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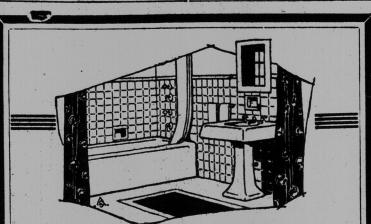
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"After our fire three years ago I learned a lot about fire insurance, which knowledge was gained through the adjusting of the loss. Since that time I have acted as adjuster for the assured in several fire losses, and I am still learning. Just a short time ago, I acted for the assured in a fire loss which destroyed completely the assured's dwelling, and in adjusting this particular loss, I learned some facts, which to my mind are of great importance.

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"In the first place, practically all fire adjusters use a standard table, as to the depreciation that takes place on a building during its life time. The life of a frame building is set at forty years; this is a normal depreciation of 2½ per cent. per annum.

"Here is how it works out. A man has a house worth \$6,000, and he would probably have it insured for \$5,000. We will suppose that the house has been built for twelve years. We will suppose again that this house burns down completely and the loss is total. The assured expects to collect \$5,000 insurance. The insurance company takes the stand, that in order to keep a building at the normal depreciation, it must be kept well painted, both inside and outside. If it is not kept well painted all the time, then the depreciation instead of being normal, will run from three per cent. to six per cent. Per annum, according without or without stock and maching the complete of the complete o

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HERE ARE THE FACTS.

"Fire insurance companies figure that the normal depreciation on a frame house is 2½ per cent. Supposing a \$6,-000 house were insured for \$5,000. After being built twelve years the house burns down with a total loss. The insurance company takes the stand that in order to keep the building at the normal depreciation it must be kept well painted both inside and out. If this is not the case the depreciation instead of being the normal 2½ per cent. In this instance if the assured had painted his house only twice during the twelve years the adjuster would probably set the decrease at 3 or 3½

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