



A GEOGRAPHY LESSON in public schools these days is more than a casual tour through a book. Youngsters in intermediate grades, who like to play this anyway, learn about Mexico by "going native." These are Mills School fifth graders taught by Miss Emilie Haldeman.

Father Of 4 Relies On Battery For Life

SAN FRANCISCO (UP)—Kenneth Chandler, a heart patient who could hardly move a muscle four months ago, today looked forward to a normal active life—thanks to a battery which hangs at his belt.

Air Force Test Proves A Dud

HAMILTON AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (AP) — The Air Force labored Monday to make a sonic boom and produced a bust. Trying to show newsmen how faster-than-sound speeds will cause a shock wave, two F104 jet fighters crossed over this base at 36,000 feet. Navy Lt. Tom Brown of Port Washington, N.Y., and Air Force Capt. Orland W. Jensen of Los Angeles, insisted they had exceeded the speed of sound. This should have produced a boom. The silence was deafening. Must have been a layer of heavy, cold air below them that muffled the sound, said Brown and Jensen.

Muscles that turn the human eye are 200 times stronger than they have to be.

Chandler, 37, father of four, is thankful for the little package of "life" that hangs at his waist. Last July his pulse was as low as 10 beats per minute and frequently his heart stopped completely. Today he rested at his suburban home—with his doctor's permission to live a "normal active life—at home and at work." Dr. William L. Weirich, a surgeon at the University of California Medical School here, described Chandler's "battery operated" heart at a scientific meeting here Saturday.

DRIVE-UP PHONES

HUNTINGTON, N.Y. (AP) — A drive-up telephone is being tried out on the Northern State Parkway. A motorist can make a call without getting out of his car. The New York Telephone Co. says it plans to install the phones on other Long Island highways if motorists take to the idea.

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Fourth Grader In County Takes Bold Step Forward

Editor's Note: This is the third in a series of articles reviewing the work of our schools during American Education Week.

By NORM CARDOZA

The fourth grader in Klamath County is stepping into an exciting world. In a sense, he is also jumping vicariously into the cruel world.

For the first time since he formally became a student, he begins to explore specific facets of the world surrounding him. These are grouped into a wide encom-

passing field called social studies.

The elementary student has had a faint taste of social relationships in the third grade, pungent enough only to introduce what will continue through the remainder of his intermediate grades and beyond.

SOCIAL STUDIES are planned to build character needed to forge youngsters into effective citizens of a democratic state. When adults, these students ideally should love their country, wish for truth, appreciate beauty in all its forms, and desire sincerely to use those qualities to improve man's lot.

To develop them, students should learn a lot about people, past and present, here and there—the mechanics of their cultures.

In the fourth grade they get a good knowledge of the earth's features, of climates, including seasons, rainfall, temperatures and prevailing winds. They learn about hemispheres, continents, oceans, lakes, rivers, gulfs, bays, hills, mountains, plateaus, plains and islands. Progressively through the grades, they get more detailed geography.

History of the United States generally begins in the fifth grade. In the sixth it is expanded to include those of countries in and near North America.

During the intermediate grades, students also get a variety of other subjects, some carried over from primary grades, but offered far more comprehensively.

THEY WORK hard learning the arts of communication—listening, observing, speaking, reading, writing and spelling.

They pick up the intricacies of arithmetic up to and through graphs, fractions and decimals. A multitude of projects, studies and simple experiments are introduced to develop in them a genuine interest in science and objective curiosity.

Intermediate graders also usually get a school period each day to learn music appreciation, both vocal and instrumental, and art and dramatics enough to satisfy

imagination—vivid is that as—and creativity, encourage and phatic.

In those grades children enjoy for the first time the excitement of team sports. In Mills School, for instance, as in nearly all elementary schools in the city and county school districts, they spend time in well equipped gymnasiums and fields learning sportsmanship and fundamentals of simple organized sports as well as games and individual physical activities.

THEY ARE instructed, nearly all, by trained physical education teachers for recreation and to learn to work together, develop the body, to guard health and to make use of leisure.

Some schools, like Mills in the city district, have football and basketball teams which compete in leagues. They even have organized rooting sections.

But instructors stress sportsmanship emphatically and suppress only inclination to play "for keeps." The program is not intended as a spawning ground for high school and college athletes.

Relatively new in elementary education, the planned sports pro-



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Local Youth Faces Charge

A city policeman, understandably aroused, tore after a young man he said ran his patrol car off the road on East Main Street near Mills School early Sunday morning.

Patrolman Odell Olson arrested James William Garrett, 20, of 2140 Wantland Avenue, in a driveway at 2041 Vine Avenue following a screaming chase around several blocks, the officer said.

Garrett was booked at the city jail in lieu of \$100 bail for reckless driving charges. He was subsequently bailed from jail by a friend.

Olson said he was patrolling East Main Street when the Garrett car careened around the dog-leg turn in front of Mills School, forcing his patrol car over the curb.

The patrolman turned and gave chase, he said, from Garden Avenue to Owens Street to Vine Avenue. Garrett had flipped his headlights off Olson said, adding the youth was driving so fast he could barely keep sight of his car.

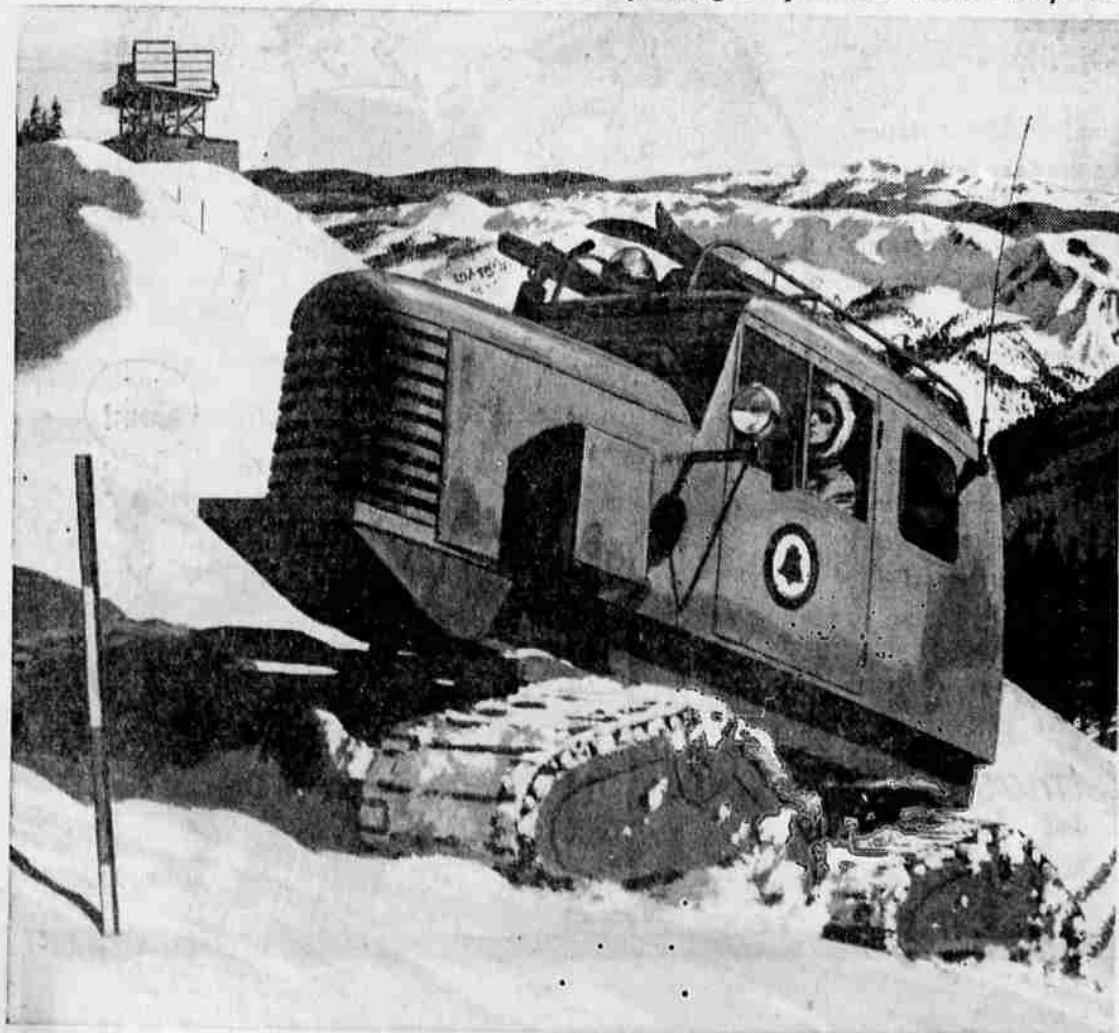
On Vine Avenue, he said, Garrett dove into a driveway, locked his doors, reclined the front seat and cut the motor, apparently to give the car an unoccupied appearance.



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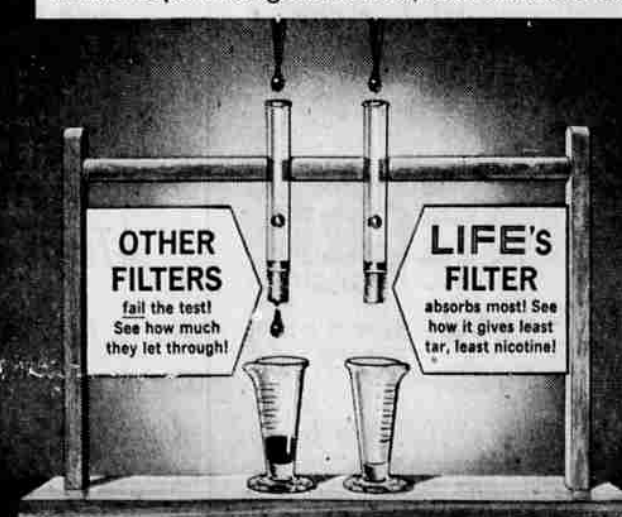
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