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SUMMARY OF CANAL TRAFFIC

APRIL, 1940

The first vessel through the United States locks at Sault Ste. Marie was on April 11 and through the Canadian lock on April 23. On the Welland Ship Canal navigation opened on April 22 and on the St. Lawrence Canals on April 17.

Sault Ste. Marie Canals - Canadian and United States Locks: All commodities listed showed increases over 1939 traffic but wheat, other grains and iron ore were particularly heavy and the total increased to 1,147,848 tons as against 117,230 tons in April last year.

Welland Ship Canal: Heavy movements of wheat and coal were the chief factors in raising the total traffic using the canal to 448,678 tons compared with 199,512 tons in 1939.

St. Lawrence Canals: Wheat and coal were the chief factors also on these canals in raising the total tonnage to 267,757 tons as against 49,761 tons in April 1939. Wheat shipments amounted to 137,021 tons or 4,567,366 bushels compared with 161,866 bushels in 1939.

Sault Ste. Marie Canals		1940		1939	
		Canadian Lock	Canadian & U.S. Locks	Canadian Lock	Canadian & U.S. Locks
<u>EAST BOUND</u>					
Pulpwood	Cords	1,004	1,984	...	...
Lumber	M Ft. B.M.	...	...	...	...
Flour	Barrels	189,610	268,150	64,880	64,880
Wheat	Bushels	2,272,800	12,075,620	30,066	30,066
Other Grain	"	354,373	2,321,177	72,333	72,333
Copper	Short Tons	...	...	...	...
Iron Ore	" "	...	302,915	...	13,440
Pig Iron	" "	2,589	8,189	...	...
Structural Steel	" "	...	...	...	...
Stone	" "	...	...	...	...
Other Freight	" "	4,399	4,405	498	498
Total	" "	103,647	758,379	9,624	23,064
Passengers	Number	...	4	...	...
<u>WEST BOUND</u>					
Coal, soft	Short Tons	2,900	477,249	...	6,550
Coal, hard	" "	...	...	...	...
Coke	" "	...	...	...	...
Iron Ore	" "	...	...	...	...
Structural Steel X	" "	1,094	3,094	900	900
Salt	" "	45	2,122	2,750	2,750
Oil and Gasolene	" "	7,960	19,704	402	5,594
Stone	" "	...	...	...	...
Other Freight	" "	6,924	13,927	3,761	3,761
Total	" "	18,923	519,781	7,813	19,744
Passengers	Number	7	30	18	18
Total Freight	Short Tons	122,570	1,278,160	17,437	42,808
Total Passengers	Number	7	34	18	18
Number of Vessels		92	441	21	68
Registered Tonnage Net		136,017	1,147,848	25,707	117,230

X - Structural Steel:- Includes Agricultural Implements & Iron and Steel, Other.

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Welland Ship Canal:		April 1940	April 1939
Vessels	No.	241	155
Registered Tonnage	Tons	446,154	246,609
Passengers	No.	...	...
Barley	Tons	6,689	...
Corn	"	...	...
Cats	"	1,080	...
Rye	"	...	...
Wheat	"	88,072	4,425
Flour	"	14,400	...
Gasolene	"	18,223	30,292
Petroleum & Other Oils	"	48,255	37,998
Sugar	"	...	2,107
Pulpwood	"	...	...
Autos and Parts	"	52	4,035
Paper	"	16,418	13,844
Wood Pulp	"	...	...
Soft Coal	"	235,424	81,892
Coke	"	2,702	...
Iron Ore	"	...	...
Sand	"	...	...
All other freight	"	17,363	24,919
Total Freight	"	448,678	199,512

St. Lawrence Canals:

Vessels	No.	525	73
Registered Tonnage	Tons	169,831	49,224
Passengers	No.	...	...
Barley	Tons	5,384	...
Corn	"	4,377	...
Oats	"	...	...
Rye	"	...	...
Wheat	"	137,021	4,856
Flour	"	10,291	...
Gasolene	"	6,139	1,900
Petroleum & Other Oils	"	5,313	12,925
Sugar	"	4,072	...
Pulpwood	"	...	...
Autos and Parts	"	50	86
Paper	"	4,963	25
Wood Pulp	"	...	...
Hard Coal	"	928	...
Soft Coal	"	66,343	14,099
Sand	"	...	...
All other freight	"	22,876	15,870
Total Freight	"	267,757	49,761

		Ottawa River Canal		Rideau Canal	
		1940	: 1939	1940	: 1939
Vessels	No	12	...	...	...
Registered Tonnage	Tons	2,471	...	...	...
Passengers	No.	...	...	...	...
Total Freight	Tons	900	...	...	...
		Richelieu River Canal		Trent Canal	
Vessels	No.	13	...	4	...
Registered Tonnage	Tons	1,232	...	335	...
Passengers	No.	...	...	...	...
Total Freight	Tons	500	...	...	...
		Murray Canal		St. Peter's Canal	
Vessels	No.	7	...	22	8
Registered Tonnage	Tons	1,222	...	1,138	142
Passengers	No.	...	...	...	...
Total Freight	Tons	750	...	894	8
		St. Andrew's Canal		All Canadian Canals	
Vessels	No.	...	...	874	257
Registered Tonnage	Tons	...	...	754,808	321,682
Passengers	No.	...	...	7	18
Total Freight	Tons	...	...	839,905	266,718



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