Grade students study our law

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Law Day USA, celebrated nationwide Mondey, outsimates Maricopa County Bar Association Auxiliary's "You and the Law" project, which involved teaching sixth, seventh and eighth graders introduction to law, how it affects them and their lives, and how the law works.

Through the state department of education, several districts participated again this year, including Roosevelt, Cartwright, Creighton and Madison.

Ed Peterson, social studies chairman for Roosevelt District, again this year will take results of the finished project and put together a curriculum format with Zigmund Maciekowich, superintendent of detention, Maricopa County juvenile Home, and Judge Robert Broomfield, head of juvenile judges, in an effort to incorporate the project into social studies at the detention home.

The program incorporates the use of

pamphlets, films, speakers (lawyers, police) and mock trials to instill a knowledge of and respect for law as it affects the lives of youngsters. Bob Perry, Alhambra School District counselor, arranges mock trials.

At the conclusion of the program students are invited to compete in the Art Poster Contest, through which they interpret what they have learned. Winning posters are on view this week at the Capitol Rotunda, City Hall, and Phoenix Public Library.

A vital part of the program literature is the outstanding Kiwanis International booklet, "You and the Law," whieh, through clear language and graphic pictures, puts the law into youthful situations. For example, petty larceny (School Lockers); use of weapons (Fun with a Gun); disorderly conduct (Fun in a bus), shoplifting (Who's Chicken?); use of narcotics (Try It for Kicks).

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Curt Close, 13, Law Day poster contest winner, Mrs. B. Monte Morgan, Mrs. Aaron Kinney, Mrs. Rich-

ard Tracy. The women are members of Maricopa County Bar Association Auxiliary.