

Schools AT WAR

A REPORT TO THE NATION



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SCHOOL Pearson [☆], Osage County

ADDRESS Pearsonia Rte., Pawhuska, Oklahoma
STREET TOWN STATE

Pawhuska
Box
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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 Pearson
Address Pearsonia Rte.,
Pawhuska, Oklahoma.
Enrollment Twelve Grades 1-7.
No. of Teachers One No. of Classrooms One.
Size of Community Seventy-five
Cash Value of War Stamps and Bonds sold during SCHOOLS AT
WAR Program School = \$179.50
Community Bonds = \$1900.50.



OLD GLORY

We're proud of you old glory
To keep you waving on high,
We'll give all we can of our
money,
For stamps and bonds to buy,
We're backing our soldiers who
bravely fight,
To gain the freedom
Which is just and right.
Through the Red Cross which we
all admire
We're sending articles soldiers de-
sire,
True Americans we want to be,
To help retain our liberty.



Pictures and clippings on scrap.

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Boy, 10, To See Launching Of Liberty Ship

Three scrap-happy Oklahoma children will head east next Thursday for the launching of perhaps the first Liberty ship to be launched by the nation's junk-hunting school children.

Husky, 10-year-old H. J. Terry, jr. of Oscar school, Jefferson county, has already dreamed the restless dreams of a little fellow about to make his first long trip. His 22 schoolmates Thursday chose curly-haired H. J. as the sparkplug of the Oscar school's energetic drive to the championship of the state schools' contest during the newspaper scrap campaign.

Ray Haun, Washington director of the war production board general salvage southern section, broke the news here Thursday that Oklahoma is here Thursday that Oklahoma is neck-and-neck with another state or two in a race for the honor of sliding the first Liberty ship down the ways.

In all likelihood, the ship will be named "The Will Rogers" — although Governor Phillips, E. H. Moore and A. L. Crable, state committee to nominate three names, will not meet to make the selections until Saturday. If "The Will Rogers" is the name, Mrs. Betty Rogers, the world-loved Oklahoma humorist's widow, will be invited to the launching along with the state's three luckiest children — all expenses paid.

Date and place of the launching remained secret, but Haun said the children will go from here to Washington, thence to the shipyard. The other children will come from Gyp Valley school, Harper county, and Wolco school, Osage county.

Mrs. Lizzie Chase, teacher of the Gyp Valley school which this happy kind of lightning struck, was in a quandary after the news broke.

Mrs. Chase has only two pupils, 10-year-old Dorothy Lipsey, a fifth-grader, and 8-year-old Margaret May Snell, a third-grader.

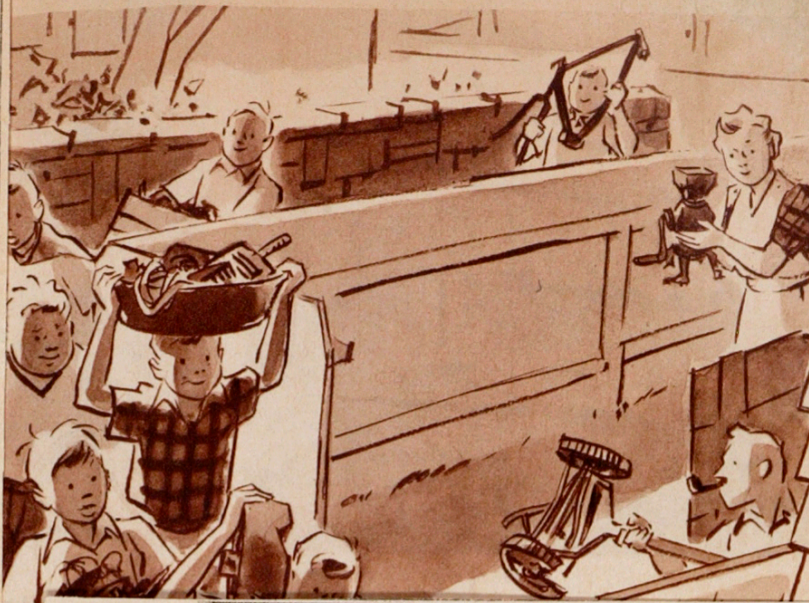
There are 18 pupils in the Wolco school, third in the contest, and all were so excited when they heard the news Thursday that they couldn't settle down to pick their representative to Washington.

Mrs. Pearl Faulk, teacher of the one-room frame school, said she will ask the children to elect their delegate on the same basis on which H. J. was elected at Oscar school, as "being the most enthusiastic and greatest help to the school during the drive."

Located in an oil district 30 miles northeast of Barnsdall, the Wolco children literally cleaned out their school yard before they realized they had a wealth of scrap on the neighboring oil leases.

First they took up the school walks, made of oil pipe, then took down the school bell and dismantled some old seats. That made three tons. They dug the rest of their 66,275 pounds, or 3,681.94-pound average, out of the weeds on the leases, short pipe lengths, rod lines and two old car bodies, and from their own yards. It took four days for oil company trucks to move the pile to Barnsdall.

Their \$185 earnings and \$25 prize will be divided among the children in war savings stamps, "since all worked together so hard", Mrs. Faulk said.



RUBBER OR ELSE . . .

The nation-wide gasoline rationing program is to be imposed as a means of preserving rubber. In the opinion of some experts, it would have been possible to provide an adequate supply of rubber for civilian use by now if the government had got down to cases when the rubber problem first appeared. That of course, is water over the dam—but the kind of political vacillation that has characterized the handling of the rubber situation in the past must not be allowed to continue in the future.

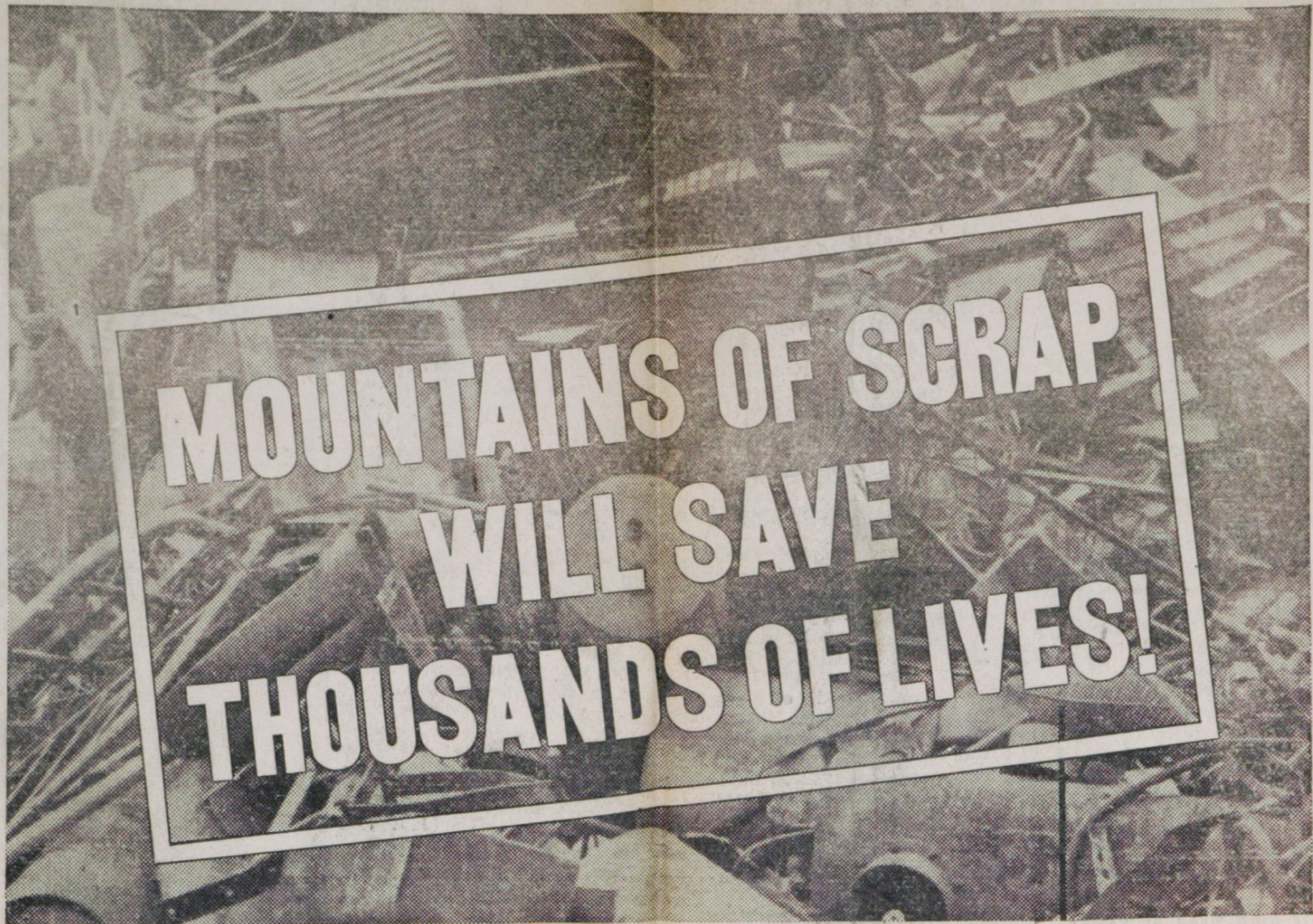
The wise course to pursue at this time is obvious. The government must give maximum cooperation to secure the swiftest and largest possible production of artificial rubber from any practical source. Some kinds of rubber are made from oil. Others are made from coal. Others still are made from grain alcohol. All of the processes have merit—and all of them should be developed without further bickering and delay.

This country has been largely built on automobile travel. Unless rubber for civilian tires is made available within a short time, we will be faced with a catastrophic national "slow down." American industry and American chemists must be given the "go" signal on rubber—and they must be freed from political barriers to progress.



s and clippings on scrap.

ONE MORE WEEK OF SCRAP DRIVE IN THIS COUNTY



**MOUNTAINS OF SCRAP
WILL SAVE
THOUSANDS OF LIVES!**

Stockpiles like this are needed all over the country so that our Government can plan our armament program—and our mills and plants can deliver the fighting tools!

There is just one more week to go on the big scrap drive being conducted by the newspapers of the nation, and to date a marvelous job has been done in every section of the country. In Osage county every school district, every one of the four corners

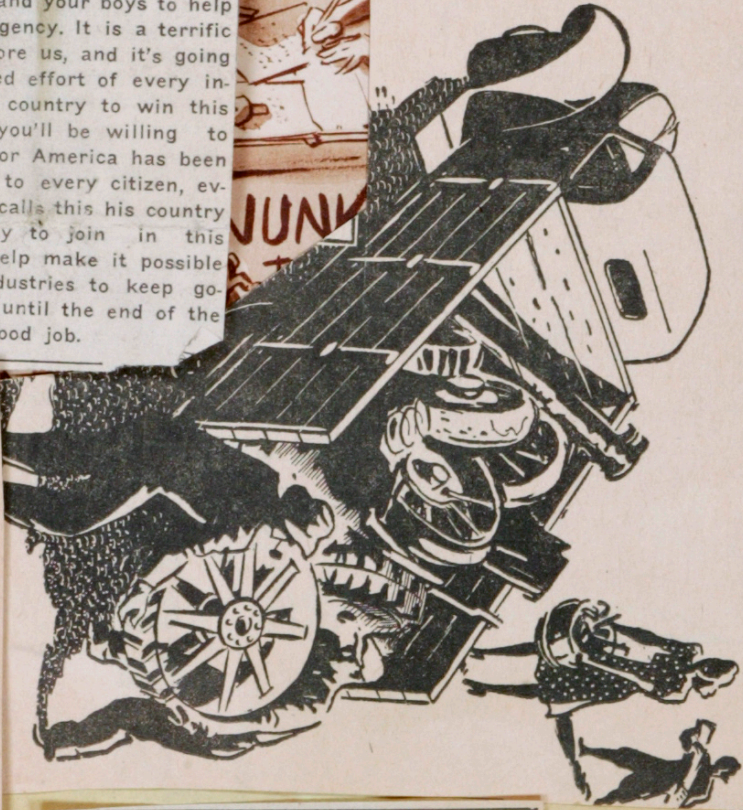
of the county, is being combed, and today climaxed the first stage of the drive, when schools of the county, as well as business houses closed for the afternoon and helped gather in the precious metals for our steel foundries, in order that they may keep going full blast, producing implements of war.

If, for some reason, you were unable to join the big drive today, or any of the previous days, it has been going on, do not fail to gather in your scrap and take it to one of the

scrap depots scattered throughout the county. Your collection may help our boys at the front to get the job done just a little quicker, and you owe it to your country and your boys to help out in this emergency. It is a terrific job we have before us, and it's going to take the united effort of every individual in this country to win this war. We know you'll be willing to do your share, for America has been a great blessing to every citizen, every person, who calls this his country. It is your duty to join in this movement and help make it possible for our steel industries to keep going full blast until the end of the war. Let's do a good job.



JUNK



TALKS WITH OUR READERS

By the Editor



rap.

Bobbie Lee Walker To Represent Wolco School At Launching Of Liberty Ship As Scrap Honor

The thrill of a lifetime is in store for Bobby Lee Walker, 10, student at Wolco school in eastern Osage county.

He brought in the largest number of pounds of scrap in the school's collection program which won for him the honor of a trip to Washington, D. C., and to the launching of an American Liberty ship at some shipyard on the coast.

Bobby Lee, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Doyal Walker, oil company employees, was selected as the representative of the Wolco school to make the trip after Wolco won third place in a statewide contest on per capita average in collection of scrap in the campaign which saw approximately seven million pounds of scrap collected and sold in Osage county.

In addition to the honor of the trip, the Wolco school won a \$25 U. S. War bond as a prize for having nearly two tons of scrap per student in the school scrap pile.

Mrs. Pearl Faulk, teacher at the 18-pupil school, said the thrill of winning third place was enough to bring a community pride to the Wolco area, and that the people of the community were as proud of the accomplishment as Bobby Lee Walker is of getting the trip.

"We had the entire community in on the selection of the winner," said Mrs. Faulk. "The parents of the children helped them bring the scrap to the school collection depots and they were vitally interested in putting us over the top."

Date when the three Oklahoma students — two others, one from the Oscar school and one from the Gyp school — will go to Washington was not announced, but it was believed the trip would be made in the immediate future. It is sponsored by the American Industries association, which will pay all expenses of the trip, with the teacher from the Oscar school to go as chaperon for the trio.

County Has Nearly Half Million Pounds Of Scrap Reported

Reports dribbling in from over Osage county Saturday showed a total of nearly 500,000 pounds of scrap already collected by schools, individuals and other groups in the county, and the scrap drive is only a week old Monday.

A report from Grainola listed a total of 55,855 pounds of scrap collected by that school, and the students were still working on their drive with hopes to more than double the figure before the close of the present drive, which ends on October 17.

IN THE SCRAP

S. J. Straton, superintendent of schools at Grainola informed the Journal Capital late Saturday night by long distance that his school was very much in the contest sponsored by the newspapers of Oklahoma in the scrap metal drive.

Straton reported that he has to date receipts totalling 25,855 lbs. of scrap collected and delivered and estimates that he will have at least fifteen more tons to turn in by the time the contest closes.

Straton stated that there were 81 pupils in the school and that they had all been working co-operatively to get the scrap in every day. He has had the help of volunteer truck owners who have assisted him in getting the metal into the depot.

Meantime, extensive plans were being made in all portions of the county for the half-day scrap drive in which every man, woman and child of the county has been asked to take part on October 9.

The drive, in which all stores, schools, offices and other business places have been asked to close for the afternoon, is intended to gather up every bit of available scrap left after school children of the county have worked through the previous part of the week.

Unless estimates are wrong this, county will go far above its pro rata share of the state's 77,000 ton quota, and some estimates have been placed as high as three times the 77th part of the state's quota — an estimated total of 3,000 tons of scrap from Osage county.

E. C. Arnold, industrial chairman of the county drive, said that he has received reports from lease holders of Osage Indian oil lands in the county, reporting heavy scrap which they wished to sell or donate, and that the reports were being turned to truck men who expect to move the scrap out of the Osage hills within the next few days.

In Pawhuska, school children were lugging buckets and bags of scrap to school with them the latter part of the week, and the same sight was noted in other towns of the county.

Scrap piles at nearly every school in the county were going upward with astonishing speed, and most of the schools were working for the state prize offered for the school district that brings in the largest number of pounds of scrap per pupil.

Besides working for the prize, each school will sell its scrap and the money be used according to decisions of the teachers and students of the various schools.

Still more and more scrap was being heaped on the piles in the city's two parking lots, where official scrap depots have been open for more than a month, and junk dealers in every town in the county reported that scrap metal and rubber sales were mounting daily.

Osage county's reported total — and only a few schools have yet made reports — showed that 492,257 pounds of scrap had been gathered in the county in the past week. Some of this has been sold in adjoining counties, but those who have sold it have been advised to keep certificates of their sales to add to the county's total figures on the

Scrap Army At Osage School Is Given Awards

A special assembly was called Monday at 2:30 at the Osage school to present \$75 in War Stamps to more than 60 students who composed the membership in the Scrap Army. Fourteen dollars in War Stamps was paid to 1st Lieutenant Eva Jo Perkins, others received amounts according to production and rank.

Prizes of 50 cents in War stamps were presented to the winners of the poster contest. Winners were: 9th grade Joyce Lee Skelton; 8th grade B. L. Hunter; 7th grade Patty Jo Perry; elementary grades 1-6, Roberta Karraker.

Mr. J. M. Strain, Oklahoma Power and Water Co. electrician was here Wednesday and Thursday installing a power line from the high school building to the grade school building. Wm. Harrold also visited the school and inspected the new line Wednesday. This installation will bring power to the industrial arts and home economics departments.

M. E. Dobbins, industrial arts instructor, has received a new quota of 30 model aeroplanes to be constructed for use by the Navy training school. These will be built by students in the shop.

The high school aeronautics class of 20 students visited the Spartan School of Aeronautics on Wednesday. All students enjoyed the trip and came back with renewed enthusiasm for the high school pre-flight course in which they are enrolled. Frank Rapp, instructor, accompanied the class on the trip.

The boys and girls volley ball team took part in the Osage Conference tournament at Mound Valley Friday afternoon. Both teams were eliminated in the semi-finals.

Dr. Newsome, historian and lecturer on Indian Life gave an interesting program to an audience of

DON'T BE A SCRAP SLACKER

War production board chairman Donald Nelson announced this week that production of war materials is "spotty," which in the fighting areas could mean life and death to our men.

The "spotty" condition can be traced to the fact that scrap metal to make the steel that goes into the war weapons has been slow to get to the mills of the nation — because it has been slow to come out of the scrap heaps of the nation.

It is Pawhuska's job and Osage county's job to see to it that the scrap metal in this city and this county gets into the route to the steel mills as fast as possible.

Osage county people have been asked to give a half day of their time to gathering scrap and getting it into circulation. They're not being asked to "donate" their scrap unless they wish, but may sell it to junk dealers here or anywhere else in the county or neighboring cities.

The least the tradesmen, professional men, laborers, school teachers, school children and others of all walks of life in the county can do is to devote that half day on October 9 to collecting scrap — and that alone for the afternoon.

The place of business that remains open should be only one which is an emergency business.

SOME BOY MAY DIE IF YOU FAIL.

It might be one of your own.

OSAGE County
Newspaper Clippings

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STEPS TO VICTORY

Speak Wisely

Don't Hoard

Contribute Scrap

Be Thrifty

Buy Bonds

Poster



I'm all for victory
At any price,
To think of a dictator
Really isn't so nice,

Then stop your hoarding
and do your share,
Or our final victory
Might end in despair.



Cartoon

6.

**BINGO
PARTY
FOR
WAR
BENEFIT
FUND**

War Benefit Activities

11" x 14"

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HUSTLING FOR UNCLE SAM



The school children made a community War Fund Drive.

War Fund Drive

Be Thrifty

Buy Bonds

Save Tires

Don't Steal

Save Grease

Collect Junk

Don't Hoard

Keep Healthy

Sell Scrap

Act Right

Slogans



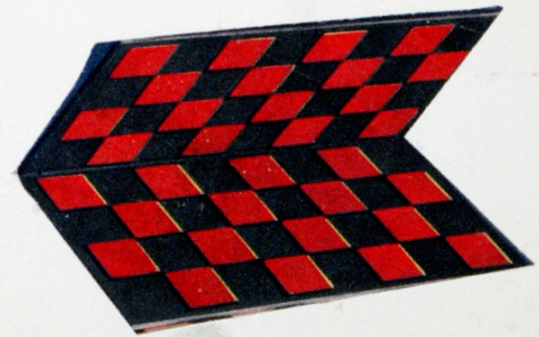
Convalescent Slippers



Utility Bag



Picture Puzzle



Checker Board

Red Cross Activities



Let Your Local Boys In The Forces Know
You Think Of Them.

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SKY
PILOT

SILVER
CHIEF

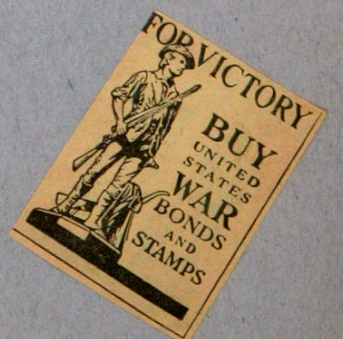
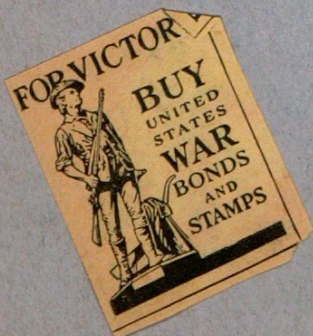
Golden
Dawn

Cheer The Soldiers With Good Books.



WAR Bonds And STAMPS

Up to the present time our school children and teacher has purchased the sum of \$179.50 in War stamps and Bonds this school year.



Good Americans In Time of War

During the six wars America has fought, this is the hardest.

This war, started by a grinding jealousy of greedy men, has thrown the whole world in the most bloody war in history.

It is a mechanized war, fought by the best tanks, guns, planes and battleships that we, or our enemy can make. We, the people of America must outdo all the great scientific power and years of training our enemy has accumulated.

We must, will and can out the enemy. We are rationing foods and clothing. We will be proud to wear shabby clothes, for we know that our boys over there shall

have food to eat, clothes to wear and equipment to fight with.

Some people ask, how can I help? I'm too old, or too young. In this war there is a place for every one.

In California midgets are working in airplane factories, in New York blind people are making delicate instruments. Invalids can sew and knit for ~~for~~ Red Cross or U. S. O.

We children can do more than we think, by opening our penny banks and buying War Stamps. In that way we do two things, one getting the much needed pennies back in circulation and by buying a share in our future. We can head drives on a scrape headed or our government. We can entertain soldiers home on leave, or, if you live near

a military camp, by inviting the men of the service to your home. We can release our mothers and fathers by taking more of the responsibilities of the home. Don't spread rumors. You and I and the other fellows can nip the axis propogandist in the bud by keeping our mouths shut and our eyes open. We must extend good will to our allies, for they, too, want to make this war as short as possible. We can also save waste fats.

The world, after the war won't be a bed of roses. We'll have to feed the world. Things will probably stay rationed until everyone in the world is fed.

Perhaps we think we're sacrificing, but we don't know what it

means. Stop, look and listen
and you'll know what I mean.

A war can be won only
by sweat, blood and tears.

Our Schools At War Program

Our Schools At War Program began with a scrap drive in the fall. There wasn't very much scrap for the children to collect as some parents had collected the greater part of the scrap previously to sell. We sold 1680 lbs.

Our next step was a Bingo Party for the community at our school for the war fund. The amount we made at this party was six dollars and eighty-five cents.

We next made a Dollar Drive in our community to add to our previous war fund. We collected twelve dollars in this way.

We stressed the buying of stamps and bonds and the importance of each sharing in this to aid the war. Our school children and teacher has purchased during this school year stamps

and bonds totaling \$179.50. The patrons of our Community have purchased \$1900.50 worth of stamps and bonds since September. A regular monthly investment in bonds is carried out in several of our families.

The Schools At War Program was carried out in many of our subjects. In Citizenship children were taught the value of living peacefully together and respecting the rights of others. In Art the children were helped to better express themselves through cartoon and poster work. In Home making our Red Cross work was carried out. In Arithmetic the children figured how they could earn enough money to buy bonds and stamps through working at various jobs. In fact, this program fit very well in all subjects.

With the idea of helping to win this

war as stressed by this program, I believe not only the children, but the parents as well, realized more fully the importance of each doing his share to win the war.



Pearson School

We are few in number
But pledge our support,
In everything we can
To whip the Germans entirely,
And finish up with Japan.

We want to live in a peaceful
World

Where the stars and stripes shall
ever be unfurled.

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