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## SUMMARY OF CANAL STATISTICS

FOR

SEPTEMBER, 1924Historical File CopySault Ste. Marie Canals:

Compared with 1923, traffic was lighter by 3,114,082 tons or 24 per cent. Wheat shipments were lighter by 3,619,181 bushels but coarse grains were heavier by 17,569,696 bushels. The big factor was the decline in iron ore shipments which fell off 3,449,358 tons; bituminous coal shipments were also lighter by 164,150 tons.

Since the opening of navigation, 34,886,935 tons of iron ore have passed down the canals and 8,708,923 tons of bituminous coal have gone up as against 45,350,788 tons of iron ore and 12,646,372 tons of bituminous coal for the corresponding period in 1923.

Welland Canal:

Total traffic on the canal was heavier than for September, 1923 by 111,433 tons or 20 per cent. Wheat was heavier by 93,243 tons or 3,108,100 bushels, oils by 10,110 tons, pulpwood by 35,126 tons and bituminous coal by 4,975 tons. Decreases were recorded by barley, 15,454 tons, corn, 2,381 tons, rye 18,750 tons, sugar, 2,907 tons and sand, 7,010 tons.

St. Lawrence Canals:

Compared with September, 1923 wheat shipments increased 106,098 tons or 3,536,600 bushels. Pulpwood was heavier by 51,918 tons and coal, both anthracite and bituminous, increased in tonnage 6,088 tons and 8,473 tons respectively. Shipments fell off in barley, rye, flax, oils, lumber and merchandise. The total traffic, however, was heavier by 110,607 tons or 17 per cent.

Sault Ste. Marie Canals:Canadian & American Locks:

		September 1924	September 1923
Vessels	No.	2,351	3,193
Registered Tonnage	Tons	7,550,292	10,121,809
Passengers	No.	7,195	7,921
Flour	Bbls.	1,352,870	1,362,270
Wheat	Bus.	19,004,827	22,624,008
Other Grains	"	25,891,288	8,321,592
Iron Ores	Tons	6,031,533	9,480,891
Soft Coal	"	1,781,201	1,945,351
Hard Coal	"	177,270	72,461
Total Freight	"	9,660,797	12,774,879

Sault Ste. Marie Canal:Canadian Lock:

Vessels	No.	411	578
Registered Tonnage	Tons	631,026	888,275
Passengers	No.	4,609	5,344
Barley	Tons	12,735	18,408
Oats	"	18,915	5,914
Wheat	"	24,843	83,826
Flour	"	55,360	69,747
Total Freight	"	185,319	292,411



		September <u>1924</u>	September <u>1923</u>
<u>Welland Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	715	714
Registered Tonnage	Tons	668,660	592,226
Barley	"	6,102	21,556
Corn	"	16,664	19,045
Oats	"	10,371	5,674
Rye	"	49,567	68,317
Wheat	"	392,545	299,302
Pulpwood	"	47,464	12,338
Soft Coal	"	67,858	62,883
Sand	"	31,726	38,736
Total Freight	"	677,885	566,452
<u>St. Lawrence Canals:</u>			
Vessels	No.	1,465	1,519
Registered Tonnage	Tons	820,817	751,704
Passengers	No.	8,853	9,993
Barley	Tons	4,956	26,529
Corn	"	11,360	10,873
Oats	"	7,419	6,532
Rye	"	51,541	66,767
Wheat	"	396,697	290,599
Petroleum & Oils	"	5,777	17,658
Pulpwood	"	103,892	51,974
S. Lumber	"	9,669	10,721
Hard Coal	"	16,658	10,570
Soft Coal	"	74,575	66,102
Sand	"	23,553	29,275
Total Freight	"	751,763	641,156
<u>Ottawa Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	284	370
Registered Tonnage	Tons	44,395	48,187
Passengers	No.	3,150	2,750
Total Freight	Tons	27,163	36,639
<u>Rideau Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	74	233
Registered Tonnage	Tons	7,552	14,099
Passengers	No.	229	228
Total Freight	Tons	4,333	10,989
<u>Chambly Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	233	192
Registered Tonnage	Tons	28,911	21,523
Passengers	No.	210	153
Total Freight	Tons	31,382	22,502
<u>Trent Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	377	393
Registered Tonnage	Tons	13,932	16,674
Passengers	No.	3,368	3,718
Total Freight	Tons	5,747	6,414
<u>Murray Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	25	132
Registered Tonnage	Tons	572	4,270
Passengers	No.	-	126
Total Freight	Tons	32	342
<u>St. Peters Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	195	125
Registered Tonnage	Tons	12,993	9,803
Passengers	No.	27	57
Total Freight	Tons	5,828	5,137
<u>St. Andrews Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	31	60
Registered Tonnage	Tons	11,545	9,306
Passengers	No.	-	-
Total Freight	Tons	10,865	7,290