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# Occupational Risk Plan Is Modified

## National Compensation Council Sends Out Revised Schedule Effective Feb. 28

### COVERAGE NOW OPTIONAL

#### Specific Phraseology for Endorsements Including or Excluding Hazard Is Recommended

A revised occupational disease program has been approved by the National Council on Compensation Insurance. This is being filed in the various states for approval, with recommendation that it become effective Feb. 28 on new and renewal policies.

On that date, in any event it will be in effect in Alaska, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Louisiana, Michigan, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Rhode Island and all jurisdictions in which the United States longshoremen's act governs. The revised program and rates are advisory only in Iowa, Nebraska and Indiana.

**Recommend Endorsements**

Specific phraseologies are recommended by the special committee on occupational diseases for endorsements to be used in excluding and including the diseases under paragraph 1b of the standard workmen's compensation and employers' liability policy.

In states where all occupational diseases are compensable under state compensation laws or by court interpretation (Connecticut, District of Columbia and under the U. S. longshoremen's act) the coverage will be provided by paragraph 1a of the standard policy, limited only by provisions of the compensation law. In these states rates for all classifications on the state rate sheets include occupational disease coverage and an element of 1 cent per $100 of payroll to cover the general occupational disease hazard. For specific occupational disease because of raw materials, processes or products normally involved in such classifications, there is a specific loading which may be removed on certain classifications with the approval of the board or bureau having jurisdiction if this special hazard does not exist in a particular risk. A supplemental occupational disease loading may be added to the rate for any individual risk where the occupational disease hazard is abnormal.

**Endorsement Required**

In states where occupational diseases are not under the compensation law, namely Alaska, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Louisiana, Michigan, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico and Rhode Island, every standard policy must be endorsed. The suggested endorsements are: 1. eliminating all obligations of the carrier to indemnify employer against loss on account of claims arising from occupational disease under paragraph 1b of the policy; 2. obligating the carrier to indemnify against such loss, subject to limitations as follows: a. No policy to be written for limits below the standard limits; basic charge for coverage under paragraph 1b provides for standard limits of $5,000 on account of occupational disease suffered by any one employe and subject to such limits with respect to each such employe, to $25,000 on account of all occupational disease suffered during the term of the policy, not exceeding 12 months; b. if higher limits are desired, the occupational disease rate to be increased by certain percentages.

**Loading If Cover Desired**

In these states rates do not include occupational disease coverage. If the policy is endorsed obligating the carrier for this liability, a separate and distinct occupational disease rate is to be applied to the entire payroll for each classification. A 1 cent element is contained in all rates to cover the general hazard. There is also provided a specific occupational disease element and provision

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# Interest in the Movement to Help Real Estate Bonds

### PLAN OF REFINANCING IS UP

#### Scheme to Organize a $10,000,000 Corporation to Assist as Guaranteed Maturities Arise

Evidently a movement is on hand fostered by New York City bankers to form a corporation to assist in the refinancing of maturing guaranteed mortgages. Some of the surety companies guaranteed principal and interest of real estate bonds and many of these are decidedly frozen. Plans for the new concern call for capital of $10,000,000 and in addition a substantial amount of credit from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. It is the hope of the sponsors of the new institution that it will stimulate the rehabilitation of the real estate mortgage situation, thus averting losses that will prove staggering. The corporation is expected to fill the gap between the face amount of the maturing mortgages and the amount at which they can be refunded on the basis of 60 percent of current appraisals. No surety company is now writing this business but at one time it amounted to a considerable sum, although but few companies engaged in it to any extent.

## R. F. C. Collateral Value Increases by $900,000

**One of the casualty companies, which received a loan from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation last summer rather than make the sacrifice of selling securities to get cash, reports that the assets pledged as collateral for the loan have increased in value about $900,000 since that time.**

# Lloyds of America Elects Livingston as President

### TO RESIGN AS COMMISSIONER

#### Michigan Official Is Choice of Barnes and Cohen for Head of Casualty Company

Commissioner Charles D. Livingston, one of the most popular men in the ranks of the state officials, will be elected president of Lloyds of America Feb. 20. He will resign as Michigan commissioner as of that date.

The position of president of Lloyds has been left vacant, since that company was formed in the consolidation of Lloyds Casualty, Constitution Indemnity and Detroit Fidelity & Surety. Julius Barnes and Frank Cohen, who control Lloyds, were seeking a man of oustanding reputation for the presidency and they found him in Mr. Livingston.

Mr. Livingston, before becoming commissioner, was supervising general agent in Michigan for the Royal Exchange Assurance. He had 25 years insurance experience as local agent, rater, special agent, state agent and general agent.

**Was Commissioners' President**

Mr. Livingston was appointed insurance commissioner in 1927 and was reappointed in 1931. He served as president of the National Convention of Insurance Commissioners from 1931-32. He has been warmly regarded by insurance officials and fellow commissioners.

Lloyds of America, in its 1932 annual statement, reports assets $8,951,253, including bonds $2,805,450, preferred and common stocks $1,623,709, cash $405,742, first mortgage loans $1,044,844, real estate $772,792, premiums in course of collection $939,124.

Loss reserve amounts to $4,035,529, premium reserve $1,808,795, contingency reserve $461,883, capital $1,000,000, net surplus $1,000,000.

## Aetna Life Promotions

Dr. J. E. Root, medical director of the Aetna Life, was made honorary medical director Tuesday and Dr. Donald B. Cragin, associate medical director, was named his successor. Stanley Withe was named manager of the accident and liability publicity department. J. C. Duncan and B. P. Fleurot were appointed assistant comptrollers. All other officers and directors were reelected, as were those of the Aetna Casualty and Automobile of Hartford.

## Reinsurance Bureau Elects

NEW YORK, Feb 15.—A. Duncan Reid, president Globe Indemnity, was reelected president of the Workmen's Compensation Reinsurance Bureau at the annual meeting yesterday. All other officers were reelected.

## Burke Is Made President

The Massachusetts Casualty Underwriters Association at Boston has elected A. W. Burke, president; E. J. O'Neil, vice-president; E. M. Peabody, secretary-treasurer, and W. C. Small, chairman executive committee.

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for removal of this element and for supplemental loading. The minimum premium charge for adding the endorsement is $5.

In Illinois, where some occupational diseases are covered under the state compensation law or court interpretations, and others are not, the details of coverage and determination of appropriate rates have not been completed but will be issued soon.

**OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE DANGER**

Extension of the compensation law to include occupational diseases may some day go so far as to make the law a general sickness and accident insurance, John D. Sullivan, attorney of Rochester, N. Y., and former deputy on the New York compensation commission, told members of the Optimists club of Rochester. Silicosis and other diseases are on the border line of compensation and they offer great difficulty because of their indeterminable nature. In New York state unlimited compensation is provided and insurance may be paid to a man for years and then to his dependents.

**BROADEN MINNESOTA LAW**

ST. PAUL, Feb. 15.—A bill has been introduced in the Minnesota legislature adding dermatitis, silicosis and carbon monoxide poisoning to the occupational diseases covered by the compensation law.

## Bureau Reelects Rogers Chairman

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tific rate basis. The ability to test the adequacy of rates for accident insurance and to keep them on a proper level is one of the valuable features of the present plan, making possible the development of accurate rates based on the combined experience of the bureau membership.

**Statistical Reports Valuable**

The statistical committee reported on its recent revision of the medical reimbursement rates on the basis of present experience and on the progress made in the compilation of statistics covering the experience of the entire membership of the bureau. Attention wa[s] its report covering the combi[ned] experience of bureau membe[r] icy years 1921-1926 inclusive, an analysis by disease of 11[...] of sickness which developed fr[om] years of exposure. The analyzed from an entirely new should prove extremely valua[ble].

The manual and underwri[ting com]mittees also reported.

# CASUALTY

## Push New Jersey Ca[mpaign]

**Casualty Association Carrying Drive Against Ambul[ance] Chasing**

NEWARK, Feb. 15.—A ca[mpaign to] stamp out "ambulance chasin[g" in New] Jersey is being pushed by th[e Casualty] Underwriters Association of N[ew Jersey]. A law passed last year in the [New Jer]sey legislature forbids the pr[actice. In] Hudson county, the bar asso[ciation has] been extremely active and ha[s]