

Winners Of Matt Kelly Assembly Talent Program



AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK was observed at Matt Kelly School with an Assembly program featuring upper grade students in a poem and Speech Recitation Contest. Awards were presented to winners of the three divisions, following an enthusiastically received "Creative Tap Dance" offered by Cheryl Lattimore, Mary Prince, and Kathy Williams to entertain the student body while judges, Alice Key, Kermit Booker, Jr., Muriel Milne, and Stella Parson arrived at a most difficult decision which resulted in the selection of the six 1st place winners pictured in photo above... From left, they are: Yvonne Stephen for her rendition of The Gettysburg Address, Wiley Prim for the best recitation of Joyce Kilmer's "Trees", Vivian Lee, James W. Johnson's "Creation"; Marquette McKinney, Foss's "The House by the Side of the Road"; Wesley Kiles, Kipling's "If"; and Drucilla Powell, George Washington Carver's "I Can".



SECOND PLACE WINNERS: Guy Madison, "The Creation"; Kenneth Whitney, "The Gettysburg Address"; Ricky Towers, "The House by the Side of the Road"; Marvin Brown, "If"; Billy Magee, "I Can"; and Ronnie Thornton, "Trees".



THIRD PLACE WINNERS: Phyllis Williams, "Trees"; James Williams, "I Can"; Betty Johnson, "If"; Gwendolyn Snowden, "The House by the Side of the Road"; Walter Taylor, "The Gettysburg Address"; and Revon McDowell, "The Creation".

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TROUBLE IN PARADISE

COMPTON, Calif. - (NPI)--A Negro car washer and a California millionaire may be sharing the same woman in a matrimonial mix-up that has put this state's officials in a tizzy.

Mrs. Pearl Choate Birch, who was once sentenced to a 22-year prison term for murder, apparently didn't tell her new millionaire husband, A. Otis Birch, 95, about a man in her past. That man was Houston Perry, who evidently married the 205-pound, six-foot-tall woman last year in Tia Juana, Mexico, according to a spokesman for the attorney general's office. There is no record of any divorce, state officials said.

Birch's relatives, in Breckenridge, Tex., have sought to separate the elderly man from Mrs. Birch. She married Birch in Altus, Okla., following attempts by Birch's relatives to have kidnapping charges filed against her. She was originally hired to care for him and his now deceased wife Estelle, 93.

State officials, meanwhile, went to Tia Juana to check for a record of a marriage between Perry and Mrs. Birch. They were also seeking a record of a divorce.

Wallace Woos Negro Vote

MONTGOMERY, Ala.--(NPI)--Gov. George Wallace, America's champion segregationist, has taken a new "pro-Negro" tact in his 1968 bid for President of the United States.

No one was fooled by his apparent "change of heart," but it was evident that the governor had decided he had better not alienate the Negro vote too much unless he wanted to be clobbered altogether.

Insisting that he is not a "racist," Wallace beamed with pride as he reported that one-third of the Negro votes in Alabama went to his wife in the gubernatorial election. Wallace denied that he had ever made a segregationist speech. He was apparently ignoring remarks he made while standing in the door to prevent the desegregation of the University of Alabama.

Coming out for "equal opportunity for all citizens," Wallace said one reason he had promoted liberal spending for schools and free textbooks was that it would help Negro students. He spoke repeatedly of all he had done for Negroes.

During his Presidential primary bid in Wisconsin, he noted he did not advocate segregation in that state's schools. He would not try to tell people in Wisconsin how to run their schools, he said.

Negroes from all over the country have written to him to support his stand for local government and state's rights, he said. The working people are tired of "lawlessness," he continued, "and that goes for working people of both races."

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