



It was storybook day not long ago at Wilson school, and the rooms were filled with queens, princesses, pirates, sailors and Indians instead of ordinary Medford children. In the afternoon there was a colorful parade, across the auditorium stage, with more than a hundred parents as the interested audience. Four of the storybook characters in the parade were (left to right) Montie Albright who impersonated Robin Hood, Richard Rose as Hiawatha, Randy Webb as Long John Silver from "Treasure Island" and Gordon Hageman as Tom Sawyer, the famous American boy created by Mark Twain.



When Dean Hall joined the storybook parade, he wore the familiar red, white and blue stars and stripes of that unique character, Uncle Sam.



Rebecca Morris joined the storybook parade costumed as a witch, and Betty Coffman turned herself into the fairy-tale character Rapunzel, remembered for her long, golden hair. About 210 pupils of the school took part in the event, planned by one of the teachers, Mrs. Ruth Kays, to focus attention on National Library week and reading.



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STORYBOOK "CHARACTERS"

Jean Foley (at left) paraded as Mark Twain's character, Huckleberry Finn, and bright-eyed Carolyn Baumer was costumed as the title character of "Princess on the Glass Hill."



Some were beautiful, some were brave and some were bold in the annual storybook parade at Wilson school. Greg Jones (at left) won a prize of a silver dollar for his characterization of Ghengis Khan, the Mongol who has come down in history as the world's greatest conqueror. Janet Konopasek was a sweet Cinderella and Mark Chriss portrayed the adventurous Leif Ericson, son of Eric the Red, Norwegian discoverer of Greenland.



Real and fictional characters, some comic and some glamorous, from stories old and new found their way into the storybook parade at Wilson school. Joan Boat (at left) portrayed her favorite fairy tale character, Little Red Riding Hood; Barry Leach was Pippi Longstockings, Pamela Saterlee appeared as the Queen of Hearts and Carolyn Baumer as "Princess on Glass Hill." Scott Sundby, who escaped the photographer, won a prize for his costume as the Tin Man from the Wizard of Oz. Costumes were judged for originality and ingenuity.