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Merchandising: Department store sales in the week ended November 19 were 4.3% lower in value than in the corresponding 1959 period ... Sales of natural gas increased 7.7% in September and 19% in the January-September period as compared to a year earlier. (Page 3)

Construction: Starts on the construction of new dwellings in urban centres of 5,000 population and over in October numbered 8,554 units, compared to 10,-724 in the same month last year, bringing the January-October total to 61,-196 as compared to 87,281 a year earlier. (Page 4)

Labour: Industrial employment, which normally advances to a seasonal peak between August and September, showed virtually no change between the two months this year ... Paid workers received an estimated \$1,603,000,000 in September in the form of salaries and wages and supplementary labour income, up 1.8% from August and up 3.4% from September last year. This put the January-September total at \$13,722,000,000, larger by 4.1% than last year's corresponding total. (Page 5)

Business: Value of cheques cashed in clearing centres in September rose 8.7% to \$22,194,051,000 from a year earlier, while January-September cashings increased 10.0% to \$205,306,054,000. (Page 6)

Manufacturing: Production of steel ingots in the week ended November 26 was 93,030 tons, compared to 106,382 in the preceding week and 124,586 in the same week last year. (Page 7)

Transportation: Cars of railway revenue freight loaded on lines in Canada in the seven days ended November 21 numbered 66,723 as compared to 76,040 a year earlier. In the January 1-November 21 period loadings were down 5.6% to 3,291,073 cars.

Exports & Imports In October Canada's commodity exports to all countries were higher in value in October and the January-October period this year than last, while imports were lower in value in both periods, according to preliminary DBS figures. There was an excess of exports over imports in October for the fourth consecutive month, resulting in a sharply smaller import balance in the 10-month period this year than last.

Commodity exports to all countries in October rose 3.2% in value to \$482, 700,000 from \$467,800,000 in the same month last year. This brought exports in the January October period to \$4,478,100,000, up 7.6% from the comparable 1959 total of \$4,160,900,000. Month's imports, on the other hand, declined 5.7% to \$453,000,000 from \$480,500,000, and the 10-month total eased down 0.7% to \$4,7557,200,000 from \$4,588,300,000. There was thus an export surplus in trade with all countries in October of \$29,700,000 as compared to an import balance of \$12,700,000 in October last year. The import balance in the January-October period was sharply smaller than a year ago at \$79,100,000 versus \$427,400,000.

Value of commodity exports to the United States in October fell to \$257,-600,000 from \$295,600,000 in the same month last year, and imports declined to \$306,300,000 from \$317,900,000. Total exports in the first 10 months of this year fell to \$2,560,700,000 from \$2,596,900,000 a year ago and total imports to \$3,088,600,000 from \$3,107,700,000. The import balance rose in the month to \$48,700,000 from \$22,300,000 a year earlier and in the 10-month period to \$527,-900,000 from \$510.800,000.

Exports to the United Kingdom increased in October to \$88,200,000 from \$72,-400,000 a year ago, while imports decreased to \$41,000,000 from \$51,200,000. Ten-month exports to the U.K. climbed to \$764,200,000 from \$637,300,000 last year, while imports fell slightly to \$483,100,000 from \$485,300,000. The export surplus advanced in the month to \$47,200,000 from \$21,200,000 a year ago and in the 10-month period to \$281,400,000 from \$152,000,000.

Exports to the rest of the Commonwealth rose in total in October to \$30,-900,000 from \$26,200,000 in October 1959, while imports from these countries were virtually unchanged at \$23,900,000 versus \$23,700,000. In the January-October period total exports to the rest of the Commonwealth advanced to \$271,500,-000 from \$225,600,000 and imports to \$225,400,000 from \$200,500,000.

Exports to all other countries as a group rose in October to \$106,100,000 from \$73,600,000 in the same month last year, while imports fell to \$81,800,000 from \$87,600,000. Exports to this group of countries in the January-October period increased to \$881,700,000 from \$701,000,000, while imports decreased to \$760,100,000 from \$794,700,000.

The preliminary figures for October and the January-October period, with comparable figures for 1959 are summarized in the following table. Detailed country and commodity figures for exports will be issued shortly, but those for imports will not be available for several weeks.

	October		January - October		
	1960	1959	1960	1959	
	Millions of Dollars				
Exports (domestic & foreign):					
United Kingdom	88.2	72.4	764.2	637.3	
Other Commonwealth countries.	30.9	26.2	271.5	225.6	
United States	257.6	295.6	2,560.7	2,596.9	
All other countries	106.1	73.6	881.7	701.0	
Totals	482.7	467.8	4,478.1	4,160.9	
Imports*:					
United Kingdom	41.0	51.2	483.1	485.3	
Other Commonwealth countries.	23.9	23.7	225.4	200.5	
United States	306.3	317.9	3,088.6	3,107.7	
All other countries	81.8	87.6	760.1	794.7	
Totals	453.0	480.5	4,557.2	4,588.3	

Note: Figures may not add due to rounding. * Estimate only for 1960; subject to revision.

MERCHANDISING

Department Store Sales

Department store sales in the week ended November 19

were 4.3% lower in value than in the corresponding 1959

period, according to a special DBS statement. Sales were smaller in all provinces except the two westernmost. Decreases were: Atlantic Provinces, 2.8%;

Quebec, 2.6%; Ontario, 10.9%; Manitoba, 3.3%; and Saskatchewan, 5.1%. Increases were: Alberta, 2.4%; and British Columbia, 1.6%.

Natural Gas Sales In Sales of natural gas in September rose 7.7% to 18,230,—September & 9 Months 218,000 cubic feet from 16,919,950,000 in the same month last year, and sales in the January-September period at 234,265,093,000 cubic feet were close to 19% larger than the comparable 1959 total of 197,369,932,000 cubic feet. Revenue from sales increased in the month to \$9,915,000 from \$8,731,000 a year earlier and in the nine-month period to \$140,162,000 from \$111,600,000.

September sales of natural gas to industrial consumers advanced to 13,034,-530,000 cubic feet from 11,760,736,000 a year earlier and to commercial customers to 2,131,918,000 cubic feet from 1,967,712,000, while sales to domestic customers decreased to 3,059,973,000 cubic feet from 3,186,684,000. January-September sales to industrial customers were up to 117,407,532,000 cubic feet from 99,-305,168,000, to domestic customers to 80,189,098,000 cubic feet from 68,314,-378,000 and to commercial customers to 36,581,806,000 cubic feet from 29,674,-179,000.

Alberta's share of the natural gas market in the January-September period decreased to 44.3% of the national total from 48.8% in the preceding year, while its share of the revenue was unchanged at 21.2%. Ontario's share of the market rose to 31.8% of the all-Canada total from 29.4%, but its share of total revenue fell to 49.6% from 51.3%. (1)

Starts & Completions Of New Dwellings In October Starts on the construction of new dwellings in urban centres of 5,000 population and over in October numbered 8,554 units, compared to 10,724 in the same

month last year, according to advance DBS figures that will be contained in the October issue of "New Residential Construction". Starts in the January-October period numbered 61,196 as compared to 87,281 in the corresponding 1959 period.

Completions of new dwellings in these centres in October totalled 7,812 units versus 11,564 a year earlier, bringing the January-October total to 74,-019 units versus 85,675 a year ago. Units in various stages of construction at the end of October this year numbered 46,301 units as compared to the year-earlier figure of 63,585.

The table following contains data on the number of starts and completions of new dwellings in urban centres of 5,000 population and over, by province, for October and the January-October period for both 1959 and 1960, together with data on the number of units under construction at the end of October for both years.

		Month of October		Jan. 1 to Oct. 31		Under Construction	
	Year	Started	Completed	Started	Completed	At October 31	
Canada	1960	8,554	7,812	61,196	74,019	46,301	
	1959	10,724	11,564	87,281	85,675	63 585	
Nfld	1960	27	45	266	431	297	
	1959	52	61	359	376	538	
P.E.I	1960	14	8	43	52	22	
	1959	11	2	164	64	159	
N.S	1960	111	91	1,182	1,200	1,348	
	1959	215	141	1,568	1,173	1,495	
N.B	1960	104	88	623	748	433	
	1959	155	86	809	571	636	
Que	1960	2,713	2,595	18,944	21,303	11,685	
	1959	3,175	3,562	25,430	24,500	17,461	
Ont		3,610	2,483	24,236	27,480	21,826	
	1959	4,021	4,587	31,848	31,696	23,830	
Man		444	685	3,531	4,720	2,327	
	1959	530	659	4,581	3,309	3,699	
Sask	1960	333	413	2,101	2,845	1,363	
	1959	517	478	3,513	2,786	2,476	
Alta	1960	654	648	4,677	7,696	2,816	
	1959	1,282	925	8,680	9,087	6,466	
B.C		544	756	5,593	7,544	4,184	
	1959	766	1,063	10,329	12,113	6,825	

Note: New Residential Construction statistics for the whole country, including urban centres of 5,000 population and over, urban centres under 5,000 and rural areas, are available only on a quarterly basis. The most recent data for all areas refer to the third quarter of 1960 and are published in the report "New Residential Construction, September 1960".

Industrial Employment In September Industrial employment, which normally advances to a seasonal peak between August and September, showed virtually no change between the two months this year. Increases in forestry, trade and finance, insurance and real estate balanced decreases in other non-manufacturing industries, seasonal influences being the main factor in the changes recorded. However, the usual small rise in manufacturing did not occur, mainly owing to persistent weakness in durable goods industries. Lay-offs in agricultural implement plants were among the more noticeable of the factors affecting the month-to-month change in manufacturing employment.

Canada's composite industrial employment index (1949=100) in September was 123.0, a decline of 2.1% from September 1959 but a rise of 0.9% from September 1958. Average weekly wages and salaries rose to \$76.57 in September from \$75.94 in August and \$74.30 in September last year, and the composite payroll index at 220.6 was up 0.7% from a month earlier and up 1.1% from a year ago.

September industrial employment indexes for the provinces were: Newfound-land, 151.0 (144.8 in September 1959); Prince Edward Island, 143.8 (145.5); Nova Scotia, 97.9 (99.9); New Brunswick, 108.0 (106.2); Quebec, 124.1 (124.9); Ont-ario, 121.8 (125.6); Manitoba, 115.8 (118.0); Saskatchewan, 134.2 (137.9); Alberta, 159.2 (165.0); and British Columbia, 118.9 (122.9). (2)

Labour Income In September Paid workers in Canada in September received an estimated \$1,603,000,000 in the form of salaries and wages and supplementary labour income, according to advance DBS figures that will be contained in the September issue of "Estimates of Labour Income". The current figure was up by 1.8% from the August total of \$1,574,000,000 and up by 3.4% from last year's September total of \$1,550,000,000. This brought total labour income in the January-September period to \$13,722,000,000, an increase of 4.1% from the comparable 1959 figure of \$13,178,000,000.

Labour income was higher in September and the January-September period this year as compared to last in all regions. Percentage increases in the month (ninemonth gains in brackets) were: Atlantic region, 5.8% (5.7%); Quebec, 4.3% (4.9%); Ontario, 1.7% (2.9%); Prairie region, 3.4% (3.6%); and British Columbia, 7.5% (6.8%).

The table following contains data on labour income by region for September and January-September this year and last and August this year on the unadjusted basis, together with data for August and September this year on the seasonally adjusted basis.

	Unadjusted				Seasonally Adjusted		
	Sept. 1960	Aug. 1960	Sept. 1959	January- 1960	September 1959	Sept 1960	Aug. 1960
	Millions of Dollars						
Atlantic region	110	108	104	925	875	1.05	104
Quebec	413	405	396	3,514	3,350	399	397
Ontario	661	649	650	5,725	5,565	644	641
Prairie region	242	240	234	2,039	1,968	228	227
British Columbia.	1.73	169	161	1,485	1,391	164	162
Canada	1,603	1,574	1,550	13,722	13,178	1,542	1,537

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Value Of Cheque Cashings
In September And 9 Months

Value of cheques cashed in clearing centres in Canada in September rose 8.7% to \$22,194,051,000 from \$20,-423,793,000 in the corresponding month last year.

Gains were registered in all previous months except July, and the January-September total advanced 10.0% to \$205,306,054,000 from \$186,629,332,000.

Debits were larger in September and the January-September period this year than last in all economic regions. Thirty-five of the 52 centres in the month and 45 in the cumulative period posted gains from a year earlier.

Debits in September for the economic regions were (in thousands): Atlantic Provinces, \$581,766 (\$535,392 a year earlier); Quebec, \$6,450,210 (\$6,007,885); Ontario, \$10,085,712 (\$9,201,008); Prairie Provinces, \$3,578,031 (\$3,276,945); and British Columbia, \$1,498,332 (\$1,402,563). January-September totals (in thousands): Atlantic Provinces, \$5,103,963 (\$4,631,931 a year ago); Quebec, \$60,531,582 (\$52,547,373); Ontario, \$96,603,810 (\$89,149,932); Prairie Provinces, \$29,669,372 (\$27,437,547); and British Columbia, \$13,397,327 (\$12,862,549).

September and January-September debits were up from a year earlier in each of the five major clearing centres. Month's debits were (in thousands): Toronto, \$7,832,786 (\$6,996,908 a year earlier); Montreal, \$5,743,018 (\$5,370,993); Winnipeg, \$1,723,933 (\$1,478,773); Vancouver, \$1,205,626 (\$1,082,856); and Calgary, \$740,382 (\$701,870). Nine-month totals (in thousands): Toronto \$75,796,922 (\$68,821,148 a year ag9); Montreal, \$53,074,512 (\$46,814,769); Winnipeg, \$13,-572,531 (\$12,110,995); Vancouver, \$10,873,966 (\$10,375,045); and Calgary, \$6,-491,135 (\$6,256,744). (3)

MANUFACTURING

Motor Vehicle Shipments Shipments of Canadian-made passenger and commercial vehicles in October rose to 28,762 units from 28,629 in the corresponding month last year. With increases in January, March, May and September more than offsetting decreases in the other months, shipments in the January-October period advanced 1.6% to 324,392 units from 319,282 a year ago. Month's shipments of vehicles imported from the United States edged up to 3,132 units from 3,125, while 10-month shipments eased down to 20,325 units from 20,750.

Total shipments of passenger and commercial vehicles in October for sale in Canada edged down to 27,836 units from 27,999 a year earlier, while export sales rose to 926 units from 630. January-October shipments for sale in Canada eased down to 304,673 units from 304,755 a year ago, while export sales increased to 19,719 units from 14,527.

October shipments of Canadian-made passenger cars rose to 23,961 units from 22,765 a year earlier, while shipments of commercial vehicles fell to 4,801 units from 5,864. January-October shipments of passenger cars increased to 265,447 units from 260,213 a year ago, while shipments of commercial vehicles dropped to 58,945 units from 59,069. (4)

Steel Ingot Production Production of steel ingots in the week ended November 26 amounted to 93,030 tons, compared to 106,382 tons in the previous week and 124,586 tons in the corresponding week last year, according to a special DBS statement. Canada's steel mills in the week ended November 26 operated at 72.0% of rated capacity (6,719,000 tons as at January 1, 1960) versus 82.3% in the preceding week and 102.6% of rated capacity (6,313,000 tons as at January 1, 1959) in the comparable week of 1959.

Rigid Insulating Board Total shipments of all types of rigid insulating board declined in October to 37,254,524 a square feet from 45,-709,795 in the corresponding month last year, and in the January-October period to 330,849,322 square feet from 366,245,326 a year ago. Both domestic and export shipments were smaller in the month and 10-month period this year as compared to last. (5)

Gypsum Products Shipments of gypsum wallboard, lath, sheathing and plasters were smaller in October and the January-October period this year as compared to last. October totals were: wallboard, 34,073,204 square feet (36,206,871 a year earlier); lath, 22,014,453 square feet (29,673,684); sheathing, 983,288 square feet (1,249,954); and plasters, 20,295 tons (25,970). January-October totals were: wallboard, 303,618,958 square feet (340,605,095 a year ago); lath, 219,966,276 square feet (324,065,417); sheathing, 7,447,674 (10,102,046); and plasters, 211,805 tons (264,576). (6)

Mineral Wool Shipments Shipments of mineral wool batts, granulated wool and bulk or loose wool were smaller in October and the January-October period this year than last. October totals were: batts, 26,341,158 square feet (30,322,070 a year earlier); granulated wool, 916,579 cubic feet (1,-223,978); and bulk or loose wool, 92,642 cubic feet (111,874). January-October totals: batts, 196,475,381 square feet (231,000,220 a year ago); granulated wool, 5,667,979 cubic feet (7,852,901); and bulk or loose wool, 606,387 cubic feet (698,825). (7)

Shipments Of Asphalt And Vinyl-Asbestos Floor Tile 1,128,857 square feet from 1,627,529 in the corresponding month last year, and January-October shipments of vinyl-asbestos floor tile increased to 5,505,119 square feet from 5,105,955, and 10-month shipments advanced to 54,252,758 square feet from 44,038,593. (8)

Tax-Paid Withdrawals

Of Tobacco Products

indicated by the sale of excise revenue stamps, increased

2.1% in this year's January-September period to 25,339,
877,000 from 24,821,501,000 in the corresponding 1959 period.

Tax-paid withdrawals of cigars rose 7.2% in the first nine months of 1960 to 234,304,000 from 218,585,000 a year ago, cut tobacco 0.6% to 16,523,000 pounds from 16,420,000 and snuff 8.4% to 647,000 pounds from 597,000. Withdrawals of plug tobacco decreased 7.1% to 813,000 pounds from 875,000 and raw leaf 1.5% to 729,000 pounds from 740,000.

Stocks of unmanufactured tobacco at September 30 this year totalled 158,-356,800 pounds, a decline of 11.8% from the comparable 1959 figure of 179,611,-400 pounds. End-of-September holdings by type were: flue-cured, 133,895,900 pounds (158,410,900 a year ago); burley, 13,017,400 (10,979,400); dark (air-fire cured), 1,474,200 (1,589,300); cigar, 8,568,600 (7,292,000); pipe, 714,100 (586,400); and other, 686,700 (753,400). (9)

TRANSPORTATION

Railway Carloadings In Cars of railway revenue freight loaded on lines in Canada in the seven days ended November 21 this year numbered 66,723 as compared to 76,040 in the corresponding period last year. Loadings in the January 1 - November 21 period declined 5.6% to 3,291,073 cars from 3,485,002 a year ago.

Receipts from connections fell in the week ended November 21 to 26,028 cars from 27,448 a year earlier and in the January 1-November 21 period to 1,-246,316 cars from 1,257,677. Piggyback loadings increased in the seven days to 2,830 cars from 2,622 and in the cumulative period to 139,136 cars from 118,341. (10)

Pipe Line Oil Deliveries Deliveries of oil through Canadian pipe lines in September declined to 25,029,945 barrels from 25,803,162 in the same month last year. Deliveries in the January-September period increased 3.5% to 238,472,089 barrels from 230,440,073 a year ago, on the strength of gains in all previous months except February and June.

Deliveries in the January-September period were: British Columbia, 31,760,-631 barrels (26,693,740 a year ago); Alberta, 17,508,448 (16,637,221); Saskat-chewan, 14,027,267 (14,427,531); Manitoba, 80,285,641 (75,467,061); Ontario, 35,433,859 (33,530,644); Quebec, 59,226,595 (63,683,876); and the Yukon, 229,658 (1959 data not available). Included in Manitoba deliveries were 71,982,411 barrels (67,309,736) transferred to the Lakehead Pipe Line Company at Gretna, the bulk of which moved through the United States destined to Ontario refineries. (11)

Urban And Rural Transit Fewer passengers were carried by urban transit systems and intercity and rural bus lines in September and January-September this year than last. Revenues were higher in both periods.

Passengers carried by urban transit systems fell to 82,724,320 in September from 85,381,653 in the same month last year and to 764,141,738 in the January-September period from 776,251,487. Month's revenues were up to \$11,319,564 from \$11,066,280,bringing the year's cumulative total to \$101,283,639 versus \$100,-566,495.

Intercity and rural bus lines carried 3,861,076 revenue passengers in September, down from 4,055,381 a year ago, while the nine-month total fell to 35,-176,905 from 36,772,989. Revenues were up in the month to \$3,685,189 from \$3,-602,847 and in the nine-month period to \$31,188,708 from \$30,853,281. (12 & 13)

Production of Milk Production of milk in October was placed at 1,500,000,000 pounds, a decrease of 5.2% from a year earlier, according to preliminary estimates. Output in the January-October period was estimated at 16,003, 000,000 pounds, up 1.2% from a year ago.

September milk production declined to 1,679,375,000 pounds from 1,768,299,-000 a year earlier, while output in the January-September period rose to 14,503,-425,000 pounds from 14,229,322,000 a year ago.

Production of milk in September was smaller than a year earlier in all except the three westernmest provinces. Provincial totals (in thousands) were: Prince Edward Island, 19,455 pounds (24,177 a year earlier); Nova Scotia, 32,145 (36,450); New Brunswick, 39,642 (45,007); Quebec, 617,222 (668,320); Ontario, 534,302 (565,468); Manitoba, 97,362 (100,159); Saskatchewan, 114,986 (114,629); Alberta, 141,996 (137,438); and British Columbia, 63,460 (60,080).

Output of milk in the January-September period was larger than a year ago in Quebec, Ontario, Alberta and British Columbia and smaller in the other provinces. Totals (in thousands) were: Prince Edward Island, 160,230 pounds (171,554 a year ago); Nova Scotia, 297,813 (311,057); New Brunswick, 351,187 (352,628); Quebec, 4,857,888 (4,689,133); Ontario, 4,900,732 (4,806,691); Manitoba, 894,108 (923,-152); Saskatchewan, 1,065,644 (1,072,718); Alberta, 1,243,280 (1,190,142); and Eritish Columbia, 560,004 (527,062). (14)

Production of Eggs Production of eggs in October amounted to 37.6 million dozen, larger by 4.6% than last year's corresponding total of 35.9 million dozen. With decreases in the first half of the year more than offsetting increases in the third quarter, output of eggs in the January-October period was down 1.6% to 375.0 million dozen from 381.2 million dozen a year ago. (15)

Production And Value Of Apples In
The Maritimes, Quebec And Ontario

Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec and Ontario.

The following table contains figures on production, prices and farm value of

The following table contains figures on production, prices and farm value of apples in 1959 and 1958 for the four provinces.

		Production Bushels	Price Per Bushel	Total Farm Value
Nova Scotia	1959	2,260,000	\$0.64	\$1,446,000
	1958	1,455,000	\$0.63	\$ 917,000
New Brunswick	195 9	500,000	\$1.10	\$ 550,000
	1958	350,000	\$1.30	\$ 455,000
Quebec	195 9	3,980,000	\$1.05	\$4,179,000
	1958	4,465,000	\$0.79	\$3,527,000
Ontario	19 59	4,603,000	\$1.07	\$4,942,000
	1958	4,720,000	\$0.83	\$3,937,000

Production of Sugar Production of refined beet and cane sugar in October declined to 252,670,000 pounds from 260,697,000 in the same month last year and sales to 141,152,000 pounds from 148,170,000. Output in the January-October period increased to 1,356,696,000 pounds from 1,316,481,000 a year ago and sales to 1,439,203,000 pounds from 1,423,935,000. Company-held stocks were larger at October 31 this year as compared to last at 269,300,000 pounds versus 260,528,000.

Receipts of raw cane sugar in October rose to 180,681,000 pounds from 154,-730,000 a year earlier and meltings and sales to 158,752,000 pounds from 150,-533,000. Receipts in the January-October period decreased to 1,175,425,000 pounds from 1,286,994,000 a year ago, while meltings and sales increased to 1,-249,857,000 pounds from 1,223,831,000. End-of-October company-held stocks were smaller than a year ago at 245,634,000 pounds versus 328,540,000. (16)

9-City Creamery Butter Stocks Stocks of creamery butter in nine cities of Canada at November 21 this year amounted to 77,-337,000 pounds, down 1.0% from 78,092,000 pounds a week earlier, according to a special DBS statement. November 24 holdings by city were: Quebec, 7,114,000 pounds (7,008,000 at November 17); Montreal, 38,086,000 (38,290,000); Toronto, 6,466,000 (6,663,000); Winnipeg, 13,593,000 (13,695,000); Regina, 2,966,000 (3,046,000); Saskatoon, 3,134,000 (3,143,000); Edmonton, 3,776,000 (3,920,000); Calgary, 1,073,000 (1,197,000); and Vancouver, 1,129,000 (1,130,000).

VITAL STATISTICS.

Births, Deaths & Marriages Increased numbers of births, deaths and marriages were registered in Canada in October than in the corresponding month last year. In the January-October period there were fewer births than last year and more deaths and marriages. October registrations: births, 41,673 (41,479 a year earlier); deaths, 13,023 (11,488); and marriages, 14,399 (13,891). Ten-month totals: births, 399,981 (410,216); deaths, 116,337 (115,791); and marriages, 111,555 (108,941). (17)

MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS

Financial Statistics Of A steady rise in the gross current revenue and expenMunicipal Governments diture of municipalities in Canada's provinces and territories is indicated in the Bureau's annual report
"Financial Statistics of Municipal Governments - Revenue and Expenditure Assets and Debt - Actual" for the calendar year 1958. Gross current revenue
reached \$1,552,088,000 in 1958 versus \$1,404,037,000 in the preceding year and
gross current expenditure totalled \$1,546,755,000 versus \$1,395,593,000.

Gross outstanding debenture debt at December 31, 1958 increased to \$3,407,-251,000 from \$2,993,216,000 at the end of 1957. Debentures which can be identified as payable in Canada only amounted to \$1,668,633,000 as compared to \$1,-514,775,000 a year earlier and those payable in New York only totalled \$313,-041,000 versus \$231,115,000. (18)

Inventory Of Prime Mover And Electric Generating Equipment week a comprehensive inventory of prime mover and electric generating equipment in Canada (catalogue number 57-501, \$1.00 per copy), the first such survey since 1928. The report contains detailed information on all hydro and steam generating facilities over 500 kilowatt capacity and for internal combustion and gas turbine generating equipment over 200 kilowatt capacity; generating units with a capacity lower than this are given in total.

The publication is divided into four sections: (1) hydro electric equipment; (2) steam equipment; (3) internal combustion equipment; and (4) gas turbine equipment. Detailed information on the prime movers in all these sections give details on the location of the units, manufacturer, type of turbing or engine and fuel, and rating. Gas turbine equipment gives details on cycle, temperatures, pressure ratios and capacity.

Details on the generators in each of these sections include information on the name of the manufacturer, the year placed in service, voltage, frequency, power factor, and kilowatt capacities.

Another prime mover and electric generating equipment survey will be conducted for the year ended December 31, 1961, and at five-year intervals thereafter. Revisions of generating capacity will be published annually in "Electric Power Statistics", catalogue number 57-202. (19)

PRICES

	November 24	November 17	October 27
Investors' Price Index		1935-39=100	
Total common stocks	252.8	253.0	239.8
Industrials	260.7	259.8	244.5
Utilities	187.3	189.2	186.3
Banks	326.0	332.3	316.6
Mining Stock Price Index			
Total mining stocks	110.3	107.2	107.3
Golds	81.1	76.8	80.3
Base metals	177.3	176.7	169.0

PULPWOOD

Production, Consumption & Production of pulpwood increased in September to 1,925,—
Inventories In September 166 rough cords from 1,585,082 in the same month last year and in the January-September period to 10,989,968 rough cords from 9,218,887 a year ago. Consumption rose in the month to 1,173,611 rough cords from 1,143,800 and in the nine months to 10,521,514 rough cords from 10,149,628. End-of-September inventories were up to 14,781,983 rough cords from 13,286,371 at the same date last year. (20)

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