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> (E1ghteenth Teek ended May 6th, 1933)

Car loadings continued to increase and for the week endsd May 6 th reached a high point for the year $\boldsymbol{\pi} 1$ th 37,409 cars. This was the third consecutive week to show en increase. The index number of 63.59 was also a new high for the year.

Eeavy grain loading in the western divisian was the chiof factor in last weel record, loadinge - Increasing from 3,74 cari for the previaus week to 4,388 cars and the index number rising from 77,20 to 97.27. Other forest products also increased by 174 cars and, except for a decrease of 225 care in IIve stock which was wasually high for the previous week, there were gnall fluctuations in the west,

- the total loadings being 502 care over the previous week's total and the index mimber inareasing from 66.20 to 69.42.

The total for tine eastera division increased from 23,609 cars for the previous week to 24,467 cars. Thls incresse of 858 cari, however. wes only slightly over the normal eesonel increase and the Index number rose only a Iraction of a point, Fif., from 60.79 to 60.81 . Grain falled to make the normal seasonal fncrease as did also live stock, coal, coke, other forest products and merchandise. Miscellaneous frelght increased by 373 cars and the index number rose frow 55.37 to 55.94 . Iumber, pulp and paper, and ore also showed improvements.

The index number for total merchandise loadine has fluctuated within very narrow ilmite for the past ten weoks remaining close to 70 , but loedings were considerably 1ienter than in 1932 , the total for las week of 12,345 cars beine 1.048 under the total for the corresponding week last year.

> Index Number:
> (Adjusted for seasonal variations and holidays)
> Average, $1926=100$

|  | Western | Eastern | Total for | Canada |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Week | Division | Division | 59.28 | 70.68 |
| 12 | 72.41 | 53.13 | 59.11 | 70.20 |
| 13 | 67.64 | 55.09 | 56.55 | 7.60 |
| 14 | 60.98 | 54.39 | 57.34 | 70.19 |
| 15 | 62.76 | 54.71 | 70.69 | 70.34 |
| 16 | 61.53 | 58.40 | 62.59 | 69.88 |




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