THE ENTERPRISE IS BEAD BY OVER 3,000 MARTIN COUNTY FAMILIES TWICE EACH WEEK

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Prospects Bright For County Fair Here Next Week

Hundreds of Miscellaneous **Exhibits** Already Booked For The Event

Late reports indicate that not only will there be an unusually large number of farm, home, school, scout and individual exhibits at the Martin County Ag- ing over Seth Davis of Jamesville keen in some classes. Vieing for top honors within their particular groups, will be, among others, the following:

Twenty schools Vocational Agriculture Four Classes

Eight white 4-H Clubs Four colored 4-H Clubs Five white Home Demonstration Clubs

Five colored Home Demonstration Clubs Five Boy Scout Troops.

In addition, there are certain

to be several individual farm booths competing against each other. As of Monday afternoon, a definite number was not available, and those who wish to display a complete farm exhibit are requested to contact Mr. L. L. Hodges or Mrs. Elizabeth Harrison of their desires by Wednesday night, October 21.

Only one Veteran's Farmers Training Program group is scheduled to have an exhibit. It is understood, however, that the lack of competition in that class will not have an adverse effect on the display.

An excellent display of live stock is assured. A few of the exhibitors in this division include Mr. Oliver P. Wolfe and son, Mr. J. H. Dixon, Mr. Lester Bryant, Cowen, Dr. J. S. Rhodes, Sr., and Monday evening. the Martin County Home through Mr. D. W. Brady. It is understood that two new breeds of hogs will be shown at the exhibition. 'In addition to the special ex-

hibits, about 200 miscellaneous entries are expected to be displayed in the general booths. **Commercial Martin County will** have its best foot forward at the fair. As of Monday afterbeen sold, and a complete sellout on November 23; and on March Mrs. Jessie Giles of Newton. of the remaining space seemed as- 30. The Gershwin Orchestra, in sured.

County P.-M.A. Committee Prominent County Former Governor Elected At Friday Meeting Citizen Died At In This County Four members of the Martin lin of Williamston is the commit-County Production and Marketing tee's regular member. D. R. Ed-

Administration committee were mondson of Hassell was reelected as first alternate. Tyre succeeds re-elected at a brief and informal Willie Ausbon of Cross Roads in convention held in the agriculture the second alternate position. The election lasted hardly more building last Friday morning. The

re-elections were by unanimous than thirty minutes and all the vote, and a close tally was report- community committees were duly ed in the lone contest, Howard represented. T. B. Slade was re-Tyre of Williams Township winn- tained as committee secretary. Poplar Point, operating as part ricultural Fair next week, but by one vote. The count was seven of Williamston or vice versa, nam. that competition will be very to six in favor of Tyre, it was ed a committee of its own this

year. There were comparatively announced. Reuben Everett of Roberson- few changes in the local communiville succeeds himself as chair- ty committee personnel. Roberman of the committee. Sidney sonville reported two changes, Mallory of Goose Nest continues Bear Grass, three; Griffins, 1, and as vice chairman, and A. L. Mod- Hamilton 1.



this area during recent mornings, slowing traffic considerably on the highways.

According to Farmer Perlie Moore the fog got real soupy Monday morning, but he did not realize just how soupy it was until he met a steam boat coming down the highway. It was anchored to a trailer, but Mr. Moore said he believed it could have navigated the fog had the anchor been lifted.



Approximately fifty interested persons from Jamesville, Robersonville, Hamilton, Windsor and Williamston attended the kick-Mr. Corrone Bryant, Mr. H. H. ton Woman's Club at 7:00 o'clock four sons, William A., John D.

Her Home Sunday Funeral Held Monday In **Roberson Funeral Home**

In Robersonville

Mrs. Daisy Johnson Roberson, well-known Martin County citizen, died at her home in Gold rel, former Governor Kerr Scott Point Sunday morning at 4:25 o'- did not bag his limit yesterday, clock foilowing a long period of but he received encouraging redeclining health. She had received hospital treatment during in- if he runs for the United States

tervals for some months and her Senate. condition was serious for weeks. The daughter of the late Elder W. Johnson and Nannie White Johnson, she was born in Edgespent her early life there. Follow- plans. So far, the Alamance farm-

its support and playing the role Mrs. Berta Lee Darden Davis, of a good neighbor in her adopted

> Surviving are a son, Harvey H Roberson, of the home; a daughter, Mrs. C. D. Cavenaugh of Wil- other counties during his four liamston; two brothers, J. W.

Johnson of Rocky Mount; three the election to be held tomorrow

garet Ricks, former first reader ed in the Roberson Funeral of the Christian Science Church, Home at Robersonville Monday officiating. Burial will be in afternoon at 3:00 o'clock by the Pineview Cemetery. Mrs. Davis Rev. Wilbur Wallace and the Rev.

Star and a member of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Rocky off dinner held at the Williams- Boston, Mass. She is survived by

and Joseph L., all of Rocky Mount, and Hugh S. Davis of

and introduced Miss Camilia Frances Lorine Davis, both of Campbell, national representative Rocky Mount; six brothers, A. B. from headquarters in New York, and I. L. Darden of Wilson, Dred who spoke briefly on the history of Williamston, Larry of Eureka,

For Annual Hunt

Taking Political Inventory; **No Official Announce**ment Expected Soon

Making his annual pilgrimage into the county in search of squirports on his prospects when and

Taking a political inventory of the State, Mr. Scott said he wanted to visit at least twenty more counties before announcing his and eggs. er has received favorable reports

from every quarter he has visited, but well acquainted with political campaigns he wants to complete Independent in their actions,

Martin County voters aren't talking too much, but it is generally With the closing date for sign-

believed that Scott greatly added ing up in the 1954 Agricultural to his strength in this and most Conservation Program only fifyears in the governor's office. No teen days away, preliminary reone knows, of course, but were ports from the thirteen communities in Martin County indicate sisters, Mrs. C. H. Gorham of Bat- or next week, it fairly certain that approximately 250 Martin tleboro, Miss Eula Johnson of that Martin voters would support farmers will cooperate in the ACP Rocky Mount, and Mrs. B. J. Thig- him in a big way. It is also fairly this year. This is about 15 percent certain that nothing less than an of all the farmers in the county atomic bomb could change things and it compared with a much

larger number of farmers who "Even though we failed him cooperated in the program in 1953. in the race for governor, he did R. S. Everett, chairman of the not overlook us when he was in County PMA Committee, said Raleigh, and if the time ever pre- that farmers of Martin have only to show our appreciation to him sign up to be eligible for assisfor his work," a farmer was quot- tance in carrying out soil and ed as saying when he learned the water conservation practices ungovernor had visited in the coun- der the 1954 Agricultural Conservation Program.

During his overnight stay here, Because the stockpiling of soi Mr. Scott was the guest of Mr. reserves is a vital part of the naand Mrs. Bill Abbitt. Even if he tional defense program, Mr. Evdid not fill his game bag with rett urged farmers to cooperate equirrels, Ma Scott, accompanied in this nation-wide effort to proby Dairyman M. C. Hearne, en- tect and improve the country's joyed the hospitality and declarsoil and water resources. ed he had great time with his feet The Agricultural Conservation

Program, he explains, provides under the Abbitt's table. assistance to farmers on a share-After hunting all day, the two men, traveling in a Ford, a gift the-cost basis for carrying out to Mr. Scott by State employees essential conservation measures.

Nation."

Game Fairly Plentiful In Tobacco Prices Martin County This Year Game, especially squirrels, is last week-end in this county than

fairly plentiful in the swamps in there was during the thick of the this section, according to reports fight along the 38th Parallel in Korea," Mizelle said. coming from hunters who opened

the season last week.

week, and it was reliably report- over the limit. ed that some rural people rushed

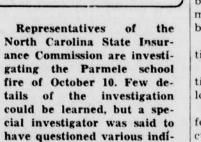
"I honestly believe that was have been taken in the county so more shooting in the swamp areas far.

Sign-Up For Soil **Plan Ending Soon**

Quite a few deer were taken the first day of the open season, No definite reports are to be the various hunting clubs averaghad, but hundreds of hunters en- ing two or better. Many hunters tered the swamp lands along the reached their squirrel limit with Roanoke and various creeks last the possibility that a few went

Individual hunters holding no to the towns for safety. When two membershiup cards in hunting truck loads of hounds and ten clubs are finding it more and carloads of deer hunters moved more difficult to fin a foot of land into his territory down Jamesville to search for game, leaving only way, Henderson Mizelle rushed to the club members and landowners town, reportedly without taking an opportunity to follow the sport. time to eat his breakfast of ham Although included in the open

season, few coons or 'possums



INVESTIGATION

viduals last week. No charge, pointing toward incendiarism, has been mentioned. The school was reopened Monday in temporary quarters arranged in the old vetmans training program building near the destroyed school. A survey team, representing

the State Board of Education,

is to visit the area this week to study a site for a new high school unit, is was learned. **Farmers Picking New Peanut Crop**

new peanut crop.

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ESTABLISHED 189:

Holding To 60c **Average Locally**

More Than Eleven Million **Pounds Sold Here** To Date

Although prices have slipped from the peak established earlier in the season, averages ranging right at \$60 per hundred pounds continue to prevail on the Williamston tobacco market. The poundage, while considerably below the record, is averaging right close to 100,000 pounds daily.

During the latter part of last week, the market sold 198,000 pounds for a 60-cent average Yesterday the market handled 83,300 pounds for an average • \$59.36 per hundred pounds.

According to comparisons, the Williamston market is averaging better than two cents a pound more than the average for the belt.

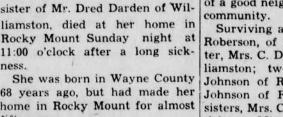
No closing date has been mentioned for the local market. A report, covering the activities in the entire bright belt, follows:

Demand continued to weaken for Eastern North Carolina fluecured tobacco last week. Volume of sales was fairly light, according to the Federal-State Market News Service. The general quality of offerings showed little change.

Gross sales for the week amounted to 36,106,114 pounds and averaged \$58.03 per hundred. The average dropped \$1.60 from the previous week and the volume declined nearly 13 million pounds. Sales for the season through Friday, October 16, totaled 418 .-646,797 pounds, averaging \$57.69. During the corresponding period last year sales had grossed 373,-223,036 pounds for \$51.30.

Most grade averages were lower. Decreases amounted to \$1.00 to \$4.00 a hundred pounds in most Although the season is mighty instances. Largest losses occurred early for it, a few farmers in this more frequently for lower quality county have started picking the marketings. A few better quality offerings showed no change.

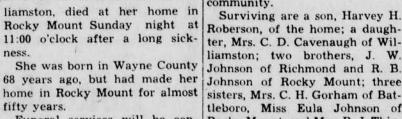
A picker was reported in op- A small increase was shown in eration in Robersonville Town-, the percentage of lugs while less ship, not far from Parmele, last leaf was offered. Principal sales consisted of poor to good leaf, lo



fifty years. Funeral services will be con-

at 11:00 o'clock with Miss Mar-Funeral services were conduct- in this county.

Mr. B. S. Stewart, president Newport News, Va.; two daugh-



ducted in Gay's funeral home in pen of Avon Park, Florida; and Rocky Mount Wednesday morning four grandchildren.

was a member of the Lydia chap- A. E. Purvis. Interment was in the sents itself in the future we plan until November 6 in which to

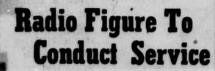
ter of the Order of the Eastern Robersonville Cemetery. Church of Christ, Scientist, Rocky Mount, and the mother church of Critically Hurt

In Car Accident Mrs. Curtis Dunning of Rich

of the local association presided ters, Josephine Elizabeth, and Square was said to have been critically injured in an automobile accident on the McCaskey Road, a few miles from Williamston, last Wednesday night. Details of of Community Concerts. She told Charlie of Goldsboro and Zeb but one report said the victim sufan enthusiastic group of workers Darden of Stantonsburg; six sis-fered a skull fracture and a damthat the towns of Kinston, Wil- ters, Mrs. Ammie Davis and Mrs. son, and Goldsboro have complet- J. T. Bass of Lucama, Mrs. Irene Paralysis did not result from the noon, 90 per cent of booth space their artists including The Ballet Patterson of Rocky Mount, Mrs. removed to a Richmond hospital accident, and Mrs. Dunning was Russe de Monte Carlo in Kinston, Carl Mewborn of Snow Hill and for special treatment Sunday following a few days' stay in a local morning to attend the fair. hospital. She made the trip to Richmond in a Biggs ambulance. Ends Ministry In en by Mr. Durning, an oil dealer **Holloween Event** in Rich Square, went out of control, skidded and went into a ditch, that Mrs. Dunning fell out Plans for the annual Halloween of the car when the right door high Carnival are well under way as came open.

ing her marriage in early womanhood to J. Henry Roberson of this county, she located in Gold Point. Man Died Sunday of the Gold Point Christian the inventory before tossing his hat into the senatorial ring. Mrs. Roberson was a member Church, figuring prominently in hat into the senatorial ring.

Everything considered, the co-Clubs believe that the 1953 Marin County Agricultural Fair will one of the finest events of its pe ever staged in this part of the



Bishop C. S. Johnson, widely known Negro minister of Philadelphia and a renowned radio speaker who broadcasts over a national hook-up each Sunday morning, will conduct special religious services in the Carver theater here on Washington Street tomorrow night and Thursday Founder of the Apostolic Faith

Church of God, Bishop Johnson maintains headquarters in Philadeiphia and from that point is organizing new churches throughout the country, it was announced.

The nearest church is located in Wilson and the pastor there is a new bus terminal. presently conducting services in the Carver theater.

We churth has a few followers this area during or following the bishop's appearance this week. It was stated that the church dition. pays \$4,000 each week to keep its bishop on the air.

Firemen Called To Bear Grass

Fire of undetermined origin resuited in only minor damage to a woodshed at the Bear Grass teacherage Thursday afternoon about 4:00 o'clock. A discarded mattress, stored there, was burned and one end of the small building was scorched.

was called when it was feared the age.

ed their drives and have selected Atkinson of Kenly, Mrs. W. A.

Goldsboro. Membership chairman then Club Sponsoring sponsoring Lions and Kiwanis distributed the workers' kits, and workers quite optimistic over prospect for a successful compaign.

> Miss Campbell has several speaking at the schools in the county, and at the discussed by the Executive Board Club, and the Rotary Club. Te membership committee is

Power Company.

Approve Site For Bus Station Here plan

When the proposed ... site ... or

spection by four members of the partment would be glad to coltown commissioners in a special be donated to help homes in the meeting Friday afternoon approv- county in need of such items.

During their stay here, the the help of the Woman's Club as

Utility Commission team support- sponsors. ed the previous findings of one of in this county and if is possible its members who explained that that a unit will be organized in the Smithwick Street site would Serviceman Hurt create a safety hazard and aggravate a congested traffic con-

> The commission inspected sev-Donald Fred Phillips, serviceeral potential sites and was favman stationed at Weeksville, was orably impressed by the one on painfully but believed not serious-Elm Street just to the rear of the ly injured when his car, an old Old James Everett home, about model Ford, crashed into a power two blocks from the business secpole in front of the E. J. Hayes

tion. Late yesterday the bus companies had not been advised of the action taken by the commis- Phillips, a native of Orange, Texsion, but it was unofficially learned that some steps will follow struck the pole on the left side of just as soon as the formalities are the street. handled.

Phillips was removed to a naval The owners of the property said hospital in Portsmouth following yesterday they had not been of- first aid treatment in a local hos-Williamston's fire department ficially contacted, but that they pital.

would be glad to cooperate in any Investigating the accident. Offire would spread to the teacher- way possible in providing the ficer Tom Chesson estimated the town with a bus terminal. damage to, the car at about \$500.

She was brought to the local civic clubs including The Woman's of the local Woman's Club at its hospital in a car.

regular meeting on October 14th. It was also reported that a small colored girl suffered a wrist or count of the prolonged illness of The Carnival will be held on Te membership committee is me Carnival will be held on colored girl suffered a wrist or arm injury in a truck accident last Mrs. Ambrose, the minister tendlobby of the Virginia Electric and promises to be better than ever. week-end, but the details could ered his resignation several weeks

Mrs. Roy Jameson reported that not be learned. the club is supporting the National club project the restoration Special Service Hall in Philadelphia. The local In County Church schools will have a part in this

Miss Mary Taylor gave sug-The Smithwicks Creek Primi station studing the Help Astrive Baptist Church is planning a North Smithwick Street was rul- Home project for the year. She special service Friday evening of rendered by Mr. Evan Griffin. ed out following a personnel in- announced that the welfare de- this week when visiting ministers North Carolina Utilities Commis- lect any items of clothing or nounced today by the pastor, Eld- vancing the expansion of the was making ready to pass in his sion last Thursday, Williamston's household furnishings that could er P. E. Getsinger.

Elders J. H. Daly of Virginia membership. and T. E. Majors of Maryland, ed a site on South Elm Street for a new bus terminal. The Girl Scouts will enter a float in the harvest festival with held in Johnston County this Wild Cat Killed

them.

In Accident Here

school on Washington Street about

4:00 o'clock last Friday morning.

as, said he went to sleep. The car

Driving north on Highway 17,

week-end, will preach in the courch in this county and the public is cordially invited to her

ROUND-UP

Local. State and county officers rounded up and jailed nine alleged law violators last week-end. Most of the nine were booked for public drunkenness, including one who was drunk and down. An eighth person was charged with drunken drivand the ninth was charged with allowing a drunk to operate a motor vehicle. It was explained the drunk driver was carrying his drunk companion to a hospital for treatment.

Four of the nine were white and the ages of the group ranged from 26 to 64 years.

when he left Raleigh last January, This assistance serves as an in-



After fifteen years of devoted service, the Rev. Luther B. Am-Maple Grove Christian Church in fice.

Farm Life last Sunday. On ac-

ago to return to his old home in the Creswell community where he will serve several churches. One of the largest congrega-

No one was injured and protions ever to attend the church perty damage was limited to was present for the Sunday morn- about \$100 in a minor automobile ing service when the retiring accident in Everetts early Sunday bags per acre. minister chose for his sermon top- afternoon.

ic "Farewell". Special music was Driving toward Bear Grass Tommie Shelton Roberson start-During his ministry there, Mr. ed to make a left turn into a drivewill occupy the pulpit, it was an- Ambrose was instrumental in ad- way just as William Russell Teel

On County Road

25 pounds and measuring 53 streets. inches in length, was displayed here yesterday morning by A. T.

species of the lynx family, was run over by Jonah Mack Stalls, driving the county gas truck, on highway 171 about one-half mile from the Manning-Gurkin Store

in Farm Life. corn, wheat, and soybeans on The cat, termed in the eastern farms October 1 were below those states as the bay lynx, has a val- of a year earlier. Other stocks, Mayo, secretary. uable pale gray fur, spotted in however, including oats, barley tawny black. The cat attracted and rye, were higher. Present much attention and was said to stocks of corn, rye and soybeans be the largest ever seen in these are the only ones below the 1942parts. A number of people have 51 average.

been scared in the past few weeks | For the Nation, current farm in the Farm Life section by snarls stocks, with the exception of oats, ton Parents-Teachers Association with the 101st Signal Battalion's and cries in the night by some are above October 1 stocks a year to be held in the high school at Repair and Maintenance Comunidentified noise. It is believed ago. Oat stocks are slightly be- 7:45 p. m. Monday. Attendance pany. Overseas since July 1952, he that the bob cat killed yesterday low last year's supply and the 10- and interest have been reported as also holds the UN and Korean was the source of the wierd noise. year average. encouraging this year.

Friday Farmer Russell Holliday sam- to good lugs, low and fair cutters, drove to their homes in Alamance centive and makes it possible for pled pickings on the Oakley farm and fair and good smoking leaf. County last night. Joined by Mrs. farmers to carry out the needed near Williamston Monday, but The percentage of deliveries to Scott, he drove to Raleigh this practices. In the chairman's stopped when he found that one the Stabilization Corporation unwords, "in a free country such as bag was too green. Farmer Lester der the Government loan program ours where private ownership of Edwards was reported to have increased to around 6 per cent of land is a sacred right, the Agri- started the threshing operation gross sales. This compares with

cultural Conservation Program in Poplar Point Township Mon- 3.5 per cent delivered the preprovides a means for carrying out day, but no direct reports could a joint responsibility to the bene- be had. A picker is said to have fit of both the farmer and the been scheduled for operation on

Chairman Everett urges farmers old Whitaker farm this morning. who have not signed up for 1954 The first deliveries of the new brose ended his ministry at the to contact their local PMA of- crop were made by a Bertie farmer last week-end. One report said the moisture content was

> it ran about eight percent. **Everetts Sunday**

three acres.

Local Man Officer In - munications branch, Cotonel Mar-

crashed, causing about \$60 to Ro- at the 46th annual session of the within his subject. berson's 1950 Ford and about \$40 Roanoke Baptist Association at to the other car, according to a the 46th annual session of the bers of the local school faculty,

trol office. Only one other accident-one Conklin, local minister, was elect in Williamston-was reported in jed superintendent of Sunday

A "Bob Cat", weighting almost both of them were on town



the county last week-end, and School. The churches in this county were well represented. The as-

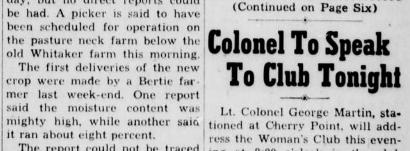
sociation now has 91 affiliated churches with a total of 28,000 members in the nine counties, including Martin.

annual sermon at that time, it as a member of IX Corps, was announced by Miss Hilda In awarding the citation to the

SPECIAL PLANS MADE FOR

Thursday, have been made for the section of the peninsula. regular meeting of the Williams- Sergeant Roebuck is a cook

Service Ribbons.



The report could not be traced ing at 8:00 o'clock in the club to its source, but one farmer was room. The Rev. E. Gordon Conksaid to have picked ninety bags on line was to have addressed the meeting, but he was called to Farmer Holliday said on the Maryland on account of the illbasis of his trial pickings, he is ness of his father, and the club is expecting about ten or eleven fortunate in booking the army officer.

Executive officer of the com-Roanoke Baptist Group tin will talke on the "preservation Mr. W. L. Howell, Williamston announced. He is a native of man, was re-elected treasurer of Kentucky and has impressed auchurch plant and in increasing its 1949 Chevrolet. The two vehicles the Roanoke Baptist Association diences throughout the country

> report filed by the Highway Pa- group held in Wilson and Weldon and all members of the club are last week. The Rev. E. Gordon expected to attend the meeting.

> > **County Boy Gets Special Citation**

With IX corps in Korea-Army Sgt. Samuel Roebuck, 20, son of The next association will be Mr. and Mrs. LaFate Roebuck, held next October in Rocky Mount Route 3, Williamston, N. C., reand Spring Hope. The Rev. Mr. cently received the Republic of Conklin was chosen to deliver the Korea Presidential Unit Citation

corps for the period Feb. 15, 1952 to July 27, 1953, President Syngman Rhee voiced pride in IX P.T. A. MEETING MONDAY Corps for its "bold and valiant

Special plans, to be announced defense" along the key central