

COUNTY SALARY MEASURE GOES THROUGH HOUSE

Five Officials of Douglas Would Get Pay Raises Under Schedule.

School Supt. Listed for \$400 Boost, Judge and Treasurer for \$200 Additional.

Under the salaries bill, H. B. 522, passed by the lower house, the treasurer and county judge of Douglas county, now receiving salaries of \$1,800 and \$2,000, respectively, would each get \$200 more yearly. An increase of \$400 per annum is provided for the school superintendent, at present getting \$1,800. County commissioners' pay would be raised from \$5 to \$7 per day for actual services, plus expenses, and the sheriff would continue to receive his present salary of \$2,500. The schedule provides \$200 less for both the county clerk and assessor, each receiving \$2,400 now, but the bill has a proviso that no existing salaries shall be reduced.

Classified Salaries
SALJEM, Ore., Feb. 20.—Classification of the counties of the state in five groups according to assessed valuation, and a uniform salary schedule for each class, are provided for in house bill 522 which passed the house Wednesday morning.

According to the bill the counties are classified as follows:—first class, \$150,000,000 or more, including Multnomah county only; second class, more than \$75,000,000 and less than \$150,000,000, including Lane, Marion, Clackamas and Umatilla; third class, more than \$45,000,000 and less than \$75,000,000, including Washington, Linn, Klamath, Douglas, Jackson and Coos; fourth class, more than \$20,000,000 and less than \$45,000,000, including Clatsop, Yamhill, Baker, Union, Tillamook, Polk, Wasco, Columbia, DeSchautes and Madras; fifth class, less than \$20,000,000, including Wallowa, Morrow, Hood River, Lake, Gilliam, Sherman, Lincoln, Harney, Josephine, Grant, Crook, Jefferson, Wheeler and Curry.

HOUSE FAVORS BAN ON SOLID TIRE VEHICLES

Gasoline Taxes
SALJEM, Ore., Feb. 20.—Solid tire trucks will not be permitted on the Oregon highways after July 1, 1931, if house bill 514 which passed the house Wednesday morning becomes a law. A similar bill passed the house in 1927 and was defeated in the senate.

Load Limits
Load limits on solid tire vehicles will be reduced after January 1, 1930 from 20,000 pounds, the present limit, to 15,000 when the solid tire prohibition becomes effective in two years, the load limit will be raised to 22,000 pounds.

Text Book Bill Passes
Senator Fisher's bill providing for text-book changes every ten years passed the senate today. The measure would supplant the present law whereby one-third of the books are changed every two years.

Chapman Survives
Without debate the senate today killed by indefinite postponement the Hall-Dunne resolution demanding that the Oregon Voter organization and C. C. Chapman, its editor, be ousted from the capitol. Hall and Dunne charged Chapman and his crew with lobbying.

New Highway Plan
The many measures before the roads and highways committee, advising the state highway department how to proceed towards completion of the state highway system, were added to today when Senator Kiepper introduced a joint resolution that would provide \$20,000,000 in the next five years.

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Colorado Rescue Party Facing Severe Task
DURANGO, Colo., Feb. 20.—Men on snow shoes will haul food on sleds into the snowbound regions around Silverton, Colo., if the railroads are unable to clear their tracks into the district within the next few days. This was decided last night when it was found that a blizzard the previous night caused several small snow slides to tumble down upon the tracks which have been blocked since February 3.

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EASTERN STAR MEMBERS TAKE NOTICE
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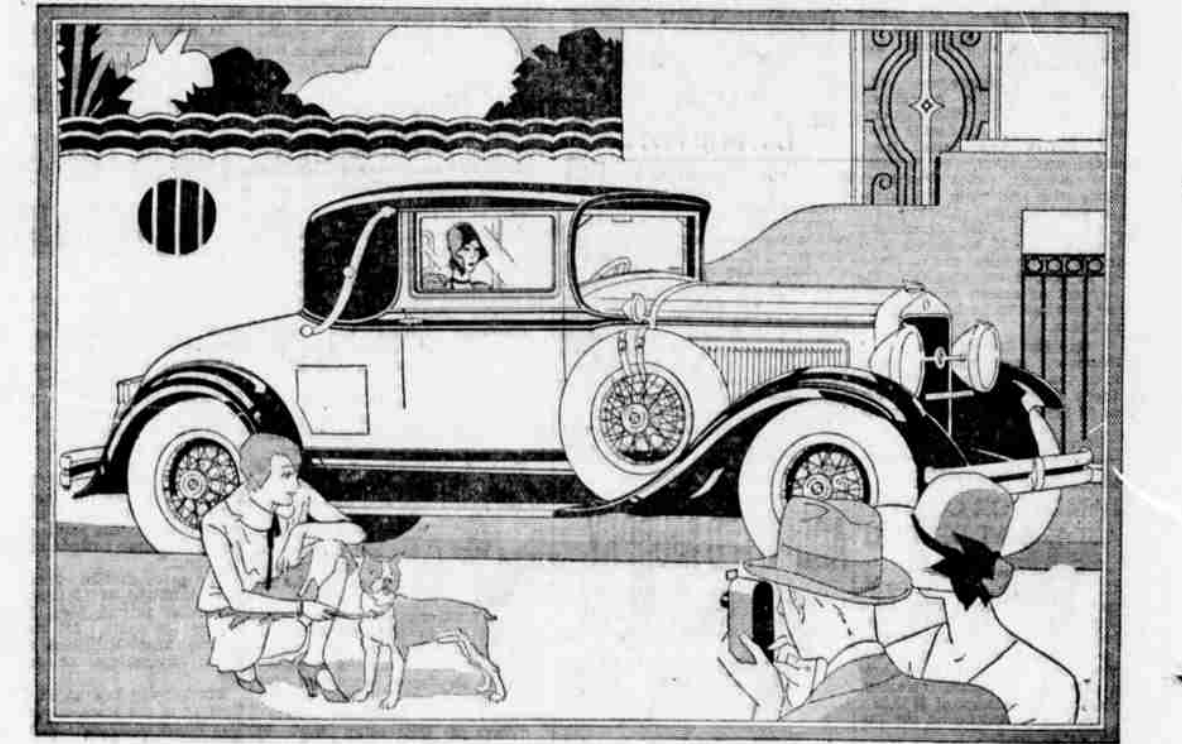
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