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Sault Ste. Marie Canals - Canadian and United States Locks: Total freight traffic passed through the locks during September amounted to 11,041,096 tons as against 7,147,840 tons last year. A continued heavy movement of iron ore and an early and heavy movement of wheat and other grains were the chief factors in this large increase. Iron ore increased from 4,924,256 tons to 7,910,329 tons and wheat increased from 20,996,457 bushels to 27,362,251 bushels.

Welland Ship Canal: Freight using the canal increased from 1,179,809 tons in September, 1935, to 1,406,502 tons, due principally to increases in wheat of 64,923 tons, or 2,164,100 bushels, in gasoline of 14,953 tons, wood pulp of 27,789 tons, pulpwood of 15,210 tons, soft coal of 37,317 tons and iron ore of 60,831 tons,

St. Lawrence Canals: With increases over last year's traffic of 83,517 tons of wheat, 9,553 tons of gasoline, 16,983 tons of oil, 35,786 tons of wood pulp, 34,078 tons of soft coal and 14,077 tons of coke, total traffic increased from 982,783 tons in September, 1935, to 1,129,988 tons. Since the opening of navigation to September 30th total freight amounted to 5,882,109 tons as against 4,972,097 tons last year, an increase of 910,012 tons, or 18.3 per cent.

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<u>Sault Ste. Marie Canals</u>		Canadian Lock	Canadian & U.S. Locks	Canadian Lock	Canadian & U.S. Locks
<u>EAST BOUND</u>					
Lumber	M Ft. B.M.	334	8,340	265	5,534
Flour	Barrels	528,120	790,466	560,870	1,001,230
Wheat	Bushels	4,943,767	27,362,251	2,879,633	20,996,457
Other Grain	"	1,129,502	6,464,915	772,306	5,250,308
Copper	Short Tons	1,834	12,420	...	6,873
Iron Ore	" "	...	7,910,329	...	4,924,256
Pig Iron	" "	235	34,444	...	39,682
Structural Steel	" "	527	880	159	542
Stone	" "	1,350	2,540	700	7,020
Other Freight	" "	17,509	44,569	22,409	42,874
Total	" "	260,758	9,115,781	202,526	5,920,789
Passengers	Number	1,893	2,574	1,355	1,947
<u>WEST BOUND</u>					
Coal, soft	Short Tons	8,668	1,516,284	17,682	994,993
Coal, hard	" "	...	16,249	2,225	2,225
Coke	" "	6,725	6,725
Iron Ore	" "	...	2,549
Structural Steel	" "	1,000	1,639	359	708
Salt	" "	2,633	3,601	1,632	2,365
Oil-Gasoline	" "	22,868	104,644	8,518	77,149
Stone	" "	4,765	130,356	140	30,306
Other Freight	" "	61,144	142,841	43,206	96,360
Total	" "	108,230	1,925,315	77,007	1,227,051
Passengers	Number	839	2,070	782	1,621
Total Freight	Short Tons	368,988	11,041,096	279,533	7,147,840
Total Passengers	Number	2,732	4,644	2,137	3,568
Number of vessels		458	2,583	403	1,899
Registered Tonnage Net		604,246	9,006,646	432,108	6,419,931

Welland Ship Canal:		September 1936	September 1935
Vessels	No.	774	655
Registered Tonnage	Tons	1,206,090	1,035,097
Passengers	No.	1,257	6
Barley	Tons	12,707	23,229
Corn	"	4,701	15,448
Oats	"	9,728	7,103
Rye	"	...	1,714
Flaxseed	"	6,539	740
Wheat	"	383,118	318,195
Flour	"	26,949	34,565
Gasolene	"	60,059	45,106
Petroleum & Other Oils	"	32,504	30,038
Sugar	"	25,699	15,909
Pulpwood	"	96,664	81,454
Autos and Parts	"	3,635	6,690
Paper	"	21,022	16,448
Wood Pulp	"	62,377	34,588
Soft Coal	"	383,061	345,744
Coke	"	43,400	32,904
Iron Ore	"	121,293	60,462
Sand	"	9,750	1,924
All other freight	"	67,519	59,858
Total Freight	"	1,406,502	1,179,809

St. Lawrence Canals:

Vessels	No.	1,426	1,511
Registered Tonnage	Tons	924,828	853,356
Passengers	No.	1,045	739
Barley	Tons	11,865	22,886
Corn	"	12,219	21,062
Oats	"	9,087	7,671
Rye	"	816	1,599
Flaxseed	"	11,450	740
Wheat	"	336,161	252,644
Flour	"	23,060	32,822
Gasolene	"	62,872	53,319
Petroleum & Other Oils	"	70,823	53,840
Sugar	"	25,128	12,684
Pulpwood	"	121,351	115,634
Autos and Parts	"	1,057	2,188
Paper	"	17,500	13,847
Wood Pulp	"	74,873	39,087
Hard Coal	"	39,480	85,929
Soft Coal	"	152,709	118,631
Iron Ore	"	28,305	24,156
Sand	"	8,073	24,528
All other freight	"	86,300	68,137
Total Freight	"	1,129,988	982,783

		Ottawa Canal		:	Rideau Canal	
		1936	1935	:	1936	1935
Vessels	No.	187	221	:	39	62
Registered Tonnage	Tons	24,504	43,297	:	3,719	5,863
Passengers	No.	600	730	:	59	182
Total Freight	Tons	19,418	34,733	:	1,776	2,607
		Chambly Canal		:	Trent Canal	
Vessels	No.	95	46	:	490	486
Registered Tonnage	Tons	11,869	4,649	:	2,866	3,134
Passengers	No.	16	11	:	1,705	1,646
Total Freight	Tons	7,954	4,123	:	187	233
		Murray Canal		:	St. Peter's Canal	
Vessels	No.	19	28	:	174	236
Registered Tonnage	Tons	2,053	4,479	:	7,971	22,186
Passengers	No.	...	52	:	46	80
Total Freight	Tons	1,657	701	:	7,030	16,489
		St. Andrew's Canal		:	All Canadian Canals	
Vessels	No.	100	77	:	3,352	3,322
Registered Tonnage	Tons	9,664	7,704	:	2,797,810	1,979,765
Passengers	No.	364	345	:	7,824	3,811
Total Freight	Tons	2,409	1,449	:	2,945,909	2,222,636



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