

Tax Inequalities Shown In Statement By Fisher

Charges of discrimination and rank inequalities in connection with the levying of property assessments in the state of Oregon have been made recently by members of the state tax commission.

For the convenience of the state tax commissioner the businesses were grouped by counties, and the figures included in the statement were gathered from actual reports on file in the offices of the state tax commissioner.

Members of the state tax commission said that their investigations had proved that businesses, in many cases, were assessed as low as 10 and 12 per cent of their actual valuations, while farms and homes were assessed as high as 80 and 90 per cent.

It was the contention of the state tax commission that a uniform rate of assessed valuation, fixed at between 50 and 60 per cent of the actual valuations of assessable property in the state of Oregon probably would increase the valuations for taxable purposes in excess of \$500,000,000 and increase the taxable income of the state not less than \$1,000,000 annually.

The report prepared by the state tax commissioner showed that 560 businesses in Multnomah county had a reported value of \$107,951,505, with a net income of \$12,650,293.

A total of 161 business in Marion county were reported to have an aggregate value of \$12,112,340, with a gross income of \$21,855,204 and a net income of \$1,433,866.

Lane county, with 64 businesses grouped, reported total valuations of \$13,101,809, with a gross income of \$10,082,812 and a net income of \$766,828.

Sixty-eight businesses in Clackamas county had a reported valuation of \$10,855,167, with a gross income of \$14,688,107 and a net income of \$3,047,223.

Assessed valuations in other counties of the state, as fixed by the county assessors, were approximately the same proportion when compared to the actual valuations.

The statement showed that the reported valuations of the 2260 businesses investigated by the state tax commissioner aggregated \$254,208,571, with a gross income of \$395,768,544 and net income of \$29,283,796.

As a result of the alleged inequality of assessed valuations placed on various classes of property in the state of Oregon the state tax investigating committee created by the 1925 legislature met here this week and discussed means for correcting the existing evils.

One of these bills would give the state tax commission authority to remove or suspend county assessors who fail or refuse to comply with the law relative to the levying of assessments.

The bills to be prepared by the committee will be submitted to the next legislature. Pending such time as the proposed laws are drafted the county assessors will be called to Salem for a conference with members of the investigating committee.

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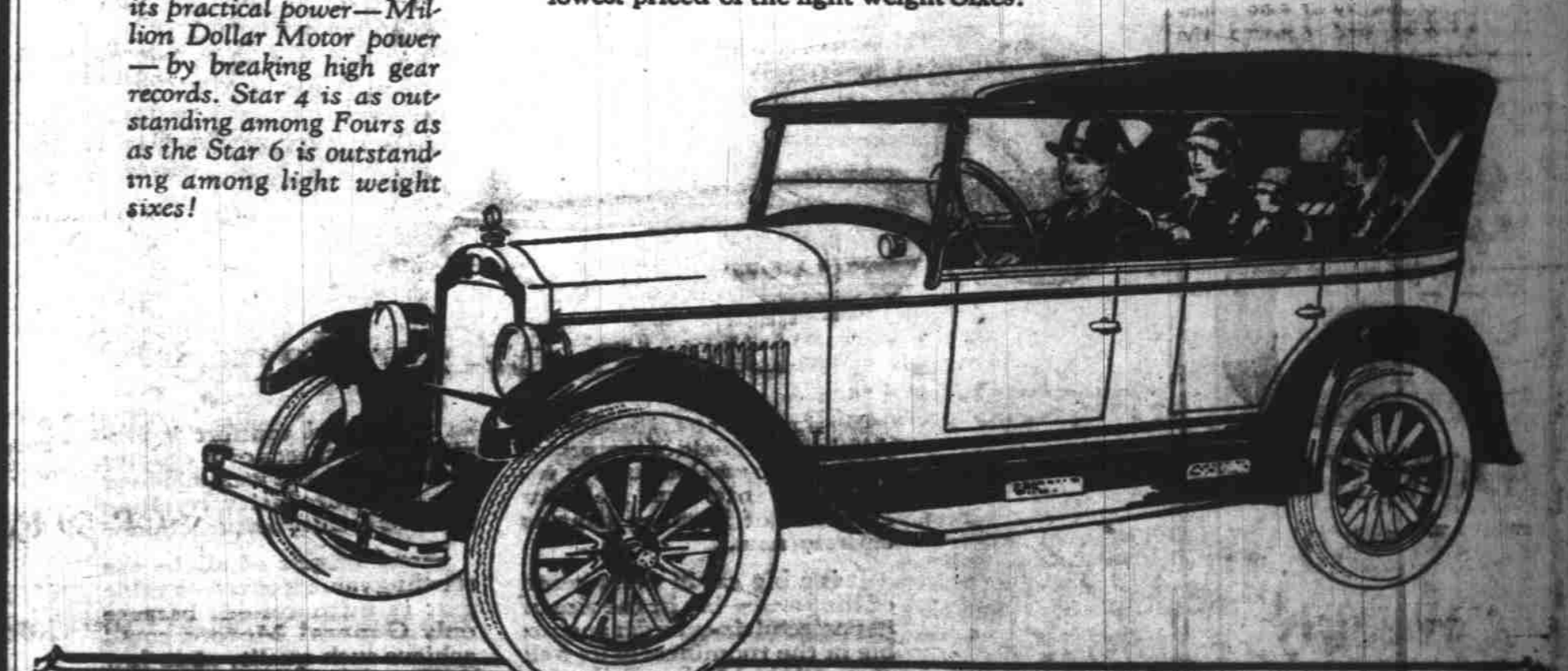
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