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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 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

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The greatest care must be exercised in selecting black dress fabrics—this knowledge is what brings so many women to our store to make their selections.

Our new black dress goods include every desirable weave in the best quality—they can be depended upon. Furthermore our prices are economical—cannot be duplicated anywhere else.

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With hundreds of different styles being introduced by the makers it is a comforting thought to know that there is one store in town where the best styles can be had—you need go no farther than this store to learn what waist styles will enjoy the greatest vogue this spring among the best dressed women.

Ladies' Black Hosiery

Ladies' Seamless Fast Black Hose with double sole and heel. Special good value for 12½ cents.

Ladies' Fast Black Mercerized Lisle Hose, light and medium weights, splendid quality, for 25 cents.

Ladies' Fast Black Cotton Hose, some have white foot or sole, for 25 cents.

Ladies' Silk Lisle Hose, fast black light weight and gauze, all black or with white sole, for 35 cents.

Ladies' Silk Lisle Hose, in medium and light weight; these are cheap at 50 cents

Ladies' Finer Black Lisle Hose, for 75c and \$1.00.

Laces and Trimmings

If you have use for laces of any kind, lace ornaments, lace edges or insertions would like you to look at the new collection of designs and widths of point veise laces—Point de Paris laces, German and French val laces 3-8 All over laces in white, cream and ecru, lace bands, embroidered nets.

Chiffon, appliques, Medallions, Persian band, fancy braids and various other new dress trimmings.

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Missouri is beginning to realize that a single act of its last Legislature relating to insurance companies is depriving the state of considerable revenue. It has driven out the state companies which paid large sums in taxes and license fees.

The newspapers of Missouri characterize the act as freak legislation, and of a kind that distinguishes the Legislature which passed it. But Missouri is not alone in the pursuit of this policy. Its Legislation which bars from the State any insurance company paying a salary of more than \$50,000 a year, is less drastic than the new laws in Wisconsin and Texas. The large and reputable life insurance companies have been driven out of both these States by acts which could not be submitted to without serious wrongs to their policy holders all over the country.

It is impossible to say what these States expected to gain by their actions, but they have gained nothing. On the contrary, all have suffered losses of revenue which must be made up from other sources. Bleeding the insurance companies is popular with many Legislatures, but the average member of these bodies does not comprehend the effect of that policy. Millions of dollars are paid by the big companies into the treasuries of the State every year. They do not object to legitimate taxes license fees, but they have to withdraw when impossible conditions are imposed upon them.

Crude and drastic legislation and unreasonable exactions are bad for the policy holders. They really constitute the company, and it is upon them that the blow falls. All they seek is just regulation and protection, and fortunately the laws of most of the States are framed to that end.

Candidates and officers-elect in the February elections and the preceding primaries must file expense accounts with the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of the county in which they reside. The corrupt practice act makes this compulsory.

It makes no difference whether or not a person received any notes in the primary, if he was an announced candidate for any of the township or borough offices, he must file a statement of expenses, if he expended \$50 or over he is furnished one kind of a blank, and if his expenses were under the \$50 mark or were nothing, he fills out another kind of blank and files it with the Clerk of Courts.

State Fish Commissioner Meehan has revived an old law and rule of his department that sawdust shall be considered as poison when thrown into the waters of streams containing fish. The Wardens have received new instructions on the subject.

The preservation of the health of the people is a matter of no small importance. That is the reason the national government and some of the states have entered upon the effort to prevent the manufacture and sale of adulterated or poisonous food products. Surely in a movement of this sort the authorities ought to have the help of the people whom they are trying to serve.

Lake Harvey, Luzerne county, has become so much of a resort for Wilkes Barre cottagers that the Lehigh Valley Railroad will not open its picnic grounds at that place the coming season, but instead will boom its grounds at Lake Carey in Wyoming county, where many new amusements will be added. Numerous improvements will be made between April 1 and the opening of the season and the company intends to make the resort as attractive as possible.

Harrisburg to Hartford.
Pennsylvania granges are preparing to attend the national grange meeting at Hartford in goodly numbers. Plans are being made for a large party to rendezvous at Harrisburg, then to proceed to New York, stop overnight and go on to Hartford next day.

New York will have added about 10,000 new members by the time the next state grange meets in February, 1908.

Exact justice, equality and a fair reward are the watchwords of the grange.—Aaron Jones.

Waynesburg Pa.—Receiver Strawn of the closed farmers and drivers National Bank, has notified the former directors of the bank that they will have to contribute the sum \$1,500,000 as a result of the failure of the bank.

The institution was closed on December 12, 1906, and it has been ascertained by the receiver that the shortage amounts to \$1,500,000. The directors have been notified by the receiver that should they fail to comply with his request proceedings will be taken against them.

The demand for the money has caused not a little excitement here, as United States banking officials seldom hold directors financially responsible for the closing of a bank, unless they were negligent in the discharge of their duties.

Commenting on the possibility of persons being able to save something when they have regular earnings, even if they are not large, provide some method is used to do so. The Butler Times refers to what has been done in Butler by the use of the little safes or boxes, distributed by some financial institutions, and says: "Talking about banks and all that, it is said that the amount of money being saved in the little banks sent out by the savings institutions of this town is almost beyond belief. One of the banks of Butler is said to have out more than a thousand of the little boxes and it is said that in this one institution alone there has been deposited in the last couple of years over a hundred thousand dollars, all due to the fact that the little boxes were found a convenient way of saving the surplus cash about the household, because of instilling in the minds of the children of the burg, as well as among some of the older people the saving habit.

Not one in a thousand of those who sing that good old hymn "Blest be the tie that binds" knows the history of its homely origin. According to the church electric, it was written by the Rev. John Fawcett, who in the latter part of the eighteenth century was the pastor of a poor little church in Lockshire, England. His family and responsibilities were large, his salary was less than four dollars a week. In 1772 he felt himself obliged to accept a call to a London church. His farewell sermon had been preached, six wagons loaded with furniture and books stood by the door. His congregation, men women and children, were in an agony of tears.

Mr. Fawcett and his wife and children were packing case and crates with their others looking up, Mrs Fawcett said: "Oh John, John, I cannot bear this! I know not where to go!" "Now I either," said he "nor will we go. Unload the wagons and put every thing back in its old place." His letter of acceptance to the London church was recalled and he wrote this hymn to commemorate the episode.

A settlement has been reached in the case filed by attorney E. A. Roake, of Brooklyn, N. Y., against the estate of the late Calusha A. Grow, and it has been unranked of the United States Court list. Mr. Roak's claim was based on legal services and for approximately \$10,000. It was because of the action filed by him that the alleged black mailing of the Congressman was brought to light, as well as the additional fact that he was practically penniless at the time of his death. Roake's claim is admitted to be a just one, and he will receive a pro rata share of the estate, the total value of which about equals the amount due him.

Last week the national 16-hour railroad law became effective and all roads were prepared to meet the requirements of the new federal measure. In brief the provisions of this law are that engineers, firemen, conductors, flagmen, and brakemen shall not be required nor permitted to work more than 16 consecutive hours and any employee who has been on duty 16 hours consecutively must then be relieved and not permitted to go on duty again until he had ten hours off duty.

Two of the most important measures introduced at this session of congress, the employers liability bill and the postal savings bank bill, were introduced by Senator Knox of Pennsylvania. Both of these bills are now under consideration in committee and will be reported to the Senate at an early date. The indications are that both will become laws at this session.

A sub committee of the committee on judiciary is holding hearings on the employers liability bill, giving the workmen and the railroads every opportunity to present arguments for and against it. The object for which Senator Knox strove in framing the bill is the one that will be kept to the front by the committee in reporting upon it, and that it is to give the workmen the greatest consideration possible for their protection and yet keep within bounds of the constitution, so that when the bill becomes a law and gets before the courts, it will not suffer the same unfortunate fate that the former law did.

The postal savings bank bill is now being considered by a sub committee of the committee of postoffices and postroads. Two other bills, having the same object as that introduced by Senator Knox are before this sub committee, but it is believed that the Knox bill will be reported to the Senate. This bill embodies the views of the postmaster general and has the backing of President Roosevelt and the administration. Every effort will be made to secure its passage at this session of congress and the prospects of success are good. Bankers and financiers as a rule will favor it, as they recognize that it will go a long way towards preventing the recurrence of such financial stringency as the country has just passed through. The people will welcome it as it will provide an absolutely safe depository for their savings.

Although the chewing gum habit has begun to be rated as so repulsive that young women of refinement will no longer indulge in it, it remained for the Presbyterian Men's Foreign Mission society to discover, at a meeting in Philadelphia, over which former Governor James A. Beaver presided, that more money is wasted in this offensive practice in this country than is contributed for the conversion of the heathen. The Philadelphia gathering also made some other discoveries. This is the way the money went in the United States last year: Foreign missions, \$7,500,000; chewing gum, \$11,000,000; millinery, \$10,000,000; confectionery, \$175,000,000; church work, \$250,000,000; jewelry, \$700,000,000; liquors, \$1,235,000,000.

Word comes that a man calling himself Jacob Shaffer is working in Pennsylvania trying to sell plum trees grafted on oak. He claims to represent a New York nursery firm, also tries to help out his character by claiming to be a farmers' institute lecturer. It ought not to be necessary to tell any intelligent man a plum worked on an oak stock will most likely produce acorns. Yet the chances are this fraud will sell many of his trees at a high figure.

Oak is good for tanning and the application of a stout stick to this fellow's hide would toughen it. Dr. H. A. Surface, economic zoologist of Pennsylvania, wants this Shaffer arrested, if he can be found. Dr. Surface will appear against him for obtaining money under false pretenses. Hunt him up.

Judge Fuller at Wilkes Barre on Monday morning handed down an opinion that struck terror to the hearts of the saloon keepers in Luzerne County. He stated that next year both new and old applicants for liquor licenses will be heard on the same footing, and that the old as well as the new will have to show why their places are a necessity. This order is taken by many attorneys to mean that there will be a general weeding out of saloons next year, and that the smaller and more unpretentious grog shop will have to go.

BERNICE ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Lilley of Sayre visited friends here recently.

Jackson's moving pictures exhibited to crowded houses two nights of last weeks at Lopez.

Robert Mathew of Sayre visited friends at this place last week.

There was no work at the Connell mines Saturday on account of repairs.

An Educational Mass Meeting was held in the Bernice High School on Saturday, at which Prof. Dobson presided. The following program was rendered:

Song by pupils of intermediate grade. Promotions by Supt. Kilgore. Song by intermediate pupils. Address by Prof. McCord of Wyalusing.

Afternoon Session
Song by intermediate pupils. Recitation by Edna Johnson. The Pupil, the Teacher and the Folks at Home, by Prof. Meyers of the Bernice High School. Busy Work for Primary Pupils, by Miss Jessie Wrede of Laporte. Recitation by six primary pupils. Song by intermediate pupils. Regularity and Punctuality as Essentials to Success in School Work, by Prof. H. H. Henning of Lopez. Recitation by Elizabeth McDonald. Literature as an Interpreter of Life, by Prof. McCord of Wyalusing. Song by intermediate grade.

Great credit is due Prof. Dobson and his corp of teachers for the way the pupils did their part in the program. If the parents would give the teachers more assistance, our schools would be second to none in the State.

HEMLOCK GROVE ITEMS.

Services at the church next Sunday as follows: Sunday school at 10:00 o'clock Prayer and class meeting after Sunday school. All are invited to attend.

A quilting bee was held at the home of M. J. Phillipson Friday, the following were present: Mrs. Albert Arnes, Mrs. H. E. Phillips, Mrs. Edward Phillips, Miss Nellie Reece, Mrs. George Phillips, Mrs. Sarah Steinruck, Mrs. Albert Myers, Mrs. S. B. Bidlack, Mrs. Corson, and Mrs. Rhetta Fulmer.

William Bay made a business trip to Benton last week.

Rev. S. B. Bidlack made a pleasant call at the school house last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lawrenson attended the funeral of Mrs. Dunham at Hughesville last Wednesday.

Daniel Shires of North Mountain called at this place Saturday.

Frank Craft who has been confined to his house since last fall with rheumatism is able to be about again.

Torrence Bender and Jason Simmons of Muncy Valley passed through here enroute to Emmons and Jamison City on Saturday.

Raymond Phillips and two sisters of Hughesville were guests of friends Saturday and Sunday.

The social and lecture held at this place Saturday evening was largely attended and enjoyed by all.

Misses Mazie Phillips and Clara Phillips of the Sonestown high school were guests of their parents Saturday and Sunday.

Raphael Litzelman and Wm. Taylor the former a candidate for commissioner called at this place recently.

Miss Vera Buck of Sonestown was the guest of M. J. Phillips and family over Sunday.

Joseph Phillips who has been hauling logs for John Kiess near Eagles Mere, has returned home.

Miss Mable Taylor of Muncy Valley and Ota Corson of Glen Mawr, were guests of Harvey Phillips and family on Thursday.

Harry Buck of Sonestown spent Saturday and Sunday as the guests of M. T. Elison and family.

Mrs. Louisa Deckert was a Williamsport caller on Saturday.

Anna Fulmer did shopping in Muncy Valley Saturday.

Paul Swank transacted business at Emmons and Jamison City last week.

The officers of the Tremont, Schlykill county have entered suit for \$10,000 damages against Henry Schwalm, a hotel keeper of Tremont, for alleged false statements to the effect that the bank was insolvent, thereby causing a run on it.