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YEAR IN LIFE INSURANCE Features of the Business and the Outgo During 1912. SOME BIG POLICIES PAID OFF

Pressure of the High Cost of Living Indicated in Disbursements for Surrendered Policies—Insurance Notes.

Life insurance organizations of the United States and Canada distributed \$628,556,000 in 1912, according to computations by the Insurance Press. The payments in the two countries for death claims, matured endowments and other benefits under the policies of level-premium companies and the certificates of various life insurance organizations—assessments and the like—amounted to \$413,250,000. The estimated total of the amounts paid by regular companies as savings for policyholders, cash values on surrender, annuities, and on claims in foreign countries was \$215,306,000.

Clancy Seeking to Equalize the Fire Insurance Rates Fire Insurance Commissioner Clancy of the state auditor's office has undertaken the task of equalizing the fire insurance rates in the cities and towns of Nebraska, and as a rule he has the support of the agencies in Omaha. The managers of which generally say that his work is commendable.

SEEKING TO RECALL A LAW Assault to Be Made on Workmen's Compensation Measure. LAWYERS BEHIND A MOVEMENT Securing Signatures of Parties Who Would Prevent the Bill from Becoming Operative July Seventeen.

A workmen's compensation law was passed by the last legislature of Nebraska making the regular course, it becomes effective July 17. But now an assault is being made upon it and some lawyers of Omaha are circulating petitions for its recall. To do this recall they must secure the signatures of 25,000 legal voters of the state and so far, while they have not been able to obtain anywhere near this required number, they have made considerable headway in their undertaking.

From the viewpoint of the insurance agents, these lawyers are attacking this law in an effort to feather their own nests, rather than in the interest of employers, or employees. The workmen's compensation law passed by the last legislature is in fact an accident insurance law and has to do entirely with firms, companies and corporations employing more than five people, men or women. It provides for stated payments to employees in case of accidents and entirely does away with going into court to collect claims.

THE EXCEPTION The cost of living has increased very materially in the last ten or fifteen years. So marked has been the advance in the things we eat and wear that the people are trying to find out the real cause.

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