

47.—Traffic through individual Canadian Canals during the navigation seasons of 1925-1930—concluded.

Canal and Year.	Canadian Vessels.		United States Vessels.		Total Passengers.	Total Freight Carried.
	No.	Registered Tonnage.	No.	Registered Tonnage.		
St. Peters—		tons.		tons.		tons.
1925.....	1,183	76,622	13	4,741	213	35,691
1926.....	990	65,507	18	3,976	208	43,545
1927.....	903	58,840	19	5,345	302	46,306
1928.....	964	65,306	20	6,287	174	52,848
1929.....	909	69,689	27	4,749	370	49,650
1930.....	848	76,861	20	2,923	194	59,973
Murray—						
1925.....	351	45,245	142	1,458	3,377	1,174
1926.....	313	106,843	63	10,466	7,586	895
1927.....	440	104,893	141	10,724	8,339	712
1928.....	290	46,081	86	1,282	2,325	1,385
1929.....	301	37,316	148	2,747	—	4,875
1930.....	279	66,123	164	3,572	—	2,316
Ottawa—						
1925.....	2,095	301,629	151	18,226	28,545	214,940
1926.....	2,422	415,257	151	15,696	23,010	321,456
1927.....	3,017	583,149	193	23,655	27,565	455,759
1928.....	3,694	606,187	178	23,014	24,116	487,786
1929.....	3,509	652,730	106	12,209	22,995	537,087
1930.....	3,209	687,987	49	5,013	22,982	540,983
Rideau—						
1925.....	1,458	103,508	38	1,533	4,359	85,785
1926.....	1,052	77,755	18	722	2,931	56,052
1927.....	1,139	94,081	30	1,535	3,803	87,951
1928.....	936	78,368	19	685	1,441	51,999
1929.....	744	64,259	17	602	1,115	45,961
1930.....	506	51,104	11	348	785	28,210
Trent—						
1925.....	2,681	98,162	20	298	53,936	36,302
1926.....	2,171	85,851	49	807	49,727	27,692
1927.....	2,577	82,411	79	2,042	47,954	27,754
1928.....	2,456	81,899	22	488	39,291	36,311
1929.....	2,024	64,588	29	1,315	33,908	17,843
1930.....	1,712	54,614	14	234	26,989	23,785
St. Andrews—						
1925.....	384	71,843	—	—	—	70,799
1926.....	402	80,966	—	—	14	62,491
1927.....	359	70,619	—	—	262	64,331
1928.....	364	74,259	—	—	138	51,948
1929.....	678	89,867	—	—	1,084	58,628
1930.....	847	115,645	—	—	893	89,715
Summary—						
1925.....	28,281	14,964,785	3,687	3,824,924	208,692	14,130,667
1926.....	27,965	14,542,485	3,543	3,144,866	197,561	13,477,663
1927.....	32,149	17,472,601	4,013	3,364,461	210,894	17,488,311
1928.....	30,575	17,435,176	3,973	3,270,591	188,146	18,720,441
1929.....	25,917	13,741,071	2,400	2,323,350	164,552	13,699,647
1930.....	24,100	14,489,045	2,063	1,684,576	133,266	14,803,334

¹Includes duplications where vessels use two or more canals.

The Panama Canal.¹—The Panama canal, which was opened to commercial traffic on Aug. 15, 1914, is a waterway which is destined to be of the greatest importance to the British Columbian ports, from which vessels now leave direct for Great Britain and European ports throughout the year. As an alternative route to that of the transcontinental railway lines, such a passage by water is of vital importance in the solution of the larger transportation problems of the continent, and while its influence is perhaps more potential than actual, such a check on transcontinental rail rates is a valuable one. During the war the great expectations based upon the opening of the canal were not realized, owing to the scarcity of shipping, but, with the post-war decline in ocean freight rates, an increase in traffic between our Pacific ports and Europe is occurring, and, while the proportion carried in vessels of Canadian registry is comparatively small, the cargo tonnage has nevertheless assumed considerable proportions. During the year ended June 30, 1930, as will be seen from Table 48, a tonnage

¹Revised and figures supplied by courtesy of the Governor of the Panama Canal Zone.