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Schools AT WAR

A REPORT TO THE NATION



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SCHOOL Harris ★

ADDRESS Harris, Okla.

STREET TOWN STATE

Harris

Submitted 1-7-43
Leroy Sumner, Principal

WE REPORT TO THE NATION

We herewith submit a bird's-eye view report of our
SCHOOLS AT WAR Program. It includes factual and pictorial
accounts of our War Savings Program and other outstanding
war activities. It is tangible proof of the resourcefulness, skills,
activities and the will to win of every student, teacher and
parent enlisted in our SCHOOLS AT WAR Program.

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Name of School Harris
Address Harris, Oklahoma
McCurtain County
Enrollment 41 Grades 1-8
No. of Teachers 2 No. of Classrooms 2
Size of Community Small Rural
Cash Value of War Stamps and Bonds sold during SCHOOLS AT
WAR Program \$177.21

HARRIS SCHOOL WINS THE FLAG

Will Be Awarded
In Ceremony Soon

Harris school was declared winner of the scrap iron contest conducted last spring with a large American flag offered as a prize by Leroy McClendon, Jack Malin, assistant superintendent of schools, said this morning.

The flag was ordered several months ago, but only arrived this week. It is a beautiful four-by-six-foot silk flag trimmed in gold and with a handsome stand.

All schools in the county were invited to enter the contest on a per-capita basis, the school getting in the most scrap per student being winner.

Harris school, with an average daily attendance of 35, gathered 8,100 pounds, an average of 231.43 pounds per student, according to figures kept by Vernon Frye, county agent.

The flag will be awarded in the near future in a ceremony with McClendon making the presentation, Malin said.

*McCurtain Layette
Idabel, Okla*

HARRIS SCHOOL PRESENTED FLAG

A beautiful American flag was presented to Mrs. Virgil Jumper, teacher, and students from Harris school Saturday in the district court room by Jack Malin, assistant superintendent of schools.

The flag was offered by Leroy McClendon, superintendent of schools, in the scrap metal drive conducted in the county last spring. Harris school, with an average daily attendance of 35, gathered 8,100 pounds of metal, an average of 231.43 per student.

Tom Finney, Idabel attorney, and Vernon Frye, county agent, made short patriotic talks on the program.

Instructors report that the students are 100 per cent War Stamps purchasers.

*McCurtain Layette
Idabel, Okla.*

School Patriotism Praised by Agent

IDABEL, Dec. 5.—(Special.)—Harris school, with an average daily attendance of only 35 pupils, has been nominated by Vernon J. Frye, county agent, as McCurtain county's most patriotic school.

In two county-wide scrap drives Harris students collected 16,130 pounds or 164 pounds for each pupil, winning a silk American flag as county champions. Pupils of the school are buying war bonds and stamps 100 per cent, and while war work comes first, every pupil of 4-H club age is enrolled in club work.

The school is the only white minority school in the county. Mrs. Virgil Jumper is principal.

*Daily Oklahoman
Dec. 5, 1942*

Scrap Drives

1st Drive	8100 pounds
2nd Drive	8040 "
3rd Drive	4320 "

Total 20,460 pounds

Harris school took part in a County wide scrap drive last spring and gathered 8100 pounds of scrap. They were winners in a contest for which they received a beautiful silk American Flag presented by Mr. Le Roy Mc Clendon, County Superintendent of McCurtain County schools. Money was given to Red Cross

In July 1942 another scrap drive was made and 8040 pounds of scrap was gathered. The money from this drive was used to buy Defense Stamps for the children in school. Amount \$31.00.

A third drive was held in November 1942 and 4,320 pounds of scrap metal and rubber gathered. The proceeds from this drive was used to purchase food for the Hot Lunch Project sponsored by the school.



Defense Stamps and Bonds

Every child enrolled in the Harris School owns defense stamps and some own bonds. Attractive posters have been placed in each room and as children buy stamps they are given recognition by placing a star by their name.

A contest has been in progress during this school year. The room buying the larger number of stamps each week is permitted to have the flag which was won by the school for that week. Much rivalry has shown in this contest.

A prize has been offered to the pupil purchasing the greatest number of "Defense Stamps" during the school year.

At the buying of the defense stamps drive each child was given one stamp by the teachers and this idea of giving stamps as gifts has been adopted by some of the children.

Junior Red Cross



Harris School is 100% in membership in the Junior Red Cross.

Red Cross

The pupils of the school have made one quilt for the Mc Curtain County Red Cross chapter. The girls pieced the quilt, the boys donated money for the cotton and thread, and the quilting was done by the women of the community. The lining was made from feed sacks donated by one of the teachers.

The teachers have been active in Red Cross work and the community as a whole has done Red Cross sewing. During this school year sixty garments and four quilts have been completed.



4 - H - Club

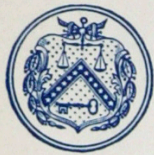


Every child of age is enrolled in 4 H Club work and in the Victory Program adopted by that organization for this year. All club members are doing excellent work.

Health

as a school wide Victory Program
an extensive health program is being
carried on by the school.

A hot lunch project is being carried
on and we are gaining much benefit from
vegetables received from county garden.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT

WAR SAVINGS STAFF

OFFICE OF STATE ADMINISTRATOR

211 Federal Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
February , 1943

Dear School Members:

We appreciate very much the scrapbook you sent to us recently. We think it is an excellent piece of work, and know that it is an outstanding example of the participation of your vicinity in the "Schools at war" program.

This scrapbook is being returned to you because it is to be submitted to your county superintendent of schools, who will in turn choose ten or twelve from his district to be mailed to the state office for exhibition in the Historical Building here in Oklahoma City, after February 22.

We suggest that you have your scrapbook on display at your school before giving it to the county superintendent by February 12.

Thank you for your interest in this program. Keep up the good work.

Yours for Victory,

H. C. Jones
State Administrator
War Savings Staff



11" x 14"

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