

Ruby Bridges' Children Story

A Part of history was made in New Orleans on November 14, 1960. Sixyear-old Ruby Bridges crossed the threshold of William Frantz Elementary School on her first day of school. Ruby was black, and the student body of the Frantz School was white -- all white -- and liked itself that way.

Her bravery inspired many in the civil rights movement. "If a six-yearold can be that brave we all can," was a common statement as television cameras showed her walking into the school building facing an ugly mob of segregationist, looking straight ahead; her head held high.

The Story of Ruby Bridges (Scholastic, Inc.), a picture book by Robert Coles and George Ford, tells the story of this extraordinary girl and her single-handed, heroic act that initiated the desegregation of New Orleans' public schools -- and schools all across the country. And it tells it in language that six and seven-yearolds can understand; young people who can be taught not to hate before it's too late.

Ruby's story, although poignant, is not yet a part of America's folklore on the level of the saga of Rosa Parks. After the 1960 federal court edict for New Orleans schools to integrate, Ruby Bridges had to be escorted to and from school for months, all the while confronted by hostile and violent reactions from angry parents and protestors. White families boycotted Frantz Elementary, in one day pulling all their children out of class.



Grown up, Ruby Bridges, now has children of her own.

Ruby attended school virtually alone for months, but with courage and dignity beyond her years.

Pulitzer Prize-winning author, noted child psychiatrist, and Harvard Professor Dr. Robert Coles, has followed Ruby every since that day and is one of her intimate friends. He and Coretta Scott King Award-winning illustrator George Ford tell her story clearly and sensitively with hope to help children understand the darker side of American history -- racism, segregation and rage that divided the country during the era of the civil rights movement. Ruby Bridges graduated from Frantz Elementary and went on to high school and college. She still lives in New Orleans and is a successful businesswoman, wife and mother of four.

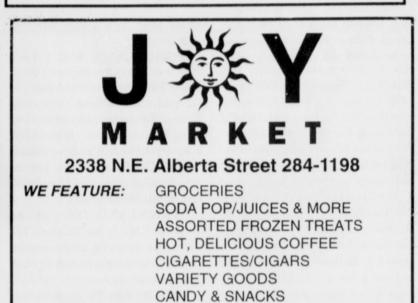
Academic All-Star Students Get Scholarships

Sixty-five outstanding students in Multnomah County's pubic high schools will be awarded scholarships at the 13th annual Academic All-Star Banquet on Monday, April 22, 1996. The Reception starts at 6:15 p.m. followed by the banquet at 7:00 p.m. Contribution through Kim Kono at 257-1621 or Larry Syron at 257-1625. Ticket information is at 257-1617.

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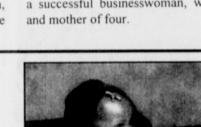
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Teenage Hazards

It's dangerous to be a teenager. Four leading risk categories make the teen years especially fraught with hazards said an adolescent medicine expert at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "Drinking alcohol while doing other activities, failure to use safety devices, access to firearms, and sports are the big four," said Dr. Albert C. Hergenroeder, chief of adolescent and sports medicine at Baylor and Texas Children's Hospital. Consider that: • Nineteen percent of teens rarely use a seatbelt. • Forty percent fail to wear hel-

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