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CAR LOADINGS
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Sparked by heavier grain and coal movements, carloadings for the week ended August 18th moved up to 82,953 cars from 76,217 cars in the preceding week but were 864 cars or about 1 p.c. under the 33rd period of last year when 83,817 cars were loaded. During the elapsed weeks of the current year, loadings have rarely been below the same period of 1950.

The decline in the week under review was confined to the eastern division where sizeable decreases in L.C.L. shipments and lumber (probably due in part to higher rates and the shortened work week) brought the regional total down to 54,800 cars from 55,981 cars one year earlier. Western traffic increased from 27,836 to 28,153 cars in the same comparison due mainly to grain shipments. The huge harvest anticipated across the Prairies presents a challenge to transportation facilities. Forest fires coupled with prolonged drought on the Pacific Coast continued to reduce the movement of forestry products.

Receipts from foreign connections during the week amounted to 32,744 cars against 33,492 cars one year ago.

Commodities registering impressive gains over the 33rd week of 1950 included grain up from 4,715 to 10,290 cars, fresh fruits at 368 against 172 cars, ores and concentrates up 872 cars to 5,137, building products, and pulpwood at 5,819 cars compared with 4,260 in the same week last year. The products of steel mills required 1,901 cars against 1,660 while implements gained 148 carloads to 803 for the week. Woodpulp and paper shipments were 231 cars higher at 4,555 cars. Lighter volume was indicated this week for grain products, livestock off from 1,665 to 1,329 cars, dairy products, meats, coal down 1,109 carloads to 5,355, coke, other mine products, logs off from 1,156 to 867 cars and lumber at 4,284 cars against 6,097 cars one year earlier. Gasoline shipments were lighter while crude oil was down nearly 1,000 cars. Sugar declined and autos were off from 968 to 795 carloads and miscellaneous down 712 cars to 5,696. Merchandise moving under L.C.L. tariffs dropped from 17,198 to 15,346 cars.

The cumulative total of loadings for the first 33 periods of the current year was 2,611,558 cars or 188,820 cars above the corresponding span of 1950, a gain of 7.8 p.c.

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
26	176.9	171.0	177.0	176.3	176.5	160.7
27	170.1	161.5	177.2	165.9	156.5	152.7
28	173.8	163.7	182.6	174.1	157.1	144.1
29	175.9	165.2	184.6	173.9	154.9	149.8
30	174.9	168.3	179.0	171.1	167.6	163.4
31	169.5	168.1	175.2	169.0	159.0	166.6
32	x 165.5	163.6	x 170.3	169.0	156.0	153.8
33	165.4	167.1	172.5	176.2	153.2	151.4

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Price per year \$1.50

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	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		
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1. Grain	10,290	8,972	9,916	4,715	3,115	2,771	3,392	1,812	7,175	6,201	6,524	2,903	251,150	168,794	203,511	54,986	45,758	47,203	196,184	123,056	156,108
2. Grain Products	2,668	2,367	2,297	3,305	1,531	1,362	1,353	1,853	1,137	1,005	944	1,452	90,170	80,453	80,047	49,445	44,540	45,353	40,725	35,913	34,694
3. Hay and Straw	174	134	107	127	106	77	65	47	68	57	42	80	5,770	8,069	7,415	4,134	4,716	4,423	1,636	3,353	2,992
4. Fruits, fresh	368	151	108	172	190	76	72	90	178	75	36	82	7,405	7,448	7,118	2,388	2,096	2,593	5,017	5,352	4,525
5. Vegetables, fresh or green	289	302	255	307	175	190	155	158	114	112	100	149	21,341	23,581	21,362	19,029	21,355	18,740	2,312	2,226	2,622
6. Other Agricultural Products	107	80	94	229	70	46	72	151	37	34	22	78	5,700	5,603	5,919	4,188	4,300	4,646	1,512	1,303	1,273
7. Live Stock	1,329	1,121	1,096	1,665	467	353	378	607	862	768	718	1,058	40,603	51,009	50,346	15,590	19,967	21,064	25,013	31,042	29,282
8. Butter, Cheese, Eggs	94	86	102	185	45	37	34	72	49	49	68	113	3,103	3,668	3,586	1,246	1,911	1,823	1,857	1,757	1,763
9. Fresh Meats & Packing House Products (edible)	418	407	419	523	154	150	151	203	264	257	268	320	14,118	14,424	13,794	6,177	5,759	4,837	7,941	8,665	8,957
10. Other Packing House Products	71	29	37	43	54	24	26	25	17	5	11	18	1,479	1,515	1,234	946	890	665	533	625	569
11. Other Animal Products	51	58	64	142	29	47	49	106	22	11	15	36	3,077	3,035	2,890	2,215	2,045	2,064	862	990	828
12. Coal	5,335	4,109	4,150	6,444	3,511	2,537	2,485	3,991	1,824	1,572	1,665	2,453	176,325	190,662	176,719	110,838	112,743	105,280	65,487	77,919	71,439
13. Coke	518	673	566	650	408	570	470	564	110	103	96	86	19,810	22,123	18,972	16,702	18,757	15,896	3,108	3,366	3,078
14. Ores and Concentrates	5,137	5,087	4,465	4,265	3,427	3,453	2,842	2,670	1,710	1,634	1,623	1,595	111,703	104,880	102,015	74,119	69,798	67,923	37,584	35,082	34,092
15. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot (non-ferrous metals)	579	609	515	695	385	433	352	443	194	176	163	252	18,207	17,217	15,863	12,412	11,461	10,920	5,795	5,756	4,943
16. Sand, Stone, Gravel, Plaster, Lime Brick, Cement, Sewer pipe, Tile	6,064	5,270	5,721	5,770	4,328	3,924	4,217	4,226	1,736	1,346	1,504	1,544	145,034	135,754	135,854	108,581	98,528	100,945	36,453	37,226	34,889
17. Other Mine Products	1,754	1,595	1,692	2,436	1,576	1,435	1,538	2,149	178	160	154	287	58,396	53,276	42,527	53,338	48,178	37,635	5,058	5,098	4,892
18. Logs, Piling, Cordwood	867	681	750	1,156	401	309	340	286	466	372	410	870	33,654	31,879	33,770	13,924	10,884	14,461	19,730	20,995	19,309
19. Pulpwood	5,819	6,131	6,067	4,260	5,366	5,419	5,454	3,896	453	712	613	364	195,274	110,402	129,297	160,310	92,379	105,465	34,964	18,023	23,832
20. Lumber, Lath, Shingles	4,284	4,073	4,380	6,097	2,348	2,283	2,431	3,608	1,936	1,790	1,949	2,489	142,273	138,798	108,668	80,015	83,169	62,254	62,258	55,629	46,414
21. Other Forest Products	478	524	567	498	392	418	468	409	86	106	99	89	14,571	14,413	16,667	11,747	10,973	11,433	2,824	3,440	5,234
22. Gasoline, Petroleum Oils & Pdts.	5,261	4,950	4,796	5,625	3,558	3,369	3,411	3,967	1,703	1,581	1,385	1,658	148,326	137,628	146,211	109,180	102,200	85,985	39,146	35,428	60,226
23. Crude Oil	679	525	495	1,672	4	5	5	7	675	522	490	1,665	13,927	41,440	12,973	134	187	167	13,793	41,253	12,806
24. Sugar	220	306	229	553	155	178	134	343	65	128	95	210	9,939	10,676	11,590	6,333	6,884	7,734	3,606	3,792	3,856
25. Iron & Steel Pdts. (manufactured)	1,901	1,671	1,741	1,660	1,678	1,500	1,575	1,467	223	171	166	193	69,660	57,963	57,157	63,944	53,000	52,927	5,716	4,963	4,230
26. Implements, Tractors Machinery, Boilers	803	675	765	655	555	478	623	397	248	197	142	258	26,152	25,077	27,349	20,633	19,098	20,926	5,499	5,979	6,423
27. Autos, Trucks and Parts	795	688	1,108	968	747	660	1,067	859	48	28	41	109	49,988	47,351	34,681	47,882	44,401	32,438	2,106	2,950	2,243
28. Fertilizers	532	484	479	343	293	246	272	350	239	238	207	193	25,270	25,125	24,626	15,631	15,693	16,278	9,639	9,432	8,350
29. Woodpulp and Paper	4,553	4,267	4,507	4,522	3,936	3,669	3,739	3,705	617	598	708	617	159,591	146,702	129,918	138,281	128,091	113,422	21,310	18,611	16,496
30. Canned Food Products	473	404	391	529	312	257	254	348	161	147	137	181	14,578	13,829	11,433	10,829	10,175	8,392	5,749	3,654	3,041
31. Other Products of Manufactures and Miscellaneous	5,696	5,168	5,556	6,408	4,422	3,920	4,141	4,867	1,274	1,248	1,415	1,541	193,870	174,581	169,811	156,251	141,421	136,645	37,619	33,180	33,166
32. Merchandise, L.C.L.	15,346	14,620	15,178	17,198	11,062	10,475	11,038	12,305	4,284	4,145	4,140	4,893	540,894	555,163	589,255	399,379	401,289	417,864	141,515	153,874	171,371
33. Total Revenue Cars Loaded	82,953	76,217	78,613	83,817	54,800	50,669	52,663	55,981	28,153	25,548	25,950	27,836	2,611,358	2,422,533	2,392,358	1,770,827	1,632,626	1,578,399	840,531	789,912	813,939
34. Received from Connections	32,744	32,481	32,918	33,492	29,605	29,372	29,982	30,822	3,139	3,109	2,936	2,670	1,149,900	1,026,209	1,018,869	1,058,420	942,548	931,514	91,480	83,681	87,355

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