This does not apply, however, to cabbage that was actually in transit to a consignee in Canada on May 25.

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In making this announcement it was explained that the domestic crop is above average and is expected to be more than sufficient to meet the needs in the provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

If serious local shortages develop in any part of Ontario and Quebec, special permits for imports will be considered.

Cabbage imports will remain under open general permit throughout the remainder of Canada.

Employment And Payrolls: Employment in Canada's major industrial divisions at the beginning of April was down from the March level, but higher than a year ago. Aggregate payrolls were slightly lower than at March 1, but 12 per cent above last year, while average weekly earnings were up slightly from March 1 and 11 per cent above April 1 last year.

According to the Bureau of Statistics, the advance index of employment in the eight leading industries, on the base 1926-100, was 187.6 on April 1 this year as compared with 188.8 at March 1, and 186.6 at April 1, 1948. Average weekly earnings amounted to \$43.31 compared with \$43.27 a month earlier, and \$39.03 a year ago.