Mike Holloway, 13, an eighth grade student at Oak Park junior high school, won first place in a state wide essay contest, sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

The contest was held by the DAR in conjunction with their National History Month which is held each February. Topic for the essay was "Historical Waterways" and was open to all students in grades five through eight with a state winner being named from each grade.

Mrs. J. Garf MacDonald, American history chairman of the Calcasieu chapter of the DAR, presented Mike with a $25 war bond Wednesday for his entry entitled "Bayou Teche."

His essay will be entered in the national competition to be held later this year.

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