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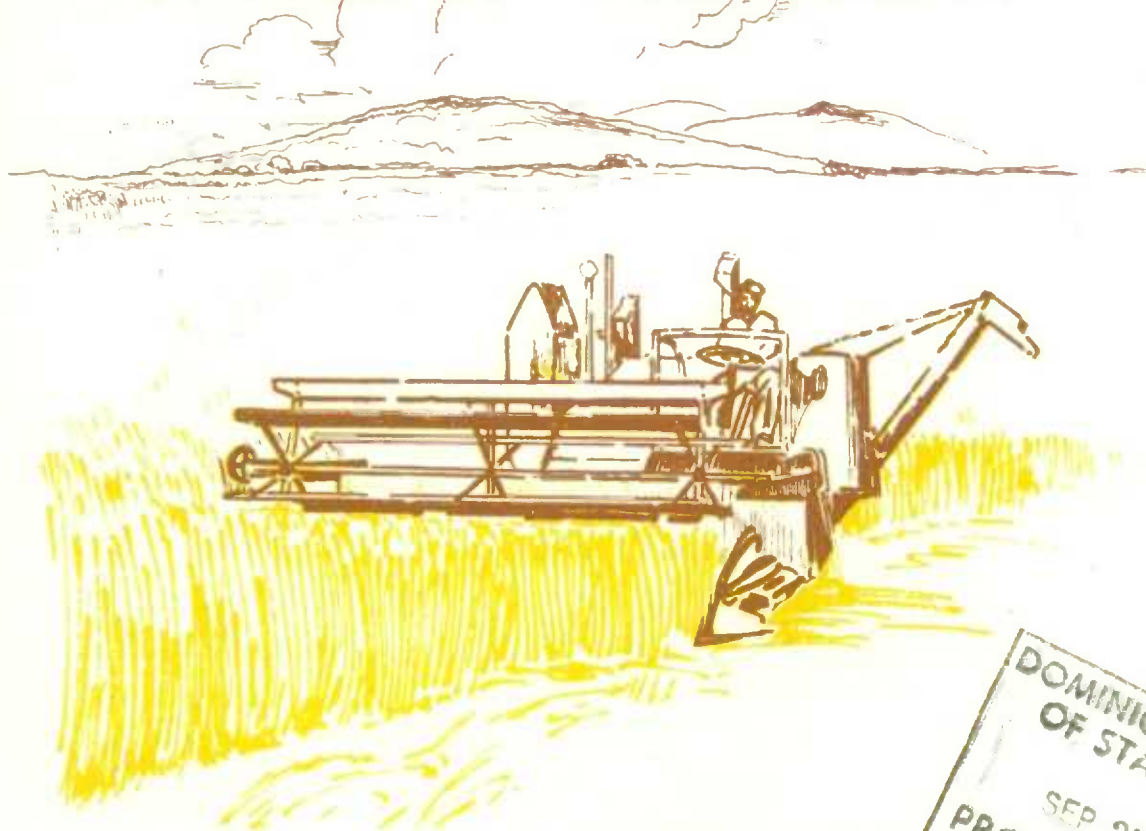


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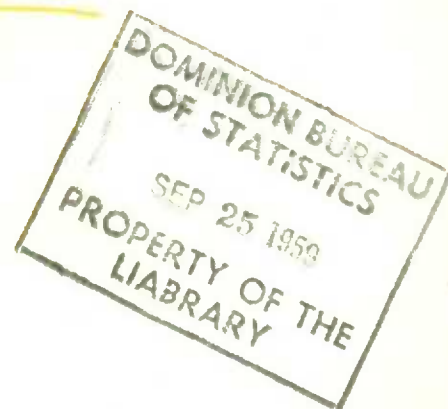
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FARMERS MARKETINGS OF WHEAT, PRAIRIE PROVINCES

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)

MILLION BUSHELS

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PEAK MARKETINGS
1952-53 CROP YEAR
536.0 MILLION BUSHELS

25 year average 10 year average
1932-33 1947-48
1956-57 1956-57

1954-55

1955-56

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1957-58

1958-59

1959-60

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WORLD WHEAT SITUATION

Current Supplies Latest available estimates indicate that supplies of wheat remaining on or about August 1, 1959 in the four major exporting countries for export and for carryover at the end of their respective crop years amounted to 2,445.6 million bushels, practically unchanged from the 2,450.3 million available a year ago. Supplies at August 1, 1959, in millions of bushels, were held as follows, with last year's comparable figures in brackets: United States, 1,719.9 (1,686.1); Canada, 546.3 (639.5); Argentina, 76.0 (87.2); and Australia, 103.4 (37.5). Estimates for both years include on-farm stocks as well as those in commercial positions. It is to be noted that the 1959 United States crop, estimated at 1,119 million bushels is now included in these calculations. The supply figures for Canada represent crop-year-end carryover only, the new crop not being taken into account until September 1. Australian and Argentine production will be included at January 1.

Exports Total exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat from the four major exporting countries during August 1958 to July 1959 (the Canadian crop year), at 934.7 million bushels, were 9 per cent above the 856.2 million exported during the crop year 1957-58. Shipments from each of the four countries during the 1958-59 Canadian (August-July) crop year and eight preceding crop years are shown in the table below.

Exports of Wheat and Flour in Terms of Wheat, August-July, 1958-59
with Comparisons

August-July	United States	Canada	Argentina	Australia	Total
- million bushels -					
1950-51	375.3	241.0	94.5	127.8	838.6
1951-52	466.6	355.8	24.1	93.4	939.9
1952-53	322.6	385.5	38.9	107.0	854.0
1953-54	211.4	255.1	110.3	63.4	640.2
1954-55	280.4	251.9	134.5	94.3	761.1
1955-56	359.4	312.3 1/	108.6	107.5	887.8 1/
1956-57	539.5	264.4 1/	100.6 1/	120.2	1,024.7 1/
1957-58 1/	396.4	320.3	77.6	61.9	856.2
1958-59 2/	456.3	294.1	106.2	78.1	934.7

1/ Revised. 2/ Preliminary.

World Wheat Trade in 1959-60 Likely to Decline Slightly According to a report published by the Foreign Agricultural Service under date of August 31, 1959 current prospects for world wheat trade in the 1959-60 crop year are for a slight reduction from the year just ended. Preliminary tabulations show that world trade in 1958-59 reached approximately 1,220 million bushels, up about 30 million from 1957-58 and second only to the record of 1,328 million attained in 1956-57. The primary basis for the expected reduction of possibly 20 million bushels in 1959-60 trade volume is the improved crop situation in parts of Europe. Lower imports by France and Yugoslavia, together with reductions in several other markets, will probably total over 50 million bushels. This may be only partly offset by larger imports of wheat into India, Pakistan, Brazil, and a few European countries.

International Wheat Agreement Sales and Purchases for Crop Year 1958-59

Importing Countries	Guaranteed Quantities	S O U R C E						Total Purchases	Remainder
		Canada	Argentina	Australia	France	Sweden	U.S.A.		
		1/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/		
- thousand bushels -									
Austria	3,674	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,674
Belgium	16,535	2,320	-	2	67	-	1,665	4,054	12,481
Bolivia	4,042	-	-	-	-	-	308	308	3,734
Brazil	7,349	-	-	-	-	-	1,089	1,089	6,260
Costa Rica	1,653	610	-	-	-	-	984	1,594	59
Cuba	8,175	194	-	-	-	-	7,463	7,657	518
Denmark	1,837	360	-	-	-	-	1,310	1,670	167
Dominican Republic	1,286	613	-	-	-	-	524	1,137	149
Ecuador	1,837	146	-	-	-	-	163	309	1,528
Egypt	11,023	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,023
El Salvador 4/ ...	919	309	-	-	-	-	604	913	-
Germany 4/	55,116	29,096	-	1,772	7,679	1,535	15,122	55,204	-
Greece	11,023	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,023
Guatemala 4/	1,653	295	-	-	-	-	1,363	1,658	-
Haiti	2,204	3	-	-	-	-	1,048	1,051	1,153
Honduras Republic.	919	26	-	-	-	-	285	311	608
Iceland	404	4	-	-	-	-	5	9	395
India 4/	7,349	5,339	-	1,496	-	-	565	7,400	-
Indonesia	5,144	-	-	2,167	-	-	-	2,167	2,977
Ireland 4/	5,512	2,853	-	2,174	41	-	480	5,548	-
Israel	8,267	1,561	-	-	-	-	2,018	3,579	4,688
Italy	3,674	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,674
Japan	36,744	14,963	-	2,124	-	-	17,842	34,929	1,815
Korea 4/	2,205	-	-	-	-	-	2,247	2,247	-
Lebanon	2,756	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,756
Liberia	73	15	-	-	-	-	50	65	8
Mexico	3,674	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,674
Netherlands	25,721	6,600	-	87	1	-	10,132	16,820	8,901
New Zealand 4/ ...	5,879	-	-	5,879	-	-	-	5,879	-
Nicaragua 4/	367	106	-	-	-	-	219	325	-
Norway 4/	6,614	3,381	-	-	22	28	3,211	6,642	-
Panama	1,102	210	-	-	-	-	653	863	239
Peru	7,349	-	-	-	-	-	28	28	7,321
Philippines 4/ ...	6,063	1,725	-	76	-	-	4,242	6,043	-
Portugal	5,879	462	254	59	857	-	1,255	2,887	2,992
Saudi Arabia	3,674	-	-	-	-	-	194	194	3,480
Spain	4,593	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,593
Switzerland	6,981	6,110	-	-	-	-	-	6,110	871
Union of S. Africa 4/	5,512	5,512	-	-	-	-	-	5,512	-
Vatican City 4/ ..	551	-	-	-	-	-	551	551	-
Venezuela 4/	6,246	674	-	-	-	-	5,619	6,293	-
Yugoslavia	3,674	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,674
Totals		295,252	83,487	254	15,836	8,667	1,563	81,239	191,046
Guaranteed Quantities (Exporting Countries)			100,294	14,325	29,493	16,115	6,268	128,757	295,252
Balance			16,807	14,071	13,657	7,448	4,705	47,518	104,206

1/ Canadian Sales through August 25, 1959.

2/ Sales recorded by International Wheat Council through August 21, 1959.

3/ The quantities are the unfulfilled balances of the total guaranteed quantities for the year.

4/ Quota filled.

CANADIAN SITUATION

Canadian Wheat Supplies 1959-60 Assuming realization of the August 28 forecast of production, Canadian wheat supplies for the crop year 1959-60, consisting of the July-end carryover of 546.3 million bushels and the new crop placed at 405.0 million (forecast on the basis of conditions at August 15) will amount to 951.3 million bushels. Supplies of the size indicated would represent a decline of 6 per cent from last year's 1,011.2 million bushels.

Total Supply and Disposition of Canadian Wheat 1954-55 - 1958-59
and Estimated Supply, 1959-60
(Crop Years August 1 - July 31)

Item	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60
- million bushels -						
Supplies						
Carryover, at beginning of crop year	618.7	536.7	579.6	733.5	639.5	546.3 ^{1/}
Production	332.0	519.2	573.0	385.5	371.7	405.0 ^{2/}
Imports Wheat and Flour ..	0.2	^{3/}	0.1	^{3/}	^{3/}	-
Totals ^{4/}	950.8	1,055.9	1,152.8	1,119.1	1,011.2	951.3
Disposition						
Exports Wheat and Flour ..	251.9	312.3	264.4	320.3	294.1	
Human Consumption	53.7	53.7	53.8	54.5	55.5	
Seed	32.1	32.3	30.1	29.7	32.7	
Industrial Use	0.4	^{3/}	^{3/}	^{3/}	-	
Carryover, at end of crop year	536.7	579.6	733.5	639.5	546.3	
Residual item ^{5/}	75.9	78.1	70.9	75.1	82.6	
Totals ^{4/}	950.8	1,055.9	1,152.8	1,119.1	1,011.2	

- ^{1/} Subject to further revision pending receipts of Board of Grain Commissioners' final data on commercial stocks at July 31, 1959. ^{2/} Based on August 28, 1959 forecast of production and subject to revision as later estimates become available.
- ^{3/} Less than 50,000 bushels. ^{4/} Components may not add exactly to the totals due to rounding. ^{5/} Includes feed for livestock and waste but also reflects the effect of any estimating errors in other components of the balance sheet.

It is emphasized, however, that realization of the 1959 production forecast for wheat will be dependent upon how weather and other developments affect the crop between August 15 and completion of harvesting. The second official forecast of production, to be released on October 2, will give greater effect to actual harvesting conditions and outturns.

1958-59 Exports of Wheat and Flour Total 294.1 Million Bushels According to preliminary data, combined exports of Canadian wheat in bulk, bagged seed wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the crop year 1958-59 amounted to 294.1 million bushels, exceeding by 8 per cent the ten-year (1947-48-1956-57) average of 271.8 million but 8 per cent less than the 1957-58 total of 320.3 million bushels. Exports of wheat in bulk (as reported by the Board of Grain Commissioners), at 252.2 million bushels, represented a decrease of 9 per cent from the 1957-58 total of 275.7 million. Exports of bagged seed wheat during the 1958-59 crop year amounted to some 5.3 million bushels compared with the 1957-58 total of 4.2

million. Wheat flour exports in terms of grain equivalent, amounted to 36.7 million bushels, a decline of 9 per cent from the 1957-58 revised total of 40.4 million.

The 1958-59 totals for exports of wheat in bulk are compiled from overseas clearances and exports to the United States as recorded by the Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada, while data on exports of wheat flour and bagged seed wheat are obtained from Canadian Customs returns. Adjusted data on wheat flour exports for the 1958-59 crop year, removing the effect of time lag in reporting Customs returns, will be included in the November issue of this publication.

Monthly exports of wheat in bulk, bagged seed wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the crop year recently completed ranged from a high of 32.5 million bushels in May to a low of 18.6 million in September. Overseas clearances of bulk wheat, the major component of the total exports of wheat, bagged seed wheat and flour, ranged between 29.0 million bushels in May and 16.1 million in July.

The United Kingdom remaining in its position as Canada's largest market for wheat in bulk, decreased purchases of Canadian wheat from 90.3 million bushels in 1957-58 to a total of 87.0 million during 1958-59. Both Japan and Germany increased their purchases of wheat from Canada during the 1958-59 crop year. Exports of Canadian wheat in bulk to Japan increased to 41.0 million bushels compared with 38.0 million in the preceding year while shipments to the Federal Republic of Germany amounted to 35.0 million bushels, an increase of 5.3 million over the 1957-58 total.

In addition to the above, nineteen other countries purchased Canadian wheat in bulk in amounts exceeding one million bushels. These countries, with quantities imported during the 1958-59 crop year and figures for the preceding crop year in brackets, were as follows in millions of bushels: India, 11.4 (23.8); Belgium, 10.7 (12.8); Netherlands, 7.9 (21.7); Union of South Africa, 7.6 (nil); U.S.S.R. (Russia), 7.3 (14.8); Switzerland, 6.3 (9.7); Poland, 5.4 (1.4); Ireland, 4.1 (1.9); Pakistan, 3.8 (3.5); Norway, 3.6 (3.5); United States, 3.4 (7.2); Austria, 3.0 (2.2); Venezuela, 2.9 (1.0); Peru, 1.9 (2.7); Israel, 1.6 (1.5); France, 1.4 (nil); Philippine Islands, 1.2 (367 bushels); Ecuador, 1.1 (0.4); and Italy, 1.1 (1.0).

Exports of wheat flour during 1958-59 went to sixty-eight countries. The United Kingdom, with imports amounting to the equivalent of 13.6 million bushels, accounted for 37 per cent of the total crop year movement, compared with the equivalent of 13.7 million bushels in 1957-58 and 34 per cent of the total wheat flour exports. In addition to the United Kingdom, flour exports equivalent to at least one million bushels of wheat went to the following countries, with revised data for the 1957-58 crop year in brackets, in millions of bushels: Philippine Islands, 3.1 (4.9); Ceylon, 1.8 (2.5); Jamaica, 1.7 (1.6); United States, 1.7 (1.8); Trinidad and Tobago, 1.6 (1.6); Ghana, 1.3 (0.5); Japan, 1.2 (0.7); and Leeward and Windward Islands, 1.0 (1.1).

August Forecast of
Production of Canada's
1959 Grain Crops

On the basis of yields indicated at August 15, production of all wheat, oats and all rye will be above last year's level. Production of barley, mixed grains and flaxseed will be smaller than a year ago. Prospects at that time pointed to a 405.0 million bushel wheat crop, 9 per cent above last year's estimate of 371.7 million bushels but 17 per cent below the ten-year (1949-1958) average of 490.4 million. The oats and barley crops are placed at 420.6 and 226.5 million bushels, respectively, with flax being estimated at 21.6 million bushels. Fall and spring rye together account for some 8.2 million bushels. Average yields per acre of most cereal and oilseed crops this year are close to those of a year ago and the recent ten-year average.

It is emphasized, however, that realization of the 1959 yield and production forecasts in the accompanying table will be dependent upon how weather and other developments affect the crop between August 15 (date of survey) and completion of harvesting. Harvesting commenced early in many parts of the country this year, particularly in the southern districts of all three Prairie Provinces and Ontario. However, wet weather during the latter half of August had delayed harvesting operations and retarded maturity of late-sown crops over wide areas of the Prairie Provinces. The effect of weather and other developments up to September 15 will be reflected in the second official forecast of production to be released on October 2.

August Forecast of the 1959 Production of Principal Grain Crops
Canada and Prairie Provinces, Compared with 1958

Province and Crop	Area		Yield per Acre		Production	
	1958	1959	1958 1/	1959 2/	1958 1/	1959 2/
<u>CANADA</u>	- acres -		- bushels -		- bushels -	
Winter wheat	580,000	425,000	41.2	28.1	23,896,000	11,942,000
Spring wheat	20,319,100	22,639,900	17.1	17.4	347,834,000	393,071,000
All wheat	20,899,100	23,064,900	17.8	17.6	371,730,000	405,013,000
Oats for grain	11,039,200	11,391,300	36.3	36.9	400,951,000	420,615,000
Barley	9,548,000	8,288,600	25.6	27.3	244,764,000	226,520,000
Fall rye	409,900	405,700	16.6	17.0	6,792,000	6,883,000
Spring rye	111,500	110,900	10.9	12.0	1,210,000	1,330,000
All rye	521,400	516,600	15.3	15.9	8,002,000	8,213,000
Flaxseed	2,622,700	1/2,391,200	8.7	9.0	22,766,000	21,574,000
Mixed grains	1,421,800	1,500,500	45.5	42.9	64,648,000	64,417,000
<u>PRAIRIE PROVINCES</u>						
Wheat	20,244,000	22,557,000	17.1	17.3	346,000,000	391,000,000
Oats	7,584,000	7,882,000	31.6	33.5	240,000,000	264,000,000
Barley	9,369,000	8,107,000	25.4	27.1	238,000,000	220,000,000
Rye	418,800	434,900	12.9	14.6	5,400,000	6,360,000
Flaxseed	2,602,000	1/2,368,000	8.6	9.0	22,500,000	21,300,000

1/ Revised.

2/ As indicated on basis of conditions on or about August 15.

Canada's 1959 wheat crop, forecast at 405.0 million bushels will, if realized, be 9 per cent larger than last year's crop of 371.7 million and 17 per cent below the ten-year (1949-1958) average of 490.4 million. The increase from 1958 is attributable to the increase of 10 per cent in acreage. Average yields declined from 17.8 bushels in 1958 to 17.6 bushels per acre this year.

The 1959 crop of spring wheat, forecast at 393.1 million bushels is being harvested from a seeded area of 22.6 million acres yielding an indicated 17.4 bushels per acre. The 1958 spring wheat crop of 347.8 million bushels was produced on 20.3 million acres yielding an average of 17.1 bushels per acre. The 1959 yield for Ontario's winter wheat crop is placed at 28.1 bushels per acre as compared with a record 41.2 bushels in 1958. A 27 per cent reduction in acreage coupled with a 32 per cent decrease in yields reduced production to 11.9 million bushels in 1959 compared with 23.9 million in 1958.

In the Prairie Provinces the 1959 wheat crop is forecast at 391.0 million bushels, 45 million bushels or 13 per cent above last year's crop of 346.0 million but 74 million or 16 per cent below the ten-year average of 465.5 million. The

indicated average yield per seeded acre in the Prairie Provinces, on the basis of conditions at August 15, is 17.3 bushels per acre with Manitoba averaging 22.4, Saskatchewan 15.1 and Alberta 21.1 bushels per acre. Production in each of these provinces in millions of bushels, with last year's estimate in brackets, is as follows: Manitoba, 58.0 (58.0); Saskatchewan, 224.0 (192.0); and Alberta, 109.0 (96.0). Relatively small amounts of winter wheat are included in these forecasts for the Prairie Provinces.

The indicated production of durum wheat, which is included in the above forecast of spring wheat is 15.1 million bushels compared with last year's estimate of 15.9 million. Forecasts of 1959 production in the Prairie Provinces in millions of bushels, with last year's estimates in brackets are Manitoba, 1.6 (1.8); Saskatchewan, 12.6 (12.5); and Alberta, 0.9 (1.6).

The decrease in production is attributable to a 9 per cent decrease in acreage which more than offset the increase in average yields from 14.1 bushels in 1958 to 14.8 bushels per acre this season. Yields per acre in 1959, with 1958 figures in brackets are: Manitoba, 20.4 (19.1); Saskatchewan 14.0 (13.0); Alberta, 23.1 (22.2); and the Prairie Provinces, 14.8 (14.1).

August Forecast of the 1959 Production of Wheat, Canada and Provinces
Compared with 1958

Province	Area		Yield per Acre		Production	
	1958	1959	1958 1/	1959 2/	1958 1/	1959 2/
	- acres -		- bushels -		- bushels -	
All wheat -						
Canada	20,899,100	23,064,900	17.8	17.6	371,730,000	405,013,000
Ontario	595,000	442,300	40.8	27.9	24,259,000	12,323,000
Spring wheat -						
Canada	20,319,100	22,639,900	17.1	17.4	347,834,000	393,071,000
Prince Ed. Is.	3,300	3,500	28.0	28.6	92,000	100,000
Nova Scotia ...	700	600	28.6	28.3	20,000	17,000
New Brunswick .	2,400	2,300	26.7	28.3	64,000	65,000
Quebec	12,700	12,300	23.2	25.0	295,000	308,000
Ontario	15,000	17,300	24.2	22.0	363,000	381,000
Manitoba	2,358,000	2,594,000	24.6	22.4	58,000,000	58,000,000
Saskatchewan ..	13,182,000	14,803,000	14.6	15.1	192,000,000	224,000,000
Alberta	4,704,000	5,160,000	20.4	21.1	96,000,000	109,000,000
Br. Columbia ..	41,000	46,900	24.4	25.6	1,000,000	1,200,000
Winter wheat -						
Canada 3/	580,000	425,000	41.2	28.1	23,896,000	11,942,000

1/ Revised.

2/ As indicated on basis of conditions on or about August 15.

3/ Winter wheat estimates apply to Ontario only. The western wheat crop contains a relatively small proportion of winter wheat but, due to difficulties encountered in obtaining acreage data required for a separate winter wheat estimate in the Prairie Provinces, all western wheat is currently included under spring wheat.

United Kingdom Milling Mission Visits Canada On August 7, 1959 the Honourable Gordon Churchill, Minister of Trade and Commerce, announced the arrival in Canada of a Mission representing a large segment of the milling industry of the United Kingdom. The Mission consists of:

Mr. J.A.C. Hosegood - (Messrs. Spillers Ltd., London);
Mr. R.C. Loombe - (Messrs. Joseph Rank Ltd., London);
Mr. Leighton Morton - (Messrs. Hovis Ltd., London);
Mr. F.L. Ashcroft - (Messrs. Edward Hutchison Ltd., Liverpool);
Mr. J.P. Gamble - (Messrs. Cranfield Bros. Ltd., Ipswich);
Mr. R.A. Forrest - (Messrs. Payne and Co. Ltd., Neots, Hunts).

The visit of the group has been arranged by the Canadian Wheat Board. The Mission is commencing its work in Vancouver and will inspect the harvesting of the new grain crop on the Prairies. Principal stops will be made at Vancouver, Regina, Winnipeg, Fort William, Port Arthur, Ottawa and Montreal.

The purpose of the Mission is to observe the production, inspection and the grading and merchandising of Canadian wheat. Opportunity will also be provided for members of the Mission to see the St. Lawrence Seaway in operation. The group will spend approximately three and one-half weeks in Canada.

Hon. Gordon Churchill Leaves for Europe On September 2, 1959 it was announced that the Honourable Gordon Churchill, Minister of Trade and Commerce, will leave Canada by air to hold trade discussions in the United Kingdom, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Italy, Greece and Belgium.

He will attend the Scottish Industries Fair, in Glasgow, where he will be the guest of honour on Canada Day, September 4. Mr. Churchill will then proceed to Stockholm for the St. Erik's Fair, in which Canada is participating this year for the first time. This trade fair, being held from September 2 to September 13, is one of a number in which Canadian commodities are displayed to prospective purchasers.

During his visit to Scandinavia, the Minister will be accompanied by Mr. J.T. Dallas, Commissioner of the Canadian Wheat Board, and will discuss the sale of Canadian wheat and other grains in that area. He also expects to hold discussions with the Ministers of Commerce in Sweden, Norway and Denmark, and to meet with leading businessmen in those countries.

While in Italy, Greece and Belgium, he will call on senior cabinet ministers and review trade conditions with resident Canadian Government Trade Commissioners. Mr. Churchill will also have discussions, when in Brussels, with the Presidents of Euratom and the European Economic Community.

Exports of Registered and Certified Seed Wheat The Canadian Wheat Board in its Instructions to the Trade, Shippers and Exporters No. 5, under date of August 4, 1959 announced in part that the Board wishes to advise that the export of Registered and/or Certified Seed Wheat, as formerly, will only be authorized during the 1959-60 crop year under individual export permits, applications for which are to be submitted to the Board's Winnipeg Office in the usual manner.

In this connection the Board will be prepared to issue permits authorizing the export of Registered and/or Certified Seed Wheat where satisfactory evidence is submitted with the individual applications that the seed wheat is to be exported to a country which has normally been a regular purchaser of Canadian Registered and/or Certified Seed Wheat and that the wheat is for use within that country and not for re-export. In the case of applications for the issuance of export permits for shipment of Registered and/or Certified Seed Wheat to destinations other than normal markets, the Board may require satisfactory evidence to the effect that the seed wheat is to be imported for seeding purposes and is not for re-export from that destination nor for human consumption.

Export of Wheat. (Including Lower Grades) Barley and Oats to the United States by Truck

The Canadian Wheat Board in its Instructions to the Trade No. 11, under date of August 12, 1959, announced in part that we have received enquiries regarding the sale of wheat, (including lower grades), also of oats and barley, by producers to truckers for export to the United States.

In accordance with the Canadian Wheat Board Act and Regulations made thereunder, such grain to be exported must first be delivered within the quota, and must also be delivered and sold to the Canadian Wheat Board.

As the Board feels that the easing of delivery quota regulations in this respect might permit of delivery by producers for export of additional quantities, it is prepared to permit producers to deliver the equivalent of two (2) bushels per specified acre of wheat, barley or oats on the understanding that the quantity so delivered would apply as an advance quota to be charged against the individual quotas delivered by them, but only as and when the authorized delivery quota at their station is increased to five (5) bushels per specified acre, provided the following conditions are complied with:

- (1) The grain to be delivered under this policy must be weighed and graded by a Board agent (a country elevator agent).
- (2) The elevator agent shall issue a producer's certificate covering the net quantity to be exported, and shall at the same time conclude a local sale covering the same quantity and grade at the Board's domestic selling price in effect on the date of the transaction.
- (3) The elevator agent shall record the quantity in the producer's permit book as a delivery with a notation that such grain is for "Export to the U.S.A."

Exchange of Feeding Grades of Board Wheat for Higher Grades of Wheat

The Canadian Wheat Board in its Instructions to the Trade, No. 14, under date of September 4, 1959, announced in part that the Board has received a number of applications from producers for permission to deliver high grade wheat in exchange for low grade wheat presently available in country elevators and which they wish to obtain for feeding purposes. Some of the Elevator Companies have also requested that the matter be given consideration by the Board.

In connection with the above, the Board wishes to advise that it is prepared to permit Elevator Companies to exchange with producers, on a bushel-for-bushel basis, Board stocks of No. 4 Northern, No. 5, No. 6 and Feed Wheat (including toughs and damps) for wheat grading No. 1 Northern to No. 3 Northern (including toughs and damps), such exchanges to be made on the basis of the Board's selling

spreads between the grades exchanged in effect at the time of transaction, less the company's charge for such service.

Lake Shipments Total shipments of the five major grains out of Lakehead terminals from the opening of navigation to August 19 this year amounted to 152.1 million bushels, compared with 189.8 million during the comparable period of 1958. In 1959 the season of navigation opened on April 20m while the 1958 season opened on April 18. Shipments of wheat at 105.7 million bushels, were 7 per cent below the 1958 comparable figure of 113.8 million and accounted for 69 per cent of the current total. Lake shipments of oats, barley and rye during the period under review were also below comparable 1958 levels with flaxseed being the only one of the five grains moving in greater volume this year than last.

Lake Shipments of Canadian Grain from the Opening of Navigation to August 19, 1959 and to Approximately the Same Date, 1949 to 1958*

Year	Wheat	Oats	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed	Total
- thousand bushels -						
1949	76,509	13,946	14,377	5,840	4,767	115,440
1950	77,232	10,757	12,834	2,918	984	104,725
1951	87,653	31,792	22,942	4,664	802	147,853
1952	138,195	56,133	50,368	4,534	2,867	252,097
1953	147,933	47,410	63,353	6,700	2,777	268,174
1954	63,639	31,306	35,898	4,255	1,985	137,083
1955	88,873	18,425	34,325	6,850	3,271	151,744
1956	139,049	23,426	49,097	9,828	3,535	224,936
1957	96,319	23,391	25,967	3,723	6,609	156,008
1958 <u>1</u> /	113,799	24,615	43,655	4,576	3,115	189,759
1959	105,680	14,726	24,768	3,424	3,474	152,071

* Shipments from the opening of navigation to the following dates: August 18, 1949; August 17, 1950; August 16, 1951; August 21, 1952; August 20, 1953; August 20, 1954; August 17, 1955; August 22, 1956; August 21, 1957; and August 20, 1958

1/ Revised.

Crop Conditions in the Prairie Provinces According to a telegraphic crop report published by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics under date of September 16, 1959 sunny, but generally cool weather in Manitoba has favoured drying of swaths and most farmers resumed harvesting towards the end of last week. East of the Red River muddy conditions make harvesting difficult. Swathing south of the Riding Mountain is nearly completed, and threshing is 40 per cent finished. Threshing east of the Red River and north of Dauphin is about 15 per cent completed. Most wheat is grading about 3 northern, the lower quality being due to weathering. Frost has been reported in many districts, but fortunately it was not severe. After being delayed by wet weather, harvest operations are now under way again in most areas of Saskatchewan. About 80 per cent of the wheat, and 85 per cent of the coarse grains have been cut, while about 40 per cent of the wheat, 50 per cent of the oats and barley and 10 per cent of the flax have been threshed. The harvest has made good progress in southern and central districts but damp conditions have slowed up operations in northeastern areas. Heavy dews have also shortened the

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Wheat Production in
Canada and the Prairie
Provinces 1910 - 1959

371.7 million bushels and

The first forecast of the 1959 wheat crop in Canada, based on conditions at August 15, placed the probable outturn at 405.0 million bushels, of which the Prairie Provinces accounted for 391.0 million. If a crop of this size is realized, it would be 9 per cent greater than the 1958 revised estimate of 18 per cent below the ten-year (1948-1957) average of 491.3 million.

Wheat Production in Canada and the Prairie Provinces, 1910-1959

Year	Canada	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Three Prairie Provinces
- thousand bushels -					
1910	132,078	34,127	66,979	9,060	110,167
1911	231,237	62,820	109,323	36,554	208,697
1912	224,159	63,017	106,960	34,303	204,280
1913	231,717	53,331	121,559	34,372	209,262
1914	161,280	38,605	73,494	28,859	140,958
1915	393,543	69,337	224,312	66,538	360,187
1916	262,781	29,667	147,559	65,088	242,314
1917	233,743	41,040	117,921	52,992	211,953
1918	189,075	48,191	92,493	23,752	164,436
1919	193,260	40,975	89,994	34,575	165,544
1920	263,189	37,542	113,135	83,461	234,138
1921	300,858	39,054	188,000	53,044	280,098
1922	399,786	60,051	250,167	64,976	375,194
1923	474,199	35,804	271,622	144,834	452,260
1924	262,097	41,464	132,918	61,312	235,694
1925	395,475	33,624	235,472	97,962	367,058
1926	407,136	47,133	219,646	113,986	380,765
1927	479,665	30,773	252,500	171,286	454,559
1928	566,726	52,383	321,215	171,000	544,598
1929	302,192	28,565	160,565	90,206	279,336
1930	420,672	43,600	206,700	147,000	397,300
1931	321,325	28,112	132,466	140,603	301,181
1932	443,061	44,041	211,551	167,355	422,947
1933	281,892	32,666	128,004	102,334	263,004
1934	275,849	37,100	114,200	112,500	263,800
1935	281,935	23,250	142,198	98,648	264,096
1936	219,218	26,000	110,000	66,000	202,000
1937	180,210	45,100	36,000	75,700	156,800
1938	360,010	50,000	137,800	148,200	336,000
1939	520,623	61,300	271,300	161,400	494,000
1940	540,190	66,400	266,700	180,700	513,800
1941	314,710	51,000	147,000	98,000	296,000
1942	556,067	53,000	305,000	171,000	529,000
1943	282,377	39,000	146,000	82,800	267,800
1944	414,859	50,300	242,100	99,300	391,700
1945	316,320	38,800	168,100	87,700	294,600
1946	411,601	58,000	208,000	127,000	393,000
1947	338,506	42,000	173,000	105,000	320,000
1948	381,413	50,000	191,000	115,000	356,000
1949	366,028	52,000	186,000	103,000	341,000
1950	466,490	50,000	272,000	117,000	439,000
1951	553,678	53,000	325,000	152,000	530,000
1952	701,973	57,000	449,000	172,000	678,000
1953	634,040	48,000	391,000	165,000	604,000
1954	331,981	29,000	169,000	107,000	305,000
1955	519,178	42,000	320,000	135,000	497,000
1956	573,040	56,000	355,000	140,000	551,000
1957 1/	385,508	49,000	222,000	93,000	364,000
1958 1/	371,730	58,000	192,000	96,000	346,000
1959 2/	405,013	58,000	224,000	109,000	391,000

1/ Revised.

2/ Based on conditions on or about August 15, 1959.

Carryover Stocks
of Canadian Grain
at July 31, 1959

Total carryover stocks of the five major Canadian grains in all North American positions at July 31, 1959 were estimated at 806.8 million bushels, 13 per cent below last year's 928.2 million but 27 per cent above the ten-year (1949-1958) average of 635.5 million bushels. Total stocks of wheat were estimated at 546.3 million bushels compared with last year's revised estimate of 639.5 million and the previous record high at July 31, 1957 of 733.5 million bushels. Stocks of oats in all positions were estimated at 119.3 million bushels, 23 per cent smaller than last year's 154.9 million but 3 per cent higher than the ten-year average of 116.3 million. Barley stocks, at 127.1 million bushels, were 8 per cent higher than the 118.2 million held in 1958 and 41 per cent above the ten-year average of 90.4 million bushels. Carryover stocks of rye in all positions, estimated at 7.9 million bushels, were 22 per cent less than last year's 10.1 million. July-end carryover stocks of flaxseed, at 6.2 million bushels were above both the 1958 total of 5.7 million and the ten-year average of 4.6 million bushels.

Position of Canadian Grain Stocks, July 31, 1959

Position	Wheat	Oats	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed
	- thousand bushels -				
In Canada					
On farms	130,000	80,000	57,000	3,440	1,520
Country elevators ^{1/}	251,228	27,241	49,895	1,929	1,611
Interior private and mill elevators	7,262	744	2,083	28	83
Interior terminal elevators	13,347	153	268	-	2/
Pacific Coast terminals	9,906	287	1,940	2/	595
Churchill elevator	4,593	40	-	-	2/
Fort William-Port Arthur elevators	46,383	4,795	11,316	845	947
In transit - lake	9,760	1,341	729	975	505
In transit - rail	15,046	2,047	1,051	461	351
Eastern elevators	56,215	2,407	2,845	210	564
Eastern mills (mill bins only)	2,234	220	4	-	-
Western mills (mill bins only)	165	11	2	1	-
Totals in Canada ^{3/}	546,139	119,286	127,132	7,890	6,176
In United States ^{3/}	159	-	-	-	-
Total Canadian Grain in Canada and United States, July 31, 1959 ^{3/}	546,298	119,286	127,132	7,890	6,176
Comparative Stocks, July 31, 1958 ^{4/}					
In Canada	639,454	154,916	117,990	9,997	5,652
In United States	-	-	176	64	-
Total in Canada and United States	639,454	154,916	118,165	10,062	5,652
Average stocks, July 31, 1949-1958	411,217 ^{4/}	116,333	90,398	13,007	4,588

^{1/} Revised - subject to further revision. ^{2/} Less than 500 bushels. ^{3/} Subject to revision.
^{4/} Revised.

Farm-held stocks of wheat, oats, barley, rye and flaxseed at July 31, 1959 amounted to 272.0 million bushels down sharply from the July-end 1958 total of 404.4 million but above the ten-year (1949-1958) average of 262.4 million bushels. Since the bulk of farm stocks of grain is held in Western Canada, stocks in the Prairie Provinces have been segregated from the above table for ease in comparison with last year's totals.

Estimated Farm Stocks in the Prairie Provinces, July 31, 1959 and 1958

Province	Wheat	Oats	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed
	- thousand bushels -				
Manitoba	8,000	13,000	11,000	300	200
Saskatchewan	90,000	22,000	25,000	2,100	1,000
Alberta	28,000	18,000	18,000	800	300
Totals, July 31, 1959 ^{1/}	126,000	53,000	54,000	3,200	1,500
Totals, July 31, 1958	229,000 ^{2/}	88,000	55,000	5,200	900

^{1/} Subject to revision.
^{2/} Revised.

Canadian Wheat Preliminary estimates place total stocks of Canadian wheat in all North American positions at July 31, 1959 at 546.3 million bushels compared with last year's revised estimate of 639.5 million and the previous record high at July 31, 1957 of 733.5 million bushels. An estimated 130.0 million bushels of this year's total were held on farms, while 251.2 million of the off-farm stocks were in country elevators. The next largest amounts, 56.2 million and 46.4 million bushels, were in store in Eastern elevators and in the Fort William-Port Arthur terminals, respectively.

It should be pointed out that the figures in the table below are not strictly comparable because of certain omissions in the earlier years. For example, figures for the years 1928 to 1931 do not include wheat in transit to United States ports. Beginning with 1932, this item is included in stocks of Canadian wheat in United States positions. It should also be noted that from 1928 to 1931 the stocks of Canadian wheat in the United States lake and seaboard ports are reported for the week-end nearest to the close of the crop year. Stocks of Canadian wheat held in bond by United States flour mills were omitted each year until 1940-41 when they were included for the first time. The carryover totals now include all Canadian wheat in North American positions whether on farms, in store or in transit.

Carryover of Canadian Wheat in Canada and the United States, July 31, 1928-1959

Year	Carryover of Wheat in Canada	Stocks of Canadian Wheat in U.S. Positions	Total Carryover of Canadian Wheat in Canada and U.S.
- thousand bushels -			
1928	77,547	13,610	91,157
1929	104,325	22,914	127,239
1930	110,517	16,065	126,582
1931	133,060	5,538	138,598
1932	130,053	5,888	135,941
1933	209,969	7,688	217,657
1934	192,948	9,954	202,902
1935	202,148	11,705	213,852
1936	108,094	19,268	127,363
1937	32,938	4,111	37,049
10-Year average 1928-1937	130,160	11,674	141,834
1938	23,553	983	24,536
1939	94,632	8,279	102,911
1940	272,928	27,546	300,473
1941	448,338	31,792	480,129
1942	404,897	18,856	423,752
1943	579,371	15,255	594,626
1944	338,138	18,394	356,531
1945	238,480	19,593	258,073
1946	73,466	134	73,600
1947	86,055	87	86,141
10-Year average 1938-1947	255,986	14,092	270,077
1948	77,676	35	77,710
1949	102,343	68	102,411
1950	112,200	-	112,200
1951	187,190	2,013	189,203
1952	214,934	2,244	217,178
1953	382,546	640	383,185
1954	618,568	107	618,675
1955	536,302	446	536,748
1956	578,803	771	579,574
1957 1/	733,335	211	733,546
10-Year average 1948-1957	354,390	654	355,043
1958 1/	639,454	-	639,454
1959 2/	546,139	159	546,298

1/ Revised.

2/ Preliminary.

Farmers' Marketings ^{1/} of Wheat in the Prairie Provinces 1958-59

Week Ending		Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Total	Last Year ^{2/}
- bushels -						
August	6, 1958	24,121	170,879	17,502	212,502	494,883
	13	48,414	410,030	105,886	564,330	1,660,832
	20	530,671	837,276	433,390	1,801,337	3,077,382
	27	655,469	2,402,721	799,374	3,857,564	5,514,085
September	3	339,017	2,320,487	1,007,161	3,666,665	4,510,881
	10	627,177	2,731,480	1,318,831	4,677,488	3,308,901
	17	876,894	2,872,636	1,884,076	5,633,606	3,817,790
	24	465,499	1,888,330	1,054,410	3,408,239	4,145,567
October	1	312,295	1,538,887	830,513	2,681,695	5,258,699
	8	312,841	3,825,960	1,118,284	5,257,085	6,169,152
	15	426,949	3,400,180	946,895	4,774,024	5,712,259
	22	638,086	3,558,895	1,228,570	5,425,551	4,913,580
	29	669,631	4,449,753	1,469,635	6,589,019	5,273,983
November	5	849,994	5,872,876	2,004,736	8,727,606	4,765,933
	12	953,433	5,138,702	1,489,048	7,581,183	5,666,495
	19	1,311,444	4,772,684	1,680,173	7,764,301	5,666,501
	26	1,008,111	5,266,454	1,759,342	8,033,907	6,828,348
December	3	713,127	3,827,448	1,503,964	6,044,539	9,639,250
	10	782,917	4,970,681	1,654,700	7,408,298	8,776,053
	17	1,250,351	5,504,925	1,662,902	8,418,178	8,848,531
	23	867,531	6,445,886	2,425,776	9,739,243	8,454,157
	30	942,586	3,495,655	1,535,144	5,973,385	6,357,396
January	7, 1959	873,721	3,034,162	1,510,351	5,418,234	5,531,301
	14	991,633	3,238,040	1,986,657	6,216,330	8,711,602
	21	1,195,720	4,325,517	2,943,315	8,464,552	8,319,928
	28	642,538	1,918,308	1,604,532	4,165,378	7,380,155
February	4	905,136	3,868,446	2,202,774	6,976,356	6,746,159
	11	464,094	2,340,320	1,888,149	4,692,563	4,942,340
	18	546,676	2,353,576	1,516,790	4,417,042	3,829,024
	25	539,723	2,665,475	1,985,822	5,191,020	4,554,640
March	4	900,708	4,815,472	2,487,533	8,203,713	5,091,553
	11	680,755	3,405,740	2,780,105	6,866,600	4,095,895
	18	566,519	3,089,858	2,847,729	6,504,106	3,780,940
	25	503,717	2,715,763	1,802,584	5,022,064	3,867,076
April	1	323,043	1,888,155	1,634,651	3,845,849	2,835,970
	8	256,613	3,183,772	1,696,342	5,136,727	1,891,902
	15	423,599	4,544,056	2,609,296	7,576,951	5,500,245
	22	672,609	5,019,480	2,141,087	7,833,176	11,094,867
	29	548,349	4,643,729	1,990,541	7,182,619	8,172,233
May	6	580,080	3,461,860	1,579,767	5,621,707	8,326,101
	13	652,863	2,704,735	1,294,240	4,651,838	5,635,883
	20	990,612	2,082,594	830,299	3,903,505	5,862,887
	27	990,592	3,883,580	1,047,158	5,921,330	7,793,064
June	3	864,588	6,093,919	1,645,747	8,604,254	15,010,433
	10	1,239,114	7,034,989	2,113,945	10,388,048	15,324,215
	17	1,669,461	6,721,286	2,201,385	10,592,132	14,778,125
	24	1,841,570	6,313,729	2,847,919	11,003,218	13,676,730
July	1	1,422,681	4,991,813	2,363,383	8,777,877	10,038,619
	8	1,691,732	6,263,310	3,023,392	10,978,434	9,488,031
	15	1,661,605	6,826,425	2,857,680	11,345,710	9,286,384
	22	1,919,697	7,945,404	3,144,125	13,009,226	12,942,043
	31	5,952,949	27,294,365	7,948,186	41,195,500	34,823,106
Totals		47,119,305	224,370,703	96,455,796	367,945,804	378,192,109
Average similar period:						
1947-48-1956-57		38,424,345	222,753,084	103,975,045	365,152,475	

^{1/} Includes receipts at Country, Interior Private and Mill Elevators, Interior Semi-Public Terminals and Platform loadings. ^{2/} Revised.

Visible Supply of Canadian Wheat, August 19, 1959
Compared with Approximately the Same Date, 1957 and 1958

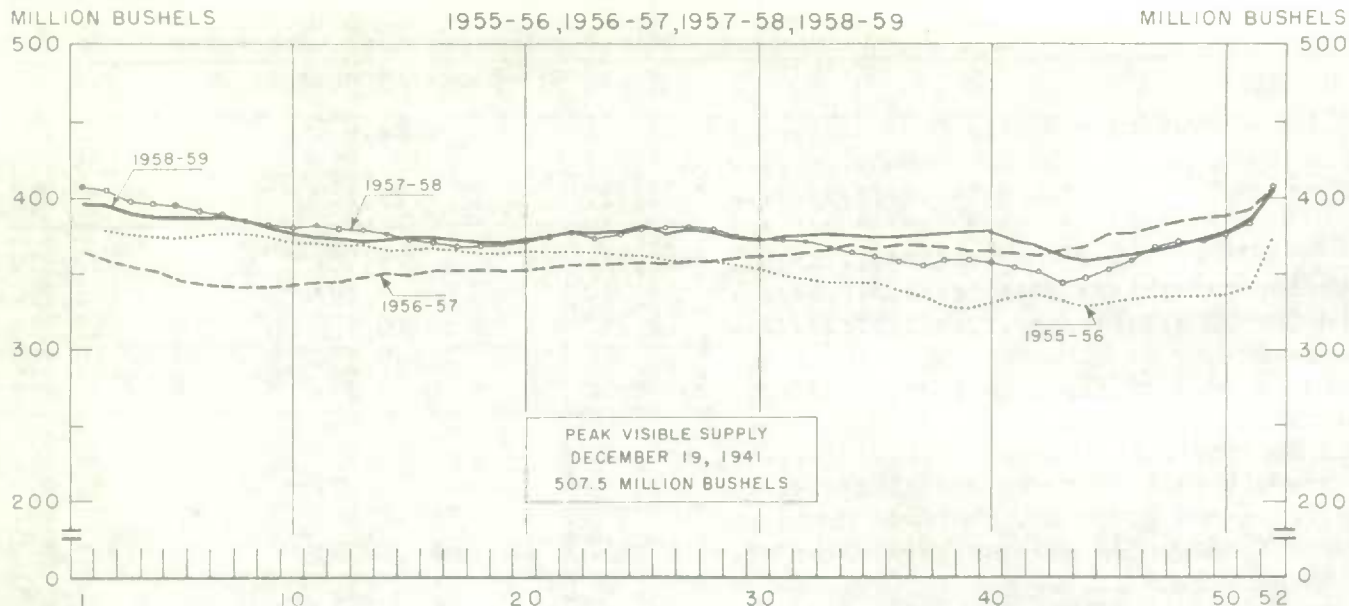
Position	1957	1958	1959
- thousand bushels -			
Country elevators - Manitoba	23,434	24,922	21,170
Saskatchewan	125,787	127,949	135,974
Alberta	74,737	73,110	80,235
Totals	223,959	225,981	237,379
Interior private and mill	5,780	7,597	6,734
Interior terminals	12,292	10,575	13,339
Vancouver-New Westminster	11,916	9,454	9,795
Victoria	301	493	253
Churchill	2,344	3,401	2,725
Fort William-Port Arthur	50,490	49,297	52,647
In transit rail (Western Division)	17,383	15,277	14,565
Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence Ports ..	43,563	37,950	42,573
Lower St. Lawrence and Maritime Ports ...	26,862	26,636	22,213
In transit lake	2,907	3,315	3,322
In transit rail (Eastern Division)	917	700	798
United States Ports	75	-	159
Totals	398,789	390,674	406,502

Grading of Wheat Inspected, August-July, 1958-59 with Comparisons

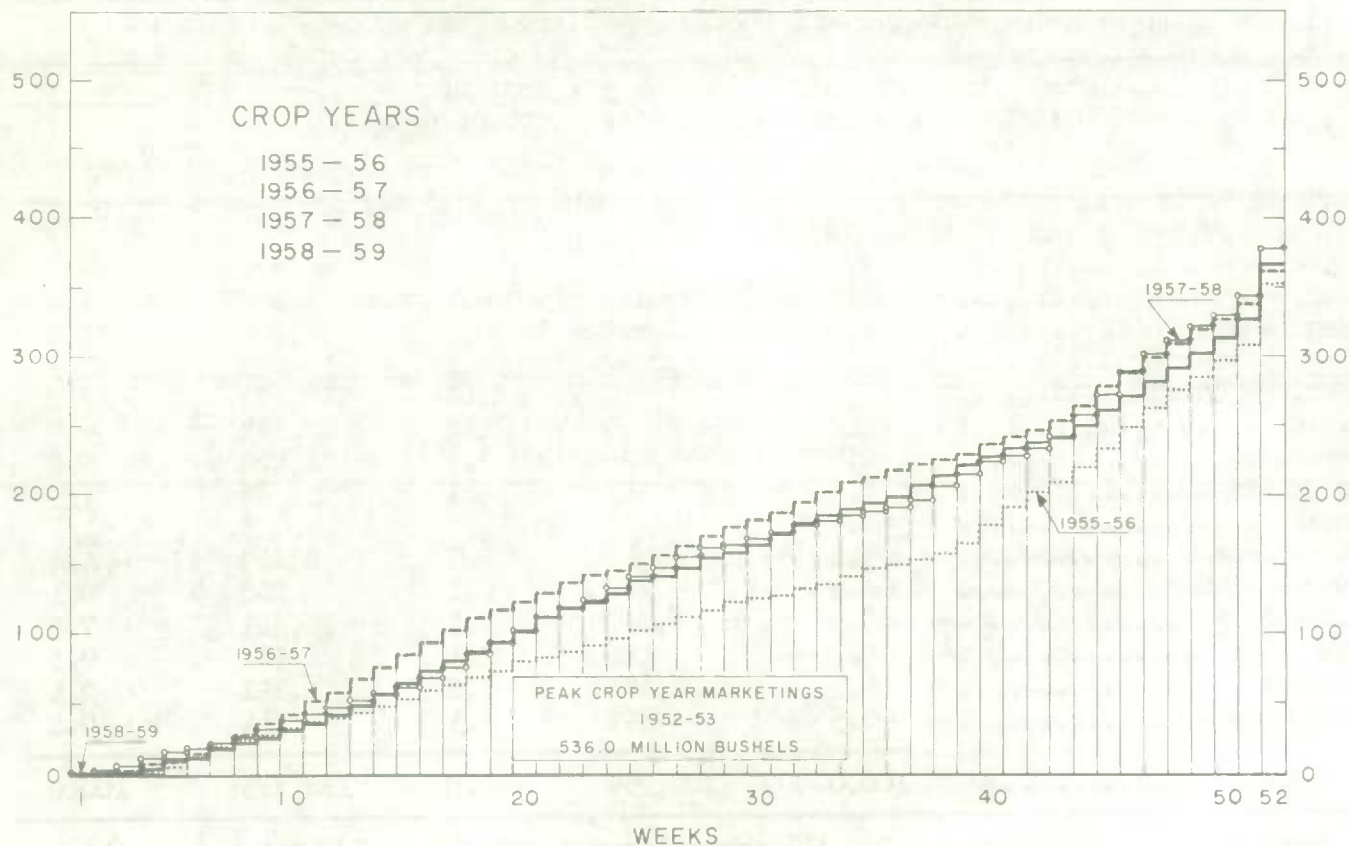
Grade	Crop Year				
	Average	1957-58		1958-59	
	1952-53- 1956-57 per cent	cars	per cent	cars	per cent
1 Hard	1/	-	-	-	-
1 Man. Northern	4.8	659	0.3	3,307	1.8
2 Man. Northern	35.2	40,897	20.4	58,876	31.9
3 Man. Northern	22.7	64,170	32.1	50,823	27.5
4 Man. Northern	8.9	43,916	22.0	29,089	15.7
5 Wheat	8.8	22,310	11.2	12,382	6.7
6 Wheat	2.9	6,688	3.3	1,424	0.8
Feed Wheat	0.5	193	0.1	66	1/
Garnet	0.5	13	1/	3	1/
Amber Durum	3.1	11,413	5.7	8,049	4.4
Alberta Winter	0.4	214	0.1	240	0.1
Toughs 2/ 3/	9.5	5,020	2.5	14,441	7.8
Damps 2/ 4/	0.1	184	0.1	940	0.5
Rejected 2/	2.3	3,661	1.8	4,391	2.4
All others	0.5	692	0.3	714	0.4
Totals	100.0	200,030	100.0	184,745	100.0

1/ Less than .05 per cent. 2/ All varieties and grades. 3/ Moisture content 14.9 to 17 per cent for Durum, 14.6 to 17 per cent for all other varieties.
4/ Moisture content over 17 per cent.

WEEKLY VISIBLE SUPPLY OF CANADIAN WHEAT



CUMULATIVE RECORD OF WHEAT MARKETINGS IN THE PRAIRIE PROVINCES BY WEEKS



(Data in both charts for crop years beginning August 1)

Wheat Shipments* to the United States by Destination
Crop Year 1958-59
Compared with 1957-58 and 1956-57

Destination	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59
- bushels -			
<u>By Vessel</u>			
Buffalo	3,277,447	4,118,574	2,386,679
Chicago	293,273	236,933	346,311
Duluth-Superior	1,813,778	2,182,126	959,322
Huron	30,000	35,000	-
Milwaukee	27,745	-	-
Totals, Vessel	5,442,243	6,572,633	3,692,312
<u>By Rail</u>			
U.S.A. Domestic Points	1,092,959	957,863	342,490
Totals, Rail	1,092,959	957,863	342,490
Totals, Shipments	6,535,202	7,530,496	4,034,802

* Either for re-export or retention for domestic use. Excluding bagged seed.

Total rail and vessel shipments of wheat to the United States either for re-export or retention for domestic use during the crop year 1958-59 amounted to 4.0 million bushels compared with the 1957-58 and 1956-57 crop year totals of 7.5 million and 6.5 million bushels, respectively. Some 92 per cent of the 1958-59 total was shipped by vessel with Buffalo being the principal port of unload.

Rail shipments of wheat to Maritime Ports from Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence Ports during the crop year 1958-59 amounted to 26.5 million bushels compared with the 1957-58 total of 26.6 million.

Rail Shipments of Wheat to Maritime Ports from Bay, Lake
and Upper St. Lawrence Ports

Origin of Shipments	August 1, 1957 to July 31, 1958	August 1, 1958 to July 31, 1959
- bushels -		
Port McNicoll	6,810,375	6,730,923
Midland, Tiffin	11,353,540	10,304,063
Collingwood	1,333,919	823,444
Owen Sound	2,921,896	3,479,132
Goderich	698,038	79,337
Sarnia	2,256,552	3,241,395
Port Colborne	242,343	-
Toronto	34,000	143,634
Lakefield	936,214	1,166,736
Trent	-	199,607
Prescott	3,000	303,210
Totals	26,589,877	26,471,481

Rail Shipments of Wheat from Fort William-Port Arthur, 1955-56--1958-59

Month	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59
- bushels -				
August	56,951	100,667	33,297	33,123
September	64,033	70,324	42,125	15,692
October	63,975	120,535	34,937	68,834
November	148,576	240,628	67,894	205,061
December	477,622	613,482	232,252	214,398
January	2,340,921	792,000	525,238	684,845
February	1,735,097	490,778	178,204	173,387
March	1,599,503	338,534	191,312	280,705
April	300,913	161,103	215,546	243,292
May	91,534	73,212	33,839	44,783
June	91,162	23,281	35,368	10,128
July	102,560	31,432	37,984	33,696
Totals	7,072,847	3,055,976	1,627,996	2,007,944

Distribution of Rail Shipments of Wheat from Fort William-Port Arthur, July 1959

Grade	Nova Scotia	Quebec	Ontario
- bushels -			
4 Northern	-	9,000	6,000
5 Wheat	417	1,334	-
Tough	-	1,333	-
Amber Durum	-	4,000	10,000
Others	-	-	1,612
Totals	417	15,667	17,612

Overseas Exports of Canadian Grain by Ports of Loading, August 1, 1958-July 31, 1959
with Comparisons

Ports	Wheat 1/	Oats	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed
- bushels -					
<u>Pacific Seaboard</u>					
Vancouver-New Westminster	105,162,911	3,717,398	27,979,284	318,682	5,973,721
Victoria	1,384,283	-	-	-	674,901
Prince Rupert	-	-	8,827,467	-	-
<u>Churchill</u>	18,409,322	313,829	-	-	-
<u>Lakehead Direct</u>	4,979,236	201,707	5,399,853	-	1,365,238
<u>Lake Ports Direct</u>	-	-	80,571	-	-
<u>St. Lawrence</u>					
Montreal	49,195,811	1,066,077	6,473,422	790,795	4,708,239
Sorel	17,760,105	65,793	2,824,194	-	-
Three Rivers	12,365,908	177,617	751,198	-	171,675
Quebec	9,867,786	-	1,842,432	-	-
<u>Maritime</u>					
Saint John	2,734,346	-	-	-	-
West Saint John	13,699,320	82,366	46,715	-	1,190,310
Halifax	13,233,767	-	-	-	123,760
Totals	248,792,795	5,624,787	54,225,136	1,109,477	14,207,844
August 1, 1957-July 31, 1958	268,526,571	4,313,944	53,662,300	2,293,618	13,650,129

Overseas Clearances - Canadian Rapeseed 2/ August 1, 1958-July 31, 1959

	bushels
Canadian Pacific Seaboard	4,433,175
Canadian Atlantic Seaboard	1,171,513
Total	5,604,688

1/ Excluding bagged seed. 2/ In bushels of 50 pounds.

Freight Assistance Shipments Claims filed for payment up to July 31, 1959 represent the movement of some 20.8 million bushels of wheat from the Prairie Provinces to Eastern Canada and British Columbia under the freight assistance policy during the August-June period of the current crop year. This preliminary total, subject to upward revision with the filing of additional claims, already surpasses by 15 per cent the revised August-June 1957-58 total of 18.1 million bushels. Shipments amounting to 8.9 million bushels to Ontario and 7.2 million to Quebec accounted for 43 per cent and 35 per cent, respectively, of the 1958-59 August-June total.

Provincial Distribution of Wheat Shipments under the Freight Assistance Policy
August-June 1958-59 and 1957-58

Month	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	B.C.	Total
- thousand bushels -								
August, 1958	10	28	122	74	732	856	219	2,041
September	17	18	118	66	757	944	299	2,220
October	16	21	133	70	804	1,041	232	2,317
November	16	18	155	74	714	769	193	1,940
December	9	11	112	50	629	839	214	1,862
January, 1959	12	15	166	74	685	772	283	2,007
February	9	12	104	43	552	733	161	1,615
March	10	18	131	54	583	721	175	1,692
April	12	15	105	45	546	762	231	1,717
May	11	25	169	60	651	832	236	1,983
June	12	14	100	43	544	668	57	1,438
Totals <u>1/</u>	134	195	1,415	654	7,199	8,936	2,300	20,833
Same period 1957-58:								
Preliminary <u>2/</u>	88	155	989	503	5,740	7,580	2,237	17,291
Revised <u>1/</u>	90	159	1,003	538	5,856	8,004	2,486	18,137

Preliminary data on millfeed shipments under the freight assistance policy indicate shipments of 500,531 tons during the August-June period of the 1958-59 crop year. During the same months of the 1957-58 crop year claims had been filed for a total of 485,799 tons, indicating on the assumption of approximately the same rate of submission of claims during both crop years that the 1958-59 August-June shipments under the policy were running about 3 per cent above those of 1957-58. Revised data on the 1957-58 August-June shipments of millfeeds under the policy, based on claims submitted up to July 31, 1959 place the eleven-month total at 506,703 tons. As with freight-assisted shipments of wheat, the greater portion of the millfeed shipments during the period under review went to destinations in Ontario and Quebec.

Provincial Distribution of Millfeed Shipments under the Freight Assistance Policy
August-June 1958-59 and 1957-58

Province	1957-58		1958-59
	Preliminary <u>2/</u>	Revised <u>1/</u>	Preliminary <u>1/</u>
- tons -			
Newfoundland	3,186	3,309	3,289
Prince Edward Island	6,245	6,515	6,354
Nova Scotia	28,328	28,725	27,635
New Brunswick	22,889	24,031	25,472
Quebec	244,982	253,860	260,247
Ontario	147,521	154,923	140,329
British Columbia	32,648	35,340	37,205
Totals	485,799	506,703	500,531

1/ Based on claims filed up to July 31, 1959.

2/ Based on claims filed up to July 31, 1958.

Monthly Exports of Canadian Wheat and Wheat Flour
Crop Years 1957-58 and 1958-59

Year and Month	Wheat in Bulk <u>1/</u>	Bagged Seed Wheat <u>2/</u>	Total Wheat	Wheat Flour <u>2/</u> <u>3/</u>	Total <u>3/</u> Wheat and Wheat Flour
- thousand bushels -					
<u>1957-58</u>					
August	24,716	184	24,900	2,686	27,586
September	21,166	194	21,360	3,059	24,420
October	17,915	71	17,985	3,472	21,457
November	27,906	233	28,139	3,307	31,446
December	19,900	455	20,355	3,209	23,564
January	18,843	834	19,677	3,166	22,842
February	18,562	740	19,303	2,764	22,067
March	19,443	984	20,427	3,814	24,241
April	22,787	330	23,118	3,957	27,074
May	35,266	33	35,299	3,742	39,041
June	26,905	114	27,019	3,862	30,881
July	22,283	47	22,330	3,343	25,673
Totals	275,693	4,219	279,912	40,381	320,293
<u>1958-59</u> <u>4/</u>					
August	23,152	237	23,389	2,900	26,289
September	16,112	221	16,333	2,307	18,640
October	25,532	111	25,642	3,452	29,094
November	21,437	256	21,693	3,267	24,960
December	19,864	418	20,282	3,280	23,562
January	17,893	585	18,478	3,526	22,003
February	17,685	774	18,459	2,559	21,018
March	18,579	1,437	20,016	2,541	22,557
April	18,918	623	19,542	3,296	22,838
May	29,040	335	29,375	3,120	32,496
June	27,842	40	27,882	3,857	31,739
July	16,101	252	16,353	2,563	18,916
Totals	252,155	5,291	257,445	36,668	294,113

1/ Export Clearances including shipments to the United States compiled by the Statistics Branch, Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada.

2/ Compiled from Canadian Customs returns, 1957-58 adjusted to remove effect of time lag in reporting.

3/ In terms of wheat equivalent. Wheat flour conversion rate: 2.3 bushels per cwt.

4/ Subject to revision. Unadjusted Customs returns.

Exports of Canadian Wheat and Wheat Flour by Destination 1958-59

Destination	April	July		August-July	
	Wheat Flour 1/	Wheat Flour 2/	Wheat 3/	Wheat Flour 2/	Wheat 3/
- bushels -					
<u>COMMONWEALTH COUNTRIES</u>					
United Kingdom	1,070,199	849,735	3,609,672	13,578,262	87,032,155
<u>Africa</u>					
British East Africa	230	-	-	690	-
Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland	-	3,266	-	22,749	126,933
Gambia	4,945	3,220	-	16,118	-
Ghana	143,518	101,168	-	1,319,894	-
Nigeria	24,311	28,612	-	189,196	-
Sierra Leone	39,553	28,849	-	276,872	-
Union of South Africa	-	-	732,375	-	7,631,138
<u>Asia</u>					
Ceylon	471,459	-	-	1,842,866	-
Hong Kong	33,405	49,094	18,667	606,356	131,601
India	-	-	1,823,496	1,955	11,381,051
Malaya and Singapore	43,523	55,048	-	460,871	-
Other British East Indies.	193	-	-	345	-
Pakistan	-	-	981,597	1,739	3,824,239
<u>Europe</u>					
Gibraltar	-	5,152	-	43,019	-
Malta	-	-	-	-	900,146
<u>North America</u>					
Bahamas	29,481	9,980	-	265,894	-
Barbados	24,920	24,884	-	313,449	833
Bermuda	11,716	9,825	-	111,520	-
British Honduras	177	683	-	17,938	-
Jamaica	218,026	119,648	-	1,671,536	-
Leeward and Windward Islands	88,493	82,443	-	1,027,221	33
Trinidad and Tobago	144,187	91,126	673	1,610,455	673
<u>Oceania</u>					
Fiji	-	2,001	-	18,837	-
<u>South America</u>					
British Guiana	12,533	29,944	-	213,482	-
Totals, Commonwealth Countries	2,360,869	1,494,678	7,166,480	23,611,264	111,028,802
<u>FOREIGN COUNTRIES</u>					
<u>Africa</u>					
Azores and Madeira	7,408	10,173	-	30,337	-
Belgian Congo	40,057	57,733	-	594,739	-
Egypt	-	-	-	197,669	-
Liberia	1,852	6,120	-	19,177	-
Morocco	318	-	-	2,974	-
Portuguese East Africa ...	-	-	60,965	3,820	234,565
Portuguese West Africa ...	3,567	7,594	-	81,436	-

Exports of Canadian Wheat and Wheat Flour by Destination 1958-59

Destination	April	July		August-July	
	Wheat Flour 1/	Wheat Flour 2/	Wheat 3/	Wheat Flour 2/	Wheat 3/
- bushels -					
<u>FOREIGN COUNTRIES</u>					
<u>Asia</u>					
Arabia	3,526	2,836	-	54,689	-
Burma	-	-	40,070	-	40,070
China	-	-	-	-	463,867
Formosa	-	-	-	-	7,616
Iran	41	-	-	448	-
Israel	-	-	517,067	-	1,560,534
Japan	212,138	149,058	3,731,199	1,161,240	40,957,400
Jordan	-	-	-	92	-
Lebanon	53	193,734	-	909,508	56,000
Nepal	-	-	-	-	36,543
Okinawa	-	-	58,613	-	478,426
Philippine Islands	-	106,502	74,667	3,066,542	1,166,667
Portuguese Asia	17,931	35,698	-	220,586	-
Syria	-	230	-	3,128	-
Thailand	32,775	58,788	-	349,922	-
<u>Europe</u>					
Austria	-	-	61,600	-	2,974,833
Belgium	22,050	-	650,561	244,853	10,654,704
Denmark	782	460	9,333	2,392	432,954
Finland	-	-	-	-	173,612
France	-	-	18,372	-	1,352,435
Germany, Federal Republic	-	-	1,675,078	-	34,983,696
Greece	1,014	-	-	4,719	-
Iceland	1,610	1,610	-	14,819	-
Ireland	-	-	153,067	-	4,120,833
Italy	-	-	25,720	2,019	1,010,176
Italy (Vatican City)	-	-	-	-	91,863
Netherlands	-	-	271,388	6,452	7,853,201
Norway	-	-	-	-	3,574,728
Poland	-	-	-	-	5,408,331
Portugal	5,708	-	-	54,724	-
Sweden	-	-	-	1,012	29,867
Switzerland	-	-	582,400	-	6,276,779
U.S.S.R. (Russia)	-	-	-	-	7,308,187
<u>North America</u>					
American Virgin Islands ..	-	-	-	345	-
Costa Rica	23,978	42,205	-	502,946	41,286
Cuba	21,569	61,557	-	379,114	1,918
Dominican Republic	47,840	56,810	-	661,447	1,000
El Salvador	25,496	39,143	33,063	390,519	33,063
French West Indies	-	460	-	8,234	-
Guatemala	10,826	9,547	-	253,340	83,333
Haiti	-	230	-	49,657	-
Honduras	4,835	12,473	-	79,132	8,333
Netherlands Antilles	12,351	16,158	-	150,312	-
Nicaragua	23,515	37,709	-	335,959	-
Panama	20,783	23,276	-	311,133	-
St. Pierre and Miquelon ..	1,380	1,835	-	20,224	-

Exports of Canadian Wheat and Wheat Flour by Destination 1958-59

Destination	April	July		August-July	
	Wheat Flour 1/	Wheat Flour 2/	Wheat 3/	Wheat Flour 2/	Wheat 3/
- bushels -					
<u>FOREIGN COUNTRIES</u>					
<u>North America</u> (concluded)					
<u>United States</u>					
Flour in terms of wheat.	133,699	112,468	-	1,665,462	-
For milling in bond 4/ .	-	-	-	-	1,408,216
For domestic use 4/	-	-	65,288	-	1,953,931
<u>Oceania</u>					
French Oceania	-	-	-	920	-
Guam	-	-	-	1,208	-
<u>South America</u>					
Chile	4,600	16,100	-	57,730	-
Colombia	690	345	14,875	285,964	14,875
Ecuador	-	-	-	-	1,123,042
Peru	3,910	920	455,467	23,347	1,943,068
Surinam	9,223	6,053	-	91,703	-
Venezuela	920	518	435,722	760,525	2,899,989
<u>Wrecked</u>	-	-	-	-	366,200
Totals, Foreign Countries	696,445	1,068,343	8,934,515	13,056,518	141,126,141
Sub-Totals, All Countries.	696,445	2,563,021	16,100,995	36,667,782	252,154,943
Bagged Seed wheat 5/ .	-	-	252,225	-	5,290,505
Totals, All Countries.	3,057,314	2,563,021	16,353,220	36,667,782	257,445,448

- 1/ In terms of wheat equivalent. Adjusted to remove effect of time lag in the returns made by Customs. Conversion rate: 2.3 bushels per cwt.
- 2/ In terms of wheat equivalent. Unadjusted Canadian Customs returns. Conversion rate: 2.3 bushels per cwt.
- 3/ Overseas clearances as reported by the Statistics Branch, Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada, for all countries except the United States. Subject to revision.
- 4/ Compiled from returns of Canadian elevator licensees and shippers and advice from American Grain correspondents. Excluding bagged seed.
- 5/ Unadjusted Canadian Customs returns.

Canadian Wheat Board Weekly Average Cash Wheat Prices
Basis in Store Fort William-Port Arthur

Class and Grade	Week Ending			
	August 7	August 14	August 21	August 28

- cents and eighths per bushel -

Initial Payment to Producers

1 Northern	140	140	140	140
2 Northern	136	136	136	136
3 Northern	132	132	132	132
4 Northern	125	125	125	125
5 Wheat	108	108	108	108
6 Wheat	102	102	102	102
Feed Wheat	96	96	96	96
1 C.W. Garnet		Prices		
2 C.W. Garnet			not	
1 Alberta Red Winter			Established	
2 Alberta Winter				
1 C.W. Amber Durum	140	140	140	140
2 C.W. Amber Durum	136	136	136	136
3 C.W. Amber Durum	132	132	132	132

International Wheat Agreement
and Domestic Sales

1 Northern	167/1	166/3	164/7	165
2 Northern	164/1	163/4	162/7	163
3 Northern	154/1	153/4	152/7	153
4 Northern	144/1	146	146/7	147
5 Wheat	141/5	143/6	143/7	144
6 Wheat	140/1	141/6	141/7	142
Feed Wheat	138/1	139/6	139/7	140
1 C.W. Garnet	151/1	151/6	151/7	152
2 C.W. Garnet	147/1	147/6	147/7	148
3 C.W. Garnet	144/1	144/6	144/7	145
1 Alberta Red Winter	152/1	152/6	152/7	153
2 Alberta Winter	147/1	147/6	147/7	148
3 Alberta Winter	143/1	143/6	143/7	144
1 C.W. Amber Durum	182/1	181/4	180/7	181
2 C.W. Amber Durum	179/1	177/6	176/7	177
3 C.W. Amber Durum	168/1	166/6	165/7	166

Export - Class II

1 Northern	167/1	166/3	164/7	165
2 Northern	164/1	163/4	162/7	163
3 Northern	154/1	153/4	152/7	153
4 Northern	144/1	146	146/7	147
5 Wheat	141/5	143/6	143/7	144
6 Wheat	140/1	141/6	141/7	142
Feed Wheat	138/1	139/6	139/7	140
1 C.W. Garnet	151/1	151/6	151/7	152
2 C.W. Garnet	147/1	147/6	147/7	148
3 C.W. Garnet	144/1	144/6	144/7	145
1 C.W. Amber Durum	182/1	181/4	180/7	181
2 C.W. Amber Durum	179/1	177/6	176/7	177
3 C.W. Amber Durum	168/1	166/6	165/7	166

Canadian Wheat Board Weekly Average Cash Wheat Prices
Basis in Store Vancouver

Class and Grade	Week Ending			
	August 7	August 14	August 21	August 28

- cents and eighths per bushel -

Initial Payment to Producers

1 Northern	140	140	140	140
2 Northern	136	136	136	136
3 Northern	132	132	132	132
4 Northern	125	125	125	125
5 Wheat	108	108	108	108
6 Wheat	102	102	102	102
Feed Wheat	96	96	96	96
1 C.W. Garnet				
2 C.W. Garnet				
1 Alberta Red Winter				
2 Alberta Winter				
1 C.W. Amber Durum	140	140	140	140
2 C.W. Amber Durum	136	136	136	136
3 C.W. Amber Durum	132	132	132	132

Prices

not

Established

International Wheat Agreement
and Domestic Sales

1 Northern	175/4	174/6	173/2	173/3
2 Northern	172/4	171/7	171/2	171/3
3 Northern	162/4	161/7	161/2	161/3
4 Northern	152/4	154/3	155/2	155/3
5 Wheat	149	151/6	152/2	152/3
6 Wheat	147/4	149/6	150/2	150/3
Feed Wheat	144/4	147/3	148/2	148/3
1 C.W. Garnet	150/4	151/6	152/2	152/3
2 C.W. Garnet	146/4	147/6	148/2	148/3
3 C.W. Garnet	143/4	144/6	145/2	145/3
1 Alberta Red Winter	150/4	151/6	152/2	152/3
2 Alberta Winter	146/4	147/6	148/2	148/3
3 Alberta Winter	141/4	142/6	143/2	143/3

Export - Class II

1 Northern	175/4	174/6	173/2	173/3
2 Northern	172/4	171/7	171/2	171/3
3 Northern	162/4	161/7	161/2	161/3
4 Northern	152/4	154/3	155/2	155/3
5 Wheat	149	151/6	152/2	152/3
6 Wheat	147/4	149/6	150/2	150/3
Feed Wheat	144/4	147/3	148/2	148/3
1 C.W. Garnet	150/4	151/6	152/2	152/3
2 C.W. Garnet	146/4	147/6	148/2	148/3
3 C.W. Garnet	143/4	144/6	145/2	145/3
1 Alberta Red Winter	150/4	151/6	152/2	152/3
2 Alberta Winter	146/4	147/6	148/2	148/3
3 Alberta Winter	141/4	142/6	143/2	143/3

CANADIAN FLOUR MILLING SITUATION

Production Wheat flour production by Canadian mills during July 1959 amounted to 3,310,000 hundredweight, representing an increase of 7 per cent over the July 1958 output of 3,080,000 hundredweight and 6 per cent greater than the ten-year (1949-1958) average production for the month of July of 3,117,000 hundredweight but 2 per cent less than the June 1959 total of 3,387,000 hundredweight. Mills reporting operations during July 1959 had a total rated capacity of 168,000 hundredweight per 24-hour day and on the basis of a 26-day working period 76 per cent of this rated capacity was effective.

Wheat milled for flour during July 1959 amounted to 7.5 million bushels compared with 7.7 million bushels milled during the previous month and 7.0 million bushels milled during July 1958. Of the wheat milled for flour during July 1959, some 6.9 million bushels were Western Canadian Spring wheat (other than Durum) while the remainder consisted of Ontario Winter wheat (469,000 bushels); Durum (109,000 bushels); and all other (73,000 bushels).

Exports According to preliminary Customs returns, exports of Canadian wheat flour during July 1959 amounted to 1,114,000 hundredweight (some 2,563,000 bushels of wheat equivalent) representing a decrease of 34 per cent from the June total of 3,857,000 bushels and 23 per cent below the adjusted July 1958 exports of 3,343,000 bushels. Flour shipments during the month went to forty-nine countries with exports to the United Kingdom amounting to 850,000 bushels of wheat equivalent and accounting for 33 per cent of the July 1959 total. Other leading markets for Canadian wheat flour during the month, with shipments in thousands of bushels of wheat equivalent were as follows: Lebanon, 194; Japan, 149; Jamaica, 120; United States, 112; Philippine Islands, 107; and Ghana, 101.

Wheat Milled for Flour, and Production and Exports of Wheat Flour, Canada

Crop Year	Wheat Milled for Flour	Wheat Flour	
		Production	Exports ^{1/}
	- bushels -		- cwt. -
1935-36-1939-40 average	67,845,114	29,405,451	9,603,941
1940-41-1944-45 average	99,704,638	43,908,245	23,699,546
1945-46-1949-50 average	107,330,372	47,011,540	25,819,721
1950-51	106,748,343	46,315,153	24,356,912
1951-52	104,494,021	44,771,184	22,258,324
1952-53	106,727,237	46,776,625	24,609,199
1953-54	91,855,269	40,769,909	20,142,824
1954-55	92,406,768	40,606,599	17,692,945
1955-56	91,770,025	40,148,750	17,391,300
1956-57	85,149,373	37,623,446	14,582,431
1957-58 ^{2/}	92,288,897	40,819,678	17,556,886
1958-59 ^{2/}			
August	6,970,180	3,057,783	1,260,887
September	7,245,459	3,204,752	1,002,932
October	8,568,635	3,790,938	1,500,875
November	8,790,501	3,864,304	1,420,445
December	7,799,160	3,430,870	1,426,069
January	7,355,254	3,262,763	1,532,857
February	7,100,596	3,138,112	1,112,783
March	6,849,713	3,035,219	1,104,661
April	6,995,509	3,110,689	1,432,887
May	7,298,044	3,238,516	1,356,716
June	7,663,985	3,386,581	1,677,045
July	7,514,192	3,309,876	1,114,357
Totals	90,151,228	39,830,403	15,942,514
Same months 1957-58 ^{2/}	92,288,897	40,819,678	17,556,886

^{1/} Based on Customs returns. Exports for the crop years 1945-46-1957-58 revised to remove effect of time lag in the returns made by Customs.

^{2/} Subject to revision.

^{3/} Revised.

UNITED STATES SITUATION

Supply Position Domestic supplies of wheat in the United States for the 1959-60 crop year are estimated at a record 2,395.7 million bushels, consisting of the July 1, 1959 carryover of 1,276.7 million and the 1959 crop, estimated as of August 1, at 1,119.0 million bushels. Domestic supplies of the size indicated would be 2 per cent greater than the previous peak of 2,343.2 million bushels a year ago. In addition, current crop year supplies may be supplemented by imports of about 8 million bushels, mostly of feeding quality wheat. Imports of wheat from Canada during the month of July amounted to some 0.2 million bushels.

United States Wheat Supplies

Item	1958-59	1959-60 <u>1/</u>
	- million bushels -	
Carryover at beginning of crop year (July 1)	881.0	1,276.7
New crop	1,462.2	1,119.0
Total estimated domestic supplies	2,343.2	2,395.7
Imports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat for domestic use, July	0.4	0.2
Total estimated supplies <u>2/</u>	2,343.6	2,395.9
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year <u>3/</u> .	631.0 <u>4/</u>	626.0
Available for export and for carryover	1,712.6	1,769.9
Deduct:		
Exports of wheat as grain, July	20.9	33.0
Exports of wheat flour and products in terms of wheat, July <u>5/</u>	5.5	8.0
Total exports of wheat, wheat flour and products <u>6/</u>	26.5	41.0
Balance on August 1 for export and for carryover	1,686.1	1,719.9

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Excluding imports for August-June. 3/ Includes allowances for shipments of United States wheat and wheat products to Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, Guam, Samoa, Virgin Islands and Wake Island. These shipments are not included in exports as set out in the table. 4/ Revised. 5/ Flour exports exclude "Milled in bond". 6/ These figures now include all shipments under relief programs which formerly were not available from Census data.

Domestic disappearance during 1959-60 is estimated at about 626 million bushels, slightly less than the 631.0 million last year. After deducting anticipated domestic requirements for the current United States crop year, some 1,769.9 million remain available for export and for carryover, an increase of 3 per cent over the 1,712.6 million in 1958-59. Exports of wheat, wheat flour and other products in terms of grain equivalent during July 1959 amounted to 41.0 million bushels considerably above the 26.5 million exported during the same month last year. The balance remaining on August 1, 1959 for export and for carryover was estimated at 1,719.9 million bushels compared with 1,686.1 million on the same date a year ago.

1959 Wheat Crop
Forecast at 1,119
Million Bushels

In a report released on August 11, the Crop Reporting Board of the United States Department of Agriculture stated in part that production of all wheat is estimated at 1,119 million bushels, a decline of 3 per cent from a month ago, 23 per cent less than the record 1958 production but 4 per cent larger than average. Indicated yield per harvested acre, at 21.0 bushels, ranks as the third highest of record but is sharply below the record 1958 yield.

Vigorous harvest activity during July in the Corn Belt States failed to reap the favourable yields expected earlier as winter wheat production dropped to 909 million bushels. This is a decline of 3 per cent from the previous month and falls short of the record 1958 production by nearly a fourth but is more than a tenth above average. The average yield of 22.4 bushels per harvested acre equals the 1957 yield and is topped only by the 1958 yield of 28.4 bushels.

The prospective crop of durum wheat is forecast at 20.9 million bushels, up 5 per cent from July 1. A crop of this size would be about 6 per cent below last year's production and about a third below average.

Spring wheat production other than durum was reduced to 189 million bushels as much of the important producing acreage encountered persistent dry weather. The prospective production is 27 per cent below the 1958 crop and 18 per cent less than average. The indicated yield of 16.6 bushels is sharply below the previous year and only slightly above average.

Carryover Stocks of
Most Classes up July 1, 1959;
Greatest Increase in
Hard Red Winter

Hard red winter wheat stocks, which represents about 73 per cent of total stocks, totalled 932 million bushels, up 318 million from a year earlier; the hard red winter wheat crop reached an all-time record high in 1958. Hard red spring wheat stocks were 245 million bushels, up 43 million, and white wheat stocks were 61 million, up 28 million.

The carryover of soft red winter wheat increased to 19 million bushels, about equal to the 1943-1952 average; stocks on July 1, 1958 had fallen to the abnormally low level of 6 million bushels. The carryover of durum was reduced from 26 million bushels to 20 million bushels on July 1, 1959 because domestic disappearance exceeded production.

Compared with the carryover on July 1, 1952, at a time when war-time demands had drawn wheat stocks down to low levels, the total carryover July 1, 1959 had increased by 1,021 million bushels. This increase consisted of 835 million of hard red winter, 128 million of hard red spring, 50 million of white, 3 million of soft red winter and 5 million of durum.

Final Wheat Referendum
Tally Shows 80.8 Per
Cent Favourable

Final results of the July 23 referendum in the 39-State commercial wheat-producing area for 1960 shows that 80.8 per cent of the farmers participating in the referendum, voted in favour of marketing quotas on 1960-crop wheat. Of the total votes, 169,760 were for (80.8 per cent) and 40,427 against (19.2 per cent).

The final favourable percentage is slightly higher than the preliminary figure of 80.7 per cent announced July 24 which was on the basis of a preliminary total of 199,240 votes.

Because wheat marketing quotas, proclaimed by the Secretary of Agriculture last June 1, are in effect on approval by two-thirds or more of farmers voting in the referendum, marketing quotas will be in effect for the 1960 crop.

United States Exports of Wheat and Flour by Country of Destination
July-June 1957-58 and 1958-59

NOTE

These data on exports by destination cover the complete United States crop year beginning July 1. The table on United States wheat supplies (see page 26) contains a preliminary estimate of exports for the first month of the United States crop year. Neither of these tables should be confused with the United States export figure shown on page one of this publication which, for comparative purposes, is based on the Canadian crop year beginning August 1.

Destination	July-June 1957-58			July-June 1958-59		
	Wheat	Flour 1/	Total	Wheat	Flour 1/	Total
- thousand bushels -						
Western Hemisphere						
British West Indies	1	3,553	3,554	30	2,976	3,006
Central America	1,327	4,435	5,762	1,466	4,044	5,510
Cuba	3,372	4,433	7,805	4,436	3,461	7,897
Haiti	275	1,448	1,723	763	231	994
Brazil	8,937	2,081	11,018	17,471	-	17,471
Chile	1,968	99	2,067	-	36	36
Colombia	3,978	767	4,745	3,843	1,007	4,850
Peru	2,826	311	3,137	6,529	494	7,023
Venezuela	991	6,145	7,136	3,739	2,406	6,145
Others	699	3,184	3,883	1,567	2,933	4,500
Totals	24,374	26,456	50,830	39,844	17,588	57,432
Europe						
Austria	1,117	-	1,117	805	53	858
Belgium-Luxembourg	2,147	48	2,195	4,819	19	4,838
Denmark	1,457	10	1,467	1,266	-	1,266
Finland	2,030	-	2,030	874	-	874
France	-	11	11	2,668	4	2,672
Germany, West	20,389	37	20,426	15,883	10	15,893
Greece	2,920	3	2,923	1,689	-	1,689
Italy	742	2,265	3,007	746	1,083	1,829
Netherlands	4,242	3,663	7,905	9,180	3,637	12,817
Norway	588	876	1,464	4,075	766	4,841
Poland	19,959	-	19,959	9,131	-	9,131
Sweden	882	53	935	2,188	34	2,222
United Kingdom	21,450	1,040	22,490	22,668	3,217	25,885
Yugoslavia	18,386	28	18,414	30,729	-	30,729
Others	2,037	506	2,543	1,404	428	1,832
Totals	98,346	8,540	106,886	108,125	9,251	117,376
Asia						
Ceylon	-	1,348	1,348	-	2,449	2,449
India	76,778	22	76,800	121,236	45	121,281
Israel	9,549	45	9,594	7,605	9	7,614
Japan	49,136	2,263	51,399	31,865	2,128	33,993
Korea	14,383	1,181	15,564	7,339	979	8,318
Lebanon	-	1,313	1,313	2,492	1,953	4,445
Pakistan	24,462	1	24,463	18,151	273	18,424
Philippine Republic	-	8,964	8,964	912	6,882	7,794
Saudi Arabia	13	2,131	2,144	56	2,544	2,600
Taiwan (Formosa)	7,821	5	7,826	5,801	-	5,801
Turkey	10,714	2/	10,714	1,004	2/	1,004
Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia ...	-	1,367	1,367	-	2,863	2,863
Others	3,511	1,599	5,110	2,680	1,931	4,611
Totals	196,367	20,239	216,606	199,141	22,056	221,197
Africa						
Algeria	-	-	-	1,486	1	1,487
Egypt	-	348	348	6,679	7,282	13,961
Ghana	-	1,626	1,626	-	1,352	1,352
Morocco	1,830	9	1,839	128	16	144
Tunisia	519	175	694	1,987	-	1,987
Western British Africa	-	2,442	2,442	-	2,256	2,256
Union of South Africa	-	2/	2/	1,504	-	1,504
Others	981	1,474	2,455	1,442	1,562	3,004
Totals	3,330	6,074	9,404	13,226	12,469	25,695
Oceania	-	43	43	-	28	28
Unspecified 3/	664	17,247	17,911	1,182	19,178	20,360
Totals, All Countries	323,081	78,599	401,680	361,518	80,570	442,088

1/ Wholly of U.S. wheat (grain equivalent). 2/ Less than 500 bushels. 3/ Includes shipments for relief or charity which are not shown by destination.

Cash Wheat Prices on the Kansas City and Minneapolis Markets

No. 2 Hard Winter, Kansas City			No. 1 Northern Spring, Minneapolis		
Date		Price	Date		Price
- cents per bushel -			- cents per bushel -		
August 3, 1959	193 1/4 - 207 3/4	August 3, 1959	207 5/8 - 209 5/8
4	194 - 197	4	208 3/4 - 210 3/4
5	194 1/4 - 205 1/2	5	208 3/4 - 210 3/4
6	194 3/4 - 209 1/2	6	209 1/2 - 211 1/2
7	193 1/2 - 196 1/4 1/	7	210 1/4 - 212 1/4
10	194 1/2 - 210	10	211 5/8 - 212 5/8
11	194 3/4 - 206	11	212 3/8 - 213 3/8
12	198 - 205 1/2	12	211 3/4 - 212 3/4
13	194 1/4 - 210	13	212 1/4 - 213 1/4
14	189 3/4 - 193 1/	14	212
17	194 3/4 - 203 3/4	17	212
18	197 1/2 - 209	18	211 7/8
19	209	19	212 3/8
20	197 - 199	20	212 5/8
21	195 1/2 - 199	21	213
24	195 1/2 - 208 1/4	24	213 3/4
25	195 1/2 - 207	25	213 1/2
26	204 3/4 - 208 1/4	26	213 1/8
27	196 1/2 - 197 1/2	27	212 5/8
28	199 1/4 - 200 1/2	28	213 3/8
31	198 - 200 1/4	31	213 3/8

Chicago Wheat Futures, High Points of Closing

Date	September	December	March	May	July	September
	- cents and eighths per bushel -					
August 3, 1959	190/4	196	199	197/4	182/5	185
4	191/2	196/7	199/6	198/3	183/2	185/6
5	190/1	195/6	199	197/5	182/6	185/1
6	189/5	195/4	199	198	183/2	185/6
7	189/5	195/3	199	198	183/4	186
10	189/7	195/6	199/1	198/2	184	186/3
11	190/1	196	199/2	198/2	183/7	186/3
12	189/4	195/4	199	198	183/6	186/2
13	189/3	195/2	198/3	197/7	183/5	186/2
14	189/6	195/5	199	198	183/6	186
17	189/5	195/4	199/1	198/1	184	186/2
18	189/2	195/2	198/6	197/2	183/3	185/4 1/
19	189/5	195/5	199	197/4	183/6	186
20	189/3	195/3	198/5	196/6	183/1	185/2
21	189/4	195/4	199	197/4	183/2	185/4
24	191/2	197/1	200/7	199/7	184	186/2 2/
25	191/1	197	200/7	199/6	184	186/3
26	191	197	201	199/5	183/6	186/1 3/
27	190/5	196/5	200/5	199/2	183/6	186
28	190/2	196/4	200/5	199/2	183/7	186
31	190/7	197/2	201/2	199/2	183/7	186

- 1/ Nominal.
2/ Bid.
3/ Asked.

ARGENTINE SITUATION

Supply Position Total estimated supplies of wheat in the Argentine for the 1958-59 (December-November) crop year, consisting of the December 1, 1958 carryover of 54.1 million bushels and the new crop, officially placed at 246.9 million, amount to 301.0 million bushels, about 10 per cent greater than the 1957-58 total of 272.9 million. After deducting 147.0 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, an estimated 154.0 million are available for export and for carryover in 1958-59 compared with 133.3 million in 1957-58.

Exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the period December 1958 - July 1959 amounted to 78.0 million bushels, sharply above the total of 46.1 million exported during the same months of 1957-58. The balance remaining on August 1, 1959 for export and for carryover was estimated at 76.0 million bushels compared with the August 1, 1958 total of 87.2 million.

Argentine Wheat Supplies

Item	1957-58	1958-59 <u>1/</u>
	- million bushels -	
Carryover at beginning of crop year (December 1) <u>2/</u> ..	59.4	54.1
New Crop <u>3/</u>	213.5	246.9
Total estimated domestic supplies	272.9	301.0
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year ...	139.6	147.0
Available for export and for carryover	133.3	154.0
Deduct:		
Exports of wheat as grain, December-July	45.2	77.1
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, December - July	0.9	0.9
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	46.1	78.0
Balance on August 1 for export and for carryover	87.2	76.0

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Includes allowances for farm stocks. 3/ Official estimate.

The following account of the Argentine situation has been extracted from a report from Mr. C.S. Bissett, Commercial Counsellor, Buenos Aires, under date of August 21, 1959 and is reproduced with the permission of the Trade Commissioner Service, Department of Trade and Commerce. Where possible, conversions from Argentine to Canadian measures have been made for the convenience of our readers. Currency conversions have been made at the rate of 85 pesos per U.S. dollar less 20 per cent retention.

Weather and Crops

The general situation during the period under review showed a continuance of the previous discouraging characteristics. As a result, the outlook for the present season is uncertain and somewhat unfavourable. Widespread rains were once again the main feature of the situation, with flood damage occurring to extensive regions mainly in the western and south-western parts of the Province of Buenos Aires.

Temperatures have generally been low with sudden variations, but unfortunately, with the exception of a few short spells, they did not include any dry

and fine weather. Frosts were registered on some occasions throughout almost the entire country, being especially heavy in the Provinces of Buenos Aires and La Pampa and further south. Snow fell in some parts of the Provinces of Córdoba and Mendoza.

The excessive rainfall, affected chiefly the Provinces of Entre Rios, Santa Fé, and the upper half of Buenos Aires. Somewhat better conditions were experienced in the other provinces, which permitted a continuation of the harvesting of the summer crops and the preparation of the soil for the ensuing ones. Generally, work on the land has been hindered by the excessively damp weather, and the preparation of the soil has been delayed accordingly.

Wheat

1957-58

No wheat sales were registered during the period under review, following the announcement made by the National Grain Board on July 17, that the proposal for 50,000 metric tons (1,837,000 bushels) for export to Perú had been withdrawn. No data are available as to the present stocks of wheat held by the National Grain Board, nor of the quantities of the 1958-59 crop actually bought and sold to date. The only reportable item as regards disposals from existing wheat stocks, is the consummation of the loan of 100,000 metric tons (3,674,000 bushels) of wheat to Uruguay, made effective by an official decree dated July 28, 1959.

Wheat shipments at 283,118 metric tons (10,403,000 bushels) were at much the same level as in June. Brazil was once again the main customer with 156,536 metric tons (5,752,000 bushels), followed by Western Germany which bought 46,788 (1,719,000 bushels) and the United Kingdom, 41,061 (1,509,000 bushels). Other buyers were: France, 14,760 metric tons (542,000 bushels); Paraguay, 8,973 (330,000 bushels); Perú, 8,000 (294,000 bushels); and the Netherlands, 7,000 (257,000 bushels).

Wheat

1959-60

The unfavourable weather conditions have adversely affected the seeding of this grain. In many areas seeding, although overdue, has not yet started although in a few fortunate sections the work has already been completed. A summary of the situation follows:

Provinces of La Pampa and Córdoba - These regions present a more favourable outlook and sowings are practically finished, with a total sown area slightly below that of 1958-59.

Province of Buenos Aires - In the south and south-western parts of the province the rains were not excessive. As a result it has been possible to work normally, and sowings will soon be completed. In the other parts of this province the situation is still uncertain as soil preparation has not made much progress and seeding is greatly delayed. Recuperation will depend on an immediate radical improvement in weather conditions.

Province of Entre Rios - This province is the one most adversely affected by the rains and the unfavourable weather conditions. With the exception of some small areas in the western part of the province, where weather conditions were somewhat above average, the sowings had to be carried out under hampering soil conditions. It is expected a substantial decrease in the final seeded area will occur as compared to that of last year.

Province of Santa Fé - The final seeded area will also fall below that of last year. Seeding is about 80 per cent completed, but it has not been possible to start it in some areas where the soil, although already prepared, is too wet to permit the drills to operate.

The condition of crops already growing is generally good. Normal growth is evident and there have been practically no pest attacks so far. However, fine, dry weather, accompanied by warm winds, would be highly desirable, to dry out the surface soil and promote rooting and development of the stands. Dry conditions would also provide better protection against rust and other fungus diseases.

It is at present roughly estimated by the trade that the final seeded area will be about 10 per cent less than the 5,680,000 hectares (14 million acres) of 1958-59. However, it is still too early for any accurate estimate. Seeding is expected to continue well into September, using where necessary, early-maturing varieties of wheat. Producers have been advised by the Secretariat of Agriculture and Livestock to counter the almost certain decrease in the 1959-60 production which would result from seeding of the usual varieties by sowing early-maturing types. The Secretariat has pointed out that the new remunerative minimum price of 300 pesos per 100 kilos (96 cents per bushel) established for the 1959-60 crop accompanied by the freeing of the wheat trade will provide producers with a substantial profit from their wheat sales. Prices being quoted at present in the Buenos Aires Futures market for 1959-60 wheat for delivery after December 1959, support this contention as already 400 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.28 per bushel) are being offered for it, and some firm sales have already taken place at that price.

Policy Wheat Trade 1959-60 The National Grain Board has recently advised that the announced freeing of the wheat trade is strictly limited to the wheat crop of 1959-60 and future years. Thus the grain of the 1958-59 crop year and that of all previous years will continue to be handled "in toto" by the Board itself.

The National Grain Board will Continue to Function In order to dissipate some recent rather widespread rumours the Secretary of Agriculture and Livestock recently declared, that in spite of the free trade that is in force for all grains, the National Grain Board will continue to exist, even though the bulk of the grain trade will no longer be in its hands.

Argentine Wheat Exports December 1958 - July 1959 with Comparisons

Destination	Wheat	Destination	Wheat
	- thousand bushels -		- thousand bushels -
Africa, North	974	Madeira	254
Belgium	1,789	Netherlands	4,511
Bolivia	606	Norway	88
Brazil	39,685	Paraguay	1,415
Denmark	588	Peru	1,856
France	2,583	Spain	100
Germany, Western	8,714	Switzerland	11
Italy	480	United Kingdom	13,149
Lebanon	289	Yugoslavia	37
		Total	77,129
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Same Period:			
1957-58			45,243
1956-57			68,065
1955-56			63,981
1954-55			88,264
1953-54			65,008

Grain Shipments Total grain shipments at 538,747 metric tons decreased somewhat from the previous month. Wheat shipments totalling 283,118 metric tons (10,403,000 bushels) were the most important, the main buyers being Brazil with 156,536 metric tons (5,752,000 bushels); Western Germany with 46,788 (1,719,000 bushels); the United Kingdom with 41,061 (1,509,000 bushels); and France with 14,760 (542,000 bushels). Other customers were as follows: Paraguay, 8,973 (330,000 bushels); Perú, 8,000 (294,000 bushels); and the Netherlands, 7,000 (257,000 bushels). Corn shipments were in second place with 216,824 metric tons (8,536,000 bushels). Italy was the main buyer with 78,807 metric tons (3,102,000 bushels), followed by the Netherlands with 53,968 (2,125,000 bushels); Japan with 29,982 (1,180,000 bushels); Belgium with 25,571 (1,007,000 bushels); and Western Germany with 16,631 (655,000 bushels). Other less important lots went to Perú, Uruguay, Puerto Rico and Denmark. Barley shipments totalled 28,613 metric tons (1,314,000 bushels), the bulk of which, 20,008 metric tons (919,000 bushels) was bought by Western Germany, while much less important lots went to Italy, the Netherlands, Brazil and Uruguay. Rye shipments were in fourth place with 7,500 metric tons (295,000 bushels) bought by Western Germany, 4,800 (189,000 bushels); Sweden, 1,200 (47,000 bushels); Uruguay, 500 (20,000 bushels); and Denmark, 200 (8,000 bushels). Oats shipments totalled only 2,692 metric tons (175,000 bushels) equal quantities of 1,000 metric tons (65,000 bushels) being bought by Western Germany and Denmark, while the remainder went to Uruguay and Brazil.

FRENCH SITUATION

Supply Position Total estimated commercial supplies of wheat in France for the crop year (August-July) 1958-59, consisting of the August 1 carryover of 31.7 million bushels and estimated marketings of 237.0 million, amount to some 268.7 million bushels, 20 per cent less than the 1957-58 total of 334.4 million. Imports of wheat during the August-June period of the 1958-59 French crop year amounted to 9.0 million bushels. After deducting 205.8 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, a total of 72.0 million are available for export and for carryover during 1958-59, sharply below the 1957-58 level of 117.6 million.

French Supplies of Soft Wheat

Item	1957-58	1958-59 <u>1/</u>
	- million bushels -	
Commercial carryover, August 1	35.5	31.7
Anticipated deliveries to Grain Board	298.8	237.0 <u>2/</u>
Total estimated commercial domestic supplies	334.4	268.7
Imports, August-June	<u>3/</u>	9.0
Total commercial supplies	334.4	277.8
Less domestic requirements for crop year	216.8	205.8
Available for export and for carryover	117.6	72.0
Deduct:		
Exports of wheat and flour in terms of wheat, August-June	84.9	34.9
Balance on July 1 for export and for carryover	32.7	37.1

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Revised. 3/ Less than 50,000 bushels.

Combined exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the August-June period of the 1958-59 crop year amounted to 34.9 million bushels and represented a decline of 59 per cent from the August 1957-June 1958 total of 84.9 million. The balance of commercial supplies remaining on July 1, 1959 amounted to 37.1 million bushels compared with the July 1, 1958 total of 32.7 million.

The following account of the current crop situation in France has been extracted from a report by Miss V.F. Wightman, Agricultural Attaché, Canadian Embassy, Paris, under date of August 20, 1959, and is reproduced with the permission of the Trade Commissioner Service, Department of Trade and Commerce. Where possible, conversions from French to Canadian measures have been made and rounded for the convenience of our readers. Currency conversions have been made at the rate of one franc equals .002 Canadian dollars.

Weather
and Crops

The agricultural situation in France this summer has been marked by unusually hot, dry weather, which has latterly developed into a drought in most of the northern half of France. In many areas, there has been no rainfall of any significance for three months.

Grain crops were sufficiently advanced to escape the effects of drought, and were harvested under ideal conditions. Early fruits and wine grapes have benefitted, but lack of rain has seriously affected root and forage crops.

Record Wheat
Yield

The French Ministry of Agriculture confirms their earlier estimates of a wheat crop of 11.1 million metric tons (407.1 million bushels), equal to the previous record established in 1957. This year, the area seeded at 4.4 million hectares (10.9 million acres), was 200,000 (494,000 acres) lower than 1957, but was offset by a new record yield of 25.2 quintals per hectare (37.5 bushels per acre). This may be compared with the last five-year average of 22.5 quintals (33.5 bushels per acre) and the previous record of 23.7 (35.3 bushels per acre) in 1957. Furthermore, the grain is very dry and of good quality.

The national average yield hides considerable variation, and particularly the high yields in the north of the country. Reports from areas around Paris indicate yields of 40 to 45 quintals per hectare (59.5 to 66.9 bushels per acre), and on individual farms higher figures are registered. Moisture content varies from 12 to 14 per cent, and weight from 76 to 82 kilograms per hectolitre (61 to 66 pounds per bushel).

Following is the August 1 official estimate of French grain production and yields. The Ministry of Agriculture's crop report has confirmed the satisfactory harvesting conditions which contributed towards record yields and dry grain of excellent quality. Since the previous estimate of July 1, estimates of yields have been raised for all grains except oats, and a new record of 25.2 quintals per hectare (37.5 bushels per acre) is established for wheat.

Official Estimate of Grain Production, August 1

Grain	Average 1954-1958	Final 1958	August 1, 1959
		- thousand bushels -	
Wheat	347,562	352,779	407,089
Rye	18,005	16,918	19,264
Barley	172,020	178,759	220,373
Oats	220,906	171,015	176,699
		Yield per Acre - bushels -	
Wheat	33.5	30.9	37.5
Rye	19.4	19.8	23.3
Barley	42.2	40.5	45.0
Oats	46.5	46.5	47.5

Source: French Ministry of Agriculture.

Modifications in 1) Price guarantee for wheat limited to 6.8 million tons (249.9 million bushels) compared with 7.2 million (264.6 million bushels) last year. This means that farmers receive the full guaranteed price for domestic requirements of around 5.2 million tons (191.1 million bushels) (excl. feed), plus 1.6 million (58.8 million bushels) either exported or resold to farmers as subsidized feed - varying from 400,000 to 800,000 tons (14,697,000 to 29,395,000 bushels) according to the size of the crop and its quality).

2) Over the guaranteed quota, the cost of subsidizing exports will be shared by farmers at a rate to be determined each year before September 30, depending on the final outturn for that year (the former date of July 31 was obviously too early as was shown last year with the sudden deterioration in August). At the same time will be announced conditions whereby growers may take back feed wheat for use on their farms at reduced prices.

3) For the 1959-60 season, the contribution towards export losses on the first 50 quintals (184 bushels) delivered by each grower is fixed at 30 francs per quintal (2 cents per bushel); last year, the first 50 quintals (184 bushels) were exonerated.

4) Producers will be paid as follows:

- before August 1 - on account, 2/3 price of previous crop;
- after August 1 - initial price at rate established by government in accordance with disposal outlook, although for the 1959-60 season, the first 50 quintals (184 bushels) delivered will be paid in full;
- after October 1 - full payment of share of deliveries made within the guaranteed quota;
- end of crop year - distribution of proceeds obtained from export and taking into account producers' contribution: 1) final adjustment on guaranteed quota and 2) final payment on wheat outside quota.

Essentially, the new measures abolish the controversial levy on marketings (cotisation de résorption) in exchange for a lower quota enjoying the full price guarantee. However, this export levy will appear in another form in October

when the French government announces the breakdown of the export subsidy to be borne by producers.

1959-60

Wheat Price

The basic price for 1959 crop wheat is 3800 francs per quintal (\$2.07 per bushel), which was the target announced last January. It is essentially last year's price of 3596 francs (\$1.96 per bushel) increased by estimates of higher farming costs arising mainly from the 1959 budget, and as such, is not intended to act as an incentive to wheat growing.

The net price of 3700 francs per quintal (\$2.01 per bushel), after deducting taxes, applies to the first 50 quintals (184 bushels) delivered by each grower.

For deliveries over 50 quintals (184 bushels), producers will receive an initial price of 3000 francs per quintal (\$1.63 per bushel), - 2930 francs (\$1.59 per bushel) net after taxes - and final payment will be made only at the end of the crop year. On the basis of total estimated deliveries of around 8 million tons (293,946,000 bushels), about half the wheat marketed will be bought at this initial price and the other half at the higher guaranteed price.

The distribution of charges to help offset the export subsidies will be calculated by the end of September, once the final outturn can be estimated accurately. This will be on a graduated basis, increasing with the size of deliveries, but some simplification is expected over last year's system of 9 successive steps; it is possible that the Grain Board Council's recommendation of 4 steps may be adopted.

Durum Wheat - 4800 francs per quintal (\$2.61 per bushel); the price has advanced steadily over the past two years, 3967 (\$2.16 per bushel) in 1957 and 4468 (\$2.43 per bushel) in 1958, in order to encourage output. A price considerably above soft wheat is deemed necessary because of the lower yields for durum. The 1959 crop of around 60,000 tons (2.2 million bushels) is almost twice last year's level.

Barley - 3250 francs per quintal (\$1.42 per bushel), up from last year's 2914 francs (\$1.27 per bushel). The levy to offset export losses has increased from 135 to 150 francs per quintal (6 to 7 cents per bushel). A premium of up to 200 francs (9 cents per bushel) is permitted for high quality brewers barley.

Rye - 3040 francs per quintal (\$1.54 per bushel), compared with last year's 2877 (\$1.46 per bushel). Rye is thus kept at 80 per cent of the soft wheat price. The levy to offset export losses has been raised from 150 to 200 francs (8 to 10 cents per bushel).

Oats - Marketing is free, with a support price of 2300 francs per quintal (71 cents per bushel) compared with 2200 francs (68 cents per bushel) last year.

Denatured Wheat
for Feed

Available to farmers at 3100 francs per quintal (\$1.69 per bushel), the same as the net barley price. The State will cover the difference with a subsidy of 1261 francs (69 cents per bushel). No quantitative target for feeding has been announced. For the 1957 crop, which was of the same size as this year's, subsidized feed wheat reached 900,000 tons (33.1 million bushels).

The Wheat Producers Association has expressed its disappointment over the new prices. Their objection to holding the wheat price at 3800 francs per quintal (\$2.07 per bushel) compared with 4000 francs (\$2.18 per bushel) requested by them, rests on two arguments: 1) that it does not take account of increases in farming costs over the past year and 2) that the French wheat price is the lowest in

the Common Market and no move has been taken to bring it closer into line with other national support prices.

Pattern of Exports, 1958-59 While there are no official statistics on the breakdown of French exports during the crop year ended July 31, trade information indicates the following:

Wheat exports to foreign countries	14.2 million bushels
Wheat exports to French Union (Dakar)	3.7 million bushels
Flour exports to foreign countries	9.9 million bushels
Flour exports to French Union	7.0 million bushels

That exports reached over 900,000 (34,000,000 bushels) was made possible by imports, which during the 11 month period totalled 246,292 tons (9,050,000 bushels). Later imports were mainly of a temporary nature, in order to permit sales of flour where a market had been built up in previous years. The principal foreign flour markets were Sudan, Indonesia, Central America and Caribbean, Tangier and Malaya.

As will be seen below, Germany absorbed the bulk of French wheat exports, although this is only half the level reached during 1957-58, due to the short crop in 1958. This concentration on the German market is in response to commitments under the Franco-German agreement.

	<u>Milling Wheat</u>	- thousand bushels -	<u>Feed Wheat</u>
Germany	6,559		3,882
United Kingdom	1,304		150
Portugal	520		-
Switzerland	498		-
Netherlands	474		93
Denmark	225		258
Spain	110		-
Ireland	43		-
Finland	37		-

In addition, some 496,000 tons (18,225,000 bushels) were turned back to farmers as subsidized feed, either as denatured wheat or for incorporation in mixed feed.

Barley exports totalled around 47,000 tons (2,159,000 bushels), the main markets being Denmark, 17,860 (820,000 bushels) and Belgium, 13,865 (637,000 bushels). France also imported barley, mainly from Algeria, 80,000 tons (3,674,000 bushels).

AUSTRALIAN SITUATION

Supply Position Estimated supplies of wheat in Australia for the 1958-59 (December-November) crop year amount to 230.5 million bushels, consisting of the December 1, 1959 carryover of 16.5 million and the new crop, estimated at 214.0 million. Supplies of the size indicated represent an increase of 64 per cent over the 1957-58 total (including imports of 1.5 million bushels) of 140.6 million bushels. After deducting 70.0 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, an estimated 160.5 million are available for export and for carryover during 1958-59, in contrast to 67.8 million in 1957-58.

Australian Wheat Supplies

Item	1957-58	1958-59 ^{1/}
	- million bushels -	
Carryover, including flour as wheat, at beginning of crop year (December 1)	41.5	16.5
New Crop	97.6	214.0
Total estimated domestic supplies	139.1	230.5
Imports December-July	1.5	-
Total estimated supplies	140.6	230.5
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year ...	72.8	70.0
Available for export and for carryover	67.8	160.5
Deduct:		
Exports of wheat as grain, December 1-July 25	19.9	41.6
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, December 1-July 25	10.4	15.5
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	30.3	57.1
Balance on July 26 for export and for carryover	37.5	103.4

^{1/} Preliminary.

Combined exports of wheat as grain and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent up to July 25 of the current Australian crop year amounted to 57.1 million bushels, nearly double the 30.3 million exported during the corresponding period of 1957-58. The balance remaining on July 26, 1959 for export and for carryover, at 103.4 million bushels, exceeded by a wide margin the comparable 1958 total of 37.5 million.

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Seasonal Conditions and Prospects

The crop outlook has improved during the past month as a result of rains in nearly all the wheat growing areas. They came just in time for the parched areas of South Australia and the Wimmera and Mallee regions of Victoria, although their lateness will result in sowing of only about half of the intended acreage of wheat. July was a very dry month in Western Australia but heavy rains during the second week of August throughout the wheat belt revived the almost dormant crops. Conditions in New South Wales continued to be favourable and an excellent crop in that State seems assured. Soaking rains in Queensland during the last week of July put crops in good condition and permitted some additional seeding. The improvement in the position in South Australia and Victoria has resulted in an upturn in speculation regarding the size of 1959-60 crop. Whereas a month ago the guess was for a crop of 160 million bushels, the figure now mentioned is 173 million bushels. This is made up as follows: Queensland 15 million, New South Wales 73 million, Victoria 30 million, South Australia 15 million and Western Australia 40 million bushels. The total anticipated disposal during the crop year is estimated

at about 175 million bushels so that a crop of indicated size would result in a carry-over of something like 56 million bushels. The speculative nature of these figures must be emphasized.

Wheat Marketing
and Supplies

Although buying from the United Kingdom and the Continent slackened off during the past month, prospects of poor crops in the Middle East stimulated purchases in Iraq and Lebanon in particular. There was a useful increase in Japanese buying and a small but significant sale to Okinawa. It is anticipated that the poor crops in the Middle East may result in further sales to that area and that the United Kingdom millers will take the full amount of 28 million bushels fixed under the bi-lateral Agreement. The New Zealand production is reported to be up from the previous year and this may reduce purchases of Australian wheat. Since the July report the following sales of Australian wheat and flour have been reported:

United Kingdom	..	6,250 long tons (233,000 bushels)
Austria	..	2,000 long tons (75,000 bushels)
Other European	..	19,800 long tons (739,000 bushels)
Lebanon	..	12,000 long tons (448,000 bushels)
Iraq	..	52,250 long tons (1,951,000 bushels)
Iran	..	2,500 long tons (93,000 bushels)
Japan	..	43,500 long tons (1,624,000 bushels)
Okinawa	..	500 long tons (19,000 bushels)
Philippines	..	2,200 long tons (82,000 bushels)
New Zealand	..	20,000 long tons (747,000 bushels)
Rhodesia	..	9,000 long tons (336,000 bushels)

Miscellaneous
Wheat Items

In Queensland the new bulk wheat terminal at Pinkemba has gone into operation with a shipment of 12,000 tons (448,000 bushels). Construction cost the State Wheat Board more than £A250,000 (\$535,000) Storage silos have been authorized at five points in South Australia and three more are under consideration by South Australia Cooperative Bulk Handling Ltd. The Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization and the New South Wales Grain Elevators Board are investigating the construction of underground wheat storages At a conference of the Wheat and Wool Grower's Association a motion was adopted proposing the division of New South Wales wheat growing areas into specific variety zones where only wheat types most suited to those zones may be grown Under the Colombo Plan the Australian Government has donated five tons (187 bushels) of seed of the Dirk 48 variety. This wheat has been found to be most suitable to the north west frontier regions: it is rust resistant, higher than average in protein content and of good baking quality An economist of the University of Melbourne, E.J. Donath, has proposed that Australia should ship 10,000,000 bushels of wheat a year as a gift to India and Pakistan Despite support from the Australian Agricultural Council, the Government of Victoria has been unable to set up the State Wheat Research committee because of the refusal of one growers' organization to nominate members so long as a rival group are given a seat.

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat December 1 -
July 25, 1958-59 and Corresponding Period 1957-58

Destination	Wheat		Wheat Flour	
	1957-58	1958-59	1957-58	1958-59
	- thousand bushels -			
Aden	42	239	-	-
Aden and Aden I/T	-	-	604	851
Aden and Aden (Atta Flour)	-	-	68	225
Africa, South	-	1,486	-	-
Austria	-	74	-	-
Belgian Congo	-	-	3	1
British North Borneo	-	-	152	137
British West Indies	-	-	1	1/
Brunei	-	-	21	27
Burma	108	246	390	267
Ceylon	9	5	210	2,930
China	388	-	-	-
Cocos Islands	-	-	1/	1/
Cyprus	-	-	-	3
Dutch New Guinea	-	-	62	62
Eire	315	2,264	-	-
Germany, West	-	2,299	-	-
Ghana	-	-	1	8
Hong Kong	1,156	1,564	-	-
Hong Kong (General)	-	-	113	148
Hong Kong (a/c War Office)	-	-	4	-
India	209	1,496	-	-
Indonesia	-	-	1,216	1,926
Iran	-	203	-	-
Iraq	262	718	-	-
Japan	2,922	5,652	-	-
Kenya	-	785	-	-
Laos	-	-	-	3
Macao	-	-	5	5
Malaya	2/	332	2,715 2/	1,794
Malaya (Atta Flour)	-	-	40 2/	23
Maldiv Islands	-	-	68	26
Malta	410	383	-	-
Mauritius	-	-	551	616
New Zealand	6,576	4,803	5	1/
Nigeria	-	-	2	2
Nyasaland	-	-	161	111
Okinawa	-	4	-	-
Pacific Islands	15	15	1,317	1,385
Pakistan	-	367	-	-
Pakistan (Atta Flour)	-	-	1	-
Persian Gulf	35	109	81	118
Persian Gulf (Atta Flour)	-	-	327	639
Philippine Islands	-	306	270	79
Port Said (a/c S/S)	-	-	9	8
Portuguese East Africa	-	37	-	-
Portuguese India (Goa)	-	67	17	55
Rhodesia	1,692	1,897	-	-
Sarawak	-	-	120	123
Saudi Arabia	131	98	45	-

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat December 1 -
July 25, 1958-59 and Corresponding Period 1957-58

Destination	Wheat		Wheat Flour	
	1957-58	1958-59	1957-58	1958-59
- thousand bushels -				
Seychelles Islands	-	-	14	28
Singapore	390 2/	77	2/	1,649
Singapore (a/c War Office)	-	-	60	35
Singapore (Atta Flour)	-	-	2/	34
Somaliland, British	-	-	4	6
Somaliland, French	-	-	11	-
Thailand	3	2	474	426
Timor	-	-	22	11
United Kingdom	5,185	16,073	965	1,534
Zanzibar	7	9	200	123
Royal Navy	12	20	8	5
Ships' Stores	-	-	67	65
Totals	19,867	41,630	10,400	15,490

1/ Less than 500 bushels. 2/ Malaya and Singapore.

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workday. Some crops are yielding higher than anticipated. As a result of drier weather in Alberta, good progress has been made with harvesting, with the exception of flax. Many farmers have almost finished their harvest in the southeast of the province. In other areas swathing is from 50 to 85 per cent completed. Very little grain has been threshed in the Edmonton and Athabasca areas but some wheat and 15 to 25 per cent of the barley have been threshed in other districts. Yields appear to be as good as anticipated. The extent of frost damage cannot yet be determined but overall losses will likely be moderate. Most injury occurred in western and the east-central districts and through the White Court and Athabasca areas.

CALENDAR OF WHEAT EVENTS

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| July | 31 | The Bureau of the Census, United States Department of Commerce, estimated wheat flour production in the United States in June 1959 at 20,187,000 sacks, an average of 918,000 sacks per working day. |
| August | 7 | The Honourable Gordon Churchill, Minister of Trade & Commerce, announced the arrival in Canada of a mission representing a large segment of the milling industry of the United Kingdom. |
| | 11 | Based on conditions at August 1, production of all wheat in the United States in 1959 was forecast at 1,119 million bushels, 23 per cent less than the record 1958 production of 1,462.2 million but 4 per cent larger than the ten-year (1948-1957) average of 1,075.4 million bushels. |
| | 19 | Preliminary estimates place total carryover stocks of Canadian wheat in all North American positions at July 31, 1959 at 546.3 |

million bushels, compared with last year's revised estimate of 639.5 million and the previous record high at July 31, 1957 of 733.5 million bushels.

- August 20 According to a report from Miss Vivian Wightman, Agricultural Attaché, Canadian Embassy, Paris, the French Ministry of Agriculture has confirmed earlier estimates of a wheat crop of 11.1 million metric tons (407.1 million bushels) equal to the previous record established in 1957.
- 24 According to Foreign Crops and Markets, published by the Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S.D.A., Iran has a record wheat crop of some 114 million bushels and hopes to become a wheat exporter this year.
- 28 Based on conditions at August 15, Canada's 1959 wheat crop was forecast at 405.0 million bushels, 9 per cent larger than last year's production of 371.7 million but 17 per cent below the ten-year (1949-1958) average of 490.4 million.
- September 2 The Honourable Gordon Churchill, Minister of Trade and Commerce, left Canada to hold trade discussions in the United Kingdom, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Italy, Greece and Belgium.
- 7 According to Foreign Crops and Markets published by the Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S.D.A., India's record 1959 wheat crop is now estimated at 362 million bushels, compared with the previous record of 348 million in 1957 and 25 per cent above last year's outturn of 289 million bushels.
- 8 The Bureau of the Census, United States Department of Commerce, estimated wheat flour production in the United States in July 1959 at 19,944,000 sacks, an average of 867,000 sacks per working day.

Preliminary Data on Canadian Wheat, Crop Year 1958-59, with Comparisons

Item	1956-57 <u>1/</u>	1957-58 <u>1/</u>	1958-59 <u>2/</u>
- thousand bushels -			
Production	573,040	385,508	371,730
Marketings <u>3/</u>	362,454	378,192	367,946
Inspections <u>4/</u>	367,349	377,577	342,327
Receipts, Fort William-Port Arthur.	195,262	176,412	181,589
Shipments, Fort William-Port Arthur	173,913	178,207	180,452
Exports, wheat and wheat flour	264,396	320,293	294,113
I.W.A. sales	58,006	78,048	83,500
Carryover, end of crop year	733,546	639,454	546,298

1/ Revised.

2/ Preliminary.

3/ Western Canadian wheat receipts at country, interior private and mill, interior semi-public terminal elevators and platform loadings.

4/ Western Canadian wheat only.

CANADIAN WHEAT AND WHEAT FLOUR* EXPORTS

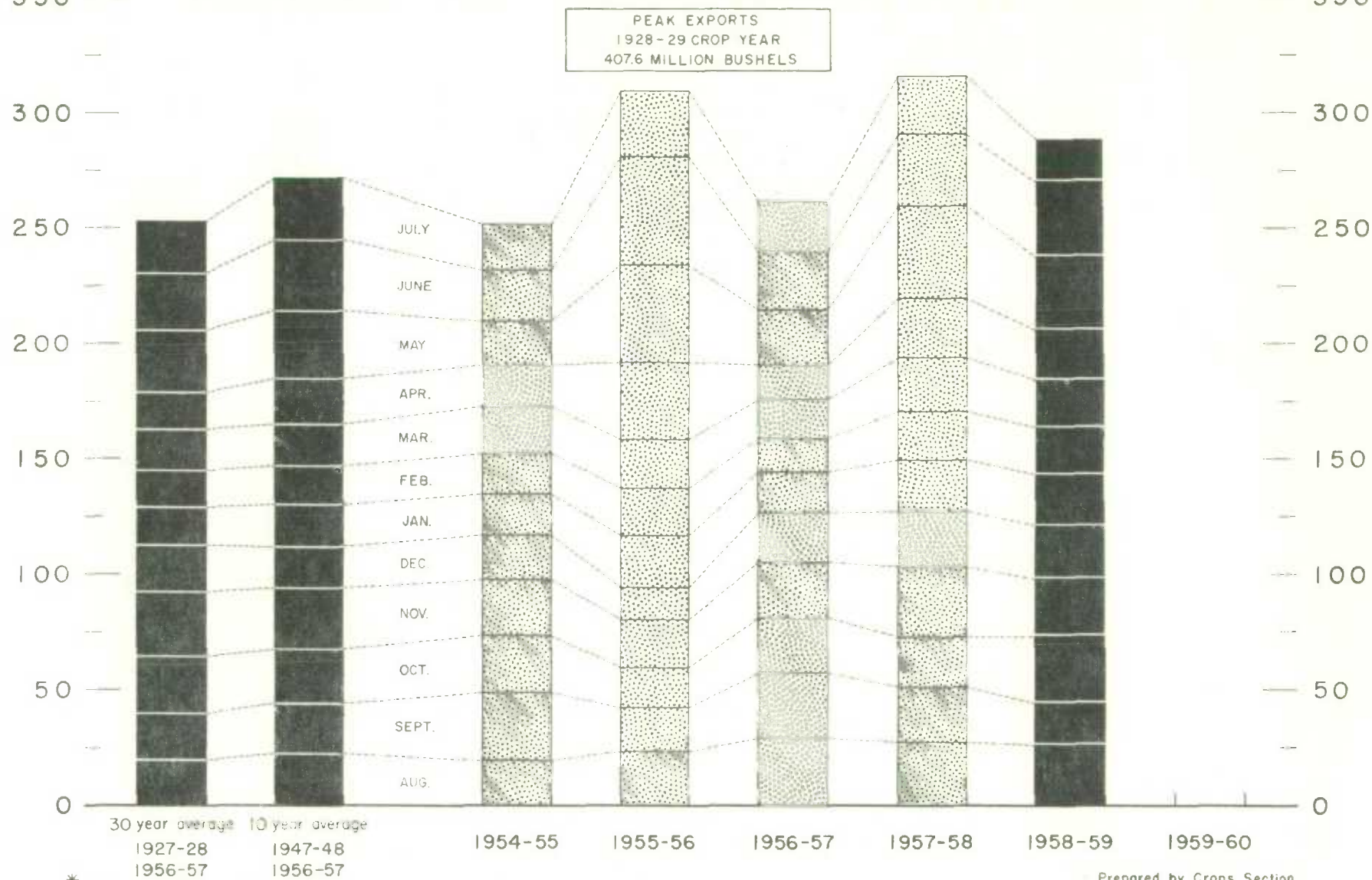
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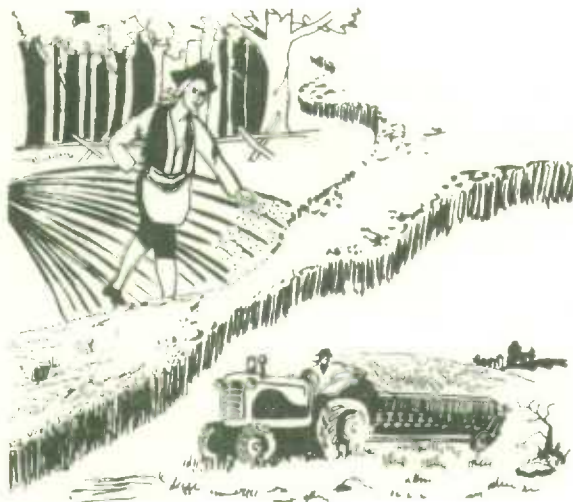
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Canadian Agriculture



YESTERDAY The Census of New France in 1667 recorded a population of 3,918 whites (668 families), having 11,448 arpents under cultivation with 3,107 cattle and 85 sheep.

TODAY The 1956 Census recorded a population of 16,080,791 and 3,711,500 families with 2,746,755 persons living on 575,015 farms having an area of 173,923,691 acres, and livestock population of 11,019,403 cattle, 784,018 horses, 4,732,799 pigs, 1,638,194 sheep and 73,160,368 poultry.

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