

# Mrs. Kirkland's First Graders Draw Raves For Bang-Up Performance



"Superlative" was the rating this writer gave the program of Special February Celebrations presented by Mrs. Barbara Kirkland's first grade class at Kit Carson school Tuesday morning. It really was an incredible performance by the 24 youngsters who sang, danced, and offered group recitations of poems with all the skill and showmanship of professional artists. Too much credit cannot be given the class teacher, Mrs. Kirkland, for a marvelously coordinated program that offered infinite variety and pacing in tributes to the nation, Abraham Lincoln, George Washington, Peace, and Valentine's Day. Negro History was deftly woven into the program as individual pupils offered capsule biographies of famous Negroes of the past and the present, noting each one's special achievements. Spirituals sung by the group were rendered with gusto and feeling and the "Brotherhood" section with its social message in song and verse were rendered with sensitivity and intuitive understanding.

On our front page, members of the class are pictured with (from left) Mrs. Helen Anderson, Kit Carson Principal, Mrs. Grace McGlothlen, accompanist, Mrs. Kirkland, Mrs. Mabel Hoggard, and Mrs. Lois Bolden. Mrs. Hoggard's first graders at Highland school were honored guests of Mrs. Kirkland's class as was Mrs. Bolden's first grade class from Madison school.

Class members seated (from left-front row) are Beverly Carter, Vickie Coleman, Kim Davis, Angela Flake, Cassandra Flowers, Bridget Hughes, Henri Yvette Johnson, Janice Lamb, Sherri McDuffie, Michelle Pickard, Alma Scott, and Rosslyn Smith... Second row, left to right, are Keith Brooks, Reginald Conway, Theotis DeYampert, Larry Graves, Adrent Green, Timothy Henry, Wendell Parks, Selx Roberson, Robert Wilson, Shelia Wide, and Sharon Swenson.

## Kit Carson Pupils Offer Unique Presentation Of Famous Negroes' Contributions And Achievements



Keith Brooks pays tribute to late Carter G. Woodson



Martin Luther King was Sharon Swenson's subject



Michele Pickard relates Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall story



Theotis DeYampert hails exploits of late Dr. Daniel Williams



Wendell Parks on George Washington Carver



Sharon McDuffie speaks glowingly of golden-voiced Marian Anderson



Beverly Carter's pre-sentation of Opera's was Revolutionary War First Lady, Leontyne Price



Bridget Hughes offers story of the late, beloved educator, Mary McLeod Bethune



Henry Yvette Johnson proudly presents Nobel Peace prize winner, Ralph Bunche



Janice Lamb tells of Booker T. Washington Cabinet member Robert C. Weaver



Booker T. Washington story related by Larry Graves

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