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During the week ended September 3rd car loadings totalled 85,046 cars compared with a revised 86.179 cars in the preceding week and the record for the week of 87,274 cars in 1948, representing a decline of 2,228 cars or 2.6 p.c. from the volume in the same week one year ago.

A much heavier and earlier movement of grain has become evident since mid-July and 11,959 cars were loaded in the week under review as against 11,182 cars last year, a gain of nearly 7 p.c. or 777 cars. Other noteworthy advances were shown in other agricultural products, ores and concentrates up from 3,562 to 4,497 cars, base bullion, gasoline and petroleum up 1,101 cars at 5,903 cars for the week against 4,802 cars last year, iron and steel at 1,851 compared with 1,585 cars, autos and trucks showing 1,206 cars loaded against 1.095 cars, canned foods, and 1.c.1. merchandise which improved 155 cars to 18,513 for the week.

Live stock shipments continued well below the 1948 level when U.S. and foreign demand was heavier; 1.855 cars were shipped during the week compared with 2,555 last year. Dairy products were off 78 cars at 195, while meats and other animal products were also down. Building products totalled 5,080 cars against 5.800 cars. Pulpwood slumped from 4,437 to 2,935 cars while lumber was off from 4,624 to 5,889 cars and woodpulp and paper shipments aggregated 3,512 cars, down 517 cars. Coal movement was lighter by 448 cars at

Eastern division loadings for the week were 50,308 cars compared with 53,753 cars last year, off 6.4 p.c., while the western division reported 34,738 against 33,52 cars with advances in grain, ores. gasoline and petroleum oils, and fertilizers. Crude oil at 1,202 cars for the week has become a significant factor in the western economy and the movement is limited somewhat by both refinery capacity and regional demand for petroleum products.

Cumulative totals for Canada are running slightly below 1947 and are off about 5 p.c. from the same period of last year, the totals from the first week to date reading: 1949 - 2,563,563 cars, 1948 - 2,644,824 cars and 1947 - 2,582,067 cars. American railways show declines of 12.2 p.c. from 1948 and 15.3 p.c. from 1947 in a similar comparison.

INDEX NUMBERS (Adjusted for seasonal variations and holidays) (Average 1935-1939 = 100)

Week	TOTAL FOR	CANADA	EASTERN I	DIVISION	WESTERN DIVISION				
	1949 :	1948	1949 :	1948	1949 :	1946			
28	155.4	162.9	162.4	175.5	136.4	159.0			
29	152.9	160.9	161.4	172.3	137.7	140.6			
50	152.8	157.9	151.8	165.8	154.7	147.0			
51	148.9	158.2	145.9	165.0	154.4	149.2			
52	160.9	164.7	156.4	172.1	169.0	151.5			
33	157.9	160.0	155.4	169.1	162.1	144.5			
34	166.7	164.4	x 161.2	167.1	175.4	160.0			
55	165.1	167.4	155.4	166.0	175.8	169.7			

								Cumulative Totals from First Week of Year to Date										- 2/3			
	TOTAL			EASTERN DIVISION			WESTERN DIVISION			TOTAL		EASTERN DIVISION			WESTERN DIVISION						
	Week Ended			Week Ended				Week Ended			To		To			To					
James D. Staffers P. Bart F. H.	Sept. 5	Aug. 27	Aug. 20	Sept. 4	Sept. 5	Aug. 27	Aug. 20	Sept. 4	Sept. 3	Aug. 27	Aug. 20	Sept. 4	Sept. 5	Sept. 4	Sept. 6	Sept. 5	Sept. 4	Sept. 6	Sept. 5	Sept. 4	Sept. 6
Parties parties and	1949	1949	1949	1948	1949	1949	1949	1948	1949	1949	1949	1948	1949	1948	1947	1949	1948	1947	1949	1948	1947
I. Grain	11,959	12,574	8,496	11,182	1,155	1,284	1,278	1,409	10,804	11,090	7,218	9,775	227,644	182,277	257,226	49,642	45,672	65,047	178,002	156,605	174,17
2. Grain Products	2,775	2,703	2,624	2,763	1,545	1,521	1,517	1,628	1,252	1,182	1,107	1,185	85,525	94,875	119,528	48,417	52,947	65,544	37,108	41,926	55,984
3. Hay and Straw	281	278	254	352	92	100	66	162	189	178	188	190	7,974	12,879	12,487	4,615	7,175	8,641	5,559	5,706	5,846
1. Fruits, fresh	949	1,040	948	917	186	246	568	184	765	794	580	753	9,107	8,820	9,700	5,025	5,785	5,517	6,082	5,035	6,583
. Vegetables, fresh or green	454	350	246	470	540	246	141	569	114	104	105	101	22,166	21,986	25,059	19,326	18,937	21,878	2,840	5,049	5,180
6. Other Agricultural Products	253	256	189	169	215	190	130	122	58	66	59	47	6,428	6,071	6,855	5,051	4,504	4,565	1,577	1,767	2,29
7. Live Stock	1,835	2,050	1,807	2,555	696	806	645	857	1,139	1,224	1,162	1,698	54,211	69,949	64,648	22,566	28,372	26,916	51,645	41,577	37,732
B. Butter, Cheese, Eggs	195	180	144	275	108	85	55	156	87	95	89	117	3,961	5,034	5,382	2,016	2,597	5,187	1,945	2,657	2,198
9. Fresh Meats & Packing House Products (edible)	469	494	492	520	180	177	170	166	289	517	522	354	14,757	17,110	14,727	5,194	5,819	5,251	9,563	11,291	9,476
10. Other Packing House Products	57	28	58	56	15	9	18	57	22	19	20	19	1,299	2,076	2,159	689	1,272	1,378	610	804	781
11. Other Animal Products	97	95	76	122	63	78	62	81	34	15	14	41	5,080	4,552	4,687	2,205	5, 355	5,168	875	1,197	1,519
12. Coal	6,482	6,100	5,450	6,950	4,118	4,135	5,654	4,198	2,564	1,965	1,796	2,752	189,501	198,759	155,425	115,555	117,765	75,656	75,768	80,976	81,789
3. Coke	445	455	444	674	529	550	526	607	114	125	118	67	19,870	21,997	19,884	16,555	19,580	17,245	5,515	2,417	2,641
14. Ores and Concentrates 15. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot	4,497	4,802	5,967	3,562	2,601	2,684	2,277	2,497	1,896	2,118	1,690	1,065	111,514	99,986	91,027	75,208	69,532	53,511	58,106	50,454	57,716
(non-ferrous metals) 16. Sand Stone, Gravel, Plaster Lime	506	596	725	453	298	451	513	528	208	165	21.2	125	16,965	16,500	14,813	11,649	12,451	10,474	5,516	4,069	4,559
Brick, Cement, Sewer pipe, Tile	5,080	5,670	5,462	5,800	5,714	4,217	4,026	4,198	1,566	1,455	1,456	1,602	146,584	148,501	157,899	108,876	110,466	104,795	57,708	58,035	55,106
17. Other Mine Products	1,715	1,651	1,720	1,857	1,502	1,468	552	1,594	211	185	188	245	45,891	50,574	45,379	40,605	45,028	40,178	5,286	5,346	5,201
18. Logs, Piling, Cordwood	1,039	906	1,053	1,110	186	171	259	569	855	735	81.4	741	35,715	57,452	40,654	14,818	17,500	16,668	20,897	19,952	25,986
19. Pulpwood	2,955	5,097	5,568	4,457	2,524	2,911	5,094	5,751	411	186	274	686	135,329	200,000	168,213	110.900	165,578	142,740	24,429	54,422	25,473
20. Lumber, Lath, Shingles	5,889	4,051	5,895	4,624	2,350	2,590	2,305	2,864	1,539	1,661	1,588	1,760	116,608	157,977	154,790	66,994	82,517	81,657	49,614	55,660	55,155
21. Other Forest Products	459	479	416	492	356	359	327	407	83	120	89	85	17,585	20,986	25,686	12,148	16,866	19,671	5,437	4,120	4,015
22. Casoline Petroleum Oils & Pdts.	1,210	4,749	4,801 1,189	4,802 No. 22	2,962	5,047	2,950	2,885 No. 22	1,751	1,702	1,851	1,919 No. 22	155,655	147,090 Included		91,994	95,459 Included	91,227 in No.22	65,659	51,651 Included	59,802
23. Sugar	459	1,094	545	410	261	222	17 206	270	178	160	137	140	12,411	11,551	8,371	8,217	8,059	5,746	4,194	5,472	in No.22
24. Iron & Steel Pdts (manufactured)	1,851	1,575	1,519	1,583	1,657	1,571	1,557	1,429	194	204	162	154	60,563	57,619	55,600	55,935	52,414	49,580	4,628	5,205	4,220
25. Implements, Tractors Machinery, Boilers	505	553	577	678	518	370	551	498	187	185	226	180	28,407	28,703	22,887	21,614	20,224	15,698	6,795	8,479	7,189
26. Autos, Trucks and Parts	1,206	1,520	995	1,095	1,155	1,248	928	1,014	51	72	65	81.	57,207	51,140	54,715	34,841	29,254	52,865	2,566	1,894	1,852
27. Fertilizers	584	624	358	571	549	334	219	394	285	290	139	177	25,854	27,859	26,954	16,959	18,501	16,506	8,875	9,538	10,428
28. Woodpulp and Paper	5,512	5,651	5,769	4,029	3,077	5,188	5,299	5,484	435	445	470	545	157,061	149,454	145,667	119,687	150,676	126,580	17,574	18,778	19,06
29. Canned Food Products	585	517	422	517	439	574	276	528	146	145	146	189	12,535	10,970	12,052	9,205	7,796	8,471	5,550	5,174	5,581
30. Other Products of Manufactures and Miscellaneous	5,641	5,799	5,448	5,955	4,405	4,582	4,349	4,627	1,256	1,217	1,099	1,506	181,251	192,175	191,594	145,632	156,151	156,875	35,619	56,022	54,521
31. Merchandise, L.C.L.	18,515	18,502	17,940	18,558	15,126	12,941	12,687	12,842	5,387	5,361	5,253	5,516	626,050	630,178	621,190	445,951	459,827	445,682	182,119	190,551	177,508
32. Total Revenue Cars Loaded	85,046	86,179	79,171	87,274	50,308	51,522	49,382	53,753	54,758	34,657	29,789	55,521	2,565,565	2,644,824	2,582,067	1,680,229	1,789,235	1,712,287	883,334	855,589	869,780
33. Received from Connections	50,569	50,554	29,541	55,495	28,071	28,224	26,968	50,555	2,498	2,510	2,375	2,940	1,079,972	1,206,340	1,282,299	987,809	1,095,044	1,165,025	92,165	111,296	117,274

