## WATAUGA DEMOCRAT WATAUGA COUNTY An Independent Weekly Newspaper-Established in the Year 1888 BOONE WATAUGA COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, THURSDAY, JULY 27, 1950 VOL LXIII - NO. 4. **New Link Blue Ridge Parkway KING STREET Be Opened To Travel August 12** BY **ROB RIVERS** Registered Rams Hit an Boute from Great Smokins New Link To Provide Direct BLACKBERRIES ripening and iking step alongside canning schedules To Roanoke, Virginia Average of \$118. at Sale Berries managed The new link of the Blue Ridge Parkway from Mt. Mit-chell, highest peak in Eastern America, connecting directly with N. C. highway 694 into Asheville and with U. S. 19 to the Great Smoky Mountains Nation-al Park, will be opened to traffic August 12, according to an-nouncement by Parkway Supar-One of the liveliest sheep sales ever sponsored by the Watauga Hampshire Sheep Breeders As-sociation was held here last week, with registered rams hit-ting a high of \$235 and an aver-

these days . o reach the kitchen in spite of but housewives find that the ack of hot sunshine makes the sugar content low . . . more sugar is required . . . so the home canners and those who are inclined to hoard a bit of sweetening against the day when they think ugar will have gone to war, are buying generous supplies of the commodity, while retailers in-sist there isn't a shortage in ight . . . Green beans moving to ocal produce houses, deweytresh from Watauga's large comnerical gardens, provide sumnertime income to a large segnent of our farm population Tourists and teachers move along he streets in the cool of the evening, and enjoy mountain zephyrs . . . Retail merchants zephyrs . . . Retail merchants tell of lively mid-summer sales, and look forward to continued good business during the fall and vinter . . .

W. D. FARTHING finishes up his long career as Boom banker, and turns the Northwestern over to his competent successor, Mr. Alfred Adams . . We regret exceedingly that Mr. Farthing has found it advisable to retire from his active business career and he will be missed sadly by those of us who frequent the bank corner . . . Mr. Farthing established residence in Boone forty years ago, served as Clerk of the

SOME YEARS AGO. under the leadership of our good friend, Hirs. W. M. Burwell, Brone was named a bird san-chuary, and signs attesting this fact webs placed at strategic joints should the city . . . One of these was posted inside the drs. F. A. Linney lot at the corner near the postoffice and is in plain view of all those walking or driving west on King, and during the summer at least, we learn the words Bird Sanctuary" have brought

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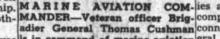
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TALK SOUTHEAST ASIA DEFENSE—A joint survey mission from the departments of state, defense, and ECA, under the mutual defense assistance program. left Washington recently for south-seast Asia to meet with U. S. and foreign officials to discuss implementation of current military assistance programs for Indo-China and other countries in the area. Left to right are John Ohly, director, mutual defense assistance program: Major General Lyman Lemnitzer, director, office of foreign military assistance: Major General Graves B. Erskine, commanding general of first ma-rine division: John F. Melby, special assistant to the assistant secretary of state for far eastern affairs.

sale, said that the sheep indus- Flower Show will be seen at the At Blowing Rock, U. S. 221 try in Watauga county is "defini- Boone Baptist church, August 10, forms the connecting link about

age of \$118, while 100 ewe lambs sold for a straight-through aver-age of \$27. Two factors were noted as contributing to the unusually good prices quoted: Wool and lamb prices are booming at present, tion, ceremonies marking the opening of the mountain-top drive all the way from the James River north of Roanoke, Va., to with good breeding stock at a premium; and a number of new Asheville, have been postponed until June, 1951. counties have just been converted to the sheep-farming practice. Top price for the sale was \$235 paid by Lester W. Reed of Three Brooks Farm, Lexington, for Sir Bullet 64, the registered Hamp-



Figures Given by County LOCAL DRAFT Graham, director of the Upper Flower Show Local DRAFT Haurel Springs; and Sam Buch-anan and A. V. Allen, extension Plans Are N

Carolina line, and thence 60 miles to Deep Gap. There the motorist deviates to U. S. 421 for

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nouncement by Parkway Super-intendent Sam P. Weems.

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