

# 20 Cent Cut In Tax Rate Of City Ordered By Board

### Cut is Said To Be Greatest Made By Any City In State So Far.—City Lived On Its Income During The Past Year.

Tax payers of Concord will enjoy a 20 cent cut in the tax rate as the result of action taken Thursday night by the board of aldermen who ordered the rate cut from \$1.62 cents a hundred to \$1.42 cents. The cut is said to be the largest made in any city in the State this year.

The 20 cent cut represents a reduction for all city departments except those whose appropriations are set by law. The cut was made possible, officials say, by an increase in taxable property and reductions in appropriations.

The rate will be divided as follows:

- General Fund 43 cents against 50 cents the year before.
- School Fund 33 cents against 38 cents.
- Interest Fund 28 cents against 36 cents.
- Sinking Fund remains at 36 cents.
- Library Fund remains at 1 cent.
- Cemetery Fund remains at 1 cent.

An audit of the city books recently prepared by J. W. Hendrix, was accepted by the board before the budget was formally adopted. This report, in fact, played an important part in the deliberations, showing that the city lived within its income last year despite the fact that several departments had less money than the year before.

The report shows that \$85,000 worth of bonds were retired during the year and that also, a floating debt of \$5,000, incurred when the city purchased additional land for the hotel, was paid.

The report shows a decrease of \$11,684.63 in government costs here in the fiscal year 1926-27 against the year 1925-26.

Since the city officials found it possible to live within their income last year, despite a reduction from the preceding year, they deemed it wise and just to pass on to the tax payers the savings, and the 20 cent cut is their answer.

Tax payers residing in Concord have received a 25 cent cut within the past two days, the commissioners of Cabarrus having cut the county rate 15 cents at a meeting on Wednesday.

These cuts, so far as can be learned here, are the largest made in the State, regardless of whether property has been revalued.

which has charge of Hotel Concord, managed by A. L. Baker, will have charge of a new hotel being erected in New Haven, Conn. This hotel will cost \$2,100,000, and will have 350 rooms. It will be modern in every respect.

The northwestern part of the county was visited by a hard rain Sunday afternoon and showers fell in other sections of the county. There was a little lightning and thunder. In Concord proper there was little rain but a hard shower fell between this city and Kannapolis.

Commissioners have lapped 15 cents Charlotte News: Cabarrus County off the tax rate of that county and all over the State, under the new budgetary plan of operating government, the counties are going to find that they can get along on far less than has been indiscriminately expended.

The Yankees lost Saturday and Sunday to the Cleveland Indians and Detroit, with 11 straight games is now in second place. In the National League the Pirates won Saturday and Sunday as did the Giants, who won a double bill Sunday from Cincinnati. The Greenville Spinners defeated Asheville in two games Saturday.

## LOCAL MENTION

Jack Wadsworth, of Gibson's, is enjoying a vacation this week.

Frank Troutman has resumed his work at Gibson's, after a week's vacation.

The Concord Gun Club will hold a registered shoot at the Country Club Thursday, August 25th, beginning at 12:30 o'clock.

Thirteen cases are to be tried in recorder's court this afternoon. Chief of Police Talbirt stated this morning. Eight of the defendant were arrested over the week end. None of the charges is of a serious nature, it is said by police officers.

Babe Ruth got his 39th homer of the year Saturday and is again tied with Lou Gehrig for home run honors. The Babe got tree homers last week but has little chance of beating his record of 69, made several years ago.

Judge T. B. Finley spent the week end at his home in Wilkes county and Solicitor Zeb V. Long spent the week end at his Statesville home. They returned to Concord this morning for the trial of more criminal cases during the day.

The Hickory Rebels are here today for a game with the Weavers. This is the first time these teams have met in several weeks, and as each claims State honors the game here today and in Hickory later in the week are of much importance.

The trial of criminal cases was not completed in Cabarrus Superior Court last week. Due to the time needed for the Leonard trial several cases had to be put over until this morning. It is probable that the criminal docket will be cleared up entirely during the day.

Four marriage licenses were issued Saturday by Register of Deeds L. V. Elliott, but three of them were to colored couples. The white persons securing the license were George L. Vernon, of Wentworth, N. C., and Miss Minnie Davis, of Pores Knob, N. C.

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Men's Dress Shirts in wide range of colors 79c  
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Men's and Young Men's Athletic Union Suits 25c

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# EFIRD'S

## WEAVERS CONQUER KANNAPOLIS, 7-5, IN TENSE BATTLE

### Sally Barnes Driven From Mound.—Chink Outen Stars—Lewellyn and McAllister Banished.

By RADIO KING.

Waging a consistent and vigorous attack with their bludgeons, and rallying from erratic stages of fielding to spurts of smart play in the more crucial intervals, the Concord Weavers conquered, 7 to 5, the Kannapolis Towelers in a stirring battle Saturday afternoon before a record audience at Webb field.

The colorful Weaver victory was snatched from the fire in the dying innings when Murray Gresson, Chink Outen, Herman Watts and Pitcher Howard Lawson delivered timely blows. Through the aid of costly errors the Towelers had slowly overcome the four-run lead of the home team, and struggled desperately to develop serious threats in the eighth and ninth frames to victory. But Concord, clinging to a scant lead, refused to yield to the enemy attack.

Beacons in the Concord success were Howard Lawson and Chink Outen, catching thunderous applause from the stands as they fought relentlessly and brilliantly in wrecking the efforts of Rube Wilson's Towelers. Lawson, who came to the Concord camp early in the week from Tuskegee, Ala., and who is a celebrated hurler of the Oglethorpe Petrels, turned in his second victory for the Weavers. The Towelers were able to connect with only six of his right-handed shots. It was Lawson who pitched the locals to a victory over the strong Kendall Mills team last Tuesday.

Chink Outen, the all-time star of Manager Lindy Lou's team, stepped off his usual hard-hitting and brilliant leading pace with positive destruction to the Towelers' hopes. In four sojourns at the plate the congenial rightfielder drove out three doubles, accounting for two local tallies, and scoring once himself. Outen moved gracefully under five high fliers hit into his territory, catching them to the further disgust of the visitors. Outen is as light as a feather on his feet, and this along with his weight will bring news of his success in football at State College during the 1927 gridiron campaign.

Sally Barnes tried out his south-paw flings unsuccessfully against Concord: Kannapolis advertised through press reports prior to the Saturday exhibition that it would have a "dark horse" in the game. Sally was the dark horse. But he must have lost all four shoes, and his pathway wasn't pregnant in four leaf clovers. The Weaver batsmen rode his curves in Paul Revere style, and in the seventh Barnes took to cover under a shower of hits. Shuler Antley replaced him, and the Weavers collected one score at his expense.

Barnes yielded eight hits in his six and one-third innings stay on the mound. The eight hits were sufficient for Lindy Lou's outfit a half dozen scores.

One of the dominating thrills of the afternoon came in the first inning when Outen and Calvin Finney executed a double steal, Outen scoring on the play. The hard-hitting Outen, located on the third sack, came home while the Towelers vainly sought to hit Barbour at second.

How It Happened.

First Inning—Kannapolis: Mottisinger struckout. Lewellyn took first base on a walk. Lee walked, stole second and advanced to third when Watts threw wild to catch the runner at the keystone bag. McAllister was out at first on his easy roller. No runs, no hits, no error.

Concord: Hord struckout. Barnes tossed him curves, Gresson singled and scored when Outen doubled to rightfield. Outen advanced to third on a passed ball, and scored when Barbour, who was given a free pass at first, stole second. It was a clever double steal. Hatley rapped out a single to right, Barbour trotting across the plate. Hatley went to third where Mottisinger was made to catch Barbour at the plate. McAllister errored Lewellyn's grounder. Hatley scoring on the play. Mutt Miller went out at first on a grounder. Watts struckout. Four runs, three hits, one error.

Second Inning—Kannapolis: Donaldson walked, and stole second. Barbour bobbled Orvin's dribbled swat, Donaldson pulling up at third. McAllister came to bat. Manager Lewellyn came down from first to protest a decision of the umpire, claiming that he had called a ball which should have been a strike. McAllister. An argument followed between Lewellyn and McAllister, but they were separated before any harm was done. Umpire Miller banished them from the game. Chic Miller replaced Lou at first, and Rube Wilson substituted himself for McAllister at first. Wilson up. He struckout. Flowe's long sacrifice fly to center scored Donaldson. Hord errored Barnes' roller, but Orvin was trapped between second and third, going out to Hord to Gresson to Barbour. One run, no hits, two errors.

Concord: Lawson struckout. Hord popped up to short. Gresson went out to first. No runs, no hits, no errors.

Ninth Inning—Kannapolis: Mottisinger singled to leftfield, but was forced at second by Lee. Haynes walked. McAllister doubled to leftfield, mott scoring and Haynes going to third. Donaldson popped up to Barbour. Orvin flew out to Outen. One run, one hit, no errors.

Concord: Outen hit his second double to centerfield. Barbour hit a high fly to rightfield for the first out. Hatley was out third to first. Outen advancing to third on the play. Chic Miller struckout. No runs, one hit, no errors.

Fourth Inning—Kannapolis: Wilson's fly was an easy catch for Outen. Flowe popped up to Hord, and Barnes went out to Barbour to Miller. No runs, no hits, no errors.

Concord: Mutt Miller grounded out to first. Watts was out. Barnes to Wilson. Wilson slammed a liner into the hand of Flowe in centerfield. No runs, no hits, no errors.

Fifth Inning—Kannapolis: Mottisinger went out, Gresson to C. Miller. Haynes' sting-Gresson to C. Miller. Donaldson hit a bouncer into the hands of Lawson who threw the runner out at first. Orvin fled out to Outen. No runs,

## CRIMINAL DOCKET NOT FINISHED IN SUPERIOR COURT

### Several Cases Had to Be Continued Until Today Due to Time Required For the E. B. Leonard Case.

Criminal cases were taken up in Cabarrus Superior court again this morning despite the fact that it was originally planned to begin the trial of civil cases this morning.

Due to the time required for the E. B. Leonard murder trial and the heavy docket, Solicitor Zeb V. Long was not able to clear his docket last week, and several cases were put on the calendar for today. It is believed all of the criminal actions will be disposed of during the day.

The sentence of C. B. Furr, of Kannapolis, charged with stealing automobiles, has been changed by Judge T. B. Finley, presiding. Furr was originally given 18 months on the chain gang but when advised that he is suffering with heart trouble, Judge Finley changed the sentence.

On one count he sentenced Furr to 90 days in the jail and in another he sentenced him to serve 6 months, to do such work as the commissioners think he is physically able to do.

Chanie House pleaded guilty to the larceny of goods valued at less than \$20 and was sentenced to serve four months on the chain gang.

Mason Hinson, charged with temporary theft of an automobile, was sentenced to 6 months in the county jail, being authorized to hire him out to his father provided he can furnish an appearance bond to show at the August and January terms of court for two years that he has been of good behavior. Joe Cox, neighbor of the Hinsons, was asked by the court to aid the father in looking after young Hinson.

Fred Widenhouse, tried on several charges Saturday. He pleaded guilty to cutting Carl Robinson with a knife but pleaded not guilty to an assault with a pistol. He was found guilty and sentenced to serve 6 months on the chain gang in each case.

More than 5,000 proposals to amend the Federal Constitution have been introduced in the United States Congress since the establishment of the Union in 1789.

no hits, no errors.

Concord: Hatley hit a double to leftfield. Lee made a hard effort to catch it after a long spurt. He managed to touch it, but it was ruled a hit. C. Miller sacrificed Hatley to second. Miller popped up to Donaldson, and Watts drove a skyrocket out, Barnes nabbing it. No runs, one hit, no errors.

Kannapolis: McAllister went out led to left and Lawson scored. Outen doubled, scoring Gresson. Antley replaced Barnes on the mound. Barbour walked. Hatley flew out to center. C. Miller went out short to first. Two runs, three hits, no errors.

Concord: Hord hit a long fly to left. Gresson was safe at first on Orvin's error. Outen was out second to first. Barbour popped up to short. No runs, no hits, one error.

Sixth Inning—Kannapolis: Wilson singled and went to second on a wild pitch. Flowe singled. Wilson scored when effort was made to catch Flowe at second. Barnes sacrificed Flowe to third. Flowe scored when Mottisinger was forced at second by Lee. Haynes, who took his turn at bat before Lee, popped up to Barbour. Two runs, two hits, one error.

Concord: Lawson singled to right. Hord was out at first, Lawson going to second on the play. Gresson doubling grounder was nabbed by Hord, the runner being tossed out a first. Lee's long fly fell into the glove of Hatley in center. No runs, no hits, no errors.

Eighth Inning—Kannapolis: McAllister fled out to center. Donaldson collected a base hit to center. Orvin fled out to center. Mutt Miller roped Wilson's fly ball to left. Donaldson going to third. Donaldson was safe at the plate when Hatley dropped the ball. Flowe hit a high fly to Gresson. One run, one hit, two errors.

Concord: Mutt Miller was hit by a pitched ball. Watts singled, Miller going to third. Lawson struckout. Hord hit a sacrificed fly to center. Miller scoring. Gresson was out pitcher to first. One run, one hit, no errors.

Ninth Inning—Kannapolis: Irby, pinch-hitting for Antley, fled out to center. Mottisinger beat out an infield hit. Haynes forced Mott at second, and Outen took Lee's fly ball for the final out. No runs, one hit, no errors.

Final score: Kannapolis 5, Concord 7.

The Box Score:

Kannapolis	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Mottisinger, ss.	5	0	2	2	2	0
Haynes, 3b.	5	1	0	1	0	0
Lee, lf.	3	0	0	1	0	0
McAllister, rf.	4	0	1	1	0	0
Donaldson, c.	3	2	1	6	1	0
Orvin, 2b.	4	0	0	1	1	0
Kannapolis, 1b.	0	0	0	1	0	0
Wilson, 1b.	4	1	1	9	0	1
Flowe, cf.	3	1	3	0	0	0
Barnes, p.	2	0	1	1	0	0
Antley, p.	0	0	0	0	1	0
Irby, p.	1	0	0	0	1	0
Totals	34	5	6	24	7	2
Concord	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Hord, ss.	3	0	0	1	4	1
Gresson, 2b.	5	2	4	3	0	0
Outen, rf.	4	1	3	5	0	0
Barbour, 3b.	2	1	3	0	0	0
Hatley, cf.	4	1	2	4	0	0
Lewellyn, 1b.	1	0	2	0	0	0
C. Miller, lf.	2	0	0	0	0	0
M. Miller, 1b.	3	1	0	0	1	0
Watts, c.	4	0	1	2	0	3
Lawson, p.	4	1	1	0	1	0
Totals	32	7	9	27	9	6

Score by innings:

Kannapolis..... 011 000 210-5  
Concord..... 400 00 21x-7

Summary: Two base hits, McAllister, Outen (3), Hatley, Gresson; sacrifice hits, Barnes, Flowe, Hord (2), C. Miller; stolen bases, Lee, Donaldson, Outen and Barbour; bases on balls off: Barnes 1, Antley 1, Lawson 2; hits off: Barnes, eight in 6 and 1-3 innings; Antley, one in one and 2-3 innings; Lawson, six in nine innings; winning pitcher, Lawson; losing pitcher, Barnes; struckout by: Barnes 4, Antley 1, Lawson 2; passed ball, Donaldson; hit by pitched ball, M. Miller (by Antley) time of game, one hour and 55 minutes; umpires, Miller and Brown.

## HICKORY REBELS TO PLAY WEAVERS THIS AFTERNOON AT 3:30

### Calvin Barbour and Murray Gresson to Leave This Week.—Outen Boosts Batting Average to .394.

Twice beaten by the Weavers early in the current season, each time by an overwhelming score, the Hickory Rebels will seek revenge when they clash with Concord at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon over at Webb field. The locals trounced Hickory 19 to 1, and 11 to 5, in their engagements in June.

Henry Newbury will receive the assignment to pitch for Concord, Manager Lindy Lewellyn indicated this morning.

Concord will journey to Hickory for a return match Wednesday, and Thursday the Legion club will find competition with the Kendall Mills outfit here. The game will begin at 3:30 o'clock. The locals will rest Friday, and invade Kannapolis for a tilt next Saturday afternoon.

Two Weavers to Leave.

After today the Weavers will be without the services of Murray Gresson and Calvin Barbour. Gresson, who is coaching at Lexington high school, will leave to attend the coaching school at Carolina, while Barbour, also a coach, will return to his school in Mississippi. The loss of these two infielders will virtually wreck the Concord infield until Manager Lewellyn can secure others.

The Weaver manager will make efforts to get Harry Daugherty back from the Rocky Mount club to play at third base. There is no prospect for Gresson's position. Christenbury who held down second while Gresson was out of the game has returned to Birmingham, Ala., and there is little likelihood of his returning.

How the Weavers Weave.

Collecting three doubles in the game with Kannapolis Saturday, Chink Outen, slugging Concord outfielder, boosted his batting average from .382 to .394 in 80 games. The State College captain-elect has been to bat 114 official times. He has driven out seven homeruns, seven doubles, and six triples since he blew into Concord.

The individual batting averages of the Weaver club, through Saturday's game, is given below:

Player	G.	AB	H.	Pct.
Hord	35	147	47	.347
Gresson	20	110	31	.282
Daugherty	28	107	39	.364
Outen	30	114	45	.394
M. Miller	32	120	35	.292
Lewellyn	23	72	21	.291
H. Watts	28	88	31	.343
Morris	28	192	38	.378
M. Watts	14	41	10	.244
Newbury	12	43	8	.188
C. Miller	18	55	20	.363
Rawson	5	19	10	.526
Barbour	15	51	18	.353
Christenbury	4	16	6	.375
Hatley	5	16	6	.375
Lawson	2	8	2	.250
James	1	5	5	1.000
Elliott	2	7	0	.000

## "MURDER MYSTERY" AT TOWEL CITY IS CLEARED ON SUNDAY

### Mysterious Trouble at Kannapolis Saturday Night Turns Out to Be Drunken Brawl, Officers Find.

A drunken brawl rather than a "mystery murder," as current rumors heralded, occurred at Kannapolis early Saturday night.

Excitement grew tense in the Towel City as reports that murder had been committed circulated about the town, but waned even more rapidly when officers reported that Fred Hampton, alleged to have been either murdered or seriously wounded, had been found today, and that Jack Gibbons and another man by the name of Elliott were being held in the Rowan county jail on charges of drunkenness and driving a car while under the influence of whiskey.

Hampton, according to Mrs. Chan Fink, was fired upon with a pistol at the home of John Benfield in North Kannapolis, about 7:30 o'clock Saturday night. Sheriff Crider, of Rowan, found upon investigation, however, that Hampton, Gibbons and Elliott were alleged to have been drinking, and that Hampton was handled rather roughly by Gibbons and Elliott, being carried away in a Chevrolet car to sober up.

It was said that Mrs. Fink not only contended that Hampton had been shot but there was a possibility that his body had been thrown into Lake Concord. There was talk in Kannapolis Sunday morning of dragging the lake in effort to recover the body. Scores of Kannapolis folks visited the lake Sunday, talked excitedly of the mystery murder case, and still many more people gathered at the Benfield home, with a feeling of awe plainly visible on their faces.

## FIREMEN OFF FOR GREENSBORO FOR ANNUAL MEETING

### Seven Members From Central Department Left Sunday.—Others Going During the Week.

Seven members of the central fire department here left yesterday for Greensboro to attend the State convention. Others from this and the Cannonville department plan to go to Greensboro later in the week.

John L. Miller, secretary of the State association, left with the Concord party Sunday. He expected to remain for all session of the week.

Other going Sunday for the opening day were: J. E. Linberger, \$100; M. Faggart, Zeb Cruse, Sam Foil, Dewitt Hopkins and C. L. Miller.

Some of these firemen will return Wednesday and Carroll Stinson and Jackie Talbirt will go up that day. The race start Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

Several members of the Cannonville department left today for the meeting, it is said, and others plan to go later in the week. It is expected that at least 25 fire fighters from Concord will attend the meeting sometime during the week.

## PROPERTY IN VARIOUS PARTS OF COUNTY CHANGES HANDS UNDER TERMS OF DEEDS FILED SATURDAY.

Property in various sections of the county changed hands under the terms of deeds filed at the court house Saturday. The transfers recorded that day were:

J. P. Cook to G. W. Heltonfer \$100 and other valuable considerations property in No. 11 township.

J. A. Winescott to J. D. Fisher for \$275 property in No. 4 township.

J. P. Little to Lawrence C. Little for \$10 and other valuable considerations property on Odell street, Ward 1.

J. L. Crowell, trustees, to W. M. Bradford, for \$750 property in No. 3 township.

J. A. Morrison, commissioner, to W. T. Morrison for \$82.50, property in No. 10 township.

## STATE COLLEGE GIVES FREE BUILDING PLANS TO FARMERS.

Raleigh, N. C. A new branch of service to North Carolina—blue prints of farm buildings, ranging from colonial residences to lowly chicken coops—is proving a success.

The designs are furnished free by the extension division of the State college and records show that last year farmers availed themselves of more than 3,000 building plans.

In addition, an engineer follows the prints to the country to see that the buildings are constructed properly and economically.

## GETTING A CHILD TO BED IS HARDEST WHEN SHE IS NINETEEN YEARS OF AGE.

John McCormick, of the West Coast National, has given the picture industry a new thing to think about. It is the "Tender Hour" which has surpassed all other pictures for its picture-making.

In addition to McCormick, the picture industry has a new star in the person of Francis, a Laska Winter who has a story by Carl Gustavson.

Musson's title of "The Tender Hour" is a picture which means a whole new chief.

## PENTUFF SUIT TO COME UP SOON IN SUPERIOR COURT

### It Is Probable That Trial of the Case Will Begin Late Tomorrow or Wednesday Morning.

The suit of Dr. J. R. Pentuff against the Raleigh Times, John A. Park and Oscar Coffin will be started in Cabarrus Superior court about the middle of the week, it was learned here today.

The suit was calendared for trial today due to the fact that several criminal cases had to be carried over this week, it is probable that the case will not be brought up before late Tuesday or Wednesday morning.

Dr. Pentuff is asking damages in the sum of \$25,000 as the result of an editorial carried in The Times soon after he had made a speech in Wake County. In the editorial, it is alleged, Dr. Pentuff was referred to as an "immigrant ignominious" and it is also charged that the editorial was libel for declaring he was disreputable before a committee of the State legislature.

The case was started in Cabarrus Superior court several months ago but a judgment as of non-suit was directed by Judge A. M. Stack, presiding. The plaintiff appealed to the Supreme Court which granted him a new trial.

While the case was pending counsel for Dr. Pentuff gave notice of another suit, based on another editorial appearing in The Times. It was at first stated that the two cases would be consolidated, but it is learned now that this will not be done and that the case to be tried this week is the original one.

Dr. Pentuff will be represented by Zeb V. Turlington, of Mooresville, and Caldwell & Caldwell, of Concord. The defendants will be represented by Hartsell & Hartsell, of Concord, and Col. Albert Cox of Raleigh.

## SEARCH HOUSE FOR INTRUDER BUT MAN HAD MADE ESCAPE

### A. B. Medlin Called to Home of Section Master After Several Persons Saw Negro Enter the Home.

Some little excitement was caused in the southwest section of Concord yesterday afternoon when a negro was seen to enter the home of Section Master Miller, of the Southern Railway, while the Millers were absent.

Officer A. B. Medlin was notified and immediately went to the Miller house where a search failed to locate the negro. It did develop the fact that the house had been ransacked.

When Deputy Medlin reached the house, he reported, he found it surrounded by section hands armed with pistols and shotguns. They had seen the negro man enter the house but had not seen him leave and they were guarding the place until the officer arrived.

Deputy Medlin searched each room in the house but could not find the intruder. He expressed the belief that the negro left by a side door, and that the negro carried a skeleton key.

A small safe in the home had been opened, clothes closets had been ransacked and bureau drawers in all parts of the house pulled out and the contents dumped on the floor. Mr. Medlin reported.

The Millers did not return home until late at night. It is said their loss was light.

## MRS. WALLACE IS CHOSEN TO FILL UNEXPIRED TERM

### Local Woman Chosen as Successor to Late John K. Patterson in Cabarrus Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

Mrs. Troy Wallace was elected to fill the unexpired term of the late John K. Patterson as secretary and treasurer of the Cabarrus Mutual Fire Insurance Co., at a called meeting of the directors and agents Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Wallace, who acted as assistant under Mr. Patterson for a period of eight years, is well fitted to fill efficiently the position.

Mr. Patterson, who had been an official in the company for a number of years, was fatally injured about two weeks ago when he was struck down, accidentally, by an automobile as he was crossing South Union street in the downtown section.

Mrs. Wallace assumes her duties as secretary and treasurer immediately.

## FIVE REAL ESTATE DEEDS ARE FILED AT COURT HOUSE

North Carolina led the South with a total payment to the Federal Government of \$208,648,000, as compared with a combined total for all of the New England States of \$181,346,000 and a combined total for the Pacific Cost States of \$160,231,000. Ohio, with its vast wealth, paid into the Federal Government \$147,428,000, or less than North Carolina by \$58,000,000. The North Carolina payments to the Federal Government exceeded those of New Jersey by \$92,000,000, Michigan, with its enormous automobile business, paid \$197,993,000, but even that was less by \$8,000,000 than North Carolina's contribution to the Federal Treasury.

Virginia came second on the Southern list with \$79,160,000, which was \$58,000,000 more than Wisconsin paid in Federal taxes and \$43,000,000 more than Indiana. Iowa paid only \$12,668,000, or less than one-sixth of what Virginia paid. Massachusetts paid in \$114,751,000, or but little more than one-half of North Carolina's payments.

Florida, despite all the criticisms that have been made against that

## "TENDER HOUR" IS MAKING REAL HIT

George Fitzmaurice Surpasses Himself in Production of Colorful Romance of Russia.

"The Tender Hour," George Fitzmaurice's initial production for First National, showing today and tomorrow at the Concord Theatre, is one of the most popular screen offerings shown in this city in months.

With Billie Dove and Ben Lyon heading a cast of prominent players, "The Tender Hour" is one of the director's most spectacular efforts. The story is laid in Paris and Russia and for the war, and the picture is rich in colorful scenes.

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## North Carolina Goes Higher In Payment of Federal Taxes

The Manufacturers Record of Baltimore, in its last issue points out some very pertinent facts about the amount of Federal taxes paid by North Carolina and other Southern states as compared to payments by other sections, in the following article:

"Since 1924 the income of the United States Government has been steadily mounting and the Internal Revenue Department figures for the fiscal year just closed show that the collections in the South were greatly in excess of 1926 receipts, while the rest of the country outside of the South paid less into the Treasury.

For the fiscal year 1927, Federal tax collections, including income tax, tobacco and other miscellaneous taxes, amounted to \$2,835,699,000, compared with \$2,854,140,000 in 1926 and \$2,584,140,000 in 1925.

Income tax collections for the fiscal year just closed amounted to \$2,219,831,000, compared with \$1,974,104,000 in 1926 and \$1,761,659,000 in 1925. While this was an increase in income tax receipts compared with 1926 of \$245,727,000, the total Federal tax receipts increased by only \$29,695,000.

From the Southern States alone the Federal Government collected during the fiscal year 1927, \$658,284,000, which \$340,852,000 was from income taxes. This was an increase compared with 1926 of \$159,928,000 in total Federal tax receipts, \$45,168,000 of which was from income tax collections in the South. Of striking significance is the fact that while the South paid nearly \$52,000,000 more into the Federal Treasury in total taxes in 1927 than in 1926