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CAR LOADINGS
(Thirteenth week ended March 31, 1951)

Carloadings of revenue freight during the week ended March 31st totalled 79,242 cars to register sharp recovery from the preceding holiday week at 67,413 cars. Compared with the 72,836 cars loaded in the 13th week of last year, an increase of 6,406 cars or 8.8 p.c. is indicated. The week under review established a new high for the period. The gain over the corresponding week of 1950 was all in the Eastern Division where the total reached 54,746 cars against 48,038 cars one year earlier. Western volume was nearly maintained at 24,496 cars compared with 24,798 in 1950. The Eastern region posted good gains in building and mine products, forestry items, and nearly all manufactured goods. Declines in the west in grain loadings, crude oil, fertilizers and L.C.L. offset other advances in the area.

Receipts from foreign connections continued buoyant during the week and totalled 37,869 cars or 2,477 cars above the same period of 1950.

The all-Canada aggregates showing improvement included grain products up from 2,589 to 2,868 cars, fruit, other agricultural and dairy products, coal up 573 carloads to 5,556, bullion, building products and other mine products. Pulpwood advanced spectacularly from 2,131 to 6,159 carloads while lumber was up from 3,813 cars last year to 4,364 cars. Gasoline and petroleum oils totalled 4,380 cars or 644 cars above the same week of 1950. Manufactured iron and steel at 2,575 cars was well above 1,860 cars one year earlier. Autos and trucks amounted to 1,845 carloads, up from 1,571. Woodpulp and paper loaded at 5,494 cars rose 489 cars. Miscellaneous manufactures advanced from 5,143 to 6,356 cars.

Declines prevailed in some agricultural items with grain down from 7,101 to 5,490 cars, and hay and straw, vegetables and livestock lighter. Crude oil moved by tank car has shown some recovery lately from the sharp reduction due to the western pipeline opening last fall. Total cars for the week at 480 compare with 973 cars one year ago. L.C.L. merchandise was loaded in 17,586 cars last week, down slightly from 17,849 cars in the 13th period of 1950.

Cumulative Canadian loadings for the first 13 weeks were an encouraging 961,972 cars compared with 894,584 last year and 944,196 cars in the similar period of 1949. Foreign connections supplied a record 471,270 cars in the same comparison against 385,170 in 1950 and 414,997 cars in the preceding year.

The record movement of freight over Canadian lines in the first quarter of the current year is a reflection of the high level of current industrial activity and trade. With increased freight rates, an improved financial result is anticipated by the major lines.

INDEX NUMBERS

(Adjusted for seasonal variations and holidays)

(Average 1935-1939 = 100)

Week	TOTAL FOR CANADA		EASTERN DIVISION		WESTERN DIVISION	
	1951	1950	1951	1950	1951	1950
6	156.9	158.1	160.0	162.3	150.9	150.2
7	162.1	157.7	170.9	162.1	145.8	149.4
8	165.1	151.8	174.1	153.1	148.2	149.5
9	164.2	155.3	176.4	156.2	141.4	153.6
10	156.7	148.8	172.9	149.4	125.1	147.7
11	161.7	156.6	173.8	158.3	137.9	153.2
12	159.2	162.3	x 173.1	164.1	132.1	158.9
13	169.6	155.8	177.6	157.8	154.0	151.9

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Price per year \$2.00

	T O T A L				EASTERN DIVISION				WESTERN DIVISION				Cumulative Totals from First Week of Year to Date								
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	Week Ended				Week Ended				Week Ended				To			To			To		
	March 31 1 9 5 1	March 24 1 9 5 1	March 17 1 9 5 1	April 1 1 9 5 0	March 31 1 9 5 1	March 24 1 9 5 1	March 17 1 9 5 1	April 1 1 9 5 0	March 31 1 9 5 1	March 24 1 9 5 1	March 17 1 9 5 1	April 1 1 9 5 0	March 31 1 9 5 1	April 1 1 9 5 0	April 2 1 9 4 9	March 31 1 9 5 1	April 1 1 9 5 0	April 2 1 9 4 9	March 31 1 9 5 1	April 1 1 9 5 0	April 2 1 9 4 9
1. Grain	5,490	3,646	4,419	7,101	1,270	961	1,418	1,474	4,220	2,685	3,001	5,627	65,055	58,221	82,864	13,492	17,110	13,656	51,563	41,111	69,208
2. Grain Products	2,868	2,642	2,867	2,589	1,439	1,342	1,522	1,429	1,429	1,300	1,345	1,160	36,296	31,886	30,221	19,407	17,331	16,640	16,889	14,555	13,581
3. Hay and Straw	269	285	343	426	193	229	271	304	76	56	72	122	3,751	4,841	4,356	2,853	2,713	2,898	898	2,128	1,458
4. Fruits, fresh	307	248	225	201	42	67	56	57	265	181	169	144	3,714	5,058	3,317	605	1,012	858	3,109	4,046	2,459
5. Vegetables, fresh or green	855	679	694	1,284	758	625	629	1,215	97	54	65	69	10,855	11,623	11,710	9,970	10,866	10,553	885	757	1,157
6. Other Agricultural Products	236	150	194	164	182	99	137	127	54	51	57	37	3,096	2,981	2,840	2,205	2,298	2,136	891	683	704
7. Live Stock	1,490	1,058	1,161	1,540	525	445	534	669	965	613	627	871	15,592	19,566	20,050	5,839	7,381	8,490	9,753	12,185	11,560
8. Butter, Cheese, Eggs	88	72	74	70	37	31	39	43	51	41	35	27	1,277	1,093	1,082	538	729	684	739	364	398
9. Fresh Meats & Packing House Products (edible)	392	305	423	397	185	146	214	175	207	159	209	222	5,046	5,983	5,389	2,200	2,293	1,623	2,846	3,690	3,766
10. Other Packing House Products	67	44	37	35	52	35	21	23	15	9	16	12	653	637	459	444	386	255	209	251	204
11. Other Animal Products	113	60	113	84	90	53	101	76	23	7	12	8	1,297	1,171	1,169	1,003	793	831	294	378	338
12. Coal	5,556	3,963	5,293	4,983	3,157	2,510	3,031	3,016	2,399	1,453	2,262	1,967	76,512	88,684	82,202	40,312	45,401	39,160	36,200	43,283	43,042
13. Coke	565	585	599	616	491	488	504	503	74	97	95	113	8,297	9,361	8,386	7,120	7,972	7,301	1,177	1,389	1,085
14. Ores and Concentrates	2,153	2,066	2,092	2,277	1,454	1,292	1,398	1,495	699	774	694	782	29,224	28,984	31,164	19,777	19,650	22,315	9,447	9,334	8,849
15. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot (non-ferrous metals)	644	650	627	322	460	490	396	243	184	160	231	79	7,132	6,003	5,905	4,820	4,160	4,080	2,312	1,843	1,825
16. Sand, Stone, Gravel, Plaster, Lime Brick, Cement, Sewer pipe, Tile	3,623	3,148	3,609	3,435	2,825	2,508	2,891	2,540	798	640	718	895	39,277	34,404	37,001	30,081	25,260	27,681	9,196	9,144	9,320
17. Other Mine Products	1,555	1,702	1,823	1,151	1,404	1,588	1,712	1,045	151	114	111	106	21,137	16,526	14,357	19,498	15,052	12,858	1,639	1,474	1,499
18. Logs, Piling, Cordwood	1,017	906	1,020	993	500	473	702	371	517	433	318	622	12,349	9,927	14,395	6,864	5,368	8,558	5,485	4,559	5,837
19. Pulpwood	6,159	5,618	7,074	2,131	4,650	4,186	4,648	1,592	1,509	1,432	2,426	539	80,690	47,863	72,293	57,193	34,419	54,193	23,497	13,444	18,100
20. Lumber, Lath, Shingles	4,364	4,004	4,580	3,813	2,273	2,137	2,588	2,049	2,091	1,867	1,992	1,764	50,837	41,149	37,732	27,268	24,142	21,040	23,569	17,007	16,692
21. Other Forest Products	401	399	420	343	326	343	344	289	75	56	76	54	4,641	4,477	5,499	3,609	3,571	4,358	1,032	906	1,141
22. Gasoline, Petroleum Oils & Pdts.	4,380	3,473	3,981	3,736	3,384	2,773	3,228	2,951	996	700	753	785	56,326	49,611	55,269	46,070	40,172	32,609	10,256	9,439	22,660
23. Crude Oil	480	252	367	973	3	4	4	4	477	248	363	969	5,232	15,111	No. 22	53	91	No. 22	5,179	15,020	No. 22
24. Sugar	265	215	229	198	181	154	184	152	84	61	45	46	3,170	3,046	4,292	2,054	1,952	3,211	1,116	1,094	1,081
25. Iron & Steel Pdts. (manufactured)	2,575	2,101	2,286	1,860	2,392	1,989	2,202	1,735	183	112	84	125	28,143	22,478	24,501	26,354	21,241	23,092	1,789	1,237	1,409
26. Implements, Tractors Machinery, Boilers	860	719	866	985	655	574	727	762	205	145	139	223	8,827	8,741	10,776	7,302	7,059	8,604	1,525	1,682	2,172
27. Autos, Trucks and Parts	1,845	1,740	1,907	1,571	1,703	1,658	1,794	1,450	142	82	113	121	20,780	19,376	13,168	19,847	18,361	12,482	933	1,015	686
28. Fertilizers	757	787	898	1,174	506	526	542	621	251	261	356	553	10,011	10,770	10,654	6,693	6,472	6,570	3,318	4,298	4,084
29. Woodpulp and Paper	5,494	5,300	5,455	5,005	4,800	4,672	4,714	4,421	694	628	741	584	67,588	60,282	56,670	58,809	52,623	49,397	8,779	7,659	7,273
30. Canned Food Products	432	342	424	587	338	277	345	310	94	65	79	77	5,637	5,056	3,597	4,542	3,939	2,882	1,095	1,117	715
31. Other Products of Manufactures and Miscellaneous	6,356	5,228	5,731	5,143	5,466	4,480	4,989	4,337	890	748	742	806	71,228	61,340	62,391	60,754	52,177	52,823	10,474	9,163	9,568
32. Merchandise, L.C.L.	17,586	15,026	16,994	17,849	13,005	11,403	12,904	12,560	4,581	3,623	4,090	5,289	208,302	208,335	230,487	156,109	151,193	165,023	52,193	57,142	65,464
33. Total Revenue Cars Loaded	79,242	67,413	76,825	72,836	54,746	48,558	54,789	48,038	24,496	18,855	22,036	24,798	961,972	894,584	944,196	663,685	603,187	616,861	298,287	291,397	327,335
34. Received from Connections	37,869	35,676	38,960	35,392	34,695	33,087	36,220	32,297	3,174	2,589	2,740	3,095	471,270	385,170	414,997	437,508	354,508	379,512	33,762	30,662	35,485



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