Schools AT WAR

A REPORT TO THE NATION

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SCHOOL ELK CITY HIGH SCHOOL

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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 Elk City High School

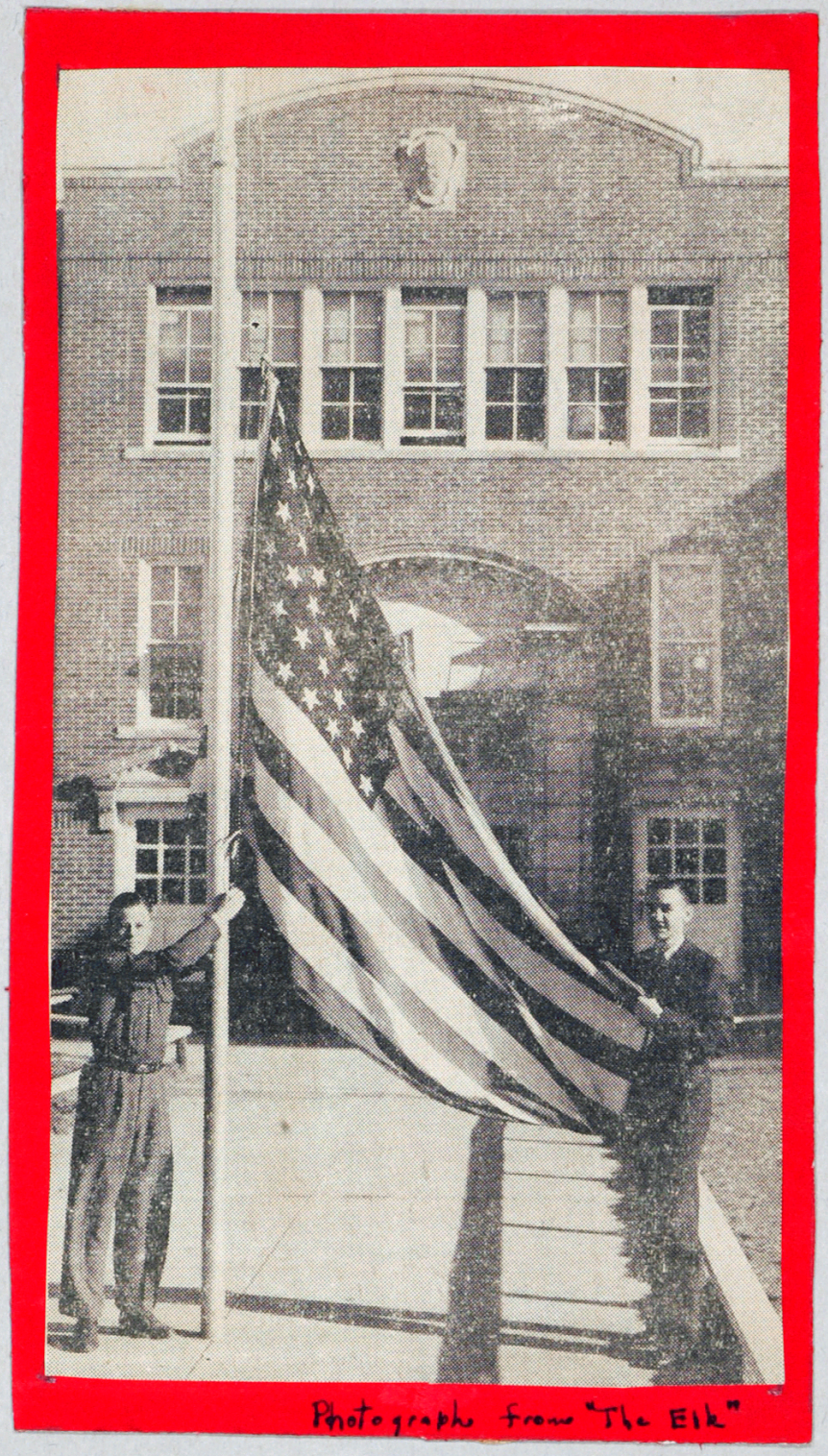
Address Elk City
Oklahoma

Enrollment 200 Grades

No. of Teachers 9 No. of Classrooms

Size of Community 500

Cash Value of War Stamps and Bonds sold during SCHOOLS AT WAR Program High School $1825
100 students participating
9 teachers participating



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"WAR SAVINGS PLAN"

I ORGANIZATION

A. Home room sales

B. Stamp booth in central hall

II SELLING DEVICE

A. Contests between home rooms with a free show at the local theatre for the home room selling the largest amount.

B. Thermometer at stamp booth showing sales for high school and junior high school. The daily sales are shown on the thermometer with a goal of $250 for each department for each school month. At various stages on the thermometer it is indicted what can be purchased for the amount purchased to date.

"SCHOOLS AT WAR" PLAN

ELK CITY HIGH SCHOOL

ELK CITY, OKLAHOMA

In a democracy the public schools play an important part in training for citizenship. This is an essential function in time of peace, but even more necessary when our nation is at war.

The principal objective of the "Schools at War" plan is to utilize the entire curricular and extra curricular program in making every possible contribution to the war effort.

Courses in aeronautics and advanced mathematics have been made available to the students. Geography classes stress the global concept so necessary in the air age.

Enrollment in physical fitness classes is required of all students, except those who present doctor's certificates showing physical disability.

School cafeteria facilities are being constantly enlarged to provide well-balanced meals for the entire school at a nominal price of ten cents.

The High School Victory Corps has been organized with a large percentage of high school students enrolled for general membership and a number enrolled in the special divisions.

Special projects carried out by the school as a whole and by school organizations have contributed and are contributing to the war effort.

Celebrating "National Education Week" an impressive parade of 1,000 school children marched through downtown Elk City. The theme of the parade was "Schools at War". Heading the parade were members of High way Patrol followed by the mayor, and two horsemen carrying the American and school flags. These were followed by various units of the grade school. The American History float and marching units showed "The History of the Flag we Defend". The next floats pointed out the importance mathematics and science play in the war effort. These were followed by a group of Boy and Girl Scouts. The senior homr room float displayed the necessity of "Work for War and Study for Peace to Come". The junior float showed the soldiers in the trenches and utilized the Red Cross theme. The sophomore float stressed the importance of collecting, conserving rubber and scrap metal. F. F. A. and F. H. O. members cooperated in a float which stressed the importance of foods in winning the war. An impressive float stressing the importance of physical fitness during the war was sponsored by the two physical education teachers.

At the conclusion of the parade the high school band and a selected group of student leaders presented a patriotic program featuring the "Schools at War" plan. The program was presented in front of the radio station K. A. S. A., which also carried a broadcast of the program.

During the parade motion pictures in technicolor were taken to keep as a part of the history of the school.

As a part of this program a regular program of visual education contributes to knowledge of World affairs. A series of motion pictures have been shown to Elk City students in order to give increased understanding of World affairs.

A series of South American pictures were shown to create a better feeling between the countries.

These pictures help the student to understand more clearly the customs and religions of South America. Some of these were "A Line From Yucatani", "Guatemala", "Fiesta of the Hills","A Day in Mexico", and "South American Medly".

Several educational and historical pictures were shown such as "Yellowstone National Park", "Zion National Park," "Man Against Microbe", "Romance of Rubber", "Rayon", "Chapter in American Progress", New World Through Chemistry", "Old H ickory", "Under Southern Stars","Target for Tonight" etc.

On January 6, three Oklahoma Highway Patrolmen demonstrated to the highschool students several materials used in war. The patrolmen passed around sevenval poisonus gases among which were Tear Gas, Mustard Gas, Lewisite Gas, and Chlorine gas. They explained the effects of the gases and what to do for persons who come in contact with them. They then compared the World War I gas mask with those used in this war. They passed around an army training mask for students to examine and then showed slides of several types of masks for civilians, children and gas boxes and sacks for infants. The incendiary bomb was explained and compared with enemy incendiaries and with those of Great Britian. Magnesium and other substances used in incendiaries were burned for the students so as to see what it was like and the length of time they burned. They also explained how to fight incendiaries in case they were dropped here.

Preparation is being made for bomb drills for the students safety in case the need should arise.

The girls in the home-economics department are doing their part too. They are undertaking a city-wide collection of waste fats. The girls are doing this to help out in the schools program to co-operate with every phase of the war-effort. The housewives of Elk City are being asked to put their waste fats in suitable containers and place them of their front porches for the girls to pick up, or to bring their fats to the high school and give it to the home-economics department. This department also helps in our lunch room program.

The student assembly committee is also co-operating with the war-effort.

On Armistice Day the students held a very impressive assembly. The ritual was led by Girl and Boy Scouts. The commander of the Elk City American Legion gave a brief address. There were several patricotic numbers and reading given by students. The stage scene was Flanders Field. At eleven the whole assembly rose and observed a moment of silence which was broken by a drum roll.

Among other projects we have had patriotic plays during the first semester. The Senior class presented a play "Carry On" which takes place during a English blitzkrieg in a bomb shelter. The Juniors presented a play entitled "Youth and Uncle Sam". It stresses how the students should act toward their teachers and school work during this war. The assembly committee sponsored a dramatic play on December 7 entitled "China Forever". It was a timely play about China and Japan. Also each Monday the High School and Junior High have joint assemblies an hear a radio broadcast sent out by the Oklahoma University explaining the Victory Corps.

Another feature of the assembly programs is the recognition of students who go into the service during the school year. A short memorial service was held honoring the boys who have given their lives in the service of their country.

Several other student committees are helping the school to be more patriotic. One is the flay

committee, which is in charge of raising and lowering the flag. They stress flag respect each day when the flag is being raised or lowered. Any student whether two blocks away or on the school ground stops and stands at attention until it is fully raised. This committee takes the flag down when it rains and lowers it to half mast on proper occassions.

Also there is a War Effort Committee, which is organized to sponsor and give publicity to war projects carried on by the school as a whole, including the sale of war bonds and stamps. They have constructed a bulletin board on which will be placed thennames of the boys in the service who have attended Elk City High School.

HELP U.S. SCRATCH

RISING SUN OFF THE MAP

BUY BONDS

One of a series made by members of the Senior class

Best Student Work

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Education Week Sees "Schools At War"

John E. Holcomb

Local Observance Is Announced For November 22 to 25

Features Of Week Include Parade, Radio Broadcast, And Night Program

Highlighting the city's contribution to the four-day program for American Education Week, an impressive parade of children from city schools will be held next Tuesday morning at 10:00 a. m., according to a statement issued by John E. Holcomb, chairman of the committee of arrangements.

The theme of the parade will be "Serving Wartime Needs,' which coincides with the national Schools At War program now functioning in the Elk City schools.

Known as the Schools At War parade, the Tuesday procession will be featured by floats, the Elk City high school band, scouts, and other uniformed groups, and will serve the dual purpose of calling attention to American Education week and likewise indicating the extent of this city's participation in the Schools at War program. The committee of arrangements includes the faculties of elementary, junior high, and high school.

Immediately following the parade a radio broadcast will be given over station KASA.

Tuesday night beginning at 7:30 an all-school program of plays featuring the Schools at War will be presented for the public in the high school auditorium. At this time high school students will present a patriotic drama as their contribution. Junior high school will be featured in a pageant entitled, "Freedoms for Which We Fight.' The grade group will entertain with the play "And the Stars Heard."

Each day of American Education Week will be marked by excises that feature a special theme. "Renewing Our Faith," is the theme scheduled for next Sunday when the program will be announced from the city's pulpits; "Building Strong Bodies," is the theme for Monday; "Developing Loyal Citizens," for Tuesday; and "Cultivating Knowledges and Skills,' for Wednesday.

The general theme for American Education Week is "Education for Free Men.' This was evolved as a result of findings of the First World War, when it was disclosed that 25 per cent of the men examined were illiterate. In fact, many were foreign-born, with little understanding of the American way of life for which we are now fighting. To correct this, American Education Week was developed, with the broad purpose of acquainting the people with the needs, aims, and achievements of the schools. It has done much to establish the high standard of education apparent among draftees inducted into our armed forces of today.

One Year Ago Today—Rededication

Who can forget that peaceful Sunday a year ago yesterday when everyone was startled to hear the announcer blurt out over the air that Pearl Harbor had been attacked? Students came to school on Monday, December 8, (a year ago today) hardly realizing that their country had been suddenly and treacherously thrown into a world conflict.

At 11:15 there was an assembly in the auditorium. A radio was on the stage and tuned for the time when we were to hear the voice of the Pesident of our country. How tense we sat there—years of history were packed into those few moments. We heard a speech we would long remember. The President announced that we were at war—great applause broke over the auditorium. Yeah! We'd lick the Japs! We'd show 'em .

So, our peaceful life was interrupted. Our care-free days were over. The war was to find its way into our very beings with moments of toiling and stiving for our individual existence.

Who knew then what we were to face? How might the situation look on December 8, 1942? Were we ready to fight?

Today, we look back, what has been the price of civilization for this year of destruction? Will the war last another year? What will be the condition of our land on December 8, 1943?

We can answer some of those questions now . . . but to the others, only time will tell. Yes, we were prepared to fight in a way. We had the spirit . . . that was displayed at Wake Island and Bataan. Instantly we set to work. Bonds and stamps were sold. Thousands of Americans entered the armed forces. Boys from Elk City, boys from our own high school, were killed in bloody battles of the first days of the war.

We, the students of this school, have set out to avenge their deaths—to avenge Pearl Harbor. We have bought bonds and stamps, collected scrap, and joined the forces. But this day, December 8, 1942, we stand in defiance, and pledge that all our efforts shall be directed toward the war effort, that through more sacrifice of our daily life we shall strive to place ourselves on the fighting front.

We cannot do this by sitting back and waiting for the other fellow. We must join in the fight. Various posters on the school bulletin boards represent the spirit of the students, of Elk City high school—Elk City high school at war!!! So, stand up and fight!!! On this day of December 8, 1942, let us rededicate ourselves to the task before us that it may never be said that Elk City high school failed to do its part.—J. D. D.

Scrap Metal Drive Nets About 74 Tons From City Pupils

Linnie Lee Loftiss Wins School Contest Collecting 25,120 Pounds

Elk City students after combing the entire vicinity for the past three weeks have collected about 74 tons of scrap metal to aid in the contest drive which officially ended last Saturday, October 17.

In the county contest which terminated October 7, home room winners were the sixth grade of Mrs. Carmen Gilkerson in grade school and the eighth grade group of Cecil Boyer in junior high school. These two groups were awarded a trip to the picture show free of charge.

Home room winners in the local school contest, ending October 17, were Mrs. Julia Pool's 3rd grade for the first three grades; Mrs. Clifford Jones' 5th grade, for grades 4-6; the eighth grade home room of Cecil Boyer for junior high; and the junior home room of Mrs. Bruce Storm for high school. Grade school winners will attend a free picture show while winners in the secondary schools will receive a half holiday reward.

Individual winners for the entire school was Linnie Lee Loftis, who will receive a one dollar defense stamp for collecting 25,120 pounds. She is a 5th grade student of Mrs. Clifford Jones.

Individual winners in each home room, who will be awarded twenty-five cent stamps were Royse Parr, Jack Tisdal, Bobby Langley, Adelia Beth Peeler, Roy King, Jane Huffman, William Reynolds, Jimmy McGuire, Clarence Smith, Kenneth Brinkley, Bill Strother, Linnie Lee Loftiss, and Kenneth Headrick in grade school; Billy Jo Bass, Delovris Davis, Martha Ann Kelly, Orville Word, Bobby Jerrell, and Wayland Heatley in junior high, and Mary Sue Brooks, J. D. Trissell, Roy Francis, Paul Bryant, and Juanita Loftiss in high school.

All articles on this page appeared in the school newspaper, "The Elk"

Best Radio Script

SCHOOLS AT WAR IN AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

MUSIC: "BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC" BAND

SUSTAIN FOR ONE STANZA: OVER REFRAIN FADE FOR

ANNOUNCER: Do you hear the band?...That's young America!...Young American on the march!...Today, in Elk City 1000 school children have marched in a grand parade to inauguarate their own program, "The Schools at War"...as a part of American Education Week. That parade has brought them to the K.A.S.A. Radio Station. Here, in the half hour to follow they will be greeted by Mayor V. C. Tisdal, John E. Holcomb, Supt. of Schools, Rev. Joe Strother, Paster of Broadway Methodist Church as master of ceremonies, F. E. Mayhew, Pres. R. T. A., Miss Frances Mitchell, chairman of War Effort Committee, and Drayton Glasgow, student leader. These boys and girls, who represent thirty million others throughout the nation - are gathered today to report to the nation ... and the world ... the part they are playing in this war to preserve the land and liberty they love. Listen to them! They are young America! They are the "School at War!"

MUSIC: UP AND SUSTAIN TO FINISH AT NEAREST CADENCE

ANNOUNCER: Now, _____a young Elk City high school student, steps to the front of the platform to lead his fellow students and the assembled crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CHILDREN: (IN UNISON) I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the country for which it stands...one nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all!

MUSIC: PLAYOFF: LAST TWO BARS "BATTLE HYMN"

ANNOUNCER: The "Schools at War" campaign is sponsored by the War Savings Staff of the Treasury Department and the U. S. Office of Education...It is celebrated today as a part of American Education Week...For this is the day set aside for all schools to study their task of "Serving Wartime Needs"...The master of ceremonies for today's program is Rev. Joe Strother, Pastor of the Methodist Church.

MASTER OF CERMONIES Thank you, Mr. F. E. Mayhew! Yes, ladies and gentlemen, the schools of America are on the march! They are on the march to preserve their freedom....They are on the march in the adobe school in the silence of the sands of Arizona; in the red school house mid the rustle of pines on a New Hampshire hillside, and they are on the march with the muffled roar of voices and the rumble of many feet in the schools of New York, and Chicago, and Los Angles...Yes, the schools are at war...A war for their very existence! Yes, On September 25, 1789, 153 years ago, Congress submitted to the States the charter of our liberties - the Bill of Rights...It has made possible independence of thought, conscience and action.....It underlies our free schools...Through the years it has guaranteed the freedoms for which we fight, for which the schools are fighting today...That is the theme of American Education Week Education for Free Men....Mayor V. C. Tisdal won't you tell us more about American Education Week?

MAYOR: Of course I will....American Education Week is one of the most important weeks in the whole year....It is the time set aside for America to study its schools and to become better acquainted with our young citizens. American Education Week is the 4th week in November...the week which includes Thanksgiving Day, November 26. This year the dates are Nov. 22-26.

MASTER OF CEREMONIES How did American Education Week originate, Mayor Tisdal?

MAYOR: That is one of the most interesting things, Rev. Strother. It originated 21 years ago and grew out of conditions revealed by the draft in the first World War...

MASTER OF CEREMONIES: What do you mean by that?

MAYOR: IN The last war it was found that 25% of the men who were drafted were illiterate and 29% were physically unfit...These were startling figures...Members of the newly formed American Legion wished to help correct these conditions.....

MASTER OF CEREMONIES: Is the American Legion a sponsor of American Education Week?

MAYOR: It is one of four sponsors....The National Congress of Parents and Teachers, The National Education Association, the U. S. Office of Education, are the other three...Since 1921 these four national organizations have sponsored the annual campaign for education known as American Education Week.

MASTER OF CEREMONIES: And the theme this year is "Education for Free Men?"

MAYOR: That's right....It is the ideal for which we are fighting today....It is the whole objective of the United Nations....to preserve the way of life that will assure education for free men.....

MASTER OF CEREMONIES: Tell us, Mayor Tisdal, what can the cummunity do to support American Education Week and its ideal of Education for Free Men?

MAYOR: American Education Week is the community.....It is the Community learning about its schools....That means visiting the schools...getting acquainted with the teachers... studying the exhibits of student work...understanding what the schools are striving to do...It means seeing our schools at war.

MASTER OF CEREMONIES: That's an invitation every one of us would like to accept...one that everyone of us should accept..Thank you, Mayor Tisdal, for telling us about American Education Week and for that fine invitation to visit our schools. I think I can assure you that we will be there...every one of us to visit our schools

MUSIC: SCHOOL BAND

MASTER OF CEREMONIES: Thank you, Mr. Carmichael...And now from our local schools comes one whose special work is directing the activities of American Education Week, Mr. F. E. Mayhew, Pres. P. T. A.

P. T. A. As representative of the teachers of the schools of Elk City I want to confirm Mayor Tisdal's invitation for every citizen in the community to visit our schools this week... American Education Week....In this time of crisis, our schools have the biggest job in history of education...That means we must undertake extraordinary things in these extraordinary times...American Education Week takes on a new significance this year...its theme "Education for Free Men" means more to us today, for we are seeing one group after another of free men fighting on bloody battlefields to preserve their freedom. In a democracy we demand that we know what we are fighting for and why we are fighting...We insist that we know the kind of peace we will try to establish...To know these things we must have education...education for everyone...That is the foundation stone for democracy.. American Education Week reaffirms these truths and directs us to our schools as the place where our young citizens are learning about their responsibilities and privileges as citizens of a democracy...If you will visit our schools during American Education Week, I believe you will see that our students are learning through doing...are learning in school today those things which will equip them as tomorrow's citizens in a world of free men...Today, Tuesday, November 24, is dedicated to one of the great objectives of our schools..."Serving Wartime Needs"...For total war means that everyone is at war... our factories at war, our farms at war, our homes at war, and our schools at war.....

MASTER OF CEREMONIES: Thank you, Mr. Mayhew. You make us want to hear more about how ourschools are serving wartime needs....I understand that our schools are enrolled as real fighting units in the SCHOOLS AT WAR program sponsored by the Treasury Department and the U. S. Office of Education. Frances Mitchell, will you tell us more about how your school is serving wartime needs?

WAR EFFORT CHAIRMAN: I am proud to do that because our school has already done a fine job in serving wartime needs.

MASTER OF CEREMONIES American school children can accomplish all kinds of things once they roll up their sleeves and go to work...How long have you been at this war work?

WAR EFFORT CHAIRMAN Since long before Pearl Harbor...But until recently the schools were doing their war work as separate units...rather than as a group...The purpose of the "Schools at War" Program is to unify and organize this tremendous source of power...so that we can all work together toward a common goal.

MASTER OF CEREMONIES And just what do these thirty million young Americans accomplish in their "Schools at War" program?....

WAR EFFORT CHAIRMAN I can answer that question best by quoting our slogan: "Save.....Serve! ....Conserve! Now to begin with.....they save their money and convert it into War Savings Stamps and

Bonds...You know, the money saved by thirty million children over a period of several months will buy a great deal of the equipment our fighting men must have to win the war....

MASTER OF CEREMONIES — Yes indeed...Now, what about the second work in your slogan. I think it was "Serve"....

WAR EFFORT CHAIRMAN — "Serve" is right...And our young people serve in a great many ways...They train in First Aid, nutrition, child care, radio and telegraph communication, auxiliary police and fire fighting, enemy-plan spotting; farm work, messenger work - any number of things that make them of real service to their community and country.....

MASTER OF CEREMONIES — And the last word in your slogan?....

WAR EFFORT CHAIRMAN — The last word of the three is "Conserve"...Now we've all certainly become conscious lately of the importance of hanging on to what we have and <u>making it last</u>, for the duration...A very important part of the "Schools at War" program is teaching the children to do that...In their home economics and manual training classes they repair shoes, clothes, and furniture; they collect scrap rubber, metals, and other war materials; They are taught to waste nothing and buy wisely...

MASTER OF CEREMONIES — Tell me, Miss Mitchell, will the public have an opportunity to see some of this splendid work?....

WAR EFFORT CHAIRMAN — Indeed it will!.....All schools are preparing scrapbooks to show dramatically and colorfully what they are doing to help....These scrapbooks will be finished by January 7th - the day following the President's Report to the Nation, and our school children's army... thirty million strong - will, by means of these scrapbooks, make its own report to the nation and show what it has accomplished in the greatest movement ever undertaken to organize the children of a great nation to fight for the liberties and privileges of democracy!....

MASTER OF CEREMONIES — Thank you, Miss Mitchell for an excellent description of an inspiring patriotic project...

APPLAUSE

MUSIC — "AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL" BAND

APPLAUSE

MASTER OF CEREMONIES: — It is now my pleasure to introduce the one who is commander-in-chief or our schools, Superintendent John E. Holcomb.

SUPT. — It is true that our schools are at war...Of course, the pupils in those schools do not drive tanks, or carry guns, or throw hand grenades, but in just as vital a sense and with-

in the scope of their abilities, they are at war...By carrying our the motto of their campaign, "Save!....Serve!....Conserve!.....In the ways that Rev. Strother described, they are doing their part to hasten the day of victory.....

In this vast program the children look for help and inspiration - as rightly they should - to their teachers and their families.....

On these teachers, principals, and other school administrators, falls much of the responsibility for making the "Schools at War" program a success....Teachers are called upon to give tirelessly of time, energy, and ideas, to help plan and carry out the work of the program....That they do this - in addition to much war work outside of school hours - is a tribute to their loyalty and industry.

In a country like ours where family ties are strong, and parents not only love their children, but respect their personalities; the enthusiasms, the convictions, and the loyalties of the children are reflected at home...No one can doubt that the influence of the "Schools at War" program is going to have a great impact upon the thought and feeling of the whole American people...It will result not only in the increased purchase of War Stamps and Bond, but will also help to create a new intensity of devotion to the to the freedoms for which we fight.....The schools of Elk City are glad to participate in this program an to recognize it as a very real contribution to the War Effort!

APPLAUSE

MASTER OF CEREMONIES — You have heard the music of American youth today. But that same youth has another voice The voice of its determination to help winthis war! Drayton Glasgow will tell us the student's own story.

STUDENT: — The students of America accept the challenge thrown down to us by the enemies of our nation. We realize that our country's enemies are our enemies. So we have banded to - gether -- under the banner of the "Schools at War" -- to do battle withthem in what ways we can. And this is the rollcall of our efforts and projects. And I ask the represent- atives of these projects who are assembled here to stand, ready to answer.

Junior Red Cross

GIRLS — We are ready

STUDENT — Salvage

BOYS: — We are ready

STUDENT: — VICTORY Farm Workers

BOYS: — We are ready

STUDENT: — Nutritudon

GIRLS: — We are ready

STUDENT: — Gymnasium

BOYS: — We are ready

STUDENT First Aid

GIRLS: We are ready

STUDENT: War Savings

BOYS: We are ready

STUDENT: Junior A viation

BOYS: We are ready

STUDENT: Boys Scouts

BOYS: We are ready

STUDENT: Girl Scouts

GIRLS: We are ready

STUDENT: Radio, Science and Math

BOYS: We are ready

STUDENT: News Boys

BOYS: We are ready

STUDENT: Defense training

BOYS We are ready

STUDENT: Vocational Classes

BOYS We are ready

STUDENT: Social Science Classes

GIRLS: We are ready

STUDENT: Safety Patrol

BOYS: We are ready

STUDENT: STUDENTS OF AMERICA

ALL WE ARE READY

MUSIC MARINES HYMN BAND

MASTER OF CEREMONIES That shows young America ready to serve wartime needs, ready for war, ready for victory, ready for peace. American Education Week is intended to show the world that education for free men means education for victory.

APPLAUSE:

MUSIC "THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER" BAND AND EVERYONE SINGING

APPLAUSE AND SUSTAIN UNDER THE FOLLOWING

ANNOUNCER: This program, "Schools at War" in American Education Week came from Elk City. Music was furnished by Elk City High School Band and was conducted by Mr. Lester Carmichael..... Mayhew speaking.....This is station K.A.S.A.

Best Photograph of Scrap Drive

Heroes' Day Is Observed

Schools in Tribute To War Dead.

Rolling drums and a period of silence during assembly Tuesday morning at the city high school paid tribute to Beckham county soldiers, sailors and marines who have lost their lives in combat and in training camps in the war against the axis.

Throughout Beckham county similar memorial services were held as a part of the schools' victory drive.

The honor roll included the names of two former Elk City high school students, Rex Davis, U.S. Navy who died at Pearl Harbor, and Hugh Robertson, U.S. Army, killed by a falling plane at an Oregon training base. Also on the honor roll were Tommy Britton of Carter, U.S. Marine who died at Pearl Harbor; Lieutenant Parker Everett, Elk City, army air forces, who died in a bomber's crash in Iowa; Lieutenant Martin Stone Cluck, Erick, killed in an air accident in the Far East after he had been credited with shooting down two Japanese planes in combat; H. G.G. Sorrell, Sayre, victim of gunshot wounds in Porto Rico, and Sam Nevill, Hext, lost at Pearl Harbor.

The schools observed Heroes Day as the week long county-wide scrap collection drive sponsored by Oklahoma newspapers.

Armistice Program Given In Assembly

In observance of Armisice day an appropriate program was presented last Wednesday morning in assembly.

The music was furnished by the high school band under the direction of Lester Carmichael.

The school ritual was performed by the girl scouts and boy scouts.

Remarks were made by C. C. Fuller, post commander of the Elk City American Legion. Whistling of patriotic songs by Ernestine Black was a feature of the program.

"Children's Pilgrimage of 1940," dramatic reading, was given by Mary Ansel. The "Artillery Song" and "America" were presented by Carl Hawkins at the piano.

As the scene of Flander's field was shown, "Angels of Mercy" was sung by Patty Erickson, dressed in appropriate costume. The reading "Flander's Field" was given by Frances Mitchell and "Taps" played by Joe Fenter.

Members of American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary were honor guests.

Dramatic Play Is Given December 7

Again a dramatic play contributed to the success and entertainment of the assembly when "China Forever" was presented yesterday, December 7.

The time was 1937 when the Japanese first attacked China, to begin the war which is in progress today. The cast was chosen with Shirlee Jeanne Storm playing the role of Chung-U. Her son, Kai, and daughter, Mei, Mei, were played by Richard Pettit and Ruby Mae Morse, respectively. Su Ling was played by Margaret Jo Holcomb and the Japanese soldier by Bobby Campbell.

The play was directed by Mrs. Helen Hackworth and Drayton Glasgow.

Plays Are Featured On Assembly Program

Two plays have been presented in high school assemblies the last two weeks. concluding the series of home room programs.

Today the junior home room of Ernest Andrews presented a comedy "Youth and Uncle Sam" and in contrast the senior room last week gave a short drama. This play was particularly timely as it took place in England 1942. The following students participated in the dramatic production: Mary Ansel, Wilda Isley, Drayton Glasgow, Iris Calvert, Melvin Isley, and Frances Mitchell. Senior home room sponsors who aided in direction the play were Miss Florine Gray and W. R. Fleming.

Activities Reported In Elk City School

Presenting the third in a series of home-room assembly programs, the seniors of Elk City high school gave a play featuring the war in England. The cast included Drayton Glasgow, Mary Ansel, Frances Mitchell, Wilda Isley, Melvin Isley, and Iris Calvert. The setting was in an England bomb shelter.

This play showed the people reacting to a dictator; thus promoting democracy. The play ended with the reading of the last stanza of "The Murder of Ledic... by Vincent Millet. ... was presented ... of W. R...

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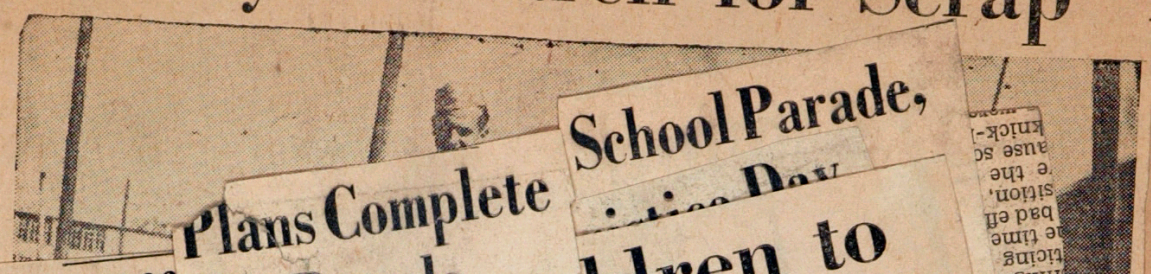

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DAILY NEWS

Parade Will Highlight School Week

Group To March Tuesday of Next Week.

Highlighting Elk City's contribution to the four-day program for American Education Week, which begins next Sunday, Nov. 22, and continues through the following Wednesday, an impressive parade of children from city schools will be held next Tuesday morning at 10 a. m. according to a statement issued Friday by John E. Holcomb, Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements, following a meeting at the high school.

The theme of the parade will be "Serving Wartime Needs," which coincides with the national Schools At War program now functioning in the schools in this city.

FLOATS FEATURED

Known as the "Schools At War" parade, the Tuesday's procession will be featured by floats, band, Scouts and other uniformed groups, and will serve the dual purpose of calling attention to American Education Week and likewise indicating the extent of this city's participation in the Schools At War program. The committee of arrangements includes in addition to chairman, John E. Holcomb, the P.T.A., the churches and other civic organizations and faculties of the elementary, junior high and senior high schools.

Each day of American Education Week will be marked by exercises that feature a special theme. "Renewing Our Faith," is the theme scheduled for next Sunday when the program will be announced from the city's pulpits; "Building Strong Bodies," is the theme for Monday "Developing Loyal Citizens," for Tuesday; "Cultivating Knowledges and Skills," for Wednesday.

The general theme for American Education Week is "Education for Free Men." This was evolved as a result of findings of the First World War, when it was disclosed that 25 percent of the men examined were illiterate.

In fact, many were foreign-born, with little understanding of the American way of life for which we are now fighting. To correct this, American Education Week was developed, with the broad purpose of acquainting the people with the needs, aims, and achievements of the schools. It has done much to establish the high standard of education apparent among draftees inducted into our armed forces of today. Records show that 40 percent of those now examined for service have gained a high school education.

One of the worthwhile achievements of the schools here and in other cities is being evidenced now in the Schools At War Program launched in Washington, D. C., last September 25th. Monday's parade is patterned after the celebration which launched this event in the National Capital.

SCHOOLS OPEN

American Education Week is sponsored by the National Education Association, the American Legion, the U.S. Office of Education, and the National Congress of Parents and Teachers. Schools will be open to the public next Monday through Wednesday, in order that those interested may see how America's plan of free education functions.

The parade on Tuesday at 10 o'clock will be followed by a program at KASA Radio Station during which school authorities and other

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School Children Pile Up 11 Tons Scrap in First Day Drive

Classes Ignored In All-Out Metals Collection Here.

BULLETIN

Slightly more than 11 tons of scrap metal had been weighed in at the city schools at 3:30 p.m. and a considerable amount was being held over to be weighed Wednesday, Superintendent John E. Holcomb said.

The total at 3:30 p.m. was 22,170 pounds.

At the same time it was announced the students had located many large pieces of scrap iron which would have to be moved by trucks. An appeal for trucks to carry the more bulky scrap was being made.

Elk City school children, digging into alleys cellars, creek beds and vacant lots had unearthed and delivered an estimated 10 tons of scrap metal in the first day of their week's Victory scrap collection drive—and the scrap pile was growing hourly.

Classes held only secondary consideration Tuesday as hundreds of children toiled with toy wagons, wheelbarrows and any other means available to deliver the scrap to the school grounds in an all-out war effort.

Superintendent John E. Holcomb and a corps of teachers trying to weigh the scrap and issue receipts for its delivery were literally swamped and success of the drive exceeded all expectations here.

First goals were for each pupil to bring in his own weight in scrap metal. Many reached that goal or exceeded it and were out again after more scrap.

Some rooms were organized along army lines with promotions promised on the basis of scrap delivered—bring in your weight in scrap and you were a first class private; double your weight and be a corporal; triple it and be a sergeant. The sky was the limit.

Some of the students arrived in trucks loaded with scrap before school time Tuesday morning. There were trailer loads delivered and many family cars and their precious tires were pressed into service to deliver the more bulky pieces. At mid-afternoon from every direction the toy wagons loaded almost to the breaking point were coming in. Boys carried what they could manage on bicycle handebars or in delivery baskets.

"Home rooms of the school children were getting full credit for the scrap delivered. Each pupil gets a receipt showing the number of pounds weighed in. There will be prizes of special picture shows, half holidays and defense stamps for the winning home rooms and individual students.

The drive was the opening gun of the Oklahoma newspapers' $4,000 scrap drive contests here. Schools throughout the counties were presenting similar scenes as the school children went out-out to help win the war.

Students Will Present Plays

Three Groups To Assist in Program.

As one of the main features of National Education week which is being observed in Elk City Nov. 22 to Nov. 25 a program of three one-act plays will be presented, at 7:30 o'clock Tuesday night in the high school auditorium.

Senior high school will present a patriotic drama, "Carry On," which takes place in England in a bomb shelter during the English blitzkrieg. Drayton Glasgow will play the part of the father; Frances Mitchell and Mary Ansel will portray his two daughters; the latter's children, her small son of 12, will be played by Wilda Isley and the part of her is taken by Iris Calvert. The daughter's fiance is played by Melvin Isley, W. R. Fleming is coach of this play.

Junior high school's portion of the Tuesday night program will be a pageant, entitled "Freedoms For Which We Fight." The charters are Audyne Carter, who will act as narrator; Morgan Hunter, a German officer; Robert Davis, musician; Jolene Bruton, wife of the musician; Georganna Mitchell, mother; L. V. Baker, minister. Group characters are Jack Standifer, soldier; Jack Nickols, sailor; Joe Wayne Shaw, aviator; Negella Abrams, WAVE; Patty Baldwin, WAAC; Donald Ligion, Bobby Sprowls, Ernestine Black, and Lodema Poff, war workers; Harriet Lou Nutt, Charlene Mayhew, Buddy Hall, Peggy Wolfenden, Civilian Defense Workers. Coaches are Mrs. J. M. Smith and Mrs. George Peeler.

Grade school will be featured in a pageant, "And the Stars Heard." Characters are as follows: Billy Cooper, Bill Strother; Mrs. Cooper, Ann Jones; Mrs. Cooper. Clyde Barton; Doug, Stanley Hooper; Joey, Orion Estes; Peper, Billy Windham; Miss Brooks, Shirlee Jeanne Storm, (Jr. high student); Ann, Jane Standifer; Bob, Gene Boyett; Mary Nancy Gould; and Jim Gale Simkins. Miss Susie Mae Warkentin is directing the plageant.

The high school band will aid with the entire program.

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Program Will Follow Parade

Speeches, Music Will Be Tuesday.

Plans for the program to follow the "Schools at War" parade, to be held here next Tuesday in connection with American Education Week, were discussed by the committee of arrangements Friday at the High School auditorium, Chairman John E. Holcomb stated.

Assembling at the high school, the parade will start at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning, and march along Second street to Main street then south to the Rock Island Tracks and return to Radio Station K.A.S.A., at which time a patriotic program will begin.

The grand marshal of the parade will be Dr. V. C. Tisdal, mayor and there will be twenty-two units in line, including Elk City High School Band, and eight uniformed groups composed of Scouts and other bodies. Banners carried by the sudents will identify each unit, and posters prepared by Woodrow Pearcy, Grade School principal, in addition to many supplied by the War Savings Staff, will be featured in the line of march.

When the parade reaches Main street, the various units will march into areas specially set aside for this purpose. The program of band music and speeches by school representative and other notables will begin. The speaker of the day will be Rev. Joe Strother.

The theme for the day, "Serving Wartime Needs," set up nationally in Washington for American Education Week will be the theme of Tuesday's celebration. All of the national sponsors, including the National Education Association, the American Legion, the U. S. Office of Education, and the National Congress of Parents and Teachers, will be represented either in the parade or on the platform at the ceremonies which immediately follow. Work of the "Schools At War" program, sponsored nationally by the Education Section of the Treasury Department's War Savings Staff, and the U. S. Office of Education and its Wartime Commission, will be featured as part of this celebration.

Elks Ready to Drop Football

Final Decision to Come at Once.

Football probably is on its way out here for the duration of the war, High School Principal Robert F. Ready said Saturday.

The Elks were beaten 82-0 Friday night at Clinton, their third shutout defeat by a top heavy score in as many tries this season, and it was believed that all scheduled games would be cancelled early next week.

School officials believe that with the war effort uppermost in most minds and with more boys working than in previous seasons, football has about run its course here until the war is over.

Mr. Ready said he discussed the situation with members of the Elk team in their dressing room after the game at Clinton and found most of the boys in favor of disbanding the team.

The Elks have been handicapped this year by lack of seasoned material. Although a fair sized squad was a hand Friday night, most of the players were youngsters who had little practice and no experience.

A decision will be made early in the week as to whether the team will try to continue for another week in order to meet Erick here next Friday night in a Midwestern conference game. However, it was believed extremely unlikely that any change in plans would be made and that the team would not try to continue.

A physical education program will be substituted for football if that sport is dropped. Basketball and wrestling would start immediately and a boxing team may be added. Pete Hill, local post office employe, has offered to help coach a boxing team and several boys have shown much interest in the sport, Mr. Ready said.

Sayre high school already has dropped football for the duration. The action was taken by the Sayre board of education which decided it would be better to permit members of the Eagles squad to spend more time helping the war effort.

With labor shortages boys are finding employment which heretofore has not been available to them.

Activities Reported In Elk City School

Presenting the third in a series of home-room assembly programs, the seniors of Elk City high school gave a play featuring the war in England. The cast included Drayton Glasgow, Mary Ansel, Frances Mitchell, Wilda Isley, Melvin Isley, and Iris Calvert. The setting was in an England bomb shelter.

This play showed the people reacting to a dictator; thus promoting democracy. The play ended with the reading of the last stanza of "The Murder of Ledice," by Edna St. Vincent Millet. The program was presented under the direction of W. R. Fleming and Miss Florine Gray.

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Supt. John E. Holcomb is digging potatoes in the school garden.

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The students of Elk City junior high school are selling magazines under the sponsorship of the Curtis Publishing company. The department will share in the profit, the amount of which will be determined by the subscriptions sold. Student sales are to be rewarded with defense stamps or awards. The junior high department will receive 50 percent of sales of Curtis publications, and 30 percent on a general list. It will be from this that individual awards will be made on sales. The highest sales by an individual student will be rewarded with a wrist watch. Two teams have been organized to handle the sales on a competitive basis.

The junior high boys and girls will be glad to take your new or renewal subscription, or gift subscriptions. The managers are Joe Wayne Shay and Harriet Lou Nutt. Sales the first day reached a total of $43.50, with Floyd Hargrove high with $9.50. The contest is to close November 9.

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The Elkolates are 28 pupils in Miss Maschek's home room which are planning a box supper in the play room at the junior high school Friday night. Proceeds from the box supper are to be used in the war effort.

The pupils are L. V. Baker, Melba Sue Biggs, Gloria Boomer, Frank Bruton, T. C. Davis, Don Dycus, F. C. Gibson, A. R. Gould, Billy Ray Gowdy, Wilda Haden, Mary Lou Harris, Morgan Hunter, Nola Johnson, Martha Ann Kelly, Margaret Leard, Georganna Mitchell, Patti Page, Raymond Parman, Reah Belle Pettit, Melba Jean Pullen, Dale Sawyer, Joe Wayne Shaw, Mary Beth Slankard, Bobby Sprowls, Jacq Standifer, Shirlee Jeanne Storm, Wilma Jean Wyer, and Betty Duke.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Holcomb, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Boyer also will attend.

School's Junk Is Being Sold

Students to Get Stamps, Bonds.

The Elk City schools' scrap pile was being delivered to a local junk dealer Friday and school officials were preparing to pay off students in War Stamps and Bonds for the scrap metal they had brought in during the drive.

The city was furnishing a truck Friday morning and additional trucks were to be used during the afternoon. The scrap was being sorted by students and faculty members being sold, Superintendent John Holcomb said.

bout 50 tons of scrap had been cted when the last weight to- as announced and considerable metal has been brought in at time. The actual total of llected in the school drive will not be known until ap is sold, Mr. Holcomb

High School Buys $965 in War Bonds

Doing their part in the purchasing of war bonds and stamps are the students and faculty members of Elk City high school. Since September 1. the bond and stamp purchases of this group totals $965.00. Effective posters have been placed throught out the school to encourage the sales.

Schools Of America Go "Stream Lined" In Studies

It's no longer readin', writin' and 'rithmetic for the schools of the nation. The war has brought to each student a new awareness of the world and the part he must soon play in it. With this in mind, American schools are "streamlining" their educational and extra-curricular programs to give today's pupil an insight into tomorrow's life.

Courses never thought important enough to be included in a college catalog over five years, ago, are now beoing offered to America's high school youth. In most instances, teen age youngsters are more fully equipped in knowledge to meet the war crisis than are their parents.

The Elk City high school is cooperating with the federal government in it's war effort program by offering several new and modern courses which have to do with preparing the country — and especially the youth—for the national emergency.

Perhaps most important of these is physical education for both boys and girls. Girls' physical education is taught by Miss Jacky Longacre. Pete Jayroe, high school athletics coach, is head of the boys' classes.

Both groups do simple calisthentics and compete in intramural sports. Among the new equipment which has been purchased for use in this department is an archery set, ping-pong set, new volly-ball and soft-ball equipment, and several new basketballs. Classes meet out-of-doors when the weather permits.

Aeronautics is probably the most modern course. Students enrolled in this class are learning the construction and operation of modern aircraft. Students are constructing model air-planes as well as making silhouettes of planes. A new silhouette is placed on the bulletin board in the main hall each week in order that each student may familarize himself with air-craft of all types, both friendly and unfriendly. Aeronautics is being taught by Cecil Boyer.

Physical geography is being taught by Mrs. Roy Gowdy. This subject is very interesting and timely, because of the change which is taking place in modern geography. Students in this class not only study from their text books, but discuss current events from newspapers, magazines, news broadcasts, and newsreels, as well. Each week they take a list of different names which are most frequent in the news and learn the spelling, pronunciation, and location for each.

Drive For Waste Cooking Fats Launched; FHO Girls Take Part

A drive to collect waste fats in Beckham county was announced Monday by Mrs. Susie Baker, county home demonstration agent.

Grocery stores are co-operating in the drive and have been authorized by the government to pay four cents per pound for fats.

A special drive is being planned for October 27, when Future Homemakers of Oklahoma girls, members of high school home economics classes, in each town will call for waste fats.

Housewives are being asked to leave their waste fats in suitable containers on their front porches or steps for the F.H.O. girls to pick up at 9 a.m. the day of the drive, Mrs. Baker said.

The need for waste fats is urgent, the county demonstration agent pointed out.

The war in the Pacific has greatly reduced the nation's supply of vegetable fats from the Far East, it was pointed out. This has necessitated finding substitutes for these fats.

Fats are used to make glycerine, and glycerine makes explosives for the United States and its allies—explosives to down axis planes, stop their tanks, sink their ships.

Housewives are urged not to throw away a single drop of cooking fat—bacon grease, meat drippings, frying fats. When they have obtained all the cooking good from these fats, the housewives are being told to pour them through a kitchen strainer into a clean wide-mouth can. The fats should be stored in a cool, dark place and glass containers or paper bags should not be used.

After a pound or more has been saved, the fats should be taken to a dealer, who is cooperating patriotically.

Plans Complete For Parade

1,000 Children To March.

Starting promptly at 10 o'clock Tuesday, approximately 1,000 Elk City school children will march in a "Schools at War" parade from the high school along Second street to Main street, then to the Rock Island tracks and return to Radio Station K. A. S. A., where the various units and divisions will assemble for a program of music, speeches and exercises immediately after the parade.

The line of march will include 22 units representing the various war activities in the schools, each identified by banners and posters. Color guards, floats, band, scouts and other uniformed groups will add impressively to the procession, the purpose of which is to call attention to American Education Week and the "Schools at War" program, both nationally sponsored educational enterprises.

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The program at KASA which will be staged when the parade ends starts at 11:00 o'clock, with Rev. Joe Strother as master of ceremonies.

Superintendent John L. Holcomb Monday asked all Elk Citians to tune in their radios to hear the program which will be held after the parade. There will be a special "listening party" at the high school, he announced.

School Children to Take Lead in County Scrap Drive Contest

Special Prizes Are Offered for Winners.

School children will take the lead in Beckham county's part of the state-wide $4,000 scrap hunt, September 28 to October 17, it became apparent Wednesday as school officials, theater men, scrap dealers and Boy Scout leaders met at Sayre with county civilian defense officials and newspaper publishers to plan the drive.

Nearly half of the $4,000 in War Bonds—$1,850—will go to the schools or other junior organizations such as Future Farmers of America, 4-H clubs, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts turning in the most scrap, with winners determined by the pounds-per-person collected.

In preparation for the schools' part in the drive, teachers in every school in the county will meet at 1:30 p.m. next Monday at the Whitehurst school building in Sayre to outline final plans, County Superintendent Eddie Page announced.

So important is the drive regarded by the state department of education, Mr. Page said, that he has been instructed by the department that Monday will count as a whole day taught. He is urging every teacher to attend the meeting.

The special contest for Beckham county school children will be held from Tuesday, September 29, to Tuesday, October 6. Quotas were assigned Wednesday to one and two-room schools with smaller enrolment, while the consolidated schools and city schools will compete on a most-pounds-collected basis.

Theaters of the county are assisting in the drive. They will receive the scrap from the schools and at the close of the drive those reaching their quotas and the groups turning in the most scrap will be guests at line parties at the theaters.

Here are the quotas for the one and two-room rural schools: one to five students, 2,500 pounds; six to ten students, 5,000 pounds, 11 to 25 students, 7,500 pounds; 26 to 40 students, 10,000 pounds.

Others who will be theater guests at line parties include the four-room school room bringing in the most pounds grade room and high school among the consolidated schools bringing in the most pounds; grade room, junior high school and high school in city schools bringing in the most pounds.

Theater managers will designate the day to receive the scrap.

County Judge L. G. Brewer

Physical Fitness Program to Replace Football in Schools

With football definitely dropped from the Elk City high school schedule for the duration of the war, Superintendent John E. Holcomb said Wednesday preparations are being completed to put into operation here a physical fitness program which will reach every pupil.

The physical fitness program for both boys and girls in the elementary, junior high and high schools, will be based on a manual of games and exercises now being prepared by a special committee of the Oklahoma high school athletic association, he said.

Top sports here this year will be basketball, wrestling and boxing. Pete Jayroe will coach the cagers, with Ernest Andrews, vocational agriculture instructor, mentor for the wrestlers and Pete Hill helping with the boxing team.

While football has been providing physical training for only about 20 boys this season, wrestling and boxing are individual sports and offer opportunities to an almost unlimited number. Intramural basketball can take care of many others.

The state athletic association's handbook is expected to outline instruction in various physical drills, and to set up what may be "junior commando" training for the more active participants. Rope climbing, wall scaling and similar training popularized in the army's physical fitness program are expected to be high spots in the manual.

The Elks checked out of football after three games which demonstrated to school officials and members of the squad the virtual impossibility of attempting to continue the schedule, it was said.

Sayre already has cancelled its schedule and some other nearby teams are expected to follow suit soon. This would leave the Elks with few games which would not call for considerable travel, and wartime conditions were increasing the team transportation problem week by week.

Training Program Replaces Football

Having cancelled the football schedule because of prevailing conditions, Elk City is continuing its physical education program as previously planned for this year. Many other schools over the state have also called off football and are stressed intramural activities.

Workouts for wrestling and basketball are to begin in the near future. There are also hopes of introducing boxing into the sports program with Pete Hill, local post office employee, as coach.

Boys who are now entering one of these sports are urged to enroll in one of the physical education classes which are held during the day. These classes are taught by Pete Jayroe, local athletic director. These activities are being carried on all over the nation as a government plan to prepare the youth physically so that if they are called to serve their country they will be in the best of condition for that purpose.

The nine boys who reported regularly for football practice were Gene Hargrove, Johnny Sprowls, Richard Garling, Bobby Vanderslice, J. D. Trissell, Russell Trissell, Bob Dycus, Richard Pettit, and Kenneth Hilgenberg.

Other players, coming out part time when Sylvester Reynolds, J. D. Dowdell, O. C. Maxwell, Carl Moran, Robert Strawn, Herschel Ansel, Rondal Steuart, Bill Grim, J. I. McCown, Leo Yandell, Lester Pebley, Beal Griffitts, Donald Morgan, Lloyd Hargrove, and Floyd Hargrove.

Those receiving injuries which prevented them from practice were Bobby Joseph, Bill Merritt, and Lawerence Certain.

Plays Given Tuesday

Three Groups Take Part.

Three outstanding one-act plays were presented Tuesday night at the high school auditorium by representatives of the grade school, junior high and high school.

The grade school presented a pageant, "And the Stars Heard." Characters and those taking the parts were as follows: Billy Cooper, Bill Strother; Mrs. Cooper, Ann Jones; Mr. Cooper, Clyde Barton; Doug, Stanley Hooper; Joey, Orion Estes; Peper, Billy Windham; Miss Brooks, Shirley Storm; Ann Jane Standifer; Bob, Gene Boyett; Mary, Nancy Bob, Gene Boyett; Mary, Nancy Gould and Jim, Gale Simpkins. Miss Susie Mae Warkentin was the coach.

A pageant, "Freedoms For Which We Fight," was given by students of the junior high. The characters and actors were: narrator, Audyne Carter German officer, Morgan Hunter; musician, Robert Davis; Marie, wife of musician, Jolene Bruton; mother, Georganna Mitchell; and minister, L. C. Baker.

Group characters were as follows: soldier, Jack Standifer; sailor, Jack Nichols, aviator, Joe Wayne Shaw; WAVE, Negella Abrams; WAAC, Patty Baldwin; war workers, Donald Ligon, Bobby Sprowls, Ernestine Black, Lodema Poff; civilian defense workers, Harriett Lou Nutt, Charlene Mayhew, Buddy Hall and Peggy Wolfenden. Mrs. J. M. Smith and Mrs. George Peeler were coaches for the group.

The senior high's presentation was a play, "Carry On." The characters were: father, Drayton Glasgow; daughters, Frances Mitchell and Mary Ansel; the latter's son, Wilda Isley, and daughter, Iris Calvert the daughter's finance, Melvin Isley. W. R. Fleming was the coach.

The high school band assisted in the presentation of the program, which was given in connection with National Education Week.

War Effort Group Formed

Teachers Organize Committee.

,Organization of a War Effort committee to stimulate various war activities in the city schools and to assist with any community undertakings, was completed by city school faculty members Wednesday morning.

Various committee chairmen were named at the meeting, held in the office of Superintendent John E. Holcomb before the start of morning classes.

These chairmen include:

Miss Marguerite Maschek, publicity; Mrs. Vera Jones, Red Cross; Mrs. Mayrie K. Smith, patriotic shows in assembly; Mrs. Esther Hunter, health through the school cafeteria; Mrs. Carmen Gilkerson, war scrap book; Ernest Andrews, health and model plane building.

The three school principals, Robert F. Ready, high school; J. M. Smith, jr., junior high school, and Woodrow Pearcy, grade school, will serve as members of the various committees.

Successful continuation of the school's scrap metal drive will be one of the first activities of the committee.

It also was announced that the school cafeteria will be opened when the first frost of the season stops work at the local canning center.

School Week To Be Soon

Nov. 22-26 Set For Observance.

Plans are rapidly going forward for Elk City's observance of National Education Week, it was announced Monday by John E. Holcomb, superintendent of schools.

November 22-26 has been set aside for the local celebration. On Tuesday, Nov. 24, a parade of school children through the streets of the city will be followed by a radio program to be broadcast over KASA.

At 8 o'clock on the evening of Nov. 24, three one-act plays will be given by high school students.

The public is invited to inspect the local schools any time during the week, and to take part in the special programs which will be given.

"Children and youth cannot be kept in storage," says the National Resources Planning Board in its 1942 report. "They will not stop growing older merely because adults are preoccupied with the immediate aspects of national defense.

"For any view that looks to the post-war period, children and youth are the most significant among human beings. They are so significant because they are in the process of becoming adults and because within limits that process can be guided.

"The care devoted to bringing young people safely along the paths to maturity will in large part be the measure of the contribution they will make, both as youth and adults, to our Nation's well being.

516 Tons Scrap County's Total

Whirlwind Finish Is Reported.

Beckham county had collected 1,021,249 pounds—516 tons—of scrap metal in the state-wide Oklahoma newspapers' scrap contest, a survey of scrap dealers and schools disclosed late Saturday.

Elk City school children collected 74 tons of scrap to lead the schools of the country. Sweetwater reported nearly 60 tons, Sayre more than 56 tons and Erick 51 tons.

The WPA scrap collectors brought in 319, 426 tons during the contest period.

Directors of the Beckham county scrap drive described the final figures as a "whirlwind finish" for the county.

It was estimated that in the last four or five months the WPA collected about 1,500,000 pounds of scrap in the county, which was sent on its way to the steel mills before the contest drive began. In addition several communities had brought in considerable quantities of scrap in special drives. Also county junk dealers have been large quantities of scrap through regular channels.

Teachers Will Plan Contest

Meeting on Scrap Drive Monday.

A meeting of all Elk City school faculty members has been called for 8 o'clock Monday morning at the city high school to discuss rules and regulations for the local scrap metal drive, in which school children will compete, Superintendent John E. Holcomb has announced.

All city teachers are expected to attend a meeting of Beckham county teachers Monday afternoon at Sayre to discuss plans for the county-wide scrap drive.

The scrap contest, with theater passes as the prizes for the winners in the various divisions, will open September 29 and continue through October 6.

Scrap will be weighed in at the city schools and all students are expected to take part, Mr. Holcomb said.

Armistice Day Plans Made

Program Will Be At High School.

An Armistice Day program is being planned by the Elk City high school for 10:30 o'clock Wednesday morning.

Music will be furnished by the high school band, under the direction of L. S. Carmichael, and members of the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts will lead the school ritual. The program is as follows:

Entrance of the Flag—Billy Rae Gowdy and Buddy Bruton, flag bearers.

Salute to the Flag—Betty Coulson, leader.

Lord's Prayer—Led by LaVerne Steuart.

Song selections—Led by Wanda Donahoo.

Brief address—C. C. Fuller, commander of the Elk City American Legion.

Patriotic songs—Earnistine Blake, Whistler.

Reading, "The Pilgrims of 1942,"—Mary Ansel.

Piano selections, "The Field Artillery Song," and "America,"—Carl Hawkins.

Stage scene, Flanders Field, with Patty Erickson singing "Angels of Mercy," Frances Mitchell reading the poem, "Flanders Field," and Joe Fenter Playing "Taps."

At 11 o'clock the assembly will observe a moment of silence.

The program is being arranged by the assembly committee, composed of Drayton, Glasgow chairman; Frances Mitchell, Willa Sloan, Buddy Joseph, Bill Custer, and Euvonne Roberson. David Davis, chairman of the student stage committee, is assisting.

Members of the American Legion and the Legion Auxiliary will be special guests. The public is invited and a special section is being reserved for visitors.

Scout Leader's Car Bumpers Go To Slap A Jap

J. B. (Bus) Martin, Elk City field scout executive, sees no reason why spring steel bumpers should be standard equipment for automobiles in these days when 35 miles an hour is the top speed limit.

He stripped the bumpers from his automobile Thursday morning; substituted two-by-fours bolted to the bumper hangers for the spring steel.

The bumpers were contributed to th Elk City Victory Scrap pile.

Martin, who serves Boy Scout troops in Beckham, Washita and Rogers Mills county, believes many other car owners would be willing to make similar sacrifices—if it takes that to win the war.

School Parade, Broadcast Held Tuesday

Impressive Units March For "War Effort."

Celebrating National Education Week, an impressive parade of 1,-000 local school children marched through downtown Elk City Tuesday beginning at 10 o'clock.

The general theme of the parade was "Schools at War," and the preparation and ingenuity which went into the making of floats and costumes reflected the trend of the school program.

MAYOR AT HEAD

Heading the parade were members of the highway patrol, followed by Dr. V. C. Tisdal, mayor, and two boys on horseback, carrying the American and school flags.

These were followed by various units of the grade school, as follows: the Junior Red Cross, the flags of the United Nations, War bonds and stamps, "We are Americans," Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, soldiers, sailors, Indians and clowns, the rhythm band and the grade school chorus, singing "There'll Be Blue Birds Over the White Cliffs of Dover."

The American history float and marching units showed "The History of the Flag We Defend," with impressive scense and banners. The next floats were sponsored by Mrs. Roy Gowdy and Cecil Boyer. They pointed out the part mathematics, radio and science play in the war effort. These were followed by groups of Girl and Boy Scouts, Cubs and Brownies.

The Senior home room float and marching unit displayed the necessity of "Working for War and Studying for Peace to Come." The Junior home room float showed the soldiers in the trenches and utilized the Red Cross theme. The sophomre float stressed the importance of conservation of rubber and scrap metal.

A float sponsored by Miss Marguerite Maschek's junior high home room, brought out the theme of scrap conservation—There was a pile of scrap on the float with the sign "Bury Me in Tokyo."

FLANDERS FIELD

The Seventh grade float demonstrated the part which the home room plays in the war effort. It showed a scene from Flanders field.

The part which physical fitness plays in preparing for war was brought out in the physical float. Children were dressed in costumes appropriate to active participation in several sports.

Concluding the floats and marching units was one sponsored by Miss Esther Hunter and Ernest Andrews. It stressed the importance of correct food. Members of the FFA and FHO cooperated in this float.

At the conclusion of the parade, the group held a ceremony in front of radio station KASA, which was boardcast. Rev. Joe Strother was master of ceremonies for the program.

Speeches were made by Mayor Tisdal and F. E. Mayhew, president of the Parent-Teachers association. They extended a special invitation to all Elk Citians to visit the public schools during this week.

Frances Mitchell spoke briefly on the student "War Effort" program which censists of the three parts: save, serve and conserve.

Drayton Glasgow led the students in a pledge of support and allegiance to the flag was pledged by the group. He also called the roll of all the organizations represented.

Tuesday night, the program will continue with the presentation of three one-act plays in the high school auditorium. Members of the grade school, junior high and senior high student bodies will give the plays, assisted by the high school

Schools' Scrap Poundage Total Now 106,275

Junior High Turns In Biggest Amount Of Metals.

Elk City school students had piled up 106,275 pounds of scrap metal by noon Wednesday, and were hard at work hunting more old iron to go to make the guns and tanks and ships and shells American fighting men and their allies need to beat the axis.

The largest contribution came from the junior high school, which reported 48,417 pounds.

The champion junior high school home room was the eighth grade group of Cecil Boyer, which collected 37,168 pounds.

The champion collectors of Mr. Boyer's home room were Orval Word, who turned in 17,537 pounds, and Reubin Brinkley, who delivered 17,450 pounds. Tom Hager, another eighth grader, won honorable mention with 1,500 pounds.

The grade school, first to six grades inclusive, has collected 47,6[illegible] pounds. The senior high school total is 9,500 pounds.

While the special contest in which the various home rooms competed closed Tuesday, the drive for scrap is being continued for the duration of the Oklahoma newspapers' $4,-000 state-wide scrap collection contest, it has been announced.

Following is the list of grade

Physical Fitness Stressed By Courses

In order to stress the importance of good health for defense, Elk City schools are requiring courses in physical education this year for both boys and girls.

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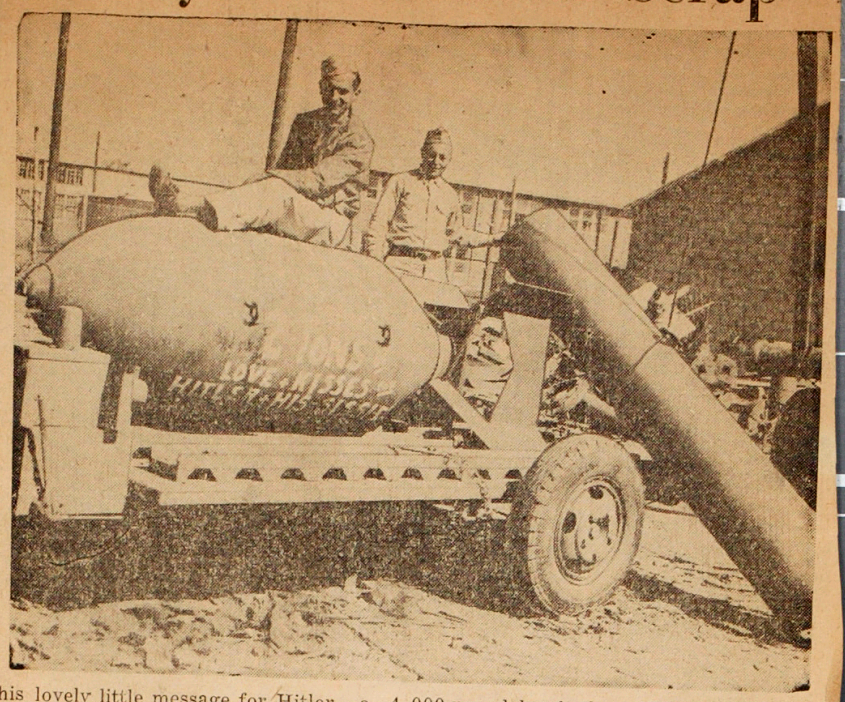
City School Pupils Take Half Holiday to Search for Scrap



This lovely little message for Hitler, a 4,000-pound bomb they affectionately call a "block-buster," is on display at the Oklahoma state fair as an example of what damage your scrap can accomplish when properly delivered to the axis. The one discarded oil well pipe being hoisted into a junk wagon will make two "block busters"! The simplest household article makes several times its weight in arms or munitions. Starting now and continuing through October 17 every Oklahoman will have an opportunity to contribute his scrap in the Oklahoma newspaper's $4,000 scrap drive. Elk City school children are making the first call here. You'll want to help send "Love and Kisses" to Hitler!

Help Them Find Metal for Bullets To Beat Axis!

Elk City and Beckham county school children were ready Monday to tackle the job of finding scrap to make bullets, guns, tanks, planes and ships as their part of the Oklahoma newspapers' determined scrap drive.

Teachers from every school in the county were to meet at 1:30 p.m. Monday at Sayre to make final plans for the county scrap drive, part of the nation-wide campaign to replenish scrap stock piles and to avert a threatened steel shortage.

While Elk City teachers were at Sayre, city school pupils began their search for the vital metals. A house-to-house, block-by block canvass of the entire city was expected with pupils from the primary grades to high school joining in the collection.

City teachers meet Monday morning before first classes were called and outlined rules for the scrap collection contest in the city schools.

First of the scrap will be weighed in Tuesday morning at the school grounds. The contest opens Tuesday and continues through October 6.

Pupils can donate their scrap to their home room, or they may request and receive money for their contributions when the scrap is sold through local dealer channels, Superintendent John E. Holcomb said.

When the scrap is brought in it will be weighed and a receipt issued to the school boy or girl bringing it in.

Eeach pupil has been asked to turn in his or her own weight in metal. Those who do so will receive a "Victory card" which will be worn on the coat lapel as an achievement emblem.

Special prizes will be given winners by the city schools.

The home room in grades one to three, inclusive, bringing in the most scrap will be given a special motion picture show at the school. A similar prize will go to the winning home room in grades four to six, inclusive.

The senior high school and junior high home rooms turning in the most scrap will receive one-half day holidays at conclusion of the drive.

The individual in each home room turning in the most scrap will receive a 25-cent War Saving stamp.

The individual in the entire school turning in the most scrap will receive a $1 War Saving stamp.

The scrap received will be piled on the school ground.

Mr. Holcomb and faculty members joined in urging Elk City residents to co-operate with the school children in their scrap collection efforts.

In all probability the town will be covered time and again by energetic youngsters in their thorough search for scrap, but no one, it is believed, will lose patience with the youngsters if their efforts bring more than one knock at the door.

A stand-by call for transportation for heavier pieces of scrap also was issued by faculty members, who pointed out that occasionally a truck may be necessary to bring in

WPB Chief Says: 'Let towering Victory stockpiles in every community in the nation stand as symbols of America's defiance to the Axis.'

(By Western Union)

Washington, D. C.

Paul R. Wade
The Daily News
Elk City, Oklahoma

"The prompt and enthusiastic action of your newspaper in accepting leadership in the vital national salvage program is the kind of answer I expected in my challenge to the American press.

"If we maintain and increase production of planes, tanks and ships needs by our fighting men and fighting allies, we must get in every pound of scrap in this country—from the homes, from the farms, and from industry.

"A successful fall campaign conducted by the American newspapers, in co-operation with state and local salvage committees, will avert a serious decline in steel production and will add to our stores of other scarce material.

"As chairman of the War Production Board I call upon every citizen of the United States to make this campaign a success, by gathering and turning in all scrap metal, rubber and rags that can possibly be spared.

"Let towering victory stockpiles in every community in the nation stand as symbols of America's defiance to the axis."

(Signed) DONALD M. NELSON
War Production Board

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Training Program Replaces Football

Having cancelled the football schedule because of prevailing conditions, Elk City is continuing its physical education program as previously planned for this year. Many other schools over the state have also called off football and are stressed intramural activities.

Workouts for wrestling and basketball are to begin in the near future. There are also hopes of introducing boxing into the sports program with Pete Hill, local post office employee, as coach.

Boys who are now entering one of these sports are urged to enroll in one of the physical education classes which are held during the day. These classes are taught by Pete Jayroe, local athletic director. These activities are being carried on all over the nation as a government plan to prepare the youth physically so that if they are called to serve their country they will be in the best of condition for that purpose.

The nine boys who reported regularly for football practice were Gene Hargrove, Johnny Sprowls, Richard Garling, Bobby Vanderslice, J. D. Trissell, Russell Trissell, Bob Dycus, Richard Pettit, and Kenneth Hilgenberg.

Other players, coming out part time when Sylvester Reynolds, J. D. Dowdell, O. C. Maxwell, Carl Moran, Robert Strawn, Herschel Ansel, Rondal Steuart, Bill Grim, J. I. McCown, Leo Yandell, Lester Pebley, Beal Griffitts, Donald Morgan, Lloyd Hargrove, and Floyd Hargrove.

Those receiving injuries which prevented them from practice were Bobby Joseph, Bill Merritt, and Lawerence Certain.

School Benefits By Visual Education

What has visual education over classroom study? Quoting John E. Holcomb, superintendent of schools, "Visual education is much more practical, easier to understand, because you are seeing facts."

Elk City schools are very fortunate to have moving picture projector, which was purchased last year. Most of the films are rented from the department of visual education, University of Oklahoma.

A committee made up of faculty members and students has been working on the selection of pictures for the entire year. All teachers and various groups have been given the privilege of suggesting pictures for their particular work.

Pupils are enjoying the pictures immensely, the grades particularly, some have never seen a movie before. An interesting talk, which was enjoyed very much, was made by Doctor Bruce Storm when the dental film was shown.

Picture shows are held every Friday at 9:45 a. m. when the public is invited to attend.

Scrap Metal Drive Nets About 74 Tons From City Pupils

Elk City students after combing the entire vicinity for the past three weeks have collected about 74 tons of scrap metal to aid in the contest drive which officially ended last Saturday, October 17.

In the county contest which terminated October 7, home room winners were the sixth grade of Mrs. Carmen Gilkerson in grade school and the eighth grade group of Cecil Boyer in junior high school. These two groups were awarded a trip to the picture show free of charge.

Home room winners in the local school contest, ending October 17, were Mrs. Julia Pool's 3rd grade for the first three grades; Mrs. Clifford Jones' 5th grade, for grades 4-6; the eighth grade home room of Cecil Boyer for junior high; and the junior home room of Mrs. Bruce Storm for high school. Grade school winners will attend a free picture show while winners in the secondary schools will receive a half holiday reward.

Individual winners for the entire school was Linnie Lee Loftis, who will receive a one dollar defense stamp for collecting 25,120 pounds. She is a 5th grade student of Mrs. Clifford Jones.

Individual winners in each home room, who will be awarded twenty-five cent stamps were Royse Parr, Jack Tisdal, Bobby Langley, Adelia Beth Peeler, Roy King, Jane Huffman, William Reynolds, Jimmy McGuire, Clarence Smith, Kenneth Brinkley, Bill Strother, Linnie Lee Loftiss, and Kenneth Headrick in grade school; Billy Jo Bass, Delovris Davis, Martha Ann Kelly, Orville Word, Bobby Jerrell, and Wayland Heatley in junior high; and Mary Sue Brooks, J. D. Trissell, Roy Francis, Paul Bryant, and Juanita Loftiss in high school.

The Flag Is Raised

What's wrong? Last year we did not see students walking and talking when our flag was being raised. Have we lost all our patriotic students? Of course not! We are just forgetting, but a good Amrican never forgets his flag, for it was for our flag that the national anthem was written and that men are today giving their lives. So come on, Elk City, attention! The flag is being raised.—D. G.

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—NO. 2 TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1942 ELK CITY HIGH S

FROM WILLIE TO ADOLPH

War Casualties Of County Honored Here

As a tribute to those Beckham county soldiers, sailors, and marines who have paid the supreme sacrifice of their lives, students of Elk City high school stood for a moment of reverent silence in their assembly Tuesday, October 6. The silence was broken by the roll of drums and the crash of cymbals.

Those so honored were Rex Davis, Hugh Robertson, and Lieut. Parker Everett, Elk City; H. G. Sorrell, Sayre; Martin Stone Cluck, Erick; Tommy Britton, Carter; and Sam Nevill of Hext.

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—NO. 3 TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1942 ELK CITY HGH S

School Lunch Program Is Essential in War Effort

By MARY ANSEL
Daily News Staff Writer

Students in Elk City schools are learning their A B C's as well as getting their A B C's in vitimans. Building better bodies goes hand in hand with developing better minds. And all over the United States, the government has begun to provide children with at least one good meal a day.

Farmers all over the country are producing Food for Freedom—food for our own armed forces, for the United Nations, for people here at home. What better way is there than to use plentiful foods than to have them whittled down by young appetites? By buying these foods for school lunches, rather than taking a chance on their going to waste, the Agriculture departments opens broader markets for the farmers' whole production—thereby providing an incentive for farmers to keep right on producing just as much as they can in order that tremendous war requirements may be met.

The local school cafeteria is sponsored by the Parent-Teacher association. Most of the supplies, such as canned fruits and fresh fruits and vegetables are furnished by this government project, and also the W. P. A. garden and canning project. The remainder of the supplies consisting of meat, sugar, fresh foods and milk, are purchased from the local merchants.

Elk City's cafeteria has some good equipment, including a steam table on which food is kept warm. All the bread which is used in the cafeterie is baked there in a stock oven. A large quanity of dishes and cooking utensils are also at the disposal of the cooks.

Employed in the work of the project are the following women who prepare the food; Mrs. Goldie Fisher, who is supervisor, Mrs. Ada R. Warren, Mrs. Jewell Ford, Mrs. W. G. Barnes, Mrs. Elsie Anderson, Mrs. Ora J. Lee, and Mrs. C. S. Presley.

Mrs. Ester Hunter, home economics instructor, is in charge of planning the meals and purchasing the meals.

Approximately 7,000 meals have been served in the cafeteria during the first five weeks of its operation. This is an average of 336 people per day. An average of 12 of these every day were underprivilaged children. The underprivileged students receive their lunch free others pay 10 cents for each meal.

Last year the school lunch program served 6,000,000 children in 93,000 schools all over the United States.

Since the cafeteria has been in operation, it has been visited by the Rotarians and Kiwanians, who held their noon meeting there. It has also been visited by a few parents. Parents of the children are welcome to visit the lunch room at any time.

Physical Fitness Stressed By Courses

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Students Continue To Help Uncle Sam

Students of the Elk City schools are continuing their purchases of defense bonds and stamps in a commedable manner as is evidenced by the recent check in each home room.

In high school since the beginning of school in September Lester Carmicheal's sophomore home room has bought bonds and stamps amounting to $350.60; Mrs. Helen Hackworth's sophomores, $307.25; Ernest Andrew's juniors, $203.25; Mrs. Bruce Storm's juniors, $189.45; Miss Florine Gray's seniors, $173.90.

Junior high school students report the following amounts for their total purchases for both last year and this year to date: Mrs. George W. Peeler's ninth grade home room, $708.55; Pete Jayroe's seventh grade $692.65; Miss Marguerite Maschek's eighth grade, $608.95; Cecil Boyers eighth grade group has bought $164.80; Mrs. Esther Hunter's ninth grade home room, $111.10; Mrs. Mayrie K. Smith's seventh grade, $143.70

In grade school the report secured dated from September. Mrs. Mayme Patterson's second grade class leads with $451.35. Second is the first grade room of Miss Pauline Smith with $296.70 and third place with $254.40 is Mrs. Edward L. Patterson's sixth grade class. The other groups and their amounts are as follows: Mrs. Lena Mae Fuller's first grade, $251.90; Miss Ann Phelp's fourth grade, $222.40; Mrs. Clifford Jones' fifth grade, $249.70; Mrs. Beulah Wimberly's second grade, $175.65; Mrs. Julia Pool's third grade, $120.70; Mrs. W. W. Pearcy's fourth grade, $80.00; Mrs. Carmen Gilkerson's sixth grade, $173.00; Mrs. O. M. Wright's first grade, $35.80; and Miss Cleda Alldredge's third grade, $18.30.

Should War Effect Christmas Giving?

Elk City high school has varied ideas on the question of curtailing the custom of giving Christmas presents in war-time. Here are the opinions of some:

Wynona Gowan: "Give sensible gifts, not too large, and give less of them."

Richard Garling: "Send war stamps or bonds. We cannot help our government by curtailing our giving in this national emergency."

Cecil Boyer: "Giving should be curtailed in war-time and take the money you have spent on the "extras" and put it in war stamps."

Iris Calvert: "Gifts are merely customs and habits. We save on everything else, so why not?"

W. R. Fleming: "We spend too much and give silly useless gifts."

Johnny Sprowls: "No, it's hard on morale and we need morale now more than ever before."

Paul Martin: "Give war stamps and bonds, because it helps our country and boosts our morale as well as the morale of the person receiving the gift."

Billy Custer: "Send gifts only to personal friends. Send Christmas cards to distant relatives and other friends."

Yetive Garen: "Yes, it should be curtailed. If it were not, we wouldn't be patriotic."

Bill Pullen: "We have plenty of money for other things, so why not on Christmas presents."

Billie Dees: "By all means.. We must conserve on money and materials."

Mary Sue Brooks: "No, this is war-time but giving at Christmas is the best way to show our friendship."

Students Examine World Situation In Physical Geography

Physical geography, a most timely and interesting subject, is being offered this year in the high school curriculum for the first time. It is taught by Mrs. Roy Gowdy, who chose it as one of her classes because of the opportunity offered by such a study at present.

In this class students study not only text books, but current events from newspapers, magazines, news broadcasts, and newsreels. Each week they take a list of different names which are most frequent in the news and learn their spelling, pronounciation, and locations.

The class also has access to modern global maps which were purchased from the Oklahoma City Times. These have proved most interesting due to the coming air-age which is changing all distances on the earth's surface. How many people know that it is the same disance from Detroit, Michigan, to Tokyo as from San Diego, California, to Tokyo, traveling in great circles as we are now doing?

A new wall map has been purchased for the class which has the north pole as its center. The Artic ocean is fast becoming the Mediterranean sea of the world. A new atlas has also been acquired for use in studying the different countries.

Parade Is Climax Of Education Week

Radio Broadcast and Plays Serve as Added Attractions In Local Observance

Approximately a thousand student participated in the spectacular Schools-at-War parade held on Tuesday morning, November 23, as a feature of National Education Week.

Among the floats were those of a junior home room which showed soldiers in trenches and emphasized the importance of education to prevent wars, an eighth grade home room float which stressed the importance of conservation of scrap, and a scene from Flanders Field in the float made by the seventh grade. Stressing the importance of food for victory were the floats of F. H. O. and F. F. A.

Others included scenes from history, importance of mathematics and aeronautics, and the necessity for physical fitness.

After the parade a broadcast was given over KASA with Reverend Joe Strother as master of ceremonies.

Concluding the observation of National Education Week three one-act plays were given in the high school auditorium Tuesday night.

"And the Stars Heard", a pageant, was presented by grade school under the direction of Miss Susie Mae Warkentine. "Freedom for Which We Fight" was the pageant given by junior high students with Mrs. George W. Peeler and Mrs. J. M. Smith, jr., as directors. The senior presentation was a patriotic drama, "Carry On", directed by W. R. Fleming.

Adding much to the observation of National Education Week was the high school band which participated in all the features under the direction of Lester Carmichael.

Radio Program Has Education Theme

Continuing the weekly radio broadcasts, the public speaking class under the direction of W. R. Fleming presented a varied program Thursday, November 19, over station KASA.

The program, with O. C. Maxwell acting as master of ceremonies, had as its theme, "National Education Week."

The program included school news by Virginia Damron, followed by a skit, "The Old Order Changes," with Leonard Akin, Melvin Isley, and Frances Mitchell as characters. "The Then and Now of National Education Week" was discussed by Helen Combs, and the "Importance of National Education Week" by Ivanel Roane. Songs by Odessa and Helen Jo Hacker were an additional feature of the program.

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Former Students In Armed Forces

Elk City high school has its share of boys serving in the United States Armed forces. The following honor roll is not complete. If anyone has information of additonal names which should be placed on this list, he may report them to any member of The Elk Staff, so that they may appear in he next issue of the paper.

United States Army:

Pvt. Clifford Givens, Pvt. Orville Williams, Cpt. Edward V. Hammons, Pvt. Woodrow Henry, Pvt. Donald Snyder, Lt. Lloyd Warren, Sgt. Donald Huntley, Lt. Frank Hunt, Jr., Sgt. Arnold Taylor, Pvt. Irving Sitterding, Pvt. Louis Brown, Cpt. Donald Royse, Cpt. Kenneth Chenault, Pvt. Wallace C. Allen, Sgt. Lewis E. Copp, Delbert Clancy, Lt. Harm E. Musgrave, Pvt. Earl Rogers, Pvt. Dean Cox, Cpl. Robert B. Bales, Cpl. De Witt Montgomery, Pvt. Rollen Aker, Pvt. Bill Ellis.

Sgt. Floyd G. Woods, Pvt. Homer N. Hix, Capt. E. Everett Peeler, Pvt. Dewey Walker, Pvt. Dennis Howard, Pvt. Clarence Watkins, Pvt. Evan Smith, Pvt. Harl Mansur, Pvt. Cline Lee Mansur, Lt. Arthur C. Galloway, Pvt. T. C Milburn, Pvt. George K. Fenter, Pvt. Orval M. Solomon, Cpt. Elmer L. Casey, Corp. Sam Akridge, Pvt Archie T. Wilson, Sgt. Seth Huntley, Pvt Truman R. Nall, Pvt. Robert O. Barnhart, Pvt. John Malone, Pvt. Glen D. Ferguson, Pvt. Baxter Harris.

United States Navy

Joe R. Miller, Lester D. Knox, John M. Carman, Leo Morgan, Aubrey Roane, Frank Bowman, James Akins, Bill Ansley, Joe Jones, T. J. Hudgens, Lonnie Leard, Charles Adams, Curtis Helm, D. E. Laird, Bill Sinor, Jack Smith, Joe Morse, Tom Cummings and Beal Griffitts.

Army Air Corps:

Delbert Stricklin, Major Raymond Morse, Pvt. Paul Rogers, John W. Adee, Sgt. Herman Dowdell, Emmett Locke, Lt. Julian Case, Pvt. Wilbur Page, Leon Jackson, Pvt. Roy Skelton, Lt. Arthur Small, Lt. Gordon Page, Delbert Choat, Raymond Hinkle, Robert Garling.

Navy Air Corps:

E. C. Helm, Jr., Vernie Harris.

United States Marines:

Dan Nelson, Edward Johnson.

United States Coast Guard:

Fount Hudgens.

Magazine Is Purchased For Aeronautics Class

Aeronautics students are now receiving the weekly air news magazine, "Current Aviation", which has been purchased for them by the school. The magazine gives the latest on current aeronautical problems and advances, carrying each week silhouetes and diagrams of the latest models of planes.

One recent issue carried a story on the Jap Zero, giving the students a better understanding of their enemy's craft.

The weekly magazine is hailed by Cecil Boyer, local aeronautics instructor, as the best air paper he has ever found as it is not just full of pictures and plans, but goes into detail on the newest devices and inventions in airway advancement.

From the 10 copies received weekly, one is being kept on file for future reference.

Victory Corps Will Be Organized Here In Second Semester

New Wartime Program Is To Stress Youth Training In Community

Two aims of the high school Victory Corps which is to be organized here soon are special training of youth for the war service they will be expected to perform after leaving school and active participation in the community's war effort while still in school.

Elk City high school students will have an opportunity to become a part of this national organization the second semester of this school year, according to John E. Holcomb, superintendent.

Membership Encouraged

General membership will be encouraged for all secondary students.

In order for the students to understand the program more thoroughly, there will be an assembly in which the Victory Corps plan will be explained sometime in the near future.

There are three of the five difor general membership, a student should be (1) participating in a physical fitness program (2) studying courses of immediate and future usefulness to the war effort (3) participating in at least one wartime activitiy.

Legion To Help

The American Legion will furnish instructors for the military drill which will be worked in with the physical education program being carried on this year.

There are three of the five divisions of the Victory Corps that require special courses such as trigonometry, physics, pre-flight aeronautics, science, and many others. Most of these courses are being offered now. The five divisions, besides general membership, are Air Service, Land Service, Sea Service, Production Service, and Community Service.

The faculty has been studying the Victory Corps program in order to advise with the students about it when organization plans are completed.

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—NO. 6 TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 1943

Student Contests Aid In Promoting Sales Of Stamps And Bonds

Students of the Elk City school are now participating in war stamps and bond contests, which started January 1, to continue throughout the month. These contests are being conducted in cooperation with the community campaign sponsored by the American Legion.

There are two contests being held in grade school. One includes grades one to three and the other is from grades four to six inclusive. The junior high home rooms are competing against each other, as are those in high school.

According to the latest report $2,239.00 has been invested in the purchase of stamps and bonds by grade school students since the contest began. Third grade students of Miss Cleta Alldredge are leading their group and the fourth grade of Mrs. W. W. Pearcy are ahead in their division.

In junior high school the total in purchases for January at the last report was $824.25.

High school tabulation was not yet available.

Resolutions Is Topic For Assembly Talks

In high school assembly last Tuesday, talks were given on the topic "Resolutions."

Wilda Isley spoke on the girls' duties in connection with the school program and the war effort.

Bob Dycus, in turn talked from the boys' standpoint emphasizing particularly their part in the new Victory Corps.

Superintendent John E. Holcomb's talk included discussions on the school accomplishments for the first semester as well as phases neglected. He stressed some desirable resolutions which should be made concerning this semester's work.

The new best citizens, Shirley Page and Bill Custer, were presented their pins during the program.

Twelve 25c Stamps will pay for one COMPASS. The compass your stamps buy may keep a scouting party from wandering by mistake into the enemy lines.

Victory Corps Is Started As Blanks Are Distributed

National Program Expected To Attract Large Per Cent Of Students

Although the exact number of students joining the school Victory Corps is yet known, it is hoped by school authorities the response will prove to be one hundred per cent in membership.

Application blanks for general membership were passed out yesterday. All students were encouraged to paricipate in this division of the organization. Those students who were eligible for one or more of the five specialized branches—Air service, Land service, Sea service, Production service, and Community service divisions were urged to join the branch or branches in which they could be of the most help both to themselves and to the program in general.

Miliary Drill To Start

As soon as the weather permits, there will be regular 15 minute miliary drill sessions each day during the phyical education periods. Every Thursday in high school there will be a full 45 minute drill during the activiy period and every Tuesday in junior high school during the activity period.

Pete Jayroe and Miss Jacky Longacre, physical education instructors, will serve as commanding officers and military drill instructors. The home room sponsors will be commissioned officers and the students who show the most initiative, perspective, and best apitude will be selected as non-commissioned officers.

Caps Are Available

Caps, costing 25c, are being ordered for members who have specified their desire for them.

John E .Holcomb, superintendent, Miss Longacre, and Mr. Jayroe attended a special conference on this program at Norman January 9.

11" x 14"