

INSURANCE A FOOTBALL OF POLITICIANS, CHARGE AT STATE FEDERATION

Organization, in Session Here, Told Government Is Encroaching on Private Interests in Business

An attack on State interference in insur-since interests today marked the opening of the annual meeting of the Insurance Federation of Pennsylvania in the Adelphia Hotel. Five hundred delegates are attend-ing the sessions, which are intended to combat every effort to promote State insurance.

"Neither the State now the nation has a "Neither the State now the nation has a right to enter into any business which can be carried on better by private interests," said W. S. Biggs, president of the National Council of the Federation, principal speaker at this morning's session. Mr. Biggs urged co-operation among the members for the obtects which the federation has in view be cause, he said, "self-seeking politicians have used the insurance business as a political football." The 250,000 licensed insurance agents in this country, he continued, have to be protected against the intrusion of politicians. He referred to Ohio, West Virginia and Washington, three States where State insurance has been tried, and said that they proved that the State could not successfully compete with the trained corps of agents of insurance interests.

Referring to these States he said Ohio had \$433,126 as a surplus a year ago and at the last report had only \$25,693 as a surplus. West Virginia, he said, had twice reported itself bankrupt, and in Washington State insurance had become a political scandal, in which some of the politicians interested had been indicted for wrong

An address of welcome was made for the Mayor by City Statistician Edward J. Cattell. John W. Doris, president of the Philadelphia Brokers' Association, made the response. The invocation was made by the Rev. Dr. J. T. Mockridge, rector of St. James Episcopal Church. J. W. Henry, of Pittsburgh, president of the federation, made a short address outlining the aims of the organization.

GROSSCUP DECLINES TO REPLY TO TUMULTY'S CRITICISM

Says His "Mind Is Clear" on Subject of Wilson Nominating Speech

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TRENTON, May 23.—Democratic State
Chairman Grosscup, asked today is he intended to reply to the statement of Joseph
P. Tumuity, secretary to President Wilson,
in which Tumuity places the blame on
Grosscup for having ignored the President's
wish to have Attorney General Wescottnominate him at the St. Louis convention,
said he would make no reply, but added:
"My mind is clear on the situation. Any "My mind is clear on the situation. Any

one who knows my end of it knows all

tinctly told Grosscup's messenger over the phone that Wescott was to have the honor of making the nominating speech. Wescott nominated Wilson at Baltimore. Instead of heeding this direction, Grosscup allowed the New Jersey Democratic delegates to the convention to select Governor Fielder to make the speech. When later the President's preference for Wescott in the matter became known, Governor Fielder wrote to Mr. Wilson cheerfully withdrawing, and stating that he had been selected through a misunderstanding. Had the delegates known of the President's desire, Governor Fielder wrote, they would have willingly acceded to it.

This letter gave rise to Tumulty's state-ment, declaring there had been no misunderstanding, and that Grosscup knew all about it before the delegates made their selection of Fielder.

The incident has raised considerable speculation and some criticism of Mr. Grosscup, who, it was thought, would explain his posi-tion and clear himself of the intimation that tion and clear himself of the intimation that he had juggled with the President's wishes.

"The Star-Spangled Banner" nearly broke up the "101 Ranch Wild West Show" last night. When it was played the audience thought the time to go home had come, and out toward the exits everybody started

moving. Desperately, a dozen attaches of the "ranch" ran up and down the side lines, yelling instructions that the thousands should be seated again and wait for the

"Sit down! Sit down!" they cried. "The best is yet to come. We're not half through

Those words served to stop the mass exit, but hundreds ignored them, chiefly, perhaps, because of the rain and the fact that it was a very bleak night in May. When all the people who wanted to go home had passed out and all the people who wanted to stay had been seated, the exhibition of the said on Columbus, N. M., by Villa bandits, was continued.

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This feature of the show was not included in the program, and "The Star-Spangled Banner" always has been, is now and problem.

Sainer always has been is now and probably ever will be the signal that its accompanying event is the concluding one. In this particular instance the band began to play it even before the event itself was over. Even Villa had not yet appeared upon the scene. The national anthem was simply played because everything was quiet at Columbus, except the firing of the sunset

DEPARTING AUDIENCE INTERRUPTS

MEXICAN RAID IN 101 RANCH SHOW

Inopportune Playing of "Star-Spangled Banner" Leads

Part of Crowd to Think Performance Is Over and

Start for Gate Just as Attack on Columbus Starts

3000 KNIGHTS TEMPLAR. FORMING HUGE CROSS IN SCRANTON PARADE

U. S. Flags, Grouped With Banners of Commanderies, Add to Attractiveness of Marchingf Mason

HOLD BANQUET TONIGHT MASSED BANDS IN LINE

SCRANTON, Pa., May 23.—Three thousand Knights Templar from all parts of the State, including about 200 from Philadelphia, participated in the parade here today. in connection with the 63d annual conclave of the Grand Commandery, Knights Temp-lar, of Pennsylvania. Another 1000 men, many of them members of the order, furnished the music, 25 musical organizations being in line. Kadosh Commandery, of Philadelphia, with own band of 52 pieces, and Mary Commandery, also of Philadelphia, headed by Lawrence's Band of 50 pieces, of this city, came in for a share of attention and applause.

There was an impressive scene on Court House Square just before the close of the parade, when the musicians in massed for-

mation marched before the reviewing stand, mation marched before the reviewing stand, playing "Onward, Christian Soldiers."

They were led by Sir Knight Robert Bauer, City Councilman and leader of Bauer's Band here. Right behind the band came the thousands of massed band came the thousands of knights in full regalia. They formed a mammoth cross that extended for blocks. Scores of United States flags, grouped with the banners of the various commanderies, added to the attractiveness of the scene.

There have been larger parades of the Knights Temples of Persevilvania but Temples. Knights Templar of Pennsylvania, but none more successful. The weatherman was kind even if the sun did not come forth to take a peep at the demonstration. There was an all-night rain that blasted the hopes of many, but as day broke and the down-pour ceased, the festivities assumed a

brighter aspect. "STAR SPANGLED BANNER" The Philadelphia commanderies were riven a big reception all alonf the line Kadosh Commandery, with Philip M Young in command, made a fine appear

Philadelphia Commandery, No. 2, Rudolph Souder commanding, also made fine appearance, as did Mary Commandery, with John D. Phillips in command. As Mary Commandery passed the reviewing stand, at the start of the parade, Law-rence's Band, in cross formation, played "The Star-Spangled Banner." The applaus that followed was of the deafening kind. Pennsylvania Commandery, also of Phila delphia, made a striking appearance, at-tired as crusaders. They were in command of William Ashton.

Lancaster Commandery, with a band turned out in large numbers, as did Geth-semane Commandery, from York. Members of Kensington, Germantown and St. Albans mmanderies, of Philadelphia, also par-

Pittsburgh and Williamsport sent big ne who knows my end of it knows all delegations and bands, too, the Williams-port Knights being headed by the Imperial Tumulty said in his statement he dis-

country. Sunbury and Hazleton were also well represented. Members of Corinthian Chasseur Commandery, Philadelphia, mounted on jet black steeds, had the right of line in the big procession, forming an escort for Grand Commander Bradley W. Lewis, of Tunk-

hannock, parade marshal.
Grand Junior Warden Thomas J. Patton,
of Philadelphia, who will be advanced to
senior warden at tomorrow's business session, was commander of the 3d division.

Aides to the marshal and division commanders included the following Philadel-

phians: W. Freeland Kendrick, Hayes H. Dun-can, Paul J. Pontius, Eugene J. McAleer, Walter J. Henwood and Charles R. Palmer. The first business session of the conclave opened this afternoon. Election of officers will be held tomorrow. Visiting Knights and their families were guests at a series of dances and receptions last night, and this afternoon are visiting Colonel L. A. Watres at his mountain home.

Many of the Philadelphia visitors will leave for home Wednesday afternoon.

salute, as the artillery brought down the American flag to give it a rest until the next morning. Of course, when the Amer-ican flag is ceremoniously brought down like that, at sundown and by United States'

troops, it is eminently proper to strike up "The Star-Spangled Banner." But to accompany it with a gun salute and a patrictic hullabaloo gives people the itchy home feeling. Tradition has so established it.

Though the raid on Columbus was something of a farce, every other feature was of the class which has made "Buffalo Bill's" show farners.

CITY DEMANDS **ACTION AGAINST AUTO SPEEDERS**

Citizens Want Councils to Halt Death-Dealing Acts of Motorists

LIST OF VICTIMS NOW 51

"Stop Slaughter by Autos," Is Demand on Councils

Former Judge Mayer Suzberger— "It's up to Councils. They've been asleep. There is now no law or ordinance under which traffic can be regulated."

Coroner William R. Knight-"I am going to introduce a bill in the Legislature creating rigid tests for drivers' eyes and nerves."
Assistant City Solicitor Louis
Hutt—"Public opinion demands that
Councils do something. It is not too

Mrs. Margaret Marshall, mother of boy victim—"The drivers are to blame, not the little children. Children mus. play somewhere."

Fifty-one persons, mostly little children and aged persons, have been slain in the streets by speeding automobiles since January 1. Insistent demands that Councils exert

of persons by speeding automobiles were made today, while women grieved over the three killed and 13 injured by automobile juggernauts in the last 24 hours. Fifty-one persons have been killed by utomobiles since January 1. Most of them

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were young children and aged persons. SULZBERGER INDIGNANT.

"It's up to Councils." That was the terse comment of ex-Judge Sulzberger. The retired President Judge of Common Pleas Court No. 2 was emphatic in declaring that immediate measures should be adopted to put a stop to the kiliing of pedestrians by motor trucks and

"On several occasions I have prepared ordinances for Councils to eradicate this deplorable condition,4 he said. "The city's lawmakers, however, have permitted those measures to sleep in committee. There seemed to be no disposition on their part to consider the matter.

"It is a fact that there is now no ordi-nance or law under which traffic can be regulated. One of the bills which I prepared provided that at all crossings within the city limits automobiles should move at no greater rate of speed than eight miles an hour, and that the vehicles should be under the perfect control of the drivers. The pro-posed ordinance fixed penalties for viola-

"That and several other measures were never enacted but Councils have still an opportunity to meet the problem. The public press, reflecting public opinion, can persuade Councils and the Mayor that it is time to end this condition

APPEAL TO LEGISLATURE.

The Legislature is the proper body to ope with the situation, according to Cor-ner William R. Knight, who today declared his intention of going to the next Legis-lature with a bill providing for a rigid physical examination of all persons apply ng for licenses as automobile drivers.

"Prospective drivers should undergo rigid tests, especially of the eyesight and nerves," he said. "I will not go to the Legislature personally to plead for such a measure, but will frame a bill and have it introduced. It is the only solution of the problem, which has brought me almost to my wits' end. The police have responded to my request for co-operation in checking the accidents, but no esuit has been obtained.

"Many of the deaths are caused by roller skates," he continued. "Any parent who allows a child between 6 and 12 years old to go out on the streets to roller-skate is

DENIES OBSTRUCTION.

Louis Hutt, Assistant City Solicitor chairman of the Law Committee of Coun cils when Judge Sulzberger prepared the fills for the regulation of automobile traf-fic, denied today that he had obstructed their passage. He insisted that, on the contrary, he urged their enactment.

"I agree with Judge Sulzberger in his contentions," he continued. "But unfortu-

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LEROY MARSHALL

nately there were members of Councils who disagreed with me and the difference of opinion was so great that I saw I had no chance of fighting for the Judge's measure. It seems now that Councils will have to take some action. Public opinion demands it."

CHAUFFEURS BLAMED.

Blame for the slaughter of little children at play in the streets was placed today on the chauffeur by Mrs. Margaret Marshall, of 2836 North Swanson street, mother of Leroy Marshall, the 50th victim of fatal automobile accidents since January 1, "It's not so much the fault of the little children who play in the streets as of the

children who play in the streets as of the drivers who run their machines at such an awfui speed," she sobbed brokenly. "The children must play somewhere," she continued. "There are not many open spaces near here for them to play. This will be a lesson to me, and, I hope, to other works." women who have young children. They should caution them about playing in streets where automobiles frequently pass. O. I'm so worked up over this that I can hardiy say anything. Three years ago when the trolley cars ran along Somerset street a boy was killed in nearly the same way.

"I'll not say what punishment should be given Bradley, because I—because I don't understand —..." Here she broke down completely, and the words she tried to utter were lost in her sobs. Neighbors who tried to comfort her demanded sternly that the driver should be given a long prison term. prison term.

A city not yet calloused by the ever-increasing tell of death-dealing automobiles, today read with awe the death list of the last 24 hours. The dead are:

Laura Chedt, 21/2 years old; 304 Federal street; died at Mt. Sinai Hos-

Leroy Marshall, 8 years old; 2836 North Swanson; pronounced dead on reaching the Episcopal Hospital.

Herman Shlischman, 21 years old; 251 North 5th street; who died in the hospital at Miliville, N. J., as the result of an automobile accident the day

Hugh McCusker, 70 years old, of 2426 North Broad street, and his wife, Catherine McCusker, 69 years old, were knocked down by an automobile today at Broad street and Susquehanna avenue, while returning to their home after attending Mass at the Church of Our Lady of Mercy, Broad street and Susquehanna avenue. The machine was operated by Dr. W. J. Bieber, of Beth-lehem. Pa., who blamed the slippery asphalt for the accident. McCusker was slightly injured. He was removed to St. Joseph's Hospital. Doctor Bieber was held o await the Coroner's action.

WOMEN TO BOOST FOR AD CLUBS AT JUNE CONVENTION

Busy Days Planned for Fair Ones From All Parts of Country

VISITS TO THE BIG STORES

Snappy Souvenir Showers for Ad Convention Women

An effort will be made to make a Philadelphia booster out of every one of the 4000 or more mothers, wives and sisters who will accom-

tion in this city next month.

The women folks will be showered with thousands of beautiful souvenirs from Philadelphia mer-

thants and manufacturers.

The fair visitors from all parts of the United States will be taken on a tour through Philadelphia's department stores and through the city's beautiful residential sections.

They will go to League Island,
Willow Grove Park, and will be entertained at Valley Forge and Atlantic City.

Every day will be ladies' day at the con vention of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, which will be held in this city from June 25 to the 30th.

In other words, the Poor Richard Club lans to make the time pass so delightfully for the mothers, wives and sisters who wil accompany the delegates to the convention that the women visitors will become boosters for Philadelphia.

Officers of the Poor Richard Club are working on the theory that the women folk are advertisers and boosters from instinct As one of the officers expressed it: "Eve was the world's first advertiser; she advertised the forbidden apple until Adam's mouth watered so that he had to eat it Of course, it was poor sort of advertising for humanity, but the daughters of Eve have improved on the advertising methods of their mother. "It is common knowledge now that if you

want a thing to be a success, you've got to get the women folks back of it. We are going to make things so interesting for the women visitors who will come to Philadelphia during convention week that they will talk Philadelphia to their grandchildren and their great-grandchildren. We figure that at least three or four thoumand women will come to Philadelphia during convention week, and if we can make two-thirds of them boosters for Philadelphia we will have achieved something worth while for the city."

PLANS FOR ENTERTAINMENT. The first day of the convention the women visitors will be taken on a tour of the big stores of Philadelphia. Women from California, women from Texas, and fair visitors from every State in the union are going to be shown that Philadelphia department stores are the best in the world. The Poor Bichard Club has served notice.

The Poor Richard Club has served notice on the womens visitors as to what is in store for them, as follows: "A day in the big stores—just around the corner from your hotel. Philadelphia de-partment stores need no introduction. So, whether or not you've ever visited these paintial stores with their myriad of things so dear to a woman's heart, you can easily see how, with fashion shown musicales and luncheon, the day be all too short.

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how it felt to be a 'movie star.'

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