

### PUPILS HAMPERED BY SLIGHT DEFECTS

#### Examination Before Start Of School Regarded Highly Important

"Before children are sent to school they should have their eyes examined," says a bulletin issued by the education committee of the Marion Polk county medical-dental society. "Many of the pupils in the grades who are looked upon as backward and dull by their teachers, are often suffering from some trouble of the eyes. Probably no single cause contributes more to backwardness among pupils in school than eye defects.

The bulletin declares that grownups are able to detect defects of the eyes in themselves but often are found to neglect their children in this regard.

"A person has only one set of eyes to carry him through life, and when they are worn out a new set cannot be installed.

"Grownups, as a rule, know something of the care that should be given to their eyes, but children do not, and we cannot start too early to safeguard these precious possessions for them.

"Babies, for instance, should sleep in a well ventilated but carefully darkened room. If they take their daytime naps out of doors, some arrangements should be devised for shading their eyes from the light. If the baby goes out in a carriage or go-cart for his daily airing, the hood should be tilted in such a way, that his eyes at all times are comfortably shaded from direct sunlight. However the exposure to light which is almost unavoidable when giving a baby a daily 20 minute sunbath does no harm.

"Equal care should be taken as the children grow older to see that their eyes are adequately protected. Children should always have as much sunshine and fresh air as possible, but a direct glare of light into the eyes should always be avoided. It is well to remember, too, in connection with any indoor arrangements that the eyes of children, like those of adults, are best protected when the light comes from the left side. Indoor play quarters should always be well lighted.

"Eye strain may develop very early in life, and children should be carefully watched for any signs of it. If the scowl or squint when they look at a toy or at their picture books, if they seem dull and listless, it is a wise plan to have their eyes examined by a physician who specializes in diseases of the eye. One year of age is not too early to begin the treatment of cross eyes.

"The earlier treatment is begun the better are the permanent results that may be expected and if treatment is delayed one eye may become, for all practical purposes, permanently blind. Children's eyes should be examined as a matter of routine, before they are sent to school."

### BILLINGSLEY, TWO CHILDREN MISSING

LONE PINE, CAL., Aug. 25. (AP) Disappearing almost as mysteriously today as he successfully landed his stolen airplane on a dry lake bed, Henry Billingsley, 46, who abducted his two small sons and escaped in the air had eluded a sheriff's posse tonight.

Since the undamaged plane was found last night on the dry lake bed, no word has been received from Billingsley who stole the plane at the Bishop airport and shouted "I'm going to kill everybody." He abducted his sons, Junior 5, and Gene 8.

Sheriff Tom Hutchinson organized a posse and headed for the Owens valley foothills where Billingsley was believed hiding in some remote prospector's cabin. Two notes, one demanding immunity from prosecution and the other demanding that Mrs. Rachel Billingsley Bishop, his second wife, return to him, were found. She recently filed suit for divorce asking custody of the children. Sheriff Hutchinson said he believed Billingsley's mind had become deranged.

### FIGHTS SELF



By a peculiar coincidence, Brig. Gen. Jacob F. Wolters (above), who was placed in command of troops in the areas comprising four counties under martial law in the East Texas oil fields, is an attorney for the Texas Company, one of the major oil operating firms in the Lone Star State. General Wolters was ordered into the oil area by Governor Ross S. Sterling to halt production in order that prices might be raised.

### HEARING ARGUMENTS ON RAIL RATES



Scene at the hearing on the railroads' request for a 15 per cent general increase in rates, at San Francisco last week following one in Portland the week before. From the left: J. M. Thompson, Idaho state railroad commissioner; William E. Lee and Ernest L. Lewis of the interstate commerce commission; W. J. Carr, California state railroad commissioner.

### PICK COMMITTEES OF WOMEN'S CLUB

#### Appreciation of Gifts Sent To National Meeting Voiced in Letter

The executive board of the Business and Professional Women's club met at the home of Miss Ruth Moore Monday evening, at which time the following additions to committees were made:

Emblem, Flora Turnbull, Emma Swadell, Alice Butz, Peggy Brownhill, Esther Hill; publicity, Mona Yoder; hospitality, Dena Mack, Mrs. LaMoine Clark, Myra Shank, Sybil Marshall, Mrs. Ida Andrews, Mrs. Myrtle Anderson, Mrs. Ruth Willard; program, Beatrice Walton.

Cheer and contact, Etta Burns, Mrs. Carrie Rowland, Georgia McLean, Margaret Collin, Mrs. Eleanor Gilman; recreation, Mrs. Edith Wray; finance, Inora Templeton, Ina Koon; membership, Miss Sybilla Hadwen, Amanda Matthews, Ethel Roberts, Mary Burns, Anton Eymann, Mrs. F. W. Waters.

Miss May Cleveland, who has been chairman of the membership committee, was obliged to resign because of illness and Edith Burch has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

An invitation was extended to the state board to have the district convention meet in Salem in January. Dr. Hans Seitz' invitation to attend the first meeting of the year of the Salem Symphony society was accepted and the cooperation of committees instructed to attend as representatives of the club.

The club held its regular meeting at the Silver Grille of the Gray Belle Tuesday evening, with 40 members present. Two letters were read, one from the Business and Professional Women's club of Poplar Bluff, Mo., and one from Miss Emily R. Kneubuhl, national secretary of the organization, highly commending the student prunes which were sent to the national convention at Richmond, Va. They were alluded to as "prune tarts," a good name for Oregon prunes with their pungent tartness.

Following the regular routine business, informal talks were given by various members, who related their interesting experiences during vacation periods.

Reservations at the dinner were made for the Misses Ruth Givan and Louise Shaeffer of Fresno, Cal., Mrs. Blanch Corsten of San Francisco, and Mrs. Alice Fisher, a new member, who were special guests for the affair.

Executive board members present at Monday's meeting included Merl Dimick, president; Alta Kershner, Laura Hale, Winifred Herick, Josephine Shade, Daisy Hayden, Clara Urlaub, Myrtle Gilbert, Dolie Hayden, Ruth Moore and Mona Yoder.

### IBANEZ ASKED TO ANSWER CHARGES

SANTIAGO, Chile, Aug. 25. (AP)—The chamber of deputies decided today to demand the appearance of former President Carlos Ibanez at next Monday's session to answer whatever charges may be placed against him.

The demand will be sent to Foreign Minister Balmaceda who will notify the ambassador at Buenos Aires to tell Ibanez, asking him to appear, that he sent a note defending himself.

Students held a demonstration in front of the congress hall tonight demanding the deputies and senators resign immediately "in the interests of national peace."

### GOVERNOR IGNORES TAMMANY DEMAND

ALBANY, N. Y., Aug. 25. (AP)—Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt ignored Tammany Hall in a message to the legislature today and that organization immediately declared war "to the last ditch" upon the executive's recommendations.

The governor turned down Tammany's demand for an investigation of upstate cities by omitting to mention it. He asked only for legislation to strengthen the powers of the

Hofstadter committee's investigation of New York City. Senator John J. Dunnigan, Tammany's senate whip at once issued a statement denouncing the proposed legislation.

Despite his strenuous denunciation, it was forecast the two bills which would invest the Hofstadter committee with the intended authority would be passed promptly and out of the way by Thursday, expedited by special rules.

This is the celerity the govern-

nor desires as he wishes them to take up his unemployment relief legislation in another special message.

### Hofer Recovers After Injuries

Colonel E. Hofer, injured 10 days ago in a fall on the beach at his home at Agate beach, is recovering nicely and is now up and

### ESTATE ORDERED TO PAY FOR KEEP

The Marion county court yesterday indicated its acceptance of the 1931 legislature's enactment regarding pay for insane patient's care by the state—in so far as private individuals' paying for the care is concerned. County Judge Siegmund approved a charge of \$56.87 made by the state board of control against the First National Bank, guardian of funds belonging to Walter Spruance, a ward of the state and an inmate of the state hospital.

Judge Siegmund also approved a permanent order made in behalf of the state for \$20 a month support money to be paid regularly by Spruance's guardian.

The court did not change its original position of Saturday when it was stated that Marion county's share of support for insane for the last two months, more than \$2300, would not be paid. The Benton county court announced this week it did not intend to pay its bill as submitted by the state board of control late last weekend. A similar position will be taken by the Coos county court, according to word from there received yesterday.

around as usual, according to word brought here by friends. Colonel Hofer's head was injured when he fell and seven stitches were necessitated. The colonel lived in Salem many years. He was publisher of The Capital Journal for a period and later published The Manufacturer which the colonel and his sons still continue. The Hofers now make their winter home near Portland.

### Under the Dome . . . Occurrences and Gossip at the center of Oregon's state government

CAPTAIN L. D. FARNSWORTH, transferred to the 249th Coast Artillery of the Oregon National Guard from the Hawaiian Islands by the U. S. war department, arrived in Salem this week. Mrs. Farnsworth and their daughter accompanied him and the arrivals have already located their residence here.

Farnsworth received his training in Utah at the same place that Major-General George A. White started his army career several years earlier. Farnsworth now has a son attending West Point, of which fact he is very proud. Prior to coming here the captain spent three years at the war headquarters on the islands.

Various state offices, including the press room, enjoyed some of John H. Carkin's pears this week. Carkin, a member of the state tax commission, operates a pear ranch near Medford and as samples brought up a box of Bartlett pears. The box didn't last long around the statehouse.

Herbert Hauser, of the public utilities commission's office, is in eastern Oregon this week holding hearings in Gilliam county. The personnel of the commissioner's office has been unusually busy the past three weeks, most of the time out of the city. Charles M. Thomas is still in Portland in connection with the streetcar case there.

This writer joined about two hundred others from Salem Monday night to take in the show-

staged by Jack Dempsey, and along with the others saw Dempsey—but further than that, the less said about the "fights" presented to the 17,000 hero worshippers there perhaps the better. To those who had seen Dempsey in action years ago, the exhibition was disappointing.

But this much must be said for Dempsey. Although he may never "come back" as a fighter, he is a good business man and a good showman. He moved around the ring for six rounds to the delight of the crowd, and perhaps left Portland with little short of \$15,000. It didn't look like hard times in the stadium during the fight card.

Many notables were at the ringside to cheer Dempsey. The first to be noticed was Frank J. Lonergan, speaker of the house of representatives, who wielded the hammer against the gong which told the fighters when to start and stop. Frank was enjoying the show and later accompanied Dempsey to his hotel.

Among state house people who attended the event were Charles F. Fray, superintendent of state police; Harry Niles and George Alexander, his assistants, James Mott, corporation commissioner, E. C. Hobbs, state printer; William Elmig, state purchasing agent; and members of Mott's and Elmig's staffs. Many Salem people were noted in the crowd.

The outstanding event at the

fight—and if you had been there you would pardon the reference—were the surprisingly number of women who looked anything but beautiful in the new type of hats just out. To several observers of hundreds seen wearing the creation the ones who could justly wear them and appear chic could be counted on the fingers of two hands—but enough of that, since it is only a masculine opinion on feminine apparel.

George Davis, St. Paul outfielder, recently sold to the Philadelphia Nationals, "was so little thought of a couple of years ago that the club tried to trade him all around the circuit.

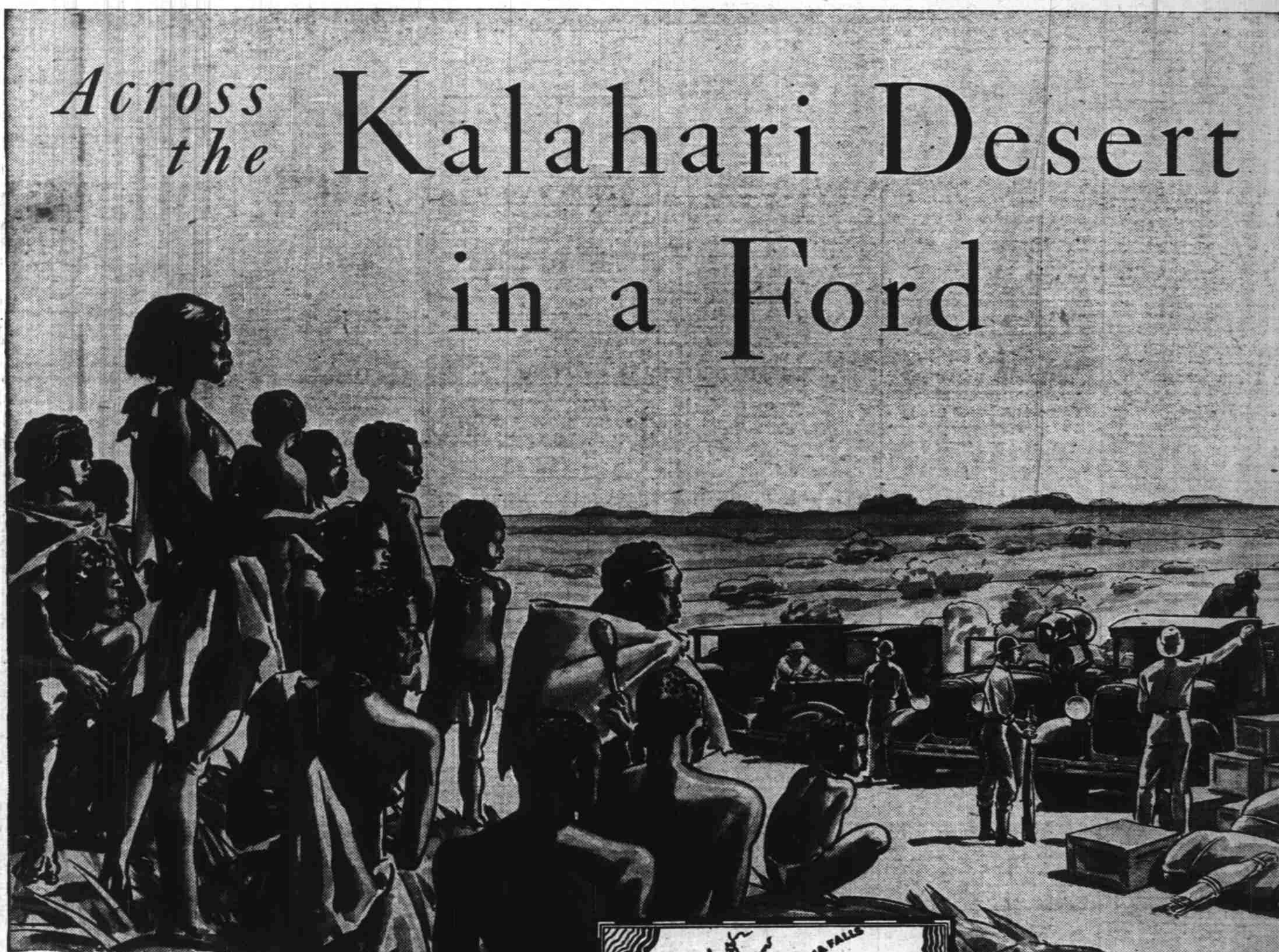
The Louisville club of the American association plans to install lights for night baseball in 1932.

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THIS is the story of 3500 miles of grueling automobile travel through the sandy coastal region of Southwest Africa, across the Kalahari Desert and through N'Gamiland. Five naturalists, representing the Philadelphia Academy of Natural Sciences, three South Africans and three native boys were in the de Schauensee expedition. Seldom do white men visit this country. Seldom do white men penetrate to the last remote stronghold of the fast disappearing African Bushman. The trip was made in a Ford car and three Ford trucks. Traveling over rough, irregular trails—leaving those trails to crash through tangled, thorny underbrush—traversing dry, parched areas that had not seen rain in years—the Fords made a remarkable record for stamina and reliable mechanical operation. Through days of summer heat and

nights of freezing cold, on occasions when the water supply was almost gone and delay would have been fatal, the Fords went steadily on and on. And, finally, when the long trip was over, they were sold at good prices in the little village of Maun. Never were sales made under similar conditions. The purchasers knew what the Fords had been through and sought proof of good condition after so many miles of strenuous travel. So they were driven along the river trail, turned abruptly off into deep sand-beds—extricated without need of help—and subjected to other tests in this land of difficult transportation. Sales were quickly made after such a demonstration. This is but one of many interesting stories about the ability of the Ford to stand up under the severest driving conditions. The extra demands of long, hard travel reveal the high quality of its materials and

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