



### **Garage burns Friday**

**by Staff**

(Photo caption) PATRICIA ANDERSON/STAFF PHOTO-GARAGE WAS DAMAGED and sports car, tools and equipment were destroyed in a fire at Finley Street, North Wilkesboro, Friday afternoon.

A sports car, garage and equipment burned in a fire Friday afternoon at 1504 Finley Street in North Wilkesboro, North Wilkesboro Fire Chief and Wilkes Sheriff's Department Fire Investigator Niki Hamby reported.

Hamby said that the owner, Calvin Walsh, estimated \$75,000 to \$100,000 damages in the fire which destroyed a Cobra GT sports car, an assortment of tools and equipment and heavily damaged the brick garage which is, Hamby said, located near but separate from the house.

Walsh said he had insurance, Hamby reported, and Hamby said that the fire apparently started from a short in an electrical extension cord.

Neighbors reported the fire when they saw smoke just after 3 p.m. No one was at home when the fire started, Hamby said.

The car was described as a kit car but valuable because of the engine and the condition of the car.

Fire spread into upper portions of the brick garage. North Wilkesboro Fire Department returned to the station at 5:15 p.m. after getting the fire out.