

# Wilkersons dedicated

Over 200 people gathered in the chapel of the new S. G. Wilkerson & Sons Funeral Home in Vanceboro for a service dedicating the new facility at 3:00 p.m. last Sunday. A welcome by George W. Wilkerson, president of S. G. Wilkerson & Sons, was followed by remarks from Vanceboro Mayor Jimmie Morris and State Senator Joe Thomas. Mayor Morris commented that the town was very pleased that S. G. Wilkerson & Sons had selected it as the site of their facility and on behalf of the town, he welcomed S. G. Wilkerson & Sons to Vanceboro. Senator Thomas in his remarks referred to the new facility as "another step in the progress of this community." He added that Wilkerson's had always been active in community projects.

Speaking for S. G. Wilkerson & Sons, Don

Wilkerson, secretary of the company, complimented the construction crews and all the Wilkerson staff who participated in the construction of the new funeral home. He then outlined a brief history of S. G. Wilkerson & Sons from its start in the early 1930's to the construction of its new Greenville facility in 1975.

Commenting further, Mr. Wilkerson said, "We want to provide this community with dignified funeral service." He added, "We are proud of this facility and we are proud to be a part of this community."

After Mr. Wilkerson's address, the Morris Sisters Trio, of Linda Thomas, Gloria Williams, and Peggie Mills, sang *Bless This House*. The Dedication Address was then delivered by Rev. Robert Cayton, president of the Vanceboro Ministerial Association and pastor of

By Connie Bryan

Kitt Swamp Christian Church. In his address, Rev. Cayton referred to the funeral home as a "vehicle of ministry."

At the conclusion of the service Mrs. Linda Thomas sang *The Lord's Prayer*. Music for the service was provided by Sandra McCandless at the organ.

Following the service, guests were invited to tour the facility, which includes a reposing room, office, display room, lobby, and a 200-seat chapel. A special feature of the funeral home is a family room adjacent to the chapel, which has a separate access door to provide family members with privacy during a funeral.

The funeral home will be open from 9:00 to 5:00 on Monday and Thursday. In addition to being open all day whenever there is a death in the area. However, burial assistance is available anytime by dialing 244-0771.



**WILKERSON'S OPENS**— S.G. Wilkerson & Sons opened their new funeral home facility in Vanceboro with a dedication ceremony last Sunday at 3:00 p.m. Over 200 people gathered in the air-conditioned chapel of the new building for the services. Afterwards guests were invited to tour the facility.



**OFFICERS**—Officers for the Moye-Dawson family reunion are (L to R): Alice Staten, Holland Chapman, Essie Moye, J.D. Dawson, Bessie Dawson, Isabella Roundtree, Tony Moye, Pat Hardy, and Eva Lee Moye.

## Moye-Dawson Reunion

The Moye-Dawson Reunion recently held at the Vanceboro Community Center was a big success with members traveling from as far away as Los Angeles, Calif. Helen Roundtree daughter of Isabelle Roundtree traveled from Los Angeles. Mr. J.D. Dawson of Rocky Mount was the oldest member present and the youngest member was Chuki Sinclair of Rocky Mount.



**ATTENDED ELECTRIC CONGRESS**— Craven County 4-H members Beverly Gaskins, Rt. 5, New Bern, and Laura Chernouskas, 121 Shepard St., Havelock, were delegates to the State 4-H Electric Congress at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, July 9-11. James B. Holton, agricultural extension agent, (left) and Ted Coop, Carolina Power and Light Company customer service representative, (right) accompanied the delegates. The 4-H'ers were selected for achievement in their electric projects. Carolina Power and Light Company sponsored their trip to Electric Congress.

## Waters family holds reunion

The family of Mrs. Margaret Waters gathered at National Croatan Park on July 4th for a family outing and picnic. A picnic lunch was served by the women who had each prepared a picnic basket. The children of Mrs. Waters who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Garland Taylor, and children, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Wilkinson, Jr. and children of Washington, NC, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Broadway and children, Charlie, Jr., Judy and Vickie Waters, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Fornes, and Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Phillips and Ginger of New Bern.

Others attending were Mr. and Mrs. Ardell Provost and Nicole of Maysville. Also joining them were Mrs. Waters' sister and her family all from Kinston, Mr. and Mrs. Auston Buck, Mr. and

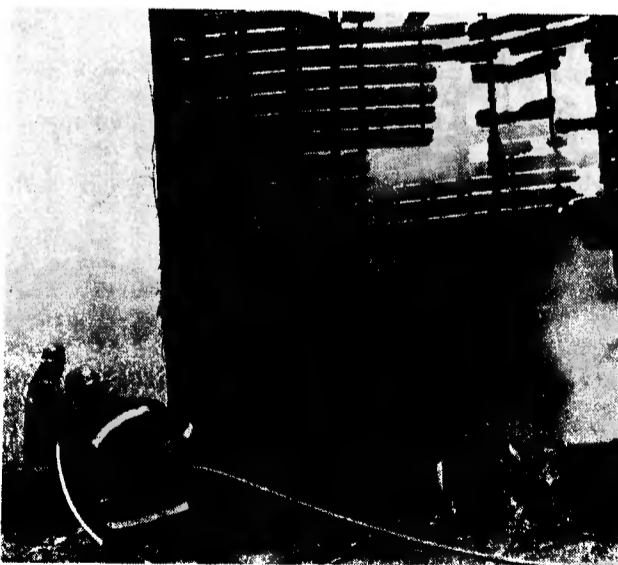
Mrs. Earl Joyner, Chris and Rita, Mr. and Mrs. Ramie Joyner and Melissa, Charlie Fornes, and Melissa Gupton.

An enjoyable day was had by all and it was decided to make it an annual event to celebrate each 4th of July.

## Jaycees meet each Wednesday

Membership in the Vanceboro Jaycees is still open to any man between the ages of 18 and 35. The Jaycees meet each Wednesday night at the home of Butch White.

They are planning to become involved in many different types of community activities. Projects in the offing include an open tennis tournament in mid-



**TOBACCO BARN BURNS**— A tobacco barn, belonging to Jim Wiggins, caught fire on Friday, July 13. The Vanceboro Volunteer Fire Department answered the alarm, which came at 1:30. The barn was located on the Nelson Road near Vanceboro.

August and a 4-hour CPR Course.

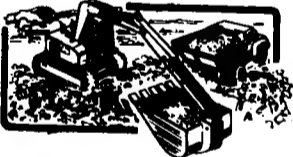
There were 12 men at the meeting last week and at press time they were expecting more at their meeting last night.

For more information on how you can become a part of this organization, call either Butch White at 244-1608 or Ron Beaman at 244-1060 after 6:00 p.m.

## Laugh out

"I've never seen such a season. My corn isn't an inch high!" complained a farmer.

"An inch? Why the sparrows have to kneel down to eat mine," replied his neighbor.



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