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Making Adjustments . . .

As a result of the war and the general dislocation of business most people are finding it desirable to adjust plans. The provincial government is finding it desirable to do this. Because of the tremendous increases in the federal income tax the province is cutting down on the tax it has levied for the past few years. Various adjustments are to be made, all in the interests of the taxpayers. This has been made possible through the very considerable upturn in business and increases in provincial revenue.

The demands made on everyone though the income taxes have made it necessary in many cases to change the mode of living of those most severely affected. This is part of the price we pay for the war. Donations to war services, purchases of war investments and increases in the cost of living also make cutting down of household expenses necessary.

Under the new set-up some people will find themselves better off and others much poorer than before. Rich people will find themselves most adversely affected, a policy which is well in line with modern trends.

The Alaska Highway . . .

Says the Victoria Times recently: "With a hope that Canada will do something, a former Victorian has sent us an editorial from the Tacoma News-Tribune, which is heartily in favor of the speedy construction of the Alaska Highway to connect the State of Washington with United States territory in the north. The Tacoma newspaper says in part:

"Alaska has always been handicapped by the distance and lack of convenient transportation from the states. This condition, beside that of military necessity, has been back of the agitation for a highway to Alaska, running through British Columbia, which would not only open up that country but would afford access to thousands of tourists who wanted to go to the northland in their own cars.

"Even though plans for the highway are still in the realm of discussion, the Dominion has announced its decision to help air transportation. It is announced that the Dominion will establish a chain of flying fields at a cost of \$9,000,000 up along the coast from Puget Sound through British Columbia and the edge of the Yukon. In connection with airfields already established in Alaska, they will provide convenient facilities for military and civilian use. It comes as a byproduct of military preparedness, and Good Neighbor Canada apparently is going to do it for us—and for herself.

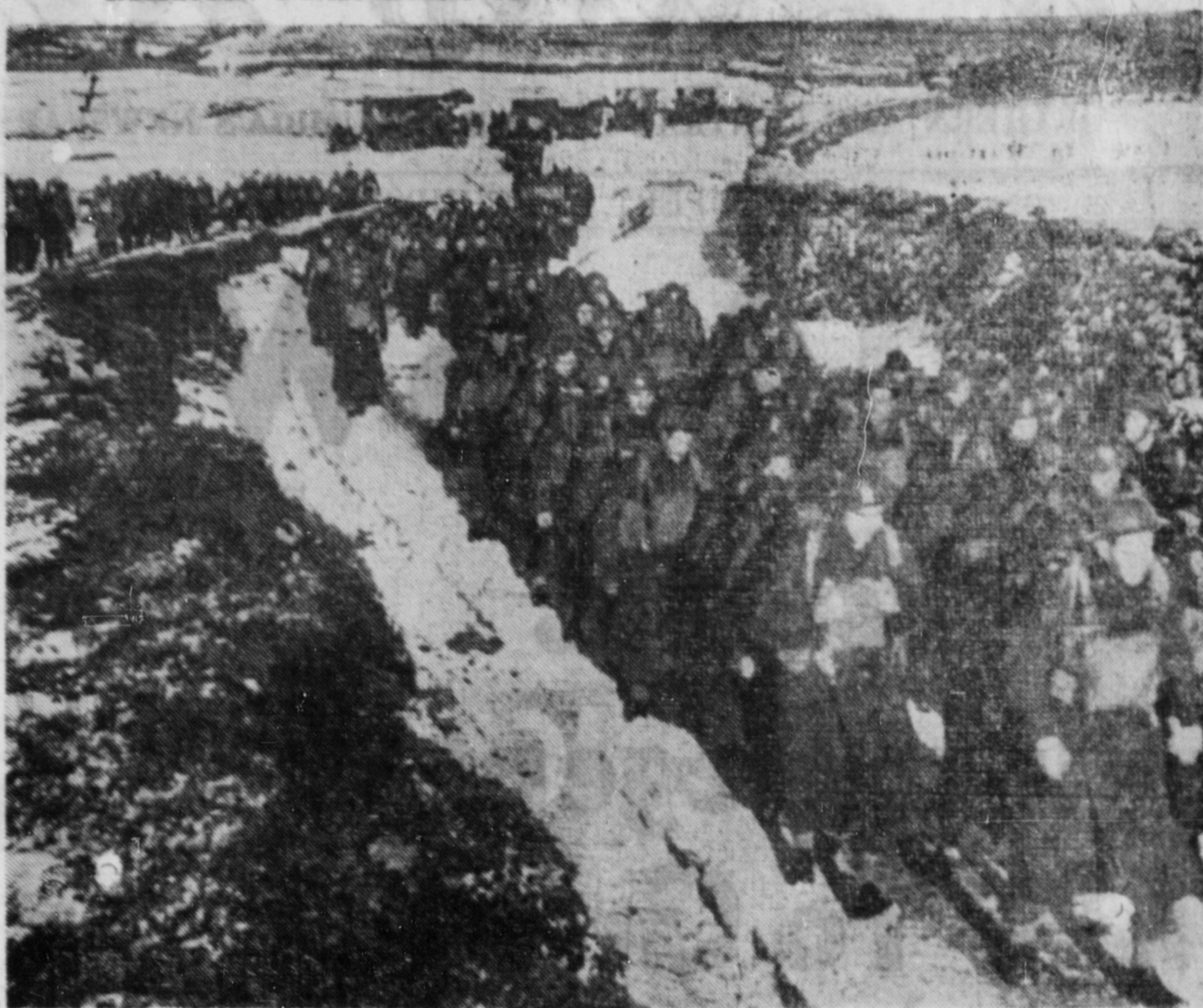
"With this chain of flying fields, air transportation will be immeasurably aided. Now we must proceed with the plans for the Alaskan Highway, so necessary, not only for the northern territory, but of immense value to the State of Washington and the United States."

"We can assure our contemporary that British Columbians eagerly await the news of action. Their own Premier Pattullo has preached the gospel of this highway in season and out of season; and as we write he and other members of the Canadian section of the international commission are preparing to leave for New York for further important discussions."

Sleep Over It . . .

There is a type of person who makes quick decisions and often regrets of having made them. Other people make it a rule to sleep over every new problem before coming to a definite decision. Often the day after you have been told something, it looks quite different from what it did at first. The personality of the teller exerts less influence and there has been time to weigh the pros and cons. Many of our best business people take a little time before coming to any important decision. It seems the safer way.

BRITAIN PREPARES A WARM WELCOME FOR NAZIS



Full scale exercises in attack—incidentally "the best defence"—are shown in progress on army training grounds Somewhere-in-England. Over the undulating expanse of country, artillery and infantry move up to join in a fight with the phantom enemy. On approaching within rifle range, the infantry disperse and go forward in single file. Meanwhile, in a commanding position the guns prepare to lay down a curtain of fire to cover the infantry advance. This is the first time in England that exercises of this kind have taken place with live ammunition. It's realistic, and valuable training for the men.

ST. GEORGE DAY PLANS

Various Bodies Co-Operate For "Salute to Britain" on April 23

TORONTO, March 27: (CP)—A Canada-wide salute to Britain has been chosen as the theme of national observance of St. George's Day, April 23, by a committee formed from several Canadian societies and organizations at meetings in Toronto.

The plans call for St. George's Day observance in schools, churches, hotels, restaurants, private homes and by fraternal and service organizations. The various branches of the armed forces as well as the general public will be asked to co-operate.

Represented at organization meetings in Toronto were the Canadian Corps Association, Royal Society of St. George, Canadian Red

Cross Society, English-Speaking Union, Rotary Club, National Council of Education, Imperial Order, Daughters of the Empire and various church denominations. Lieutenant-Governor Albert Matthews of Ontario has taken an active part in the planning.

The people of Canada will be asked to omit one course from every meal St. George's Day to add reality to Canada's identity with Britain in this war. Schools will be asked to prepare a celebration in which students can take part and moving picture theatres will be asked to show patriotic films. Special church services and military parades also are planned.

Farther Afield

It is hoped that special church services also will be held in the United States and in a statement issued recently the Toronto committee said the organization is intended "to draw together the two great branches of the Anglo-Saxon people and to reinforce the newly re-formed English-speaking front in readiness for that time when human-

ity will look to it for fearless and unselfish leadership.

Patriotic organizations in Britain and the United States will join with the Canadian committee to further its plan of "a great crusade" throughout the English-speaking world for support for Britain. Second step in the program will be observance of an Empire Youth Sunday May 11 or May 25, to be featured by a broadcast from Britain to the youth of the Empire and the United States.

The Toronto committee's statement, stressed that the salute on St. George's Day would not be to Britain alone but "to all those who hold and service the island fortress."

NOW LEGALLY DEAD

BELFAST, March 27: (CP)—Court order made here "presumes death" of William Wilson of Derry, who emigrated to Canada in 1922 and was last heard of at Traill, B.C. in 1929. Mary Wilson is a sister.

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Approves of Central Organization and Pledges \$4000 to Project

The Prince Rupert Gyro Club, at a special business luncheon yesterday, discussed the civic centre project and approved of the idea of a permanent central organization being formed to proceed further with plans to bring the undertaking to fruition. Representing on behalf of the present civic centre committee of which he is chairman, Dr. R. G. Large stated that it was felt that the need for a civic centre in Prince Rupert was greater today than it had ever been before and that now appeared to be as good a time as ever would present itself to raise the necessary funds. The club pledged itself to support the undertaking with \$4000 of funds already raised and earmarked for the purpose.

The Gyro Club also decided to vote \$50 to the current Canadian War Services Fund drive.

A letter was received from T. J. Williams, secretary of the local war savings drive committee, expressing appreciation to the Gyro Club for the active support given the campaign.

President W. F. Stone was in the chair at today's luncheon and there was a full attendance of members.

NEW YORK, March 27.—prices were mixed but fairly on the New York metal market yesterday. The industrial closing was 122.70, down 28.62, at .25, and utilities down .11.

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