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MARKETING WESTERN AND CENTRAL NEW YORK CARROTS

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Daily Market Reports on carrots were issued from the Rochester office of the Federal-State Market News Service from August 25, 1949 through March 24, 1950. The information contained in this summary was obtained principally from these reports and from releases by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, U. S. Department of Agriculture and from the State Agricultural Statistician in Albany.

Planted acreage to carrots during this season was estimated at 2,800 acres as compared with 3,500 acres in 1948 while the 10-year (1938-47) average was 3,300 acres. Yields of 525 bushels per acre were obtained this year in comparison with 550 bushels in 1948 and 465 bushels per acre during the 10-year period, 1938-47. Total production of the Fall crop for the State during 1949 was estimated at 1,470,000 bushels as compared with 1,925,000 bushels in 1948. The 10-year average (1938-47) for the State was 1,540,000 bushels. Because of the early Spring, growers planted somewhat earlier than usual but some of the early sowings on the mucklands were frozen off by the freeze on May 11. Continued high temperatures during July and August resulted in considerable losses of the late planted acreage on the mucklands as carrots burned off as soon as they came up. Because of the lack of moisture during a greater part of the growing season, growers delayed harvesting so that yields would be increased. On August 28 and 29 all areas of the State received the heaviest rain since May, amounting to more than 2 inches in the central part of the State and 1 or more inches in the western section. Because of the poor stands on some upland soil some acreage was disced up or abandoned.

With lower acreage and yields this season many growers expected considerably higher prices than last year but this did not materialize. F.o.b. prices on 50 pound sacks of topped, washed, Coreless this year ranged from \$.90-1.60 as compared with \$1.00-1.25 last year. Bulk stock of Red Core Chantenays ranged from \$39.00-45.00 per ton during the month of September as compared with \$28.00-30.00 per ton the previous season. After October 1 this season prices held within a range of \$16.00-30.00 per ton as compared with \$13.00-30.00 last season. Prices paid growers by shippers and processors from the beginning of the season through the first week of October ranged from \$30.00-45.00 per ton and after that declined to a range of \$12.00-30.00 per ton for the remainder of the season. Last season the range was \$13.00-35.00 per ton.

PROCESSING

Processors realizing that a short crop was in prospect started paying from \$40.00-45.00 per ton during the early part of this season but after mid-October prices declined sharply and ranged from \$12.00-20.00 per ton during the remainder of the season.

ACREAGE, YIELD AND PRODUCTION 1949 WITH COMPARISONS

| SEASONAL GROUP AND STATE | CARROTS (For Market): COMMERCIAL CROP 1/ | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--|--------|--------|----------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------|----------|----------|
| | ACREAGE 2/ | | | YIELD PER ACRE | | | PRODUCTION | | |
| | 10-year av. 4/ 1938-47 | 1948 | 1949 | 10-yr av. 4/ 1938- 1947 | 1948 | 1949 | 10-year av. 4/ 1938-47 | 1948 | 1949 |
| | - Acres - | | | - Bushel 5/ - | | | - 1,000 bushel 5/ - | | |
| Winter | | | | | | | | | |
| California | 9,150 | 8,900 | 11,250 | 370 | 450 | 300 | 3,390 | 4,005 | 3,375 |
| Arizona | 2,280 | 3,800 | 3,600 | 285 | 285 | 250 | 637 | 1,083 | 6/ 900 |
| Texas | 14,350 | 17,800 | 23,300 | 172 | 185 | 180 | 2,480 | 3,293 | 5/ 4,194 |
| Louisiana | 1,750 | 1,150 | 1,100 | 119 | 105 | 105 | 211 | 121 | 116 |
| Florida | 7/ 720 | 400 | 500 | 7/ 245 | 175 | 200 | 7/ 183 | 70 | 6/ 100 |
| Group total | 27,750 | 32,050 | 39,750 | 242 | 267 | 218 | 6,774 | 8,572 | 8,685 |
| Spring | | | | | | | | | |
| California | 6,750 | 6,000 | 4,800 | 399 | 525 | 495 | 2,702 | 3,150 | 2,376 |
| Arizona | 3,060 | 2,800 | 2,600 | 392 | 505 | 440 | 6/ 1,151 | 1,414 | 6/ 1,144 |
| Mississippi | 30 | --- | --- | 106 | --- | --- | 3 | --- | --- |
| Group total | 9,840 | 8,800 | 7,400 | 390 | 519 | 476 | 3,856 | 4,564 | 3,520 |
| Summer | | | | | | | | | |
| N. Carolina | 70 | --- | --- | 173 | --- | --- | 12 | --- | --- |
| Virginia | 80 | --- | --- | 205 | --- | --- | 20 | --- | --- |
| New Jersey | 1,550 | 1,400 | 1,300 | 246 | 275 | 265 | 382 | 385 | 344 |
| New York | 1,420 | 1,150 | 1,100 | 415 | 450 | 440 | 588 | 518 | 484 |
| Ohio | 1,680 | 1,580 | 1,420 | 505 | 550 | 475 | 843 | 6/ 869 | 674 |
| Colorado | 1,610 | 2,000 | 1,700 | 250 | 275 | 250 | 6/ 408 | 5/ 550 | 425 |
| Group total | 6,400 | 6,130 | 5,520 | 353 | 379 | 349 | 2,252 | 2,322 | 1,927 |
| Fall | | | | | | | | | |
| California | 10,400 | 12,000 | 9,900 | 382 | 420 | 450 | 4,098 | 5,040 | 4,455 |
| Oregon | 800 | 800 | 900 | 398 | 450 | 400 | 317 | 6/ 360 | 360 |
| Washington | 1,400 | 1,700 | 1,700 | 406 | 485 | 500 | 6/ 582 | 6/ 824 | 850 |
| Idaho | 7/ 390 | 470 | --- | 7/ 319 | 320 | --- | 6/ 7/ 113 | 6/ 150 | --- |
| Utah | 7/ 290 | 700 | 470 | 7/ 307 | 350 | 320 | 7/ 89 | 5/ 245 | 150 |
| New Mexico | 7/ 4,530 | 2,300 | 2,200 | 7/ 270 | 295 | 370 | 7/ 425 | 5/ 678 | 814 |
| Minnesota | 280 | 750 | 600 | 395 | 550 | 425 | 114 | 412 | 255 |
| Illinois | 2,210 | 2,400 | 1,800 | 396 | 405 | 375 | 867 | 972 | 675 |
| Indiana | 120 | --- | --- | 430 | --- | --- | 58 | --- | --- |
| Michigan | 1,660 | 2,000 | 1,400 | 545 | 750 | 550 | 904 | 6/ 1,500 | 770 |
| Pennsylvania | 1,730 | 2,000 | 1,600 | 340 | 250 | 300 | 580 | 500 | 480 |
| New York | 3,300 | 3,500 | 2,800 | 465 | 550 | 525 | 6/ 1,540 | 6/ 1,925 | 1,470 |
| Group total | 23,880 | 28,620 | 23,370 | 401 | 440 | 440 | 9,641 | 12,606 | 10,279 |
| ALL STATES | 67,880 | 75,600 | 76,040 | 330 | 371 | 321 | 22,524 | 28,064 | 24,411 |

- 1/ Total for fresh market and processing, including dehydration.
- 2/ Acreage for harvest, including any partially harvested or not harvested because of low prices or other economic factors.
- 4/ For group totals and for all States, averages of the annual totals, not the sum of the State or group averages.
- 5/ Equivalent bushels without tops (approximately 50 pounds).
- 5/ Includes some quantities not marketed and excluded in computing value: Winter, Arizona- 310,000 bushels, Texas, 194,000 bushels and Florida 56,000 bushels in 1949; Spring, Arizona- 288,000 bushels in 1949; Summer, Ohio- 33,000 bushels and Colorado- 60,000 bushels in 1948; Fall, Oregon- 90,000 bushels, Idaho- 35,000 bushels, Utah- 65,000 bushels, New Mexico- 88,000 bushels, Michigan- 300,000 bushels, and New York- 193,000 bushels in 1948.
- 7/ Winter: Florida- 3 year average, 1945-47; Fall: Idaho, Utah and New Mexico- 9 year average, 1939-47.

WEEKLY CARLOT SHIPMENTS OF CARROTS FROM NEW YORK & COMPETING STATES

1949-50 Season Compared With 1948-49 Season

| Week Ending: | NEW YORK | | MICHIGAN | | CALIFORNIA | | TEXAS | | ARIZONA | | TOTAL U. S. | |
|-----------------|----------|------|----------|------|------------|------|-------|------|---------|------|-------------|------|
| | 1949 | 1948 | 1949 | 1948 | 1949 | 1948 | 1949 | 1948 | 1949 | 1948 | 1949 | 1948 |
| Sept. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 17 | 1 | - | - | - | 108 | 134 | - | - | - | - | 314 | 387 |
| 24 | 30 | 17 | - | - | 164 | 136 | - | - | - | - | 426 | 394 |
| Oct. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 44 | 37 | - | - | 27 | 124 | - | - | - | - | 401 | 356 |
| 8 | 41 | 52 | - | - | 178 | 177 | - | - | - | - | 279 | 423 |
| 15 | 28 | 56 | - | - | 208 | 161 | - | - | - | - | 336 | 460 |
| 22 | 9 | 52 | - | - | 226 | 267 | - | - | - | - | 311 | 531 |
| 29 | 9 | 42 | - | - | 292 | 255 | - | - | - | - | 341 | 455 |
| Nov. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | 15 | 27 | - | - | 357 | 258 | - | - | - | - | 385 | 368 |
| 12 | 11 | 23 | - | - | 186 | 333 | - | - | 5 | - | 207 | 425 |
| 19 | 21 | 29 | - | - | 405 | 310 | - | - | 15 | 15 | 427 | 398 |
| 26 | 1 | 21 | - | - | 315 | 282 | - | - | 45 | 35 | 361 | 357 |
| Dec. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | 6 | 25 | - | - | 321 | 299 | - | - | 88 | 76 | 418 | 416 |
| 10 | 13 | 18 | - | - | 183 | 290 | 1 | - | 95 | 105 | 295 | 474 |
| 17 | 23 | 19 | - | - | 227 | 119 | 32 | 101 | 151 | 53 | 436 | 295 |
| 24 | 22 | 17 | - | - | 175 | 137 | 92 | 183 | 188 | 35 | 477 | 375 |
| 31 | 12 | 11 | - | - | 91 | 111 | 116 | 134 | 153 | 66 | 373 | 323 |
| Jan. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7 | 9 | 17 | - | - | 66 | 144 | 181 | 116 | 58 | 153 | 316 | 373 |
| 14 | 11 | 19 | - | - | 87 | 82 | 361 | 291 | 66 | 69 | 531 | 463 |
| 21 | 17 | 18 | - | - | 92 | 98 | 358 | 372 | 52 | 114 | 525 | 604 |
| 28 | 22 | 15 | - | - | 85 | 54 | 337 | 351 | 34 | 16 | 486 | 438 |
| Feb. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | 22 | 13 | - | - | 77 | 150 | 407 | 218 | 36 | 89 | 545 | 481 |
| 11 | 19 | 15 | - | - | 64 | 174 | 477 | 309 | 28 | 62 | 593 | 563 |
| 18 | 17 | 15 | - | - | 87 | 122 | 366 | 219 | 42 | 53 | 515 | 410 |
| 25 | 13 | 18 | - | - | 98 | 174 | 440 | 357 | 26 | 104 | 579 | 653 |
| Mar. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | 12 | 20 | - | - | 141 | 207 | 269 | 79 | 59 | 94 | 482 | 402 |
| 11 | 11 | 18 | - | - | 198 | 227 | 411 | 275 | 86 | 113 | 707 | 634 |
| 18 | 16 | 18 | - | - | 200 | 192 | 280 | 283 | 71 | 80 | 567 | 573 |
| 25 | 14 | 17 | - | - | 184 | 160 | 253 | 204 | 31 | 66 | 483 | 447 |

PRICES ON CARROTS AT WESTERN NEW YORK SHIPPING POINTS

| Week Ending Friday | Sales f.o.b. shipping point and delivered sales, shipping point basis | | Shippers price to growers: bulk per ton, topped, unwashed, Coreless & Red Core Chantenays | |
|--------------------------|---|---|---|-------------|
| | 50 lb. sacks, topped, washed, Coreless | Bulk per ton, topped, unwashed, Red Core Chantenays | 1949-50 | |
| | | | 1949-50 | 1948-49 |
| 1949 | | | | |
| Aug. 26 | 1.25-1.35 | | 30.00-40.00 | 25.00-35.00 |
| Sept. 2 | 1.25-1.35 | 45.00 | 30.00-40.00 | 20.00-30.00 |
| 9 | 1.20-1.35 | | 30.00-40.00 | 25.00 |
| 16 | 1.20-1.60 | | 35.00-45.00 | 25.00 |
| 23 | 1.25-1.60 | | 35.00-40.00 | 25.00 |
| 30 | 1.20-1.60 | 39.00-40.00 | 35.00-40.00 | 25.00-30.00 |
| Oct. 7 | 1.25-1.50 | | 30.00-35.00 | 25.00-30.00 |
| 14 | 1.25-1.50 | | 25.00-30.00 | 25.00-30.00 |
| 21 | | | 20.00 | 25.00 |
| 28 | | 18.00-23.00 | 15.00-20.00 | 20.00-25.00 |
| Nov. 4 | 1.25-1.50 | | 15.00-20.00 | 15.00-20.00 |
| 11 | | 18.00 | 15.00 | 15.00-20.00 |
| 18 | 1.25-1.35 | 16.00-18.00 | 15.00-20.00 | 15.00-18.00 |
| 25 | | 18.00 | 15.00 | 15.00-18.00 |
| Dec. 2 | .90-1.25 | 17.00 | 12.00-15.00 | 15.00-18.00 |
| 9 | | 17.00 | 12.00-15.00 | 15.00-18.00 |
| 16 | | 17.00-18.00 | 15.00 | 15.00-18.00 |
| 23 | .90 | | 15.00 | 15.00-18.00 |
| 30 | 1.00-1.25 | | | 17.00-18.00 |
| 1950 | | | | |
| Jan. 6 | | 16.50-18.00 | 14.00 | |
| 13 | | 16.00-16.50 | 12.00-14.00 | |
| 20 | | 16.00 | 14.00 | |
| 27 | 1.15-1.25 | | | |
| Feb. 3 | | 16.00 | 12.00-14.00 | |
| 10 | | 16.00-18.00 | 13.00-15.00 | |
| 17 | | 16.00-17.00 | 15.00 | |
| 24 | | 18.00 | | |
| Mar. 3 | 1.25 | 30.00 | | 14.00 |
| 10 | 1.25 | | | 13.00-15.00 |
| 17 | | | | 14.00-15.00 |
| 24 | | | | |

CARROT SHIPMENTS OF CARROTS BY STATES AND MONTHS

JULY 1949 THROUGH MARCH 1950

| STATE | July | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | TOTAL |
|------------------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| Arizona | 40 | -- | -- | -- | 112 | 627 | 221 | 137 | 262 | 1399 |
| Calif. N. D. | 4 | 2 | -- | -- | -- | 2 | 1 | -- | -- | 9 |
| Calif. S. D. | 48 | 17 | 16 | 54 | 79 | 33 | 50 | 37 | 36 | 370 |
| Calif. C. D. | 1318 | 640 | 579 | 935 | 1303 | 718 | 128 | 34 | 3 | 5658 |
| Calif. Imp. Vly. | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 74 | 194 | 244 | 923 | 1435 |
| Colorado | -- | 7 | 26 | 3 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 36 |
| Florida | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Illinois | -- | 8 | 5 | 2 | -- | 2 | 1 | -- | -- | 18 |
| Michigan | -- | -- | 7 | 1 | 1 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 9 |
| New Jersey | -- | 2 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 2 |
| New Mexico | -- | 445 | 707 | 377 | 14 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 1543 |
| NEW YORK | 33 | 3 | 74 | 93 | 38 | 85 | 69 | 74 | 75 | 544 |
| Oregon | -- | -- | -- | -- | 3 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 3 |
| Texas | -- | -- | -- | -- | 1 | 242 | 1391 | 1666 | 1286 | 4586 |
| Utah | -- | 23 | 198 | 20 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 241 |
| Washington | 8 | 2 | -- | -- | 1 | 2 | 22 | 10 | 2 | 47 |
| Wisconsin | -- | -- | 1 | 3 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 4 |

TOTAL U. S. 1451 1149 1613 1488 1552 1785 2077 2203 2588 15906

January, February and March subject to revision.

WEEKLY PRICES TO JOBBERS OF NEW YORK STATE CARROTS 1949-50 SEASON

NEW YORK CITY

| Week | - Topped, Washed - | | | |
|---------|--------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Ending | Western New York | Oswego Section | Adirondack & Canastota Sections | |
| Friday | Bu. Bskts:50# | sks.: | 50# | sks. : Bu. Wirebound Crts. |
| Aug. 26 | | | | |
| Sept. 2 | | | | |
| 9 | 1.75-2.00 | 1.25-1.65 | | |
| 16 | 2.00-2.25 | 1.50-2.25 | | |
| 23 | | | | 2.25-2.50 |
| 30 | 1.25 | | | 2.50 |
| Oct. 7 | | | | 2.50-2.75 |
| 14 | | | | 2.50-2.75 |
| 21 | | 1.25 | | 2.50-2.75 |
| 28 | 1.25-1.50 | 1.35 | | 2.75-3.00 |
| Nov. 4 | | 1.50 | 1.00-1.25 | 2.75-3.00 |
| 11 | | 1.20-1.25 | | 2.75-3.00 |
| 18 | | 1.00-1.25 | 1.00-1.25 | 2.75-3.00 |
| 25 | | .90-1.35 | | 2.75-3.00 |
| Dec. 2 | 1.00-1.75 | 1.00-1.25 | | 2.75-3.00 |
| 9 | 1.00-1.75 | 1.00-1.75 | | 2.75-3.00 |
| 16 | 1.25-1.50 | .75-1.15 | 1.00 | 2.50-3.00 |
| 23 | 1.00-1.50 | 1.00 | .85-1.00 | 2.50-2.75 |
| 30 | 1.10-1.15 | 1.00-1.50 | | 2.50-2.75 |
| Jan. 6 | | 1.00-1.25 | | 2.50-2.75 |
| 13 | | 1.00-1.25 | | 2.50-2.75 |
| 20 | | 1.00-1.25 | | 2.50-3.00 |
| 27 | | 1.00-1.25 | | 2.50-2.75 |
| Feb. 3 | | 1.15 | | |
| 10 | | 1.00-1.15 | | |
| 17 | | .65 | | 2.75 |
| 24 | | 1.15-1.25 | .85- .90 | 2.50 |
| Mar. 3 | | 1.25-1.40 | | 2.50-2.75 |
| 10 | | 1.25-1.35 | | |
| 17 | | | | 2.50 |
| 24 | .75-1.00 | 1.10 | | 2.25-2.50 |