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Canada's Trade Deficit With U.S. \$479,000,000: Ottawa, February 19 (CP) -- Canada increased purchases from the United States by almost \$700,000,000 in 1951, ending the year with a \$479,000,000 deficit in trade with her southern neighbour. The U.S. deficit was the highest since 1947.

In a final report on 1951 trade, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics estimated total purchases from the U.S. at \$2,812,900,000, up from \$2,130,500,000 in 1950. Exports lagged at \$2,333,900,000, a gain of only \$283,400,000 from \$2,050,500,000 in 1950.

The gain in imports was more than double the increase in exports and swamped the favourable surpluses built up in trade with other countries to tab Canada with a deficit in world trade of \$121,500,000.

However, this was relatively small compared to total trade which reached a record of more than \$8,000,000,000, and was countered by a heavy flow into Canada of U.S. capital for investment in Canada's expanding economy.

The result was that the deficit had little effect on Canada's official holdings of U.S. dollars and gold which, at the end of the year, totalled about \$1,600,000,000.

The Bureau noted that imports from the U.S. increased to 69 per cent of total imports from all countries, compared to 67 per cent in 1950. The \$479,000,000 deficit was about six times the \$80,000,000 unfavourable balance in 1950, but only about half the huge \$918,100,000 deficit recorded in 1947.

Brig. Bogert Succeeds Brig. Rockingham In Korea: Ottawa, February 18 (CP) -- Appointment of Brig. M.P. (Pat) Bogert, 43-year-old wartime brigade commander, to succeed Brig. John M. Rockingham, 41, as commander of the 25th Brigade in Korea in April was announced today.

Brig. Rockingham will take over Brig. Bogert's job at Army Headquarters some time after April 15, the day the latter reports for duty in the Far East.

The switch will complete the transfer home of the group of men who led the brigade and its infantry battalions through the first months of fighting. Brig. Rockingham's three original battalion commanders now are back in Canada.

Most of the original brigade manpower will be back by June.

Inquiry Into Women's Wear Marketing: Ottawa, February 18 (CP) -- The Government has sent investigators into the United States for a first-hand inquiry into claims that U.S.-made women's wear is being dumped on the Canadian market at distress prices, it was learned today.

However, officials said the investigations up to now have failed to disclose evidence that U.S. products are being dumped -- sold to Canada at less than their fair market price at home.

Anti-dumping checks were intensified following an appeal by unions to the federal Government a month ago for action to halt a flood of low-price women's clothing from the U.S. The unions contended the imports threaten the employment of 50,000 needle-trades workers, concentrated in Montreal, Toronto and Winnipeg.