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The disastrous floods in the Fraser Valley having severed freight connections with the west coast for the first time in railway history, the present car loading report appears as a preliminary edition due to incomplete figures from the western lines of one system. Revised totals and the index will appear subsequently.

In the eastern division 49,626 cars were loaded during the week compared with 53,090 cars in the previous week and 54,269 cars in the week ending May 31, 1947. This year the May 24th holiday fell in the 22nd week while in 1947 it occurred in the 21st week. Eastern loadings of grain and grain products, vegetables, live stock, fresh meats and other agricultural products showed declines from the preceding week and the same week of last year. Improvement was recorded over 1947 in eastern division, shipments of coal at 3,258 cars against 1,681, ores and concentrates 2,584 compared with 1,655 cars and pulpwood 4,606 against 3,939, but gasoline, iron and steel, autos, fertilizers, woodpulp and paper, other manufactures and L.C.L. merchandise moved in smaller volume. The drop in L.C.L. was from 14,116 cars to 11,495.

While the current embargoes continue in force some contractions are bound to occur in eastern loadings of shipments normally proceeding to British Columbia points.

The cumulative total for the eastern division in the first 22 weeks was 1,085,830 cars, an increase or 61,711 cars of 6 p.c. over the same period of 1947, due mainly to increases in loadings of coal, ores and products of the forest. Cars received by the eastern division from foreign connections were down some 42,000 from the first 22 weeks of last year.

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(Adjusted for seasonal variations and holidays)

(Average 1935-1939 = 100)

| Week | TOTAL FOR | RCANADA | EASTERN DI | VISION | WESTERN DIVISION |       |  |  |  |
|------|-----------|---------|------------|--------|------------------|-------|--|--|--|
|      | 1948 :    | 1947    | 1948 :     | 1947   | 1948 :           | 1947  |  |  |  |
| 15   | 166.4     | 152.6   | 173.2      | 152.4  | 153.8            | 152.8 |  |  |  |
| 16   | 157.6     | 153.7   | 160.5      | 151.4  | 152.0            | 158.0 |  |  |  |
| 17   | 158.2     | 161.1   | 168.1      | 162.9  | 140.3            | 157.7 |  |  |  |
| 18   | 157.0     | 158.7   | 170.5      | 158.7  | 131.8            | 158.7 |  |  |  |
| 19   | 161.9     | 164.9   | 172.3      | 166.4  | 142.8            | 162.2 |  |  |  |
| 20   | 161.1     | 162.0   | 172.2      | 164.3  | 140.8            | 157.9 |  |  |  |
| 21   | x 159.3   | 158.2   | x 170.6    | 159.8  | x 138.7          | 155.2 |  |  |  |
| 22   | -         | 168.6   | 169.3      | 174.3  | W                | 158.1 |  |  |  |

|   |             |        |        |            |        |         |            |        |             |        |            | Cumulative Totals from First Week of Year to Date |           |            |           |           |                   |         |                   |           |         |
|---|-------------|--------|--------|------------|--------|---------|------------|--------|-------------|--------|------------|---|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-------------------|---------|-------------------|-----------|---------|
|   | Manufact    | TOI    | AL     |            |        | EASTERN | N DIVISION |        |             | WESTER | N DIVISION |   | 96-7      | TOTAL      | L         | EAS       | TERN DIVI         | SION    | WES               | TERN DIVI | SION    |
|   | Week Ended  |        |        | Week Ended |        |         | Week Ended |        |             |        |            |   |           |            |           |           |                   |         |                   |           |         |
|   | X<br>May 29 | May 22 | May 15 | May 31     | May 29 | May 22  | May 15     | May 31 | X<br>May 29 | 2000   | 1000       | Mar. 71   | X         | To Year 77 | True 2    | Mr 00     | To                | Trans 2 | X                 | To        |         |
|   | 1948        | 1948   | 1948   | 1947       | 1948   | 1948    | 1948       | 1947   | 1948        | May 22 | May 15     | May 31  | May 29    | May 31     | June 1    | May 29    | May 31<br>1 9 4 7 | Jume 1  | May 29<br>1 9 4 8 | May 31    | June 1  |
| 1. Grain  | 4,297       | 5,177  | 4,773  | 9,208      | 2,013  | 2,523   | 2,020      | 3,007  | 2,284       | 2,654  | 2,753      | 6,201   | 108,446   | 141,595    | 127,774   | 26,015    | 32,977            | 34,960  | 82,431            | 108,618   | 92,814  |
| 2. Grain Products   | 2,384       | 2,801  | 2,653  | 3,954      | 1,470  | 1,724   | 1,581      | 2,209  | 914         | 1,077  | 1,072      | 1,745   | 60,324    | 74,789     | 68,953    |           | 38,736            | 38,203  | 27,675            | 36,053    | 30,750  |
| 3. Hay and Straw  | 174         | 211    | 217    | 240        | 133    | 173     | 155        | 194    | 41          | 38     | 62         | 46  | 10,220    | 10,652     | 12,453    | 5,904     | 7,643             | 8,810   | 4,316             | 3,009     | 3,643   |
| 4. Fruits, fresh  | 140         | 110    | 339    | 59         | 127    | 78      | 232        | 41     | 13          | 32     | 107        | 18  | 4,415     | 4,443      | 2,758     | 1,592     | 1,667             | 821     | 2,823             | 2,776     | 1,937   |
| 5. Vegetables, fresh or green   | 275         | 425    | 546    | 640        | 218    | 373     | 488        | 568    | 57          | 52     | 58         | 72  | 18,071    | 20,351     | 12,431    | 16,292    | 18,834            | 11,550  | 1,779             | 1,517     | 881     |
| 6. Other Agricultural Products  | 99          | 164    | 182    | 161        | 89     | 148     | 158        | 128    | 10          | 16     | 24         | 33  | 4,415     | 4,979      | 4,423     | 2,723     | 3,094             | 2,737   | 1,692             | 1,885     | 1,686   |
| 7. Live Stock   | 1,545       | 1,686  | 1,980  | 1,734      | 716    | 743     | 837        | 848    | 829         | 943    | 1,143      | 886   | 43,523    | 39,257     | 45,125    | 18,089    | 16,395            | 16,550  | 25,434            | 22,842    | 28,575  |
| 8. Butter, Cheese, Eggs   | 137         | 165    | 140    | 134        | 58     | 72      | 62         | 71     | 79          | 93     | 78         | 63  | 3,073     | 2,960      | 2,597     | 1,530     | 1,932             | 1,430   | 1,543             | 1,028     | 1,167   |
| 9. Fresh Meats & Packing House<br>Products (edible)                       | 347         | 422    | 461    | 381        | 115    | 160     | 164        | 141    | 232         | 262    | 297        | 240   | 11,356    | 9,192      | 11,331    | 3,991     | 3,029             | 3,184   | 7,365             | 6,163     | 8,147   |
| 10. Other Packing House Products  | 57          | 57     | 73     | 86         | 43     | 34      | 57         | 50     | 14          | 23     | 16         | 36  | 1,316     | 1,279      | 984       | 738       | 786               | 390     | 578               | 493       | 594     |
| 11. Other Animal Products   | 93          | 91     | 112    | 149        | 64     | 74      | 79         | 90     | 29          | 17     | 33         | 59  | 2,705     | 2,925      | 2,658     | 2,036     | 2,002             | 1,565   | 669               | 923       | 1,093   |
| 12. Coal  | 4,848       | 5,449  | 5,641  | 3,846      | 3,258  | 3,431   | 3,484      | 1,681  | 1,590       | 2,018  | 2,157      | 2,165   | 120,526   | 93,205     | 118,500   | 66,256    | 35,309            | 57,595  | 54,270            | 57,896    | 60,905  |
| 13. Coke  | 719         | 711    | 714    | 7 39       | 671    | 623     | 627        | 666    | 48          | 88     | 87         | 73  | 12,669    | 12,756     | 14,859    | 11,305    | 11,243            | 13,490  | 1,364             | 1,513     | 1,369   |
| 14. Ores and Concentrates 15. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot            | 3,622       | 3,363  | 3,740  | 3,016      | 2,584  | 2,354   | 2,268      | 1,653  | 1,038       | 1,009  | 1,472      | 1,363   | 52,807    | 45,244     | 35,478    | 35,304    | 29,074            | 21,986  | 17,503            | 16,170    | 13,492  |
| (non-ferrous metals)  | 442         | 456    | 609    | 450        | 355    | 380     | 508        | 353    | 87          | 76     | 101        | 97  | 10,698    | 9,252      | 7,508     | 8,114     | 6,264             | 4,404   | 2,584             | 2,988     | 3,104   |
| 16. Sand, Stone, Gravel, Plaster, Lime<br>Brick, Cement, Sewer pipe, Tile | 4,617       | 5,127  | 4,795  | 5,303      | 3,441  | 3,828   | 3,669      | 3,973  | 1,176       | 1,299  | 1,126      | 1,330   | 74,860    | 69,025     | 58,652    | 58,759    | 53,414            | 45,054  | 16,101            | 15,611    | 13,598  |
| 17. Other Mine Products   | 1,552       | 1,640  | 1,767  | 1,521      | 1,415  | 1,455   | 1,620      | 1,353  | 137         | 185    | 147        | 168   | 27,198    | 24,529     | 16,951    | 24,428    | 21,440            | 14,810  | 2,770             | 3,089     | 2,141   |
| 18. Logs, Piling, Cordwood  | 809         | 855    | 886    | 1,019      | 395    | 382     | 432        | 255    | 414         | 473    | 454        | 764   | 23,226    | 24,401     | 27,740    | 11,401    | 9,793             | 11,431  | 11,825            | 14,608    | 16,309  |
| 19. Pulpwood  | 5,148       | 4,427  | 4,247  | 4,286      | 4,606  | 3,945   | 3,806      | 3,959  | 542         | 482    | 441        | 347   | 124,414   | 98,727     | 90,793    | 98,945    | 79,530            | 71,204  | 25,469            | 19,197    | 19,589  |
| 20. Lumber, Lath, Shingles  | 3,287       | 3,529  | 3,524  | 3,990      | 2,272  | 2,082   | 2,156      | 2,248  | 1,015       | 1,447  | 1,368      | 1,742   | 76,920    | 71,285     | 57,869    | 43,940    | 40,625            | 34,457  | 32,980            | 30,660    | 23,412  |
| 21. Other Forest Products   | 682         | 744    | 569    | 841        | 578    | 556     | 479        | 717    | 104         | 188    | 90         | 124   | 12,004    | 12,258     | 13,500    | 10,037    | 9,950             | 11,457  | 1,967             | 2,308     | 2,043   |
| 22. Gasoline,Petroleum Oils & Pdts.                                       | 4,519       | 4,697  | 4,104  | 4,459      | 2,368  | 2,542   | 2,487      | 2,730  | 2,151       | 2,155  | 1,617      | 1,729   | 80,917    | 75,124     | 59,504    | 57,312    | 54,543            | 40,010  | 23,605            | 20,581    | 19,494  |
| 23. Sugar   | 307         | 322    | 269    | 236        | 222    | 242     | 194        | 153    | 85          | 80     | 75         | 83  | 6,173     | 4,282      | 4,731     | 4,677     | 2,976             | 3,554   | 1,496             | 1,306     | 1,177   |
| 24. Iron & Steel Pdts.(manufactured) 25. Implements, Tractors             | 1,666       | 1,920  | 1,893  | 1,749      | 1,462  | 1,721   | 1,727      | 1,606  | 204         | 199    | 166        | 143   | 36,540    | 35,465     | 30,470    | 33,436    | 33,062            | 28,446  | 3,074             | 2,403     | 2,024   |
| Machinery, Boilers  | 710         | 889    | 1,007  | 693        | 480    | 579     | 655        | 520    | 230         | 310    | 352        | 173   | 18,504    | 13,535     | 11,190    | 13,054    | 9,383             | 8,366   | 5,450             |           | 2,824   |
| 26. Autos, Trucks and Parts   | 944         | 875    | 835    | 1,182      | 891    | 809     | 769        | 1,132  | 53          | 66     | 66         | 50  | 20,113    | 22,997     | 19,880    | 18,921    | 21,791            | 19,155  | 1,192             | 1,206     | 725     |
| 27. Fertilizers   | 578         | 991    | 1,158  | 1,029      | 441    | 779     | 874        | 831    | 137         | 212    | 284        | 198   | 21,790    | 20,770     | 19,474    | 14,911    | 13,357            | 13,290  | 6,879             | 7,413     | 6,184   |
| 28. Woodpulp and Paper  | 4,063       | 3,946  | 4,311  | 4,277      | 3,597  | 3,449   | 3,809      | 3,747  | 466         | 497    | 502        | 530   | 96,693    | 94,256     | 85,660    | 84,465    | 81,935            | 74,205  | 12,228            | 12,321    | 11,455  |
| 29. Canned Food Products 30. Other Products of Manufactures               | 242         | 266    | 244    | 308        | 177    | 172     | 147        | 201    | 65          | 94     | 97         | 107   | 6,016     | 8,340      | 7,402     | 4,370     | 6,031             | 5,092   | 1,646             | 2,309     | 2,310   |
| and Miscellaneous   | 4,909       | 5,706  | 5,763  | 6,083      | 3,872  | 4,422   | 4,603      | 5,048  | 1,037       | 1,284  | 1,160      | 1,035   | 116,052   | 117,883    | 117,822   | 96,715    | 99,106            | 98,998  | 19,337            | 18,777    | 18,824  |
| 31. Merchandise, L.C.L.   | 16,221      | 19,461 | 19,906 | 19,385     | 11,495 | 13,237  | 13,493     | 14,116 | 4,726       | 6,224  | 6,413      | 5,269   | 397,824   | 388,152    | 362,895   | 277,891   | 278,198           | 258,361 | 119,933           | 109,954   | 104,534 |
| 32. Total Revenue Cars Loaded   | 69,433      | 76,683 | 77,458 | 81,158     | 49,626 | 53,090  | 53,640     | 54,269 | 19,807      | 23,593 | 23,818     | 26,889  | 1,603,808 | 1,553,888  | 1,452,365 | 1,085,830 | 1,024,119         | 955,565 | 517,978           | 529,769   | 496,800 |
| 33. Received from Connections   | 32,748      | 33,089 | 33,876 | 36,057     | 30,122 | 30,066  | 30,413     | 32,381 | 2,626       | 3,023  | 3,433      | 3,676   | 780,337   | 819,768    | 745,241   | 707,149   | 749,094           | 684,124 | 73,188            | 70,674    | 61,117  |

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