

EXPORT AUTOS SHIPPED MINUS RUBBER TIRES

Motorists in Neutral Countries Must Furnish Guarantee That Tires Will Not Reach Germany.

Spain, according to a recent agreement with the United States, now is furnishing General Pershing's army with mules, blankets and other military supplies, but American automobile manufacturers, making sporadic shipments to the kingdom of Alfonso, cannot reciprocate by equipping these cars with tires.

"This is one of several peculiar restrictions put on automobile exports that is the result of the world war," said F. E. Miller of the T. G. Northwall company, local distributor of National Highway Sixes and Twelves, "a restriction that has been in force since the summer of 1914.

"For when Great Britain, controlling the seas, cast its lot with France and Belgium in the fight on the kaiser, an embargo was declared and the English government refused to permit any crude rubber shipments to the United States unless the American tire makers promised not to export tires to neutral countries so located in the war zone that either legitimate trade or border smuggling with Germany could not be prevented. The American tire makers were forced to post a bond of \$5,000,000 as a guarantee of their good faith in keeping the agreement.

Held As Contraband.

"As a consequence all the National cars that have been sent to Spain and other neutral countries of Europe in the last four years left the factory with bare wheels, the tires being consigned to the British government and shipped to Hull, England. Here they are held in storage as contraband until the Spanish owner satisfies the English authorities that the tires will never travel over other than Spanish highways and that the only thing he would do for the kaiser would be to knit him a barbed wire sweater.

"This embargo, while inconveniencing the American automobile manufacturer and the inhabitant of a neutral European country that buys an

American car, has proven a war measure of paralyzing effectiveness to Germany, where there is a famine of automobile tires and the efforts of scientists to find a synthetic substitute for rubber have been futile. Were it not for the drastic order, German agents in Spain, Holland and Denmark probably would buy thousands of American cars and stripping them of tires for the kaiser's war vehicles junk the machines."

Many Big Handicaps.

While this order against the exportation of tires, the scarcity of ships, the trouble in getting clearance papers and other obstacles have put handicaps on the American automobile manufacturer in continuing his foreign trade, the National company is making every effort to fill all orders received from Spain, Japan, Morocco, South America and the insular possessions of Uncle Sam at the present time.

For the convenience of foreign buyers and to conform with foreign automobile design, the National company now is building the six-cylinder cars intended for export with right drive and center control. This is an innovation in the company's foreign trade policy. In addition to this, if the standard colors, blue and gray, are not desired, Nationals are shipped with the bodies finished in a lead priming coat.

Oregon Man Gets Heavy Mileage Out of Maxwell

J. E. Steele of Ashland, Ore., 60 years of age, hale and hearty, is the proud owner of a Maxwell touring car in which he has driven 68,000 miles.

"I've got the best little car ever built," said Mr. Steele. "And when this one wears out, if it ever does, I am going to get another Maxwell. 'I made the trip from home' to Stockton, Cal., without one mishap. Why, it simply laughed at the grades and plugged right along, purring like a kitten. I averaged 24 miles to a gallon of gas, and walked away from a lot of high-powered and far more expensive cars in the hills."

Mr. Steele stayed in Stockton overnight and started out early Friday morning on his way to Los Angeles. He commented on the business activity of Stockton, saying that it was the liveliest city that he had visited on his trip southward.

A Pointer.

"Whither are we bound?" shrieked the calamity lecturer. "I say, again—whither, O whither are we bound?" "Say, you" called a man in the rear: "you've been tryin' all night 't find out where you're goin'! If you don't know your station, get a map!" —Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Army Officers Stationed In Omaha Who Handle Millions of Dollars Each Year



Omaha officers of the United States Quartermaster's corps: Seated, left to right: Major Walter Stern, property officer; Lieutenant Colonel F. A. Grant, depot quartermaster; Major John G. Maher, disbursing officer. Standing, left to right: Captains William H. Faringhy, Adam Lepphardt, H. F. Kleine, Walter E. Kruesi, E. G. Kerfoot.

These officers have charge of purchasing, distributing and transporting all food and clothing used by United States soldiers in various posts in this country as well as others in Hawaii and the Philippines. They handle many millions of dollars' worth of property and keep detailed accounts of every dollar spent.

A Bunch of Stories

Curiosity Satisfied.

"I was amused at a reception the other day. An elderly, gaunt lady approached a young man and said reproachfully to him: 'Why aren't you in khaki?' 'The young man blushed. Then he drew himself up and answered: 'For the same reason that you're not in the beauty chorus, ma'am—physically unfit.' —Washington Star.

A Pleasant Reminder.

"Jessie, dear," said hubby in a kind and gentle tone, "can't you come here just for a minute?" "I suppose I can," indifferently answered Jessie, arising from her easy chair and starting for the stairway. "What do you want?"

"There is a little ripped place in the shirt that I want to wear to the lodge tonight," returned hubby. "Can't you sew it for me?" "Of course not," was the prompt re-

joinder of wifey. "I will get Jane to do it. You seem to forget that you married a typewriter, not a sewing machine." —Dayton News.

Not for Jim.

Jim Budsall played the flute. Came one day a phonograph man, and essayed to sell Jim a machine.

"See here," said the agent. "Just you play a tune on that flute. I'll put on a blank record and you can hear yourself play after 'rd."

Jim played and the phonograph recorded. Then the agent played the record and the toots of Jim's flute came from its throaty depths. Jim listened eagerly.

"Now," remarked the agent, "that's just as you played it. Are you going to buy that trick?"

"I am not," answered Jim. "I'm goin' to throw that doggone flute away." —Philadelphia Ledger.

Enough to Carry.

A minister came to the Episcopal church at Williamsport, Pa., to speak.

"Do you wish to wear a surplice?" asked the rector.

"Surplice!" cried the visitor. "Surplice! I am a Methodist. What do I know about surplices? All I know about is a deficit!" —New York Post.

Going in Deep.

"You are really in love?" "Yes," replied the methodical young man.

"And how deep are you in love?" "Just a moment until I consult my expense account. Ahem! Up to the present moment I have attained a depth of \$814.73." —Birmingham Age-Herald.

Sprucing Up.

"Looks like women will soon have the ballot everywhere, my dear." "Uh."

"How are you going to vote?" "Well, I'm not going to vote in this old hat, I can tell you. You'll have to buy me a new one." —Louisville Courier-Journal.



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