
Wm. H. Hammer's Everglade Cropping Report

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The following report from Mr. Hammer, covering his cropping operations on Everglade land in the Davie Tract between February and June of this year, shows unusually good results for a newcomer for such a short period of time.

It is especially interesting to note that one of the very substantial items of profit came from the "home canning outfit." This is a feature which all croppers should install as part of their equipment, and thereby turn into money what might otherwise be an unprofitable product because of the condition of the market.

Mr. Hammer's report takes no account of the item of labor, since it was all performed by himself and family.

Mr. Hammer did not get settled on his land in the Davie tract until January 16, 1913, arriving from Canada about that time. He did his planting and plowing from February 1 to February 15. His record therefore is very gratifying and shows what brain, brawn and the right conditions of soil and climate can accomplish.

POTATOES

Three-fourths acres, planted Feb. 5th, 1913	
Sold 115 hampers for	\$184.55
Used six (6) bbls. for own use. No. 1's averaged \$1.50 per hamper.	
Used 1,500 lbs. fertilizer at \$35 ton	\$ 42.35
Hampers	\$ 16.10
Net returns	\$142.20

REFUGEE BEANS

One-half acre, planted Feb. 10th, 1913	
Sold 110 hampers for	\$211.13
Cost of hampers	\$ 15.40
Fertilizer	\$ 10.40
Net returns	\$185.73

TOMATOES

Four acres, planted February and March, 1913	
Sold for shipment, 281 crates	\$207.86
Sold local market 31 crates	\$ 31.00
	\$238.86

HOME CANNERY

3,000 3-lb. tins, worth	\$300.00
Less cans, case and labels, per case of 2 doz., 30¢	\$ 37.50
	\$262.50
Gross Tomatoes Return	\$501.36
Less cost of fertilizer, 3/4-tons at \$36 ton	\$ 27.00
Net returns tomatoes	\$474.36

Note: Could have easily canned 3,000 more tins of tomatoes, but unable to get packing material

SUMMARY

Net return on 3/4 acre potatoes	\$142.20
Net returns on 1/2 acre beans	185.73
Net returns on 4 acres of tomatoes	474.27
Total net returns on 5-1/4 acres	\$802.20