

Was President of the Real Estate Trust Company of Philadelphia.

CONCERN CLOSES ITS DOORS.

Liabilitics Estimated at \$10,000,000-Used the Double System of Making Reports,

Philadelphia, Aug. 28-Persistent rumors that President Hipple committed suicide were borne out tonight when it was authoritatively stated that he took his life at his home last Friday morning. Mr. Hipple is said to have taken a dose of laudanum with suicidal intent. While still conscious he filled his bathtub with water, and later was found apparently drowned.

Mr. Hipple's family declines to make any statement on the subject, and the physicians interested in the case decline to be interviewed regarding the tuicide theory

The late Frank K. Hipple was one of the best known financiers of this city was also prominently identified with many charitable institutions and was active in the affairs of the Presbyterian church. He was born in this city in 1829, and was admitted to the har in 1863. At the incorporation of the Real Estate company in 1855 he was cleeted its president, which office he retained until his death. Mr. Hipple was also a director of the Franklin Naional bank, treasurer of the general ssembly of the Presbyterian church in to United States; treasurer of the suschance committee of the synod of miladelphia; treasurer of the Presbyan hospital and American treasurer of the western section of the Alliance of the Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian system. In the financial world he was regarded as decidedly

Mr. Hipple's death occured suddenly hat Friday morning at his summer home in Bryn Mawr. The cause of death was given as cerebral hemorrhages by his physician, Dr. William C. well, whose statement was confirmby Coroner Elling. The latter said day that he did not perform an au-Pr. Powell. In speaking of the death of his father, F. Wharton Hipple said: "My father came home in usual health and spirits. He arose about 6 block in the morphing and appeared

clock in the morning and appeared perfectly well. He had the bath filled as usual and went to the bathroom. So ir as we can learn he must have died

tar as we can learn he must have didd instantly, for no outery of any kind was heard and he was dead when found by Mrs. Hipple." Rumous that Mr. Hipple had commit-ter suicide were quickly stlenged by Dr. Powell and Coroner Elling, who de-clared that death was due to natural courses. causes

DOORS ARE CLOSED.

Philadelphia, Aug. 25.-Unable to meet its obligations because of the large amount of money loaned on inficient security by fix president, now



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that they might have been hypothecated or transferred?" "I do not know positively as to that,

I do not think that they were. Dr. Roberts was much affected by the news of the failure. He had known Mr. Hipple for many yors and the failure and its causes, he said, had

greatly grieved him. For the loans of Adolf Segal, Hipple accepted as collateral securities of the Majestic hotel, a big new apartment house operated by Segal, the Swedish Steel company of Lancaster, Pa., and the Pennsylvania Sugar Refining comthe remnsylvana sugar reaning com-pany of this city. The steel company and the sugar refining concern have never been placed in operation. Segal claims the collateral he gave is good and that he will meet all his obliga-tions tions.

There are others to whom Hipple toaned money on insufficient so-curities, but their names have not been made public and the sums are not believed to be large. How far Hipple benefitted in the loans made r whether he was nerely the tool of others is yet to be determined. All the directors are remaining silent on the point and also on the question of whether there will be any criminal prosecutions.

FALSIFIED HIS REPORTS.

In order to hide the true conditions the company and save himself Hip pie resorted to the falsification of his preports, which were accepted as true by the directors. He used what the receiver termed a "double system" of making reports. When the state bank examiner called, Hipple presented to bim good securities to effect the him good securities to offset the loans made and when the president made his reports to the directors he would show them a bundle of other securities and other papers and along with these he would exhibit the certificate of the bank examiner which showed that the accounts the examiner had investigat-ed were correct. The directors, supposing the securities shown them were the same, approved the reports.

SOME DIRECTORS.

Among the directors are: Doctor S. Weir Mitchell, the eminent author; Weir Mitchell, the eminent author; John H. Converse of the Baldwin Loco-motive works and one of the most prominent laymen in the Presbyterian church in the United States; John F. Betz, the millionaire brewer: William A. Patton, assistant to President Cas-satt of the Pennsylvania railroad; Pennsylvania raile former Superior Court Judge W. W. Porter; R. Dale Benson, president of cently issued a similar anno the Pennsylvania Fire Insurance company; Joseph Def Junkin, an attorney; Edward P. Borden, Samuel F. Houston, who is also vice president of the comformer State Senator J. Bayard Henry and Frank C. Roberts.

ompanies with which I am associated but it surely is not over half the amount stated in the newspapers. I think it is about \$3,000,000. "Mr. Hipple was not personally in-terested with me in any of my enterprises to the extent of a dollar or a share of stock. I never paid him a cent in commissions or gave him a bond or a share of stock or remunera-

ion of any kind whatever. "For all my indebtedness, the trust company is amply secured by collateral worth from \$8,000,000 to \$9,000,000. This collateral consists largely of first mortgage bonds secured upon my varlous properties.

"My collateral cannot be converted into cash immediately, but by judicious handling I am convinced that in a reasonable time its full value will be realized

The career of Adolf Segal is one of the most meteoric of local financiers. He arose from the seclusion of a modest business life to prominence as a daring promoter. Coming here from Austria less than 20 years ago, he lo-cated in Camden, N. J., and entered the electric lighting and foe manufac-turing business. While these enter-prises were in a flourishing condition he sold out at a good profit, having established a reputation for fair deal-

His next venture was the establishent of a large sugar refinery on ment of a large sugar rennery on the Delaware river front in Camden. This he sold out at a large profit to the American Sugar Refining company. Mr. Hipple is said to have been in-terested in this deal and to have prof-ited to the extent of \$100,000. Segal then built a match factory in Cam-den which was bought out by the which was bought out by the

Diamond Match company. Five years ago Segal erected an immense sugar refinery in this city, which was intended to be the first of a chain of refineries throughout the United Although completed more than wo years the refinery has never been operated. Segal also erected 200 dwellings in Altoona near the Pennsylvania railroad shops. This, it is expected,

all be a profitable venture. Later he erected the Swedish steel works at Lancaster, Pa., which have never been operated. Segal's last en-terprise was the construction of the Majestic apartment house, one of the most elegantly appointed and palatial structures of its kind in this city. It has not been a financial success. It was formerly the home of William L. Elkins, the traction magnate, and was enlarged and embellished at a cost of nearly a million dollars.

BAY STATE DEMOCRACY.

Leaders Split Up and Acrimonious Over Question of Governorship.

Boston, Aug. 28.—Public utterances from various state leaders today de-veloped new interest in the struggle for the Democratic nomination for governor of Massachusetts. Dist. Atty. John B. Moran led off by sending a caustic letter to Josiah Quincy, chairman of the Democratic state committee, refusing the latter's suggestion to submit the nomination issue to William Jennings Bryan. The district attorney forwarded one of his campaign buttons to Chair-man Quincy with the remark that the wearing of the same would be proof of Mr. Quincy's recognition of the right of the people of Massachusetts to govern mselves in defiance of dictation of self-constituted bosses.

Chairman Quincy replied by promis-ing vigorous hostility to Mr. Moran's candidacy. He added, however, that he would cease his opposition to Moran after he had become satisfied that a

majority of the Democrats wanted a candidate whose nomination, to his mind, spelled "humiliation and disas-etr." Mr. Quincy intimated that he would resign his position as chairman if Mr. Moran were nominated. Former Congressman John R. Thayer

of Worcester announced that he would not be a candidate for the Democratic

Denver, Aug. 28 .- The sixtcenth an-iual convention of the International

League of Press Clubs opened here to-day. President T. J. Keenan of Pitts-

burg, Pa., presided, and delivered an

appropriate response to several ad-dresses of welcome made by city and state officials and Edward Keating.

vitation to attend the convention: "To the Denver Press club: I am sor-

ry it was impossible for me to attend

the convention of newspaper men in

Denver, but while I am not with you

in person, I am with you in spirit and wish you all the joys that can come to

"The White House, Aug. 28, 1906." The following clubs were admitted to membership in the league by vote of

Writers' club of Denver; Jamestown

Press club, Norfolk, Va.; Woman's Press club, St. Jöseph, Mo.; Studio club,

maha, Neb.: Pike's Peak Press club,

Colorado Springs; Texas Woman's Press association, Austin, Tex.; Ohio Woman's Press association, Cleveland,

; Cripple Creek District Press club,

ripple Creek, Colo. Mrs. Belva Lockwood of Washington,

league to attend the coming peace con-gress at Milan, Italy. The convention adopted the following resolution, of-fered by Mrs. Lockwood:

"Whereas, The increase of militarism in the countries of the old world, al-

ways a merace in times of peace, is becoming a burden to the common people there, more than in our own country

who must always bear the expense of a war, both as to money and to life

therefore, be it "Resolved by this International

League of Press Clubs, That we send

our congratulations to the fifteenth universal congress of peace at Milan, and will aid them by our influences and

our pens to secure a reduction of arm

proved arbitration treaty that will ac commodate itself to the needs of all

Boise, Ida., Aug. 28.-The chairman of the executive committee of the Ir-

rigation congress has been advised that the Burlington Railroad company

has made the rate of one fare for the round trip to the congress. This applies to the entire system and is of

especial interest to the people in por-tions of Wyoming wishing to attend. Decoration of the town for the recep-tion of the delegates and other visi-

tors has begun and the congress colors

NEW GOVERNOR OF WARSAW.

London, Aug. 28 .- The Standard cor

respondent telegraphs that Gen. Ren-nenkampf has been appointed successor

to Gen. Skalon, governor of Warsaw,

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such a gathering. Sincerely yours, "THEODORE ROOSEVELT,

the convention;

president of the Denver Press club, President Roosevelt, who is an hon-orary member of the Denver Press club, sent the following reply to an In-



Interstate Commerce Commission and Railway Representatives Go Over It.

SHIPPERS WERE ALSO THERE.

Assurances Given That Companies to Comply Fully With the New Act.

Washington, Aug. 28 .- To discuss cerwhich took effect today, there was a bor Day. conference which lasted the greater part of the day between the members of the interstate commerce commission and representatives of the railroads and shippens of the country.

The railroad officials present numbered 34, among whom were Vice President Caldwell of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western; Vice President Gamer of the New York Central, Counsel Massey of the Fennsylvania and General Counsel Clardy of the Missouri Pacific, while F. Bentley of Chicago, J. A. Farley of Dallas, Tex., and James Maynard of Knoxville, Tenn., were among the speakers for the shippers. The American Shippers' association and the Illinois Manufactures' association

the Illinois Manufacturers' association were represented.

The rallroad representatives uniform. ly gave assurance of their intention to comply fully with the new law, but pre-sented their views as to the operation of certain provisions, among the points urged being extension of time in which carriers may file their tariffs with th ommission; continuance of the present method of posting tariffs; objection

to any change in export and import rates pending a full hearing; and the absolute concurrence of all the carters interested before the establishmen f joint rates.

The shippers' representatives urged the protection of their interests, par-ticularly against the railroads shifting classifications so as to put up rates and contending for the discretion of the commission in the export and import changes and for the publication of tariffs in the full acceptation of that term. The commission reserved decision of the questions brought up.

Already, in partial compliance with the law, tons of tariff rate schedules have been filed with the commission by the various railroads and common carrier lines of the country and addi-tional tariffs are being received by the ommission in every mail.

SAND POINT, IDAHO, BANK.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 28.-The comptroller of the currency has au-thorized the First National bank of







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the Real Estate Trust company Philadelphia, which up to last Saturday was considered one of the strongest financial institutions in the closed its doors today. Soon after doors closed George H. Earle. Jr., a prominent financier, was appointed receiver. The liabilities are estimated at \$10,000,000, against which there are suick assets of about \$4,500,000 and ollateral of about \$8,000,00, which negotiable or readily convertible. This doubtful collateral is held mostas security for loans of about \$5,-9,000, made to Adolph Segal, a pro-000. noter of the city.

HIPPLE TO BLAME.

The man responsible for the failure The man responsible for the India-best known citizens, who died the pre- tast, Friday morning in his with the control of the set of At the clo dopments, led to the sus. re herein q duction in might have committed perative of

mand the i in addition to being presthe reductio Real Estate Trust con-the army. I asurer of the board of guided by the general assembly of the afficers whose church in the United years structure of several other church exception of several other of the xception / tion f was a director of the W National bank. Recently Mr.

es accounts of the Presbyterian Ich were examined by certified ac-intants and found to be correct, but annot be stated positively tonight ether all the seurities belonging to general assembly are intact.

STATED CLERK'S STATEMENT.

r, W. H. Roberts, stated clerk of general assembly of the Presby-in church, who is at Mount Pocono, that in addition to the deposits of general assembly, the Real Estate ist also had about \$25,000 of funds ed there by him as stated clerk. Presbyterian hospital of Philadeland the Presbyterian board of rehe said, also had sums of money failed institution. Dr. Roberts asked whether he could say the anxed whether he could say the arities of the general assembly, ounting to \$963,896, in Hipple's cus-y, were intact. He replied; "I have reason to believe otherwise, but not say positively."





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DIRECTORS LEARN TUTH.

As soon as the directors heard of the sudden death of President Hipple they began an investigation of his affairs, and were shocked when they learned the true condition of the company. This was after the close of business

on Friday. A meeting of the board was hurriedly called and it was decided to instruct the officers of the bank that all deposits received after the opening of business Saturday morning should be set side and deposited with the Franklin National bank in the names of the individuals presenting the money. This was done to absolve the directors from criminal proceedings for receiving money after they knew the trust company was insolvent. On Monday more than \$160,000 was deposited by patrons of the bank, which was practically offest by withdrawals by persons who had heard rumors of the company's con-dition. The money deposited since Saturday will, however, not be returned to the depositors, but will lie in the Pranklin National bank until the courts have decided whether it should

be paid back. CRASH BOUND TO COME.

While the depositors were supposedly placing their money with the Real Estate Trust company, the directors were making strenuous efforts to tide the insituation over the difficulty. All day yesterday they worked, but it became apparent shortly after noon today that the crash was inevitable. Application papers for a temporary receiver were prepared and left at the offices of the trust company, after which the direc-tors went to the meeting of the Clearing House association to make a last

appeal for help. The newspapers were aware of the trend of events and had men stationed at the bank building ready to flash the closing of the bank, if it occurred. There were probably 50 bank presidents at the clearing house to meet the directors of the trust company. The latter stated that they needed \$7,000,000, but the best the banks could do was to guarantee \$3,500,000. This was not guarantee \$2,500,000. This was not enough, and as all other means for rais-ing money had failed. Vice President Houston telephoned to the bank to suspend business and send the receivership papers to court. In an incredibly short time the story was on the street and created great consternation. Hundreds of persons gathered about the building clamoring for information, and the crowd grew so great that a detail of police was sent for to clear the street. There was no disorder.

APPLICATION FOR RECEIVER.

The application for the receiver says the company has paid up capital of \$1,509,009, an apparent surplus of an equal amount and deposits of about \$10,000,000. The assets consist of real estate in Philadelphia, loans on col-lateral on demand and on time and other securities. President Hipple, the application says, "by false reports to the directors of the loans made by him brought about the condition of the company, which was first discovered by the officers of the bank subsequent to the death of the president."

The court then appointed Mr. Earle receiver and he entered security to the amount of \$1,000,000. After his appointment Mr. Earle held a long conference with the di-rectors and officers of the company,

at which the receiver was put in pos-session of the condition of the company as far as the officials of the con-cern could inform him. SEGAL'S STATEMENT.

Adolf Segal tonight made the folowing statement: My business relations with Mr.

The Kind You Have Always Bought Hipple were only those of a borrower. The loans of money made by the trust Bears the Chart H. Fletcher. company to me were all made in col-lateral in the usual course of business. I cannot tell the exact amount of my indebt;dness and that of the

-26 RICHARDS STREET, cumstances. Henry M. Whitney reand former Gov, William L. Douglass has declared his unwillingness to run CLAYTON Utah's unless nominated without opposition. The situation has apparently given new MUSIC Leading Music hope to the Moran forces, which are now hard at work throughout the state. COMP'NY House INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE 109-11-13 MAIN STREET. OF PRESS CLUBS.



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