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Case of War. By FRED S. FERGUSON (United Press Staff Correspondent) SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 6-There re less than 200 aviators in this country who would be of any value to the army or pary in case the United States hould become involved in war. There re even iewer aeroplanes. the Panama Pacific Exposition expressed this opinion today in discussng the aviation arm of the country's ervice in connection with the onestion of national defense, which President Wilson is to take up when he RESTA ENJOYS returns to Washington. "There are not more than 100 aviators outside the army and navy who would really be of service under present conditions," said Smith in an interview with the United Press. "The

WAR AVIATORS

question of machines would be worse for a time than that of men. The exhibition machines now in use in various parts of the country would never erve for military purposes. We would simply have to wait until the zero plane factories turned out some aeroplanes that could be used, and then, they would not be up to those at the disposal of the European armies."

Smith maintained that lack of government support was the cause of this country falling so far behind other nations in aviation. What is needed is new interest by the government, greater appropriations and constant experimentation, he said. More men should be drilled as iliers and better machines produced.

"There were at least 2,500 experinced aviators in France when the war broke cut," said Smith. "Hun dreds were civilians, but they could take their place with the aviators of the army in immediate service. Should the United States become involved with a power similarly equipped with men and machines, our weak little force would be massacred in no time The 'eyes' of our army would be gone The enemy aviators could see everything that went on in our lines and we could see nothing.

The youthful flyer whose daring loops have thrilled thousands at the Exposition said he believed the Gov ernment should maintain laboratories where aviators could experiment with various parts of arcoplanes when in-

provements appear to have been dis covered. Flying should also be encouraged by apropriations which would result in the production of better ma chizes.

"Until the war in Europe broke out there was little to encourage aeroplane manufacturers." said Smith. Their principal sales were to exhibitica fliers and were comparatively

light of the heroplanes were built is a onra, like mine." Smith explained why so few who

actually hold a pilots license in this Angeles this evening where he will be country motifi be ready for immediate connected with one of the large auto-MODESTO. (Al milliony service by declaring that their mobile accessory houses.

WITH RUSH Smith & Parks tiresKUhghrd i Smith & Parks, the local Ford dea:ers, are making great strides into the 1916 season. During the past week these popular dealers have delivered

1915 SEASON OFF

Art Smith, the Famous Flier, cars to the following people: Tourins Says That There Are Not eraze, C. M. County form ad-More Than 100 Aviators visor, and C. H. Barton of Thalheire, Outside of Army and Navy N. M. Parsons of Hickman; runabouts Who Would be of Service in to T. B. Boone of Oakdale and E. Enes of Ceres.

> NOWELS MOYES BUICK **AGENCY** TO FERLIN GARACE

M. E. Nowels, the local distributor for Buick and Chevrolet cars, has moved from the Depot Garage to the J. J. Art Smith, the sensational flier of Ferlin Garage. Mr. Nowels has contemplated the move for some time in order to better serve the many Buick owners. In the luture J. J. Ferlin will do all service work on the Buick and Chevroler lines.

SANE MOTORING

Dario Resta is a genuine motor enthusiast of the speedway track. The zreat English-Italian, who shattered all records for speed in the Chicago motor marathon, is now spending most of his time prior to the opening of the (all racing season on the roads in the addle west accompanied by his wife. Resta recently purchased a Premier Speedster, and he is perhaps one of the proudest owners in the country. While in Indianapolis prenaring for the last spedway race, the Premity Spedster made its appearance on the garket and it was not long before the driver and his wife became very nuch attached to the car. In Chicago Mrs. Resta used one of the speedsters to make daily trips to the race track

speed trials and a few days after the record-breaking contest Restat purbased one of the machines.



to watch her busband in his daily

R. A. Tatum is now selling Overland ars under Charles P. Cole the local dealer.

HENRY FORD SCORES William Silva, the Studebaker repesentative, has been enjoying a two week's vacation in the Sierra moun

rains to Kennedy's lake.

In a letter to the Wisconsin! Fred Marshall of the Marshall Vul-Bankers' association, in annual concanizing Works is having a great run vention in Milwaukee, Henry Ford. on Kelly-Springfield tires. Marshall last week, deploted the growing cussays every customer is a booster. tom of seiling automobiles on the partial payment plan, similar to the plan M. E. Nowels, Modesto representa-

under which farm implements and mative for the Buick line of Sixes is bechinery are sold to farmers. ing kept busy explaining the features The bankers stated that they believof this popular brand of 1916 Sixes.

ed automobile manufacturers throughout the country would soon be com-"K. C." Tarum, the taxi driver for pelled to assist in the financing of the Smith & Parks, has a hard time starsale of their product. With this view ing on the pavement since driving the Ford evidently does not agree. Ford touring car through the moun-

"I have never been able to determine," said Ford, "just what is the difference briween paying your debis George L. Kling, manager of the Monow or putting them off. In South desto Auto Supply company, resigned | American and European countries they his position today and leaves for Los have gotten into the very bad habit of extending long credits, and I have never been able to see any good in

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