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The Doctors Speak

PUBLIC OPINION in Prince Rupert appears to be definitely in favor of continuation of chlorination of the city's water supply. If anything was needed to clinch the case for chlorination, it was supplied by the very definite and very fair letter from the Prince Rupert Medical Association which we published yesterday. The doctors collectively say that chlorination is needed in the city. This is not because the water at its source is impure or subject to any great danger of contamination but specifically because there is reason to believe that there is contamination in the distribution lines. Chlorination will reduce the dangers of epidemic disease developing to a minimum and the doctors prescribe it as a "necessary health measure." Who are we to question such a professional declaration?

In view of what the doctors have said, added to what appears to be a weight of public opinion, it would seem in order for the city council to reconsider its stand. If a mistaken decision has been made, it should be rectified without delay. The matter is too serious a one to be determined by prejudice or obstinacy. The doctors suggest that the community health is at stake. It is assuming no little responsibility to fly in the face of their now publicly expressed advice on such an important matter.

The editorial columns of the Daily News have never been particularly pro-chlorination, to say the least of it, but, particularly under conditions as they are now explained, it is difficult to justify opposition to it. So let the council at least reconsider and, if it decides that a change of mind is in order, act accordingly at once.

FAITH, HOPE, COURAGE

AN HISTORICAL WRITER has pointed out that one of the secrets of national greatness of the Americas is the fact that in the beginning the optimists from all over the world came to this continent. They had the courage to break old ties and launch into the unknown. They were not only willing to take a chance. They were actuated by faith and hope. They left the pessimists at home, afraid to go along on a great adventure.

It is well to remember that heritage of faith and hope. Great business structures arose because people were imbued with that sort of outlook. It is that kind of thing which wins successes. It was with this spirit that we became the strong, adaptable, aggressive and progressive people we are.

This is as true of communities as it is individuals. Communities are built through hope in the future, faith in our own impulses and abilities.

It is faith, and hope, and courage which do the constructive things in life.

LESSON OF JUNEAU

JUNEAU, capital city of Alaska, has advantages as a townsite. The thing that strikes a stranger is the narrowness of streets and sidewalks, and the general feeling of being cramped. Juneau has a number of fine buildings, but all are not set off as well as they might be, although possibly an exception can be made where the Territorial Block is concerned.

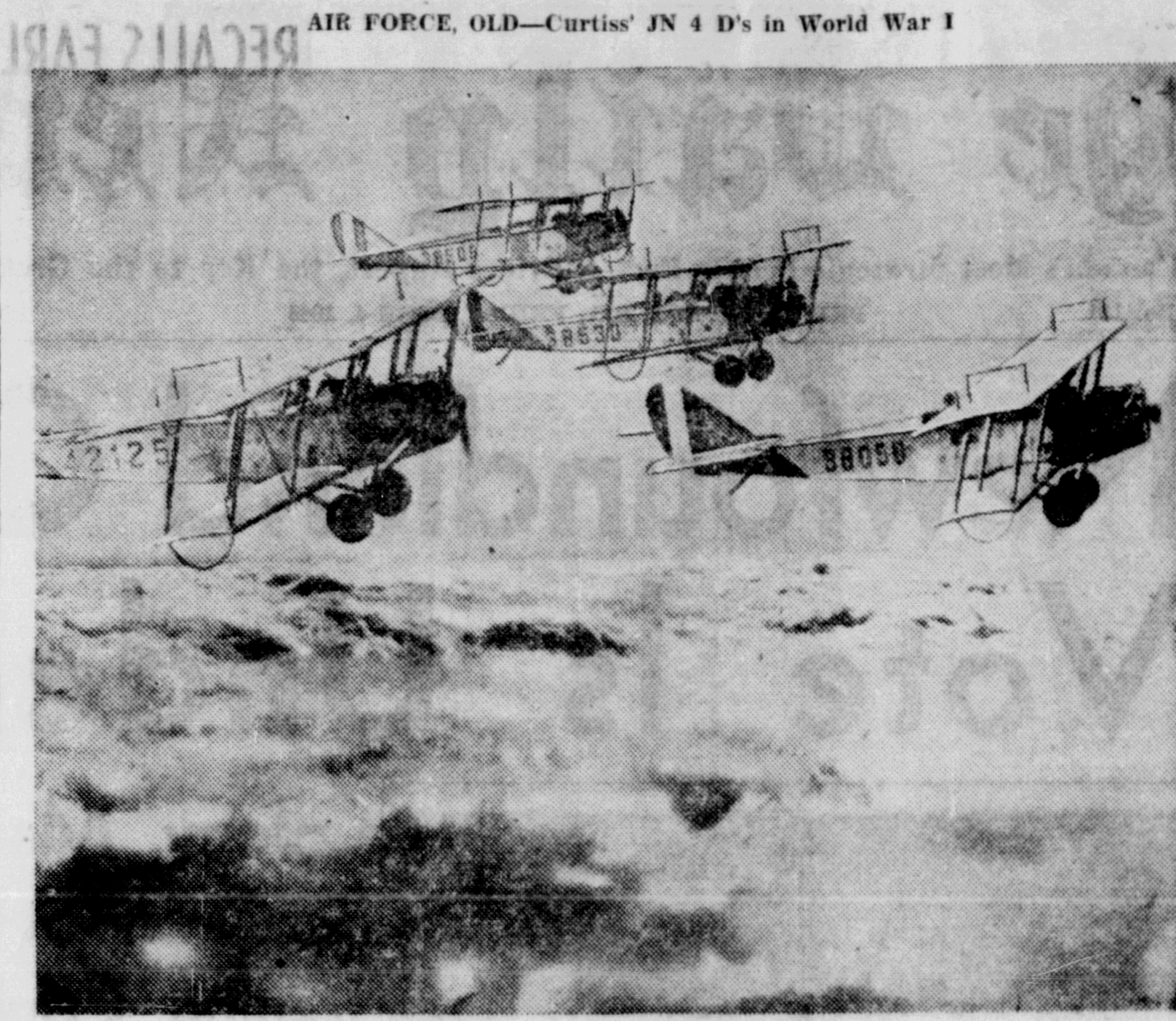
And now comes an exacting official, charging Juneau with having the worst slums in Alaska which is not a happy advertisement for the official headquarters of a vast territory. There is a lesson here for Prince Rupert. This city, by no means as old as Juneau, with ample room everywhere, and spacious streets and sidewalks, could be made a model and a beautiful community. Some parts of Prince Rupert may be less attractive than others, but it can hardly be said there is anywhere, a down-right slum. There is time for prevention of anything of the sort. All that is necessary as time goes on, is to use care and judgment as the city expands.

NATIVE FLOOD RELIEF SPEAKER

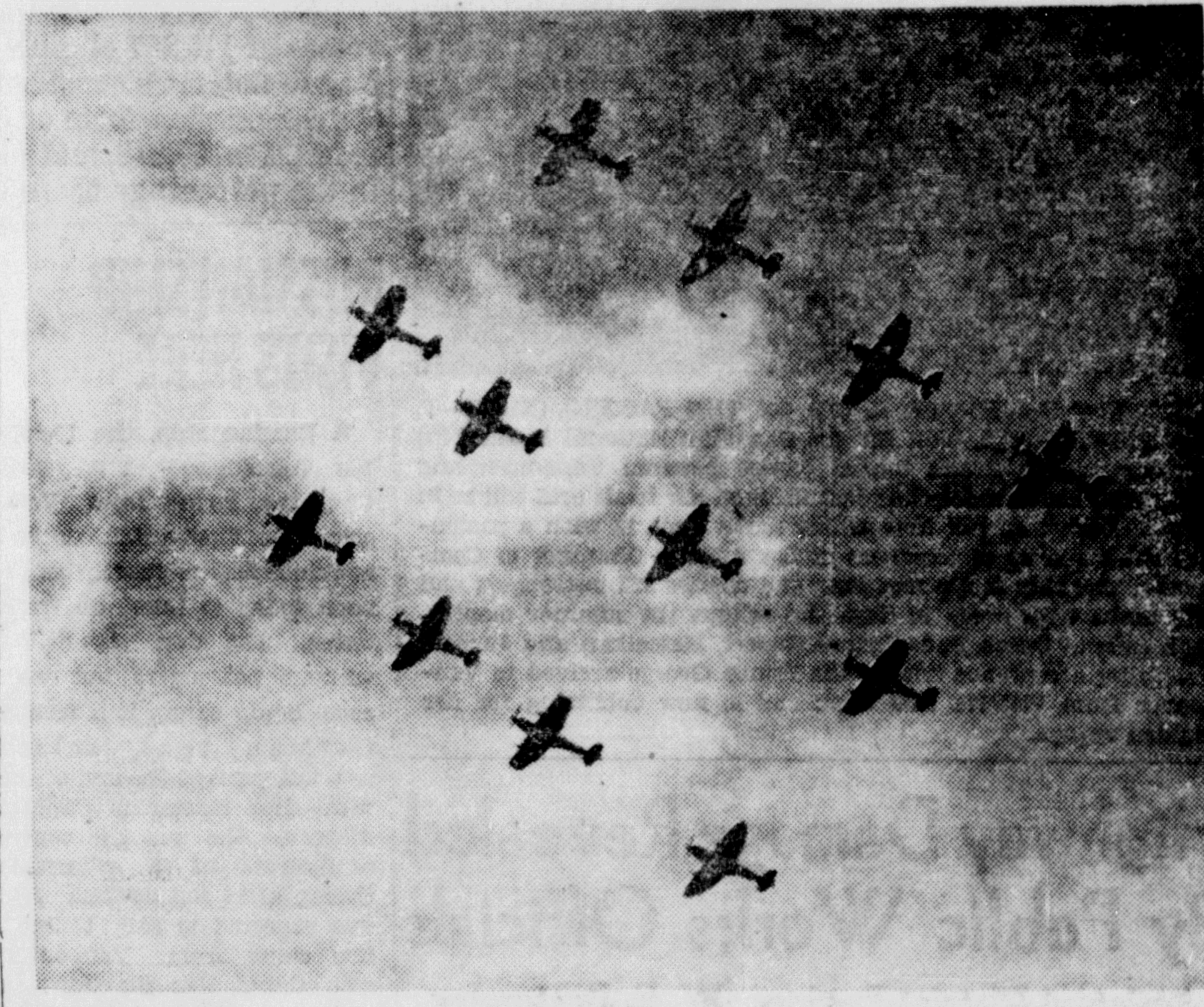
Appeal to the natives of this area to support the British Columbia flood relief campaign was made this morning by an outstanding one of their number—Paul Mason of Kikatha—in speaking from radio station CFPR this morning. Mr. Mason spoke both in the English and native language. He was introduced by Indian Agent F. E. Anfield.

Tonight at 8:30 Mr. Anfield will speak in support of the campaign while Dr. R. G. Large, president of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce, will be heard tomorrow night. On Monday night the radio speaker will be J. S. Wilson. Other speakers will follow.

INVENTED AIRSHIP
Count Zeppelin conceived the idea of the rigid airship while serving with the Union forces during the American Civil War as an observed in the captive balloon.



AIR FORCE, NEW—Spitfire Squadron, World War II



Reminiscences and Reflections

By W.J.

Prince Rupert never has been harmed by flood and in all likelihood never will be. This is one of many reasons why the city should go all out in giving aid and in urging all possible help to British Columbia's stricken people. What is being endured today is no ordinary ordeal or misfortune. Many of the cases are literally crushing.

That doughty veteran of the coast, the SS. Prince Rupert sailed again last evening on routine duties. She reminds one of an old sea-dog who could spin great yarns and all of them true. The Prince Rupert in mileage, has circled the globe again and again, and carried and fed tens of thousands of people—the good, the bad and the indifferent.

It's about 42 years since the late R. L. McIntosh came over from Port Essington and started Prince Rupert's first post office in a not - so - big tent. In 1910, J. R. Morrison arrived to join the staff, then in a frame building at Rupert Road and Centre Street. One thinks of this when contemplating the 324 newly installed boxes in the permanent postal premises on Third Avenue.

Judging from the trend of public opinion, it's all coming

down to this. Keep the city's water chlorinated and be safe. Contaminated water can make a sorry time of it for anyone. The Modder River is a narrow, winding stream in the Kimberley region of South Africa. Once, in wartime, oxen in a Boer laager were hit by shells and the decaying carcasses dragged into the river. Weather was hot. Troops were warned not to touch the Modder below the point where the rotting bodies lay. But, there was carelessness where an almost permanent thirst prevailed and fever swept the forces. Dozens of blanket-wrapped army men awaited burial and convalescents loafed and groused until they felt better.

When free-flowing water returns from its far flings and decides to be good, the trouble isn't over by a jugful. Watch out for what's in it. In their wild jamborees, the last week or so, the rivers of B. C. have picked up a lot of bad company in the way of uncleanness and you don't want that in what you drink.

ROUGH WATERS
The Gulf of the Lions, a broad bay of the Mediterranean washing the shores of southern France, is so named because of the roughness of the sea.

THORNBURY, Eng., 7- The local council contended the Home Office "prison without bars" experiment at Tortworth Court near here was a colossal failure and should be scrapped. There have been 11 escapes in recent months.

BRONZE AGE
The Bronze Age, is the name usually applied by archaeologists to the prehistoric period when bronze was used in the production of weapons and general utensils.

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COMMITTEE LAYS PLANS FOR PORT DAY

Plans for Prince Rupert's third post-war Port Day began to take shape last night at a meeting of the Port Day committee which elected officers and committee members. While no definite date was set, it will be held in late August during the annual lull in the salmon season.

Chairman of the committee this year is Junior Chamber of Commerce Secretary S. G. Furk, who replaced A. P. Crawley, chairman for the last two years. Edward Mussallem is secretary and Al Manson treasurer and finance committee chairman.

Program — Harold Thom, chairman; Lieut. John Quinn, Capt. J. R. Elfert, Bill Bacon, Sam Snidal, David Hay, George Anderson, Don Esselmont, Oscar Giske, Fred Conrad and Wilfred Smith.

Finance—Al Manson, chairman; Harold Helgeson, Oddie Odegard, Carlo Hansen, D. Pitt-Brook.

Publicity — J. K. McLeod, chairman; A. P. Crawley and R. G. Moore.

Suggestions for sustaining public interest between major events during the day brought forth ideas for swimming and water acrobatic contests. A sail boat race, an event which has not been held for years, also is planned.

As is customary, Port Day will be held during the Civic Centre carnival week—on a Thursday—and the Mayor will be requested to declare the day a public holiday. Method of acquiring a Port Queen has not been decided, although a proposal to have a Kinsmen May Queen reign over the events is being investigated. The next meeting of the Port Day committee has been called for June 17.

Better English

By D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "The letter was dated from Detroit."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "linguist"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Impetus, hiatus, gratus.
4. What does the word "clientele" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with sy that means "shapely, well-formed"?

- ANSWERS**
1. Say, "The letter was dated at Detroit."
 2. Pronounce linguist, both i's as in it, and not ling-gu-ist.
 3. Gratus.
 4. A body of customers, as of a theatre, hotel, etc. (Pronounce kil-en-tel, is as in lie, last syllable as tell, accent last syllable). "The clientele of the theatre was known for its culture."
 5. Symmetrical.

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Peace River Nurses Must Be Versatile
VANCOUVER, 7—The mode of transportation has changed for British Columbia's Peace River district nurses, but still they have to be everything from midwife to lumberjack. Nurse Pauline Yabolnitsky, who once had to hew and lay logs to cross a 100-foot gulch and tell school children to wash their hands before eating, today covers her 5,000-square mile district by air. But, as she told the Canadian Public Health Association here, she still must deliver babies, bring wounded hunters out of the bush by sleigh and horseback from airports to remote outposts. "It's hard work," she said, "but my five nurses and myself love the north winds, the parka linings and, above all, the wonderful people who inhabit the northern interior."

STANDARDIZED IN 1824
The gallon, standard unit of measure for liquids in the United Kingdom, underwent much alteration until the present imperial gallon was fixed by Act of George IV in 1824.

Hibernia was one of the old classical names for Ireland used by the Romans.

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