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Ottawa, April 16, 1941, 3 p.m.- The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issues today a bulletin giving (1) the total quantities of wheat, oats, barley, rye and flax-seed in Canada at the end of March, 1941; (2) the stocks of certain agricultural products of 1940 remaining on farms at March 31, 1941, and (3) the quantity of the 1940 wheat crop fed or to be fed to live stock and poultry during the crop season.

SUMMARY

Stocks of Grain at March 31.- Total stocks of Canadian wheat at March 31, 1941, amounted to 639,572,120 bushels, of which 595,531,409 bushels were in Canadian storage positions and on farms, while the remainder of 44,040,711 bushels was in the United States. The total stocks of Canadian wheat at the end of March this year were 220,510,425 bushels greater than the revised total of 419,061,695 bushels on hand at the same date last year. This year's stocks establish a new high record for March 31.

Stocks of wheat on farms including seed supplies totalled 157,652,000 bushels at March 31, 1941, representing an increase of 51,496,000 bushels over the revised total of 106,156,000 bushels on farms at March 31 a year ago. This year's total establishes a new record also for the amount of wheat carried on farms. Wheat in commercial storage or in transit in Canada on March 31 this year amounted to 437,879,409 bushels compared with last year's total of 290,617,498 bushels.

Total stocks of Canadian oats in Canada and the United States at March 31, 1941, amounted to 145,122,319 bushels, indicating a reduction from the 154,447,775 bushels in store a year ago. Barley stocks amounted to 35,852,219 bushels, likewise indicating a small reduction from the 37,562,109 bushels on hand a year ago. Stocks of rye at March 31 this year at 10,230,794 bushels showed an increase over last year's stocks of 7,121,029 bushels. Flaxseed stocks were also higher at 1,551,947 bushels compared with last year's total of 999,066 bushels.

Stocks of Potatoes and Hay and Clover on Farms at March 31.- Farm stocks of potatoes in Canada at March 31, 1941, amounted to 13,702,000 cwt., representing an increase over the farm potato stocks of the two previous years, and being about equal to the stocks recorded at March 31, 1938. Last year's March 31 potato stocks on farms totalled 9,037,000 cwt. About 13 per cent of the 1940 potato crop was reported lost through winter rot, etc., compared with a 10 per cent loss from the 1939 crop.

Supplies of hay and clover on farms at March 31, 1941, were estimated at 3,206,000 tons representing an increase of 291,000 tons over last year's supplies.

Wheat Fed to Live Stock and Poultry.- The preliminary estimate of wheat fed or to be fed to live stock and poultry during the 1940-41 crop season amounts to 53,000,000 bushels. This represents the heaviest feeding of wheat so far reported in any one year, and compares with last year's revised estimate of 36,788,000 bushels. A substantially higher rate of wheat feeding has been reported in the Prairie Provinces.

Total Stocks of Grain in Canada at March 31, 1941

Total stocks of wheat in Canada at March 31, 1941, amounted to 595,531,409 bushels as compared with 396,773,498 bushels at the same date in 1940. Stocks in various positions at March 31, 1941, with corresponding figures for 1940 within brackets are as follows: In elevators and flour mills 420,897,555 bushels (283,486,257 bushels); in transit by rail 16,981,854 bushels (7,131,241 bushels); on farms 157,652,000 bushels (106,156,000 bushels).

NOTE:- All figures covering stocks of grain and potatoes at March 31 include seed supplies for the ensuing crop.

The total quantity of oats in Canada at March 31, 1941, is estimated at 144,923,319 bushels, as compared with 153,986,775 bushels at the end of March, 1940, this year's total comprising 4,917,789 bushels in elevators and flour mills, 2,476,530 bushels in transit by rail and 137,529,000 bushels on farms.

Barley stocks amounted to 35,480,014 bushels, as compared with 38,291,503 bushels at the same date last year, the figures for 1941 including 4,451,720 bushels in elevators and flour mills, 1,272,294 bushels in transit by rail and 29,756,000 bushels on farms.

Stocks of rye in Canada at March 31, 1941, are estimated at 6,877,295 bushels, as against 5,997,765 bushels in 1940, this year's total including 2,439,322 bushels in elevators and flour mills, 165,973 bushels in transit by rail and 4,272,000 bushels on farms.

Flaxseed stocks amounted to 1,551,947 bushels, as compared with 999,066 bushels at the end of March, 1940, the total in 1941 being made up of 814,188 bushels in elevators, 87,359 bushels in transit by rail and 650,400 bushels on farms.

A detailed statement of stocks is given on the last page of this report.

Stocks on Farms at March 31, 1941.

At March 31, 1941, the quantity of wheat remaining on farms amounted to 157,652,000 bushels or 29 p.c. of the total 1940 wheat crop of 551,390,000 bushels. At the same date last year 106,156,000 bushels or 20 p.c. remained from the 1939 crop of 520,623,000 bushels.

Of the other crops, the proportions and the quantities in bushels remaining on farms at March 31, 1941, with the corresponding figures at the same date last year within brackets were as follows: Oats 36 p.c. or 137,529,000 (37 p.c. or 141,118,000); barley 29 p.c. or 29,756,000 (27 p.c. or 27,586,000); rye 31 p.c. or 4,272,000 (18 p.c. or 2,823,000); flaxseed 20 p.c. or 650,000 (16 p.c. or 328,000); buckwheat 20 p.c. or 1,361,000 (21 p.c. or 1,411,000); corn for husking 24 p.c. or 1,600,000 (19 p.c. or 1,538,000); potatoes 32 p.c. or 13,702,000 cwt. (25 p.c. or 9,037,000 cwt.); hay and clover 23 p.c. or 3,205,000 tons (22 p.c. or 2,915,000 tons).

Preliminary Estimate of the Proportion of the 1940 Wheat Crop Retained on Farms as Feed for Live Stock and Poultry during the Crop Year ending July 31, 1941, as compared with the Previous Crop Year.

Province	Production in 1939	Quantities retained for feed in 1939-40		Production in 1940	Quantities retained for feed in 1940-41	
	bushels	p.c.	bushels	bushels	p.c.	bushels
Prince Edward Island	165,000	18.0	30,000	238,000	24.0	57,000
Nova Scotia	45,000	29.0	13,000	55,000	28.0	15,000
New Brunswick	140,000	34.0	48,000	176,000	36.0	64,000
Quebec	577,000	43.0	248,000	522,000	53.0	277,000
Ontario	23,821,000	71.4	17,000,000	23,400,000	62.0	14,508,000
Manitoba	61,300,000	4.9	3,024,000	66,000,000	7.6	5,000,000
Saskatchewan	271,300,000	2.8	7,499,000	272,000,000	4.8	13,000,000
Alberta	161,400,000	4.9	7,988,000	187,000,000	10.2	19,000,000
British Columbia ...	1,875,000	50.0	938,000	1,999,000	54.0	1,079,000
CANADA	520,623,000	7.1	36,788,000	551,390,000	9.6	53,000,000

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STOCKS OF GRAIN AT MARCH 31, 1941

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics has collected and compiled data showing complete stocks of grain in Canada as of March 31, 1941. Stocks of Canadian grain in store in the United States are shown in addition. The quantities in eastern flour mills are estimated on the basis of holdings at the end of February. The quantities on farms are estimated from the reports of Crop Correspondents.

	WHEAT	OATS	BARLEY	RYE	FLAXSEED
	(Bushels)				
In Canada					
Fort William-Port Arthur Elevators	88,413,078	1,184,850	610,515	1,665,967	375,826
Vancouver-New Westminster Elevators	18,429,289	42,447	41,795	501	-
Victoria Elevator	975,450	-	-	-	-
Prince Rupert Elevator	1,208,145	-	-	-	-
Churchill Elevator	2,617,396	-	-	-	-
Interior Terminal Elevators	17,905,154	29,760	7,491	228	2,001
Country and Private Terminal Elevators	244,436,188	1,609,191	1,020,068	431,646	294,159
Mills and Mill Elevators	7,884,926	793,855	2,310,354	67,129	88,863
Eastern Elevators	34,356,301	751,286	299,597	238,751	37,909
Eastern Elevators Affiliated	3,099,628	-	-	-	15,430
Eastern Mills	1,572,000	505,400	161,900	35,100	-
In Transit Rail	16,981,854	2,476,530	1,272,294	165,973	87,359
On Farms	157,652,000	137,529,000	29,756,000	4,272,000	650,400
TOTAL IN CANADA, MARCH 31, 1941	595,531,409	144,923,319	35,480,014	6,877,295	1,551,947
Canadian Grain in United States, March 31, 1941	44,040,711	199,000	372,205	3,353,499	-
TOTAL CANADIAN GRAIN IN CANADA AND UNITED STATES, MARCH 31, 1941	639,572,120	145,122,319	35,852,219	10,230,794	1,551,947
Comparative Stocks on March 31, 1940					
Total in Canada	396,773,498	153,986,775	36,291,503	5,997,765	999,066
In United States	22,288,197	461,000	1,270,606	1,123,264	-
Total in Canada and United States	419,061,695	154,447,775	37,562,109	7,121,029	999,066

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