Nation's Executive Begs Transportation Chieftains to Avert "National Disaster" and Appeal to Patriotism Has Quick Effect.

WASHINGTON. Aug. 3.-Managers of 98 Western rallroads, urged by President Wilson to place patriotism above property interests, consented today to arbitrate their differences with 55,000 enginemen and firemen and prevent what threatened to be one of the most extensive transportation strikes the

The railroad men consented to present the case for settlement in a way already approved by the employes and the Federal Board of Mediation to avert what the President characterized as "a National disaster," although they realized and President Wilson pointed out that all the merits of their side out that sil the merits of their side could not be taken into consideration. Chairman Chambers of the Board of Mediation, at once began preparations for bringing the dispute to arbitration, and the railroad managers and the la-hor leaders left the city.

The reply of the managers said:
"Under any ordinary circumstances
we should feel that our plain duty to the interests committed to our charge would not merely justify, but would re-quire us to insist on a plan of arbitration that would recognize our right to be heard on claims regularly presented on our behalf. But we also appreciate keenly, as you have pointed out, that an unparalleled condition has arisen keenly, as you have pointed out, that an unparalleled condition has arisen which hastily permits a full considera-tion of the merits of our case and which constrains you to ask us to waive any discussion of merits and accept the plan of arbitration proposed by the medi-ators, which you feel convinced offers, ators, which you feel convinced offers, under the existing circumstances, the only possible way of averting a disastrous strike on all the railroads of the western half of the United States. "In view, therefore, of the situation as you have presented it, and of your as you have presented to dur re-appeal to our patriotsm and to our re-gard for the public welfare, we beg to express to you herewith our acceptance of the plan of arbitration proposed."

PROVISION FOR PURCHASE OF FOR-EIGN VESSELS IMPERATIVE.

Declaration of London, Signed in 1909, Thought to Preclude Acquisttions by United States.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Aug. 3.—The bill passed by the House of Representives today liberalizing conditions under which foreign built ships may be granted American registry is shown by competent international lawyers here to ment, such a law when enacted will donald denied this.

be inoperative.

Under the declaration of London, signed in 1909 by the United States, Great Britain, France, Germany, Russia, Japan and other nations, the transfer of ships from the flag of belliger

useclared would preclude American capital acquiring at this time any of the vessels flying the flag of any nation now involved in war which would cover practically all occan going steamers. Moreover, under this London declaration, what, foodstuffs, clothing, fabrics, etc., which the administration hopes to be able to market in Europe, if foreign vessels could be brought under the American flag, are all declared to be contraband of war and any such shipments to ports in any of the warring nations would be liable to scizure.

This fact was ignored by Democratic leaders in pushing the bill through the House foday, although doubt was expressed by some as to whether this law would be effective, even if enacted. The bill as passed was drawn by the Department of Commerce and approved by President Wilson before being introduced.

ROSS

BAKER, Or., Aug. 3.—(Special.)—

Mrs. Elizabeth Emerson, wife of J. A. Emerson, of this city, died suddenly of heart disease at her none here last sight.

Lambert's patience is about at and his language has become slight. His marksmanship at night improved 100 per cent. His dark is in what was formerly the my stable, and solut the time every else is about to go asleep there are paradise, and about the time every else is about to go asleep there are paradise, and about the time every else is about to go asleep there are paradise, and about the time every else is about to go asleep there are paradise, and about the time every else is about to go asleep there are paradise, and about the time every else is about to go asleep there are paradise, and about the time every else is about to go asleep there are paradise, and about the time every else is about to go asleep there are paradise, and about the time every else is about to go asleep there are paradise, and about the time every else is about to go asleep there are paradise, and about to the was a string of expletives; that would put the time every else is about to go asleep there are paradise, and about to was a string of expletives;

CHUM SEES BOY DROWN

SALEM LAD SINKS IN RIVER BE-FORE COMPANIONS CAN AID.

Other Youth Mounts Bleycle and Rides to Notify Victim's Parents, but Faints at His Destination.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 3.—Mark Van Tassie, 17 years old, son of Arthur D. Van Tassie, chief engineer at the Chemawa Training School, was drowned in the Willamette River tonight while his chum was only a few feet away. The other boy, Charles Baise, also 17 years old, when he realized his companion was dead, rode his bicycle as fast as he could to the school, more fast as he could to the school, more than five miles, to notify the victim's parents. As he dismounted he fainted and it was some time before he was re-

vived and told of the accident.

A searching party went to the scene of the accident, but had not found the

of the accident, but had not found the body late tonight.
Young Van Tassle attended the Salem High School. He and Baise rowed up the river in a canoe late this afternoon and had been swimming some time when Van Tassle, who was a poor swimmer, yelled for help. Baise started toward him but did not reach him in time.

THREE CAUGHT IN RAID Sheriff Rand Takes Men Said to Be

"Blind Pig" Owners,

BAKER, Or., Aug. 3.—(Special.)—B. Ashby, of New Bridge, and Dick Dillard and James Downey, of Richland, were arrested on the charge of conducting "blind pigs" in their respective towns by Sheriff Ed Rand and his deputies, E. B. Jackson and Walter Palmer, in a raid conducted by District

WAR TIMES AID IN

QUASHING STRIKE

Attorney Godwin. The men were all in bed when arrested.
Four dozen bottles of beer, a quart of whisky and a quart of cordial were taken at Richland, while no liquor was selzed at New Bridge. The men were released under \$250 bonds.

A warrant was also issued for Charles Keller, of Cornucopia, as the alleged owner of the alleged "blind pig" at Richland. He has not been placed under arrest but has agreed to appear and put up the required bond.

Downey, who was arrested in Richland, is noted as a prizefighter.
Ashby conducts a billiard hall as helliard hall at New Bridge and Dillard and Downey run a similar institution in Richland. The Richland Hall is alleged to belong to Keller, who conducted it as a saloon before the town voted dry four years ago, and who now runs a saloon at Cornucopia. Sheriff Rand has been collecting evidence in the cases for some time.

Speeders Comforted by Old Doc Yak

Jokist Pastes Comic Picture of Original Auto Manine on Police Court Bench and Culprits Laugh.

SPEEDER put his hands on the A rail in front of Municipal Judge Stevenson's bench yesterday, hung his head, and then looked up quickly with a broad grin.

"What's the matter? Is it funny?" asked the Judge. "A little," confessed the culprit-"Twenty-five dollars worth," the

Judge declared, and the smile was changed to a frown. But when the next speeder was

"This thing here," said the speeder, dicating the railing.

He has a deer, or what was left of a buck after it had been killed, probably by a mountain lion and feasted upon

Clerk Neil Crounse suddenly busied himself with his books. He had a

guilty look. The Court was gazing on another court depicted on the railing. Someone had clipped the heading from the comic section of The Sunday Oregonian

TWENTY BECOME CITIZENS

Clackamas Court Grants Papers to Those Who Pass Tests.

OREGON CITY, Or., Aug. 3. - (Special.) - Twenty persons were granted their naturalization papers today by Circuit Judge Campbell.

Circuit Judge Campbell.

They were: Carl A. Woodland, Ferdinanet Wehner, Henry Packover, Peter Horning, Herman Pamperin, William Gardner, Niels Christensen, Bent Anton Anderson, John Seedling, Bernard Schoenburg, Otto Knorr, John Jacob Lipprener, Alexander Beaton, Duncan Malcolm Shanker, Hjälmar Baugl,

turned turtle at Nelson Siding last night Miss Theresa Momb, of Roslyn, was caught under the car, suffering a

fracture of the right arm and bruises about the body. Misses Hannah Steward and Katherine McCulloch also were slightly injured.

Leo Muholovich, the driver, was caught under the car, but escaped injuries. Harry Tache and Fred Black also were thrown from the car, es-caping with minor bruises.

AUTO TRADE SHOWS GAIN

Secretary's Report Tells of Heavy Increase in Fees.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 3.—(Special.)—
That the sutomobile business is making large gains in Oregon is reflected by a report issued by Secretary of State Olcott today, which shows that \$72,646 has been received as fees for automobiles, motorcycles, chauffeurs and dealers to August 1.
The total received last year was

The total received last year was \$56,873. In 1912 \$42,994 was received. Up to August 1 last year only \$52,013,50 had been collected. The fees received in July this year aggregated \$3535.50.

LIGHTNING STARTS BLAZE

Timber Owned by Southern Pacific in Peril Near Springfield.

SPRINGFIELD, Or., Aug. 3.—(Special.)—Lightning started a fire on the F. L. Withers place, in the hills five miles east of here, last night, and eight or ten acres were burned over. Heavy timber owned by the Southern Parising is threatened. Pacific is threatened. Heavy smoke over the upper Willamette Valley all day prevented discovery of the fire until tonight.

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FOUND BY KNOWLES

Nature-Man's Letter Fashioned in Primeval Way Now En Route to The Oregonian by Express. Woodsman's Feet Improve.

BY A. L. FAIRBROTHER KNOWLES CAMP, Klamath National Forest, via Grants Pass, Or., Aug. 3 .-(Special.)-Knowles' latest message was found by Professor Edwards and sent to Holland late Sunday night. It is now on its way by express to The Oregonian, where it may be seen by those who wish to study how the man in the woods is communicating with

the outside world.

The message is written on bark, as called, he also hung his head, studied the rail a little, and also looked up at the Judge with a grin.

"What do you see that's funny?" the Court inquired.

"This thing here," said the speeder.

"This thing here, indicating the railing.
"Let's take a look," said the Judge, and he climbed from his bench and looked.

"This thing here, said the Judge, by a bear.

With this deer hide Knowles probably will be able to get some kind of a covering for his body outside of the last wrapped about his limbs, as he has wrapped about his limbs, and maybe a pair of chaps for his

Knowles' full message is:

court depicted on the railing. Someone had clipped the heading from the comic section of The Sunday Oregonian and pasted it there. Old Doc Yak, whose actions are watched by thousands every week, stood before a municipal court for speeding.

"Honest, judge," Old Doc Yak was saying, "I was going so slow the birds hull nests in my radiator and hatched out three broods while I was going 10 built nests in my radiator and hatched out three broods while I was going 16 miles."

"We'll leave it there," decided Judge Stevenson. "That plea seems a popular one with speeders in this court, too."

During the day 16 speeders faced Judge Stevenson, and each grinned. But the 10 speeders left behind them a total of \$202, setting a new record for a single day's speeding fines in Portland's packing them in black mud and I think of \$202, setting a new record for a single day's speeding fines in Portland's
Municipal Court.

"Truly," remarked Judge Stevenson,
"Doe Yak has done his duty by the
treasury of the City of Portland."

CAMP IS INFESTED BY RATS

Biscuit Before Cook.

KNOWLES' CAMP, Klamath National Forest, via Holland and Grants Pass, Or., Aug. 2.—Professor Edwards wandered all over the trail down in Dan Creek for a distance of five miles from the camp, yesterday, but found no message from Joe Knowles. He was not disappointed, for it was hardly hoped that Joe could get out another message so soon after the last, especially as his feet are in the condition he related in his most recent message. It is believed here that he is resting in his camp, twherever that is, putting in his time taking care of his feet and is weaving the grass or moss blanket of which he spoke.

Interest in the camp has centered in can Malcolm Shanker, Hjalmar Baugl, Frank Shmidt, Bartol Luzar, Joseph Mrak, Helstone Ley and Simon Macdonald.

The only contested admission was that of Simon Macdonald. 'It was charged that he had said that the flag was nothing but an "old rag." Macdonald denied this.

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Blaze in Lumber Camps Near Albany Now Controlled.

CREWS FIGHT FOR DAYS

Flames Sweep Over 500 Acres of Timber, Spread Rapidly and for Time Defy Efforts to

ALBANY. Or., Aug. 3 .- (Special.)-Having covered 500 acres and attained such dangerous proportions that all of the people in the logging camps along road above Mill City moved to places of safety, a forest fire, which started about five miles from Mill City last

ceived by F. H. Brundige, of this city, supervisor of the Santiam National Forest, today indicates that the further progress of the blaze has been stopped The fire started near Hammond Lumber Company Logging Camp No. 14 last Thursday. A crew was put to work fighting it, but in spite of their efforts it continued to spread gradually, and has now burned over all

Part of the time the fire has trav-

Check Headway in Forest.

Thursday is now under control.

The fire is yet burning, but word rethe territory between Camp 14 and

eled in an old burn and has covered old slashings, but it also has run throuh much green timber. When the foremen of the crews of

When the foremen of the crews of the Hammond Lumber Company saw that the fire was assuming a danger-ous character they moved out all of the donkey engines and other portable equipment from the camps. All of the people in the camps also fied to places of safety, burying such supplies as they could not carry. For that reason there has been but little loss in the camps.

The entire damage will not be great, as it is believed much of the green timis not ruined for logging purposes.

Woodland Fair Building Is Up.

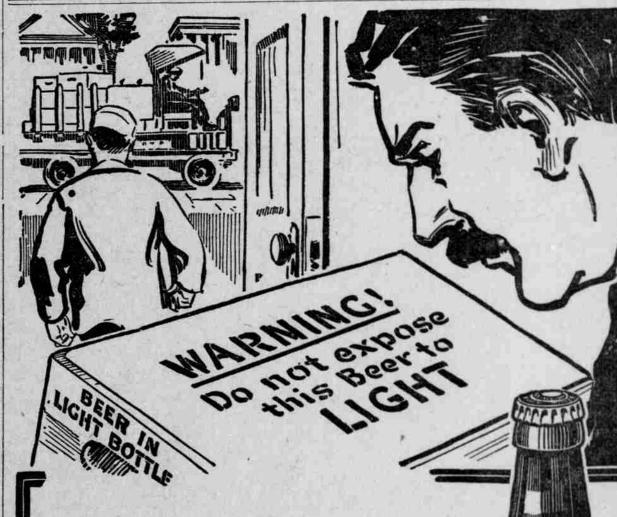
Board's Rights Involved in Suit.

WOODLAND, Wash., Aug. 3.—(Special.)—The first of the series of main buildings for the Woodland fair, which will be held September 17. 18 and 19.

Board's Rights Involved in Suit.

Crawford represented about 200 litius of the Pacific Livestock gants. The company faces a possible company to restrain the State Water loss of its rights. A wide section in Board from determining the relative Harney County is in dispute.

is practically completed. Much interest rights of settlers in the use of water of the Silvies River and its tributaries, many inquiries have been received by the secretary relative to space. is said to involve the constitutional rights of the Board. Attorney-General Crawford represented about 200 liti-gants. The company faces a possible



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