

HIGHLIGHTS

Illinoisian Opens Garage in Vanceboro

By Rick Cannon

Jerry Applewhite, a native of Harrisburg, Illinois recently opened a new business in Vanceboro. The new business, named Applewhite's Garage and Speed Shop is located on the corner of Main and Farm Life Avenue across from Stop-N-Go.

Applewhite's Garage and Speed Shop will feature the top names in high performance parts and equipment such as TRW, Moroso, Stewart-Warner, Hurst, Accel, and Crane. Applewhite plans to specialize in rebuilding engines for "street and strip."

Though only 21 years of age, Applewhite has much experience in the automotive maintenance business. He worked for

two years as an overhaul mechanic at Pool Pontiac in Harrisburg, Illinois. For one and one-half years he served in the U.S. Army as a helicopter and motor pool mechanic at Ft. Bragg. Finally, he worked in body work at Moore Motor Co. in Washington, NC.

Jerry is married to the former Mary Myers of Burgaw, NC. They have one daughter, Tara, 17 months. The Applewhites have resided in Vanceboro for the past eight months. When asked why he chose Vanceboro to settle in and start a business, Jerry replied, "We like North Carolina and especially Vanceboro. The people here have been very friendly to me and my family. I know that we are going to enjoy living in



Applewhite's Garage and Speed Shop

such a fine town.."

Applewhite's Garage and Speed Shop will be open from 8-6 Monday

through Saturday. The firm located at the stoplight in Vanceboro can be reached phoning 244-1181.

Troop 58 Holds Court of Honor

By Mr. R. L. Cannon

Boy Scout Troop 58 of Vanceboro recently returned from a week of summer camp at the Herbert C. Bonner Scout Reservation at Blount's Creek. At this camp each scout had an opportunity to earn advancement, skill awards, and merit badges. Also they enjoyed swimming, boating, archery, and leatherwork.

The scouts prepared the program and a court of honor for the Vanceboro Rotary Club at their regular weekly meeting on July 12. Jay Huff, Life Scout, served as Master of Ceremonies for the occasion. Scouts participating in the program were Stacy Lee, Michael Hodges, Jerry Morris, Keith Furr, and Doug Lee with their version of *If I were not a Boy Scout*; Michael Hodges, Stacy and Doug Lee gave their version of *The Candy Store*; Jerry Morris and Keith Furr gave a funny skit called *The Midget*; along with Scott Thomas and his *Rock Music* and Michael Hodges and his *Infantry is*

Coming.

After the short program, Jay Huff presented the Troop charter and membership cards to Mr. Alton Whitley, Scout Committee Chairman, and Mr. Webster Butler, Mr. Abie Cleve, Mr. Rick Cannon, committee members and Mr. Jimmy Morris, Scouting Coordinator.

Scouts receiving awards were as follows: **Billy Lewis**, 2nd Class Award, Orienteering Merit Badge; **Stacy Lee**, God and Country Knot, Life Scout, Cooking M.B., Law M.B., Camping, Citizenship in World, Architecture, Emergency Preparedness, Fingerprinting, Hiking, Metalwork; **Michael Hodges**, Cooking, Conservation Skill Award; **Scott Thomas**, Forestry M.B., Camping M.B., Communication Skill Award; **Jerry Morris**, Basketry M.B., and Swimming Skill Award; **Doug Lee**, Tenderfoot, 2nd Class Scout, Basketry M.B., Architecture M.B., Fingerprinting M.B., First Aid M.B., Leatherwork M.B.; **Keith Furr**, Scout

Inside Today



Wilkersons Dedicated

The S. G. Wilkerson & Sons Funeral Home in Vanceboro was officially opened Sunday with a dedication ceremony in the chapel of the new building. For more details see the article by Connie Bryan on Page 2.



Tennis Tourney

The Second Annual Greater Vanceboro Open Tennis Tournament held this past weekend was a big success in spite of a torrential downpour Sunday. Complete results and details in Rick Cannon's story on Page 5.

Award, Cooking Skill Award, Camping Skill Award, Tote'n Chip; **Kelly Gaskins**, Scout Award, Basketry M.B., Camping S.A., Cooking S.A., Tote'n Chip; **Jay Huff**, Safety M.B., Pets M.B., Camping M.B.; and **Pat Troutner**, Tote'n Chip, and NRA National Rifle Award. **Stacy Lee** closed the Court of Honor with the Scouter's Prayer.

Zenith 146 gives faster Emergency Service

Residents of the Vanceboro area are reminded that dialing 0 and then asking for Zenith 146 is still the surest way of getting fast fire and rescue service. When a person calls this toll free number it will automatically put him in touch with either the Fire Marshall office during the day or the Sheriff department at night. This way 24-hour service is guaranteed.

When a call is placed to this number the receiver will ask for the name of the caller and the location of the fire or rescue. The dispatcher will then immediately push a switch which automatically set off

the alarm in Vanceboro and monitors of the firemen and rescue squad members. The dispatcher will then relay the message giving the location and type of fire or rescue if known.

The new Emergency Dispatch Service which was reported on in last week's Highlights should be used if a person needs police or sheriff protection. When a call comes in for the police, it can be relayed to the policeman while he is in his patrol car. However, the Zenith 146 number is still designed to handle fire and rescue calls, since the other number may not always be monitored.



CONSTRUCTION SITE— Vanceboro Mayor Jimmie Morris (center) checks on the construction being done on Hwy 17 from Grand Avenue to the city limits. Crews with the L. A. Reynolds Construction, Co. have been installing drainage pipes in preparation for curbing and guttering.



STREETS PAVED— Several streets around Vanceboro were paved last week. First Street from Buck Lane to Harvey Street is shown here. Other streets, which were also paved, include both ends of College Avenue, the end of Grand Avenue along with West Railroad Street and Third Avenue, and parts of White Avenue, Cleve Street, and Mill Avenue.