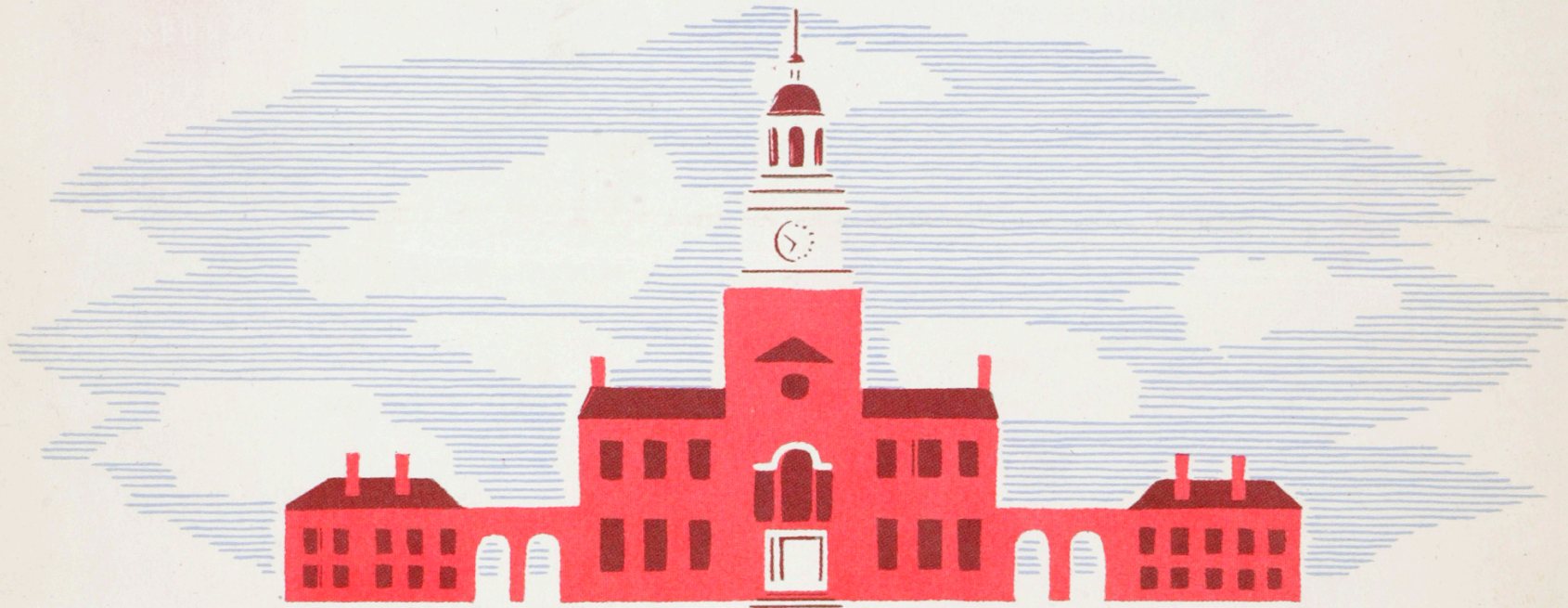


# *Schools* AT WAR

A REPORT TO THE NATION



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SCHOOL Washington

ADDRESS West 17 Street Ada, Oklahoma

STREET

TOWN

STATE

Ada

# 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 Washington  
Address West Seventeenth Street  
Ada, Oklahoma  
Enrollment 324 (Jan. 15) Grades Six  
No. of Teachers 11 No. of Classrooms 10  
Size of Community 15,000  
Cash Value of War Stamps and Bonds sold during SCHOOLS AT  
WAR Program \$ 3693.55 (Jan. 1, 1943)

# Schools AT WAR

Washington School pupils, teachers and patrons realize the importance of the Schools at War Program. Every effort has been made to participate in all activities in the community which are vital to the war effort.

The children of Washington School have been taught to save, to serve and to conserve. They buy war stamps and bonds regularly, they save different types of materials such as paper, paint, clips, light, heat etc.

The teachers have been represented in First Aid and Red Cross Classes at night.

The P. T. A. has done a number of things to help with the war effort.

1. Registering for sugar rationing.
2. Assisting with the scrap Iron Drive.
3. Establishing an emergency food shelf.
4. Furnishing a First Aid room at the school, replacing all medicines and materials as they are used.

Activities which have been carried on throughout the year, and which will be

Continued are,

1. Poster Making in art classes.
2. Writing to men in the service  
English and Penmanship classes.
3. Junior Red Cross.
4. Collection of scrap iron, rubber and  
all types of metal.
5. Collection of khaki buttons to be  
sent to men in the service.
6. The sale of War Stamps and Bonds.

The sale of stamps has been steadily increasing. The children take pride in saving money to be invested in this way. The following report shows the amount invested in War Stamps and Bonds from September seventh to January first, nineteen hundred forty three.

Grade.	Pupils Enrolled	Number buying stamps	Total.
First	28	14	\$ 481.30
	27	13	413.75
Second	34	18	249.15
Second-Third	37	14	303.40
Third	40	25	116.50
Fourth	26	22	372.40
Fourth	30	17	664.40
Fifth	29	8	5.70
Fifth	31	18	375.60
Sixth	49	27	711.35
	<u>331</u>	<u>176</u>	<u>\$ 3693.55</u>



## Scrap Iron Contest.



Barbara Reed, a fifth grade pupil brought in 1000 pounds of scrap metal.

Douglas Williams, fourth grade pupil won second prize for bringing 645 pounds of scrap iron.

Every home in the district was visited during the collection of scrap metal. Backyards, garages, basements and houses were searched for every available scrap of rubber or iron, which was brought to the school.

A prize of one dollar in War Saving Stamps was given to the boy and the girl bringing the largest amounts. These awards were presented by Mr. Finis Morrison, principal, at a school assembly program.

The total amount of scrap metal collected by all of the boys and girls of Washington School was 45,000 pounds. The sale of this amount of metal to the scrap iron dealer, not only helped with the war effort, but gave the P. I. A. the sum of \$68.<sup>06</sup>

A khaki button contest was held to see which room, and which child could collect the largest number of buttons to be sent to the men in the service of our country.

Mr. C. Dan Proctor, Superintendent of schools offered a book to the room bringing in the largest number. Mrs. I. G. Killough, manager of the McSwain Theatre gave show tickets to the children collecting large numbers of buttons.

Billy Webb, a fifth grade pupil collected one hundred and thirty six khaki buttons of various sizes, won the ticket to the show.

Mr. Graham's sixth grade brought in more buttons than any other class at Washington School.

### Scrap Metal Will Admit To Movies

Will Admit to Three Shows Here Wednesday, Thursday

Children of Pontotoc county will get to see, without any money, a show at the McSwain, Ritz or Kiva theatres, or all three, Wednesday and Thursday of this week. If a child is under 12 years of age and will bring ten or more pounds of scrap metal, they will be admitted without any other admission charge.

Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Killough, managers of the theatres, are giving the shows to stimulate the scrap drive. The hours are from 1:30 to 6 o'clock both afternoons.

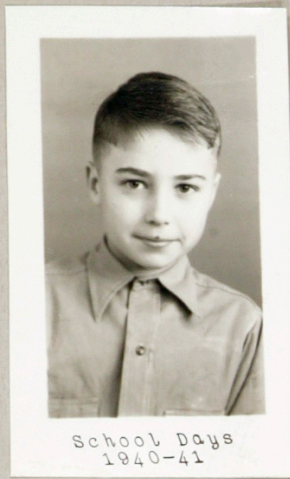
### County Is To Get Pennant For Scrap

One of Few in State To Achieve This Reward

Pontotoc county is to get a pennant for its good work in collecting scrap, according to M. Z. Thompson, chairman of the standing salvage committee.

Mr. Thompson's records show that this county shipped out between September 1 and October 31, a total of 4,270,860 pounds of scrap metals and rubber. This amounts to 107.5 pounds for each person in the county. The pennants are awarded to counties that average more than 100 pounds per person.

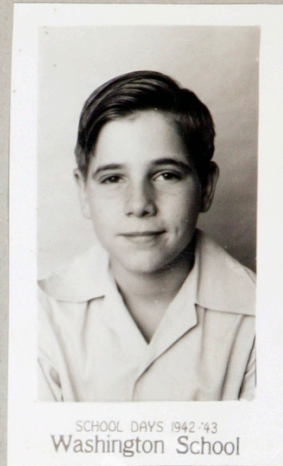
When the pennant arrives, it is expected it will be hoisted to the top of the flagpole on the court house. It is not known just how soon the pennant will arrive.



Jackie Walker



Eulalie Burris



Richard Haynes

## Poster Contest.

The drive for the collection of scrap iron and rubber was the inspiration for a poster contest at Washington School -

Fifth and sixth grade art classes practiced different types of lettering, poster planning. Each child planned a poster working out an idea which would help to speed the collection of scrap iron and rubber. The aim was to put over the idea with a simple design, using few words and well chosen colors - These posters were painted on tagboards twenty-two by fourteen inches.

The best posters were displayed in store windows in the business district of town during the drive -

Winners in the contest were -

1. Eulalie Burris
2. Richard Haynes
3. Jackie Walker -

Honorable mention - Robert McNutt.

# WRITE A FIGHTER CORPS



The boys and girls of the fifth and sixth grades have all joined the "Write a Fighter Corps", a club which is sponsored by the Jack Armstrong Radio Program.

This is a nation wide organization among school children. The object is to maintain morale among fighting forces, by seeing that every fighter receives some mail.

The English classes are divided into Squadrons. Each Squadron has a leader and five members. It is the duty of the leader to see that each member writes a letter to a man in the service every month. The fifth and sixth grade boys and girls are very enthusiastic about this letter writing project.

## Fifth Grade Squadron Leaders.

Kenneth Atkinson  
Betty Lou Cummings  
Martha McBride  
Delores Heath.

Davis Hunsucker  
Billy Webb.  
David Gall.  
Billy Sachs.  
Barbara Reed  
Billy Huff.

## Sixth Grade Squadron Leaders.

Richard Haynes  
Edwina Dawson  
Phyllis Evans

Walter Joe Gray  
Madonna Fay Hart  
Geneva Mullins.



# JUNIOR RED CROSS



The Junior Red Cross activities are carried on by the sixth grade art classes at Washington School.

Every room in school belongs to the Red Cross organization, reads the Junior Red Cross Magazine and contributes to the Red Cross fund.

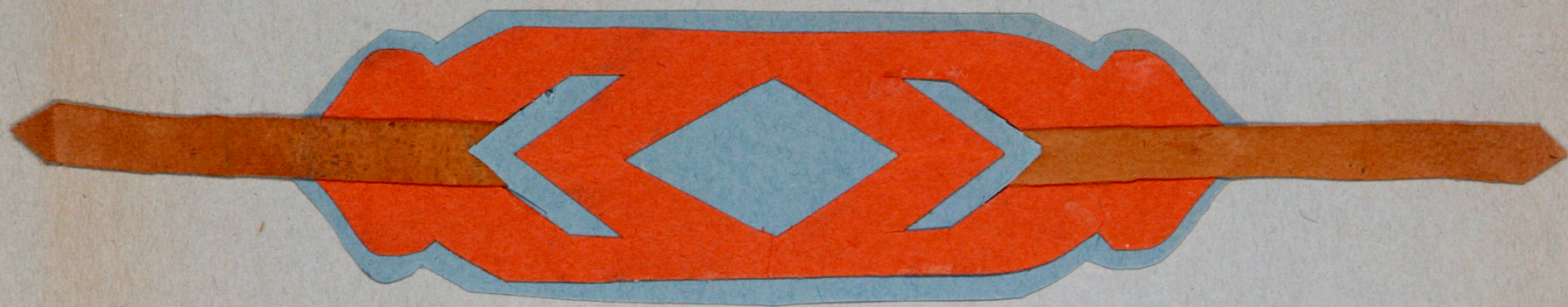
A number of small favors and different articles have been made by the art class and sent to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, or to army hospitals. The following have been made,

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| 40 | Nut and candy cups.                          | February.  |
| 20 | Halloween favors                             | — October  |
| 20 | Bookmarkers                                  | — November |
| 40 | Christmas tray favors.                       | December.  |
| 40 | Decorated napkins for Washington's Birthday. |            |

The boys and girls were glad to assist in this worthy work, they enjoyed designing and making these favors —

Many unbreakable ash trays were collected and sent to the recreation hall at Fort Sill.

Robert McNutt was responsible for delivering all of these articles to the local Red Cross office on the day specified for their collection each month.



*Book markers -*



*Decorated napkins  
for Washington's Birthday.*

*Halloween  
favours -*



*Christmas  
tray favours -*

Ada, Oklahoma

Dear Patron:

There is no greater movement than the Parent-Teacher Movement, with over 41,000 members in our own state much good can be accomplished in every way. It has chosen the field of childhood and youth for its service. We have a challenging responsibility. Let us do our part.

The War Activities Committee of the Ada P. T. A. is aware of the situation that confronts the home and the school. The P. T. A. Units of Ada has appointed "P. T. A. Block Mothers". The Block Mothers' duties will vary according to the needs of our community cooperating with the O C D at all times.

If your Block Mother calls upon you for aid, will you help?

The Parent-Teacher Associations are now planning to equip an emergency First Aid room, and have an emergency food shelf in each school building in Ada. We ask your cooperation in this effort. Much good can be accomplished, if we all work together. This work is only a small part of our time and energy. This is your time to serve.

Will you contribute one can of food for the emergency food shelf.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

The War Committee of Ada P. T. A.

Dear P.T.A. Member:

We are sponsoring a Wartime Study group through individual home listeners to the "Family Life Radio Forum".

This program is broadcast over Station K.A.D.A. at 2:30 A.M. each Monday.

Will you help us; first by listening to the program and second by returning this memorandum signed by you after each program you have listened to.

October 26. _____	November 23. _____
November 2. _____	January 11. _____
November 9. _____	January 18. _____
November 16. _____	January 25. _____

ADA PARENT\*TEACHER COUNCIL

All the towns in the state are organizing for any emergency which might arise and have called on our schools to help carry out this program.

The P. T. A. is asking a woman in each block (or given area) to serve as a "Block Mother". Such an organization could be used effectively, not only in war efforts, but also in any large emergency such as fire, tornado, epidemics etc. Though the duties of such a person are not heavy we do feel they are of great importance and the person assuming such responsibility will be making a great contribution to our war effort.

These are some of the things which will be required of a Block Mother.

1. Find out who your air-raid warden is; and cooperate with him in any way. He needs your help in your own block.
2. List the families in your block-with the children and their ages. Elderly people and invalids should also be listed. Card files will be made of all pre-school children.
3. Be willing to assume the responsibility of a child during an emergency if the parent is absent.
4. Check your "first aid kit" and see that you have essentials for minor injuries.
5. Help the P. T. A. in working out a plan for the women in each Block alternating in taking the responsibility of children in case of an emergency, so that at least one woman in the block will be at home at all times.

Most of these things you would do any way should the need arise but in order to be assured that we are doing all we can to protect our children we are working out this systematic plan. Will you help us put it into immediate effect by volunteering your services as a "Block Mother"? This a way in which you can render a big service yet remain in your home.

Sign \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Return this to your principal-

*In response to the suggestion that food be sent to the school to establish an emergency food shelf, two hundred and ten cans of food were sent from the homes in this district.*

*The chairman of the committee to prepare this food in case of any emergency is Mrs. D. E. Atkinson, members of the committee are Mrs. D. D. Albright and Mrs. Vivian M<sup>c</sup> Koy. These women have completed the course in nutrition, and are assuming the responsibility for preparation of the food, if the need should arise.*

A special first aid kit is kept intact at the school, this was furnished by the P. T. A.

The Chairman of the First Aid Committee is Mrs. E. M. Gullatt, members who have completed first aid courses are,

Mrs. Bill Crawford

Mrs. W. O. Smith

Mrs. Vival McRoy

Mrs. Allie Coleman

Mrs. D. D. Albright

Mrs. Harrall Allen

Mrs. J. H. Overstreet

Mrs. Robert Mullins

Miss Flora Thompson.

The P. T. A. sponsored the Clare Tree Major plays for war time morale. The following is the list of plays for this season.

Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm.

Maid of Carlyle.

Hansel and Gretel.

Beauty and The Beast.

## War Relic To Scrap Pile

German Helmet Sent From  
Battlefield 25 Years Ago

Mrs. J. W. Bolen, 130 West 17th, is making a contribution to the scrap pile that has far above the average attachment. It is a German helmet, picked up from a battle field in the first world war, sent to her by C. C. Williams, formerly an attorney here and brother of the Oklahoma war time governor, Robert L. Williams.

The helmet made of heavy steel still carries a bit of European soil on it.

When Mr. Williams got the helmet in Europe, he simply wrote Mrs. Bolen's name on it and her address and dropped it into the mail. It came through without delay, unwrapped and unpacked. She treasures it highly, but thinks it will be worth more in bullets to be sent back to the place from whence it came.

She has other heirlooms and sentimental articles she has collected over the years, most of which will go into the pile of scrap Pontotoc county is stacking up for Uncle Sam and the American fighters.

Mr. Bolen was district judge here at the time the helmet arrived.

## Third Of Way To Scrap Goal

County Piling Up Metal,  
Campaign Speeds Up

Pontotoc County scrap dealers received 335 tons, or 670,000 pounds of scrap metal the first week of the three weeks campaign to collect scrap for the nation's war industries.

This is about a third of the total of 1,000 tons set by the local campaign chairmen. Actually to win a national award it will be necessary to get twice that much. This county, however, has already shipped this year 5,000 tons, or 125 pounds per capita. It is necessary to collect 100 pounds per person to win a national award, but no actual quotas have been set for Oklahoma. Every county is expected to get in all the scrap.

Saturday afternoon the Ada Iron and Metal company reported it had received 600,000 pounds, in round numbers, the totals being a few pounds more or less. The Ada Pipe and Supply company had received 70,000 pounds.

## Meeting Saturday to Settle Final Scrap Drive Plans And Scrap to Start Moving Monday

Get Scrap Together, Citizens Being Told, And  
Arrangements Will Be Made to Get It to Junkyards

Scrap iron, steel and rubber is expected to begin pouring into the yards of the scrap dealers on North Broadway early Monday morning and keep up the stream for at least three weeks.

Salvage committees and school principals and superintendents will get together at the court house at 10 o'clock Saturday morning to have all phases of the campaign explained.

Salvage depots have been established throughout the county. Scrap can be taken to them or it can be brought in to the yards in Ada. As soon as a ton has been accumulated at any place, the junk dealers will go out and haul it in without charge. The price they pay has been set by the government.

### How to Get Scrap Moved

"How am I going to get my scrap to the dealers?" is a question often asked.

In the first place, you can take it to the dealers or have it taken. The chances are the money paid for the scrap will be more than enough to pay for the hauling, but if it does not, that should not

deter one. After all, this is a war of every citizen. It is a pittance for any one to go to the trouble to get this junk to the place where it can be used in the war.

### Donate or Sell

If you can get a ton together, the scrap dealers will get it for you without cost. Organizations, including the schools, will be collecting it. You can donate your scrap to them if you so desire. You can throw it into pens which will be erected about the business district of Ada. You can give to the man who hauls trash. He will haul it for what he can get for it. The Boy Scouts are willing to help.

### Don't Leave Any Scrap

The salvage committees are busy men. There is no money to pay for collecting the scrap. So the committees point out that any citizens ought to be able to work out his own way of getting the scrap hauled in.

"Not a scrap of scrap about my house after October 17" should be the slogan of every family in Pontotoc county.

### Just Well Begun

The campaign is just getting started. The schools are swinging into the drive with energy. The Ada schools have already turned in part of their collections, but most of it will come in this week. McCall's Chapel, just west of Allen, is going after one of the state prizes. It hopes to be the top for any school. The enrollment is considered. Other schools are likewise trying for some of the prizes.

### Maxwell Heard From

John W. Beard reported intense interest at Maxwell. Bill Fleming has collected 7,000 pounds and is still going after more. Two of the Maxwell women saddled their horses and made all the homes in the bend of the Canadian river. The scrap they found is being brought to Maxwell and will be brought to the junk yards this week. Mrs. Mack Fleming put in her sewing machine, rolling it down to the pile herself in a wheelbarrow.

Homer is staging a scrap rally tonight at the school house three miles east of Ada.

"We appeal to every citizen to appoint himself or herself a committee of one," drive sponsors said Saturday. "You have not done your duty if any of your own scrap or that of your neighbor is left at the end of this drive. Let's clean it out—and we mean clean it out."

## News Turns In Its Scrap, Pens For Scrap Are Filling

Clubs, Scouts, Schools,  
Individuals Start Scrap  
Collection in Serious Mood

Scrap metal and rubber started moving early Monday as the new drive, sponsored by the newspapers of the nation, got underway.

The Ada News was the first to get its scrap to the scrap dealer in Ada, the metal arriving just a few minutes after 7 o'clock Monday morning. The weight was 1,100 pounds or more than half a ton. It was given to the Boy Scouts and Bobby Hensley and Doyle Newburn loaded it on the truck and helped dispose of it. The money received, amounting to \$5.00 will be used for the charity activities of the Boy Scouts and the Grenfell Bible class.

Reports from the salvage yards Monday noon indicated the receipts are to be heavy. But the drive has just started, and there are thousands of tons in the county to be brought in, drive chairman announced.

Several organizations are taking part. The Ada Lions club has erected three pens, at the corner of Twelfth and Stockton, the corner of Main and Broadway and the corner of Main and Conant. The Kiwanis club has one on West Main by the McSwain Theatre, and the Boy Scouts have one on East Main by the Ritz Theatre. Other organizations will collect one way or another.

The Ada schools are starting their collection and will continue through the three weeks or until every piece of scrap located has been turned in.

## Ada Schools Pile Up Big Quantities Of Scrap Metals

Highway Department Will  
Furnish Trucks to Haul  
Their Scrap Away

The Ada schools are piling up the scrap about the school buildings, and Superintendent C. Dan Procter thinks the collection is coming along satisfactorily.

The state highway department has agreed to furnish trucks to haul the scrap metal to the junk yards. The trucks will begin collecting and hauling the scrap Tuesday afternoon and will continue through Wednesday, and Thursday also if it requires that much time.

Meanwhile, Superintendent Procter urges all citizens of the school district to cooperate with the pupils and make the collection as nearly a hundred per cent as possible.

Transportation of the scrap is one of the most difficult angles of the entire campaign. Through the courtesy of E. B. Bursack, chief engineer of the highway division located here, this has been solved so far as the school program goes. But the trucks can be used only this week, and to take advantage of the unusual opportunity, it is necessary to get the scrap in now, not the last of the week or next week.

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