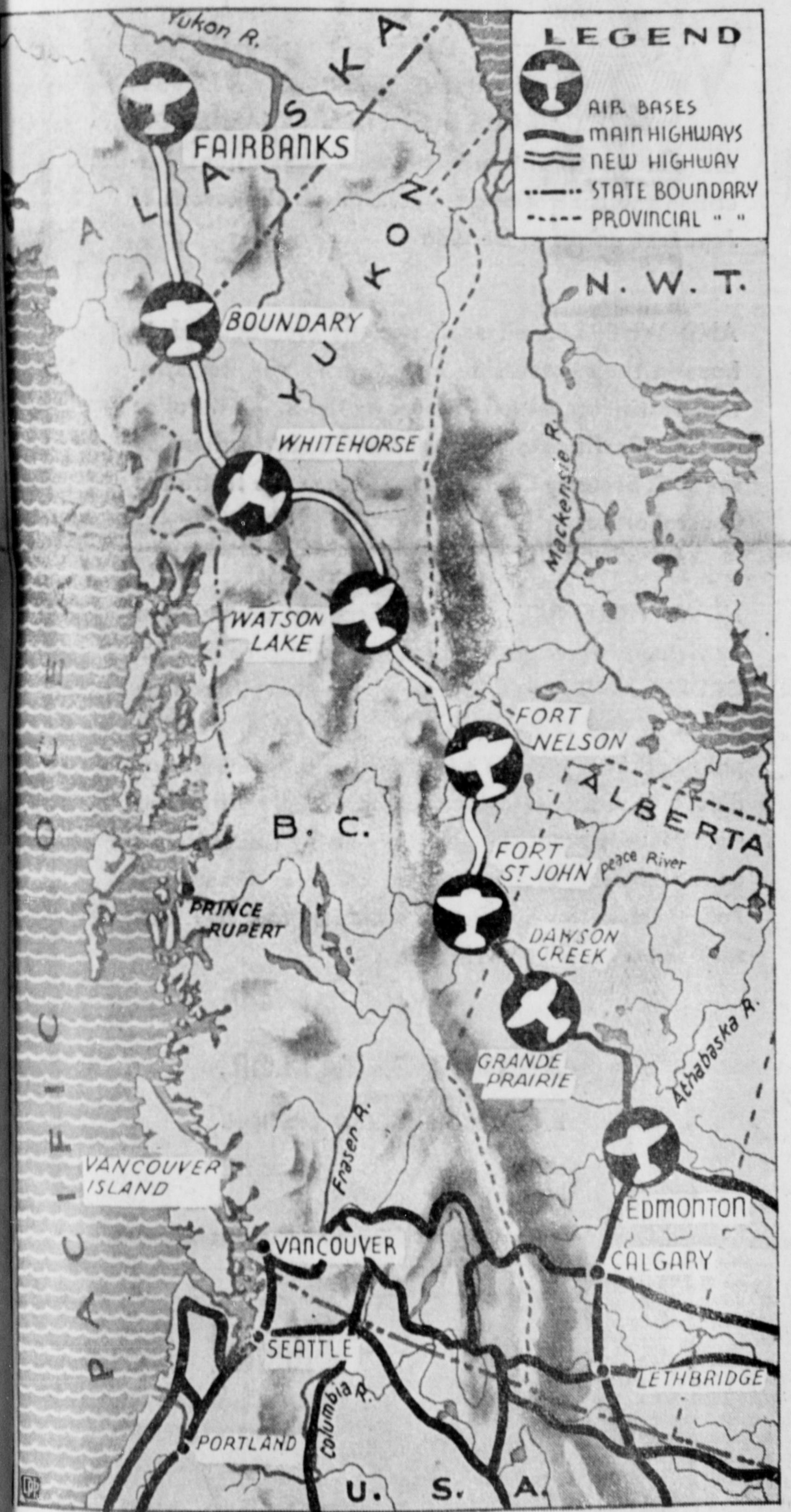


notabled terms of the arrangement under which the United States government is building a sheav to Alaska from Fort St. John, B.C., were set forth in notes exchanged between the governats of Canada and the United States on March 18 in Ottawa. Prime Minister Mackenzie King is them above receiving the United States note from Hon. Pierrepont Moffat, United States minister to consida in the prime minister's office. A similar note was handed to Mr. Moffat by Mr. Mackenzie Conclusion of the highway agreement was anounced March 6.

THE ALASKA HIGHWAY ROUTE



OTTAWA, March 23:—War in the Pacific has suddenly removed the Alaska highway from the per stage to an actual project of intense activity. Formal notes between United States and Canada development of the highway have been exchanged by Prime Minister W. L. Mackenzie King and Moffat, U.S. minister. Vast quantities of equipment and hundreds of labourers and engiave showed the moving to the scene of operations. Events since the outbreak of war with Japan he shown that this new battlefield of road builders against the wilderness may prove to be a vitally along the long-range strategy of the new conflict. Already engineering history has been ong this same route. In the single space of last summer Canadian engineers spanned the This between the United States border and Alaska with a string of modern, fully-equipped This air route will be closely followed by the new highway, which will extend from Edmonton to Grand Prairie to Fort St. John to Watson Lake to Whitehorse to boundary, and thence to Fort St. John to Watson Lake to Whitehorse to boundary, and thence to the craft have arrived in Cuba to the craft ha Pairbanks, Alaska. The road will be about 1,200 miles long. Although two routes were under discussion for many months, neither will be followed by the new highway. In following the present Toute as shown on the map, the highway builders will be able to take advantage of about 300 miles winter roadway already cut through the bush from Fort St. John to Fort Nelson. It is expected that the new highway will be completed within a year by the thousands of United States Army men in Europe to an end. Who will do the job. The vanguard is now being concentrated at Dawson Creek, B.C., the end of steel.

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### First Patrol Car in Rupert 3

Another indication of the + • metropolitanism that is be- • + coming Prince Rupert's is the + + arrival of a patrol wagon for + J. + the city police, the first there + + has ever been here. It was + + delivered yesterday from Van- + & couver aboard the steamer \* & a Ford machine.

## TREACHERY

Twenty-Five Thousand Japanese Fifth Columnists There

Japanese fifth column plans for the conquest of Brazil have been disclosed, according to a Rio de be held next Sunday. Janeiro dispatch. It is stated that an army of 25,000 was only await- wiry. Mr. Woodsworth was blessed sel, the latter crowded with ing instructions from Tokyo. A number of arrests have been

### Handling Payrolls

some time, and particularly since into the centre aisle and plead the war, the Canadian National earnestly for the cause he was Railways has found it increasing- supporting. His Van Dyke beard, ly difficult to meet the situation grey moustache and hair and neat, and checking of payrolls, the issu- him from other members of the ace of pay cheques and related "Ginger group." He usually reaccounting. Railway payrolls are ceived a good hearing himself but becoming more complicated daily frequently complained he and his due to the number of deductions, colleagues could not hear exvarious war conditions and war changes between the prime minislegislation and, to meet this situ- ter and opposition leader farther ation, it has been found necessary up the chamber. points to Winnipeg.

# AIR FIGHT

battles over Malta Saturday.

# AIR TRAVEL

February Than Last.

cent in traffic.

## British Planes

### FOUNDER OF C.C.F.

ver Hospital After Long Illness.

VANCOUVER, March 23:-+ Princess Norah. It is of reg- + James S. Woodsworth, founder of + Alaska or the Aleutian Is- + ♣ ulation type, having capacity ♣ the Co-operative Commonwealth ♣ lands and the United States ♣ ♣ for easily six prisoners. It is ♣ Federation and former member of ♣ has no effective bases there ♣ + parliament for Winnipeg, died in anyway. + a Vancouver hospital on Saturday after a lengthy illness. Sixty- \* \* \* eight years of age, he retired from man a mar of the war. One of the founders WANY of the C.C.F. in 1932, he was its IN BRAZIL leader until two years ago when failing health caused him to resign the presidency.

who was one of Canada's most colorful parliamentarians, will be RIO DE JANEIRO, March 23:- cremated Tuesday and the ashes scattered at sea off Vancouver. A public memorial service will likely

Of medium height, thin and six schooners and a motor veswith a voice and presence which troops, have been sunk in the commanded attention. From his Mediterranean by British subseat he occupied so long in the marines. The action occurred House of Commons at Ottawa, far at the approaches to the Strait down the chamber to Mr. Speak- of Messina between Italy and er's left, he could be heard with Sicily within sight of shore. ease in a house which baffles many less audible parliamentarwinnipeg. March 23: - For would step from his front row seat Initiation Of

to centralize this work at the The idea of the Co-operative headquarters in Winnipeg. This Commonwealth Federation is said practice has already been put in- to have taken shape in Mr. Woodsto effect on all of the larger rail- worth's mind about the year 1930. way systems on this continent. Prior to that there had been close The requirements of the service co-operation between Farmer and will result in the transfer of a Labor groups in the House of number of the staff from various Commons. Mr. Woodsworth led the Labor wing. Co-operation the Labor wing. Co-operation piece silver tea services to Mr. and continued after the election of Mrs. Chris Jensen and Mr. and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Sather who are leaving Most JAPS tation in the house was cut from 21 to 15. On the majority of ques- month. The presentations were tions representatives of those two made by John Storseth. groups stood together and voted

LONDON, March 23: — British session of 1932, the idea of a new LIVENING Hurricanes dropped twelve Axis national political movement was fighters and two bombers in air discussed by the farmer - labor members. Subsequently conferences were held in western Canada and eventually, on August 1 British Forces Indicate Confidence resident in this area, 594 have of that year, a meeting was held at Calgary where the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation came into being with Mr. Woodsworth as provisional president. In this two of the hottest months of the who are still here have remained

gina in July, 1933. WINNIPEG, March 23:-Trans- felt in subsequent by-elections and stepping up preparations for a re- from here Saturday afternoon for Canada Air Lines carried 5765 pas- provincial elections. Mr. Woods- sumption of large-scale warfare. Vancouver took no less than 525 sengers and 120,565 pounds of air worth proved an active and ener- Confidence of British forces to from the area including those who mail in February, according to W. getic campaigner. In the by-elec- meet attack were demonstrated by got aboard at Prince Rupert and F. English, assistant vice presi- tion for the federal constituency a spectacular foray in which mo- those who were picked up along dent. Due to the shorter month of Mackenzie, where ex-judge L. bile columns battered Axis posi- the line, more especially around the figures showed slight de- St. G. Stubbs carried the C.C.F. tions in the Timimi Mertuba seccreases under January. Compared flag against a Liberal, a Conser- tor Friday and Saturday, killing with February 1941, however, there vative and a United Front candi- an undisclosed number and re- companied the Japanese as far as was an increase of almost 50 per- date, Mr. Woodsworth was one of turning to the lines with 150 pris- Pacific, returning on Saturday the heavy guns for the new party. oners. When the smoke of battle had cleared away it was found the C.C. \* F. representative had run second TALK OF to the Liberal. The other two TALK OF candidates were not seriously in the running.

Arrive in Cuba Born July 29, 1874, at Etobicoke, LONDON, March 23: - A + Ont., Mr. Woodsworth came of old Reuters dispatch from Ha- + United Empire Loyalist stock. His

### Not Afraid Of Alaska

+ statement has been issued in + Woodsworth Dies in Vancou- + Tokyo assuring the Japanese + + people that there is an air-+ + tight protection for Japan- + + ese against any American at- + \* tack from the direction of \*

# DEETH O DUILIE

The body of Mr. Woodsworth, Fleet of Vessels Comes to Grief in Mediterranean at Hands of British Subs.

> LONDON, March 23: 1 -- The Admiralty announced today that two U-boats, two supply ships,

## New Members

Twenty-eight new members for the Irrawaddy in Burma. There in connection with the compiling almost clerical dress, distinguished the local Sons of Norway Lodge are indications of a major attack were initiated at a meeting held by the Nipponese against a heav-Thursday night in the Oddfellows' ily mechanized army under the Hall, the initiating officer being command of General Stilwell of Fred C. Borhaven, organizer from the United States Army. Vancouver.

refreshments were served under Moresby. the direction of Mrs. Chris Jensen | There was considerable aerial and Mrs. Olof Skog. There were fighting over Burma and the isremarks by Mr. Borhaven and the land approaches to Australia yespleasant feature was the making heavy losses in aircraft. of farewell presentations of fourfor Vancouver at the end of the

to Meet Weight of Axis Attack.

Traffic Fifty Percent Greater This office he was confirmed at Re- year lie ahead, British and Axis by permission owing either to perarmies, facing each other across a sonal or family illness. The new movement made itself fifty-mile "No Man's Land," are The special train which started

# INVASION

LONDON, March 23: - London + craft have arrived in Cuba to + Woodsworth, was for many years on the possibility of a German vice-chief of the general staff at + join United States air patrols + superintendent of missions in the invasion attempt on the British Department of National Defence operating against Axis U- 4 northwest for the former Metho- Isles. Chancellor Adolf Hitler, it headquarters, is a visitor to the + boats. Authoritative sources + dist Church, revered as one of the is suggested, might make an ef- Pacific Coast and is expected in in Europe to an end.

War in Pacific-

### BURMA ARE OBJECTIVES

Attack of Japanese Will Be in That Direction Instead of Australia -Heavy Air Fighting.

STRIKE AT JAPS MELBOURNE, March 23: (9)-Sustaining their counter-offensive on invasion approaches to Australia, Australian airmen struck today at the Japanese right wing in Netherlands Timor after having wrecked some two score enemy planes in weck-end operations. Despite heavy losses the Japanese sent a bomber and fighter force against Port Moresby in New Guinea in the heaviest attack of the war on that city and also attacked Wyndham in western Australia. Allied attacks yesterday were directed chiefly at the Japanese base of Lae, New Guinea, and undelined the offensive spirit mapped out by General Douglas MacArthur who said today he had "absolute confidence in complete victory."

NEW DELHI, March 23: - With many military observers believing that there is more likelihood of Japan devoting her immediate attack in the direction of Burma and India rather than against Australia, strong Japanese forces are reported to be poised for a drive from the Sittang River towards

Meantime, there has been no Business at the meeting includ- contact by Australian forces with ed discussion of the possibility of Japanese troops reported to be having invitation dances. moving down the Markham Val-Following the business session, ley in New Guinea towards Port

president, Nels Gunderson, and a terday with the enemy suffering

# HAVE LEFT

Only 13 of 607 Who Were in Area Are Now Left-Illness Is Reason for Them.

Of a total of 607 persons of Japanese origin - men, women and children-who were known to be now departed for Vancouver where they are being assembled preparatory to being moved out of the CAIRO, March 23: ( Although protected zones. The thirteen

lower Skeena River cannery points. Constable Piper, R.C.M.P., acnight's regular train.

### Vice-Chief of Staff to Pay Rupert Visit

tomorrow.