in buying and selling leaf tobacco shall keep their books and records, which shall be open to inspection by the Commissioner.

Expenditures, 1950, Special Funds......\$2,500.00 Staff: None.

## MARYLAND TOBACCO AUTHORITY

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Ninian Barber, 1952; W. W. Dyson, 1952; Calvin O. Wade, 1953; James P. Ryon, 1953; Walter D. Addison, 1951; W. B. Posey, 1954; T. Reid Hutchins, 1954.

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The Maryland Tobacco Authority was created by the General Assembly of Maryland in 1947. The Authority is composed of seven members appointed by the Governor for a term of three years (Code 1947 Supp., Art. 48, secs. 59F, 59G; Acts 1948 (sp. sess.), ch. 22). The Board elects its own chairman.

The Authority may make investigations and studies of any phase of tobacco marketing or production in the State, provide information relative to the tobacco price structure; and make recommendations for legislation to provide more effective handling of tobacco, to have a voice with the buyers and commission agencies in fixing marketing periods, and to assure the accuracy of weights and measures used by tobacco commission selling agencies. The Authority is further empowered to license commission agencies and purchasers. The agency shall also collect a fee from the owner of tobacco sold at a commission agency. The funds as collected shall be used by the agency.

The Authority has appointed a representative to visit American and European factories for the purpose of developing markets for Maryland tobacco.

Expenditures, 1950, Special Funds......\$17,561.26 Appropriation, 1951, Special Funds...... 19,780.00 Staff: 2.

## MARYLAND STATE APPLE COMMISSION

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Chairman: John P. Caspar, 1953

Joseph G. Harrison, 1952; Marshall T. Heaps, 1953; E. Dwight McCain, 1954; Lloyd Balderston III, 1954; W. Lee Allen, 1955; Raymond K. Gardenhour, 1955.

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The Maryland State Apple Commission was created within the State Board of Agriculture by the General Assembly of 1947. The Commission of seven members is appointed by the Governor from a list of fruit growers approved by the Executive Committee of the