Schools AT WAR

A REPORT TO THE NATION



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SCHOOL Our Lady of Victory

ADDRESS 316 W. Jefferson (STREET) Purcell (TOWN) Oklahoma (STATE)

Purcell
Box 1

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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 Our Lady of Victory.

Address Purcell, Oklahoma.

Enrollment 57 Pupils Grades 1 to 8

No. of Teachers Three No. of Classrooms Three.

Size of Community Population 3000

Cash Value of War Stamps and Bonds sold during SCHOOLS AT WAR Program Two Hundred, Twenty-eight dollars, sixty five cents. $228.65.



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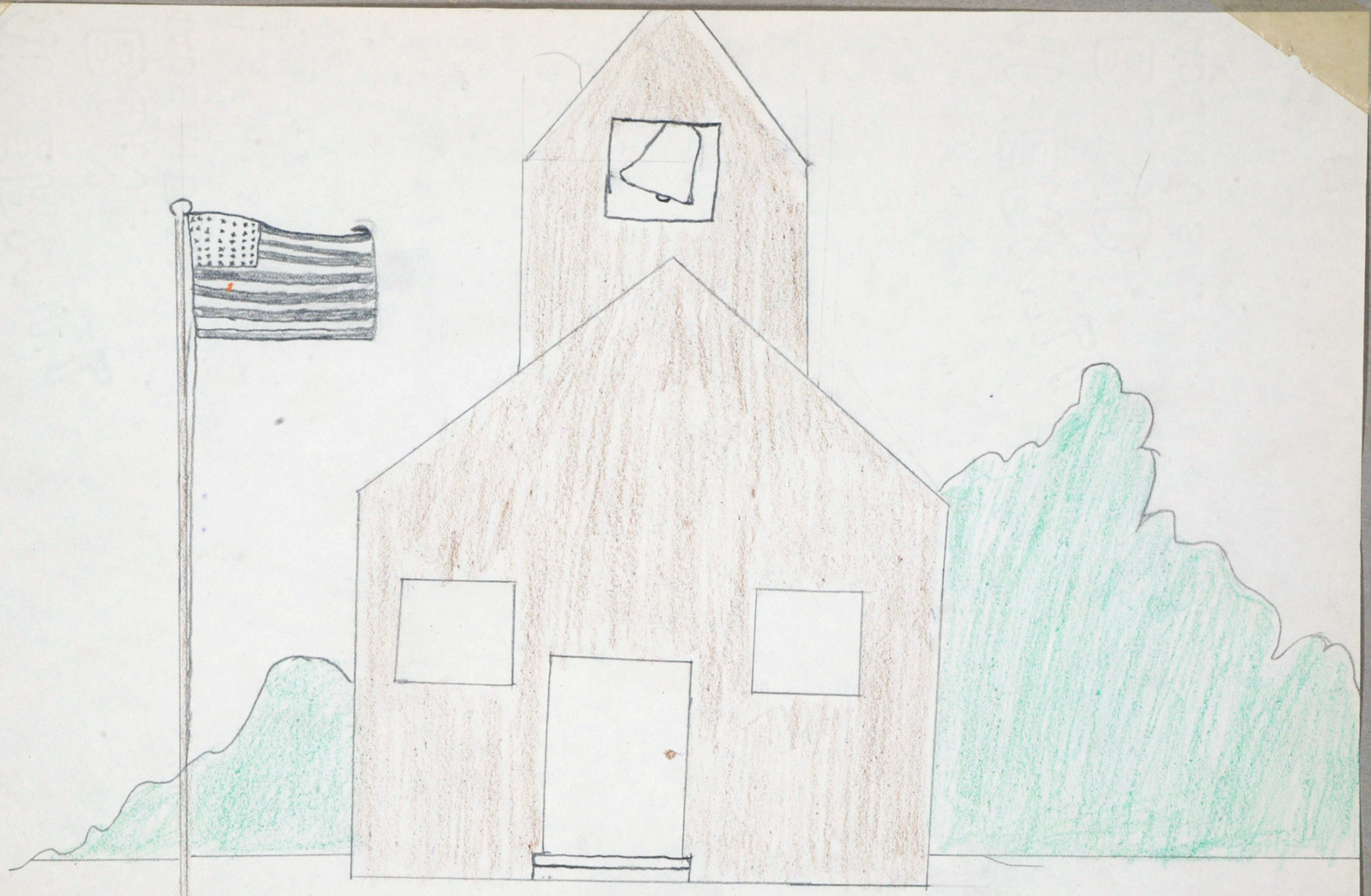

ALL TOGETHER

OUR SCHOOL AND COUNTRY

Our Lady of Victory School.

Robert Juarez Grade 8

Duty Called and How I Answered It.

A few days ago I started thinking. Yes, I actually started thinking! Thinking about all the American soldiers, sailors, and marines, all fighting and dying. Young boys from seventeen on up. For instance, about three weeks ago I saw a boy, eighteen years of age. He used to live across the street from us before he joined the marine corp. Every once in a while he would come over to our house to see my brother. Anyway I liked him a good bit. He has been gone longer, I think, than my brother who is in the air corp. Well, anyway, when I saw him I could not recognize him. He remembered me. He was wounded.

That was why he was back. His left arm was gone and he had been honorably discharged from the marines with a distinguished service medal. He told me why he had lost his arm. He told me why he was back with only one arm.

Someone had failed! Someone had failed to buy enough war bonds and stamps to furnish him and his patrol of marines with enough 50 calibre machine gun bullets to shoot down more of those slinking, little brown men who call themselves "Sons of Heaven." So he was shot down. Yes, he was an aviator too! He told me all about it. How men were dying right and left, and in the front of him. Then it was when I started to think. Think, that could have been my brother, without a left arm.

How terrible that would have been for mother and dad, my sisters, and worst of all, I think, me. Just because someone had thought it too big a sacrifice not to see the "The Great Show" and buy a few stamps.

I had been turning in all the money I could earn to mother. She needed it to pay all our debts. My dad gives fifteen per cent of his check for bonds, so I had to help with all our necessities. After that he gave her part of it and the rest went into stamps and bonds. I have not kept count of how many I have gotten, but I know that I and all the good and patriotic

Americans will keep on buying stamps and bonds. Even though I am of Mexican blood, we are all on the same side, fighting the same enemy. So if this ever comes out in public, all I can say is buy more bonds and stamps, and stamps and bonds, till we have more than enough to feed, clothe and arm all those poor boys, while we sit around and worry whether we have enough to go to the show with.

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Our Lady of Victory

Lola Mae Tippitt Grade Six

How I've Helped Uncle Sam

Why must everyone help Uncle Sam?. We must win this war. We must save our money to buy war stamps and bonds. We must collect all old scrap metal, rubber and iron for the government, so they can build ships, planes, guns, ammunition and make bandages for our boys. If we don't do this our factories won't get enough material to work with, then they will close and after a while all the factories will be closed and no one will manufacture any planes or ships, or any war materials, and then the Japs will walk right in and stamp us down.

After considering why I should help Uncle Sam, I set to thinking how I could help him. "How can I help Uncle Sam?", I asked myself. By buying War Bonds and Stamps, by collecting scrap metal, rubber and iron, and by saving all waste kitchen fats and grease. I can also collect old books and magazines and different kinds of papers, so our boys that are injured or ill can have something to read, and to help pass away the time.

Our Lady of Victory School
Doyle Vandagriff February 10, 1943
Age 11 Grade 6

English

An Urgent Call

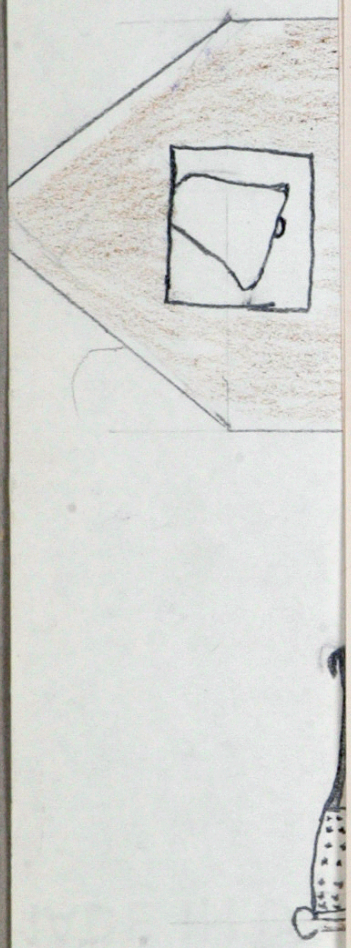
War means a call not only to the men in the fighting service. But a call to every Man, Woman, and child young and old. Everyone must ask himself "How can I help"

Well the man can help by keeping himself healthy to do his daily work, by not driving his car if unnecessary, and by taking better care of his clothes to help them last longer.

The women can help by making good meals, by saving her kitchen fats it may only be a spoonful but it will soon add up, and be more carefull how she dols her family wash not to fade or damage the clothes.

The children can help by collecting scrap, rubber, iron, or Mothers old tin cans fathers's old worn out car tools or garden tools. these things can all be made into something valuable.

We must save to help Uncle Sam. the things we save goes to factories and is made into Alonas guns, tanks, ships, and many other things. I myself am doing my part I have $7.50 in defense stamps



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Our Lady of Victory School

Norma Yoakum — Seventh Grade

Buying a War Bond

After our last scrap drive in November we asked each other what could we do now to help Uncle Sam. Finally we decided upon having a Christmas play. Now the question was - where we would get it. So we sent off to a company and they sent two plays one by the name of "The Christmas Shadow" and another "Finnegan's Flat." We practiced one long month until finally it was finished.

We had it on the 21st of December. When we were about to go out we saw the hall just packed with people. When the play was over Father Hugo, our Pastor made a short speech in which he asked the people to give a contribution that would go toward a war bond. All the people gave very generously. The next day we counted the money and it came to

Our Lady of Victory School

Velma Boraham Grade 7

Buying a War Bond

The boys and girls of this school wanted to do something to help Uncle Sam win this war. So we decided to give a christmas play.

It took us three or more weeks for each to learn our parts. The names of our plays were "Christmas at Finnegians Flat" The second play was "Christmas Shadow. We had them at night.

After our plays were over the pastor of our school and church Father Louis Hugo asked the people if they would be kind enough to give us a little donation to buy a bond so we can wipe the japs off the map.

In our donation the people were very generous. They gave us the sum of $11.15. We are going to collect more and give the war bond to Father Hugo for a new church. The next shall be a Victory Lunch to make more money.

ALL SCRAP IS



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Our Lady of Victory School

Anita Christie Grade 8

Scrap to Slap the Japs

The afternoon of September 25th brought a lot of excitement for the pupils of our Lady of Victory School. The boys were wearing their scout uniforms and the girls in slacks. Everyone was filled with enthusiasm and ready for work even though the day was rather warm and the work somewhat hard even for the boys.

The merchants of Purcell had contributed trucks and the ladies had made arangements for us to pick up the scrap at their back door or out by the sidewalk. After that we put it in a pile in the school yard until it was sold. We gathered scrap for two days. The money we got for the scrap amounted to seventy five dollars. We gave fifty for the U. S. O. fund and bought a war bond with the

rest.

Of course everything we collected wasn't sold as there were old buggies and things like that.

We had another drive in November, which wasn't quite as successful, but we did get some of that precious scrap that Uncle Sam was very glad for.

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Our Lady of Victory School

Fred Ozment Grade 8

Scrap for the Japs

One day last September the merchants of Purcell wanted to collect all the old scrap for Uncle Sam and they called on the school children to help them. We collected about two days going from door to door asking the people to help and they were very willing. We got about seventy five dollars it went to the Boy Scouts of our Lady of Victory church troop 234. We also collected old scrap rubber. The President needs all the old Scrap he can get to win this war and everyone is expected to do his part we think it is very patriotic and we want to help as much as we can and that is about the best way. We can help by buying war stamps too. Almost everyone in our Class is buying at least twenty five cents worth a week some have bonds.

It is better to make a little

sacrifice like giving up a show
once in a while and useing the
money for a bond or stamp then
having Hitler win the war and if
we do our part he won't make
the ripple and the more scrap we
collect the unhappier the Japs get.



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Our Lady Of Victory School

Dale Boudreau Grade 6

Victory Lunch

We were trying to think what would be a good way to buy a war bond, well someone popped their head up and said "How about a Jitney Lunch? Boy! that would be swell.

So we started to get prepared some were going to bring cake and some sandwiches and still some other drinks. For myself, I brought cake. Everybody knew what to bring and we had everything settled to have it on Tuesday so we told the whole school that we were going to have it.

Well the next morning the whole school turned up. We didn't have enough food so someone said they would get some sandwiches and in a few moments he returned with some. Soon we got more drinks and cake.

Father Hugo came over after everything was sold and said that we did a good job. We had more than we needed to finish the war bond so we gave the rest to the U.S.O. and everybody had a stomach full. And I do mean full.

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Our Lady of Victory School
Shirley Sue Boudreau Six 6

The Victory Lunch

In this time of need we have to do everything possible to win this war.

We made $71.15 in a Christmas play we had. But didn't have enough so we decided to have a lunch.

The lunch we are going to have is tomorrow, and we hope that will finish up our bond.

Every child has helped and the mothers are quite co-operative and willing to help.

Some are bringing sandwiches others drinks, cakes, pies, and etc.

We have been quite busy because this is for a very worthey cause. And if we expect to win this war we'll have to do alot and also buy many war bonds.

When we get the money we are going to build a new church in the community for the Catholic population.

In order to do this we shall have to do everything we can to win the war.

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Our Lady of Victory School

Dale Bourdeau Grade 6

My Duties For the U. S.

Uncle Sam has called on us for something everyone wants and that is freedom. To have freedom of speech and freedom of the press and the most important of all is freedom of religion. I want to help my Uncle Sam as much as I can. It is worth it for freedom.

You ask, "How can I help win the war"? By buying war bonds and stamps and by the scrap iron you collect. The more you collect the better you can beat the Japs. I have bought a war bond. I collected as much as I could and then I helped my mother around the house by doing odd jobs like shining shoes and hauling wood for the fire. Our school has had a big drive we made seventy-five dollars on it.

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and tanks to beat the Japs. One thing you can do is by not wasting your rubber and most important, don't hoard any kind of food, fats, or gas because every little bit you hoard you help the Japs to win the war so please sacrifice a little to help the United Nations win the war.

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Out Lady of Victory School

Velma Grade 7

Helping Uncle Sam

If we don't get busy and help Uncle Sam we will lose this war. Why because if we don't do our part all of our factories will close and we will run out of ammunition Uncle Sam needs old iron aluminum and rubber. It is our duty to help Uncle Sam.

We can help Uncle Sam by buying war stamps and bonds. By buying bonds and stamps we help our soldiers, sailors and marines. I have one bond and fourteen dollors worth of stamps. We can also collect scrap to ships planes tanks and many other war needs. We also can save fats for nittoglycerine to shoot at Hitler and his gang. We must pick up ever piece of rubber we see. Uncle Sam needs them to make tires for jeeps and wheels for airplanes. It may take lots of energy but we have to help someway so this is our chance. Let

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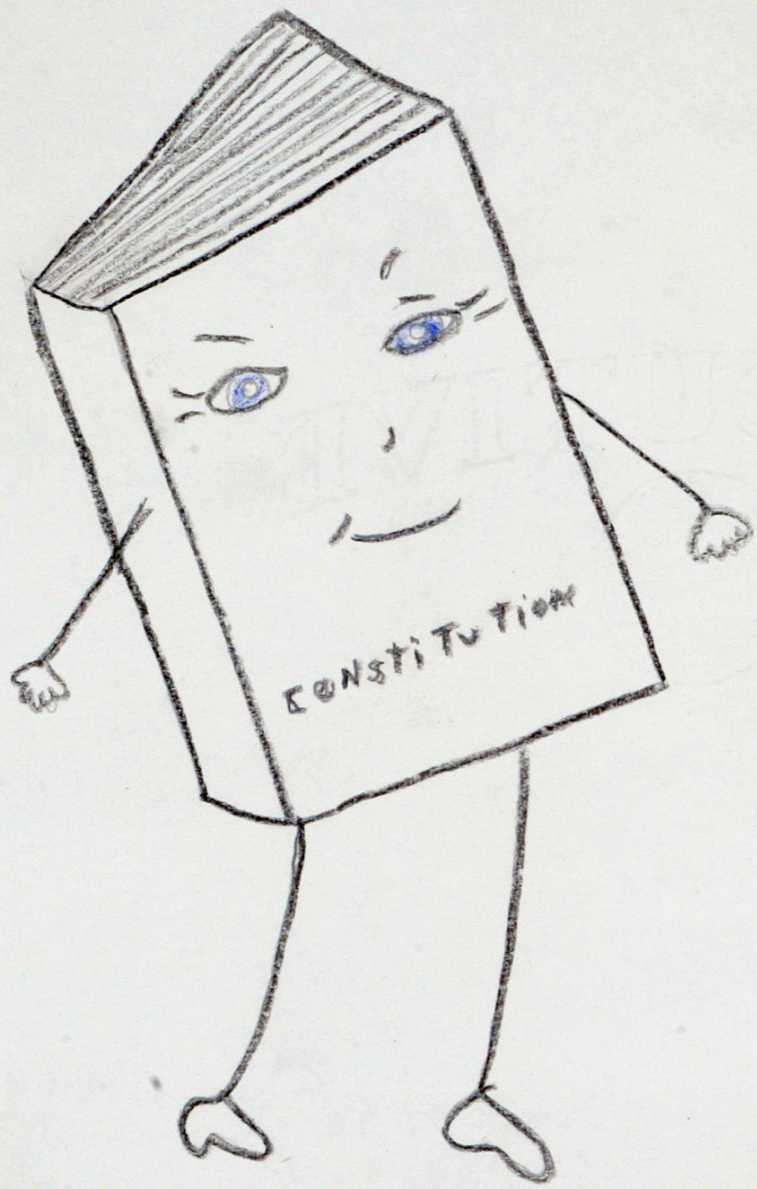

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Our Lady of Victory School

Mary Etta Nichols Grade 4

Our Bingo Party.

We are playing Bingo because we want to win the war, and buy War Stamps. We are going to have a Bingo at the end of February. When we have it, we are going to have prizes.

We want to win the war, and have a free land. Every nickel, dime and dollar will help. We have a War Bond and four stamps. Don't leave coins lying around the house. Buy War Stamps for Uncle Sam.

Our Lady of Victory School

Maxine Privette Grade 5th

How To Help Uncle Sam By Playing Games and Other Ways.

You can have pleasure at the same time. The third, fourth and fifth Grades of Our Lady of Victory School are going to do just that. We are going to have a Bingo Party this month. Prizes will be given to the one who wins. Drinks and refreshments will be served. We will charge five cents a game. All the money will be given to Uncle Sam for War Saving Stamps.

The best way for America to win the war is to buy War Stamps and War Bonds. Uncle Sam will be very happy.

There is something else besides candy and shows. There is a war. Every nickle, dime, dollar, quarter and penny will help. After the War you will get it

back by returning the stamps in money.

There is iron, ten, metal and aluminum that will save our fighting boys in the service Give all of your extra knives to stab the Japs and save our boys in the service.

We won the first war and we want to win this war.

There are thousands of ways to win the war. You can go to a bank an post office and purchas. War Stamps and Bonds Don't forget to do your share. You must pray too.

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Our Lady of Victory School.

Angelyn Frances Hesse Grade 3

Our Bingo Party

We are having a Bingo Party so we can get money to buy War Stamps.
We want to make guns, planes, tanks, and other things America needs.

While we are playing Bingo we will have a good time. We will pay five cents for a game. The winner will receive a prize. We will have whatever we can get to eat and drink at the party. We will use beans and corn to play with if we don't have enough little round wooden things to put over the numbers.

Would you like to join our party, win a prize and have a good time?

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Christmas Play

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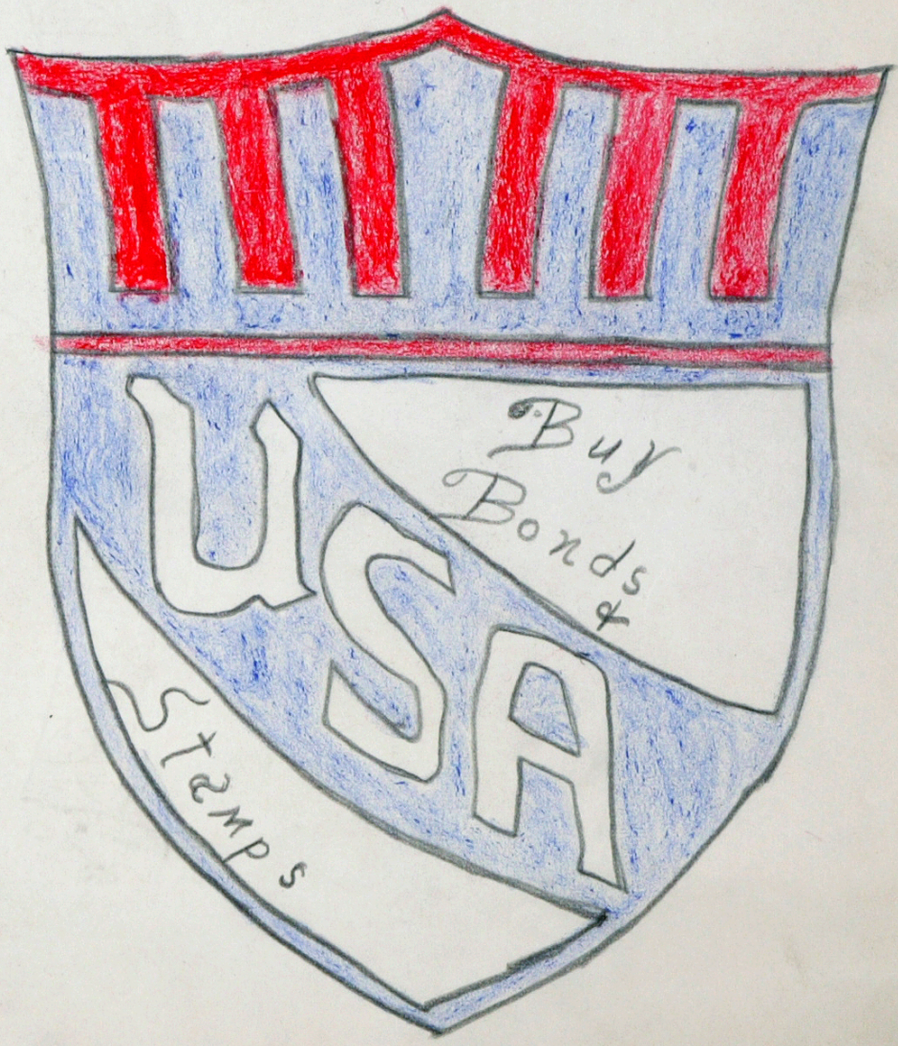

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Loretta McLaughlin. Grade 2

How We Helped to Buy a War Bond.

When the children of our school had a show for Christmas. we had a play, called Mother Goose's Party. After the show, our pastor, Father Hugo asked all the people to give what they thought it was worth, because the children wanted to buy a War Bond. All the people gave some money. So we got enough to buy a Bond.

Our Lady of Victory School

Report to the Nation

War Bonds	$150.00
War Stamps	78.65
	$ 228.65

Scrap Drive $ 75.00

Of this amount $25 was given to the U. S. O. and $25 to the Red Cross. Most of the scrap was collected by the boy scout troop of our school and the donation to the U. S. O. and to the Red Cross was made by them.

The War stamps and War Bonds were bought at the local post-office.

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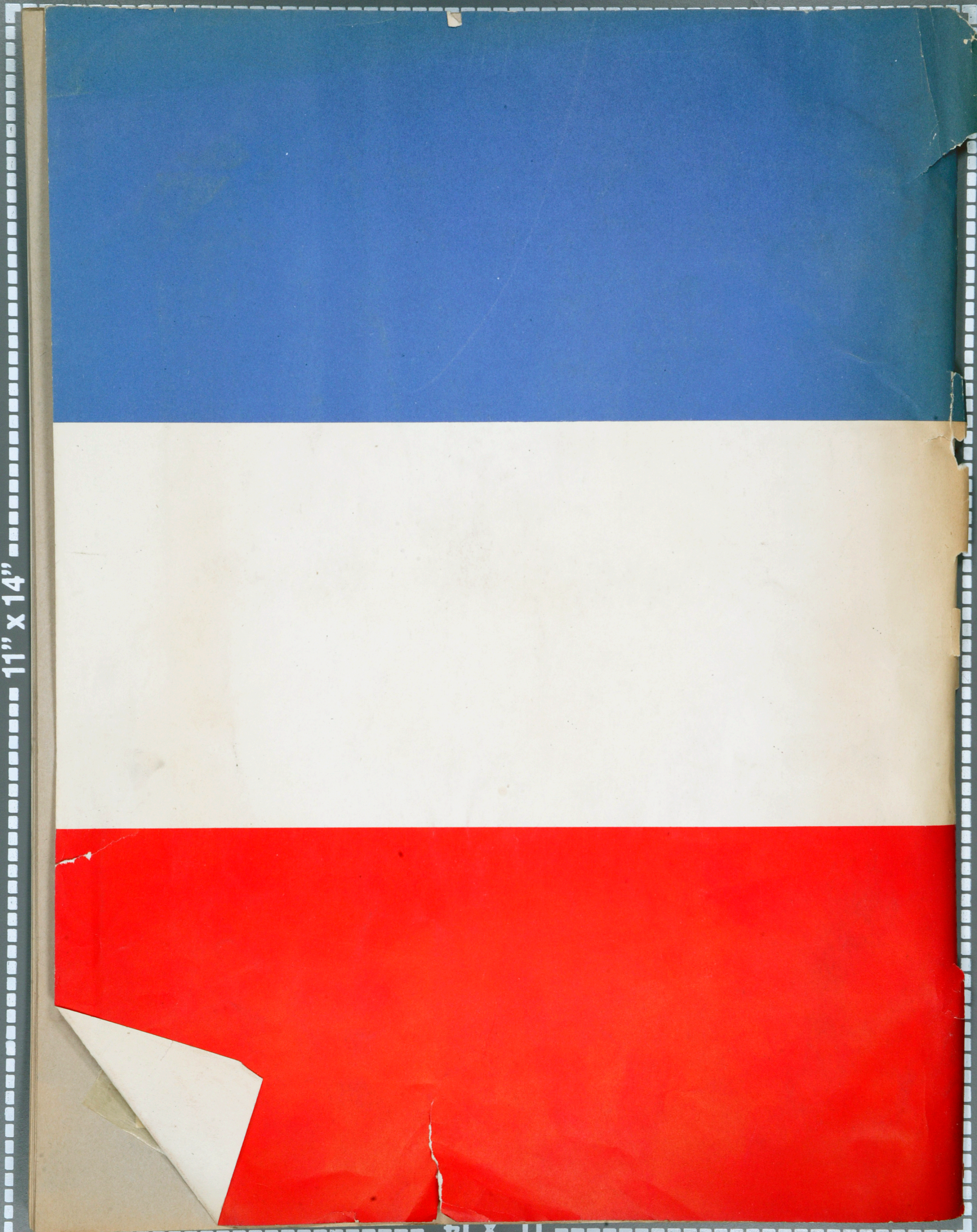

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