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RUSSIANS STILL GLAIM INIT 18 To 20 Year Old Youths Will Register On June 30 JAP DRIVE NEARS STRATEGIC CHINESE G

Capital of Chekiang Is Menaced by Offensive

Americans Leave

CHUNGKING. — (AP) — merican and other mission-ries left Kinhwa today as Japanese Army's sweep-offensive drew nearer

Air Training Plans Made

By LOUIS P. LOCHNER

Democrats Pledge No Tax Increases In State Platform

McLendon Makes Keynote Speech

RALEIGH—(R)—Meeting in the midst of "the crucial test of our long history" the State Democratic Convention today adopted an eightpoint platform which pledged the continuation "even in war" of "the open and orderly processes of self-government."

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These eight points included a pledge that State taxes would not be increased nor new taxes levied during the war.



Another Mexican Sinking Reported

Word Comes as Nation Is on Verge Of Declaring War on Axis

MEXICO CITY.—(AP)—Newspapers reported foday, without official confirmation, that a second Mexican tanker had been torpedoed in the Gulf of Mexica a week after another sinking which brought this nation to the verge of an outright declaration of war against the Axis.

R. the crists boomed, commanders of military rouse and a number of state governors came to the Capital to confer in shaping the nation's course.

Long War

Hits Over-Optimism And Over-Pessimism

-Inside Germany Bombings Sap German Morale,

Not Subject To Service Until They Are Twenty

5th Registration For the Draft WASHINGTON. —(AP)— President Roosevelt today set June 30 as registration day for young men between eighteen and twenty years of

Bar Unwarranted

All Manhattan Faces Blackout

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WAR CORRESPONDENT HERE—Cecil Brown, famous war correspondent who will apeak here tonight at 8 o clock in the Armory-Auditorium, is shown above at the left, as he described the aloping deek of the Repulse this morning in his room at the Barringer Hotel to Miss Teresa Scullion, at the right, president of the Business and Professional Women's Club, which is sponsoring his appearance here. Mrs. Brown is shown in the center. (News Staff Photo.)

Brown Will Speak In City Tonight

Famous War Correspondent Will Make Speech in Armory at 8 o'Clock

Of Bus Lines

Report Nazi Assaults Have Been Repulsed

Savage Battles For Kharkov

By HENRY C. CASSIDY

MOSCOW.— (AP) — The Germans once more have hurled strong tank forces into counter-attacks in the raging battle for Kharkov, this time employing tricky new tactics of screened attack, but the are mechanized thrusts have

Take Control Rita Hayworth Wins Divorce

WEATHER



Writer Robert Best, Sumter, S. C., Native, Chooses To Stay In Reich

American "Haw-Haw"

Native of Sumter, S. C.

Robert Henry Beat, according to information available here this atternoon, is a native of Sumter, S. C. and is a member of a prominent South Carolina family.

He is reported to have attended.

Cut Down War Production

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