

MAJOR TOBACCO COMPANIES FACE CHARGES

Conscription Registration To Begin About Sept. 1 Under Legislation Pending In Senate

Training Of 400,000 To Start Oct. 1

Tentative Plans Revealed by War Department Official; State Agencies Have Begun Preparations For Conscription.

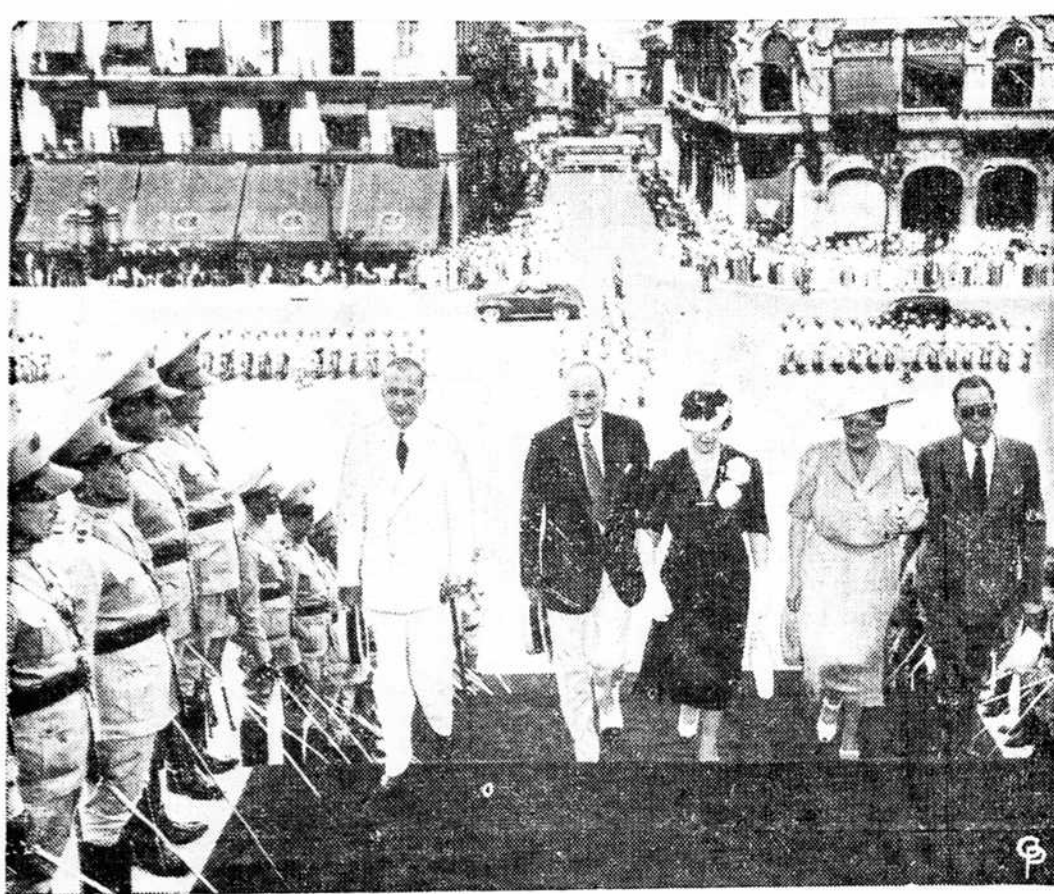
Washington, July 24.—(AP)—Registration of pending conscription legislation has been set tentatively for September 1. It was announced today that the first 400,000 men will be called for training on October 1.

War Department officials today disclosed that the states already have begun preparations for the selective training of men between 18 and 21 years of age.

Men With Dependents To Escape Draft

Washington, July 24.—(AP)—Secretary of War Henry Stimson today announced that men with dependents will be exempt from the draft.

U. S. Representatives at Havana Conference



U. S. Secretary of State Cordell Hull and members of his party arrive at the Cuban capitol in Havana for a session of the Pan-American Conference. Left to right, U. S. Ambassador to Cuba George S. Messersmith, Secretary and Mrs. Hull and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil W. Gray. Hull urged a united stand by the 21 American republics against European dictatorships. Notice soldiers guarding the capitol.

Fifth Column Activities Are Discussed At Havana Meeting

State's Budget Makers Start Work Friday

Raleigh, July 24.—(AP)—The State's budget makers start work Friday on the financial program for North Carolina for the 1941-42 biennium with word from Governor Hoyt that economy must be practiced.

Scattered Rains Fail to End Heat Wave in Carolina

(By The Associated Press) Showers cooled a few isolated sections of North Carolina yesterday and last night, but generally the mercury shot to record high marks and readings of around 100 degrees were frequent.

United States and Other Delegations Seek Measures to Weed Out Subversive Influences In Occident.

Havana, July 24.—(AP)—An imposing array of proposals to combat fifth column activities and build defense were offered to the Pan-American conference today by the United States and various Latin American delegations.

Hitler Still Has Task In Holding Conquered Nations

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Washington, July 24.—Hints are reaching Washington that Herr Hitler is experiencing considerable difficulty in consolidating the Nazi's dominance in all the countries they have been conquering so rapidly of late.

Now, naturally these populations, although beaten, are in no pro-German frame of mind. They still have to be policed and coerced and everlastingly spied on, or it's a foregone conclusion that they'll turn outright rebellious at the first opportunity.

AIR WARFARE INTENSIFIED BY BOTH SIDES

More Than 60 German and British Planes Engage in Terrific Battle Over British Southeast Coast Town Today.

London, July 24.—(AP)—More than 60 German and British planes engaged in a terrific battle over a town on the southeast coast today as the Germans raided Britain from coast to coast.

Nazi Air and Sea Raiders Destroy 31,000 Tons of Commercial Shipping in Last 48 Hours, German High Command Says.

Berlin, July 24.—(AP)—Nazi air and sea raiders, tightening their grip for the battle of Britain, destroyed 31,000 tons of commercial shipping in the last 48 hours, the German high command said today.

Sherman Act Violations Are Charged

Eight Major Tobacco Companies, 26 Other Corporations and 33 Individuals Face Criminal Charges After Long Probe.

Washington, July 24.—(AP)—The Justice department announced today that it had filed criminal charges under the Sherman anti-trust act at Lexington, Ky., against eight major tobacco companies, 26 other corporations and 33 individuals.

Woman Believed To Be Murdered May Be Living

Norfolk, July 24.—(AP)—A charge of murder against Richard Manly Davis, 36-year-old carpenter of the Stumpy Lake section near Norfolk, which was preferred by the man's son, Newsome Davis, when he found his mother, Mrs. Deltie Faircloth Davis, to have been missing for several days, will be cleared up today.

BURLINGTON TO KEEP TAX RATE OF \$1.50

Burlington, July 24.—A tentative municipal budget calling for expenditures of \$358,797.94 for the 1940-41 fiscal year will be presented to the Board of Aldermen in its next meeting.

Liquor Prices To Be Lowered

Raleigh, July 24.—(AP)—The State ABC board has sent out new price lists effective August 1, lowering the price of some 175 liquor packages by 5 or 10 cents in 27 wet counties.

VETERANS RULE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Secretary Of State Thad Eure Predicts There Will Be Only 9 Republicans.
Raleigh, July 24.—(AP)—The 1941 General Assembly will be composed of 73 members who were in the 1939 Legislature, 39 who served before last year, and 67 who have no previous legislative experience.

British Claim Nazi Loss Of 4,000 To 5,000 Planes

London, July 24.—(AP)—Germany has lost 4,000 to 5,000 planes since the war began, British sources asserted today in support of a claim that Britain gradually is overwhelming Germany in the race for control of the skies.

well informed London circles figured German production of planes is being maintained "at around about 1,800 a month" and added: "That is a figure which Britain may be said today to be rapidly approaching, although she has yet xxx to overhaul it."

Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA.
Partly cloudy tonight and Thursday; widely scattered thundershowers in east and central portions.

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