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**OVER WEEK-END** 

Ike Spencer, Colored Man,

Admits Fleecing Farmer

Out of About \$250

The group of flimflammers-robbers

operating in this section and in other

parts of the country, was just about

rounded up over the week-end

when Fayetteville police arrested

Ike Spencer, John Currie and

George Thomas there. Spencer and

Currie were arrested last Saturday

night and were returned here Sun-

day by Sheriff C. B. Roebuck and

Officer Allsbrooks. Thomas, arrest-

ed shortly after the officers left

Fayetteville Sunday, will be brought

here tomorrow to face Rev. J. A.

Taylor and King Riddick, two vic-

tims of a flim-flamming game, for

### **ESTABLISHED 1899**

SHOWS INCREASE

The \$4,709,080 Income Last

Year Nearly Double

That of 1933

With only two exceptions the

alues of crops grown in this county

last year showed an increase over

those for 1933, a review of the an-

nual issue of the North Carelina

Farm Forecaster reveals. The crops

of tobacco, oats, sweet potatoes, pea-

nuts and soybeans more than dou-

bled in value, while the cotton and

irish potato crops showed a slight

decrease, the drop being traceable

to acreage decreases more than to

the price trend. The dozen crops

listed had a total value last year of

\$4,709,080, or nearly twice as much

Tobacco led the list with a value

of \$3,002,511. Peanuts came second

with a value of \$719.411, and corn

was next with a value of \$397,267.

Cotton, at one time bringing to the

farmers of this county more than

one million dollars annually, holds

ourth place with a value of \$292,-

838. During the past two or three

years, the sweet potato has risen in

importance, the value of the crop

ast year being placed at \$110,629

Soy beans also occupied at a rank-

ing position in the list of minor

crops with a value of \$75,319. Val-

ues of other crops grown in 1934 are

as follows: Irish potatoes, \$61,204

Present indications are that the

Commenting on the crop situation

it exists in the State, the Fore-

North Carolina's 12 leading money

rops netted farmers in the State a

total of \$353,445,682 in 1934, a gain

of almost 100 percent over 1933, and

indications based on price trends of

early 1935 are for a further increase

The Forecaster estimated total

The federal-state crop reporting

production in corn, cotton, irish po-

tatoes, wheat, oats and sweet pota-

toes. A slight increase was expect-

the only crop for which a substan-

t al increase was noted. No estimates

nillion-dollar mark.

aster said:

this year.

as they did the year before.

Advertisers Will Find Our Columns a Latchkey to Over 1,600 Homes of Martin County. of Martin County.

## MUSICAL REVUE IS FEATURED AT FAIR THIS YEAR

#### 'Sensations of 1935" Only One of Many Features at Fair November 4-9

Spectacular scenes with the varihued kaleidoscopic effects brought by the newest inventions in electrical lighting, glorifies the musical, the "Sensations of 1935," which will appear nightly before the grandstand. of the Greater Roanoke Fair, commencing the week of November 4th All of the principal numbers to te seen in the "Sensations of 1935' were originated for the show, and, so far as is known, are not being offered in theatres or on outdoor stages by other shows this season. A huge revolving stage is one of the novelties. The aspect of the whole show can be changed by the mere click of a switch. Delicate pastel shades are brought to the field of

outdoor lighting to play over the show's beautiful scenery. Miss Gertrude Avery, producer of

the "Sensations of 1935," desired a screen musicals and the modern productions of Broadway, with speed, color and life. Musically, vocally, figuratively, the "Sensations of 1935" is complete in all respectivts.

In the galaxy of high-class fea tures are such acts as the Comets, pyramid builders and tumblers, who have won much acclaim all over the country; the De Liberto Four, a group of gymnasts who work with machine-like precision during a thrilling exhibition of teeterboard work; Don Tranger, master of ceremones; Randolph Avery and his "Stooges" in an uproariously funny comedy act, the Three Clovers, in comedy head and shoulder balancing and acrobatics; and the Tranio Trio, slapstick comedy novelty on the style of the Four Marx Brothers.

"The Sensations of 1935" has a group of 50 people touring the east for the first time, under the exclusive management of the George A. Hamid office. The show carries pretentious scenic settings that spread out before the grandstand for 140 feet. The "Sensations of 1935" is an effort on the part of its producer, Miss Gertrude Avery, to bring to the outdoors a type of entertainment that can well be compared with productions of its kind seen on Broadway.

The prima donna part will be sung by Pauline Stephans, whose fine lyric soprano voice has won high praise in concert, operatic and musical comedy work.

#### More Than 7,000 Notices Go To Martin Taxpayers

Statements of 1935 county taxes are being mailed to the more than 7,000 property owners in this county this week, and already settlements of the accounts are being effected

"SENSATIONS OF 1935," FAIR FEATURE HERE

"The Sensations of 1935" will be one of the nightly features of the Roanoke Fair, opening in Williamston November 4. The revue, produced at a cost of \$50,000, carries 50 people, including 16 girls, union orchestra of 12 men and a number of artists

# Martin-Beaufort Boundary To Be Determined by Court

same swiftness that characterizes line is in the offing, according to unofficial reports heard here yester bout 25,000 acres.

checks have been prepared, and

they are expected here any day.

The distribution will be some-

what slow, it was pointed out,

since the office of the agent

will be required to point out

proper divisions of the payments

Proper notification will be giv-

en the owners just as soon as

the checks are received, it was

**County Operators** 

Price for Picking

to tenants and landlords.

stated.

the courts for settlement.

A controversy over the location acres, leaving Martin about 5,600.

in the old J. and W. tract, the Beau- right much nearer the Roberson to officers that he had promised Ridfort officials claiming about 35,000 property, it was pointed out.

**Heavy Toll Taken** EXPECT CHECKS The long-overdue peanut benefit checks are expected here shortly for distribution in this county, according to reliable information gained yesterday. The

ple, and the injury of a number of

One death, that of a colored wo-Windsor Sunday night on the high- tomorrow.

so far this year. Last year there were a dozen highway fatalities in this county. So far only two untimely deaths have been reported on Martin highways, and both of

While many peanut-picker operafairly rapidlly. Until the first of next tors have expressed interest in estab- Purvis, colored, was killed by a hit month, taxes are discounted by 1 lishing a fair price for picking pea- and run driver on West Main Street per cent, the discount dropping to nuts this fall, no plans have been and Miss Tetterton, young white 1-2 of 1 per cent after that time. mode for holding a meeting to dis- girl, was fatally hurt just this side Taxes are paid at par during the cuss the uniform charge. Last year of the Edgewood Dairy.

months of December and January, a meeting was held, and the prices The year 1935 is fast drawing

**Cotton Ginning Tax** Spencer, admitting relieving Riddick of \$265.25 near the Atlantic Hotel here last June, denied the rob-bery charge brought against him. He and Certificates Cost admitted that he pulled a "fast one" and Riddick fell victim. Riddick, Have Been Reduced show that would move with the of the Martin-Beaufort boundary Martin officials are of the belief that however, maintained it was plain about 15,000 acres of the tract are old highway robbery. Judging from in this county, leaving Beaufort a- a heated conversation between Rid- Farmer Can Market Excess

identification.

Commissioner dick and Spencer in the sheriff's ofday. One of the reports stated that Perry explained that he proposed a fice here yesterday morning, it ap representatives of the officials of the line from a designated cypress tree pears that Riddick and another man two counties could not agree on a straight across to the Jamesville and believed to be George Thomas, startproposed border line, Charles Swin- Washington road, coming out a short ed to flim-flam Riddick, but some dell, of the Beaufort board, inform- distance the other side of the J. J. hitch developed and they then ing R. L. Perry, of the Martin board, Roberson property. Should the pounced on the man and robbed him that the matter would be referred to boundary be located in accordance Spencer admitted that he had flimtificates has been reduced from f with the claims of the Beaufort of- flam victims as far away as Ohio to 4 cents a pound, Mr. T. B. Slade The boundary line dispute centers ficials, the dividing line would fall and Georgia, and calmly explained

assistant in cotton control for this county, announced today following dick a hundred per cent return withthe receipt of information from fed in two hours on an investment of \$256.25, the amount of money Rideral authorities late yesterday. Th dick claims he had drawn out of the under the new price in the future bank to purchase a car.

but no refunds will be allowed on Currie, while a member of the sales already made, it is under fim-flam crowd, denied any con- stood. Martin farmers are advised nection with the King Riddick case, that local certificates will not be During Week - End nection with the King Riddick case, that local certificates will not be and since other flim-flam victims available just now, but purchases here could not identify him he is to can be made shortly, it was stated

Colored Woman Killed In warrants for various offenses await Very few farmers in this county be returned to Fayetteville, where by Mr. Slade. him.

are not eligible to participate in the Spencer and Currie came here purchase of certificates, and they broke, explaining that they had in-The untimely deaths during the vested all their ill-gotten money in tax. Contract signers and others re-

The arrest of the two men virtuthers were carried in North Caro- ally brings to an end-a long search Ina papers yesterday. One of the conducted by county officers. Since State papers had 13 accounts of the last June Sheriff Roebuck had made untimely deaths and injuries on its trips as far away as Washington front page alone, and it is certain City, Richmond and Durham, but althat there were other accidents fail- ways missed his man by a few derway to any great extent

A hearing is pending before Jusman, was reported between here and tice J. L. Hassell this afternoon of

**Travel Bureau Pass Through Yesterday** 

Details of Trip To Reach 15,000 Travel Directors In America and Europe

sentatives, riding in a special bus

With daily sales continuing larger than they were at the same time last season, and with the better grades appearing in larger quantities, the local tobacco market is in line for another record this season. While some farmers are said to be diverting their better grades to the larger markets, more farmers are learning every day that they can get just as much when they sell their entire offerings here. Reports heard today were to the effect that one farmer had carried his best grade to one of the larger markets and sold the remainder here. When prices were compared, the farmer had averaged more for all his offerings here than he had received for

Cotton Production At

Four Cents a Pound

A reduction has been made in

the rate of tax on ginning cotton

from 6 to 5.45 cents a pound, and

the price of cotton marketing cer-

about its largeness. Yesterday's sale on the local market was described as one of the best, if not the best, of the

the best grade sold on another market, one of those that boasts

CONFIDENCE MEN Daily Sales on Local Tobacco VALUE OF CROPS

ARE ROUNDED UP Market Are Holding Up Well IN THIS COUNTY

season. The 179,650 pounds sold for \$46,091.53, averaging \$25.76. So far this season, the market has sold 5,770,084 pounds for \$1,-146,998.06, an average of \$19.88 Many baskets sold for 50 cents a pound yesterday, and several piles brought 60 cents. Little change in prices was noticed today as the market handled approximately 100,000 pounds. The percentage of better grades was less, and probably will affect the average, but grade for grade the price was little changed, ob-

servers said.

Now that the large busses have quieted their excessive horn blowing, why not extend the same requests to the many frivolous and thoughtless automobile drivers a local citizen asked yesterday. A short time ago, the town authorities directed a request to the bus operating companies asking them to eliminate unnecessary horn blowing and excessive speeding within the corporate limits of the town. The requests have met with success, and attention now centers on the excessive and unnecessary tooting by a number of lo-

HORN BLOWING

cal auto drivers.

cats, \$24,812; tame hay, \$18,445; cowpcas, \$4,867; rye, \$1,417; and wheat, \$360 total value of 1935 crops will equal that of those produced in 1934, with Williamston Plays the posibility that the farm income ir, this county will exceed the five-Elizabeth City To

### 0-0 Tie Last Friday Roberson and Ramey Given Recognition for Action in Hard Fought Game

vill have to pay the 5.45 ginning Meeting the strongest team of their Williamston's high school production of a majority of leading ceiving Bankhead allotments are football boys played Elizabeth City's crops in North Carolina will be beereer. cligible to buy the certificates at 4 eleven to a scoreless tie there last  $1_{\text{few}}$  that of 1934, but if prices concents instead of 5 cents a pound, as Friday afternoon, reports clearly in- tinue improvement manifested last was the custom last year and the dicating the members of the Green year and early in 1935, the State's early part of the 1935 season. Very Wave aggregation offered one of the total farm income should be virtualcertificates have been pur- scrappiest scraps ever participate 1 ly as much, if not more, than in chased in this county, as the marin by them. The only scoring threat 1934. keting season has hardly gotten un- of the game was made by William-

ten when the ball was carried deep service, through which the figures into the enemy territory, but the are obtained, estimated decreased Bill Peel Again Gets Pasquotank Inds offered a stubborn defense that held.

Elizabeth City led in first downs, **Call To Serve Court** 6 to 5, but in the other departments, ed for tame hay with a slight drop Ceach Peters' boys played a better in peanut production. Tohacco was brand of ball than did their oppon-Escaping possible jury service own in Hyde County last week, ents.

when he could not be reached by the But Beel and an a splendid game, Roberson held the beans. were given for cowpeas and soy other call to court in Wilson this spotlight in carrying the ball, and Chances for the State exceeding week. It was the Federal court call- Ramey featured the defense at cenits 1934 total crop income rested

ing him this time as a witness in a ter. case, and he was caught by the deputy marshall. It so happened that months that Elizabeth City's team the crop reporting service's official

re was taken sick right after that had been held scoreless by a small report showed, tobacco producers Fifty or more travel bureau repre- and is bad off at his home on Sim- eleven, the Pasquotank boys having had taken in something more than defeated Chowan College only a faw \$40,000,000 for the 39 percent of the



Jump from Moving Car Near Here Sunday

week-end of more than a dozen peo- 51, automobile.

ng to get recognition in the rush. hours.

**Of Peanut Pickers** way. This county was free of acci-dents over the week-end, maintain-ing a low record of untimely deaths Representatives of May Be Organized Much Interest Expressed in them followed accidents occurring

Establishing a Uniform

within sight of each other. Henry

