

Schools AT WAR

A REPORT TO THE NATION



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SCHOOL *Longfellow 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 Longfellow Grade School

Address Elk City, Oklahoma

Enrollment 622 Grades 1-6

No. of Teachers 14 No. of Classrooms 14

Size of Community 5000

Cash Value of War Stamps and Bonds sold during SCHOOLS AT
WAR Program \$ 8,031.15

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 enrollment, 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, Beckham county civilian defense commander, presided at the meeting at Sayre.

The purpose of the drive, sponsored by Oklahoma newspaper publishers, is to encourage in Oklahoma the collection of every possible pound of scrap metal and rubber to help the nation to win the war.

School Scrap Pile Growing Students Finding Much Metal.

More tons of scrap metal were piled on the growing mounds at the city schools Wednesday as city school children found new sources of scrap in their all-out drive to contribute to the defeat of the axis.

John E. Holcomb, superintendent, said faculty members were kept busy weighing in the metal, which is now being delivered before first morning classes, during the noon recess and after school.

Only a few of the students were excused from classes Wednesday and these only where scrap had been found which had to be moved immediately.

An effort was being made Wednesday afternoon to secure volunteer trucks to move big pieces of scrap iron which had been located. One student reported an old hay baler was ready for the moving. Others had found discarded stoves and other bulky pieces which need horsepower to move.

Mr. Holcomb said he would call on the city Victory salvage organization to help bring in the bulky scrap.

Another check of the school scrap stockpile was to be made Wednesday afternoon. At the end of the first day, Tuesday, 22,170 pounds had been brought in. Since that time the pile has grown hourly.

There was much rivalry between the various home rooms in the high school, junior high and grades to see which would bring in the most scrap.

At the Tuesday afternoon check-up, Mrs. Carmen Gilkerson's room was leading the grade school with 3,087 pounds. Other rooms and their contributions included: Mrs. Vera Jones, 2,414 pounds; Mrs. W. I. Wimberly, 403; Mrs. Mamie Patterson, 338; Mrs. Sterling Fuller, 242; Mrs. Georgia Wright, 1,045; Mrs. Mayrie Smith, 449; Mrs. Julia Pool, 172; Mrs. Woodrow Percy, 266; Miss Ann Phelps, 1,559; Mrs. Willie Patterson, 925; Miss Clela Alldredge, 139; Mrs. Minnie Stokes, 1,000.

School Scrap Pile Is Growing Daily

Elk City school children have been doing a grand job of collecting scrap metal. The scrap pile which was started last week on the school campus has passed the 105,000 pound mark, and is continuing to grow daily, school officials said Wednesday.

The scrap collection goal for the county is 100 pounds of metal per capita. The Elk City school's collection has already topped the goal quota, but the drive has not been slackened.

A survey released last week-end revealed that Beckham county was 10th in rank in scrap collected and reported, although the county is 38th in rank in population. At the time of that report, the per capita collection was 11.23 pounds.

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 Loftis, 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 Loftis in high school.

County's Scrap Piles Growing Checkup Shows

More Than Quarter Of Million Pounds Collected.

More than a quarter of a million pounds of scrap metal had been brought in by Beckham county school children during the first four and one-half days of their week's campaign to put the county up in the running in the Oklahoma newspapers' \$4,000 Victory scrap drive.

W. J. Bacon, Sayre newspaper publisher, said practically all rural schools still were to report the results of their drives. Most of the scrap came from the larger schools.

The total reported was admittedly not up-to-the-minute since the scrap stockpiles in every school yard in the county was growing rapidly even as the checkup was made.

Elk City's total was reported at 70,000 pounds. Sayre had 84,000 pounds after a whirlwind cleanup Friday. Erick had 19,000 pounds, Doxey 25,000 pounds and Hext 13,515 pounds. The WPA scrap collectors turned in 50,991 pounds.

Monday and Tuesday are expected to find the school children out in a final effort to bring in the last available pound of scrap. The contest for the county schools ends Tuesday.

Special prizes are being offered county winners by the motion picture theaters, and local prizes also are being offered.

In preparation for windup of the drive Tuesday, County Superintendent Eddie Page Saturday sent out to school superintendents and teachers throughout the county a letter suggesting that Tuesday, last day of the drive (be dedicated to Beckham county men who have lost their lives with the armed services.

The schools were asked to dedicate the day to a list of soldiers, sailors and marines who have lost their lives from Pearl Harbor to China and in the training camps, including:

Rex Davis, Hugh Robertson and Lieutenant Parker Everett of Elk City; Tommy Britton, Carter; Clifford Berger, Doxey; H. G. Sorrell, Sayre; Lieutenant Martin Stone Cluck, Erick, and Sam Nevill, Hext.

"More lives will be lost and the realization of this deadly struggle will be brought closer to our doors every day now," Mr. Page's letter said. "The little bit of scrap metal that we give now may avert a tragedy in our homes in the future.

"In honor of these gallant young men who so bravely gave their all, let us resolve to do our utmost to preserve that liberty that they so nobly laid down their lives to preserve."

Schools' Scrap Honor Roll

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 sixth grades inclusive, has collected 47,637 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 school and junior high school home rooms with pounds collected:

Junior High—Cecil Boyer, 37,168; Pete Jayroe, 3,908; Mrs. George W. Peeler, 2,868; Miss Marguerite Maschek, 2,015; Mrs. J. M. Smith, jr., 1,276; Mrs. Esther Hunter, 1,182.

Grade School—Mrs. Carmen Gilkerson, 8,996; Mrs. Willie Patterson, 8,996; Mrs. Minnie Stokes, 4,831; Mrs. Vera Jones, 7,341; Mrs. Woodrow Percy, 1,818; Miss Ann Phelps, 4,842; Miss Clela Alldredge, 903; Mrs. Julia Pool, 2,432; Mrs. W. I. Wimberly, 1,893; Mrs. Mamie Patterson, 1,797; Mrs. Sterling Fuller, 889; Miss Pauline Smith, 903; Mrs. Georgia Wright, 2,331.

After these figures were compiled, students brought in an additional 722 pounds of scrap, John E. Holcomb, superintendent, said. The 722 pounds additional is included in the 106,275 pound total.

St. Joseph's

These Also Have Place on School Scrap Honor Roll

Through an oversight five pupils of Mrs. Willie Patterson's sixth grade room, who brought in the most scrap metal for that room during the first week of the school collection here, were omitted from the Honor Roll published in Wednesday's edition.

Special attention is called to these five:

William Reynolds, 1,261 pounds.
Joyce Merritt, 954 pounds.
Madene Funderberg, 897 pounds.
James Ellis, 544 pounds.
J. E. Vaughn, 468 pounds.

Here is the roll of honor in the Elk City schools' scrap metal drive. Pupils who won places on this list were those who brought in the greatest amounts of scrap metal to their home rooms.

FIRST GRADE—

Adelia Beth Peeler, 1,576 pounds (Mrs. Georgia Wright's home room.)

Roy King, 227 pounds, Carol Lane, 120; Coreeta Minor, 90; Bryan Chase, 80; Janie Marie Allen, 77 (Miss Pauline Smith's room).

Bobby Langley, 213; Barbara Carol Yates, 114; Anna Lita Miller, 70; Wilburn Butler, 57; Phyllis Turner, 48 (Mrs. Sterling Fuller's room.)

SECOND GRADE—

Jack Tisdal, 308; Bobby Ridley, 216; Junior Funderburg, 195; Hershel Boomer, 188; J. C. McCown, 158 (Mrs. Mamie Patterson's room.)

Royse Parr, 539; Wanda Moorehead, 413; Martha Lou Boyer, 178; Ronama Ann Partain, 127; Erwin Nelms, 156 (Mrs. W. I. Wimberly's room).

THIRD GRADE—

Clarence Smith, 366; Lavern Shepherd, 290; Billy Underwood, 185; Bobby Wells, 81; Betty Sue Kenner, 80 (Miss Clela Alldredge's room.)

Jane Huffman, 800; Henry Jones, 288; Patricia Brewer, 100; Robert Brewer, 668; Janette Green, 197 (Mrs. Julia Pool's room).

FOURTH GRADE—

Kenneth Brinkley, 600; Billy Wayne Rogers, 260; Betty Jo Scott, 147; Carroll McAlpin, 190; Hestel Franks, 93 (Mrs. Woodrow Percy's room).

Jimmy McQuire, 833; Mickey Martin, 600; Edgar King, 546; Martha Rayburn, 276; Shirley Chappell, 264 (Miss Ann Phelps' room).

FIFTH GRADE—

D. W. Young, 834; Joe Ree Brewer, 657; Wendell Gerbitz, 451; Hartman Haines, 395; Billy Wheeler, 370 (Mrs. Vera Jones' room).

Donald Dedmon, 618; Bill Strother, 503; Wendell Turley, 499; Maude McCown, 364; Bobby Ames, 360 (Mrs. Minnie Stokes' room).

SIXTH GRADE—

Kenneth Headrick, 1,181; Donnie Stegall, 1,087; Billy Shough, 1,035; Leonard Miller, 929; Ernest Richardson, 879 (Mrs. Carmen Gilkerson's room).

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL—

Orvil Word, 17,530 pounds; Reuben Brinkley, 17,450; Tom Hager, 1,500; Billy Joe Bass, 1,035.

Grades Invest In War Stamps

Six Weeks Total Is \$2,507.71.

City grade school pupils and teachers invested \$2,507.71 in War Stamps and Bonds during the first six weeks of the term, the school War Effort committee said Tuesday.

In a report to the committee, Mrs. Julia Pool, fourth grade teacher, said interest among pupils and teachers was growing steadily and it was believed that nearly everyone in the school who was able to do so already is investing regularly.

An added incentive is the special grade school war savings contest in which the room having the largest investment in stamps and bonds in each six weeks period is given a quarter of a day holiday.

Mrs. Mamie Patterson, whose second grade room has the largest total of any room in the grade school, reported that 32 pupils now are regular War Stamps purchasers and it is believed that within a week every child in the room will be investing regularly.

Here is the report of a stamp purchase here is the report of stamp purchase the first six weeks, ending October 22:

Mrs. Mamie Patterson's second grade, \$300.55.

Miss Pauline Smith's first grade, \$285.60.

Miss Ann Phelps' fourth grade, \$216.25.

Mrs. Sterling Fuller's first grade, \$212.80.

Mrs. Willie Patterson's sixth grade, \$146.75.

Mrs. W. I. Wimberly's second grade, \$88.60.

Mrs. Woodrow Percy's fourth grade, \$53.06.

Mrs. Vera Jones' fifth grade, \$161.55.

Mrs. Carmen Gilkerson's sixth grade, \$49.35.

Mrs. Julia Pool's third grade \$44.70.

Mrs. Georgia Wright's first grade, \$34.20.

Mrs. Minnie Stokes' first grade, \$22.10.

Miss Clela Alldredge's third grade, \$2.20.

Red Cross Drive Is Launched In Local Schools

The Elk City grade school has launched its Junior Red Cross drive, Miss Marguerite Maschek, of the School War Effort committee, announced Thursday.

Each home room is making an effort to enroll 100 percent of its students and much enthusiasm has been shown. Each child who joins is given a Red Cross tag and a certificate of membership. Contributions may be as low as 5 cents.

In the Junior High all home rooms are joining in the drive. In each home room a membership roll is being placed on the bulletin board with the names of those students who have joined. Several rooms have already joined 100 percent, it was announced.

Wartime Tommy Tucker Now Sings For His Vitamins

The war is even changing nursery rhymes.

The city schools' War Effort committee revealed Tuesday that Little Tommy Tucker no longer sings for his supper for first graders taught by Mrs. Georgia Wright in the city grade school.

Tommy's song now pledges close attention to health building calories and vitamins. Here's the new patriotic version:

"I am Little Tommy Tucker.

"Singing for my supper.

"What do I eat?

"Milk, brown bread and butter."

School Fire Drill Wednesday Part of Week's Observance

As a part of the National Fire Prevention Week observance here, city school pupils participated in their first fire drill Wednesday Superintendent John E. Holcomb said.

The high school was cleared in one minute, ten seconds and junior high school pupils, with the exception on one study hall group, matched that time. The group in the study hall, under "slow" orders, descended the fire escapes in one and one-half minutes.

Mr. Holcomb said the drill was the first of a series planned during the school year. Pupils will be taught air raid precautions and will undergo training in clearing the buildings in an orderly manner under simulated fire and air raid emergencies from time to time during the year.

Members of Miss Pauline Smith's first grade room have their patriotic spirit pledged to give up a portion of their luxuries might buy war stamps. They have financed their ing scrap metal. The girls have organized and are carrying on a campaign of self discipline soldiers have become in the study of foods that will help them to healthy Americans.

Those in Mrs. Woodrow Percy's fourth grade room have been studying how to be AmThe Stress is being placed on De that are good for the pup ass. individual height and weight have been made. Each wee, Co pupils are weighed and mea sel and the record kept on the ch ne This is done to show the stud the value of learning the rig kinds of foods. Milk bottles ha been cut from colored pape with the name of the student on each bottle. If the pupil drinks milk for breakfast, he is given a drinking straw to put into his bottle of milk. The purpose the chart is to encourage the drinking of at least one quart milk a day.

A doctor and a nurse have been appointed for the class, and are take care of the health unit each morning.

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 Percy, 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.

City Teachers Aid In Salvage Drive

Elk City public school faculty members were among the 110 county school teachers that met Monday afternoon at the Withers building in Sayre to formulate plans for the scrap metal drive that is now under way and will continue until October 17.

County Superintendent Eddie Page explained the rules of the state-wide contest in which \$4,000 in prizes is being given to organizations and individuals collecting and turning in the most scrap metal.

It was pointed out in the meeting that the need is now urgent for scrap metal to keep the steel mills in operation.

Almost every school in the country had representatives at the meeting, and all are cooperating in the drive.

Those from Elk City attending were Ann Phelps, Sue Warkentin, Marshall King, Cleda Alldredge, Mrs. Roy E. Gowdy, Mrs. George W. Peeler, Mrs. Bruce Storm, Mrs. Woodrow Percy, W. W. Percy, Marguerite Maschek, Mrs. Vera Jones, Mrs. Minnie Stokes, Mrs. Beulah Wimberly, Jackie Longacre, Pauline Smith, Mrs. E. L. Patterson, Mrs. Carmen Gilkerson, Florine Gray, Mrs. Mayme Patterson, Mrs. Lena Mae Fuller, Mrs. Otha Pearl Knight, Mayrie K. Smith, Esther Hunter, Nellie M. Scott, J. M. Smith, Helen Hackworth, Relta Peterson, L. S. Carmichael, Robert Ready, and John E. Holcomb, all of the public school; and Sister Margaret Mary and Sister Mary Lewis, both of the St. Joseph's school.

School Reports 46 Tons Scrap County Tenth in State Contest.

Elk City school officials estimated 46 tons—about 92,000 pounds—of scrap metal had been turned in by school children in the one-week scrap drive which closes Tuesday.

This was about 11 tons over week-end figures.

The Beckham county total stood at 386,287 pounds with the check-up still incomplete. As the drive now to be in tenth place in the state stands, Beckham county is reported with 11.23 pounds per capita collected.

The county's goal is 100 pounds per capita in the \$4,000 Oklahoma newspapers state-wide contest. Counties turning in 100 pounds of scrap metal per capita will receive from the federal government an "S" flag, denoting excellence in the scrap collection drive.

Sayre and vicinity, including surrounding rural schools, reported 151,650 pounds: Erick, 50,000; Doney, 25,000; Hext, 13,515; WPA, 54,122.

week The charts will be checked daily. The class decorated their room for Halloween, using the traditional pictures which they had colored.

Mrs. Gilkerson's room is contributing to the war effort by continuing its study of foods. A class in first aid is being started, and each student plans to assist in every way possible in the war effort.

Mrs. Willie Patterson's room ended the scrap drive with a total of 10,069 pounds of metal collected. William Reynolds was the room champion with 2,233 pounds. The room's sales total \$110.35 to date.

Mrs. Pool's class bought \$6.10 in war stamps during the week, and collected 2,658 pounds of scrap metal during the drive. The group is now collecting old light bulbs to salvage the brass.

During the week, Mrs. Stokes' room bought \$5.50 in war stamps, and collected 9,102 pounds of scrap metal. Bill Strother led the class with a total collection of 4,803 pounds.

Miss Ann Phelps' fourth grade room has bought \$99.25 in war stamps and bonds in the last two weeks, and collected a total of 6,006 pounds of scrap metal. In this room, an item of interest concerning the war effort is posted on the bulletin board. This week, it is the message of General Douglas MacArthur to the school children of America.

Grade School Goes All-Out in Stamp-Scrap-Health Program

October 13.

Elk City grade school children are rapidly forming their own fighting front under the Schools-At-War program, according to reports made by home rooms to the city schools' War Effort committee Tuesday morning.

The three main objectives of the grades school war effort are to collect scrap metal, sell U.S. War Stamps and Bonds, and to improve general health conditions through organization of health units in the various home rooms.

Here are the grade school home room reports in brief:

FIRST GRADE—Mrs. Sterlin Fuller's room reports 1,199 pounds of scrap collected.

SECOND GRADE—Mrs. W. I. Wimberly's room has collected 2,097 pounds of scrap; Mrs. Georgia Wright's room has collected 2,331 pounds of scrap; Mrs. Mamie Patterson's room has brought in 1,903 pounds of scrap and while continuing that drive is turning to organization of a health unit which "teaches the value healthy, well nourished bodies, and at the same time is engaged in a contest between the Reds, Whites and Blues to see which group will buy the most war saving stamps regularly.

THIRD GRADE—Miss Cieta Alldredge's room now has eight pupils who have taken out new stamp books and have pledged a part of their candy and gum money to buy the stamps; pupils are making posters to urge "Buy U.S. Defense Stamps for Victory." Mrs. Julia

Pool's room has finished war stamp posters and stamp books have been distributed with \$8 in stamps purchased the first day and the drive "just started;" health unit study is under way.

FIFTH GRADE—Mrs. Minnie Stokes' room now has brought in 4,802 pounds of scrap metal; some are buying war stamps; the health unit is nearly complete with pupils still making posters. Mrs. Vera Jones' room is using charts to further the health unit work; the scrap drive got a boost when Linnie Lee Lof-tiss brought in receipts for 23,870 pounds of scrap metal which she helped her father collect and sell, and the scrap credit goes to the school; pupils are planning to buy more stamps and bonds.

SIXTH GRADE—Mrs. Carmen Gilkerson's room is studying foods necessary for building strong bodies, getting out pamphlets telling what foods are needed in proper diets, checking height and weight, and making posters listing best vitamin producing foods; this room won the grade school free show by turning in 9,750 pounds of scrap during the recent contest and will continue to bring in scrap through the remainder of the state-wide contest, ending October 17. Mrs. Willie Patterson's room is continuing the scrap drive; keeping a book showing class activities; buying stamps each week; donating old light bulbs, keys, small metal objects to a room scrap box, and saving cooking fats which will be brought to school and then delivered to dealers.

Students Buy Stamps To Aid War Effort

Students of the grade schools purchased a total of \$816.60 in war savings stamps during the week ending October 16, according to an announcement made by Miss Marguerite Maschek, chairman of the war effort committee.

The purchase of war stamps, by rooms, was as follows: Miss Smith's room, \$284.50; Mrs. Sterling Fuller, \$0.30; Mrs. Mayme Patterson, \$188.10; Mrs. W. I. Wimberly, \$20.35; Mrs. Julia Pool, \$30.70; Mrs. Percy, \$37.85; Miss Ann Phelps, \$7.60; Mrs. Patterson, \$92.25; Mrs. Carmen Gilkerson, \$18.45; Mrs. Clifford Jones, \$106.10; Mrs. Minnie Stokes, \$47.15; Miss Cleda Alldredge, \$1.70.

Mrs. Georgia Wright has been stressing this week that milk is one of the best foods for children and in connection with this, the pupils are learning this rhyme:

One, two, three,
I don't drink coffee,
I don't drink tea,
One, two, three,
Water, milk and cocoa
Are better for me.

Mrs. Sterling Fuller's first grade room has reported a total of \$165.45 in war stamp purchases. Mrs. W. I. Wimberly's room bought \$20.60 in war stamps the first week of the stamp sale.

The first grade pupils in Miss Smith's room received individual "good health habits" charts this

Grade School to Sell War Stamps, Bonds in Contest

A grade school U.S. war stamp and bond sales plan will begin operations here next week, Principal Woodrow Percy has announced.

The sale of war stamps and bonds in the grade school is being undertaken as a part of the city schools' War Effort committee's activities.

Mrs. Vera Jones and Mrs. Julia Pool will be in charge of stamp and bond sales and booths will be set up in both the upper and lower halls of the grade school building to sell stamps and bonds each Monday.

Grade school pupils will handle the sales under the direction of the teachers.

Each Friday the week's totals will be posted in each room.

Beginning with the second six weeks period, which starts October 19, the various home rooms will compete in a war savings contest. At the end of the six weeks period, the room which has invested the largest amount of money in war savings will be given a half-day holiday.

Local Observance Is Announced For November 22 to 25

Highlighting the city's contribution to the four-day program for American Education Week, which begins next Sunday November 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 today 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.

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 and Thursday; "Developing Loyal Citizens," for Tuesday and Friday; "Cultivating Knowledge 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. Records show that 40 per cent of those now examined for service

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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. Tuesday's parade is patterned after the celebration which launched this event in the national capital.

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 10:00 will be followed by a program at KASA, during which school authorities and other public officials will be heard in stirring patriotic speeches relating to the school's participation in the war effort. There will also be exercises by the students, and music by a massed school band. Details of the program, which is now being worked out by the committee, will be announced as soon as they are complete.

All business houses along the streets are asked to place radios in front of their places of business if possible between the hours of 11 and 12 o'clock Tuesday morning to hear the "Schools At War" program over Radio Station KASA, which will begin immediately after the parade.

Tuesday night at 7:30 at the high school auditorium, 3 one-act plays, assisted by the high school band, will be given.

Grade school, under the direction of Miss Susie Mae Warkentin will present the pageant "And the Stars Heard."

Mrs. J. M. Smith and Mrs. George Peeler will present the Junior high school pupils in the

Bill Strother Buys Second War Bond With 'Bike' Money

Bill Strother, son of Rev. and Mrs. Joe Strother, a student in the fifth grade of the Elk City Public School, is too young to join the army, but he felt that he should do his share in the war effort.

So young Bill gave up his most precious possession—his bicycle—in order to buy another War Bond. "Shucks, I can walk to school and to town," Bill said when he bought his second bond with the money which he received from the sale of the bike.

Right now he's planning what he is going to do with the money he will cash in from his bonds 10 years from now. "I can really get a fancy bike for \$50," Bill laughed.

School Pupils Exceed \$4,355.00 in War Bond And Stamp Purchase

Elk city public school pupils have invested a total of \$4,355.00 in war bonds and stamps, it was announced this week by Miss Marguerite Maschek, publicity chairman of the 'war effort' committee.

The bond and stamp sales to junior high pupils totaled \$1,239.15. Mrs. Mayrie K. Smith's room has purchased a total of \$262.35; Mrs. Esther Hunter's room, \$71.20; Cecil Boyer's room, \$76.25; Pete Jayroe's room, \$148.00; Miss Marguerite Maschek's room, \$134.10; Mrs. George Peeler's room \$547.25.

Mrs. Clifford Jones was chairman of the Junior Red Cross drive in which a quota of \$1.00 was set for each grade, from the 1st to the 12th. Those having 100 percent membership in their home rooms were Miss Maschek, Mrs. Bruce Storm, Mrs. Carmen Gilkerson, and Mrs. George Peeler.

Five Rooms Go 100% In Red Cross Drive

Five home rooms in the Elk City Public School have enrolled 100 percent of their members in the Junior Red Cross Service Drive which was held from Nov. 9 to 13, it was announced Wednesday by Miss Marguerite Maschek, of the School War Effort committee.

In addition, all home room have reached their quotas, Miss Maschek said. This report was mailed to Oklahoma's area office in St. Louis, Mo.

The following are the teachers of the rooms reaching 100 percent: Mrs. Clifford Jones, Miss Marguerite Maschek, Mrs. George Peeler, Mrs. Julia Pool, Mrs. Carmen Gilkerson and Mrs. Mayme Patterson.

School Reaches Quota In Junior Red Cross

The Junior Red Cross organization flourished in its membership in the Elk City public schools. Students backed this organization as civic minded citizens would the Senior Red Cross or any other worthy organization.

Every home-room in the elementary, junior high, and high school reached its membership quota. Several home-rooms have 100 per cent membership. They are listed as follows under the home-room sponsors: Mrs. Esther Hunter, Mrs. George Peeler, Miss Marguerite Maschek and Mrs. Helen Hackworth of the high school and junior high.

The grade school, not to be outdone by their upper classmen, had even more 100 per cent home-room membership. They were Mrs. Julia Pool, Mrs. E. L. Patterson, Mrs. Carmen Gilkerson, Mrs. Mayme Patterson and Mrs. Vera Jones.

GRADE NEWS

"Thanksgiving in the Barnyard" was presented Friday by all the pupils of Mrs. Lena Mae Fuller's first grade room. Alvin Sheperd from Monte Vista, Colorado, enrolled in that class recently.

Mrs. Mayme Patterson's second grade room already has its minimum for Junior Red Cross members and is now eager to do more than just belong. Billy Bolden moved from the class to Kansas and Betty Carol Stone from Norfolk, Virginia, recently enrolled in the class.

The second grade students of Mrs. Beulah Wimberly are beginning a new unit on food and are making charts and posters on the foods they should eat.

"Cleanliness" will be the theme of the program presented in assembly November 20 by Mrs. O. M. Wirght's first grade group.

Mrs. Julia Pool's third grade group are members of the Junior Red Cross one hundred per cent.

A small scrap box for articles such as keys and other things too small to be placed in the other scrap pile has been set up in Mrs. Edw. L. Patterson's sixth grade room.

Gale Simpkins from Carter recently entered Mrs. Minnie Stokes' fifth grade class and Merrill Pyle moved to Colorado. The class bought \$11.10 worth of defense stamps in one week.

Fifth grade pupils of Mrs. Clifford Jones have organized a hobby with six hobbies chosen and a leader for each. They are aviation, Billy Windham; nature study, Phoebe Storm; sewing, Virginia Ann Jones; music, Laurena Palmetter; stamp collection, Stanley Hooper; and miscellaneous, Lavern Estes. The last club has started its collection and will have an exhibit later in the year. The whole room visited the Carnegie library last week to learn more about the library. This was in connection with National Education Week.

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.

American Education Week, which grew out of the First World War is sponsored by the National Education Association, the American Legion, the U.S. Office of Education, and the National Congress of Parents and Teachers. It aims to acquaint the people with the needs, purposes and achievements of the schools. The "Schools at War" program, sponsored by the Education Section of the U. S. Treasury War Savings Staff, and the U.S. Office of Education and its Wartime Commission, has as its theme the slogan: Save, Serve, and Conserve. The chief object of this program is to coordinate all school wartime activities and to stimulate War Savings campaigns, scrap and salvage drives, and similar projects. The theme of today's celebration is "Serving Wartime Needs."

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 Citizens 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.

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Notes From The Schools

The pupils in Mrs. Julia Pool's room have made a New Year's resolution "To Buy More Stamps and Bonds This Year." They have organized the boys against the girls to see which side does the most war work during the year.

Mrs. Pool's pupils had a recent contest to see which pupil could bring in the most light bulb ends for a metal scrap drive. Nelma Reyburn Boyer and Virginia Taylor tied for first place in the contest.

Mrs. W. Patterson's sixth grade pupils have almost completed two scrap books for the crippled children's hospital in Oklahoma City. One scrap book is filled with colorful Christmas cards, the other one

with brightly colored pictures.

They have bought saving stamps this week—to pay for two gas masks, one steel helmet and one aerial photo film.

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, Audrey 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 fiancé, Melvin Isley. W. B. Fleming was the coach.

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

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."

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 vitamins. 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 cafeteria is baked there in a stock oven. A large quantity 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 underprivileged 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.

Notes From The Schools

By MARGUERITE MASCHKE

The faculty of the Elk City schools wish to thank everyone who had anything to do with the Schools at War Parade which was featured last Tuesday morning. They especially wish to thank the business men and farmers who lent their trucks, tractors and trailers. It was due to the cooperation of everyone that the parade was such a great success.

Some of the men who helped were: Jim Sprowls, Homer Bryant, Ray Trent, Claude Keas, A. A. Allen, Huston Slaughter, Pierce Jarrell, Porter Jacobs, Mr. Hargrove and Mr. Henslee.

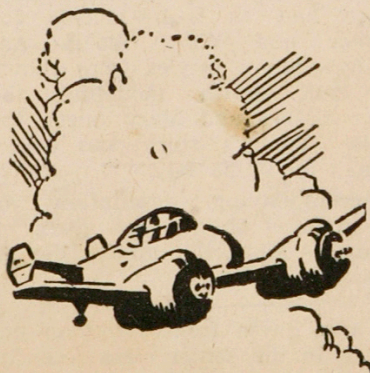
Last Wednesday the school cafeteria served 518 people a special Thanksgiving dinner. The dinner consisted of roast beef, dressing brown gravy, candied sweet potatoes, baked apple, combination salad, peanut butter cookies, hot rolls and hot chocolate.

Assisting in the serving of the serving of the meal were Mr. Holcomb, Mrs. Vera Jones, Mrs. Minnie Stokes, Mrs. Mayrie Smith and others.

Mr. Fleming who has been substituting in the English department in Elk City high school will return to Merritt school, Monday, to resume his teaching.

What You Buy With WAR STAMPS

In the expensive business of fighting a war, a dime's worth of oxygen may seem like an inconsequential item, yet that much oxygen is enough to keep a bomber pilot alive for 40 minutes in the high altitudes reached by today's war planes. When operating at such extreme ranges, the lives of the pilot and his crew, as well as the safety of his plane, depend upon the unfailing supply of this precious gas which makes up for the deficiency of oxygen in rarefied air.



Your purchase of War Savings Stamps may not add up to the hundreds of thousands of dollars needed to buy one of those high-flying bombers, but every time you invest in a 10-cent Stamp, you are providing money for the oxygen without which our great air fleets would be practically useless. Your Schools at War program will help show you the importance of buying War Stamps regularly.

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 characters are Audyne Carter, who will act as narrator; Morgan Hunter, a German officer; Robert Davis, musician; Joclene 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 Essie Mae Warkentin is directing the pageant.

The high school band will aid with the entire program.

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 broadcast. 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 Citizens to visit the public schools during this week.

Frances Mitchell spoke briefly on the student "War Effort" program which consists 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 band.

the committee will appreciate this assistance.

Christmas will be observed quietly in the grade school this year. It has been decided to buy war bonds and stamps with the money, usually spent on a Christmas tree for each room. Also the money customarily spent on decorations and treats will be put into war stamps.

There will be no drawing of names and no gifts. The children are requested not to give Christmas presents to their teachers, but instead of this to spend the money for defense stamps.

The Christmas operetta will be for all children and parents to attend and a picture show will be enjoyed by the entire-grade school on the afternoon of Dec. 13.

The spirit of Christmas is present in every class room and all pupils and teachers are happy in the thought that if they buy Defense Stamps they will have a happier Christmas in the future.

Members of Pete Jayroe's seventh grade home room enjoyed a hay ride to the new reservoir on Wednesday evening. The group rode in a trailer pulled by a tractor which was driven by Scotty Cummings. They made a large bon fire, around which they ate their picnic supper. Those attending, in addition to the members of the room, were Mr. and Mrs. Jayroe; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Smith, and Mrs. Jack Cummings, who is one of the class mothers.

Notes From The Schools

By MARGUERITE MASCHKE

One of the features of the program Monday at 9:45 o'clock assembly, will be the presentation of an honor roll.

This will be a bulletin board with a blue background on which white stars are arranged in rows. There are 49 stars. The stars are about four inches in diameter.

On each star is printed the name and classification of each boy from high school who is now in the armed forces. As new ones are enlisted additional boards will flank the present one.

It is the desire of the assembly committee to secure the names of all the boys who are now in the armed forces, who at any time attended Elk City high school.

If any one knows of any names

School Parade, Broadcast Held Tuesday

Impressive Units March For "War Effort."

Celebrating National Education Week, an impressive parade of 1,600 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 scene 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 sophomore 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."

Youngsters Here Bombard Adolf, Tojo with Bonds

Boys and girls of the Elk City school's total was \$4,953.15. We are grade school are real soldiers on the home front—they are sending over amount and know that to keep the bullets and bombs and helmets to good work continuing we must continue to buy to the utmost degree."

The fourth grade pupils of Mrs. Woodrow Percy won the contest for the third six weeks by buying stamps and bonds amounting to \$681.80. Already in the fourth six weeks period the youngsters have purchased a total of \$387.10, with only five days of the new semester gone, bringing the total bought since September to \$5,350.25.

The ranking of the different rooms for bond and stamp purchases since the beginning of the new semester Jan. 18 is as follows:

Mrs. Willie Patterson	\$1.75
Mrs. Woodrow Percy	\$1.10
Mrs. Minnie Stokes	\$34.10
Miss Ann Phelps	\$3.15
Mrs. Vera Jones	\$130.20
Miss Clela Aldredge	\$31.90
Miss Pauline Smith	\$109.85
Mrs. Lena Fuller	\$2.25
Mrs. Mayme Patterson	\$7.15
Mrs. Beulah Wimberly	\$1.20
Mrs. Georgia Wright	\$3.15
Mrs. Julia Pool	\$2.90
Mrs. Carman Gilkerson	\$68.40

"In these times of stress," Mr. Neal said, "I know the boys in the service will be glad to read in the 'Home Town Paper' that the local schools are doing or trying to do their part to win the war. It is with pride that we publish the amount of stamps and bonds that the first six grades to the Elk City school have purchased."

"By Jan. 15, the elementary

Notes From The Schools

A letter was recently received by Norman Perkins, 310 N. Adams, a student at the Elk City grade school, from Lee Loyd Willis, with the U.S. Navy in Norfolk, Va. Norman is in the third grade and members of his class have been writing to men in service.

The letter follows:

"Dear Norman:

"Sorry I have waited so long to write to you. I really enjoyed your letter.

"How are you liking school? Stay in there and study hard. It's almost

time for Santa, you know, and you'd better study hard and be a good boy.

"You should be here and see all the ships and planes. There sure are a lot of them here. They build ships in the Navy yard here.

"Are you seeing any good shows? I haven't been for almost two weeks, saving my money to come home some of these days, but don't know how long it will be. Hope it isn't too long.

"I have to write Clois and Louise, so maybe I had better close now and write them.

"Your friend, Loyd, the sailor.

Loyd is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Willis, 1018 W. Avenue B.

A total of \$480.65 in war bonds and stamps have been purchased by the pupils of the junior high.

Miss Pauline Smith's first grade pupils made Christmas cards for their parents.

Lex Hollis and Kenneth Gene Evans are new pupils in the first grade.

Students' Pictures Made For Records

Permanent record cards for the student body of the Elk City schools will soon display a small photograph of each pupil.

The individual pictures were taken by a special photographer

for the purpose of displaying each pupil's likeness on his record card. Photographs were taken free but there will be four small pictures with one enlargement which students may buy if they wish.

All schools were given the opportunity by this photographer of having a free individual photograph made of each student.

Students Buy Stamps, Bonds \$3,775.30 Worth Bought in Grades.

A total of \$3,775.30 in war bonds and stamps have been purchased by the pupils of the Elk City grade school since school started in September, it was announced Saturday.

The following is a list of the home rooms and their standing as of Jan. 8 in a contest to see which room can purchase the most stamps during the period of Nov. 30 to Jan. 15.

Mrs. Vera Jones	—\$261.00.
Mrs. Minnie Stokes	—\$158.65.
Mrs. Carman Gilkerson	—\$35.75.
Mrs. Mayme Patterson	—\$129.05.
Mrs. Lena M. Fuller	—\$113.45.
Mrs. Julia Pool	—\$113.25.
Mrs. Woodrow Percy	—\$118.40.
Mrs. Willie Patterson	—\$89.15.
Miss Clela Aldredge	—\$56.50.
Mrs. Georgia Wright	—\$46.95.
Miss Ann Phelps	—\$9.70.
Miss Pauline Smith	—\$7.80.
Mrs. Beulah Wimberly	—\$3.45.

The total bought thus far during the contest period is \$1,243.10.

Average Of Cafeteria Is 336 Persons Daily

During the first four weeks of its operation, the school cafeteria, sponsored by the local Parent-Teachers association, has prepared food for 6,396 persons, 228, or an average of 12 a day, were for underprivileged students, the rest paid lunches. As stated by J. M. Smith, jr., financial secretary for the project, the daily average of persons served in the cafeteria was 336.

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

Some of the supplies such as canned foods, and fruits are furnished by the government, the W. P. A. garden and canning project contributing a large part of these. The rest of the supplies, meat, sugar, fresh foods, and milk, are purchased from local merchants.

Since the cafeteria has been opened, it has been visited by the Rotarians, the Kiwanians, and several parents.

Mrs. Esther Hunter, home-economics instructor, is in charge of planning the meals and purchasing the food. Cost of each meal is 10c per person.

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February 1, 1943

Teacher-in-Charge,
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Dear Madam:

We wish to thank you and the members of
the sixth grade for the lovely scrap book full of whatnotes.
It was very nice and has been placed in the library at the
disposal of all the boys and girls.

Your kindness and thoughtfulness is
greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

THE UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS,

Keturah Foulks

(Mrs.) Keturah Foulks, Director
Social Service Department

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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 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; and "Cultivating Knowledge 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. Records show that 40 percent of those now examined for service

GRADE NEWS

"What Good is School?" will be presented by Mrs. Julia Pool's third grade class tomorrow in grade school assembly. The characters are a boy, Orion Estes; a girl, Dorothy Reyburn; aviators, Gene More and Bill Richardson; dancer, Jane Huffman; policeman, Charles Henry; nurses, Barbara Morgan and Patricia Brewer; soldiers, Henry Jones and Neil Nesser; singer, Janett Green; and hoboos, David Dycus and Leon Cooper. There will also be songs by the class, a reading by Dawna Knight, and a story with music by Reverend Joe Strother.

Election of class officers has just been completed by Mrs. Minnie Stokes' fifth graders with Gene Boyd, president; Clyde Barton, vice-president; Bill Strother, secretary; and Nancy Gould, reporter. The class flower is the rose and class colors are red, white, and blue. "Paddle your own canoe" and "God helps those who help themselves" are the class mottoes. Rita Nell Williams from Atwater, California, is a new member of the class. The group had a Halloween party last Friday. Since Mrs. Perkins had a son in their class the group sent flowers for her funeral. Virginia Johnson bought \$2 worth of defense stamps.

Mrs. Edw. L. Patterson's sixth grade room presented two plays in assembly Friday. They were "The Ghost Walks" and "African Travels." All the students participated.

A new student, Floyd Edward Williams from Atwater, California, recently enrolled in Mrs. Lena Mae Fuller's first grade class.

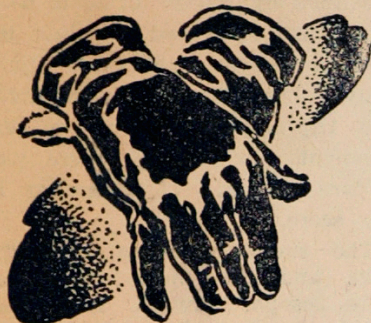
Mrs. Carmen Gilkerson's sixth grade room has just elected their officers as follows: president, Eva Nelda Castleberry; vice-president, Donald Murphy; secretary-treasurer, Elaine Cossey; and reporters, Jane Daves and Lewtine Minor. The entire class had the privilege of attending a free show as winners of the county scrap drive in their division. Two new pupils have enrolled in the class from Oklahoma City. They are Donald Murphy and Mary Lou Clark. The group is now studying a course in first aid.

Students See Movies Of School Scenes

Wednesday, December 16, students of Elk City schools witnessed motion pictures, that were taken of the parade a year ago and the Education Week parade of November 23, in which all students took part. This picture is to become a part of a history of Elk City schools in motion pictures. In addition to the parade pictures, scenes were also taken of the high school during a recent snow with pictures of students and faculty members. The pictures were taken by Mrs. V. C. Tisdal.

★ What You Buy With WAR STAMPS ★

Much of today's aerial warfare is fought at extreme high altitudes and the sub-zero temperature at such heights makes flying gloves a vital part of our airmen's equipment. These gloves cost \$1.50 a pair and must be supplied to each air fighter.



Each time you buy \$1.50 worth of War Stamps, you are lending your government enough money to purchase a pair of gloves to keep the fingers of one of our fliers warm and flexible on the controls and gun triggers. School boys and girls can't serve actively in the fighting but they can do their share on the home front by purchasing War Stamps regularly. Your Schools at War program will show you how best you may do that.

U. S. Treasury Department

GRADE NEWS

"The Twelve Months of the Year", in which all students participate will be given by Mrs. Mayme Pattersons' second grade January 29.

The rythm band, sponsored by Miss Susie Mae Warkentine will make its first public appearance today. With Beverly Thornton as conductor, they will play "March of the Little Lead Soldiers" and "Shoemaker's" Dance."

Every child in the music class of Mrs. Carmen Gilkerson has been requested by Miss Warkentine to learn all the verses of the "Star Spangled Banner."

How to recognize the insignia of the different branches of the service is being studied by Mrs. W. W. Percy's fourth grade students.

New pupils who have enrolled recently in grade school are Joane Wilson from Hobart and Steven French from Merritt in Mrs. Percy's fourth grade; Glen Penland from Altus, Loren Gene Seaton from Prairie du Sac, Wisconsin, and Alfred Bromfield from Childress, Texas, in Mrs. Minnie Stokes' fifth grade class; Yvonne Mullennix from Highway, R. A. Baker from Merritt, Lucille Music from Black in Mrs. Carmen Gilkerson's sixth grade; and Lorenda and J. W. Phillips from Merritt in Mrs. Julia Pool's third grade.

Mrs. Julia Pool's third graders are developing an interest in the unit on transportation which they have just begun studying.

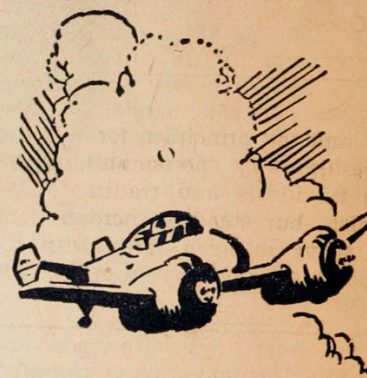
FROM WILLIE TO ADOLPH

SAVE...SERVE CONSERVE



★ What You Buy With WAR STAMPS ★

In the expensive business of fighting a war, a dime's worth of oxygen may seem like an inconsequential item, yet that much oxygen is enough to keep a bomber pilot alive for 40 minutes in the high altitudes reached by today's war planes. When operating at such extreme ranges, the lives of the pilot and his crew, as well as the safety of his plane, depend upon the unfailing supply of this precious gas which makes up for the deficiency of oxygen in rarefied air.



Your purchase of War Savings Stamps may not add up to the hundreds of thousands of dollars needed to buy one of those high-flying bombers, but every time you invest in a 10-cent Stamp, you are providing money for the oxygen without which our great air fleets would be practically useless. Your Schools at War program will help show you the importance of buying War Stamps regularly.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1942

City Students Bring In Scrap To Aid National Drive



Above is a typical weighing scene at the school scrap pile during the past three weeks. In the foreground are six students who rated among the highest in the amount of scrap metal collected in their respective groups. From left to right the individuals are Tom Hager,

eighth grade; R. F. Ready, high school principal; Kenneth Headrick, sixth grade; Orvil Word, eighth grade; Adelia Beth Peeler, first grade; Billy Joe Bass, ninth grade; William Reynolds, sixth grade; and Superintendent John E. Holcomb.

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GRADE NEWS

On Friday, December 4, the fourth grade rooms of Mrs. W. W. Percy and Miss Ann Phelps had charge of the assembly program. Included in the presentation were the dramatizations of two songs, "Ten Little Soldiers" and "Three Little Sisters" and a reading by Mickey Martin.

Mrs. Julia Pool's third grade English class is studying letter writing and are writing letters to service men. Most of them have received replies to their letters to be read to the class.

Mrs. Carmen Gilkerson's sixth graders are making wooden bookends, trays, and pin trays for Christmas presents and are putting designs on paper plates for gift pictures.

During Book Week Mrs. Minnie Stokes' fifth grade room visited the Carnegie library and most of them checked out books.

On Monday, November 30, Mrs. Mayme Patterson's second grade room saw a picture show which was their award for buying the most bonds and stamps in grade school.

Several new students have enrolled in grade school. They are Jessie Hyman and Marlin Kanady from Carter, Lorrina and Billy Mangum from Arizona, and Catherine Bentley from Texas, in Mrs. Lena Mae Fuller's first grade room; Junior Stephens from Pampa, Texas, and Wendell Harris from Oklahoma City in Mrs. Minnie Stokes' fifth grade class; Glenda Hudler, Roy Daily, and Gene Poteet from Oklahoma City, in Mrs. Beulah Wimberly's second grade; Claude Porter from Las Vegas, Nevada, May Bentley from Gainesville, Texas, in Mrs. Edw. L. Patterson's sixth grade; and Lex Hollis, Oleta Skelton, and Margaret Nutley in Miss Pauline Smith's first grade room.

Dorothy Cook from Mrs. Beulah Wimberly's room recently moved to Altus.

Myles Yoes, a student in Mrs. Mayme Patterson's room returned to school after a four week's absence.

GRADE NEWS

As an outstanding achievement since school started this year, grade school students have purchased \$4,946.90 worth of war bonds and stamps. \$210.55 worth has been bought since the Christmas holidays.

Miss Pauline Smith's first grade class presented an assembly program recently which consisted of a piano solo by Car-eeta Minor, readings by Jerry Ab-ernathy, Jan Murphy and Janie Marie Allen, songs by the class, and a color cartoon movie.

Mrs. Edw. Patterson's sixth grade pupils have bought enough war stamps to pay for 2 gas masks, 1 steel helmet, and 1 aerial photo film. The group has made 2 scrap books for the crippled children's hospital in Oklahoma City.

A debate in geography is to be held by the fourth graders in Mrs. Clifford Jones' room. The question is "Resolved: Lumber is more important than gold" The debate will be based on the study of the West and gold rush.

Mrs. Lena Mae Fuller, first grade teacher on leave of absence, is visiting her husband, Sterling Fuller, who is in the Army Air Corps, stationed at Ft. Lockbourne in Columbus, Ohio. Mrs. Edna A. Simpkins is substituting for Mrs. Fuller.

Several new students have enrolled in grade school recently.

They are John Storts from Fort Smith, Arkansas, Virginia Taylor from Cheyenne and Dale Jackson from Highway in Mrs. Julia Pool's third grade room; Gail Ladd from Davidson, Oklahoma, in Mrs. Edw. L. Patterson's sixth grade room; Imogene Keith and Robert Schultz in Mrs. Clifford Jones' fourth grade; Jim Jackson and Warren Burton Tunnell in Mrs. Minnie Stokes' fifth grade; Larry Cramer and Lora Faye Arkridge in Miss Pauline Smith's first grade class; and Marguerite Nemsgern of South Dakota and Carroll Lynn Newberry of Burns Flat are new pupils in Mrs. Mayme Patterson's second grade room.

Uncle Sam Sends Out Plea For Pennies

Because there is now a shortage of copper, pennies are needed in the war effort.

John E. Holcomb, superintendent, has received notices from the government urging that any students who may have collections of pennies put them into circulation at once. The need for this metal is so vital that the copper in the pennies is to be used in defense and other coins are to be made of an alloy.

Every loyal student can do his part by cashing in his pennies at once.

GRADE NEWS

Helping in the scrap drive in a big way is Mrs. Clifford Jones' fifth grade room. One student, Linnie Lee Loftiss, brought in 25,120 pounds of scrap and that tops anything so far. The sale of war stamps has been resumed again this year and is rapidly gaining momentum. A game on health is played each morning by Mrs. Jones' pupils in which they have a chart with space to represent the pupils with balloons as the deeds they should do to maintain good health. The object is to keep the balloons at the top of the chart.

Organization of the rhythm band, mixed chorus, and military chorus has been completed according to Miss Susie Mae Warkentine, music instructor. The rhythm band has thirty members. The military chorus, which is composed of 30 boys, has as captain, Norman Martin; lieutenant, Edgar King; sergeant, William Reynolds; and corporals, Delmas Jones and Gene Boyett. The mixed chorus, composed of 45 boys and girls, elected as president Estaline Ballard; secretary, Elaine Cossey; reporter, Jane Daves; and librarian, Bill Strother and La Vern Estes.

"Taking the Census" and "One Little White Lie" were presented in assembly last Friday by the fourth grade students of Mrs. W. W. Percy and Miss Ann Phelps. In addition to the two plays were a reading, "Going to Circus" by Robert Homan, a piano solo by Martha Reyburn, and a group song "We're all Americans."

"When Uncle Sam Came to Visit" and "Fooling the Agent" were presented recently by Mrs. Minnie Stokes' fifth grade students in assembly. A cornet solo was played by Bill Strother and a piano solo by Sydney Page. The whole room participated in the singing of the "Marines Hymn" and "Boys May Whistle but Girls Must Sing."

Mrs. Beulah Wimberly's second grade pupils recently gave as an assembly program "The Provident Society" with Wanda Morehead, Dickey Wingham, Jack Cossey, Joellen Smith, Gwen Fender, Martha Lou Boyer, and Cleola Jones taking part, and "America" with Lynda Clayton, M. C. Darrough, Shirley Wehba, Erwin Nelms, Etta Mae Comden, Royse Parr, and Ronoma Ann Partain. "Open Little Eyelids" was sung by the entire class.

An imaginary trip to Africa is now in progress in Mrs. Edw. L. Patterson's sixth grade room. At the end of the trip the group will present an original program with Africa as its setting for their chapel program. They have finished the study of letter cutting.

Having completed their collection of groceries and play money Mrs. Julia Pool's third grade class has begun to play store. They bought \$5.28 worth of defense stamps last Monday. A poster booklet on health has just been completed by the group.

Eva Nelda Castleberry has been elected reporter for Mrs. Carman Ginkerson's sixth grade room for this six weeks. The study of vitamins and health has been begun by the group and in connection with this they are learning to eat and like all foods. Each child has been weighed and measured as a health project.

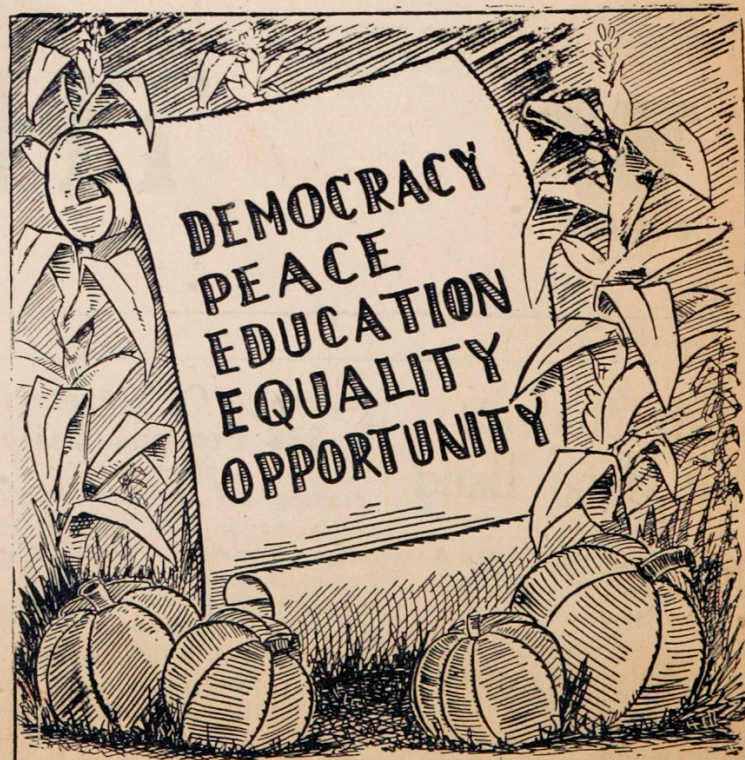
Mrs. O. M. Wright's first grade class have collected a large amount of scrap and are buying war stamps. They are now making the story of "The Three Bears" from construction paper.

Mrs. Mayme Patterson's second grade room has a new member, Gerald Johnson from Clinton. They have already purchased \$27.60 in war stamps. In connection with their study of health they are making an A B C health alphabet.

God Bless You—We Will Protect You



For These We Pray



Scrapbook Is Finished Here

War Effort Will Continue In School.

With the national period stressing war effort in the schools ending this week, the schools here are completing their scrapbooks which will be sent to the capitol at Oklahoma City and thence to the national capitol. The scrapbooks contain clippings citing the war effort activities of the grades, junior high school, and high school here during the period.

War effort work will of course, be continued in the schools, but the summary of past activities since September will be sent in with scrapbooks from schools all over the country to show what Elk City children have done for the war.

The total purchases by the school-children in January of stamps and bonds totalled \$3,157.30. In the contest between the first, second and third grades, Miss Pauline Smith's first grade pupils won, buying a total of \$242.80 in stamps. Mrs. Woodrow Percy's fourth grade children won the contest between the fourth, fifth and sixth grades, with a total of \$729.50 purchased.

The week-old contest between junior and senior high is a close one, both schools Wednesday having bought \$70 each in stamps since the first of the week. A large thermometer for each group has been erected and each day the results are marked higher on the thermometer, with interest running high in the school.

In the Victory Corps 167 pupils (90 boys and 77 girls), out of an enrollment of 266, have "volunteered" from junior high.

The following are the figures for bonds and stamps bought by grade school children here in January:

Miss Georgia Wright	\$9.15
Miss Pauline Smith	\$242.80
Miss Edna Simpkins	\$176.45
Miss Mamie Patterson	\$171.50
Mrs. Beulah Wimberley	\$99.05
Mrs. Julia Poole	\$171.95
Miss Clea Aldredge	\$97.50
Miss Anna Phelps	\$104.10
Mrs. Woodrow Percy	\$729.50
Mrs. Vera Jones	\$576.35
Mrs. Minnie Stokes	\$400.00
Mrs. Carmen Gilkerson	\$176.45
Mrs. Willie Patterson	\$206.50

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