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Wheat Stocks and Marketings: Stocks of Canadian wheat in store or in transit in North America at midnight on October 30 amounted to 147,943,543 bushels compared with 144,199,252 on October 23 and 149,577,750 on the corresponding date last year, according to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Visible on the latest date comprised 145,126,846 bushels in Canadian positions and 2,816,697 bushels in United States positions.

Further Gain in Industrial Employment: Industrial employment in Canada at the beginning of September, as reported to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, showed a further slight advance over the high level reported at the beginning of August, with the working forces of 18,072 reporting employers totalling 1,989,302 as compared with 1,985,944 at August 1. Reflecting the already high volume of employment, the advance of 0.2 per cent was smaller than in any preceding monthly survey since that for the first of May and less than average for the time of year. The September gain raised the Bureau's index of employment, based on the 1926 average as 100, at 192.9 from the previous all-time maximum of 192.6 at August 1. Standing of the index at September 1 last year was 175.5.

Air Force Officers Tour U.S. Air Force Units: A party of RCAF senior officers, headed by Air Marshal W.A. Curtis, CB, CBE, DSC, ED, Chief of the Air Staff, is to undertake a 20-day tour of American Air Force units in the United States, it was announced by Air Force Headquarters, Ottawa.

The tour is being carried out on the invitation of General Carl Spaatz, Chief of Staff, US Air Force, and the party will leave Rockcliffe air station, near Ottawa, Monday, November 10. An RCAF aircraft will fly the group to Washington, I.C., where final plans for the tour will be worked out. The tour will not only allow the Canadian officers to inspect the latest American equipment and organization but will also enable them to become more closely acquainted with US Air Force personnel.

Included in the party, in addition to the Chief of the Air Staff, will be Air Commodore J.G. Kerr, CBE, AFC, Deputy Air Member for Operations and Training, AFHQ, Ottawa; Air Commodore F.R. Miller, CBE, Air Officer Commanding Maintenance Command, Ottawa; Air Commodore J.L. Plant, CBE, AFC, Air Officer Commanding 12 Group, Vancouver and shortly to take over as Air Member for Personnel at Ottawa Headquarters; Air Commodore L.B. Wray, OBE, AFC Air Officer Commanding No. 9 Transport Group, Headquarters at Rockcliffe; and Flight Lieutenant J.W. Cowan, Staff Officer to the CAS.

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(Tuesday being "Remembrance Day" there will be no Airmail Bulletin)