



Following the program in the school auditorium, the Karastan Mill 25-Year Club members enjoyed a luncheon in the cafeteria. Here, a group files by the serving tables to receive coffee.



Long service employees pay close attention to talks given by W. B. Guinan, president of marketing division; J. M. Norman, Jr., mill manager; and F. W. Klein, assistant mill manager.

Guinan Is Speaker At 25-Year Meet

The city of Leaksville, N. C. has become widely known as home of Karastan, the finest machine-made rugs in the world, Walter B. Guinan, president of our Karastan Rug Mill marketing division, told members of the 25-Year Club of the Karastan Mill at their annual meeting Saturday, September 26.

Mr. Guinan said Karastan is in a class by itself and by its fame has brought renown to Leaksville and North Carolina. He told of the growth of the Karastan Mill and cited its high place in the industry.

He discussed the competitive situation and again emphasized the vital importance of Karastan's leadership in style and quality. He showed some of the newer rugs and presented slides showing Karastan displays and ads by some of America's leading stores.

Tremendous Growth

Fred W. Klein, assistant manager of the Karastan Mill, in a brief talk told of the mill's tremendous growth in recent years. The mill has gone ahead due to good styling, good management, good people and a good company, he said.

J. M. Norman, Jr., manager of the Karastan Mill, brought greetings from general management and expressed appreciation for the big part the long-service employees have played in Karastan's growth and development.

Mr. Norman cited the contribution of Eugene F. Clark in machinery developments making possible the success of the Karastan Mill. Mr. Clark, now retired, was the first employee of the mill and "started it up as practically a one-man operation," Mr. Norman said. Mr. Clark was on the platform at the meeting and was given an ovation.

John G. Cunningham, superintendent

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Dance numbers were presented by Marie and Patricia Rieson, daughters of employees and students at the Ray Hollingsworth School of Dance, Leaksville.



Threesome at this table includes, from left to right, Ozelma J. Webb, Mattie S. Merriman, and Louise G. Suttentfield, all of Burling Department.