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Carloads of revenue rail freight for the week ended December 2nd amounted to 81,434 cars, a gain of 3.751 cars or 4.8 p.c. over the same period last year, but down seasonally from the preceding week's total of 82.333 cars. Eastern division loadings improved from 49,469 cars in the 48th week of 1949 to 52,602 cars while western traffic showed 28,832 cars compared with 28,214 cars one year ago. Receipts from foreign connections were 32,806 cars for the current period against 30,072 in 1949.

Advances over the 48th week of last year were recorded in grain products up from 2,682 to 3,032 cars, and in vegetables, other agricultural products 347 cars heavier at 929. Coal rose from 7,090 to 8,409 carloads while coke gained 59 cars to 739 for the week. Ores, base bullion and building products showed good gains. The forestry group was again higher with logs, etc. up from 777 to 1,071 cars and lumber at 4,031 cars against 3,725 cars one year earlier. Gasoline and petroleum oils totalled 4,430 carloads or 813 above the 48th week of 1949. Iron and steel rose 638 cars to 2,141 while implements advanced from 446 to 583 cars and autos from 1,028 to 1,177 carloads. Woodpulp and paper at 4,796 cars was 489 cars above 1949. Canned foods and other manufactures and miscellaneous also moved in greater volume with the latter group up 412 cars to 5,939 cars for the week.

Grain shipments sagged to 7,205 cars from 8,770 cars in the preceding week and 8,595 cars last year. Marketings and export clearances during November had been considerably above 1949. Live stock loaded eased from 2.235 cars last year to 2.118 cars and dairy products and meats were lower. Crude oil shipments, while recovering from the lows of the past two months, totalled only 743 cars against 968 cars in the same period of 1949. Crude oil from the Alberta fields is now flowing 1,127 miles to Superior by pipeline and will be stored for 1951 delivery to Sarnia by tanker. Some 1,800,000 barrels were required to fill the line and much of this was diverted from the railways since October 4th. Fertilizers and L.C.L. freight were also under last year with L.C.L. cff 603 cars to 17,188 cars for the week.

Cumulative loadings for the first 48 weeks show a Canada total of 3,618,555 cars or 26,405 below the corresponding period last year. The closing weeks of the year will probably narrow this deficit caused mainly by the rail strike. Foreign receipts in the same comparison are 32,860 cars above 1949 and total 1,514,692 cars.

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

Week	TOTAL FOR	CANADA	EASTERN I	DIVISION	WESTERN DIVISION				
	1950 :	1949	1950 :	1949	1950 :	1949			
41	169.3	161.8	176.5	164.1	158.3	158.3			
42	167.2	156.4	171.9	160.1	159.7	150.7			
43	173.1	164.5	177.2	164.0	166.7	165.3			
44	166.9	157.7	168.9	156.2	163.€	160.2			
45	162.1	155.2	163.7	156.7	159.4	153.0			
46	169.0	159.€	174.2	157.7	162.5	162.9			
47	161.4	154.8	165.3	155.2	154.6	154.0			
48	161.3	153.9	168.2	158.2	150.1	146.9			

										Cumulative Totals from First Week of Year to Date												
		TOT	AL			EASTERN	D!VISION			WESTERN	DIVISION			TOTA	L	EAS	STERN DIV	ISION	WES	TERN DIVIS	SION	
	Week Ended			Week Ended				Week Ended		То		То			То							
	Dec. 2	Nov. 25	Nov. 18	Dec. 3	Dec. 2	Nov. 25		Lec. 3	Dec. 2	Nov. 25	Nov. 18	Dec. 3	Dec. 2	Dec. 3	Dec. 4	Dec. 2	Dec. 3	Dec. 4	Dec. 2	Dec. 3	Dec. 4	
	1950	1950	1950	1949	1950	1950	1950	1949	1950	1950	1950	1949	1950	1949	1948	1950	1949	1948	1950	1949	1948	
1. Grain	7,205	8,770	9,920	8,595	1,517	2,152	2,002	1,836	5,688	6,618	7,918	6,759	288,251	356,298	313,637	71,007	76,176	72,956	217,244	280,122	240,681	
2. Grain Products	3,032	2,828	2,878	2,682	1,748	1,490	1,606	1,421	1,284	1,338	1,272	1,261	115,192	121,971	132,419	60,363	67,940	74,393	54,829	54,031	58,026	
3. Hay and Straw	342	342	427	332	198	220	315	188	144	122	112	144	12,845	13,461	20,498	7,983	6,982	10,898	4,862	6,479	9,600	
4. Fruits, fresh	713	523	311.	729	74	71	57	354	639	452	254	375	15,240	17,652	18,034	3,766	6,024	6,815	11,474	11,628	11,219	
5. Vegetables, fresh or green	875	924	1,181	790	781	839	1,109	709	94	85	72	81	36,452	38,701	39,070	32,739	34,153	34,284	3,713	4,548	4,786	
6. Other Agricultural Products	929	779	1,328	582	349	280	549	195	580	499	779	387	17,399	17,352	16,655	7,966	8,887	8,865	9,433	8,465	7,790	
7. Live Stock	2,118	2,282	2,681	2,235	641	756	765	723	1,477	1,526	1,916	1,512	80,474	88,889	110,766	30,554	33,782	42,888	51,920	55,107	67,878	
8. Butter, Cheese, Eggs	78	83	113	129	45	45	67	79	33	38	46	50	5,116	5,967	7,054	2,636	3,185	3,679	2,480	2,782	3,375	
9. Fresh Meats & Packing House Products (edible)	511	519	546	712	190	197	221	235	321.	322	325	477	20,857	22,777	25,627	8,279	8,194	8,668	12,558	14,583	16,959	
10. Other Packing House Products	52	40	44	38	20	12	25	20	32	28	19	18	2,1.47		2,796	1,217	990	1,616	930	863	1,180	
11. Other Animal Products	99	86	84	89	70	73	63	67	29	13	21	22	4,407	4,578	6,207	3,040	3,253	4,567	1,367	1,325	1,640	
12. Coal	8,409	7,804	8,000	7,090	3,861	3,678	3,946	3,483	4,548	4,126	4,054	3,607	293,349	285,776	293,560	167,792	165,398	168,823	125,557	120,378	124,737	
13. Coke	739	777	804	680	645	684	713	549	94	93	91	131	32,234		30,278	27,717	23,869	26,846	4,517	4,873	3,432	
14. Ores and Concentrates 15. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot	3,021	3,829	4,418	2,374	2,261	2,947	3,255	1,765	760	882	1,163	609	168,312		147,417	112,203	101,609	101,300	56,109	54,616	46,117	
(non-ferrous metals)  16. Sand, Stone, Gravel, Plaster, Lime	540	580	642	470	324	379	457	292	216	201	185	178	25,632		23,455	16,976	15,689	17,452	8,656	7,744	6,003	
Brick, Cement, Sewer pipe, Tile	3,875	3,987	4,591	3,475	3,063	3,048	3,683	2,599	812	939	908	876	204,504		215,717	149,335	153,460	159,819	55,169	52,907	55,898	
17. Other Mine Products	1,617	1,856	1,975	1,686	1,441	1,700	1,805	1,558	176	156	170	128	81,782		73,866	73,664	61,979	66,054	8,118	7,447	7,812	
18. Logs, Piling, Cordwood	1,071	1,049	1,175	777	224	212	232	276	84.7	837	945	501	48,167		52,016	14,524	17,859	21,632	33,643	30,450	30,384	
19. Pulpwood	2,144	2,300	2,665	2,104	1,693	1,964	2,437	1,788	451	336	228	316	151,279		241,485	129,701	136,903	202,399	21,578	27,091	39,086	
20. Lumber, Lath, Shingles	4,031	4,263	4,510	3,725	2,546	2,782	2,966	2,324	1,485	1,481	1,544	1,401	211,352		192,766	129,382	97,243	115,992	81,970	69,803	76,774	
21. Other Forest Products	1,551	1,536	662	1,580	1,391	1,343	469	1,434	160	193	193	1/16	23,453	25,737	30,874	18,344	18,286	24,807	5,109	7,451	5,867	
22. Gasoline,Petroleum Oils & Pdts.	4,430	4,115	4,468	3,617	3,357	3,040	5,361	2,795	1,073	1,075	1,107	050	201,526		205,146 No. 22	148,825	129,809	151,082 No. 22	52,701 54,604	78,769 30,135	74,064 No. 22	
23. Crude 011 2.4 Sugar	745 340	768 256	624 291	968 384	267	196	223	294	741	765	619	959	1		16,138	10,651	11,366	11,342	5.089	5,745		
25 Iron & Steel Pdts.(manufactured)	2.141	1,952	1,937	1.503	1,905	1,770	1.700	1,385	238	60	68	90	15,740 84,743		78,687	76,603	75,059	71,504	8,140	6,661	4,796 7,183	
26. Implementa, Tractors Machinery, Boilers	583	503	576	446	459	398	448	349	144	182	237	97	32,542		37,625		26,362	27,118	7,781	8,630	10,507	
27 Autos, Trucks and Parts	1,177	1,034	1,417	1,028	1,128		1,361	984	49	49	56	44	65,684		44,273		48,675	41,690	4,014	3,184	2,583	
28. Fertilizers	635	620	714	761	291	305	379	<b>315</b>	344	315	335	446	34,232		35,361	20,240	20,861	22,447	13,992	12,969	12,914	
29, Woodpulp and Paper	4,796	4,502	4,556	4,307	4,124		3,902	3,729	6.72	645	654	578	208,378		204,297	181,305	164,529	177,414	27,073	23,717	26,883	
30. Canned Food Products	510	443	532	477	STATE OF THE STATE OF		385	315	152	148	147	162	22,530		19,077	16,451	15,914	13,309	6,079	5,298	5,768	
31. Other Products of Manufactures and Miscellaneous	5,939	5,790	6,336	5,527	4,894	4,7€7	5,213	4,365	1,045	1,023	1,123	1,162	263,928		269,601		201,526	217,205	49,871	51,461	52,396	
32. Merchandise, L.C.L	17,188	17,193	17,878	17,791			13,441	13,034	4,431	4,461	4,437	4,757		861,391	872,724		614,085	613,860	216,616	247,306	258,864	
35. Total Revenue Cars Loaded	81,454	82,333	88,284	77,685	52,602		57,160	49,469	28,832	29,113	31,124	28,214								1,296,568		
34. Received from Connections	32,806	32,922	34,460	30,072	30,007	30,284	31,632	£7,194	2,739	2,638	2,828	2,878	1,514,692	1,481,832	1,664,803	1,390,915	1,352,778	1,510,653	125,777	129,054	154,150	

