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75C PER YEAR

## \$24,000---\$44,000 Which Do You Prefer ?

The average man earns about \$1,100 a year. He works 40 years and earns a total of \$44,000 in a life time. The average day laborer gets \$2,000 a day or \$600 for a year of 300 days. He earns \$24,000 in a life time. The difference between \$44,000 and \$24,000 is \$20,000. This is the minimum value of a practical education in dollars and cents. The increased self-respect cannot be measured in money. Why not stop plugging away at a small salary when the International Correspondence Schools, of Scranton, Pa., can give you an education that will make a high salaried man of you? No matter what line of work you care to follow, this great educational institution can prepare you in your spare time and at a small cost to secure a good-paying position. Our local Representative will show you how you can triple your earning capacity. Look him up today. He is

C. F. BRENNAN,  
C. I. S. Representative. TOWANDA, PA.

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For Reliable

STOVES and RANGES,  
COAL OR WOOD.  
HEATERS;

ONE OF WINTER'S GREAT DELIGHTS.

House Furnishing Goods, Tools of Every  
Description, Guns and Ammunition.

Bargains that bring the buyer back.  
Come and test the truth of our talk.

A lot of second hand stoves and ranges for sale cheap.  
We can sell you in stoves anything from a fine Jewel Base  
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Samuel Cole, Dushore, Pa.

The Shopbell Dry Good Co.,  
313 Pine Street,  
WILLIAMSPORT, PA.

## Ladies' White Lawn Waist

The stock is at its best just now, and any ideas you have may be readily satisfied here, as we have all the newest styles that have been shown this season, and above all a large assortment to choose from. They are neatly made and are reasonable in price.

## Ladies' and Children's Embroidery for Corset Tan Hose Covers

Ladies' plain and lace Tan Hose, extra good qualities for

12c to 50c a Pair

Children's Tan Hose in all sizes for

15 and 25c

We are showing some very handsome

and new designs of 18 inch Corset Cover

Embroidery; the prices range from

25c to 75c a Yard

## Infants' Dresses and Wearables for Babies.

We have just opened some Infants' Long Dresses with lots of taste and baby-like beauty in them. Some plain, others with laces and tucks. Prices start at 25c and up to \$2.75

Short Dresses for older babies. All dainty and well made from fine Cambrie or Nainsook, at 25c and up.

Infants' and Children's long or short Skirts on waists at 50c to \$1.00

Infants' and Children's Hand Crochet ed Sacques, in plain or white or pink and blue trimmings, 25c to 1.50.

Baby's and Children's White Mull Caps, at 25c to 75c.

Infants' Cashmere Bands, 25c and 50c

Infants' Wool and Cotton Hose in white, pink, blue, tan and fast black extra qualities, for 15c and 25c.

## Ladies' White Dresses.

Ladies' White Lawn and Swiss Dresses in the newest styles. Neatly made and trimmed with embroidery or laces. It doesn't pay to make them when you can buy nice dresses here for \$3.00 to 17.50.

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## PURE FOOD

### LAWS ARE GROWING SEVERE

The Tustin Bill, approved June 1, 1907, and popularly known as "The New Pennsylvania Pure Food Law" makes some important changes. Its general provisions, as to adulteration of foods, are substantially the same as those contained in the former Act of June 26, 1895. Its provisions are substantially in accordance with the Federal Pure Food Law, approved June 30, 1906. It gives relief to retail dealers when they protect themselves by a guarantee of quality of goods purchased in writing, procured from the vender, and provides that the manufacturer, wholesaler and jobber selling food products shall be responsible for violations of the law. The penalty for violations of the Law has been changed from fifty to sixty dollars, and the procedure is by summary convictions, while under the old law the remedy was a prosecution for misdemeanor. The new law is much less drastic than the old. It is intended primarily for the protection of the public and its provisions shall be rigidly enforced. The Commissioner asks the cordial co-operation of manufacturers, wholesale dealers, jobbers and retail dealers in the enforcement of the law.

In order to give the retail dealer the protection intended to be furnished by the statute, it is important as already stated, that he shall protect himself by the written and signed guarantee of the vendor. Rules and regulations have been formulated and will be printed at length in the Monthly Bulletin, and a copy can be had by addressing the Commissioner at Harrisburg. The importance of the guarantee to the retail dealer must not be overlooked.

An act by the General Assembly at its last session and approved of by the governor on the 28 day of May 1907 makes some important changes in the law regulating the sale of feeding stuffs within the state. It provides that wheat and rye bran and middlings or any mixture thereof, except when sold at mill where made, must be accompanied by the name and address of the manufacturer and a guarantee that the same is pure. Mixed feeds, except chop made by grinding whole grain, and all condimental feeds must be accompanied by name and address of the manufacturer and a statement of the several ingredients of which the mixture is composed. The minimum penalty for violating any of the provisions of the feeding stuffs law is raised from \$50 to \$100.

An act to regulate the sale of Paris Green, providing for the collection and analysis of samples of the same and the punishment of fraud in the manufacture and sale thereof, was also passed which was approved by the Governor on the 29th day of May 1907.

The Secretary of Agriculture who is charged with the enforcement of these acts will be glad to send copies of the same to any person who will write for them.

The Annual Convention of the Sunday schools of Sullivan Co. will be held in the Reformed Church at Overton on August 8th and 9th 1907. The Convention Program is nearly completed and the speakers mostly selected. All indications point to a profitable and enjoyable convention.

The Sunday Schools of the county are requested to elect their delegates early and report their names and number to Oliver Bender, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee, who will be reached by mail addressed to Dushore Pa. R. F. D. Contributions should be sent in early to E. T. Molyneux, County S. S. Treasurer, Overton Pa.

To Boom a Town.  
Help all civic societies that are a benefit to your town.  
Do your share in keeping the streets and sidewalks clean.  
Don't spoil the appearance of your street by neglecting your lawn.  
Patronize the merchants in your own town.

## MET DEATH

### In Strange Way While in Bathing.

Raymond High about 21 years of age who resided at Elmsport and was a student at the Muncy Normal was drowned while in bathing in Muncy Creek, between the wagon bridge and the old aqueduct. It has been the habit of the male students after school, to go to a point called "the rock," where there is a deep hole. Yesterday young High with about 15 others went there for a swim.

About 5 p. m., after being in the water about an hour, the young men prepared to return home. While they were dressing they noticed Mr. High's clothes, but could not find him. When the word reached town a number of young men went to the creek. After diving several times Walter Corson located the body but was unable to bring it to the surface. Hilbert Houseknecht then went down and with extra effort the body was raised. Mr. High was a large man weighing 185 pounds. His nose was broken and there was a big gash across his forehead, showing that death must have been caused by striking his head on a rock, as his comrades said that he had been diving some, although he was not a very good swimmer.

The peculiar thing about it is that he was not missed until the rest were dressing. It is said there was only one in the 15 who could swim and they were therefore unable to make a search until aid arrived from Muncy.

The employers' liability act which has been signed by the government will cause employers to take extraordinary precautions to safeguard their employees. The act is as follows:

"In all the actions brought to recover from the employers for injury suffered on his employees the negligence of a fellow-servant of the employer shall not be a defence where the injury was caused or contributed to by any of the following causes, namely:

"Any defect in the works, plant or machinery of which the employer could have had knowledge by the exercise of ordinary care, the neglect of any person engaged as superintendent, manager, foreman or any other person in charge or control of the works, plant or machinery; the negligence of any person to whose orders the employee was bound to conform, by reason of having conformed thereto the injury or death resulted, the act of any fellow-servant done in obedience to the rules, instructions, or orders given by the employer or any other person who has authority to direct the doing of said act.

"The manager, superintendent, foreman or any other person in charge or control of the works or any part of the works shall under this act be held as the agent of the employer in all suits for damages for death or injury suffered by employees."

While the papers teem with homicide stories, says the Sunbury Daily Item, the board of pardons is importuned to save murderers who have had one or more fair trials, in an effort to save the assassin from the penalty the law prescribes. The law's delays, aided by the leniency of the board of pardons, is responsible in a measure for the many homicides committed. If after a speedy and fair trial, a convicted murderer was hung, the punishment would have a deterrent effect upon those who are hot-blooded and carry deadly weapons.

The stinking squash bug is unusually plentiful at this season of the year and is making sad havoc among the squash and pumpkin vines. To destroy them a trap should be placed near every hill, by placing a small piece of board on the ground. They will use the board for a hiding place and cling to it during the day and when the board is lifted carefully they will be found and easily caught and decapitated.

## SORROW

### BROUGHT TO MANY HEARTS

By the Rash and Hasty Act of One Tired With Life and Ill Health.

### S. J. RITTER HAS PASSED AWAY.

Sam Ritter is dead. The word flew over our town as on the wings of wind and wherever it touched it left sorrow, and the expression of sympathy for the bereaved ones are many and from the heart.

Deceased was 23 years of age and leaves a wife and one small child. He held the position of station agent at Muncy Valley for the past several years and was one of the most genial and trusted employees on the line.

Mr. Ritter attended to the duties at his station Tuesday, but complained of feeling ill on his return home in the evening. By morning it was thought advisable to send for a doctor and one was summoned. Upon examination it was learned that his ailment was due to some heart affliction that was likely to remain permanent. Immediately after the doctor departed Mr. Ritter sent his sister, Ada, to the railroad station with his two year old child, where his wife was attending to the duties of his office. This left him alone for a short time and when some of the family returned he was found dead, lying on the bed, partly dressed. Word was sent to his parents at this place announcing his sudden death due to heart disease.

When the undertaker took the body in charge he discovered a bullet wound near the heart. He at once notified the proper authorities and an inquest was held. A revolver was found under the blanket of his child's crib near the bed upon which he died. After firing it

he carefully hid the weapon and awaited results which must have immediately followed. The bleeding of the wound was internal and no blood about his clothing revealed his sad act of self destruction. With the sunshine of life and joy extinguished by illness and earthly trials he passed from this sphere of sorrow to the world beyond.

To the heart broken father, mother, wife, brother and sisters who sit in sorrow where his foot steps shall never again find echo, we extend the sympathy of a sad community.

Deceased was the son of Mr. W. B. Ritter of this place. The remains were taken to New Columbia on Thursday where funeral services will be held Saturday.

### J. Y. Culyer Urges New York State Government to Adorn Highways.

A strong plea for the planting of trees along the roads in which the state of New York has an interest was made recently by Jonathan Y. Culyer, civil engineer and landscape architect, says the New York Tribune. He said that he had tried to induce the state administration to do this, but without apparent success. He called attention to the fact that throughout Great Britain, France, Germany and, to a lesser degree, in other continental countries the planting and maintenance of trees on the public roads have been a long established policy. Many communities in the United States, he said, have recognized the value and utility of such a practice.

"It would be lamentable indeed," Mr. Culyer said, "were it found that tree planting on our roads had been omitted for quasi economical reasons. The cost of providing and planting can add very little to the cost per lineal foot of the road. Soil, for instance, an essential thing for the tree pits, in most cases is to be found on the line of the work. The first cost of the trees and of planting them should be an almost inappreciable item. Indeed, as I have before suggested, trees and other useful vegetation may be and long since should have been cultivated successfully through the agency of our forestry commission and the state board of agriculture, nurseries being established in some one or more eligible localities of our public domain. It amounts to a public scandal that so many men are employed on these state properties whose work could be made more effective in this way.

"As the result of an established policy of roadside planting, intelligently pursued, it will not be difficult to forecast, in hopeful vision of the future, our roads adorned with trees of which we have a rich variety—the oak, the maple, the elm, the plane, the Linden, the gum, the horse chestnut, etc., along which the traveler would be guided hospitably on his way."

## BERNICE ITEMS.

Mrs. Anna Duncan of Vintondale is visiting friends at Mildred.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones of Scranton was calling on friends in this place.

Frank Magargle of Sonestown called on friends at this place.

C. E. Jackson and sons Robert and Richard were Sayre visitors on Friday.

Agnes Collons who has been visiting Scranton friends for the past two weeks returned home on Thursday.

Mrs. Harry Basley of Sonestown called on friends at this place.

Mrs. John Lang of Kingston called on friends at this place Sunday.

Peter and Thomas Payne of Pittston were Sunday visitors at this place.

John Connors and Charles Jackson were Eagles Mere visitors Thursday.

Mrs. William Stuart of Rochester is visiting Mildred friends.

Mrs. Alex Ritche of Rony aldsvill called on Mildred friends this week.

The following Bernice Elks along with their wives and lady friends are in Philadelphia attending the Elk Convention; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. McLaughlin, Dr. J. Brennan and Alice Cunningham.

The Durdore Euck hunters had their last hearing on Tuesday before Squire Lowery who held his decision over until Friday.

John Lines is working in the post office this week.

Mrs. Patrick Hannon of Mildred is visiting her daughters Mrs. Gallagher and Mary Hannon.

The Bernice Base Ball nine has been reorganized with the following officers T. V. McLaughlin President, W. E. Davis Manager, W. Johnson Vice President, and Harry Weed Secretary. The new officers has put teams and men to work to fix up the grounds and in the near future we expect to have one of the best Base Ball grounds in Sullivan County. The Mildred Athletic is a thing of the past.

The Bernice Base Ball team played at Ricketts on Saturday with a team from that place and defeated them the score being 10-0 in favor of Bernice.

## HILLSGROVE ITEMS.

Mrs. John Speaker is suffering from a terrible sore eye the result of the bursting of a roman candle on the evening of the Fourth of July, and the powder striking her in the eye.

Mr. Robert Dewar of Lock Haven, spent the first of last week with his daughter, Mrs. Dr. Mervine.

Mrs. Ed. Schrader spent part of last week at Laporte.

Robert McEwen of Laquin spent Wednesday of last week with Hillsgrove friends and attended the funeral of Peter Craton who died at the home of Hugh Dewar, near this place.

A very unfortunate accident occurred at Melvin Lewis's saw mill near this place last Saturday. Mr. John Ludy a young man employed at the mill was passing the big saw when in some manner he slipped and in falling he struck his right arm against the saw, nearly severing it just below the elbow. He was taken to his home and Drs. Davies and Woodhead of Forks-ville were summoned who after their arrival at once proceeded to amputate the mangled arm. Mr. Ludy has the sympathy of many friends in this community.

Seven bushels of wheat in a pile looks rather large for the average person to eat, yet the per capita consumption of wheat for the year 1907 is estimated by the statisticians of United States Department of Commerce and Labor at that figure for this year. In 1901 we were satisfied with about four bushels apiece in the United States.