

DEAL CAUGHT THOUSANDS IN CITY Philadelphians, Widows and Cripples, Hold Pittsburgh Company Policies

PROBERS IN CONFERENCE

One thousand policy holders of the involved Pittsburgh Life and Trust Company reside in Philadelphia and these are likely to lose every cent of their investment, according to J. Denny O'Neil, State Insurance Commissioner.

This became known today at a conference of insurance officials of Pennsylvania and New York in the office of Attorney General Brown in the Morris Building.

O'Neil said after the conference that the alleged speculations would exceed \$2,000,000.

"It is the most gigantic insurance swindle in the history of the State," he said. "The men who have emptied the coffers of the company are worse than burglars."

This afternoon O'Neil left for Pittsburgh and he will be followed tonight by Attorney General Francis Shunk Brown and Deputy Attorney General Kun. Deputy Attorney General Davis left for New York this afternoon.

According to O'Neil the purpose of the Attorney General's visit to Pittsburgh will be to call upon the former directors of the company in an effort to have them make up the alleged deficit of \$2,000,000.

DUMMIES NOT REAL BENEFITARIANS "I am confident," said O'Neil, "that the alleged dummy directors were not the real beneficiaries of this gigantic swindle."

He will hold a conference Monday in Pittsburgh and make arrangements to go after everybody high and low who has had anything to do with this robbery.

Other startling facts were brought forth at the conference, revealing the abominably shaky financial status of the Pittsburgh company. The capital of the company has been virtually absorbed by alleged "high financing" and stock jobbing on the part of dummy directors.

Present at the conference were J. Denny O'Neil, State Insurance Commissioner; W. B. Hadley, representing the superintendent of the New York State Insurance Department; Attorney General Brown, Deputy Attorney General Kun and Davis; R. E. Foster, an attorney in the Pennsylvania State Insurance Department; A. A. King, president of the Provident Life and Trust Company, of Philadelphia; J. G. Glibb, of the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company, and representatives of the Girard Life Insurance Company.

THE LIFE OF MARSHAL JOFFRE By ALEXANDER KAHN (Copyright)

Here One Gets an Insight Into "Joffre the Man." So Little Known to His Millions of Admirers Because of His Reticence and Modesty.

This is the fifth installment of "The Life of Marshal Joffre," which begins in Monday's EVENING LEDGER.

JOFFRE, THE MAN It is said that an American steel magnate declared of Lord Kitchener: "What a great president the steel trust lost in him!" It was a raw tribute to Lord Kitchener's organizing ability.

General Joffre is not only an organizer, he is a manager of human forces besides, so was indeed that colossal undertaking became very tasks under his guidance.

"There goes old System," an officer is said to have exclaimed in pointing to the heading column in the letter was on the way to inspect some work.

His officers laughed, but what they laughed at has become the great power that succeeded in checking and beating back the opposing armies, available training to Italy, France, and the terror of death and pain.

And all this time that Colonel Joffre was building a fortress in Madagascar to the glory of France, other men were busy translating his idea that same day.

Estimate was made and accepted. Only one important objection to the system that permitted him to do his work in the light of the general plan.

General Joffre had no idea, at least not publicly, of the dire straits of the army. He was not a man to be easily deceived.

What of the private life? As a man of affairs it was a man of book, since he had a personal study in his private quarters. He had some ends, but he had a friend of General Joffre's name, above everything else, to keep his friendship and hidden from public curiosity.

No enemy has yet come forth to breathe a word against him. No betraying friend has found within a man's heart anything that could be turned against him in an effort to stain his character.

The mystery that surrounds his private life has never been the result of the need of hiding a skeleton. Joffre is and ever has been a self-sufficient man.

Neither has Joffre ever been a worker after hours. The report of the military drawing rooms of the rich king him told. He is a true example of the soldier's man in a profession where there is small chance of arriving at greatness without the opportunity of a war.

As he has never played at being a favorite, he has never had favorites of his own. Those who know and love him also know and love this trait of his—he allows Joffre anybody recommended to him. At once his know becomes benighted, his face grows hard.

"Have I you unaided my success?" he replied once in answer to a "recommendation." "What have I needed but work, application and energy?"

"Ability" it is a possession with him, fancy? It receives a warm welcome from him. An exalted master, has never without the approval of work well done, and his appreciation has taken the form of acts, though not of words—of those latter he is sparing in the extreme.

"Well, is your son a general already?" continued to ask in a good-natured banter Gilles Joffre's Rivesaltes neighbors; and the gray father smiled as he answered with pride: "Not yet, but he is a colonel!" And in

MARGARET ILLINGTON "REGISTERS" FINELY

Talented Player as Good Before Camera as on Stage. Other News

By the Photoplay Editor

STANLEY—"Suzette," Lasky-Paramount, with Margaret Illington, led by Charles Kellay.

The fear felt by some of her admirers that Margaret Illington's stering air on the speaking stage might lose in its transference to the screen is now proved unfounded. She is, indeed, just the sort of actress that is both rare in the movies and badly needed by them.

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Representative Graham's motion to strike out all reference to newspaper censorship from the bill was adopted following a two-day debate of section four.

Children of all ages and descriptions, from the age of ten months to thirteen years, accompanied by their mothers, attended the evening office.

Work is well under way with several companies of "children" both in the Fox Park Lee system and in California, on stories that have been read by children the world over.

There is soon to be released a Fox "Kid" feature of a spectacular nature, the story of which is familiar to every child and which contains a wealth of incidents and stirring scenes.

Wills Admitted to Probate

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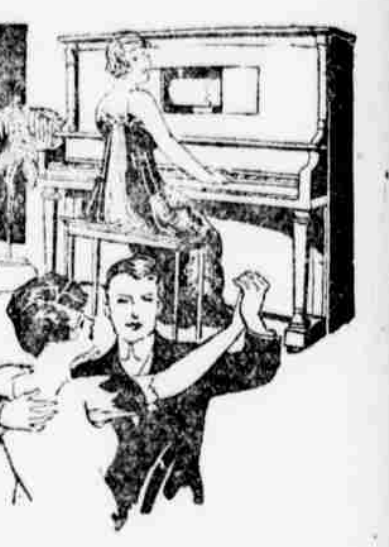
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