



KMHS CLASS OF '29—THEN

## Record-Holding KMHS Class Of '29 Celebrates First Reunion

The highest individual and collective scholastic record of any graduating class in the history of Kings Mountain High was compiled by the class of 1929.

Recently, the Class of '29 held its first reunion.

George Ware, serving as master of ceremonies at the Kings Mountain Motor Inn gathering, said, "I don't know why our class has never had a reunion before. I guess everyone got too busy or strayed too far away. Then, first thing you know it's 50 years later."

Ware pointed out that besides the scholastic achievement, the class of 1929 was the first graduating class to wear caps and gowns for the ceremony. He said the robes were "gray with white collars."

The ceremony was held May 30, 1929 in the Central School auditorium. Twenty-eight of the 30 seniors received diplomas.

That class included: Virginia Lee Bird, Stephen Wriston Carpenter, Virgie Carroll, Nina Louise Cole, Grace Pauline Cooke, Martha Frances Cornwell, Clarence McCall Ellerbe, Vera Rhee Falls, Ruth Janette Gamble, Nell Louise Hayes, Frances Lucille Hord, Joe Beach Hord, Sue Hord, Lloyd Robert Houser, Viola Elizabeth Logan, Aliwee Nette McDaniel, Samuel McDaniel, James Pressley McGill, Cleta Faye Mauney, George Wingfield Moss, Charles Clavin Oates, Joe Robert Penland, Myron Rhyne, Hazel Lee Settlemyre, Laura Azalee Smith,

Chadwick Smith, George Fletcher Ware, Bonnie Mae Wells and Wilbur Wright.

Class officers were James McGill - president; Myron Rhyne - vice president; Lloyd Houser - secretary; and Wriston Carpenter - treasurer.

The class motto was: "Not At The Top, But Climbing." Flower was the rose; colors, pink and white. George Ware presented the school with a set of encyclopedias as the

class gift. Ware said the books were destroyed in a fire in 1933.

Twenty-one members of the class attended the 50th reunion. Virgie Carroll, Faye Mauney, James P. McGill, Bonnie Wells and Wilbur Wright are deceased. The other four were unable to attend.

Those attending included:

Ruth Gamble Dutton - Hickory; Viola Houser Stokes - Reidsville; Hazel Settlemyre Davis - Chester, S.C.; Azalee Smith - Gastonia; George Ware - Charlotte; Chadwick Smith - Charlotte; S. Wriston Carpenter (Rear Admiral, USN, Retired) - California; Joe R. Penland (Rear Admiral, USN, Retired) - California; Sam McDaniel - Connecticut; Myron Rhyne (Mayor) - Graham, N.C.; Martha Cornwell Sanford - Hartwell, Ga.; Vera Falls - Lawndale; Clarence Ellerbe - Columbia, S.C.; Nina Cole Jones, Frances Hord Falls, Lloyd Houser, Charles C. Oates, Howard Jackson, Virginia Bird Crawford, George W. Moss and Sue Hord Moss, all of Kings Mountain.

Special guests were Mr.



KMHS CLASS OF '79—TODAY

### KM Heart Fund Drive Successful

The Kings Mountain fund-raising drive for the Heart Fund has ended on a successful note, according to Chairman Allan Propst. "We have collected

\$4,286.98 and have about \$300 more to collect," Propst said. "This puts the drive at about \$1,000 higher than last year."

for everyone connected with the drive this year, especially Andy Neisler and Gall Cheshire, who served as business day and Heart Sunday chairmen.

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