

Retail Trade Up: The value of retail trade continued steadily upward in June when sales reached \$679,000,000, exceeding June, 1948 volume of \$635,000,000 by seven per cent, according to the Bureau of Statistics. The June change was approximately the same as the average rate of increase in earlier months of the year. Sales in the first six months of this year advanced seven per cent, totalling \$3,550,000,000 compared with \$3,306,000,000 in the same period of 1948.

Across Canada: A team of scientists and airmen flew back to Ottawa Tuesday after extensive Arctic flights compiling more precise data concerning the magnetic pole....Senator Ian Mackenzie was reported by the Canadian Press to be seriously ill at Banff, Alberta.