

sion Service. In Stanislaus County costs on a number of full-bearing orchards have been completed and summarized for the past four years. In Tulare County similar work has been conducted for the past three years and in Sutter County for one year. The work in each county is designed to cover a period of at least five years. It is felt that any information covering a shorter period may not be representative of true conditions. Information presented in tables 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, should be considered in the light of conditions which have prevailed for the years covered. Costs, returns and profits in 1929 may show a different picture from that presented here, showing that a long period is necessary in order to determine actual costs with a high degree of accuracy.

TABLE 4  
EXPENSES PER TON ON FULL BEARING ORCHARDS IN, STANISLAUS COUNTY,  
1925-1928

Item	Average annual costs
Pruning and brush disposal.....	\$2.11
Irrigation.....	.54
Cover crops.....	.24
Cultivation.....	1.26
Thinning.....	2.27
Propping.....	.29
Harvesting.....	4.40
Hauling to cannery.....	.96
Spraying.....	1.17
Miscellaneous.....	.21
General expenses.....	.72
Irrigation taxes.....	.49
County taxes.....	.67
Average sub-total.....	\$15.49
Interest and depreciation on trees.....	\$3.52
Interest and depreciation on improvements.....	.08
Interest and depreciation on equipment.....	.46
Interest on investment in land @ 6%.....	1.75
Total cost.....	\$21.30
Tons per acre.....	12.23

Tables 3 and 4 give the average annual costs of production per acre and per ton respectively, for a period covering four years (1925 to 1928 inclusive) in Stanislaus County. These tables include all varieties and only those orchards over six years old. A total of one hundred and fourteen records are included in the average.

Tables 5 and 7<sup>24</sup> show general costs of growing canning peaches in Sutter County for the 1928 season when prices received by the grower were \$20.00 a ton. All important varieties are included in this table.

<sup>24</sup>Data for tables 5 and 7 adapted from peach cost report for Sutter County by R. H. Klamt, Farm Advisor, 1928.