

## HULL SAYS UNITY IS NOW ASSURED

U. S. Secretary Declares  
Decks Are Clear for Action  
to Defend Americas

Havana, July 30.—United States Secretary of State Cordell Hull, sailing for home from the Havana conference of American foreign ministers, declared tonight, the meeting had "cleared the decks for effective action" to meet dangers to continental security and economy.

In a long statement reviewing the action of the conference, which ended tonight with the formal signing of documents in Cuba's palatial capital, Hull said the "American governments have manifested their full recognition of dangers which confront them in common and have created machinery for common action."

**Ready for Action**

"Instead of faltering and abandoning the spirit of unity and concerted steps for safety, they have demonstrated to the world their unalterable determination to preserve and strengthen the spirit and system of continental unity and solidarity. They have just cleared the decks for effective action whenever such action may become necessary."

Despite the fatigue from day and night negotiations in hot weather to reconcile differences which he acknowledged as existent on methods of operations, Hull showed deep satisfaction with the accomplishments.

Others in the U. S. party aboard the S. S. Oriente including the Secretary's close companion and adviser, Mrs. Hull, likewise were pleased.

Putting the action of European possessions in this hemisphere at the top of the list of conference achievements, Hull in his statement declared:

"I cannot too strongly emphasize at this point that at no time has any American nation had the slightest thought of taking advantage of the European situation for the purpose of grabbing territory—quite the contrary. The thought has been to protect the peace and safety of this continent."

"At the beginning there was a difference in view as to the modus operandi for achieving the desired end in relation to foreign possessions."

## COUNTY TAX \$1.07

COMMISSIONERS ADOPT  
BUDGET

Township Roads Debt Service Rates With Two Exceptions Remain The Same; Meeting Held On Monday

The Board of County Commissioners met in special session on Monday with all members present. The object of the meeting was to adopt the budget and fix a tax rate for 1940.

The estimated budget as printed some weeks ago was adopted without change.

The County tax rate for the County was fixed at the same that it was in 1939 and follows:

COUNTY	
General Purpose,	.15
Poor—including old age assistance, aid to dependent children, blind and paupers,	.05
Courts	.11
Health	.04
Debt Service	.34
SCHOOLS	
Debt Service	.25
Current Expense	.06
Capital Outlay	.07
<b>Total,</b>	<b>\$1.07</b>

The levy for township roads debt service was fixed as follows:

Dunn	.20
Harris	.55
Youngsville	.20
Franklin	.20
Haysville	.67
Sandy Creek	.43
Gold Mine	.75
Cedar Rock	.30
Cypress Creek	.63
Louisburg	.20

The reason of the variation in the rates for the different townships is due to the amount of bonds outstanding and the amount of taxable property in the township. By comparison with last year's rate it will be seen that these rates are the same as 1939 with the exception of Harris, which has been lowered 5 cents and Gold Mine which has been increased 3 cents.

The poll tax was placed at \$2.00.

The General County rate is the same as last year.

To determine your total tax rate add to your County rate \$1.07 the rate for your township. For instance, in Dunn township each \$100 worth of property will pay \$12.7 tax, while the same \$100 worth of property in Gold Mine township will pay \$18.2.

The Commissioners expended a great deal of energy and thought to hold the rate down to the 1939 level and were successful in all cases except one.

This completing the work of the special meeting adjournment was taken.

## Argentine's View

"In certain quarters (apparently referring mainly to Argentina) there was a feeling that until the transfer of sovereignty or control had actually taken place, it would be sufficient to have no more than a general declaration reasserting the meeting of definite methods of procedure to cope with any situation that might arise.

"It was realized that provision should be made for prompt action in any emergency situation and that delay pending later consultation might be disastrous to maintaining of peace and order in the Western Hemisphere.

"The principle of solidarity and consultation has been agreed upon at previous conferences.

"On the other hand, there was strong feeling on the part of other delegations, including that of the United States, that having in mind the situation now obtaining in Europe and the fact that transfer of sovereignty might be made overnight or without formality, and that activities in these regions detrimental to peace and safety of the Americas might be begun momentarily, it was necessary to formulate this."

Thus the differences were reconciled, Hull said, and the conference produced the "act of Havana" and its companion convention which gave any nation "the right to act singly or jointly in emergency."

Hull added that such action could be taken by a nation "in any manner required in its own defense or in defense of the continent."

In the economic field, Hull said the groundwork was laid for protection and development of inter-American economy.

"Some measures," he related, "can be put into operation very quickly, while some will require time for maturing and execution of appropriate plans.

"It is a system of economic defense under which the American republics will be prepared to trade with any nation willing to meet them in good faith, in a spirit of friendly, peaceful purpose, and

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## Warren Appointed Comptroller General

Washington, July 31.—North Carolina lost one of the ablest and most effective legislators it ever has sent to Congress today as Representative Lindsay Warren accepted President Roosevelt's call to become Comptroller General of the United States, a position he twice had declined.

While messages of congratulations flooded into the office of the First District Congressman from colleagues, from North Carolina and from all sections of the country, regret rather than rejoicing reigned on Capitol Hill as the realization spread that Warren's abilities would be lost to Congress.

Effective Oct. 1 Warren, himself, almost shared this aptitude, for he is deeply devoted to his work as a legislator. He announced that he could continue as Congressman from the First District until October 1. On that day he will take over his new job, but not until then will he relinquish the work he has carried forward throughout his 16 years in the House of Representatives.

## BUDDY BEAM WINS GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

The 1940 golf championship of Green Hill Country Club was won by Buddy Beam, 16-year-old son of Judge and Mrs. G. M. Beam, in a tournament just completed. In the finals, Buddy defeated Snooks Collier, 4-3.

This cup has heretofore been won by W. E. White, Jr., F. M. Cox, H. H. Johnson and Ed Owens, and bears the names of these winners. Young Beam will have the honor of keeping this cup for the ensuing 12 months; and his name will, of course be engraved thereupon.

## Auto Races

Harvey Walker, Managing Director of the Raleigh Racing Association, announces a Jolopy Auto Races for Sunday afternoon, August 4th at 3 o'clock on the New Louisburg-Raleigh road just out of Raleigh. The public is invited to read his advertisement in this issue and attend the races.

## HUGGINS' HOT-SHOTS DEFEAT WHEELS' WILD-CATS

Wednesday afternoon, team of golfers, chosen by Bill Huggins, and known that afternoon as "Huggins' Hot-Shots", defeated the team chosen by Frank Wheelless, Jr., termed that afternoon as "Wheelless' Wild-Cats", by a score of 17½ to 12½. Bill Huggins was low for the afternoon, with a score of 73; and Snooks Collier, runner-up, with a score of 75.

Immediately following the tournament, delicious barbecue was served by Mr. Ira Weldon, which was thoroughly enjoyed by the golfers and their wives and sweethearts. While enjoying the barbecue, the championship cup was presented by Hon. Edwin Malone to Buddy Beam, winner for 1940.

Score for the afternoon, with the Hot-Shots listed first, was as follows: Collier (2) v. Buddy Beam (1); Huggins (3) v. Frank Wheelless, Jr. (0); Williamson (3) v. Owens (0); Dr. Wheelless (1½) v. Word (1½); Wilson (2) v. Cox (1); Malone (0) v. Joe Barrow (3); Mattox (3) v. Fisher Beasley (0); Parnell (1) v. Ashley (2); Tucker (2) v. William Barrow Sr. (1); Beam (0) v. Taylor (3).

## Louisburg Chamber of Commerce

Under the above heading in the FRANKLIN TIMES of July 5th, 1940 we discussed the value of this organization to the Town, and the apparent attitude of the people of the Town towards it.

This week we have received the following letter from Mrs. Mildred W. Malone, Secretary, discussing the same questions and giving some information that may be of value to the public in understanding why the proposed changes, the need for them and their advantages.

The TIMES has brought the matter out, Mrs. Malone has explained the need and value of it. We now want some of our business men or citizens both in and out of the organization to write articles giving their views.

Of course we want everything to be friendly. We want to build up rather than tear down. It is hoped that from these discussions we can arrive at a method that will get the other 65 or more to come in and help build Louisburg.

## Stops Aviation Gas

Washington, July 31.—President Roosevelt today shut off shipment of American aviation gasoline to all non-Western Hemisphere countries.

The embargo, effective tomorrow, applies to Great Britain as well as Japan, who next to now-fallen France, were the best U. S. customers in the first half of 1940. It prohibits re-sale by a Western Hemisphere purchaser to a non-American country. Thus, Canada may purchase the fuel, but is barred specifically from transshipping it to Britain.

There is nothing in the Presidential order that would bar Canada from purchasing the gasoline for use in her own military training program.

## HERMAN-WOODARD

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Herman announce the marriage of their daughter, Margie Lynn Herman to Mr. James Clingman Woodard, on June the 29th, 1940, at Boydton, Va.

They will make their home near Henderson, N. C.

Yours very truly,  
MILDRED W. MALONE,  
Secretary, Louisburg Chamber of Commerce.

## RECORD TEMPERATURES

Louisburg Leads Nation In Hot Weather Marathon

Louisburg again takes the front lead of this great United States, if the radio reports Sunday are to be depended upon. This time it led the Nation in the hot weather marathon that has been hovering over us the past ten days. This record was made with a reading of 107 on Saturday by Weatherman R. A. Bobbitt, in charge of Uncle Sam's weather bureau here, and this lead applies to the hot weather period of ten days ending Monday. It was followed by a reading of 106 on Sunday and preceded by a reading of 104 on Friday.

This has been a record breaker for Louisburg for the past twenty-two years if not further back the records show. Gardens and crops were badly damaged and people and stock suffered greatly from the intense heat. However no casualties have been reported, in this immediate territory, from the heat.

Although quite a number had to receive treatment for becoming overheated, 26 cases from the country generally, and 12 from Youngsville were among those treated.

Quite a heavy electrical storm, together with a pretty good rain visited this section Sunday afternoon and night which brought some very acceptable relief.

## Baseball Sunday

Manager Wheeler of the Louisburg Ball Team requests the TIMES to announce that a game of ball will be played at the Louisburg Ball Park on Sunday afternoon at 3:30, between the strong Fuquay Springs team and the local club.

All are invited to attend and enjoy this game.

## Recorder's Court

Franklin Recorder's Court held its regular session on Tuesday morning with only a few cases on docket. Judge Hobgood was assisted in the work of the Court by Mr. J. F. Matthews, who was prosecuting the docket in the absence of Attorney Chas. P. Green. The docket was disposed of as follows:

Sad Ray was found not guilty of operating automobile intoxicated, guilty of assault with deadly weapon, prayer for judgment continued.

Matthew Williams plead guilty to carrying concealed weapons, and was given 4 months on roads, suspended upon payment of \$50 fine and costs.

Lonnie H. Perry plead guilty of unlawful possession of whiskey, and was given 90 days on roads.

Percy Moss, assault with deadly weapon, satisfied.

The following cases were continued:

Jessie Boone, assault with deadly weapon.

T. T. Beckham, unlawful possession of whiskey, transporting.

B. B. Beckham, unlawful possession of whiskey, transporting, public drunkenness.

James Smith, reckless driving.

Lorane Brown, unlawful possession of whiskey.

## EUROPEAN WAR NEWS

The following is taken from yesterday's daily papers:

London, July 31.—A fierce air battle raged along England's southeast coast tonight. There was a deafening roar of wide-open motors and blazing machine-gun fire as British and German planes darted in and out of cloud banks in deadly duels.

Eight heavy explosions were heard soon after the raiders appeared, apparently from bombs dropped.

Enemy planes also were reported over Wales and southeast England.

**Over Ireland**

The authoritative Press Association reported that German planes had appeared suddenly over Northern Ireland—apparently the first attack on Ulster since the start of the war—and that heavy gunfire continued for a half hour.

One Nazi plane was seen over Northern Ireland and the noise of other planes was heard, the Press Association said.

The battle along the southeast coast began late in the afternoon when a strong force of Nazi bombers and fighters swept upon the coast from the English Channel and British fighters climbed rapidly into the clouds from all directions to give battle.

A number of German planes were reported to have been shot down, some falling into the sea. One German plane was brought down in flames, and two others crashed, it was reported.

Earlier in the day British defense planes rushing to the rescue of a ship convoy were said by the Air Ministry to have scattered a large fleet of German bombers off the southeast coast.

**British Destroyer Sunk**

The sinking of the 1,375-ton British destroyer Delight under German aerial attack—the 29th destroyer lost by the British navy since the start of the war—was reported by the Admiralty tonight. There was a "small" loss of life aboard the Delight which normally carried 145 officers and men, the Admiralty said.

During the last month—since Germany's almost constant and intensified air attack on British objectives and coastal ships—at least 240 Nazi planes have been shot down at the rate of one every three hours, with an estimated loss of at least 600 officers and men of the German air force killed or taken prisoner, the Air Ministry said. Many other German planes have been put out of action, it was claimed.

Spurning caution, British fliers flew through bad weather and throughout Tuesday blasted vital German objectives in Germany, northern France and Holland with their bombs, it was stated.

## E. C. HUNT, JR. DIES

Mr. E. C. Hunt, Jr., who received a fractured skull and other injuries in an automobile accident just out of town on Thursday afternoon of last week, died at a hospital in Raleigh early Wednesday morning. His remains were brought to Louisburg and prepared for burial and taken to the home of his parents about three miles west of town on the River road. Mr. Hunt was 21 years of age and was a fine young man as attested to by his many friends. He is survived by his parents, and several brothers and sisters, among whom are Mr. Willie Lee Hunt and Mrs. Royster Harris.

The funeral services were held from Hill-King Memorial (Prospect) Methodist Church on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. E. H. Davis, and interment was made in the cemetery nearby. The floral tribute was especially pretty and large numbers of relatives and friends were present to pay a last sad tribute.

The accident in which Mr. Hunt received the injuries which led to his death, occurred just beyond a sharp curve on the River road about half a mile out of town, according to information received by the TIMES. This information showed that J. E. Tuck, Negro Farm Agent for Franklin County, who was attending a farmers meeting in the Mitchiner community had come to town to get ice or ice cream for the gathering. On returning he met Hunt who wanted to ride back as far as his home with Tuck, which was granted. Upon clearing the curve something happened to cause the car to get out from under control and the machine, a Ford V-8 Coach, rolled over three times, throwing young Hunt about twenty steps clear of the car through the top, bringing about the injuries. Tuck received only a few scratches and bruises and was badly shaken up. The car was badly damaged.

Highway Patrolman Parks Alexander investigated the wreck and Tuck was held under a \$300 bond for further developments. It is understood Sheriff Moore will hold Tuck under a manslaughter warrant for further disposition of the case.

## LOUISBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

The pastor, Dr. A. Paul Bagby spoke briefly on "Other Calls for the Heroic."

August is Vacation month at the Baptist Church. Supplies for the month are:

August 4th—Rev. Forrest Weaver, Cleveland, Ohio.

August 11th—Rev. F. H. Schofield, Jr., Youngsville.

August 18th—Rev. Clarence Bass.

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On Sunday when Rev. Forrest Weaver preaches, his wife who is a violinist, will also contribute to the worship.

We invite all new comers and visitors and urge all members to be loyal to the worship service during the absence of the pastor. Sunday School at 9:45 A. M.

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