

# Four members of Olive Branch

The picture that accompanies this article should bring back a few memories. This Olive Branch High School Class of 1911 "really" goes back to the "horse and buggy days" where students drove to school, and stabled

and fed their horse for the day, and when school was dismissed, a "Chariot Race" was held.

One would witness charging steeds, and wheels hub to hub would determine the winner. Accidents? There were a

few, but nothing major.

Just like students of today, they were busy with their studies. In 1911, the basketball team was also a main school interest, along with a yearly cantata that featured the school's talent.

The present round building was built in 1907-1908. At that time the students were transported to Donnelsville by covered wagons. The following year, they attended school in the new building (Olive Branch Junior High).

Victor Ross and A. K. Morris were superintendents during those years. Miss Hester Pherson, a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University, was one of the teachers. (She died in a sanitarium in Denver, Colorado, a victim of tuberculosis.)

Also during those years, board of education members were: A. E. Humphreys, president; J. E. Johnson, clerk; V. W. Ross,

superintendent; J. B. Trumbo and W. N. Scarff, finance; Arthur Gerlaugh, teachers and textbooks; W. N. Scarff and A. E. Humphreys, building and grounds; William Wallace and Arthur Gerlaugh, fuel and supplies; and J. B. Trumbo and Arthur Gerlaugh, rules and regulations.

Class members still living are Silas Trumbo, a retired CPA residing in Orland, Fla.; Katherine Gerlaugh, a retired professor residing in Skyesville, Maryland; Glenna (Weimer) Gross, a retired teacher residing on Lake Road in New Carlisle; and Lawrence J. Thompson of Manhattan Beach, California, a retired assessment engineer for the City of Los Angeles and Lawrence J. Thompson Assessment Engineer, Inc.

Others in the 70-year anniversary class, all deceased, include Charles Sayers, Charles Kline, Blee Dredge, Edward Bagford, Walter Hawke, Ethel (Sigler) Cobaugh, and Marie (Roberts) Vincent.

## Class of 1911 mark anniversary



OLIVE BRANCH 1911 CLASS -- This is the 70th anniversary for four members of the 1911 Olive Branch High School class. Still living are Silas Trumbo of Orlando, Fla.; Katherine Gerlaugh of Sykesville, Md.; Glenna (Weimer) Gross of New Carlisle; and Lawrence Thompson of Manhattan Beach, Calif. Pictured in their graduating photo (left

to right, back row) are: Charles Sayers, Charles Kline, Silas Trumbo, Blee Dredge, Edward Bagford, and Walter Hawke; and (front row) Katherine Gerlaugh, Glenna (Weimer) Gross, Lawrence J. Thompson, Ethel (Sigler) Cobaugh and Marie (Roberts) Vincent.

### WAYMIRE REUNION

The annual Waymire Reunion will be held on Sunday, June 14 at Polk Grove's Camp Mac on Kley road. The time is 12:30 p.m.