

AUTO LICENSE FEE MAY BE INCREASED

Hon. F. C. Biggs Hints at Charge to be Made Next Year

An increase in auto license fees and a graded system for different types and sizes of cars may be expected next year, judging from the remarks of Hon. F. C. Biggs, discussing the estimates. He said that the license forms had been made out when his Government came into power, so that there was no change this year. He thought, however, with an improved road system first, that people would then take more kindly to increased fees on autos.

"In the near future," he continued, "we will undoubtedly have the privilege of a new rating on motor cars." The matter was first brought up by Wellington Hay, North Perth, who said that men able to pay \$1,400 to \$11,000 for cars were able to pay an increased license fee.

Refuses Option of Fine to Drunken Motorists

Those found guilty of being intoxicated while driving an automobile will no longer have the option of a fine if the amendment to the law brought into the Legislature yesterday by the Attorney-General passes the House. The penalty is amended to read imprisonment without the option of a fine.

EVENING PAPER REPORT DENIED

Story Alleging Split in Lib- eral Ranks Brings Hot Reply

Two Liberal members in the Legislature yesterday took occasion to protest against a story published in an evening newspaper that the Liberal party was "disintegrating." The article in question stated that H. H. Dewart, the Liberal Leader, was losing his hold on members, and that the party was splitting.

Wellington Hay, Liberal Whip, brought the article up in the Legislature yesterday before the orders of the day were called. He said that the article was written evidently with a malicious intention. "The member for Southwest Toronto," he said, "was chosen as Leader of the Liberal party and my leader last year. I am still in that position today." (Applause from Liberal members.)

Mr. R. R. Hall, Parry Sound, rose to protest against what he called a most scurrilous and entirely unwarranted article that had appeared in an evening paper of Tuesday. "The article is altogether untrue, is out of order, and is a libel on all the names mentioned," said the Parry Sound man.