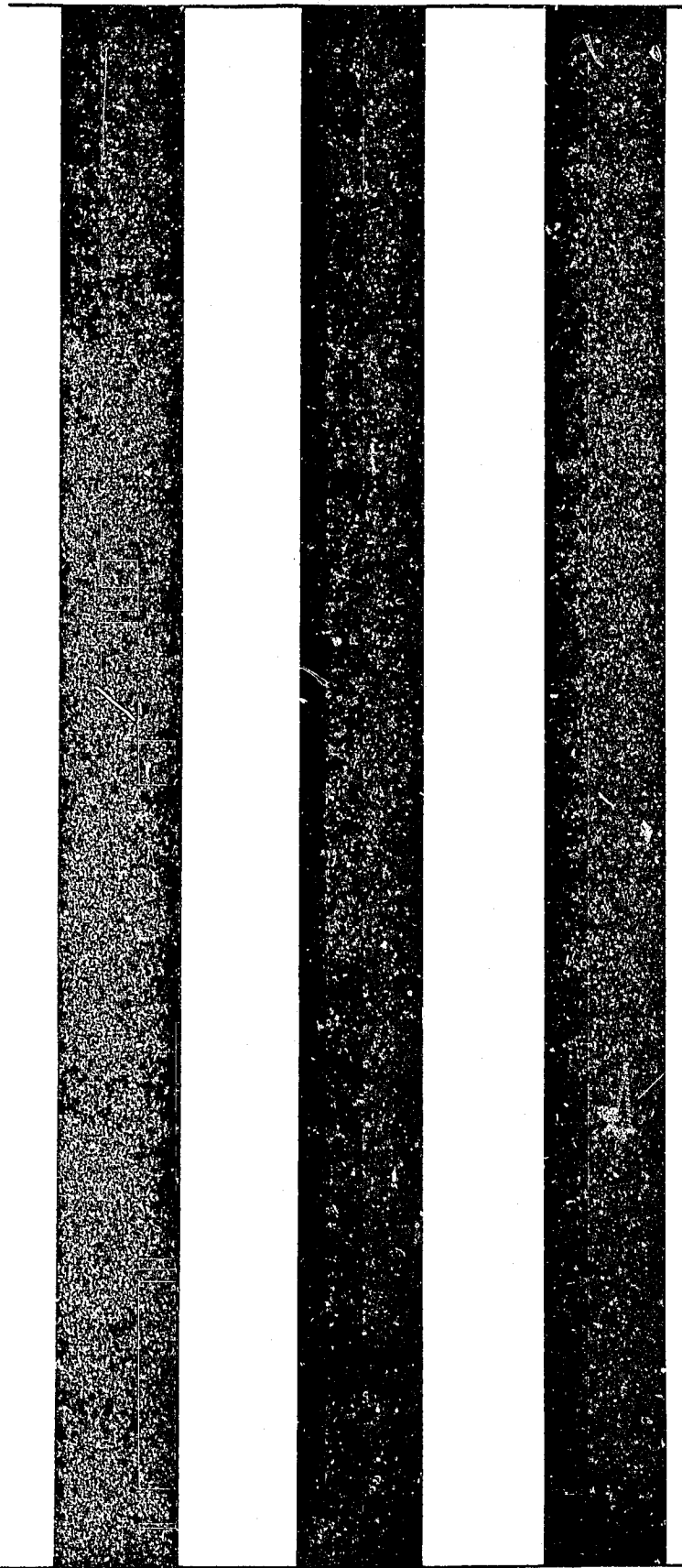
San Francisco County

1972-1981

California County Agricultural Commissioners' Reports from the California Department of Food and Agriculture. This collection consists of annual crop and livestock data from each of the 58 California Counties. The collection covers 1915-1981; digitization of the rest of the collection is forthcoming.

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The San Francisco County Department of Agriculture is a branch of the City and County government. It is responsible for the enforcement of all State laws, rules and regulations pertaining to the office of the County Agricultural Commissioner and such other work as is prescribed by the Chief Administrative Officer.

The general purpose and responsibilities of this department include the following:

- To promote and protect the agricultural industry.
- To protect and benefit both the grower and the consumer by enforcing the provisions of the Agricultural Code.
- Within the authority delegated to us, to promote and protect the health and welfare of our citizens.

In order to provide uniformity of enforcement throughout the various counties of California, many of the functions are performed under the supervision of the California State Director of Agriculture.

The California Agricultural Code, from which this office derives its authority, became effective on August 21, 1933, when all laws pertaining to agriculture were removed from other codes and consolidated into one code.

The origin of the County Department of Agriculture dates back to the year 1881, when the California State Legislature first authorized the appointment of County Boards of Horticultural Commissioners entitled: "An Act to Protect and Promote the Horticultural Interests of the State."

In 1909, the California State Legislature amended the act providing for the elimination of the three-man-board and setting up a single Horticultural Commission.

As the work continued to broaden, the name was changed in 1931 to "Agricultural Commissioner." In 1937, the term "County Department of Agriculture" was designated as the official name of the department with the Agricultural Commissioner in charge.

This department inspects fruits, vegetables, eggs, nuts and honey - in both wholesale and retail establishments. Inspections are made of nurseries, seed firms, apiaries, post offices, express and freight terminals, in order to detect plant diseases and insect pests and to enforce the plant quarantine requirements. This department certifies agricultural products being exported to foreign countries so that the requirements of "Freedom from Pests and Diseases" can be met.

We also conduct pest surveys and maintain various insect traps, including "Residential Grid Detection," where one block is thoroughly checked at every 1/2 mile interval. It is a survey specifically designed to detect, with a minimum of manpower expenditure, pests before they become established in an area. With the great increase and speed of travel, the danger of introducing new pests becomes more acute. Introductions are most apt to occur in urban areas.

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San Francisco County has growers of potted plants, cut flowers and truck crops with a total gross value of \$646,440.00 produced on 13 field acres and under 505,345 square feet of glass house.

Revenue From Two Sources:

Revenue received in 1972-73 from the State, \$3,300.00 to augment the salary of the San Francisco Agricultural Commissioner, \$8,570.00 unclaimed Agricultural gas tax, Shell egg enforcement \$7,967.00, Pesticide assessment and enforcement \$2,751.00. From Export certification fees, \$5,009.44.

The offices of the Agricultural Commissioner and Sealer of Weights and Measures were combined under Ordinance No. 108-72 effective May 3, 1972 by direction of the Chief Administrative Officer of the City and County of San Francisco. This ordinance, in effect, transferred the duties of the Sealer to the Agricultural Commissioner to perform as Sealer-Commissioner.

In addition to the duties listed above, the Chief Administrative Officer has delegated to the Agricultural Commissioner the supervision of the Farmers' Market, including its functions and personnel.

Following is a comparison breakdown of inspection services provided:

PLANT QUARANTINE

All shipments of nursery stock and plants, plant products including fruit, seed and grain, used agricultural implements and appliances; are required to be held for inspection upon first arrival in the county. This requirement is to prevent the entry of plant diseases, insects, noxious weeds or seeds, which may be detrimental to agriculture. The post office, railway express, freight yards and commercial trucking concerns are visited daily for this inspection. In addition, many plants are inspected at nurseries.

In many cases treatment can be applied to plants rejected, thus insuring cleanliness; and the commodities may then be released.

| <u>Plant Quarantine:</u> | <u>1970-71</u> | <u>1971-72</u> | <u>1972-73</u> |
|--------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Number of Premises | 241 | 242 | 240 |
| Shipments Inspected | 12,429 | 17,706 | 12,617 |
| Plants Inspected | 12,074,390 | 16,304,357 | 14,908,747 |
| Plants Rejected | 8,944 | 2,632 | 162 |
| Total Man Hours | 1,486 | 1,738 | 1,805½ |

STANDARDIZATION

This is one of the major functions of this department. It relates to the inspection of fruits, nuts, vegetables, eggs, and honey, at the wholesale produce terminal, retail stores, and any other place where produce is offered for sale. This is to insure the enforcement of the requirements governing the quality, packing and marketing of these products. We inspect and certify loads of commodities moving interstate or intrastate; and to foreign countries when requested by shippers, to show compliance with California's standardization requirements.

STANDARDIZATION - continued

| <u>Wholesale Produce Market</u> | <u>1970-71</u> | <u>1971-72</u> | <u>1972-73</u> |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Number of Premises | 49 | 48 | 46 |
| Premises Inspected | 11,340 | 11,205 | 10,385 |
| Rejection Tags | 738 | 711 | 640 |
| Packages Rejected | 50,640 | 43,609 | 34,569 |
| Packages Inspected | 7,903,097 | 6,184,369 | 6,553,297 |
| <u>Retail Stores:</u> | | | |
| Number of Premises | 2,140 | 2,125 | 2,098 |
| Premises Inspected | 2,263 | 2,246 | 2,116 |
| Rejection Tags | 172 | 221 | 151 |
| Packages Rejected | 1,168 | 1,658 | 864 |
| Packages Inspected | 212,311 | 197,226 | 169,191 |
| <u>Farmers' Market</u> | | | |
| Number of Premises | 45 | 45 | 45 |
| Premises Inspected | 11,530 | 11,295 | 11,245 |
| Rejection Tags | 2 | 43 | 45 |
| Packages Rejected | 137 | 1,354 | 1,119 |
| Packages Inspected | 173,861 | 194,325 | 186,264 |
| Total Man Hours - All Produce Inspection | 5,029 | 4,867 | 5,194 |
| <u>Wholesale Eggs:</u> | | | |
| Number of Premises | 15 | 14 | 9 |
| Premises Inspected | 432 | 398 | 363 |
| Dozens Rejected | 158,311 | 98,673 | 73,916 |
| Dozens Inspected | 557,092 | 786,486 | 709,917 |
| <u>Retail Eggs:</u> | | | |
| Number of Premises | 2,135 | 2,125 | 2,105 |
| Premises Inspected | 2,546 | 2,657 | 2,136 |
| Dozens Rejected | 27,919 | 32,704 | 16,209 |
| Dozens Inspected | 348,466 | 308,654 | 285,292 |
| Total Man Hours - Wholesale & Retail Egg Inspection | 3,004 | 2,840 | 2,884½ |
| <u>Honey:</u> | | | |
| Number of Premises | 2,152 | 2,145 | 2,138 |
| Premises Inspected | 2,214 | 2,218 | 1,741 |
| Packages Rejected | 347 | 102 | 1,232 |
| Packages Inspected | 181,830 | 152,679 | 138,426 |
| Total Man Hours - Honey | 446 | 414½ | 295½ |
| TOTAL MAN HOURS FOR ALL STANDARDIZATION | 8,479 | 8,121½ | 8,374 |

NURSERY INSPECTION

All nurseries within the county are inspected at periodical intervals for the presence of pests, and for compliance with Grades and Standards. If serious pests are found, then eradication measures must be taken immediately by the nursery. All plants must be correctly labeled with the botanical name.

| | <u>1970-71</u> | <u>1971-72</u> | <u>1972-73</u> |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Number of Nurseries | 175 | 150 | 133 |
| Premises Inspected | 124 | 152 | 155 |
| Total Man Hours | 438½ | 430½ | 262½ |

SEED INSPECTION

This involves the inspection and sampling of agricultural and vegetable seed lots at wholesale and retail locations for proper labeling as to germination.

| | <u>1970-71</u> | <u>1971-72</u> | <u>1972-73</u> |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Number of Premises | 146 | 130 | 115 |
| Premises Inspected | 197 | 89 | 37 |
| Total Man Hours | 192½ | 147 | 42½ |

EXPORT CERTIFICATION

This is the inspection of fruits and vegetables going to foreign countries, and is done to insure the plant quarantine and standardization requirements of those countries. A fee is charged for this work.

| | <u>1970-71</u> | <u>1971-72</u> | <u>1972-73</u> |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Certificates Issued | 1,017 | 933 | 944 |
| Packages Inspected | 176,007 | 108,879 | 159,325 |

DISPOSAL ORDERS ISSUED AT WHOLESALE PRODUCE TERMINAL

Disposal orders are issued for produce that has been rejected, or has been on hand too long, and is not salvageable.

| | <u>1970-71</u> | <u>1971-72</u> | <u>1972-73</u> |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Disposal Orders Issued | 1,370 | 1,221 | 1,296 |
| Number of Packages | 54,770 | 27,710 | 26,849 |

PEST SURVEYS AND PEST CONTROLS

Detection surveys are important for determining the possible presence of new and dangerous agricultural pests. If pests can be discovered before they become too widely distributed, then there is a greater possibility of eradication.

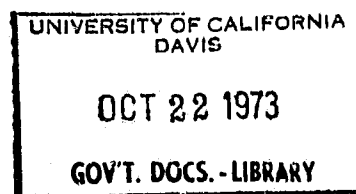
Agricultural pest control operators are licensed by the State Department of Agriculture. They must register with the Commissioner of the county in which the work is to be done.

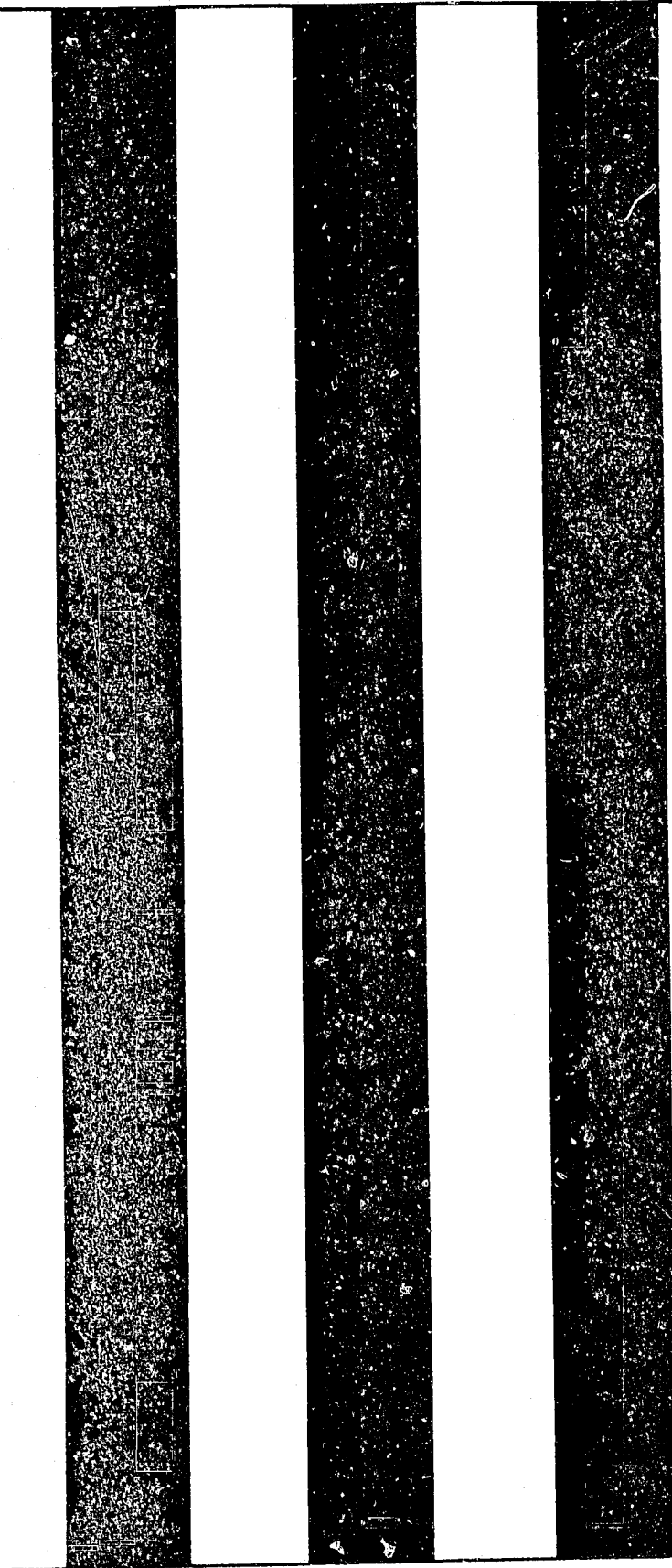
State regulations specify conditions of workmanship, and the precautions in application under direction of the Agricultural Commissioner

| | <u>1970-71</u> | <u>1971-72</u> | <u>1972-73</u> |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Number of Fruit Fly Traps | 37 | 57 | 40 |
| Number of Japanese Beetle Traps | 21 | 41 | 40 |
| Number of Gypsy Moth Traps | 0 | 0 | 28 |
| Residential Grid Detection Points | 357 | 188 | 240 |
| Registered Pest Control Operators | 19 | 25 | 19 |
| Permits Issued for Use of Restricted Materials | 16 | 22 | 36 |
| Total Man Hours | 1,412 | 856½ | 717½ |

RELATED FUNCTIONS

This includes the other varied activities such as giving garden advice to home owners, the gathering of crop statistics, certifying official fumigation chambers, and performing general public relations activities.





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CUT FLOWERS, INDOOR DECORATIVES AND FARM PRODUCTS

GREENHOUSE SQUARE FEET = 428,250

FIELD ACRES = 8

1972 GROSS VALUE

1973 GROSS VALUE

\$ 646,440

\$ 640,300

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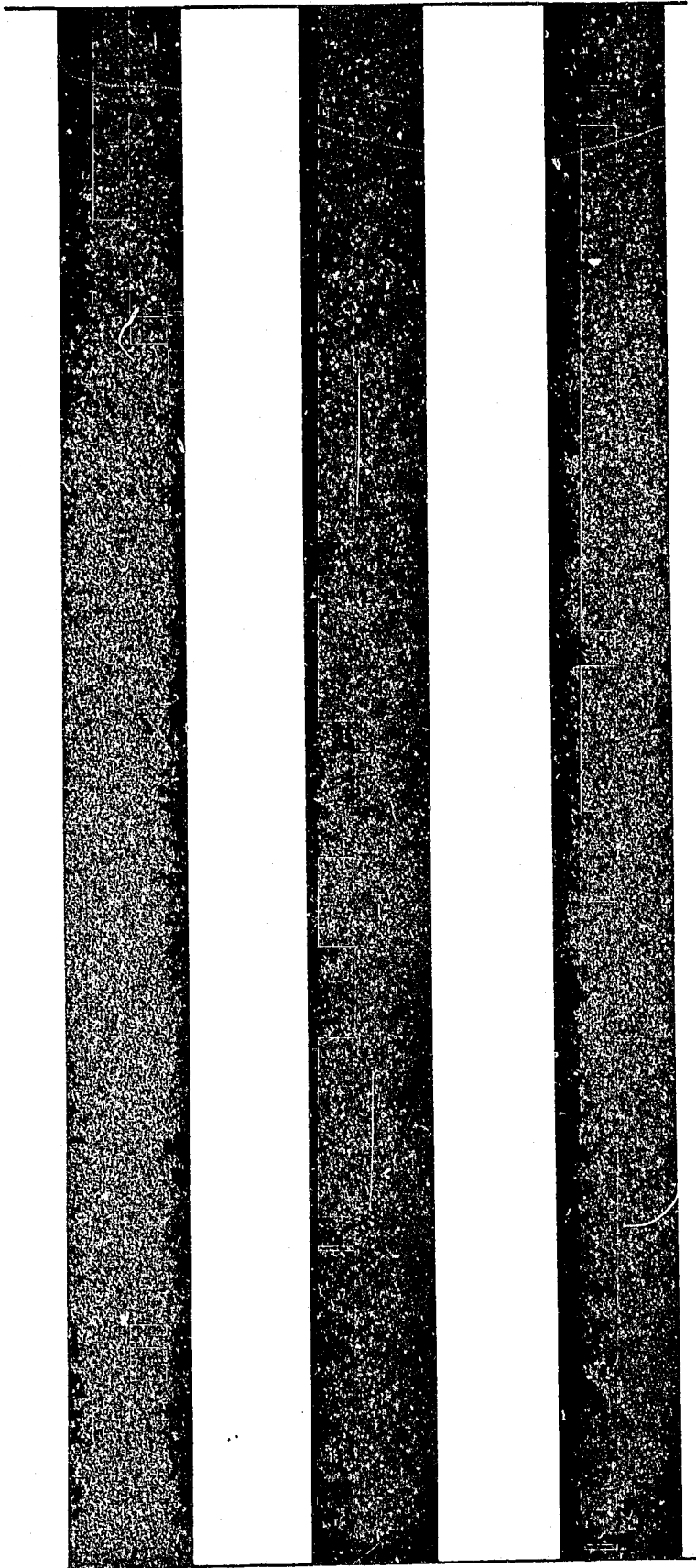
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GREENHOUSE SQUARE FEET - 481,000

FIELD ACRES - 4

1974 GROSS VALUE

\$694,250

1975 GROSS VALUE

\$787,393

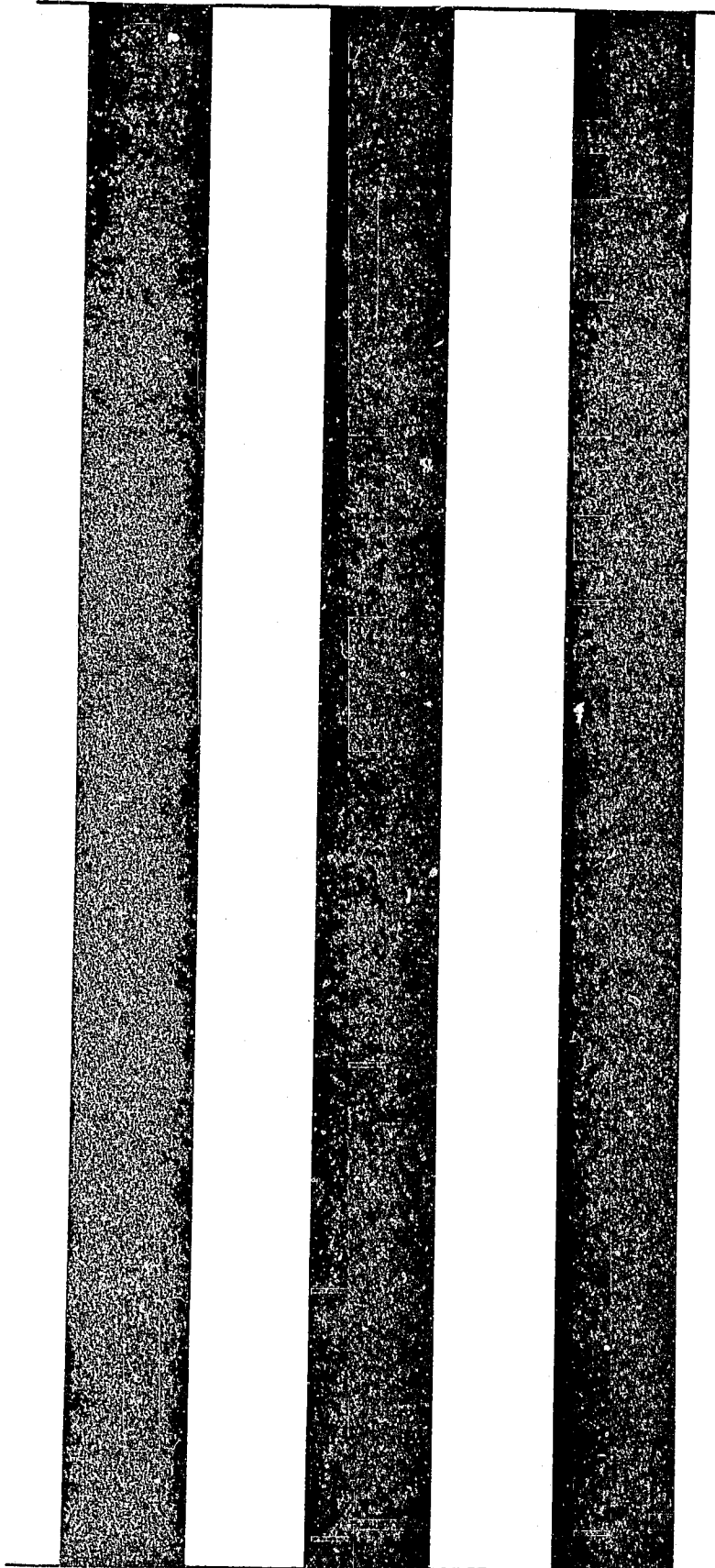
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GREENHOUSE SQUARE FEET = 474,000
FIELD ACRES = 4

1975 GROSS VALUE
\$ 787,393

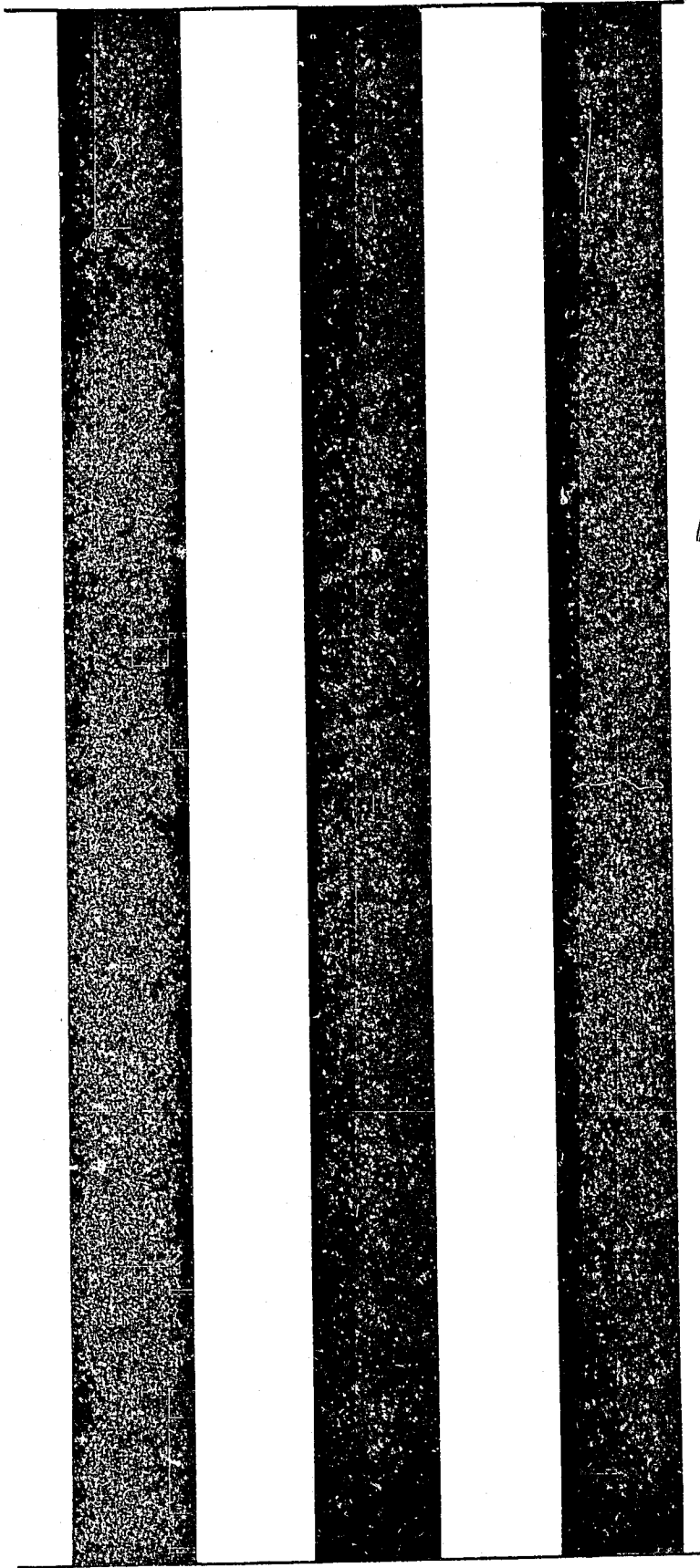
1976 GROSS VALUE
\$ 738,950

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GREENHOUSE SQUARE FEET = 474,000

FIELD ACRES = 4

1976 GROSS VALUE

\$ 738,950

1977 GROSS VALUE

\$ 723,014

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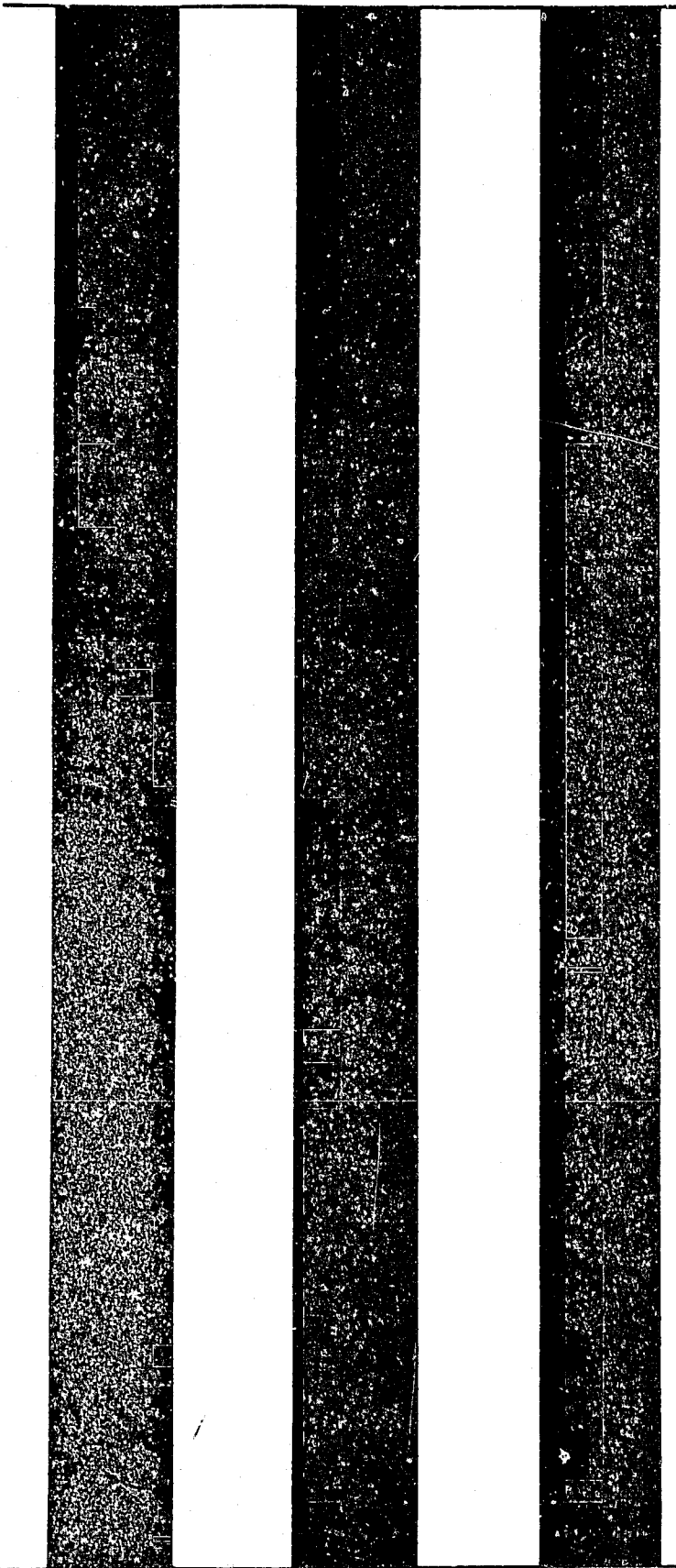
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CUT FLOWERS, INDOOR DECORATIVES AND FARM PRODUCTS

GREENHOUSE SQUARE FEET - 463,000

FIELD ACRES - 4

1977 GROSS VALUE

\$723,014

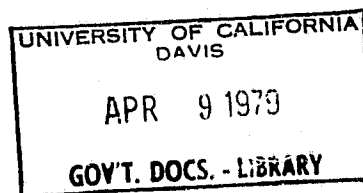
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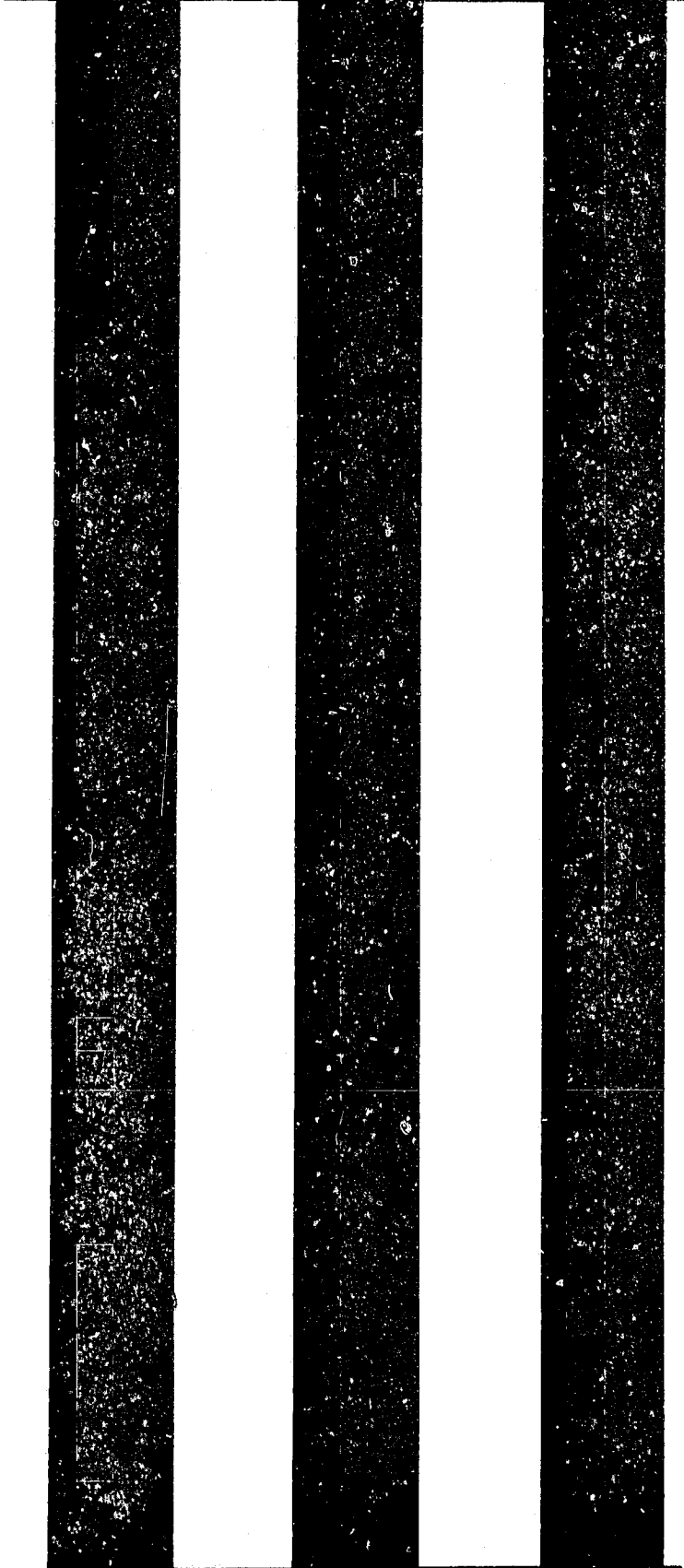
\$659,120

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GREENHOUSE SQUARE FEET - 374,000

FIELD ACRES - 4

1978 GROSS VALUE

\$659,120

1979 GROSS VALUE

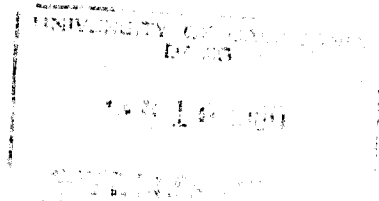
\$784,500

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CUT FLOWERS, INDOOR DECORATIVES AND FARM PRODUCTS

GREENHOUSE SQUARE FEET - 386,000

FIELD ACRES - 4

1979 GROSS VALUE

784,500

1980 GROSS VALUE

1,142,000

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GREENHOUSE SQUARE FEET - 336,000

FIELD ACRES 4

1980 GROSS VALUE

1,142,000

1981 GROSS VALUE

1,344,230

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