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BOONE, WATAUGA COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, THURSDAY, JULY 17, 1952.

George Wilson

Named Member

Of County FHA

year. Other members of the coun-

ty committee are Ben W. Farth-

ng of Valle Crucis, Avery W.

Greene of Route 2 Boone. Mr.

Farthing was elected chairman of

of the Farmers Home Admini-

Holmes Gonducts KING STREET Campaign To Bring Parkway Lands **ROB RIVERS** Phone Plan Through Greensboro, July 12-The At-torney General of the United States has given final approval GREATEST SHOW

Clyde R. Greene, delegate at large to last week's hectic sessions of the Republican national convention, finds his office chair down at the Farmers Hardware. & Supply Co., all decked out in black crepe Monday morning, as an evidence of sympathy on the part of the rest of the organization on account of Clyde's having

backed the losing hoss in the quadrennial GOP sweepstakes . The local delegate, a loyal partisan of Senator Taft, says he's for Ike now, but adds partook of a liquid 'diet for a while, immediately following that fateful ballot ... Soon, however got back on my feed." To our query as to what about the November aftermath, Clyde didn't want to be pushed in that regard, an ok'd our suggested 'no comment." . . . He says he enjoyed the big show, but glad to be back, and we can understand some of the reasons why, since we attended one of the national pow-wows, and strangely enough, expect to be back in the middle of next week's Democratic session . . . But we quite agree with Clyde, Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey just think they have the world's greatest show!

MASS BURLGLARY

Half a dozen Boone business establishments victims of one night's depredations by robbers, and business men ask for an expanded degree of police activity to cope with that sort of thing . . . Of course robberies occur even where the most complete law enforcement programs are present, but there is considerable demand for a reshuffling of the Police Department shifts, with emphasis on night patroling . . . We realize the problems facing the department in effectively patroling the city at all hours, but in connection with night activity, would suggest that whoever does this work, go afoot, with night stick and gun . . . Miscreants step into the shadows when automobiles approach, and won't wait to be caught in the beam of headlights.

NEW STREET

OTHER THINGS

The town council has accomplished one of its most worthwhile projects in opening and paving a street down the grade of the narrow gauage railway to near the Jim Winkler place, where connection may be made with the Blowing Rock road . . While not designed to take the place of a standard highway bypass, the new street is a world of convenience to townspeople, Sheep Breeders Sell

100 Subscribers Are Yet Needed

E. P. Holmes, field representative for Rural Electrification Administration, in charge of the telephone division, will be in Watauga County during the next few weeks in an effort to obtain enough subscribers to the Skyline Telephone Membership Corporation to assure this section of full telephone coverage. A public meeting was held Monday night in the County Agent's office, with Mr. Holmes in charge, in an effort to make plans for securing the additional 100 subscribers needed in this county

Mr. Holmes explained that the proposed telephone system is a dial system, rings when it is for you, will cover the entire county and will have long-distance privileges. The exchange will be automatic. The Skyline Corporation embraces the counties of Alleghany, Ashe, and Watauga. Alleghany now has 30 paid subscribers. Wa-

tauga must have 300 paid up subscriptions, and 100 are need to reach this number. Mr. Holmes explained what the prospective subscriber would

nave to do: "The proposition is this-sign up for a phone and D. Eisenhower started his "total pay the workers a \$10.00 deposit for which they will give you an victory" campaign rolling today official receipt. When the phone in conferences with House and in conferences with House and s installed or they begin con-Senate Republicans and members

(Continued on page three) of the GOP National Committee.

Health Group Thanks Public

The health department wishes o thank the public and officials for their cooperation in carrying out the quarantine on dogs effective for the three month period-July, August and September, in Boone, Brushy Fork and New

River townships. The statement continues: "Knowing the prevalence of rabies throughout the Appalachian area we can only feel we the GOP National Committee

are doing all we can to protect our Echoing Eisenhower's own words county if we keep this quarantine as he took over from Taft supstrictly, vaccinate our own dogs, porter Guy G. Gabrielson, Sum merfield called for a great crureport stray and unvaccinated dogs, report and observe any sick sade

animal, and control cats as well as Fighting Crusade "This is a fighting crusade to dogs. Further information can be found at the health department preserve America," he said, "and

we have the people's candidate office where a new and very clear pamphlet is supplied. The people are with us.' Summerfield declared, too, that "No new suspects or cases have been reported this week." (Continued on page six)

Price Estate Becomes Part Of

to title and the mountain estate near Blowing Rock of the late Julian Price of Greensboro has fully become a part of the Blue Ridge Parkway, Sam P. Weems of Roanoke, Va., park superin tendent, announced today.

The estate embraces 4,132 acres of forest and open land and will be known as Julian Price Memorial Park. It will be administer-ed by the National Park Service. The Parkway runs through the property.

Price, who was president of Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company here from 1919 until his accidental death in 1946, had planned to develop the property for the recreation of officials and employes of his company. His son, Ralph, and daughter, Mrs. Cathleen Price Bryan, both of Greensboro, were instrumental in the donation of the property to

Public relations and field rep the government. resentative for REA, in the tele Weems said the National Park phone division, who will assist Service will develop the pro-Watauga work in securing the perty along lines planned by balance of the phone sign-ups. Price, assuring its use for recreaperty along lines planned by Another 100 memberships are tion by the millions who the parkway every year.

E. P. HOLMES.

Chicago, July 12-Gen. Dwight

"There are a lot of people we

have to hold together," the gen-eral told the committee, "if we

are going to whip the Democrats."

As Chicago emptied of Repub-lican convention delegates who handed Eisenhower the nomina-

tion yesterday, the general's

lieutenants began taking over

party machinery for the cam-

Arthur Summerfield of Michi-

gan, who rounded up valuable

Michigan votes for Eisenhower's

convention showdown with Sen.

Robert A. Taft of Ohio, was un-

animously elected chairman of

paign ahead.

necessary.

stration. In addition the committee has the specific responsibilities for (1) **Eisenhower Starts** determing the eligibility of applicants for all types assistance, (2) passing upon farms being con-'Victory Campaign' sidered for purchase, enlargement, or development under the farm ownership program or for the improvement under the farm housing program. (3) Reviewing

year.

debtedness owing the Farmers Home Administration. Other duties in connection with the FHA are assigned the county committee from time to time. In addition to operating loans and loans to purchase, enlarge or

from other sources is eligible.

courthouse in Boone, Mr. Robinon said.

Hold Vespers

Vesper services at the Daniel Boone Theatre Sunday will be conducted by the Rev. Edwin C. Troutman, pastor of the Boone Lutheran Church.

vice-chairman, Paul Concyr secre-surer, Mrs. F. E. Warman, secre-tary, and the following Board Hughes, chaplain of St. Mary's Hughes, chaplain of St. Mary's

Holt Will Speak at **Press Convention**

Six Stores Are Entered in

Wave of Local Robberies

Dr. Andrew David Holt, ad-George A. Wilson of Route 3 ministrative assistant to Boone was appointed to a 3 year President of the University of term as a member of the Watauga Tennessee, will deliver the ad-County Farmers Home Admini- dress at the annual dinner meet-

stration committee at a meeting ing of the North Carolina Press held here cently, it was announc- Association to be held Thursday evening, at Convention headquared by Jennings B. Robinson, ters, Mayview Manor, Blowing county supervisor. Mr. Wilson succeeds Tom Lawrence of Vilas Rock. whose term expired June 30 this

Registrations at the Manor indicate record attendance at the eightieth Carolina Press meeting. Dr. and Mrs. I. G. Greer of Chapel Hill, will be featured at the dinner in a program of folk songs and music.

the committee for the 1952 fiscal Friday morning the various group meetings will be held pre-The committee is appointed to advise with the County FHA ceding the general session at which President Thomas J. Lassupervisor concerning agricultural problems and conditions in the siter will speak.

Friday afternoon the group county and the overall activities will visit Grandfather Mountain as guests of Hugh Morton, and

David Holt, administrative assis will come to Boone at six o'clock tant to the President of the Unito be guests of the Chamber of versity of Tennessee, who will be Commerce, Watauga Democrat the principal speaker at the anand the people of the town and nual N. C. Press Association dincountry at a picnic dinner on the ner to be held Thursday evening grounds of Daniel Boone Theatre, at Mayview Manor, Blowing Following the picnic the group Rock. will attend "Horn in the West"

At the regular monthly meet- Medical Care Commission of

ing of the Board of Trustees of North Carolina for a nurses home

Watauga Hospital on last Friday of 21 beds to be constructed on

as guesis of the Southern Appa- day will feature routine organilachian Historical Association. zation reports, and the election The closing session on Satur- of officers.

Wholesale robberies Friday night left a trail of broken glass, and pilfered stores along King Street, as marauders entered six places of business and scattered cigarettes and other small items about the street. Mcantime three teen age youths, escapees from a Pontiac, Mich., correctional school, are being held in York, S. C., and while denying their implication in the local wave of robberies, are believed to have been involved. At Hollar's Grocery, the glass door was broken and the lock released. Three dollars was taken, along with cigarettes, candy,

PRESS SPEAKER - Dr. Andrew

A building committee compos

ed of Stanley A. Harris as chair-

man and consisting of Clyde R.

Greene, J. E. Holshouser, Wade

E. Brown, Ralph Winkler, De-

witt Barnett, and Guy Hunt was

appointed to be responsible for

the planning and fund-raising

campaign. This committee is al-

ready working on the campaign

and immediately upon final and full approval from Medical Care

will begin the fund solicitations.

The estimated total cost of

and the local community. The

local share will be approximately

\$21,000.00 of the total cost or \$1.00

for every \$300 provided by the

home seems to be finally coming

reorganization in 1949. 'If we

etc. Fishing clothing taken from the store was found on the side walk. At Highland Cleaners door glass was broken, and the three

pairs of pants and one shirt taken, were found on the sidewalk near the Boone Body Shop. Entrance to Watauga Hard-

ware was gained in the same way. Knife case was broken and a hunting knife taken, along with a tobacco knife. Small amount of money left in cash drawer was nmolested.

At West Main Street Service Station three dollars worth of garettes and confections was taken. Entrance was made by breaking a side window.

At Smithey's Store, a door glass was broken. Ten or twelve dollars was taken, and perhaps many small items. A pair of men's shoes was taken and the old pair left in the store.

Police Chief Glenn Richardson and Sheriff Earl Cook conducted an investigation and found that damage to store property was perhaps greater than to the stocks of merchandise. Cigars, cigarettes and other items found strewn along the street indicated that the burglars weren't much concerned with spoils.

Local officers were apprised of the arrest of the lads in South Carolina and on Monday Chief **Richardson and SBI Agent John** Edwards went to York where they questioned the youths. The accused were driving a 1950 Ford, said to have been stolen in Michigan, and had cigars, cigarettes, and other merchandise, like that \$84,000.00 will be financed by the which had been stolen in the State and Federal Government Boone robberies. They admitted being in Boone Friday night where they bought gas, but vigorously denied entering the stores here

state and federal government. Chief Richardson says the lads Hospital officials are delighted are wanted for breaking and enthat this "dream" of a nurses (Continued on page six)

true. As one official pointed out, Watauga Hospital has increased Newsmen To Go its services many times since it



GENERAL EISENHOWER

Major Thomas New Chairman

Of Red Cross The annual meeting of the Watauga County Chapter of the American Red Cross was held in

the courthouse July 7. Officers elected for the coming year were: Major John H. Thomas, chairman, R. W. Watkins, vice-chairman, Paul Coffey, trea-

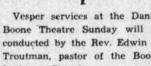
applications for the compromise djustment or cancellation of in-**Plans Approved for Nurses Home Here**

develop farms, farm housing loans are now available to build or repair dwellings or any other farm buildings. Any farm owner who cannot secure adequate credit Applications for any type of FHA assistance should be made

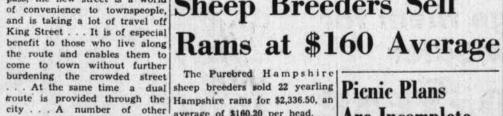
in the county FHA office in the

it was announced that tentative the present hospital property. approval of the plans and papers had been received from the

Troutman To



The Episcopal churches of Boone, Blowing Rock and Valle Crucis were in charge of the services last Sunday. The Rev. Thomas Seitz, pastor, gave the invocation, and Jack Greely, thologi-



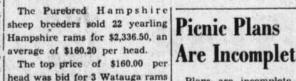
streets have been paved recently and we believe the city's streets are in the best shape in history.

SNAPBEANS PROFITABLE

Mr. G. H. Thomas, one of our good friends, in handing us a couple of dollars, tells of his success with an acre of stringbeans, from which he has already received \$621.90 . . . Mr. Thomas says he will make one more pickisg which should add about one hundred dollars more to his income from the small plot . . . He likes bean production, says he only plows the rows, does no hosing and that the returns come mighty easy, when compared to production of tobacco and some other crops . . . Incidentally green beans are providing Wa-taugans with an ever-increasing source of income.

RELIC OF THE PAST

Will Carroll, who lives down on Elk Creek, and whose visits we always enjoy, brings an ancia walking cane to the Democrust office for our inspection The stick was carved by Mr. Monday, July 21, due to Dr. Carroll's grandfather, Luke Trip-lett, who died in 1998 at the age of 105, and is well over a hund-""" with infant and pre-school child-""" at the stick was carved by Mr. Monday, July 21, due to Dr. Mary B. H. Michal's visit in Ral-eigh last Monday. All mothers or invited to pre-school child-""" at the stick was carved by Mr. Monday, July 21, due to Dr. Mary B. H. Michal's visit in Ral-eigh last Monday. All mothers the school child-""" at the school c (Continued on page four)



Are Incomplete

Plans are incomplete for the and went to the following purannual meeting of the Boone chasers: W. J. Bradley, Jr., Hendersonville, N. C., for a ram from Shipley Farm; Gilbert Met-

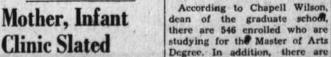
According to Chapell Wilson,

dean of the graduate school,

calf. Mars Hill, N. C., for a ram from Norris Brothers; and R. V. of the meeting.

English, Mars Hill, N. C. for a ram from Norris Brothers. Three rams found new homes **College Enrollment** in Watauga County and the other 19 went to 12 counties in North Carolina and one in Tennessee. These counties were Henderson, By EARLEEN G. PRITCHETT Buncombe, Madison, Davie, Iredell, Forsyth, Yadkin, Wilkes, palachian State Teachers college Ashe, Union, Alexander, Cald-well, and Wilkes counties and show that a large number from ed makes this one of the largest Miss Ruth Robinson, supervisor widely scattered points are in at-Carter county, Tennessee. tendance there this summer. The

The ewe lambs were slow and ranged in price from \$36.00 per compared to 1327 for the first head down to \$12.00. term of the 1951 summer school.



Degree. In addition, there are The monthly mother and in-157 other college graduates studyfant clinic which is held regularing in the graduate school for certification credit only. Of this number, 17 already hold the ly on the second Monday of each master's dégree. There are, there-fore, 703 graduates from 106 colleges and universities in America who are studying in the graduate school. ren are invited to attend.

Mae Miller, Mrs. J. D. Jones of College, Raleigh, and a summer Blowing Rock, Dr. Wm. Mathe- | resident of Valle Crucis for many son, Mayor Gordon Winkler, Mr. years, preached. Clyde Greene, Rev. J. K. Parker, and Rev. E. F. Troutman.

The treasurer's report showed Blowing Rock was organist. receipts of \$4,356.15 and disburse- Vesper services are held ments of \$3,291.76 for the past Sunday at 5 p. m. at the amphi-

year. With the cooperation and theatre, with the various churches Merchants Association which is county the chapter confidently tion responsible for them in turn. Palmer's Photo Shop. scheduled for July 22. Members anticipates another year of ser- The public is invited to the servare asked to listen to the bulletin vice to the members of the Arm- ices, which have been attended board of WATA for particulars ed Forces from this county and by some 250 persons each Sun-

to their families.

summer term.

summer

Some of the country's best

ulty of the local college for the

Dr. Mildred A. Dawson and

Miss Grace E. Storm, both na-

Scott Root of Asheville was soloist, and Miss Patsy Bolick of

Vesper services are held each

students from last year's first Briggs, head of the department

teachers are on the visiting fac- Petersen, assistant in the botany

tionally known writers of child- C. Taylon supervisor of music, ren's literature, are to be present. High Point city schools; Mhs

for the second term. Others on Margaret C. Rehring, assistant

the faculty include Miss Mildred librarian, Withrow high school,

Herring, librarian of Central Cincinnati, Ohio; Dr. Lilian L. high school, Greensboro, in lib- Stevens, teacher in the Lincoln

rary science; Dr. W. Amos School and the Horace Mann

Abrams, associate editor of the School; Dr. Harry E. McPhail, ing.

support of all the citizens of the of the Boone Ministerial Associa-

day since they were begun.

of psychology and education, Maryville college; Dr. Grace A.

department, Rutgers University;

of the Lincoln Parish Schools, Ruston, Louisiana; Dr. Charles

Dr. Mary C. Wilson, supervisor

EARL TUGMAN is shown clean ing up the glass fragments at Wa tauga Hardware, where burglars broke the glass door and entered the store Friday night. - Photo

Park Group

vice-président.

Names Officers

Treasury's tax "racket squad" uncover \$73,176,196.

are going to continue to offer these services we must have a nurses home in which to house our professional employees," he said.

Convention At A Glance

Republican National Convention nominated Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower for President and Sen. Richard M. Nixon of Cali fornia for Vice President.

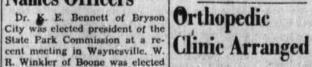
The official tally was 845 for Eisenhower to 280 for Sen. Taft, after delegates from Minnesota and other states switched to the general. The convention later

By EARLEEN G. PRITCHETT Undergraduates total 520, be-Figures just released from Ap-ing outnumbered by graduate Wilson, head of the department mentary School, Tulsa, Okla.; of music at High Point college; Dr. H. G. Kincheloe, professor of made it unanimous.

Nixon was nominated by ac-English, North Carolina State clamation.

summer schools over held at of primary education, Mccken-Appalachian State Teachers col-burg county schools; Dr. Nell librarian Jacksonville, Ala. city College: Miss Mildred Johnston, speech to the convention, said he of Grandfather's Linville Peak. total number enrolled is 1223, as lege, in spite of the drop of 104 Moore in music; Dr. David H. schools; Mr. Bernhardt H. West would lead a "great crusade for (Continued on page three) freedom in America and freedom be located there, and a 200-foot in the world.

Taft told Eisenhower "you'll win" in November, and pledged his support.



Pleas for selecting priority pro jects on the Blue Ridge Parkway were discussed during the meet-

10 Grandtather

Linville, N. C .- Every effort is being made to complete the new extension of the Grandfather Mountain Road by July 18, at which time the mountain will be visited by 200 publishers and editors of the North Carolina Press Association and their familics.

No definite date has yet been set for the opening of the new Grandfather Mountain Road to the general public, but Wiley N. Greene of Blowing Rock, contractor for the project, believes that work will be sufficiently advanced by July 18 for the road to be used by the touring press members.

The new road adds a mile in distance and several hundred feet in elevation to the present Grandfather road, and leads up to a spectacular vantage point at Eisenhower, in acceptance the Convention Table Rock north A parking area for 200 cars will swinging bridge for pedestrians will cross the chasm between the Convention table and the Linville Peak.

CAT'S RESCUER KILLED

Logan, W. Va .-- Edward Gilmore, 66, of nearby Peach Creek, An Orthopedic Clanic will be held on July 18 at the health de-partment in Jefferson. This cli-nic is held by Dr. J. S. Gaul, Orthopedic Surgeon.