

**Lake Shipments of Grain.**—The 1952 navigation season at the Lakehead closed on Dec. 18, three days later than in 1951 but still short of the record late closing of Dec. 24 established in 1923. During the 1952 navigation season, total vessel shipments of wheat, oats, barley, rye and flaxseed from Fort William-Port Arthur amounted to 450,800,000 bu., the highest since 1945 when 483,700,000 bu. were cleared from the Lakehead. Shipments of barley and oats, at 96,900,000 bu. and 92,700,000 bu., respectively, set new records for these grains.

**5.—Lake Shipments of Canadian Grain from Fort William-Port Arthur, Season of Navigation, 1951 and 1952**

Grain	1951			1952		
	To Canadian Ports	To U.S. Ports	Total Shipments	To Canadian Ports	To U.S. Ports	Total Shipments
Wheat..... bu.	169,353,536	32,684,650 <sup>1</sup>	202,100,775 <sup>1,2</sup>	209,619,852	36,301,684	246,093,244 <sup>3</sup>
Oats..... "	26,801,523	31,523,098	58,324,621	38,512,936	54,191,086	92,704,022
Barley..... "	37,204,389	11,127,791	48,332,180	80,370,705	16,492,644	96,863,349
Rye..... "	4,420,202	2,593,726 <sup>4</sup>	7,013,928	3,428,631	5,599,384	9,089,225 <sup>4</sup>
Flaxseed..... "	2,193,970	—	2,193,970	6,004,797	—	6,058,074 <sup>5</sup>
<b>Totals..... bu.</b>	<b>239,973,620</b>	<b>77,929,265</b>	<b>317,965,474</b>	<b>337,936,921</b>	<b>112,584,798</b>	<b>450,807,914</b>
Mixed grain..... lb.	1,064,690	—	1,064,690	—	—	—
Sample grain..... "	—	—	—	12,391,370	—	12,391,370
Screenings..... tons	5,848	68,219	74,067	13,425	87,033	100,458

<sup>1</sup> Includes 676,963 bu. of U.S.A. wheat.  
171,708 bu. to Europe direct.  
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<sup>2</sup> Includes 62,589 bu. to Europe direct.

<sup>4</sup> Includes 61,210 bu. to Europe direct.

<sup>3</sup> Includes

<sup>5</sup> Includes 53,277 bu. to

**Wheat Flour.**—After reaching a peak of 28,588,000 bbl. in 1946-47, Canadian wheat flour production dropped to a post-war low of 20,259,000 bbl. in 1949-50. Production in both 1950-51 and 1951-52, however, increased to a level slightly above the average of 22,402,000 bbl. for the five crop years ended July 31, 1945. The percentage of milling capacity utilized for the crop year 1951-52 averaged 76.9 p.c. compared with 79.8 p.c. for the previous crop year.

Exports of wheat flour during recent years have followed approximately the same pattern as production, dropping from the 1946-47 peak of 16,896,000 bbl. in 1946-47 to 10,151,000 bbl. in 1949-50. Exports in 1951-52 amounted to 11,356,000 bbl., representing approximately one-half of total production.

**6.—Wheat Milled for Flour, and Production and Exports of Wheat Flour, 1936-52**

(Barrel=196 lb.)

Crop Year ended July 31—	Wheat Milled for Flour '000 bu.	Wheat Flour	
		Production '000 bbl.	Exports '000 bbl.
Av. 1936-40.....	67,845	15,003	4,900
Av. 1941-45.....	99,705	22,402	12,092
1946.....	118,075	26,435	14,470
1947.....	127,775	28,588	16,896
1948.....	109,822	24,160	13,662
1949.....	90,897	20,380	10,688
1950.....	90,083	20,259	10,151
1951.....	106,748	23,630	12,427
1952.....	104,494	22,842	11,356