

Regulator Gazette: July 1897

### Headline: Gunfight Erupts At Opening of English Bob's Tearoom

Since English Bob's retirement from gunfighting and backshooting he has been looking for something quiet to do to enjoy his retirement and make a few dollars.....What better for a retired Englishman than to own and run a tearoom.(Since we have a lot of tea drinkers in Regulatorville). The grand opening was Saturday and Bob planned a dart tournament as part of the festivities. Most of the Regulator Regulators went to the opening to see what it all was all about. This reporter thinks the problems started because the Regulators had spent the morning at the Hardtimes Saloon and Bob's grand opening was scheduled at high noon. The shooting started when Blacksmith's turn came at the dart tournament. His aim has never been all that good anyway (As evidenced by the fact that most establishments in town won't let him use their potty facilities). His first and second darts were in the wall but the fecal material hit the ventilator when his third dart ended up in the hangey part of Billy Joe Clantons ear... Billy Joe isn't the pierced ear type so he produced his 45 and started blasting. After 10 pistol shots, four shotgun blasts and ten rifle shots, English Bob went out the window and hasn't been seen since.....The tearoom building has been converted to a temporary morgue.....

### Headline: Second Quigley Bucket Match A Big Hit

This months Quigley bucket match was held after the regular match and to keep it interesting we moved the bucket to 300 yards and shot it from the sitting position while using shooting sticks.....After the first round of shots the field was narrowed to Dick Holliday and Mad Dog....Each had two hits out of five. A sudden death shootoff was determined to be the best method of breaking the tie. Dick went first and produced three out of three hits. His third hit knocked the bucket down so a trip down to the 300 yard range was organized the repair the damage. Mad Dog was next and equaled Hollidays score with another three for three. So another sudden death shootoff was organized to try and determine the winner.....Dick went first again (since he's a senior citizen) and missed all three shots. Dick held his breath as Mad Dog steadied for three more shots.....Shot #1 was a miss.....Shot #2 was a miss.....Mad Dog sent his last 535 grain bullet down range and all waited to see what would happen.....The sound Shot #3 sending the bucket for a flip ended Dicks rein as bucket champion.....Dick missed seeing Mad Dogs last shot as he passed out from holding his breath for more than 15 seconds. We think the boy needs to think about an exercise program.....

The scorces from the regular match went as follows:

Flight one.....Dick Holliday, Col Case Hardin, and Mad Dog...

Senior Scores....Roberdel, Doc Clock, Tom Two Feathers, Tom Two Times, and Blacksmith.....

Who says Regulators can't do it in the rain.....well most anybody can since we waited for the rain to stop before starting the match at 10:00 rather than 9:00.....Also another delay i remember came when Dick Holliday was looking for the muffins in Tom Two Times car and managed to lock up the car with Tom's keys and also his wallet with the spare key inside.....Doc Clock was nice enough to take Tom home to find another key. We plan to do it all again on the third Saturday of August so come join us.....We'll most likely do the bucket match again so if you'll bring a big ole lead chunker and want to shoot you're welcome.....as usual if you want to shoot we will have extra equipment for you.....Want to see some pictures of the bucket match???? They may be on [www.northcarolinacowboys.com](http://www.northcarolinacowboys.com) so take a look.....See you next month so until then.....Take a kid shooting.....Respectfully submitted.....Ned Bluntline