

### Employment More Stable In Northwest

Employment became more stable in the Wilkes and Watauga area in August after a summer slump which saw the ranks of the temporarily unemployed increase substantially.

Troy Perry, manager of the North Wilkesboro office of the Employment Security Commission, said yesterday that there was a "big pick-up in August which apparently will continue through the fall months."

Although the number of industrial placements was not large, stability of employment was reflected in Perry's month-end report.

In August there were only 407 new claims for unemployment compensation, a 75 per cent decrease from the 1,667 in July. However, the August last year, when only 227 claims were filed.

The temporary layoffs in industry in August became less frequent and showed a sharp decline toward the latter part of the month, Perry said. Most of the industrial plants in the area are now operating full time and with high levels of employment.

In August, the office placed 69 people in non-agricultural jobs, an increase of 19 over the 50 in July, but far under the 211 in August last year.

There were 106 placements in agricultural employment during the month. Many of the jobs were in crop harvesting.

In August, the office received 108 job openings and referred 180 people to jobs. Some of those referrals will be reflected in the September report of placements.

#### GUARDS AND RIOTS

The Pentagon has disclosed that the Army is making a detailed study "to determine the necessary revision" in riot-control-training it gives troops on active duty. It is estimated 500,000 national guardsmen are receiving stepped-up training.



AT THE SITE OF THE NEW COURTHOUSE, dirt-moving machinery hollows out a space for the vault, in which County records are to be stored. With good weather, the building contractor planned to pour the footings for the modern structure this week. The \$450,000 project is to be completed within 12 months. A basement will be sunk at the back of the site (to the left of this shot) to contain the boiler room. (Staff photo)

### Wagon Train's Daniel Boone Appears In Canadian Movies

R. Ivey Moore, North Wilkesboro man nationally known for his role of Daniel Boone in the Boone wagon train, is back from Canada, where he made a record in catching plenty of big trout and where he was featured in the filming of travelogue and scenic films.

During his two-months stay near the Arctic Circle at Hornpayne, Moore, with a deep tan and beard left on from the Daniel Boone Wagon Train, was a prin-

cipal character in films made by Leroy Crook of Sarasota, Florida, who has gained an enviable reputation in scenic and travel movies.

Moore was featured in a film entitled "Last Frontier of America", which concerned the trout fishing waters and remote areas north of Hornpayne. He also had a leading role in a film for the Canadian Department of Tourism and appeared in films made for Johnson Motors, Avion Trailers and Crosby Boats.

Copies of the tourism films, which shows Moore catching brook trout weighing from five to six pounds, will be sent to

#### Helen Connolly Gets Miami U Scholarship

Oxford, Ohio—Helen E. Connolly, Boone, N. C., is one of 76 recipients of freshman scholarships from the Miami University Alumni Association for the 1967-68 academic year.

Miss Connolly is a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Walter Connolly, 206 Council street, Boone, and a graduate of Watauga High School where she was fourth in her class of 270 students.

She was editor of her high school yearbook, treasurer and program chairman of the Beta Club and a member of the Debate Club, in addition to serving as a feature writer on the staff of the high school newspaper.

Ranging in value from \$170 to \$520 the stipends are awarded each year to students who demonstrated potential to be both excellent students and capable leaders. This year more than 585 applications were reviewed by the scholarship committee.

him here and will be available for local showing by clubs and groups.

Moore has been going trout fishing in the summer in the Hornpayne area since 1954 and has become so well acquainted with the area that he was offered the job next summer of being the official guide in the area for American tourists. The outpost of Hornpayne, about 750 miles north of Toronto, is a town of about 1,800 people and is as far north as motor vehicle travel is possible.

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### 460 Watauga Students To Enter College This Fall

This Fall, the number of young people in Watauga who will be going to college will be greater than ever.

And, at the same time, for their parents, college costs will be at a peak.

In some families, as a matter of fact, the cost of sending their children to college for four years will turn out to be the largest cash investment they will ever make.

Especially is this true in families with two or three college-bound youngsters.

For them, the tuition bills alone will probably add up to more than they spent for their homes.

Data on the number of college students and the costs involved are based upon surveys by the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare and by others.

They indicate that no less than 6,400,000 are now attending colleges throughout the United States, as against only 2,935,000 in 1960.

Watauga County's college contingent will total 460 this semester, it is estimated. This compares with approximately 230 in the local area who were going to college in 1960.

How much they will have to pay will depend upon where they are going. The range is wide.

The average outlay, just for tuition and registration fees, is about \$2,100 at a private college, according to government figures. At a publicly-supported

institution, they average a little more than \$1,000 at the present time.

If half of the 460 local students go to the private colleges and the other half to public ones, the other half to public ones, the annual cost will be approximately \$713,000.

But that's not the whole story. There are also the outlays for books and supplies, for clothes, for board and lodging, for transportation and many more.

Taking everything into consideration, the total cost for a year at a private college is given as \$3,200, on average, and at a public college, \$1,800.

For a family that will be providing three children with four-year college educations, close to \$38,400 will be needed if they go to private institutions and about \$21,000 at publicly supported colleges, the government report shows.

Thanks to rising incomes in Watauga County, more local families are now able to handle the financial burden of children at college.

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