Negro History Week Is: Observed In Public Schools School Heads Report ... Afro-American (1893-1988): Feb 20, 1926; ProQuest Historical Newspapers: The Baltimore Afro-American pg. 10



School Heads Report City Wide Study of Achievements of Men and Women of Race

Negro History Week went over big in most of the public schools. Reports show a city wide observance and in many instances complete pro-grams covering the major achieve-ments of the race. Baltimore was fortunate in hav-ing bistorion as the central feature

ing Carter G. Woodson, outstand-ing historian, as the central feature of the week's activities. The fol-lowing is a review of the activities conducted in the various schools.

Douglass High School Carey and Baker Streets Mason A. Mawkins, Prin.

National Negro. History Week was celebrated at Douglass High School with appropriate programs during the regular school work of the class-es in English, according to R. W. Reckling, director of this depart-ment ment.

Dunbar Junior High School Caroline And Jefferson Street William Anderson, Principal Streets

William Anderson, Principal With special reference to "The Negro in History" by Carter G. Woodson and "A Short Story of the American Negro" by Brawley, School No. 101 observed National Negro History Week with a daily program and week end assembly. General Negro history, some out-standing achievements of Negroes, the Negro in art and music, the Ne-gro in war, and the Negro as an educator were featured in daily pro-grams.

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Douglass Junior High School Penna. Avenue and Dolphin St P. D. G. Pennington, Active Prin. St.

At the Douglass Junior High School the week was celebrated by singing the Negro National Anthem, Negro Spirituals, songs by Negroes and giving brief blographies of the lives of Negroes at the daily assem-bly. Each teacher also selected characters of note in their particular subjects and built up historical pro-grams around their work and lives.

Colored Training School Saratoga And Mount M. Edythe Cooper, Prin. Dr. Pezavia O'Connell of Morgan College was the feature speaker at the Negro History Week at the Col-ored Training Schoff The week's program also included special stud-les of. H. O. Tanner. Dr. George W. Carver, Ira Aldrich, dramatist, Na-thaniel Dett, musician, Coleridge Taylor, musician, Carter G. Wood-son, historian.

Taylor, musician, Carter G. Wood-son, historian. The week ended with a joint cele-bration of the birthday of Abraham Lincoln under direction of the His-tory Department.

School No. 100 Saratoga And Mound Streets M. Edythe Cooper, Principal Under the direction of the teach-ers & program covering the entire weeld was celebrated. Special char-acters studied included Benjamin Banneker, Paul Lawrence Dunbar, Frederick Douglass, Sojourner Truth, Booker T. Washington and Henry Highland Garnet. Special music was furnished by Miss Carrle M. Smith. Smith.

Colored Vocational School Carey Street, Near Cumberland Joseph C. Briscoe, Prin.

Joseph C. Briscoe: Prin. Vocational stdents observed the week by a discussion of outstand-ing Negro characters. Among those given special attention were Crispus Attucks, Frederick Douglass, Ben-jamin Banneker, Paul Lawrence Dunbar, Booker T. Washington, So-journer Truth, Harriet Tubman, John H. Murphy, Joseph H. Locker-man and James R. L. Diggs. A special study was also made of men now prominently contributing to Negro history.

School No. 103 Division Street, Near Lanvale Harry T. Pratt, Prin.

chel by H. O. Tanner; Abraham Lincoln and others were placed in the corridor. Several men and wo-men of local interest were studied.

School No. 106 Hill Street, Near Sharp Geo. W. Owens, Principal

Geo. W. Owens, Principal An address.by Supervisor Francis M. Wood formed a part of the pro-gram for National Negro History Week at School No. 106. Dividing the topics into Community, Local. State, National and World history, a general outline of the achieve-ments of the race were given. Spe-cial features also included an ad-venture into Negro history arranged by Elmer Henderson and Nathaniel Dett's "America, the Beautiful" was sung in this section for the first time.

School No. 108 H. Milton Gross, Prin.

H. Milton Gross, Prin. Negro History Week was celebrat-ed during the week and each teacher htad the children realize the signifi-cance of the week and were taught the National Negro Anthem. The study was correlated in all of the grades and presented in graded excreises. Booker T. Washington, Frederick Douglass, Paul Lawrence, Dunbar, Carter Woodson, Phyllis Wheatley, Henry O. Tanner, Crispus Attucks, Sojourner Truth and others were studied.

Wheatley, Henry O. Tanner, Crispus Attucks, Sojourner Truth and others were studied. In onjunction with the specific activities was a display of charts showing achievements in music, sci-ence, education, philosophy, art and business. Mrs. Laura Wheatley and the Rev. Mr. Briggs were among the visitors.

School No. 109 Fremont Avenue and Lemon Street School No. 110 Waesche Street, Near Fremont William H. McAbee, Prin.

William H. McAbee, Prin. The general program for schools Nos. 109, 109 Branch and 110 includ-ed a five day study of the Negro as educators, statesmen, artists, musi-cians, and writers. The list of men and women studied included all the outstanding characters of the past and present. The outstanding features of the celebration included chart of

and present. The outstanding features of the celebration included short blogra-phies, specimens of literary works, display of pictures and art selec-tions, folk songs, victrola selections, and assemblies. These schools al-so carried the program into the churches on Sunday.

School 111 Carrolton and Riggs Ave. Mary E. Rodman, Prin.

Mary E. Rodman, Prin. A daily assembly celebration of the Negro in history composed the celebration at School No. 111. On Monday the Negro in war was dis-cussed by the principal and Ne-gro spirituals sung. Miss Daisy E. Coleman and M. E. Brownley talked on Negro music and literature Tues-day. The Wednesday program in-cluded the Negro in art, business and education by Estella W. Lee and Irma C. Stokes and S. B. Owens. Negro music. poems and other nroductions were given by the stu-dents and projects in each grade finished and displayed. A general review on Friday gave the children a chance to tell what they had gained from the celebration. School 112

gained from the celebration. School 112 Laurens and Carey Streets George B. Murphy, Prin. Besides a day by day celebration of the National Negro History Week in which all the grades and teach-ers participated, the upper grades heard an excellent address by Tev. Dr. George F. Bragg, author of "Men of Maryland." The Negro National Anthem and other spiritu-als were sung. In his talk Dr. Bragg paid a glow-ing tribute to Henry Winter Davis, a friend of the group and touched upon the lives of many outstand-ing characters.

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Schools Nos. 113 and 115 st Federal and Carter Stre East Streets John W. Woodhous, Prin.

Harry T. Frait, Prin. A tracing of the history and a-chievement, step by step, since the Vocational students observed the can was carried out during Nation-al Negro History Week in School No. 103. The study also included primitive African life and art. In helping this country become a united nation, the work of Freder-ick Douglass, Harriet Tubman, Hen-ry Highland Garnet, Francis Harp-er and others was stressed. The contribution of Negroes to national culture was outlined. Braggs "Men of Maryland" was also given critical study and Johnson's Negro National. of Maryland" was also given critical study and Johnson's Negro National Anthem was sung at all assembles.

School No. 104 Carey Street Daniel C. Creditt, Prin.

Daniel C. Creditt, Frin. The use of all Negro music at the assemblies and the tracing of the race as inventors, poets, soldiers, diplomats and in literature and art, comprised part of National Negro History Week program. Principal Creditt read a paper on the Negro in husiness and in the press other adventors gave addresses. educators gave addresses.

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School No. 105 East Street, Near Lexington Henry B. Ebb. Principal Thirty minute assemblies by the intermediate grades to hear discus-sions on the outstanding characters of Negro History formed the main part of the program at school No. 105. Negro spirituals were sung and pictures of Bert Williams, Ra-

John W. Woodhous, Prin. Each day at schools Nos. 113 and 115 special talks and addresses were given by teachers and the week's celebration ended with a Lincoln-Douglass Day program Friday. Addresses were made by H. J. Briscoe, Louis H. Wilson, M. Inez Weeks and Pauline A. Johns. Vic-trola records giving the works of Roland Hayes, Marion Anderson, Bert Williams and others were used.

School No. 116 Druid Hill Ave., Near Biddle Harry T. Pratt, Prin On Monday the entire school studied Negro writers including Carter G. Woodson, W. E. B. Du-Bois, John H. Murphy and Charles W. Chestnut. Tuesday Negro poets included Faul Laurence Dunbar and Rosamond Johnson. Artists and educators included Coleridge-Taylor, Henry O. Tanner, Augusta Savage, Booker T. Washington, R. R. Mo-ton, Kelly Miller and Joseph H. Lockerman.

ton, Kelly Amer and Cooperation Lockerman. In the Friday assembly the stu-dents presented essays on the week's activities and Negro melodies and compositions were rendered.

School No. 150 Govans R. G. Addison, Prin. Teaching children how to study history by study of men and women of the local community, together with daily studies of leading char-acters of Negro history made Ne-gro History Week here a valuable part of the school work. Appropri-ate music was also sung.

School No. 158 Roland Park Chas. H. Wright, Prin. Each day from 5:15 to 2:15 a special history program was render-ed at School No. 158. On Thursday evening a program was rendered to which the public was invited.

School No. 107 Biddle Street, Near Pennslyvania Miss Gladys Holland, Prin. All of the outstanding characters in the Negro; group were, given study in daily programs at School No. 107. Booker T. Washington and Freder-ick Douglass were given special study and programs of music and practical participation on the part of students made up the celebration of National Negro History Week.

School No. 156 Morrell Park Grant E. Biddle, Prin. The names and achievements of outstanding men and women of the race were, brought before children of School No. 156, with special em-phasis on the men and women of Maryland, made up observance of National. Negro History Week.

School No. 157 Mt. Washington L. E. G. Derricks, Prin. Each day some phase of Negro history was discussed in school No. 157 and on Thursday evening the teachers and students gave a special program at which the parents and friends were invited:

School No. 153 Canton Charles S. Redden, Prin. Phyliis Wheatley, Sarah Harris, Prudence Crandall, Benj. Banne-

ker, Crispus Attucks and Frederick Douglass were given careful study in daily programs at School No. 158.

School No. 154 Fairfield A complete program giving the achievements of members of the group in history was observed by School No. 154. The National Negro Anthem and Negro melodies were also sung in daily programs.

School No. 151 S. F. Williams, Prin. The Negro National Anthem, songs by Negro composers and the songs by Negro composition and the assignment of topics each day for discussion comprised the celebration of Negro History Week at School No. 151. A group of papers were also confined to Negro leaders of today.

School No. 152 Bessie Thomas, Prin.

The entire week at Brooklyn school No. 152 was devoted to daily study of the lives of Negro men and women of achievement. Programs Brooklyn women of achievement. Programs in which the children participated were also given over to Negro his-tory. Negro spirituals and the Na-tional Negro Anthe mwere also sung.

School No. 117 Barrie And Warner Streets Annie O. Waters, Prin. Principal and teachers joined in conducting National Negro History Week. The school was divided into two groups and the students given talks on the divisions of Negro his-tory and lives of the outstanding Negro characters.

School No. 118 1223 Argyle Avenue George W. Biddle, Prin. Achievements of the Negro press, story telling on the lives of Harriett Tubman and Sojourner Truth with a careful study of leading Negro characters of history, formed the basis for daily observation of Ne-gro History Week at School No. 118. There was also a supervised study of the life of Booker T. Washington.