twelve months but well above the increase two years

Manufact,uring: Value of manufacturers' inventories in October was up over Septeraber and Uctober 1954. Shipments values were down from September but 17\% above the previous October: for the ten months averaged nearly IH higher than in $1954 \ldots$... Shipments of veneers and plywoods and sales of brick and other clay products were up in the latest month and cumulative period.
(Pages 2 to 4)

International Securities Trade: Canada had a sales' balance or capital import of $\$ 3,800,000$ in (0ctober securities trading with other countries. Turnover was dow sharply from September but at a high level compared with previous years.
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Transportation: Railway car loadings continued their upward trend in the second December week with a rise of $7.3 \%$... Freight volume through Canadian canals in September was $9.5 \%$ above the 1954 level... Air carriers in July showed another gain in operating revenues and, despite higher operating expenses, in operating income.
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Farm Income: Cash income of farmers fram sale of farm products and participation payments on previous years' prain crops in the first nine months of 1955 was up moderately to $31,667,500,000$ fran $\$ 1,657,300,000$ the previous year, when it fell sharply from the peak figure of $\$ 1,963,800,000$ in 1953. More important increases over 1954 were for wheat, flaxseed, dairy products and eggs, cattle and calves, potatoes and tobacco. By provinces, incame was higher except in Quebec, Manitoba and Saskatchewan. (Pagos 9 to 10)

Population 15,792,000 At First of December

Canada's population increased 86,000 during the three months September to November last to bring the total population at December 1 to $15,792,000$, according to the Bureau's regular quarterly estimate. This gain was equal to an annual rate of $2.2 \%$ and compares with a rise of 97,000 and a rate of $2.6 \%$ for the corresponding period of 1954 .

Over the six months from the June 1 census date to December $1: 1955$ the gain was 191,000 or $2.4 \%$ compared to 215,000 or $2.8 \%$ in 1954 and 124,000 or $1.7 \%$ in 1953. In the twelve months ending November the increase was 382,000 (the six-month increases being identical in size), down from 405,000 in the previous twelve months but substantially above the total of 281,000 for the period ending November, 1953.

The Bureau's population estimate for December 1 provides no provincial figures. These are presented only in the estimate for the June 1 census anniversary date.

## MANUFACTURING

Sugar Sales Decline Slightly In November

Manufacturers sold $120,243,000$ pounds of refined beet and cane sugar in November versus $121,228,000$ in November 1954. In the January-November period sales were up to $1,427,069,000$ pounds as against $1,341,948,000$ the previous year.

Production was up both in the month and cumulative period and the total supply rose to $437,612,000$ pounds in November from 384,932,000 and to 1,745, 388,000 pounds in the January-November period from 1,608,547,000. End-of November stocks were larger at $317,333,000$ pounds versus $263,654,000$.

Meltings and sales of raw cane sugar rose to $129,480,000$ pounds in November from $123,476,000$ a year earlier and to $1,270,638,000$ in the JanuaryNovember period from 1,164,351,000. Receipts were down to $162,835,000$ pounds in November from $171,245,000$ but were up to $1,264,539,000$ pounds in JanuaryNovember from 1, 191,932,000. Total supply was down to $296,818,000$ pounds in November from $308,250,000$ but was up to $1,437,975,000$ pounds in the eleven months from $1,349,126,000$.

Production And Shipments of Veneers And Plywoods(1)

Larger quantities of veneers and plywoods were produced and shipped in Canada in October and the first 10 months of 1955 than a year earlier, DBS reports.

In October $92,529,000$ square feet of veneers were produced $(59,406,000$ a year earlier), $95,828,000$ square feet were shipped $(68,860,000)$, and monthend stocks were $25,436,000$ square feet $(35,117,000)$. In the January-October period $854,294,000$ square feet were produced $(613,379,000)$ and $856,451,000$ square feet were shipped ( $621,998,000$ ).

Plywood production amounted to $97,793,000$ square feet in October $(84,118,-$ 000 a year earlier), shipments were $96,752,000$ square feet $(83,880,000)$ and month-end stocks totalled $35,318,000$ square feet $(35,412,000)$. In the JanuaryOctober period $939,878,000$ square feet were produced $(750,522,000)$ and $949,-$ 532,000 square feet were shipped $(762,664,000)$. (2)

Manufacturers' Investment In Inventories In October

Total value of manufacturers' investment in inventory in October was $\$ 3,536,200,000$, up $\$ 18,300,000$ from September and $\$ 26,900,000$ from a year earlier, according to advance figures. Inventory held but not owned (largely held under progress payments arrangements) rose to $\$ 569,300,000$ from $\$ 553,500,000$ in September and $\$ 552,500,000$ last year. Shipments values declined $3 \%$ during October from September but were $17 \%$ higher than in October 1954 and their cumulative value for the first 10 months was $13.9 \%$ above the same period in 1954. New orders during October also declined $3 \%$ but their cumulative value was $13.4 \%$ higher.

| Total | Progress | Total | Goods |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Inventory | Payment | Inventory | Raw | in | Finished |  |
| Investment | Inventory | Held | Materials Process Products |  |  |  |

A11 Industries

| Oct. 1954 | 3,509.3 | 552.5 | 4,061.8 | 1,593.7 | 1,154.6 | ,313.5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sept. 1955 | 3,517.9 | 553.5 | 4,071.4 | 1,648.1 | 1,203.0 1 | ,220.3 |
| Oct. 1955 | 3,536.2 | 569.5 | 4,105.7 | (Not | Available |  |
| Consumers' Goods |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct. 1954 | 2,086.4 | 102.6 | 2,189.0 | 858.7 | 464.7 | 865.6 |
| Sept. 1955 | 2,096.6 | 116.9 | 2,213.5 | 901.7 | 491.0 | 820.8 |
| Oct. 1955 | 2,108.0 | 117.8 | 2,225.8 | (Not | Avallable |  |
| Capital Goods |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct. 1954 | 410.2 | 382.1 | 792.3 | 197.7 | 453, 8 | 140.8 |
| Sept. 1955 | 388.5 | 364.6 | 753.1 | 185.0 | 454.2 | 113.9 |
| Oct. 1955 | 388.9 | 380.9 | 769.8 | (Not | Available |  |
| Producers' Goods ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct. 1954 | 738.9 | 3.4 | 742.3 | 386.8 | 148.4 | 213.1 |
| Sept. 1955 | 757.1 | 3.2 | 760.3 | 410.3 | 156.1 | 193.9 |
| Oct. 1955 | 772.0 | 3.2 | 775.2 | (Not | Available |  |
| Construction Goods |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct. 1954 | 273.8 | 64.4 | 338.2 | 150.5 | 93.7 | 94.0 |
| Sept. 1955 | 275.7 | 68.8 | 344.5 | 151.1 | 101.7 | 91.7 |
| Oct. 1955 | 267.3 | 67.6 | 334.9 | (Not | Available |  |

Indexes of Shipments
(Dec. $1952=100$ )

| Al1 <br> Industries | Consumers <br> Goods | Capital <br> Goods | Producers <br> Goods |  | Construction <br> Goods |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 101.8 | 104.6 | 69.7 | 100.1 | 154.2 |  |
| 122.9 | 122.9 | 78.6 | 133.2 | 190.1 |  |
| 119.0 | 119.9 | 78.0 | 128.4 | 171.6 |  |

Indexes of Unfilled Orders and New Orders (Dec. $1952=100$ )

|  |  |  |  |  |  | Transportation E |  |  | Electrical |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Industries | Text | es Wom ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | Pape | Irom | Stee! |  | nent |  | paratus |
| U.O. N.O. | U. 0. | N.O. U.O. | N. 0 | U. 0 | N. 0 . | 0.0 | N. 0 | U. 0 . | N. O |
| 78.483 .0 | 62.2 | 93.966 .1 | 76.0 | 59,0 | 60.1 | 66.9 | 21.1 | 108.2 | 91.1 |
| 80.1106 .5 | 80.1 | 106.572 .6 | 88.5 | 92.8 | 86.0 | 57.0 | 53.7 | 113.7 | 161.1 |
| 79.2103 .7 | 79.2 | 103.767 .5 | 84.9 | 97.0 | 100.7 | 55.3 | 57.3 | 111.7 | 112.9 |

Oct. $=1954$
Sept. 1955
U.O. - Unfilled Orders N.O. - New Orders

Production Of leather And Stocks of Hides \& Skins

Production of cattle sole leather, upper leather, glove and garment and horse leather increased in October as compared with a year earlier but pro- duction of calf and kip skin upper leather declined, DBS reports. End-ofOctober stocks of raw cattle hides and calf and kip skins were smaller than in 1954 but holdings of goat and kid skins, sheep and lamb skins and horse hides were larger.

October production of cattle sole leather amounted to $1,311,806$ pounds (922,585 a year earlier) ; cattle upper leather, $5,721,261$ square feet (3,732,073); glove and garment leather, 851,062 square feet $(656,141)$; calf and kip skin upper leather, 839,550 square feet $(946,237)$; and horse leather, 219,381 square feet $(55,966)$.

Stocks of raw hides and skins held by tanners, packers and dealers at the end of October were: cattle, $487,835(528,102)$; calf and kip skins, 390,564 $(534,010)$; horse hides, $23,262(20,849)$; and sheep and lamb skins, 51,527 dozen (50,542 dozen). (3)

Clay Product Sales Higher In Value In September, 9 Months

Sales of products made from Canadian clays were higher in value in September and the first nine months of 1955 than in 1954. The Bureau places sales at $\$ 3,533,004$ in September versus $\$ 3,080,934$ and at $\$ 25,335,627$ in the January-September period versus $\$ 23,232,072$.

Nine-month sales were as follows by products: building brick, $\$ 16,161,257$ ( $\$ 15,472,338$ a year earlier); structural tile, $\$ 2,771,274(\$ 2,556,147)$; drain tile, $\$ 1,874,637(\$ 1,492,374)$; sewer pipe, $\$ 3,059,414(\$ 2,511,339)$; fireclay blocks and shapes, $\$ 274,718(\$ 236,148)$; pottery, $\$ 402,886(\$ 330,288)$; and other clay products, $\$ 791,441(\$ 633,388)$. (4)

Petroleum Products Sales in July Net sales of petroleum products by Canadian oil companies during last July amounted to 16,458 , 087 barrels, according to the Bureau's preliminary report for the month on refined petroleum products. Motor gasoline accounted for $7,450,053$ barrels of the total, heavy fuel oil for $3,475,077$ barrels, diesel fuel oil for $1,377,967$ barrels and light furnace oil for $1,041,058$. (5)

Decline of $4 \%$ In Output of Carbonated Beverages In 1954

Production of carbonated beverages in Canada was slightly lower in 1954 than in the preceding year, the total for all industries amounting to 105,930881 gallons valued at $\$ 92,770,753$ versus $110,174,824$ gallons worth $994,076,502$ in 1953.

The major part of the total $(103,815,984$ gallons versus $107,892,389$ in 1953) was made in the 536 plants ( 526 in 1953) which comprised the carbonated beverages industry. Including concentrates, syrups, extracts and other products of secondary importance these plants had a factory value of shipments of $\$ 108,158$, 510 ( $\$ 108,560,409$ in 1953). They employed 7,773 persons ( 7,838 in 1953) with earnings of $\$ 20,206,175(\$ 20,485,552)$.
(6)

1954 Record Year For Pharmaceutical Firms

Canada's medicinal and phermaceutical preparations industry shipped a record $\$ 97,395,558$ worth of products in 1954, over $4 \%$ more than in 1953 when shipments were valued at $\$ 93,557,168$ and over half as much again as in 1945 when output was worth $\$ 60,330,928$. The annual report on the industry by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics shows that Ontario's 94 firms accounted for $50 \%$ of the Caradian rut. pl:t in 1954, aind Quet, es cablizmentz in Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Manitobs, Alberta and BEitisk. Columbia.

Among products shipped in larger values in 1954 were biologicals and vaccines $(\$ 4,820,692$ versus $\$ 3,267,902)$, thical specialties for human use ( $\$ 29,-$ 575,961 versus $\$ 28,840,795$ ), vitamin preparations ( $\$ 12,354,717$ versus $\$ 12,282,=$ 451), oral antiseptics ( $\$ 774,578$ versus $\$ 721,611$ ), toilet preparacions ( $\$ 3,972,-$ 744 versus $\$ 3,672,808$ ) and veterinary medicines ( $\$ 1,684,794$ versus $\$ 1,525,415$ ).

Among antibiotics, penicilin-streptomycin combinations increased to $\$ 1$, 498,223 from $\$ 1,172,035$ but penicillin preparations decreased to $\$ 2,366,945$ from $\$ 2,919,078$ and streptomycin preparations to $\$ 103,784$ from $\$ 127,865$. Other antibiotics and preparations increased to $\$ 7,070,409$ from $\$ 5,180,935$. Shipments of sulpha preparations increased to $\$ 1,318,821$ from $\$ 1,235,853$, but sex hormones decreased to $\$ 2,098,008$ from $\$ 2,254,608$ and registered patent medicines to $\$ 18$, 113,729 from $\$ 18,560,574$.
(7)

Toilet Preparations Industry Canadian manufacturers shipped a record $\$ 41,105,-$ 000 worth of toilet preparations in 1954, a $4 \%$ increase over the preceding year's $\$ 39,478,000$, the Bureau's annual industry report shows. This was the sixth consecutive increase since 1948's post-war low of $\$ 20,972,000$.

There were larger shipment values for non-alcoholic creams, $\$ 3,408,000$ ( $\$ 3,263,000$ in 1953); talcum powders, $\$ 1,744,000(\$ 1,581,000)$; personal deodorants, $\$ 1,833,000(\$ 1,611,000)$; hair tonics, non-alcoholic brilliantines, wave sets, $\$ 3,258,000(\$ 2,939,000)$; home permanent wave kits, including refills, $\$ 3,592,000(\$ 3,549,000)$; dentrifices, $\$ 7,126,000(\$ 6,569,000)$; manicure preparations, $\$ 911,000(\$ 637,000)$; bath salts and bath oils, $\$ 570,000(\$ 472,000)$. Products with lower values were: alcoholic perfumes, $\$ 1,141,000(\$ 1,192,000)$; alcoholic tollet waters, colognes and lotions, $\$ 4,378,000(\$ 4,472,(100)$; face powders, $\$ 1,206,000(\$ 1,273,000)$; 1ipstick and refills, $\$ 1,625,000(\$ 1,696,000)$; shampoos, $\$ 3,604,000(\$ 3,681,000)$; and non-alcoholic toilet waters and lotions, $\$ 238,000$ ( $\$ 303,000$ ) ( 8 )

## MINING

## Silver-Lead-Zinc Mining Industry

Gross value of shipments by firms engaged in mining, exploring and developing silver-leadzinc ores in 1954 amounted to $\$ 136,257,000$ up from the preceding year's $\$ 123,-$ 803,000 , according to the Bureau's annual industry report. The net value of shipments was $\$ 78,078,000$ versus $\$ 67,898,000$. The industry gave employment to 6,386 persons in 1954 as against 7,144 the year before and the wage and salary bill aggregated $\$ 24,847,000$ versus $\$ 28,695,000$. Ores mined in 1954 fell to $7,-$ 272,000 tons from 7,540,000 in 1953 and ores milled to 7,240,000 tons from 7,508,000.
(9)

## Sand And Gravel Industry

Commercial sand and gravel produced in Canada in 1954 amounted to $110,961,034$ short tons valued at $\$ 58$,987,671 as compared with $101,033,949$ tons worth $\$ 53,485,401$ in 1953 , the DBS reports in its annual industry report.

Sand and gravel production in Ontario, amounting to $46,433,191$ tons in 1954, was $6 \%$ higher than in 1953: in Quebec the output of $30,052,887$ tons showed an increase of $12 \%$. Sand and gravel plants washed or screened $18,235,951$ tons in 1954 compared with $16,269,734$ in 1953 and the bank or pit-run grades amounted to $92,725,083$ tons compared with $84,764,215$ tons in 1953.

There were 7,751 establishments in operation during the year versus 7,485 . They employed 4,437 persons versus 4,377 and paid out $\$ 12,933,759$ in salaries and wages versus $\$ 12,610,734$. (10)

## PRICES

## Farm Prices of Agricultural Products

Canada's index number of farm prices of agricultural products for October is estimated at $220.6,5.7$ points below the revised estimate of 226.3 for September. Price declines recorded for grains, live stock, potatoes, and poultry and eggs far more than offset somewhat higher prices for dairy products. The index has been revised to include the recently-announced final payment on the 1954 crops of oats and barley amounting to $5.4 \%$ and $5.8 \%$ per bushel, respectively.

Provincial indexes were as follows: Prince Edward Island, 151.9 (170.5 for September) ; Nova Scotia, 202.2 (205.1) ; New Brunswick, 176.8 (180.7); Quebec, 251.5 (260.2) ; Ontario, 244.7 (251.2) ; Manitoba, 211.2 (214.2) Saskatchewan, 189.7 (193.2); Alberta, 205.1 (212.1); and British Columbia, 254.3 (255.3). (11)

Security Price Indexes

Investors' Price Index

Total Common Stocks ........... 246.6
Industrials ..................... 255.6
Utilities
Banks

Mining Stock Price Index
Total Mining Stocks ............ 121.9
Golds ........................... 73.5
Base Metals
.....................
232.7

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Receipts of Luund-i.es Aad Dry-C1 abare Plants Reached New High Resord In 105

Receipts of Canada's launiries, cleaners and dyers reached an all-time high figure of $\$ 117,736,000$ in 1954 , a rise of $4 \%$ over the preceding jear' $\varepsilon \$ 113,150,000$, DBS reveals in its a moval industry report. Ti:e nurber: of plants rese co 1,406 Erow 1,339 . The enployees Eell to 29,239 firom 29,398 but salary nixd waye payments rose to $\$ 58,148,000$ from $\$ 55,-$ 700,000.

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In the volume of busine:se bandled by power laundries, the top 10 cities were: Montreal, $\$ 9,36^{\prime}, 900$; Turonto. $36,38^{\prime}, 00 n$; Vanc uuver, $\$ 5,708,000$; Hamilton, $\$ 2,555,000$; Wianipeç, $\$ 1,808,030 ;$ S.lecary, $\{1 ., 512,000 ;$ Quetre:, $\$ 1,352,000$; London, \$1,245,000; 0ttawa, \$1,182,n00; and Vícoria, \$1,058,000.

The leading 10 in volume of tuniuass istaled by dry cleaning and dyeing plants were: Toronto, $\$ 7,3 / 4,000$; Moat:e.31, $\{5,074,000$; Winaipeg, $\$ 3,451,000$; Vancouver, $\$ 2,675,000$; Edmoaton, $32,258,000$, Hamilton, $\$ 2,067,000 ;$ Ottawa, $\$ 1,=$


Mailway Car Loadings Rose 7.3\% In Second Week uf December

Railway car loadings in the second week of December totalled 76,523 cars, up 7. 3\% from 71,295 in the corresponding week in 1954, raisine the cumulative total $10.5 \%$ to $3,909,939$ cars from 3,538,659. Receipts from connections rose 23.2 in the week to 34,676 cars from 28,148 and $15.8 \%$ in the cumulative period to $1,572,4,63$ cars from $1,357,629$.

Carried in larger colume in the week were: coal, 6,988 cars (versus 5,690 in 1951t); manufactured iron and steel products, 1,461 cars (875); sand, gravel and crushed stone, 2,925 (2,359); "other" mine products, 2,561 (1,737); and miscellancous carload commodities, 5,216 (4,301). Carloads of grain dropped to 7,116 cars from 8,392. ( $\boldsymbol{1}_{4}$ )

Canal Traffic Increased In September Volune of freight cleared through Canadian canals in September totalled 4,318,622 tons, an increase of $375,51_{4}$ tons or $9.5 \%$ over the September $195 / 4$ total of $3,9143,108$ tons. Increased shipments of iron ore, bituminous coal and other freight through the Wel-
land and St. Lawrence systems were mainly responsible for the advance over the previous September. The ship channel cutting through the Canso Causeway between Cape Breton and the Nova Scotia mainland is included in these statistics for the first time. During the month 126 vessels carrying 3,076 tons of freight passed through this canal.

Total freight transported through the St. Lawrence system in September increased $6 \%$ to $1,477,592$ tons from 1,394,320 a year earlier. The tonnage through the Velland was up 16.1\% to 2,504,561 tons from 2,157,539. N1though the volune of freight transported through the Canadian lock in September declined to 280,603 tons from 343,435 , the total shipped through the combined Sault Ste. Marie system rose nearlr $42 \%$ to $16,069,198$ tons from 11,322,949.

Continued Gains In uperations of Canadian Air Carriers In July

Continued gains were indicated in the operating results of Canadian air carriers last July when total operating revenues amounted to $116,110,675$ compared with $310,463,985$ in July 1954 and $310,241,738$ in July 1953. The increase over July 1954 was $\$ 5,646,690$ or $54 \%$. Operating expenses were also higher than those of a year earlier, rising $\$ 4,977,473$ or $57 \%$ to $\$ 13,713,127$ from $\$ 8,735,654$. The resulting operating income amounted to $\$ 2,397,548$ as against $\$ 1,728,331$.

All revenue accounts except mail showed sizeable gains. Passenger fres advanced to $\$ 7,387,990$ from $\$ 6,809,797$; mail earnings declined to $\$ 867,940$ as against $\$ 888,194 ;$ goods receipts rose to $\$ 630,301$ from $\$ 471,945$; and excess baggage revenues accounted for 31,441 is compared with 32,649 . Bulk transportation revenue at $35,888,044$ was more than tirree times the $\$ 1,660,816$ reported a year earlier.

The expense items all moved to higher levels. Aircraft operation and maintenance, geared to heavier traffic and greater milage flown, rose to $\$ 8,811_{4}, 507$ from $\$ 4,863,622$, ground charges accounted for $\$ 2,845,651$ compared with $\$ 2,283,235$, and traffic expenses amounted to $1,203,153$ againet $\$ 1,038,846$. (16)

Nine-Month Farm Cash Income Up Slightly From Previous Year

Farm cash income from the sale of farm products and participation payments on previous year's grain crops amounted to $\$ 1,667,500,000$ in the first nine months of 1955, according to preliminary estimates by the IBS. This compares with $\$ 1,657,300,000$ a year earlier and the all-time high for the period of $\$ 1,963,800,000$ established in 1953.

Increases in cash income as compared with a year earlier occurred in all provinces except Quebec, Manitoba and Saskatchewan. On a commodity basis the more important increases in cash returns were recorded for wheat, flaxseed, potatoes, tobacco, cattle and calves, dairy products and eggs. The more important reductions occurred in the case of participation payments, oats, barley and hogs.

In addition to cash income from the sale of farm products, supplementary payments made under the provisions of the Prairie Farm Assistance Act to farmers in Western Canada during the nine months of 1955 amounted to $\$ 32,500,000$ as compared with $\$ 1,100,000$ and $\$ 2,300,000$ received during the corresponding periods of 1953 and 1954 , respectively.

Farmers' cash income from the sale of wheat during the January-September period amounted to $\$ 262,800,000$ as against $\$ 213,700,000$ for the corresponding 1954 period; substantially higher marketings more than offset lower average prices. Wheat panticipation payments totalling $\$ 25,700,000$ compared with $\$ 58,400,000$ in the same 1954 period.

Partly offsetting the smaller wheat payments.were interim payments on oats and barley amounting to $\$ 11,100,000$. Marketings of both oats and barley up to the end of September were very much below the level of the 1954 marketings for the same period. Although average prices for these two grains were somewhat higher in 1955 than in 1954 they were only a partial offset to the reduced marketings, with the result that the total returns from these products amounted to $\$ 66,500,000,35.4 \%$ below the $\$ 104,600,000$ realized in 1954.

A remarkable increase in marketings of flaxseed together with somewhat higher average prices provided an income from this commodity of $\$ 15,600,000$ in 1955, nearly three times that for the first nine months of 1954. Income from the sale of potatoes at $\$ 26,700,000$ compared with $\$ 18,000,000$. Substantially higher average prices more than offset somewhat lower marketings.

Cash income from the sale of live stock totalled $\$ 493,400,000,4.8 \%$ below the total of $\$ 518,500,000$ received during the same period of 1954. Lower returns from hogs more than offset increased income from the sale of other live stock. Although marketings of hogs were above the 1954 level, they were more than offset by much lower prices. In the case of cattle, slight increases were recorded for both prices and marketings.

Income from the sale of dairy products, estimated at $\$ 337,000,000$ for the first nine months of 1955 compares with the 1954 estimate for the same period of $\$ 332,500,-$ 000 . Farm income from the sale of eggs at $\$ 86,300,000$ is also running somewhat above the 1954 level as a result of slightly higher marketings and prices.

January-jepternce farm cash income totals were as follows by provinces, in millions: Prince Edward Island. 19.726 ( 316,352 in 1954); Nova Scotia, *31,377 ( $\$ 30,043$ ) ; New Irunswick, 33. $62(\$ 32,476$ ); quebec, $\$ 298,540$ ( $\$ 299,145$ ); Ontario, $\$ 527,314(\$ 519,60$ ) ; Ranıtona, $\$ 215,983(\$ 119,193)$; Saskatchewan, $\$ 301,834$ ( $\$ 310,-$ 203); Alberta, $\$ 265,853(\$ 258,841)$; British Columbia, $\$ 73,681(\$ 71,014)$. (17)

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## D.B.S. NEWS NOTES

More Javelle Water Factory ship- Less Lipstick Factory shipments of
ments of Javelle water were valued at $\$ 6,577,000$ in 1954, up from $\$ 5,851,000$ in 1953.

Toilet Soap Factory sales of toiSales Upped let soaps (except liquid types) were valued at $\$ 12,192,000$ in 1954, up from $\$ 11,-$ 227,000 in 1953.

Sand \& Gravel Commercial production of sand and gravel in Canada rose to a record $110,961,034$ tons worth $\$ 58,987,671$ in 1954 from 101,033,949 tons valued at $\$ 53,485$,401 in 1953.

Forest Losses From Fire desFire, Insects \& Disease troyed an estimated 81,170,000 cubic feet of Canada's forests in 1954, and insects and tree diseases $500,000,000$ cub1c feet.

Employment In Gold Mining

16,579 were employed in Canada's gold mining industry in 1954, of which 10,875 worked underground, 4,204 were surface employees at mines and l,500 worked in mills.

Patent Medicines Canada's medicinal and pharmaceutical preparations industry sold $\$ 18,113,729$ worth of registered patent medicines in 1954 versus $\$ 18,-$ 560,574 worth in 1953.

Scrap Gold The Royal Canadian Mint And Silver at Ottawa received 16,721.565 ounces of jewellery and dental scrap in 1954, which yielded $8,377.752$ fine ounces of gold and 1,447.03 fine ounces of silver.
lipstick and refills were valued at $\$ 1,625,000$ in 1954, down from $\$ 1,696,000$ in 1953.

More Manicures The value of factory shiprients of manicure preparations jumped to $\$ 911,000$ in 1954 from $\$ 637,000$ in 1953.

Home Kits For Canadian nanufactPermanent Waves urers shipped \$3,592,000 worth of home permanent wave kits and refills and accessories in 1954 versus \$3,549,000 worth in 1953.

More Dentifrices Factory shipments of dentifrices were valued at $\$ 7,126,000$ in 1954 as compared with $\$ 6,569,000$ in 1953. Toothpastes increased to $\$ 6,534,000$ from $\$ 6,017,000$, powders to $\$ 585,000$ from $\$ 548,000$ and liquids to $\$ 7,000$ from \$4,000.

Gold: Over Half $54 \%$ of the 4,366, Mined In ontario 440 troy ounces of gold produced in Canada in 1954 came from Ontario, 25\% from Quebec and 7\% from the Northwest Territories. The rest was produced in British Columbia, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, the Yukon, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and Alberta.

Canada's Forests The area of productive forest land in Canada (excluding Labrador) is estimated at 826,330 square miles, of which 577,000 square miles or nearly seven-tenths are accessible. Merchantable timber is estimated at 417,823 million cubic feet, of which 288,232 million cubic feet are considered commercially accessible.

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