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SUMMARY OF CANAL TRAFFIC

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FOR

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Sault Ste. Marie Canals:

Canadian and United States Locks:

Light shipments of wheat and iron ore were the chief factors in reducing the tonnage using the canals at Sault Ste. Marie from 7,154,293 tons in October, 1933, to 5,005,676 tons in October, 1934. Wheat decreased from 28,910,342 bushels to 22,169,093 bushels and iron ore from 4,782,866 tons to 2,688,254 tons. Bituminous coal shipments increased from 888,651 tons to 1,157,853 tons, but anthracite coal decreased from 56,664 tons to 7,654 tons.

Welland Ship Canal:

Total freight using the canal during October amounted to 1,330,721 tons as against 1,352,644 tons last year. Wheat was lighter by 198,244 tons, or 6,608,133 bushels, corn by 38,198 tons and oats by 17,534 tons. Rye increased by 37,267 tons, all of it being up-bound, cement, brick and lime increased by 16,323 tons, iron and steel by 21,818 tons, gasolene by 32,460 tons, pulpwood by 17,727 tons and bituminous coal by 99,889 tons. Total traffic from the opening of navigation on April 17th to October 31st amounted to 7,885,651 tons, as against 7,993,679 tons in 1933.

St. Lawrence Canals:

Freight using the St. Lawrence canals was lighter than in October, 1933, by 4,571 tons, decreasing from 1,040,854 to 1,036,283 tons. The large decreases were: wheat, 75,586 tons; pulpwood, 24,173 tons; paper, 7,983 tons; oats, 6,806 tons, and anthracite coal, 5,700 tons. Barley was heavier than in 1933 by 24,581 tons, rye by 37,742 tons, bituminous coal by 28,093 tons and petroleum and other oils by 11,049 tons. For the season up to the end of October 5,737,802 tons of freight used the canals, as against 6,170,762 tons in 1933.

Sault Ste. Marie Canals:

Canadian and United States Locks:

		October 1934	October 1933
Vessels	No.	1,482	1,943
Registered Tonnage	Tons	4,279,424	6,370,204
Passengers	No.	262	213
Flour	Barrels	943,190	1,023,970
Wheat	Bushels	22,169,093	28,910,342
Other Grains	"	4,433,739	7,243,240
Iron Ore	Tons	2,688,254	4,782,866
Soft Coal	"	1,157,853	888,651
Hard Coal	"	7,654	56,664
Total Freight	"	5,005,676	7,154,293

Sault Ste. Marie Canal:

Vessels	No.	428	373
Registered Tonnage	Tons	384,211	386,790
Passengers	No.	222	132
Barley	Tons	9,874	10,493
Oats	"	1,250	1,785
Wheat	"	87,082	88,694
Flour	"	55,252	53,854
Total Freight	"	251,451	239,018



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<u>Welland Ship Canal:</u>		October 1934	October 1933
Vessels	No.	722	738
Registered Tonnage	Tons	1,185,112	1,250,072
Passengers	No.	7	...
Barley	Tons	28,875	20,957
Corn	"	18,186	56,384
Oats	"	3,394	20,928
Rye	"	57,179	19,912
Wheat	"	233,980	432,224
Flour	"	33,150	35,710
Gasolene	"	65,020	32,560
Petroleum & Other Oils	"	26,849	30,329
Sugar	"	17,546	21,496
Autos & Auto Parts	"	4,330	(
Wood Pulp	"	74,993	(
Merchandise	"	69,535	(156,910
Pulpwood	"	88,091	70,364
Paper	"	23,895	30,370
Soft Coal	"	352,373	252,484
Coke	"	68,119	69,179
Iron Ore	"	79,453	52,064
Sand	"	2,600	3,400
Total Freight	"	1,330,721	1,352,644

<u>St. Lawrence Canals:</u>			
Vessels	No.	1,355	1,508
Registered Tonnage	Tons	949,249	890,791
Passengers	No.	4	...
Barley	Tons	33,722	9,141
Corn	"	11,560	9,794
Oats	"	590	7,396
Rye	"	56,338	18,596
Wheat	"	259,544	335,130
Flour	"	25,618	27,941
Gasolene	"	48,010	43,314
Petroleum & Other Oils	"	67,051	56,002
Sugar	"	21,289	14,001
Autos & Auto Parts	"	1,347	(
Wood Pulp	"	84,503	(
Merchandise	"	83,723	(173,678
Pulpwood	"	88,814	112,987
Paper	"	13,610	21,593
Hard Coal	"	35,482	41,182
Soft Coal	"	141,195	113,102
Sand	"	16,694	9,363
Total Freight	"	1,036,283	1,040,854

		<u>Ottawa Canal</u>		<u>Rideau Canal</u>	
		1934	1933	1934	1933
Vessels	No.	239	225	53	50
Registered Tonnage	Tons	50,892	34,852	6,302	6,094
Passengers	No.	28	...	...	...
Total Freight	Tons	37,288	35,045	3,453	3,479
		<u>Chambly Canal</u>		<u>Trent Canal</u>	
Vessels	No.	76	39	168	61
Registered Tonnage	Tons	7,371	3,453	1,404	956
Passengers	No.	...	...	127	60
Total Freight	Tons	5,688	3,640	705	416
		<u>Murray Canal</u>		<u>St. Peter's Canal</u>	
Vessels	No.	6	8	154	130
Registered Tonnage	Tons	2,365	497	11,923	5,859
Passengers	No.	...	...	5	7
Total Freight	Tons	1,680	...	11,062	4,028
		<u>St. Andrew's Canal</u>		<u>All Canadian Canals</u>	
Vessels	No.	102	62	3,303	3,194
Registered Tonnage	Tons	6,859	2,678	2,605,688	2,582,042
Passengers	No.	433	134	826	333
Total Freight	Tons	2,463	388	2,680,794	2,679,512

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