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**REVENUE**  
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

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On August 20, 2018, Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Law Enforcement Agents and Lowndes County Sheriff's Department Metro Narcotics Unit executed a search warrant at the residence of Lonnie Bernard Phinizee of 29 Plum Nellie Road, Columbus MS.

Agents seized approximately 12 gallons of moonshine and approximately 2 ounces of marijuana. Additionally, agents destroyed the following:

- approximately 1,000 gallons of corn mash,
- 20-barrel moonshine distillery,
- 200-gallon cooker,
- copper coil, burner, and
- copper thumper.

Phinizee is being held at the Lowndes County Adult Detention Center and is being charged with Felony Possession of a Moonshine Distillery.