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Carloadings for the week ended October 21st climbed to a seasonal peak of 92,755 cars compared with a revised total of 81,211 cars in the preceding Thanksgiving week and stood 5,964 or 6.9 p.c. above the 42nd period of last year when 86,769 cars were reported. The current total was only exceeded in 1928 when 93,022 cars were loaded during the similar week. With the advance in tons loaded per car since that time, volume was at an all time high. The Eastern division had 58,158 cars for the week against 54,139 last year while western loadings were an encouraging 34,575 cars compared with 52,630 cars, the first time since the week of August 5th that the western total exceeded the corresponding period of 1949.

Twenty of the 52 commodity groups listed registered increases over 1949. Total grain loaded at 10,906 cars was up from 10,207 cars last year and other agricultural products advanced 454 cars to 1,470. Ores and concentrates totalled 4,913 cars against 5,262, base bullion was up 81 cars to 546 while building products amounted to 5,400 cars, a good gain over the 4,625 cars loaded in the same week last year. Other mine products rose 504 cars to 2,346. The forestry group continued to boom with logs up from 1,095 to 1,366, pulpwood 3,080 cars against 2,574 and lumber at 5,651 cars compared to 4,138 in 1949. Gasoline and petroleum oil shipments totalled 4,693 cars up 749 cars but crude oil took a nosedive to 367 cars from 1,175 cars in the preceding week and 1,245 cars last year as the oil pipeline to Regina was being filled.

Iron and steel products were in demand and 1,969 cars were moved against 1,568 in the 42nd period of 1949. Implements also were heavier while autos and trucks totalled 1,538 carloads, up from 1,502 cars. Fertilizers increased to 734 cars from 619.

The woodpulp and paper group at 4,438 cars continued well in advance of 1949 levels. Current price advances by the industry may have some effect on demand. Miscellaneous manufactures showed 6,294 cars up from 5,691 last year.

The principal reductions from the same week of 1949 were in vegetables down from 1,741 to 1,202 cars, livestock at 2,568 cars against 5,125 last year, meats, dairy products, coal off 156 cars to 7,711 for the week, L.C.L at 18,072 cars against 18,729 one year earlier and in crude oil down 878 cars as mentioned above.

Receipts from foreign connections were steady at 35,296 cars against 35,001 cars in the previous week and 32,878 cars last year. Loadings on United States Lines are running near the 1948 peaks and considerably above 1949 when strike conditions dragged volume down.

Cumulative totals show 5,100,259 cars loaded in Canada during the first 42 weeks compared with 5,152,200 last year while receips from foreign connections exceeded 1949 by 11,749 cars to total 1,507,407. Eastern loadings are some 50,322 above the same weeks of last year but the West due to lower grain, gasoline and L.C.L shipments is down 82,263 cars in the similar comparison.

INDEX NUMBERS

(Adjusted for seasonal variations and holidays)

(Average 1955-1959 = 100)

Week	TOTAL FOI	CANADA	EASTERN	DIVISION	WESTERN DIVISION			
	1950	1949	1950	1949	1950	1949		
55	£ 91.4	165.1	≠ 96.8	155.4	£ 82.5	175.8		
56	169.4	159.7	176.7	158.0	157.8	162.3		
57	168.5	164.6	175.5	158.2	156.5	175.7		
58	171.5	165.1	176.0	160.2	165.5	168.1		
59	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	X 169.3	161.8	X 176.5	164.1	158.5	158.5		
42	167.2	156.4	171.9	160.1	159.7	150.7		

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	Oct. 21	Oct.14	Oct. 7	Oct.22	Oct. 21	Oct. 14	Oct. 7	Oct. 22	Oct. 21		Oct. 7	Oct. 22	Oct.21	Oct. 22	Oct. 23	Oct. 21	Oct. 22	Oct. 23	Oct. 21	Oct. 22	Oct. 23
	1950	≠ 1950	1950	1949	1950	≠ 1950	1950	1949	1950	1950	1950	1949	1950	1949	1948	1950	1949	1948	1950	1949	1948
I. Grain	10,906	0,342	8,142	10,207	1,863	1,284	1,694	2,784	9,043	7,058	6,448	7,423	232,126	299,792	253,531	59,858	62,530	57,750	172,268	237,262	195,781
2. Grain Products	2,946	2,501	2,877	5,030	1,515	1,245	1,408	1,621	1,431	1,256	1,469	1,409	97,336	104,853	115,122	50,659	58,618	64,286	46,677	46,215	50,856
3. Hay and Straw	441	581	517	430	555	280	224	207	108	101	93	225	10,542	11,065	16,850	6.425	5,891	9,228	4,117	5,174	7,62
4. Fruits, fresh	748	573	506	787	149	130	169	136	599	443	537	651	11,867	13,812	14,868	3,345	4,334	5,911	8,522	9,478	8,95
o. Vegetables, fresh or green	1,202	750	829	1,741	1,109	640	699	1,639	93	110	130	102	29,946	30,669	30,795	26,738	26,794	26,578	3,208	3,875	4,21
6. Other Agricultural Products	1,470	1,536	815	1,016	304	213	180	598	1,166	1,125	635	418	10,219	12,198	10,390	5,483	6,915	5,804	4,736	5,285	5,186
7. Live Stock	2,568	1,972	1,881	3,123	863	637	646	926	1,705	1,535	1,255	2,197	66,938	72,252	91,610	25,444	28,400	36,621	41,494	43,852	54,989
8. Butter, Cheese, Eggs	106	100	90	123	53	47	44	75	50	53	46	48	4,517	5,287	6,432	2,319	2,738	5, 226	2,198	2,549	3,200
9. Fresh Meats & Packing House Products (edible)	503	394	445	683	218	168	188	277	285	226	257	406	17,781	18,574	21,585	7,099	6,660	7,361	10,682	11,914	14,224
10. Other Packing House Products	39	61	69	46	24	46	42	30	15	16	27	16	1,881	1,563	2,442	1,099	830	1,457	782	733	985
11. Other Animal Products	85	84	116	119	69	66	96	79	16	18	20	40	3,821	3,845	5,353	2,610	2,768	3,926	1,211	1,077	1,42
12. Coal	7,711	6,494	7,262	7,847	3,997	3,394	3,972	4,337	3,714	3,100	3,290	3,510	246,508	241,132	250,169	144,785	143,401	147,266	101,723	97,731	102,90
3. Coke	692	692	688	685	612	617	615	558	80	75	73	127	27,687	24,264	26,521	23,767	20,123	23,578	3,920	4,141	2,94
14. Ores and Concentrates	4,913	4,362	5,326	3,262	3,013	2,756	3,323	1,951	1,900	1,606	2,003	1,311	145,290	137,153	127,483	94,685	88,941	86,912	48,605	48,212	40,57
15. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot (non-ferrous metals)	546	569	533	465	345	362	365	242	201	207	168	223	22,004	20,247	19,990	14,618	13,720	14,975	7,386	6,527	5,01
16. Sand, Stone, Gravel, Plaster, Lime Brick, Cement, Sewer pipe, Tile	5,400	4,993	5,487	4,625	3,938	3,745	4,021	3,482	1,462	1,248	1,466	1,141	177,050	181,539	187,548	128,466	134,764	138,647	48,584	46,575	48,901
17. Other Mine Products	2,546	2,183	2,111	1,842	2,161	1,995	1,913	1,706	185	188	198	136	70,101	58,153	63,570	63,009	51,595	56,595	7,092	6,559	6,97
18. Logs, Piling, Cordwood	1,366	976	1,184	1,095	358	240	517	320	1,008	756	867	875	41,270	42,453	45,097	13,155	16,418	19,885	28,115	26,035	25,21
19. Pulpwood	3,080	3,142	3,268	2,374	2,905	2,921	3.080	2,138	175	221	188	256	135,590	151,886	223,957	115,513	126,009	187,163	20,077	25,877	56,79
20. Lumber, Lath, Shingles	5,651	4,903	5,708	4,138	3,662	3,284	3,654	2,523	1,989	1,619	2,054	1,615	183,267	144,189	169,581	110,981	83,575	101,880	72,286	60,614	67,70
21. Other Forest Products	489	539	485	455	364	433	374	271	125	106	111	184	18,328	20,672	24,886	14,026	14,521	20,087	4,302	6,551	4,79
22. Gasoline, Petroleum Oils & Pdts.	4,695	4,059	4,600	3,944	3,490	3,133	3,515	2,815	1,213	926	1,085	1,129	175,024	186,185	180,205	129,587	113,183	115,204	45,637	73,002	64,99
25. Crude Oil	367	1,173	1,627	1,245	4	5	5	5	363	1,170	1,622	1,240	51,488	23,914	No. 22	221		No. 22	51,267	23,613	No. 2
2.4 Sugar	354	222	421	363	273	142	261	248	81.	80	160	115	15,979	15,012		9,287		9,845	4,692	5,141	4,29
25. Iron & Steel Pdts.(manufactured) 26. Implements, Tractors	1,969	1,805	2,064	1,568	1,745	1,587	1,718	1,595	224	216	346	173	73,087	72,095		68,258		62,236	6,829	5,827	
Machinery, Boilers	595	413	492	471	475	297	349	3.043	122	116	143	159	29,113	31,962		22,055		23,876	7,060	7,870	
27. Autos, Trucks and Parts	1,538	1,249	1,427	1,502	1,464	1,150	1,353	1,241	74	99	74	61	58,546	45,898	37,727	54,853		55,461	3,693	2,816	2,26
28. Fertilizers	734 4,438	598	535	619	324	222	237	315 3,758	619	576	298	304	29,857	29,519	51,672	18,205		20,427	11,654	10,741	
29, Woodpulp and Paper 50. Canned Food Products		4,251	4,555	4,256	3,819	3,647	4,000			584	555	498	180,994	163,778	178,217	157,780		155,147	23,264	20,548	
31. Other Products of Manufactures and Miscellaneous	6,294	5,504	642	490 5,691	5 <u>028</u>	4,592	488 5,136	3 57 4 ,382	1,266	217	1,524	1,309	19,555	16,455 219,699	15,819 234,539	14,425		11,019	5,132 43,082	4,535	111111
32. Merchandise, LCL	18,072	16,023	18,344	18,729	13,356	11,964	13,508	13,491	4,716	4.059	4,836	5,238	688,296	752,310		498,928		531,970	189,568	217,584	
35. Total Revenue Cars Loaded	92,735	81,211	89,306	86,769	58,158	51,412	57,594	54,139	34,575	29.799	51.712					2.070.596					
34. Received from Connections	55,296	35,001	35,597	52,878	32,371	32,245	52,659	29,825	2,925	2,756	2,938	3, 053						1,317,096		111,009	

