

### FREE INSURANCE IS FURNISHED EMPLOYEES

BY RAPID TRANSIT LINES

#### Double Accidental Death Indemnity Included; Group Protection Afforded by New Plans

Free life insurance in the sum of \$1,000, with double accidental death indemnity, has been furnished each of 5,683 employes of the Chicago Rapid Transit Company under a new plan recently placed in effect by the company.

This free insurance program also includes health and accident insurance for over 5,000 employes who have been in company service for more than one year, through which they may receive \$20 a week for a total of 26 weeks for any one disability in any one year.

Supplementing the company-paid insurance, 4,163 employes have availed themselves of further protection by means of a co-operative system whereby an additional \$1,000 of life insurance with the double indemnity feature is secured on payment of \$1 a month by the employe, the company paying the balance.

#### For Supervisory Force

Life insurance also is provided for 175 members of the supervisory force of the Rapid Transit lines, in amounts ranging from \$3,000 to \$8,000, at greatly reduced premiums payable by the insured.

Under provisions of the new plan, Rapid Transit employes are insured to the extent of \$10,595,000, the total life insurance in force, with a maximum projection of \$20,445,000 through the double indemnity clause.

When group insurance plans were first worked out by the Rapid Transit company in 1924, a co-operative system was perfected by which \$1,000 of life insurance was granted employes at a cost of \$1 per month, the additional premium being carried by the company. The success of this plan was attested by the fact that 95 per cent of the company personnel became policy-holders. Later an additional \$1,000 protection was offered at the same rate and 80 per cent of those eligible took advantage of the offer.

The company, under the free insurance plan, took over the payment of all first \$1,000 premiums and all employes not previously insured, as well as those entering the company's service, were automatically insured on completion of three months of service.

Claims amounting to \$167,000 were paid on the insurance in effect among Rapid Transit employes in 1926. Death claims totalled \$132,000; total disability \$5,000, and accident and health benefits, \$30,000.

#### ONE-DAY EXCURSION TICKETS TO CHICAGO FOR SHOPPERS, THEATRE-GOERS, ETC., VIA

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### HORSES ARE FEWER IN STATE OF OHIO

Have Decreased 28 Per Cent in Last Fifteen Years, Says Official Report

The horse "population" in Ohio has decreased 28 per cent on the farms in the past 15 years and 79 per cent in the cities, according to Dr. J. I. Falconer, head of the department of rural economics at Ohio State university and the Ohio agricultural experiment station. Machinery that has supplanted horses has released enough land to feed 400,000 more people in Ohio, he pointed out.

Horses formerly consumed approximately 25 per cent of the feed consumed by live stock on Ohio farms, he said, and their decreasing number may be responsible in no small part for holding down the price of oats and hay in recent years.

Data collected by the university's department of rural economics shows that it takes 2.75 acres of crop land to support a farm horse. Estimate is made that it takes 3.45 acres of crop land to feed a horse kept in the city. Horses on farms that have tractors eat 15 per cent less than those on farms having no tractors. This would reduce by that much the land needed to feed horses on 30,000 tractor farms.

Horses in the state have decreased 383,088 in numbers in 15 years, releasing 1,184,021 acres of crop land to produce food for humans.

### PLAN TO DEPORT MAN IN WAUKEGAN JAIL

Vincenzo Cosmano, who with "Big Tim" Murphy served time in Leavenworth penitentiary for complicity in the "million dollar" Dearborn street mail robbery of 1921, will be deported this week it was announced today by Immigration Inspector S. T. Smith. Cosmano, one of the alleged ring-leaders in the robbery, is now in Waukegan jail as a federal prisoner.

Before serving a two year sentence in Leavenworth for the mail robbery Cosmano was a recognized leader of the Chicago underworld. He has been quoted as saying he would rather serve "life" in the United States than be deported to Italy.



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### Clay Chimney Trail

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"Oh! You? I beg your pardon, sir," I felt her diffidence was more polite than sincere.

"You are heartily welcome," I assured. "There is air enough for both of us."

We tore by another freight waiting upon a siding located amidst a wide debris of tin cans and barren spots, resembling the ruins from fire and quake.

"There is Juleburg." "A town?" I gasped. "The only inhabitants now are in the station-house and the graveyard."

"And the others? Where are they?" "Farther west. Many of them in Benton."

"Indeed? Or in North Platte?" I bantered. "North Platte!" She laughed merrily. "Dear me, don't mention North Platte — not in the same breath with Benton, or even Cheyenne. A town of hayseeds and dollar-a-day clerks whose height of sport is to go fishing in the Platte! A young man like you would die of ennui in North Platte!"

Her free speech accorded ill with what I had been accustomed to in womankind; and yet became her sparkling eyes and general dash.

"Will you," she asked, "join me in a little appetizer? You will find it a superior cognac — and we breakfast shortly, at Sidney."

From a pocket of her skirt she had extracted a small silver flask, stoppered with a tiny screw cup. Her face swam before mine, in my astonishment.

"I rarely drink liquor, madam," I stammered. "Nor I. But when traveling—you know. And in high and—dry Benton, liquor is quite a necessity! You will not decline to taste with a lady? Let us drink to better acquaintance, in Benton!"

"With all my heart, madam," I blurted. "We consummated our pledges just in time. The brakeman issued, bringing discord into my heaven of blue and gold and comfortable warmth."

With a darting glance at him and a parting smile for me she passed inside. The brakeman lingered.

### RAISING REINDEER ALASKAN INDUSTRY

The reindeer industry in Alaska, although a comparatively recent commercial undertaking, promises to become an important factor in the future development of the territory, says the biological survey of the United States department of agriculture. The original stock of 1280 animals imported to Alaska from Siberia about 25 years ago has increased to nearly 350,000 distributed in 110 herds.

More than one million pounds of reindeer meat was exported from Alaska during 1924 and 1925, and a steady increase in the output and demand is indicated. When properly produced and handled, the meat compares favorably with beef. It is fine grained, contains a good, palatable fat, and when fresh is exceptionally juicy and tender.

Angora the capital of Turkey, has passed an ordinance against "uncivilized noises." That won't get her anywhere—the civilized kind are worse.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Some genius should invent a device which, when a person who is alone in the house gets into the bathtub, will automatically disconnect the telephone and doorbells.—Louisville Times.

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