

Schools AT WAR

A REPORT TO THE NATION



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SCHOOL St. Francis

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kirk

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 St. Francis
Address 628 W. Ninth St.
Newkirk, Okla.
Enrollment thirty-five Grades one to seven
No. of Teachers two No. of Classrooms two
Size of Community 2,800
Cash Value of War Stamps and Bonds sold during SCHOOLS AT
WAR Program About \$200.00 since
September have been bought

In Wartime

JUST think of all the records kept:
How many planes are flown;
How many ships go down at sea,
In every battle zone;

HOW much the wartime factories
Turn out in certain hours;
How many countries we must feed,
And what each one devours;

HOW many men are overseas;
How many bonds are sold;
And almost everything that's done
Is on a list, we're told.

BUT here are things no list will
count:
The empty arms that ache;
The tears that fall from weeping eyes;
Or all the hearts that break!
—LYLA MYERS.

More Truth Than Poetry

V-ictory may really mean
I-will have to share my bean
C-ount each penny, stretch 'em far,
T-o help my brothers win this war,
O-r we may sop some water gravy,
R-educer our wardrobe for our Navy,
Y-et that's a small thing to do.

W-hen the facts come home straight
I-n black and white from state to
state,
L-ook for the cheering chain of
beauty,
L-ift up chins and chests for duty.

E-efore we'd let false 'isms win,
E-ach one of us would send our men

O-n the battle front to slay,
U-ntil all praised our U. S. A.
R-egardless of their points of view,
S-urrender to our freedom true.
MRS. RUSSELL JAMES.

IT WORKS BOTH WAYS

*One can learn quite a lot about
people these days
Just from hearing them talk,
From their comments on gas-
oline rationing, say,
Amounting at times to a
squawk;
And I wonder what men on
Corrigedor
Who have given their ultimate
all,
Would think of some folks
they've been fighting for,
If they only could hear it all.*

*These days one can learn some
revealing things
In re the genius called man
How he often reacts to a crisis
By trying to outwit every
plan;
And I muse what the lads out
there on Bataan
Would say if they only knew,
How some of us feel we're the
martyrs real,
With each trifling thing we
eschew.*

*When in a cafe I hear someone
say
That to curtail his coffee's
not right,
I wonder what lads on some
far away isle
Had for prison camp supper
tonight;*

*Yes, they are fighting for us,
that's understood,
Fighting from stern to stem,
But the question which raises
itself is this—
Just how are we fighting for
them!*

War— A To Izzard

A—is for the Army
Five million strong!
It's our bonds, (not its stomach)
Which it moves on!

B—is for Bonds,
From \$25 and up!
The faster we buy them
The sooner the Axis'll give up!

C—is for Cargo—
And coin of the realm.
It takes it to keep Liberty
Steadfast at the helm!

D—is for Do—
With plenty of action!
Buy bonds to give U. S.
Plenty of traction!

E—is for effort,
For excellence, for "E"!
Each one who files it
Loves Liberty!

F—is for food,
We've plenty to spare!
Our bonds help to ship it
To millions out there!

G—is for Guns!
The mighty Garand!
Our bonds help to put it
In each soldier's hand!

H—is for homes,
In this land of the free!
Our bonds help protect them—
Insure victory!

I—is for ignorance
Of our country's needs;
Buy bonds every pay day,
To victory give heed!

J—is for justice
Which will come at last!
Buy bonds so this fact
Will soon come to pass!

K—is for kitchens
Of American homes!
Money is saved there
With which to buy bonds.

L—is for Little Folks
Of this our great land!
Their pennies buy war stamps!
United they stand!

M—is for money.
Let's not spend it all.
Let's give 10 percent—
America calls!

N—is for Navy,
Our lads dressed in blue,
Buy bonds—they are fighting
Also for YOU!

O—is for Out—
All Out for our nation!
Buy bonds, give your best
For the duration.

P—is for pennies,
Saved up with care.
Use them to buy war stamps
They'll work for you there.

Q—is for quitters
Who buy once and then stop.
A war can't be won
With only one shot!

R—is for rationing,
For you and for me!
Buy bonds so they'll
Not ration to us Liberty!

S—is for soldiers,
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T—is for tanks,
For tasks to attend!
Buy bonds with the money
Which is now rolling in!

U—is for Us,
Me, you, and you, too!
It's us buy bonds
Who'll bring Peace into view!

V—is for Victory
Three dots and a dash!
Buy bonds so this symphony
Will not be the last!

W—is for Waste,
Enemy of us all!
Buy bonds, so your money
Will be there on call!

X—is for Xantippe,
An euphonious name!
Buy bonds; buy war stamps,
Is more of the same!

Y—is for YOU!
What's cookin' today?
Have you bought your war bonds?
You know they ain't hay!

Z—is for zany,
One who is fool-hearted!
Buy war bonds and you and your
money
Will never be parted!

Peckham, Oklahoma

February 1, 1943

Dear Patricia,

I was called upon to write a letter of what I am doing to win the war. I will now tell you.

I am saving war stamps. I now have \$12.30 invested in war stamps. I started last June.

I also cut cloth for pillows for the soldiers. We did that at school when we had spare time.

I am saving as much as I can in every way. So this will soon be at its end.

I have given over 300 lb. of rubbers. I also saved over 800 lb. of iron.

I have prayed a great deal that we will have victory and peace. And also for the soldier boys.

That is all I have done so far, but I am going to do some more things soon.

your school mate

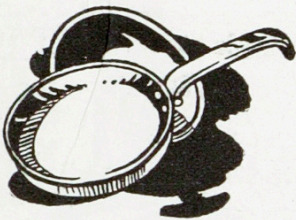
Virginia

Brown

(5th gr.)



Looks like that over enthusiastic collecting crew called O'Connell in his bath.



WHAT YOUR WAR STAMPS WILL BUY

Eight twenty-five-cent War Stamps will buy a soldier's mess kit. In the kit is a pan, a canteen and cup, and a fork, knife, and spoon.

Each Stamp that you buy means just that much more money Uncle Sam may spend to win this war. Buy your Stamps this week to help Uncle Sam send more mess kits to our soldiers.

Newkirk, Oklahoma.

410 So. Maple

January 28, 1943.

Out. R. E. Traynor

A. S. N. 38191723

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My dear brother,

Since hearing so much over the radio about soldiers wanting letters from home, I thought I had better write.

I have been asked by several people where my brothers are. They ask me so many questions, that I can't answer all of them.

The weather is cold here in the mornings and like warm in the afternoons. It hasn't snowed as yet.

I have been very busy doing war work. In that way I think that you and all the rest of the boys will come home quicker. I have been gathering scrap iron, cutting rope for soldiers pillows, and least but not last, buying Defense Bonds and Stamps. Although these things are important, a letter from home and our daily prayers are the best way to help in protecting our country and soldiers.

I'm hoping you are well, and aided by my prayers, I remain your sister,

Patricia.

7th gr.

Newkirk, Okla
Jan. 29, 1942

Dear Gae

We are buying a war bond and it cost \$18.75.
I have to pay \$6.25. I have \$5.29 now. I have to pay \$0.96 yet. I hope you are buying war bonds and stamps too. We collected three sacks of rubber then we collected iron and tin. We found about nine hundred pounds and all of that money from the iron, rubber and tin we are spending it for war bonds and stamps. I am praying for the soldier boys.

I am glad that I am helping you make your airplane. It will take us about three days to make it. That is all I can think of, so I am closing now

your friend,
Leroy Voegelé.
6th gr.

Newkirk, Okla.
Jan. 29, 1942

Dear Le Roy,

Sister told us to write a letter to someone telling them what we are doing to help win the war.

I am saving scrap and tin. I am buying war bonds. I bought a \$25 dollar bond out of my scrap money.

We have been cutting up rags for soldiers' pillows. We are making scrap books for the soldiers.
I guess I'd better close.

Your friend,
Bobby Shick
6th gr.

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Newkirk Okla.

Jan 29, 1943

Dear Bob,

I am writing you this letter to tell you what I am doing to win the war

The first and most important is the prayers which we say after Mass and before school in the morning. At home I say three Hail Marys and three Our Fathers every morning and night. Everyone at home are filling out a stamp book. We now have \$5.25 in twenty five cent stamps.

Well I had better be closing for now

Yours Truly

Martin Korinek

7th gr.

newkirk, Okla

Jan 29, 1943

Dear Billy,

I am trying to be as patriotic as I can so I am buying stamps and saving up scrap and old rubber so they can make more flying fortresses so we can whip the Japs and Germans.

We children were cutting wooden rags which we gave to the red cross and they are making pillows for the soldiers. We are now making scrap books for the soldiers. They contain jokes from magazines and papers. They also contain stories and cartoons about the war. I work at home on the farm and try to produce a lot of food and I hope it ~~it~~ will be as much as needed.

Your cousin,
Joseph Eck
5th gr.

January 29, 1943
609 W 9th Street
New Kirk, Okla.

Dear Bob

I am supposed to write someone telling what I am doing to help win the war. I thought I would write you.

I bought a bond last May and Ann and I have collected about 1000 lb. of scrap iron. The children of my school and I have cut rags for the stuffing of pillows for soldiers, sailors, and marines. I'm making scale models of planes for the navy. Ann, Dee, and I buy a defense stamp almost every week. We're making scrap-books for the fighting men, and book marks for them to mark books.

Your friend,
Neal A. Sullivan Jr.
5th gr.

Newkirk Oklahoma
January 29, 1943

Dear Bobby,
I was called to tell you what I am
doing to win the war as I will.
I am praying for our boys over seas. I have been
trying to save some rubber and steel. I am going
to plant a victory of vegetables and fruit.
I have bought two war saving bonds and also
fourteen dollars and sixty cents worth of war
stamps. I better close now

Your friend,
Jerry Leven
6th gr.

newkirk Oklahoma
Jan. 22, 1943

Dear Pvt Harry Harkin,

I was called to write to someone
and tell them what I am doing to help
win the war. So I am writing to you

I am helping at home by
raising all the food I can so that
boys like you will have enough to eat
so you can fight for us. I am also helping
by buying war Bonds and stamps. The
most important thing I can do is pray
so I sure am.

your friend
Helen Frances Seven
6th gr.

January 28, 1943.
Newkirk, Oklahoma.

Dear Nancy,

I am doing my part to help win this war by buying a \$18.75 war bond and buying about 10% of my allowance in war stamps.

At school we cut rags for the soldier's pillows and now we are making scrap books for the soldiers.

During the summer I collected scrap for the scrap drive.

I am doing all I can including praying and I am going to continue to do so.

Write me soon and tell me what you are doing to help the war effort.

your dear cousin,
Barbara Nell Brown
6th gr.

New Kirk, Okla.
412 N. Walnut
Jan. 29, 1942

Dear Melvin,

I am now a member of the Junior Red Cross. We have been making scrap books and cutting up rags to make pillows for the Army.

I have been doing all I can to help win the war. I have bought an \$18.75 bond and I collected ~~scrap~~ four hundred and ten pounds of scrap metal. We all pray daily for the war to end soon and the safety of all the boys.

We get by pretty good on four gallon of gas a week although it does not allow any unnecessary driving.

7th gr.

I hardly notice coffee and sugar
being rationed.

Your Loving brother,
Jimmie Hoffman

11" x 14"

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