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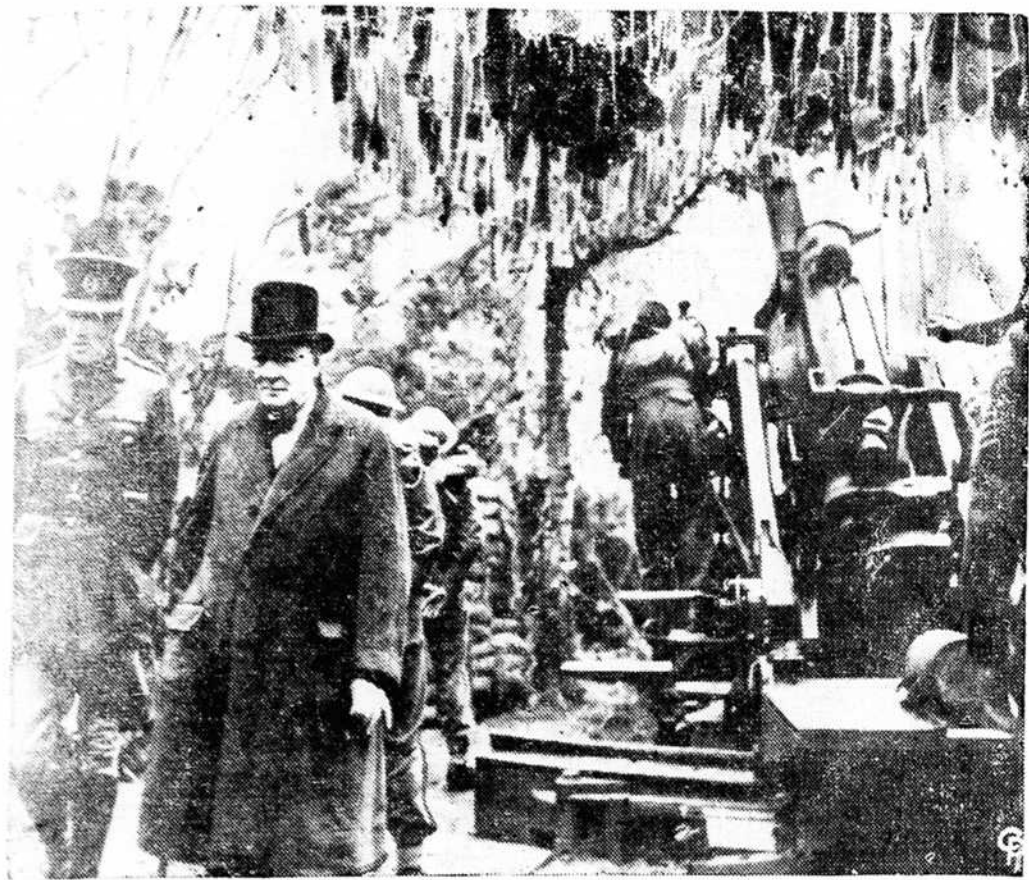
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## Churchill Inspects England's Defenses



Prime Minister Winston Churchill inspects a camouflaged gun emplacement on the southeast coast of England. The Channel is lined with heavy guns, ready to blast at hostile aircraft and ships when Hitler's invasion starts.

# Nazis Bomb Coast

## FDR Said To Favor Draft Bill

Senator Sheppard, Chairman of Military Committee, Declares He Has "Definite Impression" Roosevelt Approves Conscription

Washington, July 30.—(AP)—Senator Sheppard, Democrat, Texas, said today he had gained the "definite impression" in conversations with President Roosevelt that the President favored enactment of the Burke-Wadsworth compulsory military training bill in its present form.

Sheppard, just back from a three-day tour of Norfolk, Va., defense works—a trip which he made with Mr. Roosevelt—said he had discussed the bill at length with Mr. Roosevelt. The chairman of the Senate military committee added that the President's comments were entirely favorable to it.

The measure, receiving final consideration from Sheppard's committee today, calls for registration of all men between 18 and 64 years.

Sheppard's statement was the first indication of Mr. Roosevelt's view on the bill, although he previously had said that some form of conscription might be necessary in order to provide sufficient personnel for an enlarged national defense machine.

## Agree on Defense of Americas



Secretary of State Cordell Hull (left) is pictured with Leopoldo Melo (right), chief of the Argentine delegation at a sub-committee meeting at Havana, Cuba, which ironed out the difficulties confronting the 21 American republics in the defense of their liberties. The Argentines gave up cautious reservations in the face of an aggressive attitude on the part of the other 19 republics. (Central Press)

## Dover Battle Claims Are Disputed

Germans Deny British Claims of Successes, Say Swelling Storm of Air Attacks Are But "Puny" Sample of What Is In Store.

(By The Associated Press.) The British house of commons held its sixth secret session of the war today as Nazi airmen carried on the onrush of bombing to the long expected invasion. The secret session for the discussion of foreign affairs was voted after Hugh Dalton, minister of economic warfare, indicated the possibility of British-American cooperation on the general question of world supplies.

Dalton also disclosed that Britain was sending an agent to Spain this week-end to confer with Spanish officials on Spain's oil requirements—a move apparently designed to make certain no oil supplies reaching Spain are transhipped to Germany.

The minister denied reports of an extension of the British blockade to certain neutral countries, but explained that Britain now must control all shipping crossing the Atlantic.

A high neutral diplomatic source predicted meanwhile that Spain would declare war on Great Britain "within a week or so" if the British attempted to clamp a strict blockade on Spain.

Italy, this source noted, moved swiftly toward war after Britain tightened the blockade against her.

In the house of lords, Foreign Secretary Lord Halifax declared Japan's allegations of British espionage in the Far East were baseless.

(By The Associated Press.) Nazi Germany, disputing British claims of seven-ton-to-one royal air force losses in yesterday's air battle at Dover, sent her bombers across the channel again today with the hope of crushing English morale before the long-awaited invasion begins.

An undisclosed number of civilians, among them an infant, were killed and buildings were damaged or demolished as the Nazi airmen sprinkled their bombs up and down the east coast.

While the British admiralty was announcing that Germany had sunk 35,577 tons of the empire's shipping in the week ending July 21, the German high command maintained that this much damage was done in the Dover fight alone—four ships totaling 32,000 tons.

The German high command also said German airmen sank a 10,000-ton carrier in the English channel, as well as a small merchant vessel.

England claimed that yesterday's air attack cost the Germans 25 planes, 17 of them in the Dover battle where 30 Nazi bombers and fighters were fought off by royal air force men. Loss of one British plane was acknowledged. Germany on the other hand, claimed 15 British planes were shot down and only three German aircraft were lost.

The German press said the swelling storm of air attacks was only a "puny" sample of what Adolf Hitler has in store, but already has taken a tremendous toll of British shipping.

A Berlin news paper said that although the raid so far had only "softened" the English defense system for the big bomb, bombs and torpedoes cost the British 257,000

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## Final Senate Committee Action On Conscription Bill Delayed

Republican Senators, Demanding Roosevelt Make Clear His Views on Measure, Are Accused of Playing Politics.

Washington, July 30.—(AP)—Final action on the Burke-Wadsworth compulsory military training bill was delayed today by the Senate military committee at the conclusion of a session described as one of the bitterest in years.

The controversy was said to have centered on Senator Charles McNary, Republican, New Hampshire, demanded that President Roosevelt make clear his views on the measure. Senators George of South Dakota and Dennis of Idaho, also Republicans, strongly joined McNary in the demand.

McNary and heatedly a committee reported later, Senator McNary, Republican, Indiana, and Senator Tom Dew, Democrat, Oklahoma, both strong supporters of the President, accused the Republicans of trying to "play politics" with a defense issue.

The present measure is to have reached a final point until Senator John Sheppard, Democrat, Texas, announced with a delay of a vote on the Burke-Wadsworth bill the committee had passed immediately after a session to authorize President Roosevelt to train the National Guard and the Officers Reserve Corps. Chairman Sheppard said he thought the Senate should take up the bill before acting on the conscription measure.

## Senate Approves TVA Expansion

Washington, July 30.—(AP)—A 70-20 vote in the Senate today approved expansion of the Tennessee Valley Authority to include electric power for the Tennessee and Mississippi rivers.

The measure passed the Senate today without a dissenting vote.

Senators who opposed the legislation were accused of taking it up late yesterday to delay the measure was being reported.

Senator Charles McNary, Democrat, Tennessee, demanded the Senate vote on the measure requested by the Tennessee Valley Authority after a conference session after a 70-20 vote and with almost no dissenting vote.

McNary said that the vast expansion of the Tennessee Valley Authority was dependent upon the production of aluminum and that the additional power must be provided for aluminum plants.

## Henry Ford Is 77 Years Old

Washington, July 30.—(AP)—Henry Ford turned his 77th birthday anniversary at peace with himself, in the world, in excellent health and more optimistic about the future.

He was interviewed by a reporter who said he was "more confident" than in the past. He said the future will bring happiness and prosperity.

Industrialist, whose headquarters are largely in Detroit, said that "there never has been a more peaceful time in my life" than the present. He planned no formal celebration of his birthday.

## Japanese Arrest More Foreigners

North Carolina Farmers Receive \$55,833,000 Cash

Raleigh, July 30.—(AP)—North Carolina farmers got \$55,833,000 as cash income from principal farm products during the first five months of 1940, a gain of 17 percent over the \$29,512,000 received in the same 1939 period, not including Federal payments.

The State Department of Agriculture reported on the cash income today and said that federal payments dropped 24 percent below the \$11,643,909 AAA payments made in the 1939 period.

The Japanese campaign, which has jailed some of the most prominent British residents in Japan and led to the death of one, was discussed today by the British and United States ambassadors. Sir Robert Leslie Craigie and Joseph C. Grew.

## Traffic Toll Is Higher

"Wartime Jitters" Held Responsible For Increase in Deaths So Far This Year.

Chicago, July 30.—(AP)—"Wartime jitters"—the war's psychological effect on American motorists—were held partly responsible today for a sharp increase in the nation's traffic deaths.

Reporting an 8 percent increase in traffic deaths for the first half of 1940 compared with the same period last year, the National Safety Council attributed the rise to greater travel and "wartime jitters."

There were 14,740 persons killed in motor accidents during the first six months of 1940, or 1,040 more than in the same period last year.

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## Hemisphere Trade Fund Runs Into Questioning

Washington, July 30.—(AP)—President Roosevelt's request for a \$500,000,000 fund to assist western hemisphere countries in meeting trade problems caused by war ran into critical questions today from members of the Senate banking committee.

Their questions on whether legislation to carry out the White House request to increase the capital of the Export-Import Bank from \$200,000,000 to \$700,000,000 might dangerously increase the government's foreign credit were directed at Jesse H.

Arrests Made in Korea Follow Seizure of 13 Britons Charged With Espionage in Japan Proper; British Demand Investigation.

Tokyo, July 30.—(AP)—The Japanese army announced today that several foreigners whose names and nationalities were not disclosed have been arrested in Korea in an extension of Japan's campaign against alleged foreign espionage in which 13 Britons previously had been seized in Japan proper.

A brief communique issued in Korea, Japanese colony on the Asiatic mainland, said the prisoners, charged with spying, were undergoing examination.

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Arrest of the Britons in the espionage drive emphasizes that Japan is moving rapidly along two courses toward economic control of eastern Asia—elimination of foreign influence and of economic intruders in key

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## Conscription For Canada Proposed

Ottawa, July 30.—(AP)—Considering the possibility of evicting a Canadian army of 1,000,000, War Services Minister James G. Gardiner told the house of commons today every unmarried man in the dominion the ages of 21 and 45 might be compelled to undergo 30 days military training.

"There is no reason," he said "why Canada should not train an army of 1,000,000 men under this system and still operate her industry and primary production to meet demands

## Heat Wave Is Broken

Overcast Skies Plummet Mercury, Leaving Death Toll of Eight in North Carolina.

(By The Associated Press.) The summer's most prolonged heat wave—ten days—seemed to have broken at least temporarily in most sections of North Carolina today.

Overcast skies plummeted the mercury to the low 80's and the U. S. weather bureau forecast offered at least temporary respite in the heat.

The weather bureau forecast partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday, with scattered thunder-showers in mountains Wednesday.

Eight deaths attributable to the heat wave have been reported in the state—three from heat prostration and five drownings.

In the nation, meanwhile, thunder-showers brought a measure of relief to some parts of the parched country, but for most of the nation the day was just another lap in the heat marathon.

As the mercury again climbed into the 90's the number of deaths from the heat wave increased to 765. Heat deaths numbered 322, drowning—323.

## Newspapers Hold Own In Advertising

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, By LYNN NISBET.

Raleigh, July 30.—This may sound like a plug for the business office, maybe it is. But it has some interest as a news story.

Despite the encroachment of radio and the increasing popularity of some national magazines, newspapers still provide the most acceptable advertising media for manufacturers and dealers who want to interest prospective customers in their wares.

A survey just completed by the Bureau of Advertising of expenditures in daily papers, magazines, farm journals and radio for advertising last year shows that forty percent of the total was spent in newspapers. Only daily papers in towns

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Weather FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday, scattered thunder-showers in the mountains Wednesday.

## British Navy May Guard Windsors Across Atlantic

London, July 30.—(AP)—Regardless of United States law that U. S. ships shall avoid armed convoys, the American export liner Excalibur may travel under the protection of British guns on its next westward crossing because the Duke and Duchess of Windsor will be aboard.

Three United States diplomats as well as the Windsors may have British naval units hovering about them as they return home. John Cudahy, ambassador to Belgium; William Phillips, ambassador to Italy, and George Gordon, minister to the Netherlands.

The British are going to take no chances that the duke, recently appointed governor general of the Bahamas, might be removed from the Excalibur by German or Italian patrols, and the navy therefore, informed sources said, will keep a "sort of long distance watch on the ship."

## Bandits Make Big Haul In New Jersey

Asbury Park, N. J., July 30.—(AP)—Three men armed with shotguns held up employees of the Asbury Park National Bank and Trust Company today and escaped with a haul which police said they believed contained \$149,000.

Bank officials said they were unable to give an immediate estimate of the haul, all cash. The money was consigned to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

Vice President James E. Foyhite and the armed messengers, Clarence Barton and Joseph Sturm, were escorted by the trio as they stepped from their car in front of the post-office.

## Norfolk-Cincinnati Air Route Urged Before CAA

Washington, July 30.—(AP)—Saying that North Carolina "stands far behind most of the states in the development of air services," Pennsylvania Central Air Lines today urged the Civil Aeronautics Authority to authorize it to establish a new route from Norfolk to Cincinnati.

Pennsylvania Central filed a brief asking that the authority disregard recommendations by two of its competitors, the Norfolk-Cincinnati route.

North Carolina, the air line said, ranks twelfth among the states in

## Argentine Delegation Reserves Right of its Government to Pass Finally on Merits of Western Hemisphere Agreement.

Havana, July 30.—(AP)—An Argentine reservation on the all-important question of foreign possessions in the New World clouded today the solidarity of the 21 American republics as their foreign ministers reached the end of the conference on hemisphere economic and political defense.

The unanimity rule of the conference, a Pan-American tradition, technically was upheld as the delegates agreed one after another on the many defense matters, but Argentina at the last moment of last night's secret plenary session reserved the right of its government to vote finally on the merits of the Act of Havana.

Hence, Argentina's eleventh hour reservation somewhat dampened the enthusiasms of some delegates who had predicted there would be no hitch left in the armor of continental solidarity.

Some delegates, however, said they believed the Argentine action was "academic," themselves expressed it "academic."

## No Action Taken In Election Case

Raleigh, July 30.—(AP)—Attorney General Harry McMillan said today he would withhold his course of action in the third congressional district primary irregularities investigation pending arrival of a letter from Charles L. Abernethy, Sr., former congressman, whose son is alleged to have had some of the ballots which were removed in Craven county prior to the May 25 primary.

The elder Abernethy, telephoned McMillan today. His son was an unsuccessful candidate for Congress in the primary and election officials said he gave them some of the ballots before the voting.

## Six May Be Dead In Fire

Canden, N. J., July 30.—(AP)—Six persons were unaccounted for today two hours after a fire broke out in R. M. Hollinghead Co.'s block-making plant following an explosion. Seventeen employees were treated at a hospital.

The explosion occurred at the noon hour. Flames spread rapidly and leaped to buildings across the street from the automobile paint and grease manufacturing plant located in the heart of Camden.

George Gumbrell, 21, who escaped from the basement, said he feared that four girls and two men had been trapped there.

Most of the factory's employees had left the building a short time before.