

Close of The Tribune's Educational Contest.

The Tribune's third Educational Contest is over. Augustus J. Kellerman, of Scranton, wins the first place with a total of 1200 points.

Maxwell Shepherd, of Carbondale, is a very close second, with 1178 points, only 22 points behind.

Oscar H. Kipp, of Elmhurst, is third, with 934 points.

Charles Burns, of Vandling, fourth, with 869 points.

FOR NEARLY six months more than two scores of earnest young men and women have been striving to secure subscriptions to The Tribune, in order that they might be credited with points in The Tribune's Educational Contest, each hoping to secure someone of the thirty-three valuable scholarships offered as special rewards to those scoring the largest number.

It was not until 11 o'clock yesterday morning that the result in full was known, as the two leading contestants were so close together. Each slip had to be gone over thoroughly to make sure that the contestant had conformed to all the rules of the contest. However, there was not the slightest irregularity in any of the leaders' returns and only three old subscribers were found among the large number brought in. These points had to be deducted.

The victory of Mr. Kellerman gives him the first choice of the entire thirty-three scholarships. He will in all likelihood select Keystone Academy, in Factoryville, as best suited to him, although there are a number of higher-priced scholarships.

The friends of the various contestants all seemed to be content to wait until Monday morning for information as to the outcome, and, quite unlike the previous two years, the employees in the business office had but few questions to answer. It was necessary to ask everyone who did inquire to wait until Monday morning, as several of the contestants, who reside out of the city, had possibly not made their returns in full, and these might later change results.

POINTS SCORED ON LAST DAY.

Thirty-three contestants in all brought in the grand total of 3,205 points on Saturday, divided as follows:

Maxwell Shepherd, Carbondale.....660
Oscar H. Kipp, Elmhurst.....294
Herbert Thompson, Carbondale.....278
A. J. Kellerman, Scranton.....255
Charles Burns, Vandling.....255
Albert Freedman, Bellevue.....174
A. L. Clark, Green Grove.....144
William H. Sherwood, Harford.....128
Miss Mary Yeager, Green Ridge.....126
William T. S. Rodriguez, Scranton.....121
Leroy E. Stanton, Scranton.....114
John Mackie, Providence.....110
Henry E. Collins, Kizers.....93
Miss Jane Mathewson, Factoryville.....66
J. A. Havenstrite, Moscow.....64
Hendrick Adams, Chincinella.....58
Homer Kresge, Hyde Park.....45
Fred K. Gunster, Green Ridge.....48
Eddie Morris, South Scranton.....39
Fred Kibler, South Scranton.....32
Miss Edna Coleman, Scranton.....32
Elmer Williams, Chincinella.....22
Lewis Bates, Scranton.....29
Louis Gere, Brooklyn.....19
Walter Hallstead, Scranton.....16
Harry Madden, Scranton.....16
William Cooper, Priceburg.....15
Charles W. Dorsey, Scranton.....14
Frank B. McCreary, Hallstead.....12
Miss Beatrice Harpur, Thompson.....12
Lee Culver, Springville.....8
Don C. Capwell, Scranton.....6
Arthur J. Thayer, South Scranton.....3

Two of the contestants who were in the list of thirty-three leaders up to the closing day were unfortunate enough to fall below thirty-third place in the final round-up. They are Lee Culver, of Springville, who finishes in thirty-fourth place, and Grant M. Decker, of Hallstead, who is now thirty-fifth.

Miss Mary Yeager, of Green Ridge, furnished the surprise of the day. In the morning she was in thirty-sixth place, but by hard work and frequent returns on Saturday, she was able to finish eighteenth, and leads the list of young ladies, and will be entitled to the first choice of scholarships for girls.

There were ten contestants who finished in precisely the same positions that they occupied on Saturday morning, these being A. J. Kellerman, Charles Burns, Albert Freedman, J. A. Havenstrite, Hendrick Adams, Miss Jane Mathewson, Louis Gere, Eddie Morris, Miss Edna Coleman and Walter Hallstead. There were twenty-four others who were shifted around, up or down, according to their own or their neighbors' rise and fall.

SOME OF THE MORE IMPORTANT CHANGES.

The great rise of Maxwell Shepherd, of Carbondale, was a surprising feature of the day. Mr. Shepherd's returns came in two batches, the first being brought to the office at 7 p. m., containing 642 points, and the other arriving in a letter bearing the Carbondale postmark of 6 p. m., with 18 points. Twenty-three more points would have given Mr. Shepherd first place.

Oscar H. Kipp, of Elmhurst, also did remarkably well. He did not enter the contest until it was more than a month old, and had a big lead to overcome. He was in second place on Saturday morning, and dropped to third place at the close, but he is assured of a good scholarship, no matter what the two others may select.

Charles Burns, of Vandling, finishes in the same place in which he has been for the past week—fourth. He holds this place by a margin of 66 points over Herbert Thompson.

Herbert Thompson, of Carbondale, was seventh on Saturday morning, but despite the good returns brought in by William Rodriguez, William Sherwood and Fred Gunster, he succeeded in passing them and going to fifth place. Thus the two ambitious young men from the Pioneer City will figure well up among the first of the contestants, after a most stubborn and long drawn-out struggle.

William T. S. Rodriguez, of Scranton, dropped from third to sixth place, although he has made a very good fight. He adds one more to a chain of victories in various contests held by The Tribune during the past three years. His brother Charles is at present a student at Wyoming Seminary, Kingston, Pa., as a result of winning the first place in The Tribune's Educational Contest two years ago.

William Sherwood, of Harford, should be proud of himself this morning. It is not often a young man, handicapped as he has been by his long distance from Scranton and in the center of a small farming community, can show such splendid staying qualities. He only dropped down one place in the rush of the last hour, and is seventh, being 92 points behind Mr. Thompson.

Albert Freedman, of Bellevue, who retains eighth place, is an example of hustle and activity. He is only 10 points behind Mr. Sherwood.

Fred K. Gunster, of Green Ridge, in ninth place now, dropped from fifth, the furthest of any of the ten leaders. Mr. Gunster has been employed to a greater or lesser extent in work outside Scranton and, consequently, has not been able to do his best.

Joseph A. Havenstrite, of Moscow, who retains tenth place, completes the list of the first ten leaders. Mr. Havenstrite was the first one to enter the contest, and also the first one to score a point. Mr. Havenstrite has been close to tenth place all through the contest.

Below tenth place there were also many changes. Those who made a gain in their position over the ones they occupied on Saturday morning are:

Leroy E. Stanton, of Scranton, went from twelfth to eleventh place.

Henry E. Collins, of Kizers, went from sixteenth to fourteenth.

Miss Mary Yeager, of Green Ridge, went from thirty-sixth to eighteenth.

A. L. Clark, of Green Grove, went from twenty-fourth to fifteenth.

John Mackie, of Providence, went from twenty-eighth to nineteenth.

RUSH OF THE CLOSING HOURS.

The day was devoid of the rush, excitement and bustle expected as a matter of course. The contestants began to come in early, and averaged two or three returns an hour, from 8 o'clock in the morning until 8 in the evening. The first return was made by Arthur J. Thayer at 8:25, and he was followed by Miss Mary Yeager at 8:48 a. m. Fred Kibler was the third to reach the office, at 9:15, and was closely followed

by Homer Kresge, at 9:20. Miss Yeager, who made five separate returns during the day, made her second one at 10:27, and A. J. Kellerman put in the first big bunch of coupons received at 10:57. It had been provided that any letter with a postmark of 8 p. m. or earlier would be received and any points that might be reached those entitled to it, they should notify the circulation department of The Tribune, and no effort will be spared to correct all errors.

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1. A. J. Kellerman, Scranton.....1200
2. Maxwell Shepherd, Carbondale.....1178
3. Oscar H. Kipp, Elmhurst.....934
4. Charles Burns, Vandling.....869
5. Herbert Thompson, Carbondale.....806
6. William T. S. Rodriguez, Scranton.....753
7. William Sherwood, Harford.....708
8. Albert Freedman, Bellevue.....701
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17. Harry Madden, Scranton.....209
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19. John Mackie, Providence.....171
20. Homer Kresge, Hyde Park.....162
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24. Fred Kibler, South Scranton.....124
25. Frank B. McCreary, Hallstead.....117
26. William Cooper, Priceburg.....105
27. Louis Gere, Brooklyn.....93
28. Don C. Capwell, Scranton.....87
29. Hugh Johnston, Forest City.....86
30. Eddie Morris, South Scranton.....86
31. Miss Edna Coleman, Scranton.....78
32. Walter Hallstead, Scranton.....60
33. Arthur J. Thayer, South Scranton.....51

Note—It is possible that one or two changes may be made in the lower part of the list, as two contestants who were in the table on Saturday morning have not been heard from. If a registered letter had been mailed on Saturday afternoon, it would have reached Scranton yesterday, and would come within the rules of the contest, although The Tribune would not be able to get such a letter until Monday morning.

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10:57. It had been provided that any letter with a postmark of 8 p. m. or earlier would be received and any points that might be reached those entitled to it, they should notify the circulation department of The Tribune, and no effort will be spared to correct all errors.

money paid a contestant has not reached those entitled to it, they should notify the circulation department of The Tribune, and no effort will be spared to correct all errors.

Johnston and Eddie Morris for twenty-ninth place. As Mr. Johnston's points were scored twenty-four hours ahead of Mr. Morris', he has a choice of scholarships before the latter does.

Every precaution was taken to guard against a dispute, in case there should be a tie, an accurate record being kept of the hour and minute each contestant scored.

SOMETHING ABOUT THE CONTESTANTS.

It will probably interest our readers to know something about these ambitious young men and women, so a biography of some of the contestants is herewith given:

AUGUSTUS J. KELLERMAN.

Mr. Kellerman was born at 548 Eyon street, this city. He attended the public schools of Scranton for about six years. His first situation was with Everitt Bros., grocers, on Adams avenue, where he was employed for about three years. One of the members of the firm secured a position for Mr. Kellerman with the Pierce company, formerly W. H. Pierce's market, on Penn avenue. He entered upon his new employment on May 20, 1896, as a driver, and is still in the same position. Mr. Kellerman's ambition for the future is perhaps best told in his own words:

"I want to thank the people of Scranton for their kindness and earnestness in helping me. I want to give thanks also to The Scranton Tribune for their great offer. Only those who do not have money and have been struggling for an education know how to fully appreciate this offer. I appreciate it with all my heart."

Mr. Kellerman is a married man and has one child. He is confident of his ability to support them while he is pursuing his studies.

MAXWELL SHEPHERD.

Maxwell Shepherd was born in the city of Carbondale, where he still resides. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Shepherd, of 63 Salem avenue, and is 30 years of age.

He attended the public schools of the Pioneer City until three years ago, when he accepted a situation with the Ontario and Western Railroad company and entered its employment as a clerk in their coal department at the Mayfield yard. He is now in the master mechanics' office of the road.

Mr. Shepherd is a member of the First Presbyterian church of Carbondale. He is a brother of ex-Councilman Russell Shepherd, of Carbondale, the general passenger agent of the Erie railroad in that city.

Mr. Shepherd's future ambition is to be an engineer, as he has a fondness for machinery of all kinds