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### FIXES SALARIES

#### GOVERNOR'S PLAN OF EQUALIZATION WORKED OUT

Table Shows How Counties Would be Arranged—Salaries of Officials Would be Based on Assessed Valuation of Property and on Population—Umatilla Third.

Salem, Ore., Dec. 21.—A short time ago Governor West gave out a list showing the class in which each county would be if his plan for unifying county salaries is put into effect by enactment of the legislature, and yesterday he gave out figures showing the method of arriving at the classification of the counties.

His idea is that the present haphazard method of fixing salaries of county officials should be displaced by a plan that will make the salary of every county official correspond to the salary of the same official in every other county in the same class in the state. Thus all clerks in counties of the second class would receive the same salaries, and all sheriffs in those counties would receive like salaries, and so on through the list of county officials.

#### Method of Classification.

This classification of counties is made according to the area, assessed valuation and population of the counties. At the head of the list alphabetically is Baker county. Its area is 3,174 per cent of the total area of the state; its assessed valuation is 2,520 per cent of the assessed valuation of the entire state; its population is 2,687 per cent of the population of the state. This makes an average of 2,793 per cent of the total

area, assessed valuation and population of the state, and according to the schedule arranged, places Baker county in the fourth class.

Baker county is cited to illustrate how the governor has figured to place impartially, each county in its proper classification. Multnomah county stands by far in a class by itself, and is given class one. The other counties whose average runs from 4 to 5 per cent are placed in the second class, from 3 to 4 per cent in the third class, from 2 to 3 per cent in the fourth class, and less than 2 per cent in the fifth class.

The following figures show how Umatilla county is classified under the governor's plan: Per cent of acreage, 3,349; per cent of assessed valuation, 4,502; per cent of population, 3,019; average per cent, 3,590; class, 3.

#### ELLIOTT SATISFIED TO LEAVE PHILIPPINE JOB

Washington.—Judge Charles B. Elliott of Minneapolis, whose resignation as a member of the Philippine commission was recently accepted by President Taft, is in Washington, but soon will leave here for Minneapolis, where he intends to practice law. Judge Elliott came here from London a few days ago, the request for his resignation having reached him at the time he was about to leave for Vienna, Austria, on a tour of that country and Eastern Europe. Mrs. Elliott returned with him and already has gone to Minneapolis, where her husband will join her about Wednesday of next week.

Judge Elliott was on leave of absence, and this was extended until March 4, the close of the Taft administration. His salary until that time has been paid to him in advance.

#### Says Higher Official Wins.

"Where there are differences of opinion between two officials," said Mr. Elliott, "the higher official wins, unless it is the intention of the appointing power to make a complete change in official personnel."

This statement refers to certain disagreements that have existed between Mr. Elliott and Governor General Forbes, which were laid before the president shortly after Elliott had sailed from New York to Europe and which presumably led to the request for his resignation from the secretary of war, acting under advice from the White House.

#### Differences Not Personal.

"My differences of opinion with Mr. Forbes," continued Mr. Elliott, "were not of personal nature. So far as I knew and they related entirely of matters of administrative detail at Manila. I was surely surprised when informed that he had become personally offended with me."

"However, I am about as well satisfied as I might have been to return to Manila and be let go with the incoming Wilson administration. When I was in the United States in October, I debated for several days whether I should return to Manila or hand in my resignation and stay at home, due to the short time that will elapse before the new administration at Washington takes hold of affairs. Finally I decided to return to Manila, largely for the purpose of packing up my belongings."

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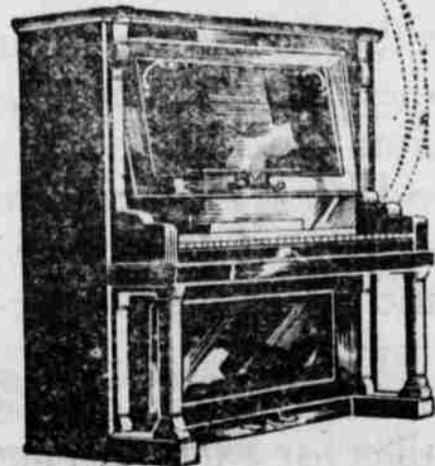
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- VACUUM SWEEPERS FROM ..... \$10.00 UP
- ALL THE LATE SHEET MUSIC ..... 10¢
- STEREOSCOPIES 50¢; 25 VIEWS 50¢ or 2¢ each
- LINOLEUM VARNISH 50¢ CAN FOR ..... 25¢
- BEST CARPET TACKS, POUND ..... 10¢
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