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BUILDING PERMITS REPORT FOR JANUARY 1926, WITH COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS FOR
DECEMBER, 1925, and JANUARY, 1925.

Reports from 60 cities again indicated a decrease in January, as compared with the preceding month and also as compared with January, 1925. The building authorized was valued at \$4,608,688; this was 37.2 p.c. less than the December total of \$7,341,752 and 15.3 p.c. less than the January, 1925 total of \$5,440,770.

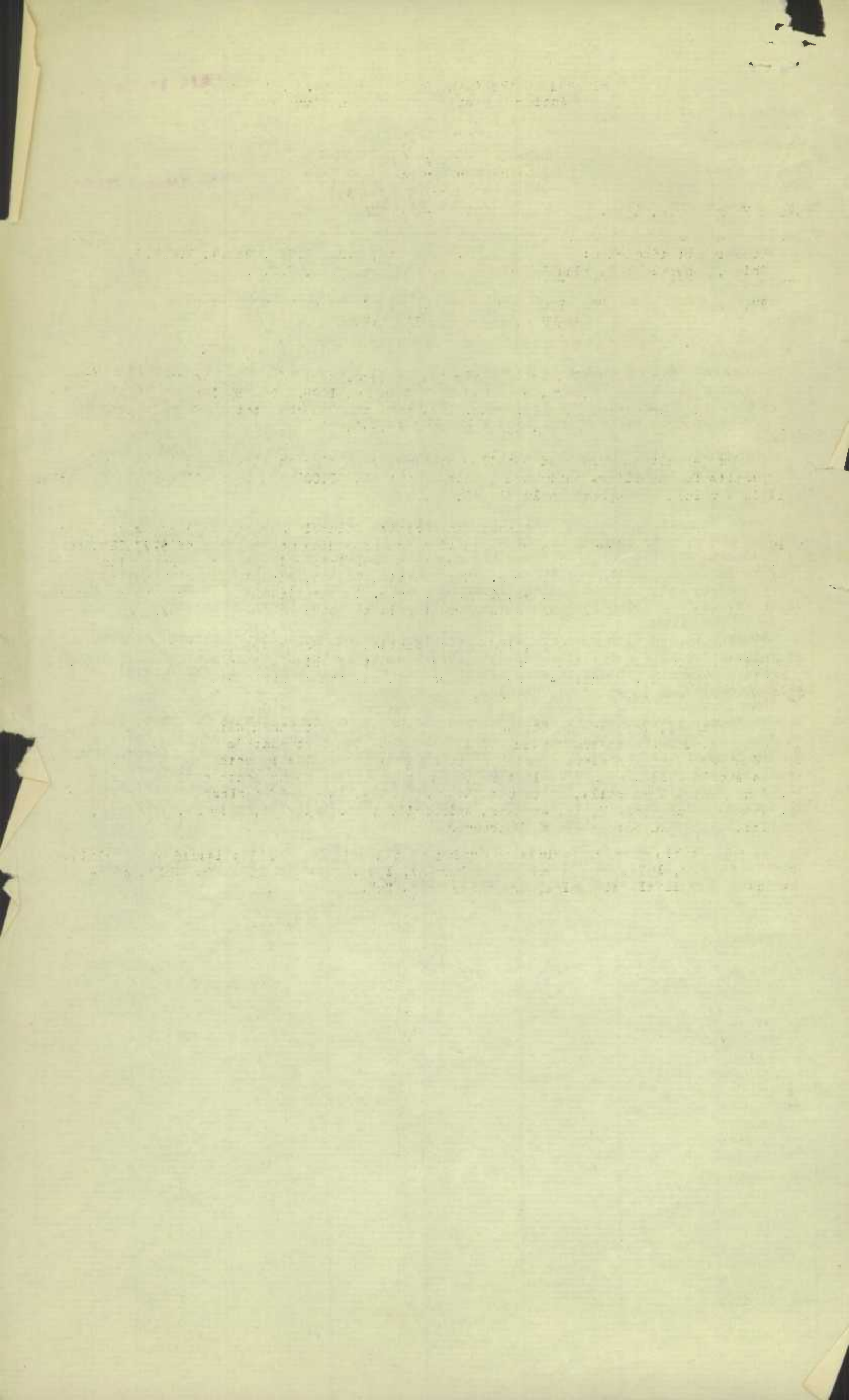
Some 45 cities furnished detailed statements showing that they had issued over 350 permits for dwellings estimated to cost about \$2,200,000 and over 900 permits for other buildings valued at approximately \$1,900,000.

New Brunswick, Manitoba, Alberta and British Columbia registered increases in the value of the permits issued, as compared with the preceding month; that of \$727,027, or 103.2 p.c. in British Columbia being the greatest absolute gain, but the proportional increase in New Brunswick was larger. Nova Scotia, Quebec, Ontario and Saskatchewan reported decreases, that of \$2,241,505 or 53.7 p.c. in Ontario being the greatest absolute loss, but the proportional decrease was greater in the other three provinces.

As compared with January, 1925, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Manitoba, Alberta, and British Columbia reported increases, the largest of which was \$632,519 or 79.2 p.c. in British Columbia. Declines were registered in the other provinces, the largest, \$962,462 or 33.3 p.c. being in Ontario.

Montreal, Toronto and Ottawa showed decreases as compared with December, 1925 and January, 1925; Hamilton showed a loss compared with last month's figures, but a gain over January of the previous year; Vancouver registered gains in both comparisons. Other cities showing gains over both last month and the corresponding month of last year were St. John, Shawinigan Falls, Westmount, Niagara Falls, Oshawa, Peterborough, Port Arthur, St. Thomas, Sault Ste. Marie, Windsor, Walkerville, St. Boniface, Calgary, Edmonton, Nanaimo, Prince Rupert and South Vancouver.

The table on page 2 gives the value of the building permits issued by 60 cities during January, 1926, and December and January, 1925. The 35 cities for which statistics are available since 1910 are marked thus "x".



Estimated Cost of Building Work as Indicated by Building Permits.

Cities	Jan. 1926	Dec. 1925	Jan. 1925
	\$	\$	\$
Prince Edward Island - Charlottetown	Nil	Nil	Nil
Nova Scotia	13,230	35,685	2,190
x Halifax	10,130	24,995	2,190
New Glasgow	Nil	100	Nil
x Sydney	3,100	10,590	Nil
New Brunswick	106,860	10,500	17,300
Fredericton	Nil	Nil	9,000
x Moncton	1,100	6,000	2,300
x St. John	105,760	4,500	6,000
Quebec	913,166	2,183,012	1,567,885
x Montreal - Maisonneuve	548,510	2,021,000	765,235
x Quebec	15,976	26,890	12,200
Shawinigan Falls	7,600	925	Nil
x Sherbrooke	6,500	69,300	24,000
x Three Rivers	27,880	16,585	714,125
x Westmount	306,700	48,312	52,325
Ontario	1,930,407	4,171,912	2,892,869
Belleville	1,350	31,200	275
x Brantford	940	10,360	11,500
Chatham	10,100	38,700	Nil
x Fort William	10,100	28,350	6,750
Galt	3,800	4,818	5,900
x Guelph	400	8,505	1,300
x Hamilton	91,600	110,150	59,800
x Kingston	360	116,250	1,325
x Kitchener	33,035	106,000	39,600
x London	33,640	320,260	45,260
Niagara Falls	76,575	42,375	32,325
Oshawa	16,800	4,735	7,720
x Ottawa	24,800	61,100	256,200
Owen Sound	Nil	Nil	Nil
x Peterborough	12,500	6,725	Nil
x Port Arthur	2,920	2,611	1,365
x Stratford	355	560	825
x St. Catharines	6,760	17,205	6,375
x St. Thomas	5,150	1,075	3,575
Sarnia	28,927	74,445	9,825
Sault Ste. Marie	6,845	1,275	700
x Toronto	1,115,630	2,495,628	1,843,355
York Township	111,100	385,625	178,800
Welland	880	7,635	150
x Windsor	233,950	164,775	104,400
Ferd	19,435	37,050	7,650
Riverside	2,000	38,500	3,000
Sandwich	53,750	36,000	260,600
Walkerville	25,000	20,000	2,000
Woodstock	1,705	Nil	2,294
Manitoba	115,550	73,000	79,860
x Brandon	800	500	800
St. Boniface	37,500	7,700	60
x Winnipeg	77,250	64,800	79,000
Saskatchewan	21,410	119,655	22,800
x Moose Jaw	950	2,060	400
x Regina	9,200	67,000	18,350
x Saskatoon	11,260	50,595	4,050
Alberta	76,500	43,450	58,820
x Calgary	55,050	32,070	48,550
x Edmonton	18,150	5,235	9,875
Lethbridge	3,165	5,945	250
Medicine Hat	135	200	145
British Columbia	1,431,565	704,538	799,046
Nanaimo	5,000	3,286	4,000
x New Westminster	42,050	30,925	12,775
Point Grey	270,800	148,900	332,700
Prince Rupert	15,805	14,650	7,350
South Vancouver	86,850	43,740	32,700
x Vancouver	981,545	429,452	335,610
x Victoria	29,515	33,585	73,911
Total 60 Cities	4,608,682	7,341,752	5,440,770
Total 35 Cities	3,823,566	6,393,942	4,543,326

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