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75C PLR YEAP

\$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

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The new weaves Colors and designs are the handsomest we have shown for years. We will be pleased to show them to you whether you are ready to purchase or not.

We show a beautiful line of the new
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what you want for coat suits.
75c to \$1.50 a yard.

There is a fine assortment of plain and
mixed suitings—All wool batiste in the
new shades; also 42 inch all wool serge in
all colors, for
50 cents.

Today We Call Your Attention to a Splendid Line of Dress Silks and Foulards.

It's the best collection we have ever shown, many of them are exclusive and a number of the designs here are only a dress pattern of a kind. Every new shade is represented in stripes or figures. Come and see them while the assortment is complete. Foulards are 23 inches to 27 inches wide.

75c to 1.00 a Yard.

We show a handsome lot of 19 inch
newest shades that are wanted this
season, for
50 cents.

We have most anything you could
want in the better qualities of fancy
taffeta for waists or dresses, prices from
75c to \$1.35.

Silk and Cotton Wash Goods.

The range of this class of wash fabrics has never been equalled in style, color or quality, in fact many of them look like all silk.

Plain colored silk mulls in all the new
dark and evening shades, just the fabric
for an expensive evening dress. Price
33c a yard.

Fancy figured wash foulards in all the
new designs. They look as dressy as the
all silk foulards and cost only
39c a yard.

Lace Nets.

For waists in white cream, ecru and colors to match many shades of the new dress goods; also all kinds of staple and fancy dress trimmings.

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WILL THERE BE A STRIKE?

Miners and Operators to Confer This
Week. Results Very Uncertain.

Will there be another great strike in the anthracite coal district or will the miners and operators agree to an amicable adjustment? The answer is beyond the pen of any of the interested parties, but the great public of consumers, the party of chief interest in any such strike, hopes that a satisfactory settlement will be reached and that the bitter warfare of three years ago may not be repeated.

Hundreds of anthracite mine workers made application Monday for membership in the union as the result of the meetings held in many places by the organizers and district officials sent out on Saturday by President T. L. Lewis before his departure for the West. These officials report that there is a large attendance at the meetings they hold, and that the workers are deeply interested in what they say. The approach of the conference with the operators, which starts on Thursday at Philadelphia, has made the men realize that they have but little time in which to become members of the union before the present agreement expires.

The organizers are impressing the men with the fact that they are not holding the meeting to incite them to strike, but that they are advocating peace. They are telling the men that the more thoroughly they are organized the better will be their chances of securing concessions. They report that the great majority are union men at heart but, have through the past three years neglected to attend union meetings and to pay their dues. When not addressing mass meetings, the organizers are making a house-to-house canvass in the mining villages.

The anthracite mine workers continue to express confidence in a satisfactory outcome of the negotiations with the operators. The optimism of President Lewis, is largely responsible for this, and it is now being spread throughout the region by the district officials and the organizers. The mine workers have been favorably impressed with the manner in which Lewis went to see the operators, arranged with them for the conference and was received by them, and this section alone has created a confidence in him that did not exist before. They are now telling their district officers that they believe he will be able to secure concessions for them, and a new agreement without recourse to either a strike or a suspension of work.

This feeling is spreading through out the entire region, and business men are considerably cheered by the prospect. They are however going to hold back orders, and start no new work until they are assured by official announcement that there will be neither a strike nor suspension of work.

The result will soon be known however, and if it be war, the public may expect to see the price of coal soar to prohibitive figures and and never get down again to its present burdensome price.

A Good Investment.

The Pittsburg Press calls timely attention to an important argument in favor of the proposed Stewart road across the State.

"In view of the enormous sum which would be added to the value of farm property in the country adjacent to the highway along its entire course, the cost of construction seems slight," says our contemporary.

In the opinion of the Harrisburg Telegraph the force of this argument is found in the results that have followed street and highway improvements all over the state, whether in cities and towns or in the country. Proximity to a good highway adds vastly more to the value of the property affected than the cost of the improvement.

In no way could the state spend its money to more practical advantage than in the building of a system of great main highways, such as this Stuart road is intended to inaugurate.

New Business Industry for LaPorte's Mid Winter Season.

Town Will Not Lapse Into Slumber During Future Winters.

The County Capitol Known in Winter as a Town as Quiet as and Ten Times Colder Than the Proverbial Scpulcher, Now Takes On New Life Beneath the Iron Heel of King Frost Who Rules With an Icy Vengence.

"It's an ill wind that blows no one any good" is no more truthfully applicable or in keeping with the disagreeable, chilling blasts from the Northwest, in conjunction with the freezing elements spending its fury during the winter months at LaPorte where suffering mortals become content to remain cold and make but little effort to overcome it. With these existing conditions which add nothing to the comforts of winter life here, are to be found the potent factors of nature, in all its severity, diligently rendering it possible for added comforts to thousands when the heat of Summer makes demands upon humanity. Under these trying ordeals of arctic life, Lake Mokoma seeks to protect itself by securely wrapping her surface with a solid sheet which in former years only served to amuse merry parties of skaters and replenish the annual supply of local ice houses.

This solidified, sparkling spring water surpasses anything of its kind for clearness and purity, and its superiority was little known outside of LaPorte until the past few weeks. The Lake Mokoma Company, recent owners of the lake, realizing the splendid opportunity open to them erected an icehouse, having a capacity of 18,000 tons, near the breast of the lake and equipped it with a modern ice elevator at considerable expense in order to handle the weighty substance more economically. A solicitation for orders was made. Not many car loads had reached the marketing centers before orders of 50 and 100 car loads began to command the attention of the superintendent, and he stated to the editor last week that his resources were over taxed and that it had become necessary for him to turn down orders of 100 carload lots owing to the inadequate equipment and faulty method of getting the ice floated to the elevator.

Every available man and boy in this section is pressed into service and worked from 12 to 15 hours daily.

Local Option is Defeated.

The Fair local option bill was defeated after a sharp fight in the house March 9th. The vote was 66 for the bill and 137 against. The bill needed 104 votes to pass.

The fight came on the bill on the second reading calendar and a vote was reached after several hours' debate.

The Fair bill proposed local option in Pennsylvania, with a voting unit of boroughs townships and wards in cities and the right to vote in a district every three years.

The vote followed a vigorous debate in which Representatives, Fair of Westmorland; Ammerman, of Montour; Simpson of Huntingdon; McDowell of Chester; Reynolds of Lawrence, and Dearden, of Philadelphia, made the chief argument for the bill, while those to speak against it included Representative Shern of Philadelphia; Flynn, of Elk; Nichols of Luzern, and Schadt of Allegheny, chairman of the Law and Order Committee.

Two years ago the Cravern local option bill went down to defeat by lacking just eight votes.

Death of Mrs. Lodeska Pealer.

Mrs. Lodeska J. Pealer, widow of the late Jacob Pealer, died at her home in Dushore on Thursday morning, March 4th, after a very short illness. The funeral was held on Saturday March 6th, being her 63rd birthday. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Winifred M. Wagner and Mrs. George T. Deegen, both of Dushore.

without a few Sundays excepted, so pressing are the demands made for Mokoma ice. A usual day's work fills ten car loads, yet this number could be easily doubled were it possible to float ice more advantageously from the island to the elevator. At the time ice was being cut near the elevator, a car was filled with 30 tons of ice in 28 minutes.

It is worth the while to make a trip to Mokoma when cutting and loading cars is under full headway.

There is much to be seen and if the day is cold their is more to be felt. The elevator extends a short distance into the lake where a man is stationed who shoves cakes of ice into a slip where the moving parts of the elevator pick it up and conveys it to an elevation of 30 feet where it is released and started on its rapid decent down a long slide over 100 feet in length to the railroad where a car stands with yawning mouth to swallow cakes of ice as rapidly as one can follow the other. Vigorous activity is required on the part of those stationed within the car to make proper adjustment of the cakes as they end their journey with a thud that is immediately followed by the clicking sound of the ice tongues which securely fastens into it and the motion is stopped until the cake is ready to be cut. Activity is a constant and the sight of a continuous chain of ice coasting down the shoot is entrancing and fascinating.

The cutting of the ice is accomplished by modern ice plows drawn by horses and assisted by men with ice saws. All the modern appliances known to modern ice gathering is here employed.

Mr. David Madden of Philadelphia, in the interest of the Reading Dairy Company, was at LaPorte Saturday and contracted for 200 car loads of ice. A large portion of this shipment will go to Philadelphia, and the balance distributed to various sections of the State.

Bernice Met With Serious Accident. Back Broken in Mines.

Patrick Collins, a brother of M. A. Collins of this place, met with a serious accident while at work in the mines at Bernice last Friday morning which will, if he survives, leave him a helpless cripple for life. A fall of rock came down upon the unfortunate man and not only broke his back but seriously bruised his entire body. He was taken to the Sayre hospital where an operation was performed, and the physicians have some hopes that he may survive, yet he can never recover the use of his lower limbs to any great extent. Mr. Collins is still a young man being only 35 years of age, and married. The unfortunate man has the heartfelt sympathy of his fellowmen.

Pioneer Residents of Elkland Township Answers Final Summons.

Mr. Mortica Schoonover, a pioneer settler of Bear Mountain, died at his home at Estella, on Saturday, March 6. The funeral was held on Monday.

Mr. Thomas Wheatley died at his home near Estella, Sunday March 7, aged 74 years. He was one of Elkland's most thrifty farmers, and was highly respected. The funeral services were held at Estella on Tuesday.

PRESIDENT TAFT

Nation's New Executive Pitches Into His
Duties With Eagerness.

It is now President Taft.

On Thursday last Theodore Roosevelt left Washington after seeing William Howard Taft sworn in as his successor.

Washington was alive with splendor and the new head of the government received a magnificent tribute when he assumed the honored place held from Washington to Roosevelt by a long line of distinguished men of superior ability, notable strength of character and passionately devoted to their country.

President Taft has settled to work. He is starting his new administration under a full head of steam, and everything makes for speed.

Mr. Taft is especially interested in the revision of the tariff. He is anxious that congress take quick action. To that end he is consulting with Senators and Representatives whenever he can spare time to do so, setting forth his ideas and listening to suggestions.

At an early hour he is found at his office, and as soon as his callers are disposed of he gets down to hard routine work. So far as strenuousness is concerned, Mr. Taft is not far behind his predecessor.

The President sent to the Senate the new members of the cabinet and other men chosen for official life under the new administration. The Senate quickly confirmed the cabinet officers.

A caucus of the Republican committee of the house has been called for March 13, at 8 p. m., for the purpose of nominating candidates for speaker and other elective offices.

In William H. Taft the nation has reposed its entire confidence and good will. We believe as men of all political parties believe, that he will give a wise strong and successful administration, that the country will develop wonderful prosperity and continue its progress as the greatest nation of modern times. We look for an era of good will, a period of steady upward movement toward those high ideals of morality and justice inspired by the man who is now our only ex-President.

It is fitting and all together gratifying that William Howard Taft should succeed Theodore Roosevelt as President of the United States.

Another Field for Wireless.

A test of sending wireless telegraph messages from a moving rail way train was successfully made on the Lake Shore Road on Saturday. Several messages were received at Cleveland Ohio, the first being sent from the train as it was passing North Girard, Pa., eighty miles distant and running at a speed of seventy miles an hour. Further and more complete tests will be made, and if the idea proves practicable, all through trains on the road will be equipped with apparatus. Success of wireless telegraphy should mean the elimination of a large percentage of accidents in railroading, as the train dispatcher would be in constant communication with his trains. The careless telegraph operator who sends two trains together would then be a personage of history only.

Will Not Marry Young Men Who Do Not Read Home Newspapers.

A score or more young girls at Beaverville, Ind., have formed a league to promote refinement among young men, and among other things, have resolved to marry no man who drinks, smokes or chews and who does not take the home paper. Drinking is considered the chief evil, smoking comes next, while the young women assert that when a man does not take the home paper it is evidence of a want of intelligence and that he will prove to stingy to provide for a family, educate his children and encourage institutions of learning in the community.

LaPorte Store Enlarging.

A. H. Buschhausen has altered the interior of his store and now has considerable more space in which to display merchandise.