

PREPARE FOR OFFENSE

There are three important phases on which children can work to be of use in the all-out offense effort of our country.

The first phase; our country needs bombers (all sorts of planes for that matter), tanks, guns, and other fighting equipment. We school children can't build a bomber or tank, but we can help pay for one. For if we all pitch in and buy defense stamps the money will go for this cause. So you see, it's vitally important that we all do our share towards the defeat of the Axis. More-over, if we can't buy stamps regularly I'm sure we can save a little of our spending money and buy them from time to

time. So far, Breed Street School has collected three thousand eight hundred dollars in stamps and bonds, but I don't think that because we have done this, that it's time to sit back and let others take over. I think it should spur us onward and make us want to beat that record in the months to come.

Phase number two. Now it isn't necessary to concentrate wholly on saving money. We need to conserve what we already have, rather than to do unnecessary purchasing. We children can do our best to save all paper articles at home,

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such as paper bags, old newspapers and magazines and even old comic books, all of which can be sold to the junk man and put to good purpose. And that isn't all we can save. We can conserve rubber and tin. Our bicycle tires are rubber and can be saved from ill usage. All the tin cans around the house and around the neighborhood may do a lot toward victory for the United States.

A third thing is Health. I saw in the Post the other day an ad which I think is the whole story in a nut shell. It was a big black square - in the center was a slogan in small white print which read, "Let there be no Blackout on Health." Beneath it was, "Health is the one thing Americans cannot do without. There can be no blackout on this priceless asset to victory."

I feel that every American child should make this his motto and follow the health rules prescribed by doctors and mothers, by eating the right food and sleeping the right number of hours.

We Americans, children as well as adults, still have the good stuff in us that our fore-fathers had and it is up to us to win this war on the home front!

Tamar Garber



Building a Strong America

Let me congratulate the A-6 group on their "Prepare for Offense" issue of News Flashes. It convinces me that our children are alert to the necessity of every one's putting himself into the war effort. Girls and boys as well as grown ups have important parts to play at home, at school, and in the neighborhood if they are to help build the internal strength the nation needs in this crisis.

What is the children's part in building a strong America? The editors of News Flashes have emphasized the necessity for strong bodies which demands good health habits. They have noted that children must be thrifty with food, materials, time and money, and that the rules of safety must be observed in order to preserve life and property. A child's preparation for offense involves training the mind and hands also, that he may serve intelligently and well. Moreover, it is the earnest duty of every child to be a good soldier. That means he must discipline himself to obey quickly and exactly a request or command from his leader of the moment.

In these ways our boys and girls will prepare for offense. Then when the time is come that America must look to today's children to drive out evil and destructive influences that threaten the security of her great ideals, she will find them equipped and ready.

Then in the words of the Secretary of War:

"They will not falter, and they cannot fail."

Edith Holder Molony

Did you know that on April 6th the United States Treasury Department changed the name of defense bonds and defense stamps to war bonds and war stamps?

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GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP

Good sportsmanship promotes friendship and gives the other fellow a chance to improve his way of playing. You will usually notice that the good sport is one of the most popular and best liked boy.

Good sportsmanship also helps to make the games go smoothly and the game will go smoothly if everybody takes an "it's all in the game" attitude.

If all the children would try to be good sports we can assure you of a good game with everybody enjoying himself thoroughly.

Herbert Fried

HEALTH AND CLEANLINESS

It has been brought to our attention lately that some of the children put their mouths on the fountains while taking drinks. This is just like drinking out of another person's glass.

Health is almost another way of saying cleanliness and if we are not clean we take a chance of being unhealthy.

Another thing that we might better omit is giving bites of our ice cream and candy to our friends. That is about as unclean as putting our mouths on the fountains. We have been told over and over again about it, so let's stop. It doesn't pay to take these unnecessary chances. We must keep fit.

Allene Flanders

CHECK UP ON SAFETY

The Student Council sent out letters recently to your parents to find out if you were taking the safe way to and from school each day. The question comes to my mind, are you still traveling that safe way?

The second check-up you ought to make is on jay walking. Are you taking chances of crossing in the middle of the street when you are in a hurry? You are not the first person who tried it once too often. Be careful! The Student Council is ever on the look out for jay walkers.

There are safety rules in our own school too, that we must practice. Now that the baseball season is here we have to be careful and keep behind the back stops.

Please make a thorough check on yourself, and see if you are following all safety rules.

Mary Bakin

STUDENT COUNCIL

The Student Council is an organization that must not be a failure and we are the ones to see that it holds up its high standards. It is a group of hard working boys and girls who carry on for the benefit of all the children of Breed Street. The Student Council stands for both good sportsmanship and cleanliness and a trying job it is sometimes to put it over. They give up their time from play to see that we get along in our small democracy.

A little thanks now and then and hearty cooperation go a long way to make the Student Council a great success.

Violet Sameniego

"The more bonds we buy, the more planes we'll fly."

All out for Offense!

GENERAL NEWS

February 11, Mr. Cheney of the Automobile Club, came to Breed St. and gave us a talk on safety. He showed us a cartoon to illustrate it.

We had two picture shows on Lincoln's birthday. One was a picture of Andrew Jackson, or "Old Hickory", as he was nicknamed. The other showed President Lincoln during his time in the White House.

Room 12 sang two songs in the auditorium for Community Sing. One was Carmen Carmela, a Mexican Folk Song and the other was Iapopia, a Bohemian Folk song.

February 13, Dr. Goldwasser came to our room to talk to us about health. She especially talked to us about our breakfast and lunch. She gave a very interesting talk.

Visitors have been coming to Breed Street. I hope most of them enjoyed our school. Miss Olga Cossetini of Argentina was one of our most outstanding visitors. She brought some very beautiful maps with her done by the pupils in her school.

Recently the chorus entertained the children in the auditorium by singing our national hymn. They sang very well.

Mrs. Pauling is now Air Raid Inspector for this district. She approves very much of the way Breed St. is handling the situation.

The dentist has been at Breed St. for the past few months. He did both filling and extracting.

February 27, Mrs. Benson brought a visitor from Texas to school. She made our room a brief visit.

Mrs. Brett looked in both days of the teachers' convention. Each day she had a visiting principal with her.

On March 10th a fireman came to inspect our air raid drill. He said that all in all, we were well prepared.

Mrs. Smith, our third grade teacher left our school in February and another Mrs. Smith came to take her place. Smith seems to be a popular name.

Many children attended Mrs. Miller's talk and picture display on Australia and New Zealand. Her pictures always make a big hit with everybody.

Mrs. Case's children are making a garden, and we know it's going to be a success. The little farmers are working very hard.

Miss Bates brought a prominent Chicago visitor to Breed St. We always enjoy having Miss Bates even though her visits are short.

Miss Evert's room gave a luncheon on March 12. For entertainment they had folk dances. The children all had a grand time. We all know that when Miss Everts puts on any performance it turns out a great success.

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NEWS CONTINUED

Our Luncheon

Tuesday, February 10, Room 12 had a Valentine luncheon. Mrs. Molony was our honored guest. This luncheon was not only for our entertainment, but also to see how well we had remembered our table manners.

I believe the girls especially got more out of it than the boys for it was up to them to make caps and aprons for the girls who served, as well as place cards and doilies for the table. After we had finished eating, Elsie and Sanford gave talks which were excellent. We had a good time and someday the girls expect the boys to take over and give the girls an equally good time.

Esther Melendez,

Help Wanted

Mrs. Sepulveda and her class are making a wildflower garden. The garden is in a sand box near the entrance of the boy's basement. Many children do not know that there is a garden here for the seeds have yet to come up.

The students in this class would appreciate it if you would not disturb the garden by putting sticks into it or pulling the sign out if there is one. Thank you.

Irving Hyman

Little Red Hen

Hatching eggs is not easy, I decided after looking at Little Red Hen sitting patiently on her nest. She is cranky and pecks at anyone who comes near. The little people in Room 8 are more anxious than the hen to see the chicks.--

LATEST NEWS!! Ten of Little Red Hen's chicks have arrived. Two eggs turned out bad.

Elsie Quintana

Dr. Goldwasser's Talk

Doctor Goldwasser, our school doctor, came to our room recently to give us a talk on health. She brought out two main points.

Her first point was that we were to watch our diet. She explained to us that by diet she meant eating the right food to make us good and healthy. We were to eat three meals a day. Breakfast was especially important. No one could do first class work up to noon on an empty stomach. She discovered four of our girls who went without breakfast. She assured us that if we ate little dinner the night before we would be hungry the next morning.

The second point in her talk was that a certain amount of sleep was necessary for growing boys and girls to be healthy. She advised us to go to bed at 8:30 and rise at 7. She stressed the fact that we ought to rest at least a half hour after school.

The old saying might help you: "Early to bed and early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise."

We hope you will take this good advice under consideration.

Nadja Georgoff

Good-bye to our Japanese

We all hate to see the Japanese children go, especially our friends, but the government is doing what it thinks is right in these times of war.

In our room, June and Isamu are preparing to leave us. We all dread to see them go, as they have been our good friends since kindergarten days.

Let us all hope the war will end soon so they may return and be our school-mates once again.

Evangeline Castillo

ORIGINAL STORIES

The Tempermental Refrigerator

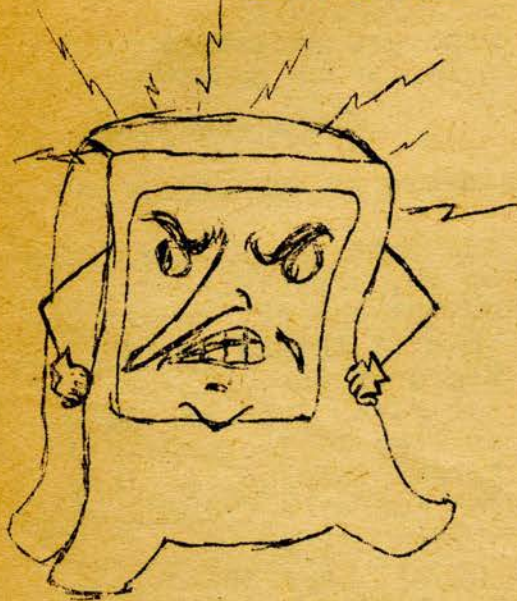
Our refrigerator often has fits. The only remedy for this is merely to pull the plug out.

Well, one day my mother had a very important visitor calling to discuss with her some new equipment at wholesale prices. This man had a little waxy mustache and hair slicked back with glue. He looked altogether as though he had just stepped out of a can of floor polish. He had just come in and sat down and waited for mother to talk business.

Earlier in the day I had defrosted the ice box. I went into the kitchen to make tea and by the time I got back mother and her waxy friend were arguing heatedly over this and that. Just at this opportune moment, (when mother was getting the best of him) the refrigerator had its fits!

Later I found out that my sister had plugged it in again. Then bed-lam broke loose. The dog howled and jumped and mother nearly went crazy. The man made a hasty retreat, and mother had to pay full price for the equipment.

Tamar Garbar

What I Learned About Kites
(and Boys)

Trying to fly a kite is bad business, especially when two girls know as little about kites as Tamar and I did.

On Tuesday we took our kite to the school ground where we tried by every means we knew of getting it into the air, but nothing worked. Finally some boys came along and asked if they might lend a hand. Of course we welcomed them heartily. They told us the kite was built wrong in the first place and in the second place the string was on the wrong side. They put the kite on the ground and began taking it apart. We thought the boys would solve all our troubles. How wrong we were! At last they were through. The kite was badly torn and battered by this time, but we didn't care just as long as we thought it would fly.

Now began the real work. Tamar held the kite while I took the string and began unwinding it. (Incidentally the boys had told us how to fly the kite). I began running against the wind letting out the string while Tamar held the kite above her head. Nothing happened. The wind lifted it an inch or two, just to encourage us, then down it fell as heavy as lead.

By this time the string was all over the yard. We began to feel cheated and sorry for ourselves. Suddenly I became angry. I took the kite and began tearing it to pieces. Tamar joined me. We felt better after that, and in our hearts we murdered those boys a hundred times.

Now I'm convinced most boys don't know any more about kites or flying them than girls do.

Evangeline Castillo



Cottontail and Peter

Cottontail and Peter are two semi-baby bunnies in Mrs. Jenson's room. To tell them apart, the children have put a blue mark on Peter and a pink mark on Cottontail. Both rabbits love wood and make it a habit to have a "piece of cage" a la carte for dessert after each meal.

The children are like a bunch of mothers and take full responsibility of them.

What Goes on at Breed
by
Don Hodes and Herbert Fried
Baseball Season Opens

Mr. Tashjian, our playground coach, has planned a series of baseball games this season to be played between the upper grade rooms. He has also planned some other games to be played with our neighboring schools.

Last week the Dashing Romeos of Breed Street won a smashing victory over St. Mary's team with a score of 35 to 16. Our boys played a fighting game.

The week following the boys' game, the girls of Breed Street also won a glorious victory from St. Mary's.

Although we won both games, we have to hand it to the St. Mary's team. They played a hard game and were good sports throughout the whole performance.

Marble Tournament

Some of the boys that are interested in marbles have asked our coach to start a marble tournament.

A board has been put up to show the schedule for the players. Already twenty-three players have entered the contest.

Latest News - Marble Winners--

Champ	----	Roy Hidalgo
Runner-Up	-	Leo Negrete
Chump	-	Eddie Kaufman

The definition of strategy: A guessing game where each guesser guesses that the other guesser won't guess what he is guessing.

Liberty

Be On the Alert

On February 25, Captain Nielson of the City Fire Department, came to Breed St. to give us a talk on what to do in case an incendiary bomb decided to dive through the roof of our house. Later he demonstrated his talk in the yard.

He took some magnesium from a box and put it into three separate piles to take the place of three incendiary bombs. He lit each one in turn and showed us how to put the first one out with a fine spray of water. The second one he put out by sprinkling sand gently on it. After he did this, he put the bomb into a can that had some sand in it, put some sand lightly on top of the bomb and took it out. He then turned the hose full force on the third pile. The water made the magnesium flare up into hot blue flames.

His talk was very instructive. Now I will be on the alert for an incendiary bomb if one should fall on my house.

Anna Hambarian

"Obeying Laws"

Teacher: Johnny, why are you always late to school?

Johnny: Well, you see teacher, it's like this. Every morning I see a sign that says, "School-Go Slow."

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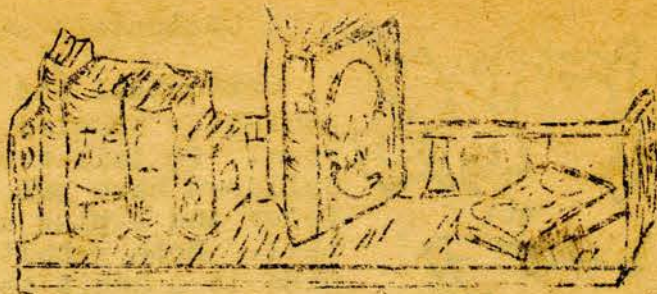
"Socks"

Dora: I'm sending my nephew three socks.

Daisy: You mean three pairs of socks.

Dora: No, three socks. They tell me he's grown another foot.

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OUR BOOK SHELF

Books to Grow On

Skiping Village by Linsky

Stumpy by Linderman

Oh Happy Day by Mirian Mason

Sixth Grade Book Suggestions

Call it Courage by Sperry

Lad With a Whistle-by Brink

The Fair American by Coatsworth

Sixth Grade Book Reviews

Lassie Comes Home
by

Eric Knight

Here's a special treat for all dog lovers! Lassie is a lovely collie that lives in Yorkshire, England. When hard times befall her young master, Lassie is sold. She pines so much for her master, that she finally runs away from her new home and finds her way back where she waits at the school gate for her young idol.

This book is approved by the Junior Literary Guild.

Evangeline Castillo

Some of our outstanding reports so far have been The Life of Robert Louis Stevenson by Overton, Oliver Twist by Dickens, and the poems, Stopping by the Woods on a Snowy Evening by Robert Frost.

Listening

by

Kate Seredy

Listening is a Junior Literary Guild book and worth reading. Thru the stories told by the present owner of an old farm house, it seems to live again; the men and women who had lived and died there seemed to come to life to tell the history of the house and it's furniture to all who will listen. Gail is the listener in the book. She visits the owner, who is her uncle, and when she hears these stories, is reluctant to leave. Her uncle promises however, to write to her, telling her more about the history of the house.

Stella Aguilar

My Friend Flicka

by

Mary O'Lara

This book is about a horse named Flicka that is tamed by a nine year old boy, Ken. Flicka was very hard to tame because her ancestors had a wild strain in them.

Ken's father didn't think he would be able to tame her, but through his great love and patience for Flicka Ken succeeds.

This is really an adult book but children are adopting it.

Anna Hambarian

But there are books, praise God
above;
And, if we have books, and we
have love,
We can dispense with other things;
For 'tis books, not crowns, that
make men kings.

--Stanley E. Crabb