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Cars of revenue freight loaded in the Thanksgiving holiday week ended October 14th amounted to 81,323, a gain of 4.8 p.c. or 3,704 cars over the same period last year. Western loadings at 29,799 cars were practically equal to the 41st week of 1949, while eastern volume continued in advance of last year with 51,524 cars loaded in the week under review against 47,816 in 1949, up 3,708 or 7.8 p.c.

Receipts from foreign connections totalled 35,535 cars compared with 31,831 last year as business activity in the United States and Canadian imports by rail from there were increased.

Comparisons with the similar period of 1949 indicate improvement in the national totals for fruit, other agricultural products up from 957 to 1,328 cars, other packing house products, ores and concentrates up 797 cars to 4,353, base bullion, building products booming from 4,000 to 5,051 cars and in other mine products. Logs gained 66 cars to 975 while pulpwood rose sharply from 2,113 to 3,142 cars. Lumber demand continued firm and 4,902 cars were loaded during the week, a spectacular jump of 1,266 cars. Other forest products were also heavier. Gasoline and crude oil improved. Iron and steel was up from 1,433 to 1,796 cars. Autos and trucks increased nearly 200 carloads to 1,251. Fertilizers also gained over 1949. Woodpulp and paper totalled 4,231 cars against 3,796 one year ago. Other manufactures moved in 5,507 carloads compared with 4,881, while L.C.L. shipments were down slightly from 16,449 to 16,013 cars.

Declines were mainly in grain off from 9,432 to 8,370 cars, vegetables down from 1,461 to 762 cars and live stock at 1,971 carloads against 3,014 cars. Coal was also lighter as was sugar. Crude oil while above 1949 levels was lower than the previous week on a daily basis and is likely beginning to show the effects of the new pipe line operation from Edmonton to Regina in which crude now moving should reach Regina towards the end of the month.

Cumulative totals show 3,007,638 cars loaded in Canada during the first 41 weeks, down only 57,793 cars from last year despite the recent strike. Receipts from foreign connections were up nearly 10,000 cars over the similar period of 1949 to reach 1,272,645 cars. The decrease in the total of Canadian loadings is entirely in the western division with the east registering a betterment of 26,415 cars.

INDEX NUMBERS

(Adjusted for seasonal variations and holidays)

(Average 1935-1939 = 100)

Week	TOTAL FOR CANADA		EASTERN DIVISION		WESTERN DIVISION	
	1950	1949	1950	1949	1950	1949
34	36.5	166.7	43.5	161.2	25.3	175.4
35	91.4	163.1	96.8	155.4	82.5	175.8
36	169.4	159.7	176.7	158.0	157.8	162.3
37	168.5	164.6	175.5	158.2	156.5	175.7
38	171.3	163.1	176.0	160.2	163.3	168.1
39	168.8	166.3	176.1	163.1	157.1	171.4
40	162.5	162.1	169.2	157.9	151.6	169.1
41	169.6	161.8	176.9	164.1	158.3	158.3

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Strike

Price per year \$2.00

	T O T A L				EASTERN DIVISION				WESTERN DIVISION				Cumulative Totals from First Week of Year to Date								
	Week Ended				Week Ended				Week Ended				T O T A L			EASTERN DIVISION			WESTERN DIVISION		
	To				To				To				To			To			To		
	Oct. 14 1950	Oct. 7 1950	Sept. 30 1950	Oct. 15 1949	Oct. 14 1950	Oct. 7 1950	Sept. 30 1950	Oct. 15 1949	Oct. 14 1950	Oct. 7 1950	Sept. 30 1950	Oct. 15 1949	Oct. 14 1950	Oct. 15 1949	Oct. 16 1948	Oct. 14 1950	Oct. 15 1949	Oct. 16 1948	Oct. 14 1950	Oct. 15 1949	Oct. 16 1948
1. Grain	8,370	8,142	8,620	9,432	1,312	1,694	1,586	2,435	7,058	6,448	7,054	6,997	221,248	289,585	243,522	58,025	59,746	55,288	163,225	229,859	188,034
2. Grain Products	2,504	2,877	3,023	2,531	1,248	1,408	1,617	1,352	1,256	1,469	1,406	1,179	94,393	101,803	112,190	49,147	56,997	62,688	45,246	44,806	49,502
3. Hay and Straw	387	317	317	487	286	224	199	196	101	95	118	291	10,107	10,635	16,175	6,098	5,684	8,922	4,009	4,951	7,251
4. Fruits, fresh	573	506	557	471	130	169	167	92	443	337	390	379	11,119	13,025	14,127	5,196	4,198	5,687	7,923	8,827	8,440
5. Vegetables, fresh or green	762	829	1,048	1,461	652	699	914	1,556	110	130	134	125	28,756	28,928	29,167	25,641	25,155	25,118	3,115	3,775	4,049
6. Other Agricultural Products	1,328	815	394	957	205	180	97	284	1,123	655	297	675	8,741	11,182	9,949	5,171	6,317	5,300	3,570	4,865	4,649
7. Live Stock	1,971	1,881	2,197	3,014	636	646	913	856	1,335	1,255	1,284	2,178	64,369	69,129	87,977	24,580	27,474	35,392	59,789	41,655	52,585
8. Butter, Cheese, Eggs	100	90	102	125	47	44	54	84	55	46	48	41	4,414	5,164	6,255	2,266	2,665	3,094	2,148	2,501	3,161
9. Fresh Meats & Packing House Products (edible)	394	445	444	492	168	188	174	201	226	257	270	291	17,278	17,891	20,908	6,881	6,383	7,115	10,397	11,508	13,793
10. Other Packing House Products	61	69	59	26	46	42	18	8	15	27	21	18	1,842	1,517	2,582	1,075	800	1,428	767	717	954
11. Other Animal Products	84	116	98	98	66	96	74	66	18	20	24	32	5,736	5,726	5,198	2,541	2,689	5,809	1,195	1,037	1,389
12. Coal	6,494	7,262	7,081	6,651	3,394	3,972	3,953	3,616	3,100	3,290	3,128	3,035	238,797	233,285	242,327	140,788	139,064	145,179	98,009	94,221	99,148
13. Coke	690	688	753	684	615	615	679	539	75	73	74	145	26,993	25,579	25,881	23,153	19,565	23,016	3,840	4,014	2,865
14. Ores and Concentrates	4,353	5,326	4,768	3,556	2,747	3,323	2,703	2,145	1,606	2,003	2,065	1,411	138,368	135,891	123,258	91,663	86,990	84,185	46,705	46,901	39,073
15. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot (non-ferrous metals)	569	553	566	465	362	365	386	277	207	168	180	188	21,458	19,782	19,530	14,275	13,478	14,634	7,185	6,304	4,896
16. Sand, Stone, Gravel, Plaster, Lime Brick, Cement, Sewer pipe, Tile	5,051	5,487	5,487	4,000	3,803	4,021	4,025	2,943	1,248	1,466	1,462	1,057	171,708	176,716	182,213	124,586	131,282	134,818	47,122	45,434	47,395
17. Other Mine Products	2,186	2,111	2,204	1,860	1,998	1,913	1,896	1,692	188	198	308	168	67,758	56,311	61,474	60,851	49,889	54,751	6,907	6,422	6,723
18. Logs, Piling, Cordwood	975	1,184	1,217	909	259	317	317	200	736	867	900	709	39,903	41,358	43,961	12,796	16,198	19,565	27,107	25,160	24,596
19. Pulpwood	3,142	3,268	3,325	2,113	2,921	3,080	3,008	1,908	221	188	317	205	132,510	149,512	220,694	112,608	123,871	184,197	19,902	25,641	36,497
20. Lumber, Lath, Shingles	4,902	5,708	6,094	3,636	3,283	3,654	3,787	2,273	1,619	2,054	2,307	1,363	177,615	140,051	165,225	107,318	81,052	99,177	70,297	58,999	66,048
21. Other Forest Products	540	485	506	596	434	374	409	278	106	111	97	118	17,840	20,217	24,528	13,663	14,050	19,645	4,177	6,167	4,683
22. Gasoline, Petroleum Oils & Pds.	4,058	4,600	4,742	3,783	3,132	3,515	3,526	2,729	926	1,085	1,216	1,054	170,330	182,241	175,747	125,906	110,368	112,377	44,424	71,873	63,370
23. Crude Oil	1,176	1,627	1,504	1,081	6	5	4	5	1,170	1,622	1,500	1,076	51,124	22,669	No. 22	220	296	No. 22	50,904	22,373	No. 22
24. Sugar	222	421	430	304	142	261	313	206	80	160	117	98	13,625	14,649	13,784	9,014	9,623	9,571	4,611	5,026	4,213
25. Iron & Steel Pds. (manufactured)	1,796	2,064	2,092	1,433	1,580	1,718	1,876	1,296	216	346	216	137	71,111	70,527	66,771	64,506	64,873	60,730	6,605	5,654	6,041
26. Implements, Tractors Machinery, Boilers	417	492	534	422	301	349	393	294	116	143	141	128	28,522	31,491	32,737	21,584	23,760	23,346	6,938	7,731	9,391
27. Autos, Trucks and Parts	1,251	1,427	1,492	1,052	1,152	1,353	1,379	1,001	99	74	113	51	57,010	44,591	36,761	53,391	41,836	34,559	3,619	2,755	2,202
28. Fertilizers	598	555	582	481	222	237	269	172	376	298	313	309	29,123	28,900	31,026	17,879	18,463	20,072	11,244	10,437	10,954
29. Woodpulp and Paper	4,231	4,555	4,649	3,796	3,647	4,000	4,086	3,377	584	555	563	419	176,556	159,522	174,023	153,911	139,472	151,598	22,645	20,050	22,425
30. Canned Food Products	618	642	721	573	401	488	518	364	217	154	203	209	19,110	15,965	15,187	14,115	11,563	10,578	4,995	4,402	4,609
31. Other Products of Manufactures and Miscellaneous	5,507	6,460	6,692	4,881	4,395	5,136	5,391	3,717	1,112	1,324	1,301	1,164	221,960	214,008	228,065	180,144	171,101	184,483	41,816	42,907	43,582
32. Merchandise, L.C.L.	16,013	18,344	18,698	16,449	11,954	13,508	13,868	11,894	4,059	4,836	4,830	4,555	670,214	733,581	739,421	485,562	521,235	518,035	184,652	212,346	221,386
33. Total Revenue Cars Loaded	81,323	89,306	90,976	77,619	51,524	57,594	58,599	47,816	29,799	31,712	32,377	29,803	3,007,638	3,065,431	3,170,061	2,012,550	1,986,135	2,116,357	995,088	1,079,296	1,053,704
34. Received from Connections	35,535	35,597	36,131	31,831	32,779	32,659	33,167	29,001	2,756	2,938	2,964	2,830	1,272,645	1,262,780	1,413,879	1,168,941	1,154,824	1,285,302	103,713	107,956	130,577

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