



**CLASS OF 1950** - The Kings Mountain High Class of 1950 is pictured above at its 30th year reunion recently at Woodbridge Country Club. Seated, left to right, Marilyn Surber Ellis, Iva Lingafeldt Beam, Gaye Bennett Shockley, Carl Moss, Will Plonk, Mary Lou Barnette and Billie Falls Washburn. Second row, Joanne Bridges Pruette, Ruth Dettmar Goforth, Billie Bookout Yarbro, Norma Falls Bridges, Emogene Goins Brown, Francis Monteith Davidson, Faye Caldwell Paysour, Cornelia Gantt Crawford, Iris Patterson Thompson and Richard White. Back row, Bob Jackson, Houston Smith, Curtis Wright, Jack Rhea, Roy Moore, Johnny Littlejohn, Bob Crawford and Bill Worthen.

## Class Of 1950 Holds Reunion

"Guess who!" "Do you know me?" They asked these questions and their former classmates tried to answer them on Sat., June 21, at the reunion of the Class of 1950 of Kings Mountain High School.

It was the 30th reunion and most of the guests had not seen each other since they graduated from high school.

The festivities began at 3 p.m. at the home of Iva Lingerfelt Beam (Mrs. Tom) on Moss Lake with a three hour "Fun Time" and "get acquainted" party. Horsd'ouves and party pickups were served from a table covered with blue linen overlaid with white lace and centered with an arrangement of blue hyperaniums. The class colors, blue and white, provided decoration throughout the house.

Cocktails and colas were served from the crescent bar in the recreation room of the Beam home.

Following "Fun Time," the group gathered at the Woodbridge Country Club along with their special guests for a buffet dinner. The club was decorated with the class colors. Tables were set with white linen

tablecloths and blue napkins and enhanced by blue candles and blue streamers. Red silk roses on the head table were later presented to each guest.

Curtis Wright, class president, gave the welcome and Carl B. Moss, class co-treasurer, was master of ceremonies. The invocation was given by B.N. Barnes, former superintendent of schools. Carl Moss recognized guests who were former teachers: Mrs. Mabel Goodman Carpenter of Waco, Mrs. Alice Ridenhour Wise of Bristol, Va., Ms. Elizabeth Hunt of Marion and Mrs. W.T. Weir. Mrs. Weir gave the response. The class members in their conversations mentioned that if there were two "ladies of education," it would have to be Mrs. Weir and Miss Helen Logan, who was unable to attend, but well remembered.

Billie Falls Washburn (Mrs. Gene) of Boiling Springs gave a delightful "Remember When?" speech which brought the house down with laughs and recalled the school days of the group. The "Last Will and Testament" was read by Iva L. Beam, class secretary, and "Class Prophecy" by Class President Curtis

Wright.

A very special part of the program was titled "Special Achievers" and was very cleverly done by Jo Ann Bridges Pruitt using a poem to describe the achievements. A prize was given for the graduate traveling the longest distance, which was won by Curtis Wright who came from Gainesville, Fla. Wright shared the prize with Roy Moore of Penscola, Fla.

The prize for having the most children of the graduates present also went to Curtis Wright. Will Plonk, vice president of the class, had the youngest child. Norma Falls Bridges had the oldest child and Iva L. Beam had the oldest grandchild. There were a number of ties for the most grandchildren.

Robert L. (Bob) Crawford, chosen in 1950 as the wittiest in the superlatives, came dressed the part, in bib overalls, red shirt and tie with straw hat. He delighted his classmates with lots of humor.

The class and their teacher-guests were pinned with an identification with their picture from the 1950 "Milestones," the year-

book. Newspaper clippings, pictures and programs, copies of "The Mountaineer," the school paper, from the school year 1949-50 were displayed and enjoyed by the group. One letter was especially interesting, that of Harold (Hal) England, who is well known as an actor, and unable to attend.

Twenty-five of the 49 graduates were present.

A delicious meal was planned and prepared by Mrs. Louis Sherrer and homemade rolls made by Mrs. Annie Lee Mitchem.

A unique program was designed in booklet form using the Kings Mountain Battleground monument, with Kings Mountain High School written around it on a light blue cover. A page in the program and directory was printed in fond memory of the three deceased members, Bill Allen, Evelyn Carpenter Morton and Carolyn Earley McDaniel.

The program adjourned with plans for another reunion in 1985.

The Reunion committee consisted of Iva Lingerfelt Beam, Norma Falls Bridges, Cornelia Gantt Crawford, Marilyn Surber Ellis, Faye Caldwell Paysour and Jo Ann Bridges Pruitt.

### Ms. Hamrick Is Honored With Party

Miss Wanda Hamrick, bride-elect of David Carroll, was honored Thursday, June 12, at a bridal party held at the home of Mrs. Frankie Patterson.

A color motif of green and yellow was featured in decorative details. The bride's table, highlight of decoration was overlaid with bridal lace and arrangements of fresh flowers along with a miniature bride and groom.

The bride-to-be wore a spring yellow dress and a corsage of yellow and white daisies; gift of the host.

The guests showered Miss Hamrick with miscellaneous household gifts. Special guests for the party were Mrs. Jack Thrower, mother of the bride, and Mrs. W.C. Carroll, mother of the groom.

The wedding will be an event of July 2.

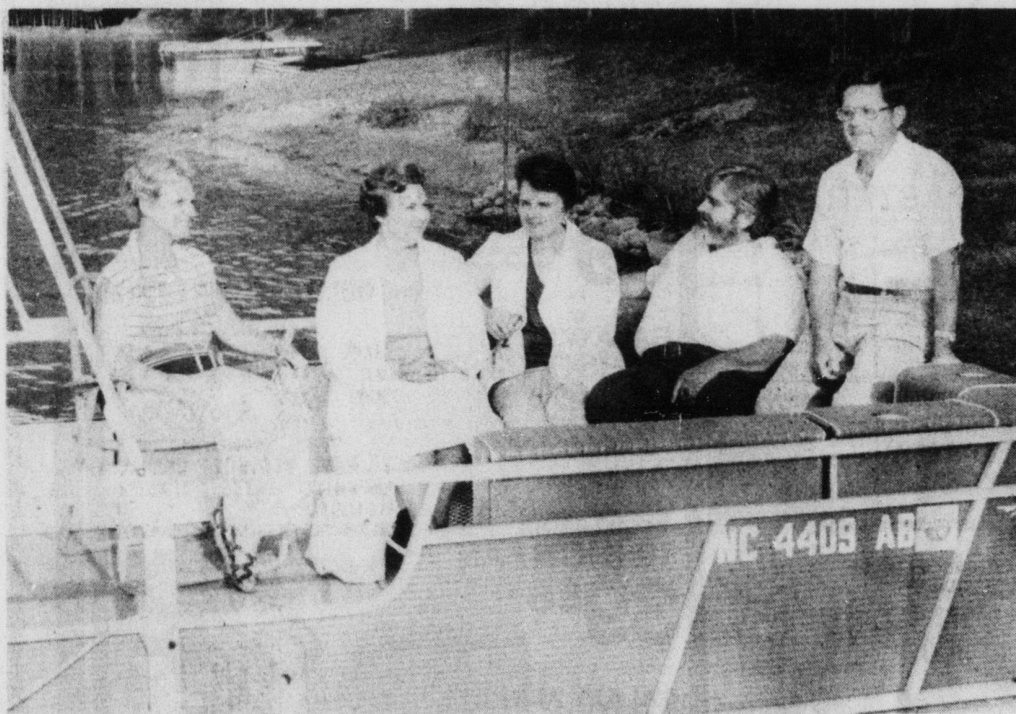


Photo by Gary Stewart

**TALKING OLD TIMES** - Some of the class officers of the Kings Mountain High Class of 1950 talked over old times as they boated around Moss Lake during their 30th reunion recently. Left to right are Iva Beam, secretary;

Mary Belle Teague Petty, drama teacher; Elizabeth Hunt, economics teacher; Curtis Wright, class president; and Carl Moss, treasurer.

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