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\$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 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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The variety is very extensive, including a wide range of styles in all the new materials and colors so that every one can be sure of finding something that is becoming at just the price you wish to pay.

SILK WAISTS

We show a new line of Ladies' Black and plain Colored and Plaid Colored Silk Waists.

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Ladies' Black Net Waists, in black, white and ecru. New styles to choose from.

Black and Colored Silk Petticoats

These Petticoats come from one of the best manufacturers in the trade. This purchase enables us to offer the finest values in high grade Silk Petticoats we have ever shown.

Childrens' Jackets

in Fall weights made of plain colors and fancy mixed material some splendid values for \$2.00 to \$3.75

Ladies' Coats

For early fall wear plain black or colors and stylish covert. Jackets. You find these moderately priced.

New Wool Sweaters

We have just opened a new line of ladies' and Misses' Wool Knit Sweaters, Coats and Blouse effects in gray, brown, tan and white. Prices vary from \$1.25 up.

New Wool Suitings

We are showing some very stylish new wool fabrics for Coat Suits in worsted mixed effects plain broadcloths etc. Let us show you these new Suitings—We know we can please you.

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Candidates of Growing Popularity With Tax Payers.

The candidates whom the voters are most interested in at the present time, are Messrs F. W. Peal and W. H. Rogers candidate for County Commissioners. This is an office that demands men of business experiences; men who are practical in their ideas as how to do things and properly care for the properties of the tax payers, men whose minds are by habit inclined to economy and who have proved successful with their personal affairs. With such men in the Commissioners office, tax payers may rest assured that business will be properly and judiciously handled.

Mr. Peal is a man not only solid in his physical proportions, but equally solid in his strong unswerving character.

It was only after persistent and earnest exhortation of friends in both parties that he consented to be a candidate. His success at the polls will mean much to the Sullivan county tax payers.

Wm. H. Rogers a progressive contractor and builder at the county seat, young and energetic, he can be thoroughly relied upon as a safe and sane man in the office of County Commissioner. He is never rattled in argument and never has any trouble in determining his mental latitude and longitude on the moment as is often required of a man in executing the county business. He does things well in a quiet unassuming way and never makes noise about it afterward. He comes from a good family of sturdy pioneer stock of Sullivan county, and his election will show good judgment on the part of voters of this county.

The office of County Treasurer is by no means an unimportant office.

A worthy aspirant to the position is W. A. Gumble of Hills Grove, where he has resided for the past five years, pursuing his trade of black-smithing which he has followed for over thirty years.

Having been a hard worker at this kind of labor since a boy of 17 years of age, Mr. Gumble became broken in health recently and of late has devoted most of his time to farming. His parents came from Germany and settled in Pike county Pa., where they reared a large family. Mr. Gumble likewise following the worthy example and has in his household a large number of little bodies to provide for and give a comfortable home. He is what President Roosevelt calls a most desirable citizen. He is well qualified and capable to fill the office of Treasurer. No one is more deserving of support and none will more appreciate it than Mr. Gumble himself.

No man who knows L. B. Zaner questions his fitness for the office of Member of Assembly. His integrity is unquestioned. Modest and unassuming in manner, he is able and aggressive in every work which he undertakes. Honest both in politics and business; open and fair with friends and foes, he is a typical representative of the young and aggressive Americans who are rapidly forging to the front in the affairs of State and nation. The interest of Sullivan County will be properly cared for with Mr. Zaner holding a seat in the Assembly. Cast your vote for him next November.

Harrisburg, Pa., Sept. 21.—Over 100,000 acres of forest land in Pennsylvania is in the grip of forest fires and fully 1200 men are battling to prevent their further spread, according to an estimate made by Forestry Commissioner Conklin this evening.

The fires that are sweeping through almost a dozen counties, are among the most destructive in years.

"Of the 100,000 acres which I estimate to have been ravaged or on fire about 15,000 acres are on State reservations, but the forest wardens and forest rangers, who number 110 men are not confining themselves to stamping out the fires on state property, but are going wherever there is fire," said Mr. Conklin this evening. "Most of the fires are on private lands and they are in many cases due to the carelessness of men who start fires to get rid of brush and let them go unattended. I know of a fire started from such a case which swept over 5000 acres.

School for Mine Workers.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Sept. 19.—As the beginning of a scheme designed to give all its employes opportunities for mining education, the Lehigh Valley Coal Company has arranged to establish a school for its mine workers at Lost Creek, in the Schuylkill region. A room has already been fitted up, containing desks, a reference library, and periodicals devoted to mining subjects. The opening is set for about October 1.

This will be only the first of a chain of such schools. After it has been running for a while, the company will have learned from it just what plan should be followed, as to detail, and then a dozen other schools will be started at various points accessible to the Lehigh Valley collieries.

It is regarded as highly probable that the other large anthracite mining concerns will adopt the idea of providing educational facilities for their employes, giving practically every mine worker in the anthracite region the opportunity to learn.

The door to promotion will thus be thrown open to the humblest toiler.

One of the effects of the scheme, mining officials think, will be to lessen the number of accidents in the mines. This expectation is based upon the facts recently reported by the State Department of Mines. James E. Roderick, Chief of the Department, says that the great majority of casualties are due to ignorance or carelessness. The best way to stop the accidents is to remove the cause, and that can be done by education.

At the school at Lost Creek and, later at the others—a teacher from some day school in the vicinity will be on hand three nights every week, to take charge of the work and help those who attend acquire habits of study. Engineers and superintendents connected with the company, as well as outsiders who have expert knowledge, will be present from time to time to give the benefit of their experience. Occasionally, too, meetings for the discussion of current mining topics will be held.

The company has made special arrangement whereby the mine workers may enroll in the International Correspondence Schools of Scranton at a reduced rate. All the work done in the school room will be sent to headquarters for correction, so that the teacher will be enabled to devote his entire time to personal instruction. By reason of his familiarity with the district, he may add local flavor by representing additional problems dealing with nearby mines.

Strict account of the work done will be kept, and every month the record of each man will be sent to the general manager of the company.

From those who have shown themselves most industrious will be chosen candidates for promotion.

Through the help of the schools it is hoped to produce a body of men well trained in the theory and practice of mining, men from whose number positions of responsibility may be filled. Youths who are unable to attend a technical school or college will have advantages which will be impossible except by this method. Engineering talent that would lie undeveloped, without educational opportunities, will here be brought forth and developed.

Especially, always will be laid upon the protection of life and limb, and no text book will be regarded as of so much importance as the rules and regulations of safety.

Elephant Police.

The sight of six pairs of elephants simultaneously at work capturing a half dozen struggling, trumpeting mates is an imposing one. Like a pair of animal policemen arresting a prisoner, the great beasts slide alongside a victim, take him between them and jostle and squeeze and worry him, tail first, toward a tree. Every inch is contested by the herculean fighters until nearing a stout tree or stump the little brown elephant catchers slide from their mounts to the ground, crawl under the ponderous bellies and shuffling, kicking feet, slip cable slings about a hind foot and take a turn around a tree.—Strand Magazine.

P. O. S. of A. Convention.

The annual district convention of the P. O. S. of A. was held at Laquin Friday and as the Towanda Review says it was one of the largest attended and most enthusiastic conventions ever held in the district, which comprises all of the camps in Bradford county. Nearly 200 delegates were in attendance an unusually large number. Nearly every camp in the county was represented. The people royally entertained the delegates, and they are speaking in the highest terms of the welcome they received in the lumber town. There was but one unpleasant feature and that was the forest fire which was threatening the town. Nearly all the members of the Laquin camp, cimmiteemen and all, were compelled to go into the woods and help fight the fire.

The annual convention of the Sunday schools of Pennsylvania will be held at Shamokin October 14 to 16. Its nearness means that there will probably be a large representation in attendance from this section of the State. A strong program is being arranged. Some of the speakers are Dr. Keigwin, of New York City, and ex-State Treasurer Berry, both of whom will make evening addresses. Mrs. Besser who will speak on personal work; Miss Nannie Lee Frezer, Louisville, Ky., on elementary grade work; Dr. Grey of Moody Bible institute, Chicago, who will have charge of the quiet hour and Hugh Cork; Prof. E. Excel, who led the music so successfully at the Louisville international convention, will lead the singing. Other special features are being arranged for.

There is always a class of people interested in the solution of curious problems. These later get into the newspapers and become matters of amusing controversy. In the United States, says a London newspaper, the American dollar has the exchange value of 90 cents. In Mexico the American dollar has the same value. In the frontier of the United States where Texas joins Mexico there are two saloons, one on each side of the frontier. A man buys a ten-cent drink of whiskey at the American saloon and pays for it with an American dollar, receiving a Mexican dollar as change. With this he crosses the border, goes into the Mexican saloon, hands over the Mexican dollar for a ten-cent drink and receives an American dollar as change. It is evident that the limit of his purchase power is in the length of time he can stand. He finally wakes up with a bad headache and the American dollar with which he started, who paid for the whiskey?

Secretary of the commonwealth McAfee has sent to each of the 67 counties in the state a certified copy of the ballot to be used at the Nov. election, but accompanied it by a letter making the unusual statement that there might be other certifications, and that it might be wise for commissioners to wait until shortly before the election to award contracts for printing. This action was taken because of the requirements of the law. The State statutes provide that certified lists of nomination shall be forwarded to the counties at this time. In his letter the secretary says: "I beg leave to call your attention to the fact that nominations can still be made by nomination papers, which may be filed in this department up to and including, Tuesday Sept. 29, and these additional nominations must be certified to you at least 14 days before election. We have reason to believe that there will be filed in this office additional electoral tickets and there can be filed independent nominations for other offices and the ballot as finally made up is much greater in size than it is at present. It will, therefore, be inadvisable for you to make contracts until 14 days before election."

Because of this singular state of affairs, it is probable that some effort to amend the election laws may be made this coming session of the Legislature.

The Workingman's Vote.

There may be danger that the idea of a workingman having peculiar political status will be overdone in this country. It hails from countries where the workingman is always a workingman, always expects to be and brings up sons to follow his footsteps in the same class. Except in a few localities, in this country the workingman is first a citizen impressed with the political views of his neighborhood, and he seldom becomes a narrow minded thinker in politics. If he has hope of getting out of the toils of wage labor himself, he wants his children to make progress, and the general questions of social progress and opportunity will appeal to him more strongly than the so called class issues involved with labor, while the wage question is of first importance the workingman cannot always be so sure that his vote will increase his wages as he is that it will improve the social and educational advantages of his children and promote the local prosperity of his town, county or state.

The average American workingman either owns a home or hopes to. His associates in church and other social societies are not all of the same wage earning grade as himself. Some are better off, and he emulates but does not envy them. What interests his community interests him, and he reasons from the bottom up when he is deliberating from how his vote in a given election will do him the most good. He may be impressed with economic theories, and he would vote them were he sure that they would work out well as he is that a certain school measure will benefit his children or his little home investment. His interest in these matters often determines his immediate political associations, and it is not easy to get away from voting year after year with pretty much the same crowd and paying chief attention to those issues in which the crowd is interested. And the American workingman is proud of his American citizenship and next to his immediate local political interests probably thinks more about that than any abstruse questions of economics. Probably the average \$2 a day man is more concerned with the national dignity on election day than the \$200 a month man. The less he has of the world's goods the more he enlarges upon the sentimental benefits that fall to his lot. He first of all wants to be a citizen of a great and free and progressive nation. After that is settled he will look after the minor question of how much he is to get out of it day by day.

Sullivan County Teachers' Meetings.

Teachers' Meetings will be held at the usual places this year: Lopez, Dushore, Sonestown, Estella, Eagles Mere, Hills Grove, Shunk and Laporte.

Lopez, Pres., H. R. Henning; Sec'y., Mary B. Finan.

Dushore, Pres. W. D. Hinman Sec'y., P. H. Myers.

Sonestown, Pres., R. L. Molneux, Sec'y., Victor Bird.

Laporte, Pres., C. O. Bird, Sec'y., Jessie Wrede.

Eagles Mere, Pres., Fred Snyder, Sec'y., Anna Quin.

Shunk, Pres., D. M. Soper, Sec'y., C. H. Warren.

Estella, Pres. M. R. Black, Sec'y., H. Brink.

Hills Grove, Pres., Prof. Armstrong, Sec'y., Miss Wagner.

The meetings are distributed for the convenience of the teachers, who may at any time vote to meet at other places if they so desire.

September meetings will be held Saturday, September 26. October meetings will be held Saturday, Oct. 17.

Presidents are requested to prepare programs for the first meeting at which a program committee will be appointed to arrange later programs.

J. E. Reese Killgore, County Supt.