Carolina

# **ESTABLISHED 1867** THICK WEATHER HALTS GERMAN RAID ON LOND

Draft Registration Scheduled October 16

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## Fair Enough WESTBROOK PEGLER

polls to vote down mob confiscation of private property and a further proposal to repeal the American tator I have intended to comb both

and the Declaration of Independence for any cratic." Procras fination is no more nearly an ecupation with me, so this task has not been accomplished until

anding fathers, in their conserva wisdom, had no intention to On the condistinctly affirmed their ination of "guarantee to every form of governin either docuwho, twice in three vears, had to whip themselves into a swivet to save their sub-republic from destruction by the democratic process vindicate the judgment of

Unlike us who thoughtlessly permitted ourselves to glorify democracy in the days of 1917-18, not pausing to examine whreeof we prattled, and who have continued ever since which would be fatal to our freedom the founders of the nation pointedly Democracy is not a repntative form of government, and, reflection, the reasons become apent why the Nazis and Fascists icule us for our ignorance in exling a system which we do not actice and would hate as fiercely others are selected. they do, should we try. When we ! o, and, giving us ordeit for more sense than we possess, they think

#### Victims Of Ballyhoo

We have enofused ourselves and tin. That party never has attempted now, in its trend to national socialism would not dareadvocate democ-Mey except as a catch-word and in the knowledge that the people never have paused to examine its meaning. We live under a superstition that democracy is the guarantee of the republican liberties which exist nowhere else in the world but in this republic. The communists, naturally, have urged us toward democratic follies, knowing that it is unworkable harge a population as this one. That has the reason why in California 6,693 Local Men Slated was the reason why in California the communist party and the communist C. I. O. indorsed and worked or a 15,000-word amendment to the Kate constitution which would have named a dictator, abolished all rights Marnateed and preserved only by he republican system and caused a hastly brawl. The initiative and referendum was

oked upon as a sound reform 25 35 who will have to register for army service this year. ears ago, and certainly the intent the army draft. ontinued on Page Four; Col. 5)

#### WEATHER

FORECAST

dnesday: slightly cooler in central
tion Thesday.

Akteorological data for the 24 hours ading 7:30 p. m. yesterday).

Temperature
1:30 a. m. 68; 7:30 a. m. 65; 1:30 p. sinimum 62; mean 72; normal 73.

1:30 a. m. 90; 7:30 a. m. 93; 1:30 p. m. 73; maximum 73.

otal for 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m., inches.

Cape Fear river stage at Fay-lo.2 feet, at 8 a. m., September 13, ontinued on Page Ten; Tol. 6)

# Conscription Bill Is Signed time, about a year ago, when the citizens of California went to the citizens of California went to the large down mob confiscation

form of government and elect a dic- Says Nation Marshalling Strength To Avert Fate Of Weak Nations

COOPERATION URGED

Nation's Chief Says 'America Stands At Cross Roads Of Its Destiny'

By RICHARD L. TURNER WASHINGTON, Sept. 16. -(R)-President Roosevelt signed the draft act today, fixed Oct. 16 as registration day for 16,500,000 of

young Americans now subject to compulsory military training, and asserted that the United States was marshalling its strength to avert "the terrible fate of nations whose weakness invited attack." In addition, the chief executive

called upon the governors of the and the experiences of states to provide suitable places for the registration, urged local election officials "and other patriotic citizens" to man the registration boards and asked employers to give their affected employ-ees "sufficient time off" to present themselves and fill out the

Volunteer Provision

Mr. Roosevelt, moreover, emphasized a section of the act and a phase of the building up of the army which received much discussion ni congress-the voluntary enlistment system. All between 18 and 35, inclusive, he said in a for-mal statement, will be offered an opportunity to volunteer for a oneyear period of service and training, and those who offer themselves-provided they are suitable -are to be accepted before any

Thus an influx of volunteers "democracy" we don't know from any particular area would hat we are talking about, but they reduce the quota of men conscripted from that area.

The new law itself requires that te must be crazy, when we are only all who on Oct. 16 have attained colors for a year's active service the 21st anniversary of their birth for the first time since the World and have not passed the thirty- war-were busy last night making sixth year must register. A nation- preparations for about 10 days in al drawing by lot will determine camp here and for final recruiting fallen victims to the ballyhoo of the the order in which questionnaires activities before leaving for their Mary which was in power during the will be mailed to the men. On the camps in Georgia and South Carofirst World war and which used its basis of the questionnaires, local lina. on misnomer as an ideal and toc- boards will place the men in various classifications-those available the command of Captain J. Erpactice democracy, and, even for immediate service, those de- nest Cheek, received its travel or-Will Select Men

> available for immediate service to Fort Jackson, near Columbia, S. fill the quota for the area. Those C. so selected will undergo physical examinations and, if they pass, tery, 252nd coast artillery, and will be inducted into service for Company A 105th Medical regi-

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America on guard! Bayonet fixed, eyes ahead, mouth determined, this modern American doughboy symbolizes the national resolve to prepare the U. S. for all eventualities. Sgt. Arthur Schworzel, above, Army regular at Fort Dix, N. J., demonstrates what the fin ished product should look like after hundreds of thousands of civilians all over the nation complete the year of military training called for by the recently-passed conscription bill. Fort Dix wil lbe one of the largest draft cantonments.

#### Guard Mobilized Here; Recruiting Is Planned TAKEN TO JASPER

MEN TO BE EXAMINED

Company I Scheduled To Leave Sunday Morning For Year At Jackson

Wilmington's approximately 450 national guardsmen-called to the

Company I, 120th infantry, under ferred because of dependents, etc. ders yesterday, it was learned last night. The company will leave Wil-The local boards will select suf- mington Sunday morning at 7:40 ficient men from among those o'clock for one year's training at

> Battery A and Headquarters batment, had not received definite or-

Taking the United States war ulation according to the 1940 cen-

department's calculations as a, sus is 47,811 and simple multiplica-

measuring rod, there are approxi-

mately 6,693 men in New Hanover men in the draft age.

About one in 40 or 400,000 out

#### Reynolds To Inspect Isles Leased By U. S.

MIÁMI BEACH, Fla., Sept. 16. -(AP)-Senator Robert R. Reynolds of North Carolina rested here today preparatory to an aerial inspection tour of British islands where the United States has obtained leases for naval and air bases in exchange for 50 over-age destroyers.

The senator is the ranking member of the senate military atfairs committee and a member of the foreign relations and territories and insular affairs committee.

He said he would remain here a few days to recuperate from a cold in his head and chest before flying first to Cuba, where he would inspect the naval base at Guantanamo Bay. From there he planned to go to Jamaica, Trinindad. other British islands, to the Panama Canal Zone, and finally to Rio De Janeiro and Buenos Aires, returning next month by steamship.

# To Register For Draft

35,700 More Men Into Service On October 15

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16. -(P)county between the ages of 21 and of 16,500,000 will be drafted for ond call on the national guard to by a heavy police guard. So by dividing 6,693 by 40 it is However, only 167 of these will deducted that 167 men in this night in its expanding defense proage range will go into khaki this federal service on October 15. were inducted into the army to-

men between the ages of 21 and For every volunteer in the coun-35 make up 14 per cent of the ty the draft quota will be cut by 2 (Continued on Page Four; Col. 7)

# **BODY OF BANKHEAD**

# Rites Are Held In House

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16. and sorrowing congressional colleagues, the body of Speaker Wil- 40 miles away. Tank trucks carryliam B. Bankhead was taken to- ing gasoline were special targets. night to his home town of Jasper,

Official Washington gathered in the chamber of the house of representatives at noon for brief, impressive funeral rites over the six enemy bombers, it was reportflower-covered casket of the late ed, and three others were listed by

Half an hour before the services the house elected majority leader Sam Rayburn of Texas to the speakership by acclamation. Then, with Senator Pittman (D-Nev), president pro tempore of the senate. Rayburn presided over the funeral ceremony.

SECOND NATIONAL head, heavily veiled; Senator John H. Bankhead and Colonel Henry War Department Orders | members of the cabillet and dip-Court also attended.

packed. Long before the service The war department made its sec- started the capitol was surrounded

The Rev. James Shera Montgram, ordering 35,700 men into the gomery, chaplain of the house, prayed, "O blessed Lord God, the Approximately 60,500 guardsmen memory of this scholarly Christian gentleman we will not knowingly allow to die out of our aching hearts. He loved the good, the beautiful and the true and saluted a greater future for his brother-

Republican leader Martin of

"A great American has passed on entire research, they said, is to at-

## Italians And British Fight Within Egypt Troops Meet In 110 to 120

Degree Heat; Italian Losses Heavy

BRITISH BOMB TRUCKS

#### Almost All Egyptians Removed From Regions Threatened By Fighting

CAIRO, Egypt, Sept. 16.— (A) -Italian soldiers marching into Egypt in a swiftly-developing desert battle for empire are fighting British advance troops in 110 to 120-degree heat and thus far have suffered heavy losses from the withering British fire, it was officially reported thought.

The British, who at first offered little ressitance when Marshal Graziani began the offensive from Italian Libya, apparently have suddenly stiffened, military information indicated.

Motorized Units Clash Battles between British and Ital-

an motorized units in the desert ook place in the almost unbearable heat, with the combattants limited in some cases to scant supplies of water.

The main Italian force appeared to be consolidating its position around the border Port of Salum on the Mediterranean but strong elements of fighting vehicles have engaged British advance units near Brief Impressive Funeral Bugbuq, a coastal town about 25 miles east of Salum on the road to Alexandria.

A British .communique which told of contact of the advance -Escorted by President Roosevelt ports leading the Italian advance up in flames which could be seen The Italians were said to be keepnig clsoe to the shore line.

Bombers Downed

Italian planes supporting the motorized drive across hte desert ran into stiff opposition, the British said. British fighters shot down the British as probably destroyed. One British plane was lost.

#### RAYBURN ELECTED SPEAKER OF HOUSE

#### Texas Democrat Is Named Successor To Bankhead Without A Contest

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.- (A) -A genial Texas democrat, Rep. Sam Rayburn, was elected speaker of the house of representatives by acclamation today-the second man in history to win the post without a contest. The only other man to do so was the one he suc-

ceeded, William Bankhead of Ala-This unique feature of their electhat Bankhead and the man he followed to the chair, the late Joseph

Wellington Byrns of Tennessee,

# BOMB BLASTS

**English Informants** Say Invasion Attempt By Nazis Beaten Off

LISBON, Sept. 16 .- (R)-British informants arriving here by plane from London delared today that a small scale German attempted at a landing somewhere along the English coast last week was beaten off with heavy losses to the wouldbe invaders.

They were unable to give the exact time and place but asserted they were convinced of the accuracy of their information.

(Last Friday Dr. Charles F. Bove, former Paris surgeon, declared at Jersey City, N. J. that the Germans had tried to invade England several times and had failed.) (A British military source

said Friday night there had "absolutely no attempt at invasion in any size, shape or form.") "British coastal artillery and small patrol craft played hav-

of the British informants said here, "and not a single German reached land alive. "Scores of bodies are reported still being washed up on

oc with German barges," one

#### AIRPORT MEETING SLATED TOMORROW

County Board And Aviation Committee To Talk Plans To Promote Field

and the aviation committee appunishment of daylong bombings pointed several weeks ago will be and cross-channel shelling from, ed down on the big motor transports leading the Italian advance near Buqbuq, sending the vehicles and budgets ago will be defermed to the courthouse Wednesday held at the courthouse Wednesday held at the courthouse Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, following afternoon at 3 o'clock, following afternoon at 3 o'clock, following blows on the continental coast had a motion to that effect yesterday below and below to the continental coast had been added to the courthouse wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, following blows on the continental coast had been added to the courthouse wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, following blows on the continental coast had been added to the courthouse wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, following blows on the continental coast had been added to the courthouse wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, following blows on the continental coast had been added to the courthouse wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, following blows on the continental coast had been added to the courthouse wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, following blows on the continental coast had been added to the courthouse wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, following blows on the continental coast had been added to the courthouse wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, following blows on the continental coast had been added to the courthouse wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, following blows on the continental coast had been added to the courthouse wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the courthouse wednesday at the courthouse we are the courthouse wednesday at the courthouse wednesday at the courthouse we are the courthouse w afternoon by the county commis-

> At this time plans will be formulated for the promotion and devel- night raid was a hot fight. opment of Bluethenthal airport. The projected modernization pro-

Work crews are now busy at the the moon over London. county rock quarry removing maerial in preparation for the laying

contract for the installation of fix- gan the moment the evening alarm tures at the new buildings at the sounded. Immediately, anti-aircounty home, as bids on the work craft batteries roared into a fullwere opened and read at the meet-

Other applicants and their pro

W. W. Way and Son, \$1,265; B. R. Drynan, \$1,368; A. E. Cumber, \$1,434; and R. C. Lucas, \$1,865. Bids on the installation of heat ing equipment will be invited for next Monday's meeting.

A sum of \$5,000, a budgeted expense, was granted to the school board as a capital outlay. The question of the county's tak

ing part in the expense of paving Tenth street was turned over to the school board for consideration. L J. Coleman reported to the

board that many residents of the county had questioned him as to where they could obtain free seeds tions was the result of the fact for use in planting their gardens. Addison Hewlett, chairman, sug-

gested that those desiring seeds yo-are likely to result within a call at the office of Mrs. L. O. few days in agreement permitting

ters in an undisclosed village in

Normandy, northwestern France,

"I am glad I made my air force

Goering was quoted as saying:

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#### Germans Report Flight **OverLondonByGoering** BERLIN, Sept. 16.-49-An-| Landing back at his headquar-

nouncement of a flight over London by Reichs-Marshal Hermann Wilhelm Goering, personal director products made from the castor Massachusetts said Bankhead was of the air siege of England, gave new industry may be developed in here, to plant several acres in the bean will be manufactured. Numheightened tempo of daylight raids such a strong weapon. It was the sibly unshakeable hold, but fear of on the British capital.

bring Spain into the war as an

decisive force in Poland and Nor-Goering's trip, which authorized way and undoubtedly it will play quarters said was made last night a similarly decisive role in the in one of Germany's biggest and war with England." newest bombers which he piloted Goering, a World war ace and

himself, shared interest with diplo- former commander of the Richmatic developments which many tofen circus, has been in personal observers believed might soon command of the aerial assault on

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LARGE FIRE STARTED

Appearance Of Raiders Brings Out Heaviest Anti-Aircraft Fire Of War

NAZIS HIT MIDLANDS

Channel Mist Turns Into Fog. Moon Blotted Out, Sea Becomes Choppy

BY EDWIN STOUT

LONDON, Sept. 17 .- (Tuesday) -(P)-Thickening weather on which Britons long have counted as an autumn ally forced the German air raiders early today to break off an intensive night bombing attack on London three hours ahead of the usal quitting time.

By 2 a. m., the steady procession of raiders, which had brought out the heaviest anti-aircraft fire yet heard in the London area, thinned out to an occasional droning motor and sporadic bomb blasts

At 2:41 a. m., the all-clear

Fire Controlled One great fire broke out in cen-

ral London but it was quickly ontrolled. The alarm, which began in the foggy duck at 8:09 p. m. yesterday, was marked by a steady pricession of Nazi planes more nunerous than before, but it ended after six hours and 32 minutes -

tive night raids on the British cap-During the same period the Germans struck extensively innt he Midlands, the northeast and else-

second shortest of the 10 consecu-

where in England. A meeting of the county board | The British, having withstood the

invasion plans. Hot Fight While it lasted, the German

Anti-aircraft shells burst above the low clouds which concealed gram at the field has started. the invading planes and dimmed A number of houses suffered hits

from high explosive and incendiary bombs in the Midlands, where one German plane fouled a bal-The Ideal Plumbing company, of loon barrage cable and crashed. Wilmington, was awarded a \$1,231 The night's battle in London be-

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#### FRANCE IN DANGER OF LOSING COLONY

#### Agreement Permitting Japan To Land Troops In Indo-China Expected

HANOI, French Indo-China, Sept 16.-(R)-France was believed in well-informed quarters here tonight to be in imminent peril of losing French Indo-China to Jap-

French officials admit privately that negotiations-already approved in principle by Vichy and Tok-Japan to establish perhaps 25,000 troops on Indo-China soil.

Authoritative French, Japanese and foreign sources say this may prompt China to send her own soldiers across the colonial frontier and precipitate a conflict which might mean the beginning of the end of France's 60-year rule of this east Asian territory of 230,000 square miles.

In all quarters, official and civilian, the conviction is expressed that only the United States could prevent Japan from gaining a posarousing Japanese feelings has prevented Indo-China authorities even from soliciting such aid.

French sources said that a mission had been sent to the United States last July, but that both it and the government here had failed to obtain warplanes and other material sought in the United

## Castor Bean Production Experiments corological data for the 24 hours

that experiments in the growing fectiveness on truck crop pests. of castor beans are planned in

be drafted this year.

The war department figures that year.

population. The county's total pop- one.

R. Holzcker, chemist and repre- make tests of the insecticide and number of by-products. sentative of Woburn Industries, study its effectiveness. Inc., of Brooksville, Fla., and B. H. The experiments with section to learn if climate and soil one-half years, Holzcker said. conditions will permit the profit-

able growth of the plant.

ectiveness on truck crop pests.

Arrangements have been made this vicinity, in which the various Ren this section, the possibility that a with George Trask, truc farmer

The experiments with the insec-Sullivan, an associate of M. O. ticide are expected to b complt-Dunning, Washington, D. C., said d within a few months but those Dunning, Washington, D. C., said d within a few mondation fo the held in this country for many dealing with the production fo the held in this country for many Margaret's Episcopal church sang. yesterday that the company has dealing with the production of its products.

Margaret's Episcopal church sang. The Rev. William S. Abernethy, Holzcker and Sullivan said also

With the disclosure yesterday castor bean, to determine its if- plant is found practical here, new industry may be developed in here, to plant several several new industry may be developed in here, to plant several new industry may be developed in here. The plant several new industry may be developed in here, to plant several new industry may be developed in here. The plant several new industry may be developed in here, to plant several new industry may be developed in here. The plant several new industry may be developed in here. The plant several new industry may be developed in here. The plant several new industry may be developed in here. The plant several new industry may be developed in here. The plant several new industry may be developed in here. The plant several new industry may be developed in here. The plant several new industry may be developed in here. The plant several new industry may be developed in here. The plant several new industry may be developed in here. The plant several new indust

The underlying purpose in the tempt to restore the castor bean of service." to the position of prominence it of its products.

# Of Representatives

Ala., for burial tomorrow.

Throughout the service the president solemny watched the gray casket. Behind him sat Mrs. Bank-M. Bankhead, brothers of the speaker; and the speaker's daughters, Actress Tallulah and Mrs. Eugenia Hoyt, both in black. The members of the cabinet and diptice McReynolds of the Supreme

The galleries, to which admission was by special card, were

Are Planned In Wilmington Section Rayburn told the funeral company: "I stand here in great humility with the level in great humility poor limitations to follow in the footsteps of one as great and

> bered among these, in addition to he accorded complete fairness to "A fine life is ended," he said.

if the growing of the castor bean (Continued on Page Ten; Col. 7) (Continued on Page Ten; Col. 5) ally of Germany and Italy.