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TOBACCO SALES BEGIN THURSDAY, SEPT. 15

Payne, Turner And Negro Executed At State's Prison

1938 STATE INCOME NEAR \$70 MILLIONS FOR ALL-TIME HIGH

Collections and Expenditures in State's History for Any One Year; Nearly All Funds Show Increase for Fiscal Year Just Closed

NORTH CAROLINA REVENUE, ALL SOURCES

1937-8	1936-7	
Revenue Division	\$37,627,290.46	\$37,089,925.98
Motor Vehicle Division	31,948,299.04	31,094,401.06
Total	69,575,589.50	68,184,327.04

REVENUE DIVISION

1937-8	1936-7	
Inheritance	\$ 2,114,486.83	\$ 4,009,250.52
Privilege	2,563,373.61	2,363,264.14
Franchise	7,940,812.23	7,368,924.21
Income	11,364,598.28	11,013,081.59
Sales	11,143,987.32	11,325,961.48
Beverage	1,537,330.66	1,002,664.83
Intangibles	306,487.48	
Gift	47,118.58	
Miscellaneous	9,095.28	7,079.21
Total	\$37,627,290.46	\$37,089,925.98

MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISION

1937-8	1936-7	
License Tax	\$ 7,012,763.59	\$ 7,422,723.15
Title Fees	156,487.06	173,953.95
Bus and Franchise	360,031.80	332,942.69
Gasoline Tax	23,317,244.23	22,138,370.50
Inspection Fees	1,100,876.36	1,035,410.47
Total	\$31,948,299.04	\$31,094,401.06

In the Sir Walter Hotel. Daily Dispatch Bureau, Raleigh, July 1.—Tax collectors from the office of Commissioner of Revenue A. J. Maxwell reaped a record harvest of tax money collected from the citizens of North Carolina during the fiscal year which ended yesterday.

In all, they poured into the coffers of the State the astounding sum of \$69,575,589.50, a total which surpassed by nearly a million and a half (\$1,391,262.46) the previous high touched in the year which ended June 30, 1937.

The percentage gain from all sources amounted to 2.04, the general fund collections going up 1.45 per cent while the motor vehicle divisions levies soared by 2.75 per cent.

Of the grand sum total, general fund collections amounted to \$37,627,290.46, up \$537,364.48 from last year's (\$37,089,925.98).

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Teague, Burgin Predicted To Win Out for Congress

Daily Dispatch Bureau, Raleigh, July 1.—Tomorrow's primary run-offs are few and far between, but those which will be contested involve some rather interesting angles—particularly the congressional sweepstakes in the sixth district and the solicitor's handicap in the sixth judicial.

The Congress battle finds two survivors of an eight-man field which included in a devil-take-the-hindmost sort of affair in the first primary. Those survivors are Judge Lewis Teague, of High Point, and State Representative Oscar Barker, of Durham.

Teague was high in the first voting and would normally be favored heavily to come through in the second, but the election fraud issue raised against the High Point polling machinery and officials has done him no good at all. It has, in fact, united Greensboro factions against him and has given Barker supporters plenty of ammunition to fire in the other counties of the district—Alamance and Orange.

A last minute, and somewhat unanticipated development was the vocal advocacy of Barker by Sandy Graham just about the first overt political move the former Lieutenant Governor has made since his defeat in the gubernatorial primary of 1936.

Sandy's backing will help Barker immensely, make no mistake about that, but it is still quite questionable whether or not Teague can be beaten by the Durham man.

The High Pointer, all signs indicate, has a close-knit organization and has some money to spend. And what it takes to win elections, particularly runoff primaries where there isn't any real enthusiasm on the part of the voters, are organization and money, and this column means no intimation that the money is to be spent for questionable purpose.

TOBACCO GRADING NOT TO BE BEGUN

Washington, July 1.—(AP)—Government inspection of tobacco, mandatory on markets where two-thirds of the growers request it in referendum, enters its third year this season with prospects for expansion.

Charles E. Gage, tobacco division chief of the agricultural economics bureau, said it was too early to determine the number of referenda to be called this year, but a number probably would be held in burley leaf growing areas.

Gage said it was doubtful that any (Continued on Page Three.)

BUDGE SWEEPS ALL IN TENNIS MATCHES

Wimbledon, England, July 1 (AP)—Playing in irresistible form red-headed Don Budge crushed Henry Wilfred (Bunny) Austin of England 6-1, 6-0, 6-3 today to win the all-England tennis championships for the second year in succession. The great Californian never gave Austin a chance.

Rain caused a brief delay with Budge leading 4 to 3 in the third set. After this pause, Budge picked up right where he left off.

FAMOUS CRIMINALS GASSED FOR DEATH STATE PATROLMAN

Negro Is Electrocuted For Murder of Alamance Man in Attempted Robbery In 1926

PAYNE AND TURNER DIE VERY SLOWLY

Requires Over 15 Minutes for Each; Both Breathe Deeply of Deadly Fumes Soon as Switch Is Turned; Relatives Claim Bodies of Two Dead Men

Raleigh, July 1.—(AP)—John Washington (Wash) Turner, 35, and William (Bill) Payne, 41, North Carolina's most notorious criminals in recent years, paid with their lives at State's Prison today for the killing in Buncombe county August 22, 1937, of George Penn, 22-year-old highway patrolman.

Earlier Wiley Brice, 35-year-old Negro, was electrocuted for a murder committed in Alamance county.

Turner, a native of McDowell county, entered the gas chamber at 10:30 a. m., and the gas switch was thrown at 10:32 a. m., after Chaplain E. C. Cooper had prayed. It was 16 minutes and 15 seconds before Dr. Felda Hightower prison physician, said Turner was dead at 10:48 a. m.

Turner inhaled deeply of the gas (Continued on Page Six.)

Seven Men Killed By Falling Rocks In Alabama Mine

Birmingham, Ala., July 1.—(AP)—Seven men were killed and several others injured today in a rock fall 3,000 feet underground in the Praco coal mine of the Alabama By-Products Company.

Dr. C. E. Elgin, company physician, called company offices here to announce the seven deaths and asked for additional doctors and rescue workers.

Two crews attempted to cut through a rock ledge which separates the main workings of the mine from the section in which the fall occurred. Dr. Elgin said two injured men had been brought out, but they were not in the section cut off by the rock fall.

Praco is 20 miles northwest of Birmingham in an isolated section.

\$37,848 Of WPA Fund For Vance

Raleigh, July 1 (AP)—The WPA announced allocation of Federal and sponsor funds totaling \$37,848 today for a countywide work relief program of recreational facilities for Vance county.

Other allocations included: Granville county, recreational facilities, \$4,445.09; Vanceboro, improving streets and the city hall, \$5,886.

Babson Predicts Farmers Will Lead Business Gains

Big Crops Mean Better Conditions and Farmers Hold "Recovery Torch," Nation as a Whole Has Good Farm Outlook; Farmers To Be Best Customers

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Denver, Col., July 1.—Good reports constantly reached me this week as I crossed the farm belt. This may be a bad year for the manufacturer, but the farmer is not discouraged. Out through the great farm states of Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska and Kansas, the depression is breaking and a "recession" is over, at least for a year ago, but above recent lows. My estimate is that total farm income will not be more than 10 per cent less than 1937, while industrial income may be down 25-40 per cent.

When I first started collecting business statistics 35 years ago, the most

There's Still Life in the Old Boys Yet!



Tim Flaherty, a former Union soldier, dances for mates during the Civil war days there was little time to sit around and take things easy. But now, at Gettysburg, Pa., scene of the famous Civil war battle and site of the present 75th anniversary celebration of the Blue and the Gray, Tim Flaherty, 95, of Miami, Fla., a former Union soldier, finds plenty of time. In fact, Flaherty feels so good he puts on a dance for some friends at the battlefield. President Roosevelt was scheduled to participate in the ceremonies on July 3. --Central Press

Agreement On Austrian Debt Is Had

London, July 1.—(AP)—An announcement that British and German negotiators had reached an agreement on Austrian external loans was made today by Sir John Simon, chancellor of the exchequer.

Sir John told the House of Commons that "without prejudice to the question of legal liability," the German government will reimburse the United Kingdom for any sums paid in respect of the Austrian guaranteed loans, and will insure full service of the bonds of these loans owned by British holders on July 1, 1938.

Defaults on payments of Austrian bond issues since Germany's annexation of Austria have brought protests from the United States, Britain France and other countries.

Many Are Killed By Japanese Raid On Chinese City

Hong Kong, China, July 1 (AP)—Nine Chinese Japanese bombers caused terrific destruction today in a raid on Swatow, south China port, northeast of here.

The raiders, arriving at 5 a. m., circled over the city for an hour and a half, dropping more than 100 bombs.

Casualties ran high and hospitals were overflowing with wounded, but trustworthy estimates of the death toll were not immediately available. Many women and children were believed killed.

The raid was believed by the Chinese to be the prelude to large scale Japanese operations in south China.

Roosevelt Seeking Facts On Economic Condition In South

Washington, July 1.—(AP)—President Roosevelt, it was learned today, has asked the National Emergency Council, to report to him on economic conditions in the South.

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Did Not Want To Kill, Turner Says

Raleigh, July 1.—(AP)—Chaplain E. C. Cooper, of State's Prison, gave out a statement today in which Wash Turner outlined how he and Bill Payne killed George Penn, highway patrolman, last August.

Cooper's statement quoting Turner said:

"We never had the attitude they claimed we had. We did not want to kill anybody. We did not plan by any means to kill Officer Penn. We only wanted to get away. When I drove up to the barn, I really hoped to be able to drive around it and come back out when the officer had followed around. If we had really wanted to kill, we had an ideal place as we came around the curve in the woods and got out of sight of the officer. We could have pulled into the woods and blown him in two.

"What we were trying to do with the gun was to shoot down the radiator so that the car would run hot and we could get away."

M'CORMICK'S BODY BEING RECOVERED

Albuquerque, N. M., July 1 (AP)—Indians climbed jagged, knife-like Sandia peaks today to return the body of Merrill McCormick, 21-year-old scion of a political-publishing family, to the heart-broken mother who learned of his fate just after she (Continued on Page Eight.)

Corbitt Co. Awarded Big U. S. Orders

Washington, July 1.—(AP)—The War Department awarded a contract for \$99,690 today to The Corbitt Company of Henderson, N. C., for nine truck tractors and four semi-trailers.

Success of Unusual Undertaking Will Determine Procedure in Other Parts of U. S.

NEEDS, PROBLEMS OF NATION ARE SOUGHT

One Governor, Also Utilities Men, Lawyers, College Presidents, Bankers and Others To Collaborate; \$14,433,196 Aircraft Contracts Have Been Awarded

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Politicians Hope Market Holds Up Until Election; Then, What Do They Care?

By CHARLES P. STEWART
Central Press Columnist

Washington, July 1.—With recent advances in stock market prices, New Deal political optimism, looking toward coming primaries and election day, has chirked up remarkably in Washington.

To be sure, the market has not been exclusively in the ascendant. It has had its sags. Still, it has seemed to be moderately hopeful since Congress adjourned and since the campaign has started.

Just how reliable a business barometer the stock market is I haven't any idea. I doubt that the average politician has, either. For that matter, I surmise that the stock market folk are mere guessers.

Who Can Say?
A few genuine economists may

OLD BELT TO OPEN NEARLY TWO WEEKS LATER ON SEPT. 27

Sales Start In Georgia on July 28, Border Belt Following Week Later, August 4

EASTERN CAROLINA STARTS AUGUST 25

James S. Ficklen, of Greenville, Elected President of Tobacco Association At White Sulphur Convention; Wage-Hour Bill Assailed

OPENING DATES.
Georgia, July 28.
Border Belt, August 4.
Eastern Carolina, August 25.
Middle Belt, September 15.
Old Belt, September 27.

White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., July 1.—(AP)—The Tobacco Association of the United States today announced the tobacco market seasons for next fall would start with the Georgia Market on July 28.

The South Carolina-North Carolina border markets will open August 4; the Eastern North Carolina markets August 25; Middle Belt, September 15; Old Belt, September 27, and the dark-fired Virginia markets November 28.

No recommendations were made as to the closing and reopening of the bright and dark-fired Virginia markets for the Christmas holidays.

James S. Ficklen, of Greenville, N. C., was elected president of the association, succeeding E. J. O'Brien, Jr., of Louisville, Ky.

Three vice-presidents were named: J. W. Dunnington, Jr., Farmville, Va.; W. A. Goodson, Winston-Salem, N. C.; and A. B. Carrington, Jr., Danville, Va.

President O'Brien, in his annual address, termed the best the tobacco (Continued on Page Six.)

Battle for East Spain Slackening

Hendaye, France, July 1 (AP)—The fury of a week-long battle on Spain's eastern battlefield appeared to be diminishing today with neither the government nor insurgent troops apparently able to advance.

Both armies, wearied by heavy losses, continued to attack and counter-attack, but official statements said all assaults were being repulsed.

The battle for the approaches to Valencia, involving 250,000 men, along a 50-mile front, undoubtedly had been one of the most deadly of the 23-month-old war. Against the government's superior man-power, the insurgents have had more cannon and war planes.

Although the government, at least temporarily, has blocked insurgent drives on Valencia, both from the north and west, its success has been at enormous cost in man power. The insurgents have been unable to wrest control of the coastal highway to Valencia or the Turis-Sagunto road to the coast, their two immediate objectives. But on both extremes of the 50-mile front, they have driven defense troops from many strategic advance positions that had taken months to fortify.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA.
Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday; scattered showers in north portion Saturday afternoon; somewhat warmer tonight and in central portion Saturday.