

# The Grapeland Messenger.

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\$1.50 PER YEAR

## Big Christmas Sale

at Keeland Bros. begins  
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, AND  
CLOSES DECEMBER 24

Below are a few of our prices. See our big circular for others. Hundreds of bargains are offered in Groceries, Hardware, Furniture, Stoves, Dolls, Toys, etc. THIS IS THE CHRISTMAS GIFT STORE. Come to see us.

5 bottles Garrett Snuff . . . . .	\$1.00
5 lbs extra good roasted coffee . . . . .	1.00
\$1 bucket pura ground coffee . . . . .	.85
5 bars white laundry soap . . . . .	.25
5 gallons of best oil for . . . . .	.85
100 lb sack of salt for . . . . .	.85
Best grade of flour for . . . . .	2.90
Best grade Red Rust Proof Seed oats per bushel . . . . .	1.00

We want to buy your Butter, Chickens and  
Eggs--Cash or Trade

**Keeland Bros.**  
THE PRICE IS THE THING

### HOMES FOR SALE

Good farm, 100 acres, all wired in, hog fence, good farm house, good barn, well and running water. Land new and only 1 1/2 miles out of Grapeland.

Two good homes in Grapeland; one an up-to-date new 6 room, bath, large sleeping porch, water works, barn, garage, garden and 5 large lots on our of our best streets.

One good 10 room, two story building on eight acre block close in, good well, barn, garden, all wired in and worth more than the price. See or write,

S. E. Howard,  
Grapeland, Texas.

There will be preaching at the Christian church next Sunday morning and evening. At the 11 o'clock service the subject used will be "Working Together With God." At the evening hour, 7 o'clock, "Relative Values" will be the subject.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

G. H. Farmer, Pastor.

### NEW PREACHER

Rev. J. D. Buttrell has been assigned to Grapeland and Lovelady by the annual conference, recently in session at Timpson. Rev. Buttrell comes from Shiro.

### FOR SALE OR TRADE

Small farm of 52 1/2 acres, improved for sale or trade. Will sell on easy terms. For particulars see Ben Brooks, Grapeland, Texas.

### TAX COLLECTOR'S NOTICE

I shall be at the following places on the dates named for the purpose of collecting your 1918 tax. Remember after January 31st there will be a ten per cent penalty.

Friday, Dec. 13th, Weldon.  
Saturday, Dec. 14th, Lovelady.  
Friday, Dec. 20th, Kennard.  
Saturday, Dec. 21st, Ratcliff.  
Saturday, Dec. 28th, Grapeland.

C. W. Butler, Jr.  
Tax Collector.

### NO ROOM IN HADES

"Great Excitement in Hades!" is the top headline of the Ottawa Guardian. Editor Robb says he received this wireless message:

Hell, Nov. 14, 3 a. m.—I understand Kaiser Bill is on his way here. The "no admittance" sign has been hung out. No room for him or his Clown Prince. Not enough brimstone on hand to give him the treatment he deserves. (Signed.) His Satanic Majesty.

You will never find the "no admittance" sign hung out at Clewis' tailor shop.

Rev. Abe Mulkey will preach at the Methodist church next Sunday night at 7:00. A cordial invitation is extended the public to hear this great Texas evangelist.

Don't be satisfied with just any old kind of goods. You can get new, up-to-date merchandise at sale prices at Darsey's.

### OUT IN THE OPEN

There isn't a farmer boy in this country but who has an occasional desire to change surroundings, to seek a new place to live, to hunt out opportunities which he feels are more numerous than one can hope to find in the rural sections. We have no preachment here for the lad who lets the city lure him from a good farm home. This is almost a thing of the past, anyhow. But we do wish that every boy on every farm in this country could take this creed, penned by Edwin Oswood Grover, and put it in his room where he could see it often, the first thing in the morning and the last thing at night.

"I believe that the country, which God made, is more beautiful than the city, which man made; that life out of doors and in touch with the earth is the natural life of a man.

"I believe that work is work wherever we find it, but that work with nature is more inspiring than work with the most intricate machinery.

"I believe that the dignity of labor depends not on what you do, but on how you do it; that opportunity comes to a boy on the farm as often as to a boy in the city; that life is larger and freer and happier on the farm than in the town; that my success depends not upon my location, but upon myself; not upon dreams, but upon what I actually do! not upon luck, but upon pluck.

"I believe in working when you work, in playing when you play and in giving and demanding a square deal in every act of life."

The thirtieth Anniversary Sale is saving hundreds of people money at Darsey's.

### SNAP SHOTS

Our advice to the ex-kaiser is to shave his upper lip, turn out his chin whiskers and try to look like a nice old gentlemen fond of children.

Of course a man does sometimes marry a blondine without knowing it, but on the other hand many a bride has found hair dye on her husband's pillow.

One of the strangest things in this world is the way a man hurries impatiently off a nice, dry street car into a damp, bleak boarding house.

Sometimes a woman is so insistent upon ventilation she never goes to a party without keeping her eyes and ears open.

Personally we expect to make ourself agreeable in heaven, but we do hope they won't expect us to play a harp until we have had some practice—Galveston News.

Napoleon said of Prussia that it was hatched from a cannon ball. And had he been a prophet he would have said that the same agency that brought it into the world would be the means of its removal.

## A Knock-Out Blow for High Prices

\$5.00 Liberty Coats for Ladies . . . . .	\$3.95
Liberty Coats for Children . . . . .	\$2.50
Good Grade Gingham per yard . . . . .	19c
Best Grade Outing per yard . . . . .	24c
Best Grade Meslin per yard . . . . .	\$1.65
Best Grade Tafata per yard . . . . .	\$1.35
\$7.50 Ladies Shoes for . . . . .	\$5.50
\$5.00 Work Shoes for Men . . . . .	\$4.00
\$3.00 Overalls for . . . . .	\$1.50
Garrett Snuff per bottle . . . . .	20c
Brown Mule Tobacco Plug . . . . .	15c
Good Grade Roasted Coffee 6 lb . . . . .	\$1.00

Best Flour and everything else cheaper than anybody.

Price Subject to Change Without Notice.

**W. R. WHERRY**

## REMEMBER NEXT SATURDAY IS IS THE LAST DAY OF OUR THANKSGIVING SALE

We will have many BARGAINS for that day. It will pay you to come to see us when in town

**FREE At This Store Quality Brand ALUMINUM WARE**

Beginning Saturday we will give FREE to customers of this store a complete set of the world's best aluminumware, guaranteed for 20 years.

Every time you make a cash purchase you will receive a Free Aluminum Coupon corresponding to the amount of your purchase—you save these coupons and when you have the necessary amount of coupons, entitles you to the one or more pieces of Aluminumware you desire. Bring the Coupons to us (not on Saturday) and you will receive the Aluminumware they entitle you to ABSOLUTELY FREE. Get one of the pamphlets picturing all this Aluminumware.

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A. H. LUKER, Editor and Owner

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THURSDAY, DEC. 5, 1918

### THEY MUST BE FED

We could take a vote of the people of Grapeland on whether or not they think the U. S. should feed the starving Huns and we'll wager not more than a half-dozen would favor the proposition. For we have heard the stories of their atrocities and their lust for the blood of Americans, and it is mighty hard to have any sympathy for them. We argue that they made their bed and ought to sleep in it.

And yet that isn't a christian spirit, and all of us know it. We are a civilized people and we cannot afford to deal with barbarians as barbarians would deal with us. Then we would sink to the depths in which Germany now finds herself. We are not bubbling over with love for the red-handed murderers, but at the same time we realize that it is our duty as Christian people to give them a bite to eat and help them thereby to more fully realize that they must shake off their brutality forever. So it is a sort of self-protection that leads us to send them food and clothing. It certainly is not because we ever expect to shake hands with them as friends, as we would with decent people. It is because our Christian hearts and our American manhood won't permit us to see even a filthy leper go without attention if there is a chance to cure him.

Here it is nearly Christmas and you haven't shopped any yet!

One of the best ways in the world to flatter a woman is just to sit still and listen.

We wonder if there is going to be a slump in the suit case market about the time the nation goes dry.

Everyone is interested in an item of local news. If you know of any local happenings that is not generally known communicate the fact to this office.

Another trouble with this country is that we have too many men who can tell you how to pay the national debt when they can't pay their last month's grocery bill.

Express rates have been increased because of increased wages, and we suppose the next move will be to increase wages because of increased express rates.

### THE CHILDREN'S PART

It is estimated that there are twenty-two millions school children in the United States. Eighty per cent of them have taken some part in the nation's war program. So try and picture what a wonderful work has been done by these little ones toward making the world safe for democracy.

They have aided in the war gardens and the school gardens; they have organized a Junior Red Cross and hundreds of thousands of them have contributed 25c each to that noble organization. They have been of great value in scattering booklets and leaflets among the residents of every community, they have even sold several hundred thousand dollars worth of Liberty bonds.

When the history of this war is written grown men and grown women are not going to monopolize its pages. Their deeds of valor and their untiring labor in behalf of the country will not crowd that book. There will be space reserved, and a liberal amount of it, to chronicle the assistance lent by the children of this nation, without which we might not have approached victory so closely or so quickly.

Germany not only lost her conquest, but lost her reputation as well.

Premier Lloyd George says that in his judgment the former German Emperor is guilty of an indictable offense for which he ought to be held responsible, and in this opinion all intelligent people will concur. Some means ought to be found whereby the kaiser would be punished for his high crimes.

The crimes committed by Germany in 1914 will not be undone by the evacuation of Belgium. Reparation in the fullest measure must be made, and Belgium has the first claim upon Germany's resources for the unspeakable outrages she has suffered and the many privations she has had to bear.

There is no surer safeguard against the temptations that come to young men and women than a love for home. It has brought back and held many a wanderer in a safe place. It is something to not only love home, to know that you are happier at home than in any other spot on earth, but to know that you love it, and earth.

The slogan, "Food will win the war," has now been changed to "Food will win the World." There is suffering and privation in many parts of Europe on account of the scarcity of food, and unless the United States feeds these unfortunate people, many of them will starve this winter. It is just as important to conserve food now as it was before peace was declared.

### LOST

1 heifer yearling about 1 year old. No marks or brands but bush of tail is out. Reward to finder. Notify,

Eugene Lively,

### POSTED

Absolutely no shooting will be allowed in my field.

W. N. Irwin.

### QUARANTINE RAISED IN A LARGE AREA

If the kaiser believes that misery loves company he should have a brotherly feeling for the cattle fever tick. This year has been a bad one for kaisers and ticks.

This is why it has been a bad one for the ticks and why Dec. 1, 1918, should be a memorable day in the Southern states:

An area greater than ever before freed in one year from federal quarantine will be released on that day.

The drive of the antitick forces will have sent a broad wedge of free territory through the tick lines to the Atlantic Ocean, just as last year a wedge was driven to the gulf.

Of the 728,565 square miles of infested area in 1906, 63 per cent will have been pronounced clean.

Farmers will be free to ship their cattle to the great markets for competition on their own merits with other cattle, and not under the quarantine handicap which requires sale at buyers' prices for immediate slaughter.

Cattle will increase in value, weight, milk production, appearance, health, productivity and length of life.

Farmers in the freed area will be able to bring to their farms better stock and thus raise the standard of their herds. The Southern States will have taken big strides toward their position as a great cattle-raising country, to which their natural advantages entitled them.

### FOCH RENOUNCED A GREAT VICTORY

London.—The war correspondent of the British wireless service at headquarters, in France, says that when the German delegates came to see Marshal Foch with regard to the armistice, the marshal as well as the British high command knew perfectly well that a few days more—"the marshal put it at 10 days at the most"—would have seen the surrender of the entire Germany army into his hands and the culmination of the greatest victory of all ages.

"The marshal," says the correspondent, "renounced that great victory deliberately and with his eyes open, because continuation of the struggle must have cost a certain number of French and British lives and he could not have it on his conscience to sacrifice one life after it was in his power to make peace on terms of victory."

Lieutenant A. E. Owens spent Saturday and Sunday here with his parents and mingling with his many friends. He went to Crockett Monday to meet the commissioners' court to take the oath of his office. Lieutenant Owens has been attending the officers training school for cavalymen at Camp Stanley. The school will close December 8, and he will return to Crockett to assume his duties as county clerk. The cavalry will not be called into the federal service, but will remain in the service of the state subject to call.

### SEE ME FOR

Good ear corn and Maize. Have a car, but it will go fast.

J. W. Howard.

M. S. Spence went to Benford last week, where he purchased a planer for his saw mill.



## LIKE ATLAS SUPPORTING THE WORLD

are the strong men who direct the affairs of this bank. They have provided ample capital and surplus for all emergencies and conduct the bank's affairs cautiously as well as progressively. This is a good bank with which to have connection. An account here is an asset in itself.

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Most Attractive line of woolens, direct from the mills, to select from. All the very newest shades and patterns. We have a classy variety. Every garment we turn out is fashioned by an expert and built to suit you. We guarantee all styles and fit.

GUARANTEE ALL MENDING AND PRESSING.

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**Sores and Wounds** on the limbs or body should not be neglected. They quickly become ulcers and are hard to cure.

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Heals Quickly

It is an excellent remedy to keep in the house for prompt use when accidents occur. Try it for Cuts, Wounds, Sores, Galls, Swellings, Chafed Skin, Sore Feet, Oak or Ivy Poisoning. It is good for human or animal flesh. Price 25c, 50c and \$1 per bottle.

JAS. F. BALLARD, Proprietor, ST. LOUIS, MO.

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You cannot sell your land without an Abstract showing perfect title. Why not have your lands abstracted and your titles perfected? We have the Only complete up-to-date Abstract Land Titles of Houston County.

ADAMS & YOUNG  
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Telephone the Goodson Hotel or Drug Stores

## ECZEMA!

Hunt's Salve, formerly called Hunt's Cure is guaranteed to stop and permanently cure that terrible itching. It is compounded for that purpose and your money will be promptly refunded without question if Hunt's Salve fails to cure Itch, Eczema, Tetter, Ring Worm or any other skin disease. 75c the box.

For sale locally by  
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### JOHN SPENCE

Lawyer

CROCKETT, TEXAS

Office up stairs over Monzingo Millinery Store

## TO BE HOME BUILDERS The Sacred Privilege of Lumber People

To be builders of homes—not merely sellers of lumber—is the God given heritage of the lumber industry, and should be treasured as such. Not merely to traffic in the barter and sale of boards; not merely to labor with the desire to turn virgin forests into profits; none of these things are the heritage of the lumberman. A higher and greater gift has been given them—and the time of their awakening to that splendid and inspiring fact, is at hand.

The dearest thing to the hearts of any right man or woman—next to cherishing each other and the little ones that Providence has sent them—is the desire for a home. It is a charm that creeps into the hearts of rich and poor alike; it is a bond of kinship between those who labor and those who are blessed with this world's goods. To own a home. To say as you return from your day of labor—whether it be from field of waving corn, or from mahogany desk—"This is MY heartstone," brings a satisfaction so filled with goodness and so free from alloy, as to deserve the name of Blessed.

The Home Builder is the nation maker. You may safely judge a district, a city, a state, or a nation, by its Homes. "The ancient love of man for his shelter," has gone down into song and story from ages that are now dim with the dusk of the past; the Home that holds for woman "All the treasures of her mind, her heart," must continue to be a guiding star to the Wise Men of the future.

We are the home builders of Grapeland and surrounding communities.

**T. H. LEAVERTON LUMBER CO.**

**CITY  
BARBER SHOP**  
DENSON & WALTON  
Proprietors

Shop on Main Street next door to Guaranty State Bank

**Your Business will be Greatly Appreciated**

**Laundry Agency**

Basket leaves every Wednesday and returns Saturday.

### WHEN YOU ARE CONSTIPATED

Don't paralyze the bowels with a harsh, drastic cathartic that gripes and binds you up tighter after its effect is gone. Take

### PRICKLY ASH BITTERS

It does the work just as thoroughly as the strong cathartics. Yet it acts mildly and naturally, and what is still better, it leaves the bowels in a healthy state promoting regularity in the bowel movements.

Sold by Druggists and Dealers in Medicine.

Prickly Ash Bitters Co. Proprietors  
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WADE L. SMITH



**ITCH!**  
Hunt's Salve, formerly called Hunt's Cure is especially compounded for the treatment of Itch, Eczema, Ring worm, and Tetter, and is sold by the druggist on the strict guarantee that the purchase price, 75c, will be promptly refunded to any dissatisfied customer. Try Hunt's Salve at our risk. For sale locally by  
**WADE L. SMITH**

When your clothes need treatment, carry them to Clewis' Sanitarium. All cases carefully treated.

Dr. Clewis' Hospital.

### PRESIDENT HEADS PEACE ENVOYS

The representatives of the United States at the peace conference will be:

President Wilson.  
Robert Lansing, secretary of state.

Henry White, former ambassador to France and Italy.  
E. M. House.

General Tasker H. Bliss, representative of the American army with the supreme council at Versailles.

This announcement was made from the White House. In the absence of any official explanation it was assumed that the president goes as president of the United States and that Secretary Lansing, Mr. White and Colonel House, and possibly also General Bliss, will be delegates with ambassadorial rank.

It was recalled that the president's announcement that he would go to France "for the purpose of taking part in the discussion and settlement of the main features of the treaty of peace," said that it was not likely that he could remain throughout the sessions of the peace conference and that he would be "accompanied by delegates who will sit as the representatives of the United States throughout the conference."

The White House announcement follows:

"It was announced at the executive offices tonight that the representatives of the United States at the peace conference would be:

"The president himself, the secretary of state, Hon. Henry White, recently ambassador to France; Mr. Edward M. House and General Tasker H. Bliss.

"It was explained that it had not been possible to announce these appointments before, as the number of representatives each of the chief belligerents was to send had, until a day or two ago, been under discussion."

If you have no appetite for your meals, something is wrong in your digestive organs. Take a dose or two of Prickly Ash Bitters. It cleanses the stomach, liver and bowels, creates appetite, vigor and cheerfulness. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, special agent.

Renew your subscription before your time is out.

## GEORGE E. DARSEY'S LETTER FROM FRANCE

With the A. E. F., Oct. 9, 1918  
Dear Papa:

I am again in receipt of letters from home and was glad to get them and to know that everything is getting along so well. This finds me well and doing fine and still enjoying myself all the time. Of course we still have our work to do and it keeps us busy most all the time, but we still have time for a little fun every once in a while.

I wrote you about my dog, "Liver." Well, this time, he was the subject of a discussion and it came about this way. "Liver" disappeared the other day and when we moved to our next town I recognized a dog that a Frenchman had as my dog and tried to tell him in a nice way that the dog belonged to me, and of course the Frenchman denied it and made it known that he wanted to prove it by an officer. I agreed to this and he went to the town major, who was a Frenchman and couldn't speak English. So of course I was not going to be outdone in this way and this easy, and I told him that I could prove my ownership by an American officer and we went to our train headquarters. This was at 6:15, and as no one was in but the adjutant, he sent for an interpreter and told the man to leave the dog there and we would have the trial to decide the ownership of the disputed canine at 8:15, and for both of us to have our witnesses to identify the dog at the trial. We did, and by that time the Major in command of our train came in and acted as judge. To begin with, he asked my captain if he recognized the dog and the captain told him that he did and that the dog's name was "Liver." He then had me to give his history as I had known him and when he disappeared. I did this also and had my six witnesses to verify my statements. He then had the Frenchman to give his account, which he did, and his witnesses, of course, verified his statements, and it looked like a hung jury until the Major asked the Frenchman if his dog was a male or female and he said that it was a female. As this was so, I told the Major that I withdrew all my claims as my dog was not that kind, so the Frenchman got the dog and "Liver" is still roaming "somewhere in France."

There is not much to write about now as they keep tightening up on the censorship regulations all the time. Of course, we kick good naturedly and make many wise jokes where the censor is the goat but it is the best, and so we don't mind it and are remembering all that we cannot write to tell when we convince Fritz that he is whipped. But as I said before, I am still keeping well and getting along fine and have no cause to complain as long as they give us plenty to eat and a good place to sleep at night.

Everybody over here was tickled at the way the Fourth Liberty Bond issue was raised for we know that as long as the folks at home stay behind us like that, we can afford to put up with most anything until we wind up this little scrap. Of course, we are all anxious to get through with it but no one wants a premature peace and are will-

ing to keep hitting the ball until Kaiser Bill comes to terms.

Will close for this time with love to all from,

George E.

O. K'd by censor.

### HUNTING SEASON OPEN

Texas huntsmen who have been anticipating going out for more feathered game may participate in quail hunting beginning December 1 and lasting until January 31. The State game laws provide that fifteen partridges may be bagged each day.

Fewer game laws were enacted this year than in any other year since 1900—about fifty laws having been passed. According to George A. Lawyer and Frank L. Earnshaw, national authorities on game laws, in some states unsuccessful efforts were made to repeal or modify existing protective laws for the duration of the war, and while the laws were relaxed in a few instances, the seasons as a rule give better protection to game that has become reduced in numbers. The food administration, after considering recommendations on this subject decided that the maximum supply of food can best be obtained by constantly increasing the breeding reserve of game under present laws and even more progressive laws directed to that end.

### W. S. S. PLEDGES MUST BE MET

Peace does not abrogate or affect in any way pledges made to the Treasury Department to invest in War Savings Stamps and the Government consider every War Savings Stamp Pledge a binding obligation upon the person who made it, expecting its full liquidation on or before the date on which the pledge matures, it is pointed out in an official notice from the War Savings section of the Treasury Department.

War Savings Stamps Pledges were personally signed by the persons who executed them and they are held for collection by designated agents of the Treasury Department. While it is desirable that War Savings Stamps be purchased through the Treasury agent who holds the pledge card, they may be purchased from any sales agency and will be credited upon the pledge.

The Government is now calling for the liquidation of all War Savings Pledges.

When your digestion is poor, when your bowels are costive, when your breath is bad, when your stomach is sick or disordered, and you feel languid and low-spirited, Prickly Ash Bitters is the remedy you need. It cleanses the vital organs, purifies the bowels, and imparts a fine feeling of strength, vigor and cheerfulness. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, special agent.

W. S. S. has always stood for "Wilhelm Shall Surrender" and that was what War Savings Stamps made him do. Buy War Savings Stamps now to help Uncle Sam take care of the victory boys. These bonds pay four per cent interest, compounded quarterly.

### RESTRICTIONS OFF OF SUGAR DEC 1.

All restrictions relative to the distribution of sugar have been removed by the federal food administration, sugar division, and county and district food administrators have been advised that it is no longer necessary for retail merchants to keep a record of their sugar sales, and they may sell to the consumer in reasonable quantities and no definite amount is named.

It is also stated that owing to the congestion of sugar in the beet producing and Louisiana cane producing districts, it was found necessary to relieve the situation in every way possible. Effective December 1, the certificate plan by which sugar has been distributed to manufacturers and dealers, is rescinded and they will be permitted to buy sugar according to their requirements and demands without further restrictions.

However, the consumers are requested by the federal food administrator to bear in mind the necessity for conservation in sugar and in all other food products. Public eating places are also asked to bear in mind that conservation is still most important and that the lifting of the restrictions does not mean the extravagant use of sugar or any other food commodities.

### NO MORE BEER WILL BE BREWED IN U. S.

Brewing of beer and other malt beverages stopped at midnight Saturday throughout the United States.

The special presidential committee, which recommended the presidential proclamation prohibiting brewing as a war conservation measure, decided today to make no recommendation to President Wilson on suggestions that the proclamation should be rescinded in view of the armistice.

### OFFICERS SWORN IN

The commissioners' court met at Crockett Monday for the purpose of swearing in the officers. New faces to be seen at the court house now are—

Nat Patton, County Judge.  
Barker Tunstall, District Clerk.

Willie Robison, Treasurer.  
J. H. Rosser, County Superintendent.

### MARRIED IN CARTHAGE

Miss Arline Howard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Howard of this city, was married on Thanksgiving day to Mr. Howell Appling of Carthage. Miss Arline has been teaching school in Carthage the past two terms. Her many friends in this city will join the Messengers in congratulations.

### MONEY IN EGGS

Eggs are not bankable but the money from their sale is. This money is yours for the effort. How do you treat the hen that lays the "Golden Eggs" B. A. Thomas' Poultry Remedy will keep the poultry in good condition and increase the yield in eggs. We guarantee this and refund your money if not satisfied. McLean & Riall.

Pay your debts and laugh at worry.

# The 30th Anniversary Sale

## 1888-- is on in full Blast at Darsey's --1918

ENORMOUS crowds are daily taking advantage of the many bargains offered thru-  
out our entire store. In fact, so great has been the rush that our large force of regular  
and extra help has been taxed to its capacity to keep up with the demands of the crowds.  
We are adding new faces to our sales force with the view of giving maximum service.

### Notes --of the SALE

**CASH PAID FOR PRODUCE.** Dur-  
ing our big 30th Anniversary Sale, we  
will pay CASH for chickens, eggs, tur-  
keys, butter and any other produce you  
may have to sell.

**NEW GOODS ARRIVING.** Every  
day marks the arrival of something new  
that is being added to our big premium  
table. This is one of the biggest pro-  
fit sharing schemes that has ever been  
launched.

**OUR STOCK IS GREATLY REDUC-**  
ED. The extremely low prices we are  
making on our entire stock of goods are  
moving the goods out right along.  
Hundreds of good values remain.

**EVERY ARTICLE IN OUR STORE**  
is being sold at unthought of prices.  
We started out to give the people of this  
county a real sale and we are glad that  
we have accomplished this result.

**WE APPRECIATE YOUR CONFID-**  
ENCE. And for that reason, we are  
giving you some real, honest to good-  
ness values. Our prices have not been  
"inflated" to make the discount seem  
bigger. We despise deception.

**YOU CAN STRICTLY RELY** on  
what we tell you. **YOU GET WHAT**  
**YOU WANT AND SEE ADVERTIS-**  
**ED.**

**OUR ANTICIPATION IS TRUE.** We  
expected to see other merchants in  
Grapeland come out with flaring cir-  
culars. Consider them carefully and  
come here where you will find what you  
want at a greater discount than they  
offer.

### Valuable Premiums

are being given away

## FREE!

EVERY DAY numbers of customers take out pre-  
miums given FREE with cash register checks. Others are  
saving their cash register checks for some of the more val-  
uable premiums. These premiums are absolutely free and  
are in themselves a BIGGER DISCOUNT than has been  
offered by any other firm.

The premium list includes many valuable and useful  
articles among which are the following:

- 2 Boys Bicycles
- 4 Real Cook Stoves for Girls.
- 50 Beautiful 32 piece dinner sets
- 20 Columbia Grafanolas.
- Hundred of Pieces of Aluminum
- Dozens of Beautiful Art Mirrors.

The cash value of these premiums is hundreds of dol-  
lars. New premiums are being added daily and a Cash  
Register Check is like Money in your hands. See the big  
table of premiums in the center of our grocery department.

### This is not a one-day Sale

The aim of this, the biggest sale ever launched in this  
county, is to give hundreds of people the opportunity to  
get their winter supplies at a minimum cost. We have am-  
ple stocks, including large quantities of every articles we  
have advertised at ANNIVERSARY SALE PRICES.

**We Want You to Take Advantage of the**  
**many Bargains Now!**

A visit to our store will convince the most skeptical that  
our prices cannot be duplicated. Every article we have is  
being sold at far less than it could be replaced. Christmas  
shoppers will find this an ideal place to buy gifts and we  
want to urge you to.

**Do Your Christmas Shopping Now**

### Notes --of the-- SALE

**BRING US YOUR EGGS.** We will pay  
you cash for them as well as for chick-  
ens, turkeys, butter and other produce  
you have to sell. Our Anniversary  
Sale Prices will save you money.

**GINGHAMS** have been sold during  
this sale in wholesale quantities. Our  
extremely low prices on extra good  
dress gingham make them extra  
popular.

**OVER A CASE OF OUTING** has been  
sold during the past two weeks of this  
sale. You can't get around the values  
we are offering.

**UNDERWEAR** for men, women and  
children in quantities of from 2 to a doz-  
en suits has been daily sold to bargain  
seekers.

**ONLY A FEW MORE PAIRS** of blue  
Overalls are left out of the hundreds of  
pairs we had on sale. We have some  
good sizes left.

**MEN'S AND BOYS SUITS** and Over-  
coats are very popular during the sale.  
Many men and young men are now buy-  
ing suits for next year.

**EVERY ARTICLE OF READY TO**  
**WEAR** including women's and children's  
dresses, coats, suits, skirts and millinery  
are reduced.

**EVERY ARTICLE IN OUR BIG**  
**STOCK** is priced at a saving. To fail to  
take advantage of what we have to offer  
is like throwing your money away.

**OUR GROCERY, HARDWARE AND**  
**FURNITURE DEPARTMENTS** are  
resplendent with splendid values at An-  
niversary Sale Prices. Don't be misled  
by startling announcements.

Its biggest be-  
cause its best

# Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

Not best be-  
cause its biggest

**The Service First Store**

**For Thirty Years the home of straightforward, fair dealing**

We Do What we Advertise

Do You Want

We Advertise What we Do

# ONE DOLLAR

## For Your OLD SHOES?

There are no "strings" to this proposition. It is not a SALE to reduce our shoe stock but it is simply one of the methods we have adopted to more extensively advertise our ALL LEATHER SHOES. This proposition eclipses all sales, for we are offering you the BEST SHOES in the house--the CREAM of our Shoe stock. We don't care where or when you bought the old shoes or how old and worn out they are.

### How to Get the Dollar for Your Old Shoes

To every man and lady who purchases from us a pair of shoes costing \$6.00 or more on Friday and Saturday, December 6 and 7, we will PAY THEM ONE DOLLAR FOR THEIR OLD SHOES. There are only two conditions: You must wear the shoes to our store and you MUST LEAVE THEM with us.

This is the fairest and squarest proposition you ever had offered you in a shoe deal and hundreds of people are going to take advantage of this opportunity to get A DOLLAR for a pair of shoes they consider WORTHLESS. Are you going to be one of the many who will avail yourself of this opportunity, or will you let it pass you? This proposition is good for two days only--DECEMBER 6 and 7. If you are asleep you will miss it. If you are awake you will be able to "make the boat." STAR BRAND SHOES GIVE BEST SERVICE.

(This is just the first chapter of our story)

## Big Reduction on the Following Merchandise Will be Given

Opening Friday, December 6, Closing Saturday, December 14

<p><b>Ladies' Coats, Dresses and Skirts</b> Made of the best materials and in latest styles— 25 Per Cent off</p>	<p><b>Piece Silks</b> \$2.00 silks for ..... \$1.65 \$1.85 silks for ..... \$1.55 \$1.75 silks for ..... \$1.45</p>	<p><b>Men's Suits and Overcoats</b> 25 Per Cent Off</p>	<p><b>Boys' Suits and Pants</b> 25 Per Cent Off</p>
<p><b>Outings</b> Best grade of outing for— 25c Per Yard</p>	<p><b>Ginghams</b> Good grade of Ginghams at ..... 17½c Best Grade for ..... 25c</p>	<p><b>Domestic</b> 1 lot brown domestic, yard wide, worth 25c, for .... 15c</p>	<p><b>Cheviots</b> Best grade of cheviots for per yard ..... 25c Cheaper grade, per yd. . 19c</p>
<p><b>Men's Hats</b> Big line of Men's and Boys. Hats in latest styles, all new stock— 10 Per Cent Off</p>	<p><b>Hosiery</b> Our hosiery is priced cheaper than any in town. Come to us for them.</p>	<p><b>Wool and Cotton Serges</b> \$1.00 serges for ..... 80c 85c serges for ..... 70c 75c storm serge for .... 60c 65c storm serge for .... 50c</p>	<p><b>Children's Coats</b> Big line of children's coats, latest styles— 25 Per Cent Off</p>

## McLEAN & RIALI

BRING US YOUR PRODUCE  
WE PAY TOP PRICES

Grapeland, Texas

# Smith's Drug Store



We know that we cannot continue to increase our business unless we give the people an honest, square deal. It makes no difference whether you buy a cigar or a sponge—a box of fine chocolates or a stick of gum—a man's size fine comb or a brush for baby's silken locks—a glass of soda water or a box of writing paper—we want you to be satisfied so that you will come again. We take a personal interest in our business and in the patronage of our customers. Let this be an urgent, standing request that if any time you feel that the article you bought has not given the full value expected, you will give us the pleasure of personally adjusting your complaint. More we cannot do and we would not do less.

HONESTY AND QUALITY

# The Peoples Drug Store

WADE L. SMITH

## LADIES ARE URGED TO PAY POLL TAX

In a recent letter from Mrs. Hortense Ward of Houston, she requested me to urge the women of Houston county to pay their poll taxes by December 25th.

She advises that several important measures to be settled by ballot, was sure to come before the people, on which the women would like to vote.

But the more important thing is, the poll tax money goes into the general school fund, and is very much needed now.

Some man has made the remark, that if poll tax for women could be marked down from \$1.50 to \$1.49 every woman in the State would try to be the first one at the bargain counter, and the tax collector would do a land office business.

Ladies, let us cease to be a joke for the men, and pay our poll taxes like the loyal patriotic citizens that we are, and help to swell this much needed school fund.

Mrs. John A. McConnell.

## VALUE OF ROAD DRAG

The drag is a simple and inexpensive device for maintaining certain types of roads which when wet become rutted under traffic and which become firm on drying out. It is also well adapted for producing a smooth and uniform surface on newly constructed roads in which the material used for surfacing is earth, earthy gravel, or some similar material. It is essentially a maintenance implement, and its use in construction is distinctly secondary. Roads which are very rocky or very sandy can not be materially improved by its use.

Properly used at the right time the road drag performs four distinct offices. First, by moving at an angle to the traveled way it tends to produce or preserve a crowned cross section. Second, if used when the material of the surface is not compact and hard, it tends to reduce ruts and other irregularities in the road by moving material from points which are relatively high to those which are relatively low.

Third, when used after a rain it accelerates the drying out of the road by spreading out puddles of water and thus increasing the surfaces exposed to evaporation. Fourth, if the surface material is in a slightly plastic state, dragging smears over and partially seals the so-called pores which naturally occur in earthy material, and thus makes the road surface more or less impervious to water. The advantage of this smearing action of the drag will be more readily understood if a sample of ordinary earth is examined under a magnifying glass. Such an examination will show that the earth closely resembles a sponge or honeycomb in structure, and the desirability of closing the open pores will be readily apparent.

If used improperly or at the wrong time, the drag may do actual injury to a road. Dragging a very dry road, for example, serves to increase the quantity of dust and may do additional damage by destroying the seal produced during previous dragging. If, on the other hand, the road is very wet and muddy, the irregularities in the surface are likely to be increased rather than diminished by dragging.

SOME MORE NEWS FROM THE STORE OF

# H. HORWITS PALESTINE, TEXAS

The Trade was here: They looked: They bought: and they saved.

We are receiving large lots of Coats and Suits from all sources, and they are priced to us to close out.

On our files that were received through the mails the past 24 hours are invoices from some of the largest firms in the country. Shipments are being rushed to us in order to have the advantage of securing holiday trade. This week we unpacked about 50 Ladies Coats and a number of Misses and Children Coats. This, in addition to the balance on hand from last week's receipts will make a creditable showing in a city of double the size of Palestine. Come in to see us any time throughout the week. No trouble to show you what we have, and a big opportunity to make from \$10.00 to \$20.00 on the purchase of a Coat or Suit.

Yours very truly,

H. HORWITS

## ITS TOO IMPORTANT DON'T WAIT TILL AFTER CHRISTMAS

Our students are with us from many different states and the majority of them do not go home for the holidays owing to the great distance, therefore, we teach right through the holidays. The sooner you enter, the sooner you will be holding a good position, our school is like a big bank or mercantile establishment, it runs throughout the year, we are always well organized and receiving new business every day. Every student gets individual instruction; he is not held back by slow students, or crowded too fast by bright ones; he goes just as fast as his ability will permit. Should he happen to be slow or backward in his work, he is not embarrassed by others knowing how he is getting along. With our methods of individual instruction, and our own copy-righted systems, we are demonstrating that it is useless to attend a commercial school teaching other systems and requiring from seven to ten months to finish the course, when they can finish with us in half that time at half the cost, be more efficient and get a better position, because of their thorough and extensive training. It is our practical methods, our personal attention and our modern systems that

enable us to accomplish so much in so short a time.

Our literary subjects, which are given free with our courses, are woven into the main courses in such a practical way that they are mastered in half the time required by old methods, and are thoroughly understood from practical application. We guarantee a better course in less time, at a less expense, and a better position than any other school, and it is evident that we have been securing these results or we could not have built up an annual enrollment of more than 3000, and drawn patronage from 39 states and seven foreign countries, and received the approval of the government to train the returning soldiers and sailors.

Write for our large illustrated catalogue; read our unparalleled guarantee of \$100 that every statement made in it is true and correct. Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

Name .....  
Address .....  
Course interested in .....

### POSTED

Hunters are hereby notified not to hunt in my fields  
W. N. Laseter.

### FOR SALE

Ford Roadster in good condition.  
Dr. Stafford.

## RIGHT TO ISSUE

### LICENSE DOUBTED

Austin, Texas, Nov. 30.—Comptroller H. B. Terrell, who has been out of the city for several days, returned this morning and stated that no applications for permits to buy licenses to sell liquors have been filed. The comptroller gave out the following statement:

"The attorneys and courts are so widely at variance as to what the law in this case is, that it is not expected that a layman should know. The attorney general advises that the authority to issue permits by the comptroller has been revoked by the legislature, hence my decision not to issue permits at the present time. I am anxious to know what the law is; then it will be easy for me to follow it."

The attorney general's department has requested the comptroller's department to furnish a list of the holders of unexpired liquor licenses, of which there are about 150, with about 50 of them interterritory outside 10-mile zones. This is construed to mean that the attorney general is preparing to file injunction suits against any liquor dealer who attempts to sell, as he has held these licenses to be cancelled and he has stated that no saloons would be allowed to remain open.

### COMING AGAIN

Dr. French, The Old Reliable And Well Known Optician Of Palestine.

Can be found at the Grapeland Hotel Saturday December 14th. Come early, and avoid the rush.

Dr. French has been serving the people of Grapeland and the country adjacent thereto for a quarter of a century and giving general satisfaction, having but a few complaints and they not serious. The only Optometrist in the country carrying endorsements from his home official both city and county as to his honesty, and reliability. Beware of strangers claiming to be from Ft. Worth, Dallas, etc., etc.

Lots of men don't have to travel very far when they go to the bad.

## DRAFT EVADERS

### MUST PAY PENALTY

Austin, Texas, Nov. 30.—Major John C. Townes, Jr., in charge of the selective draft in Texas, is in receipt of a telegram from Provost Marshal General Crowder advising that the conclusion of the war will not absolve delinquents and draft deserters from criminal prosecution by the federal government. They must be prosecuted, says the provost marshal and United States district attorneys have been instructed to proceed against them wherever apprehended. Thus the coming of peace does not mean peace for the deserter and delinquent. He is to be hunted and punished in the same degree as if the war was on. What this means is easily understood when it is stated, and for the first time, that in Texas alone there were 27,000 persons shown delinquent or deserters by the reports of the selective draft department. Many of them fled to Mexico. Large numbers were Mexicans.

### GOES TO LINDALE

Rev. B. C. Ansley returned Monday from Timpson, where he attended the annual conference of the M. E. Church. Bro. Ansley was transferred to Lindale Station. He has been serving this charge faithfully three years, during which time he made many warm friends, who wish him success in his new work. He carried a good report to conference, every claim made against the charge being paid in full.

Rev. Chas. U. McClarty, who has been pastor of the church at Crockett for three years was made presiding elder of this district.

### TAKEN UP

There is a stray cow at my place, about 2 miles North East from Percilla. Light red about 7 years old, crop off of right ear and upper slope in left ear. Stays in my fields all the time. Owner may get her by paying for my trouble and this ad.

R. J. Gee.

# Automobile Owners! Attention!

When your car gets sick, try the Service Garage.

We are prepared to do all kind of automobile repairing.

We have had several years' experience in the automobile business. Try us.

We carry a complete line of

## Ford Parts

All Work Guaranteed

# Kolb & Ragsdale

Proprietors



**The Thrift Car**  
**Overland**  
TRADE MARK REG

There are five things to consider when you buy a motor car—

*Appearance*  
*Performance*  
*Comfort*  
*Service*  
*Price*

Owners who have bought the Overland Model 90 have not been worried about any of these things.

Remember this when you decide to buy your car.



**J. E. TOWERY**  
CROCKETT, TEXAS

**LETTER TO SANTA CLAUS**

Percilla, Texas, Dec. 2.—Dear Santa: How are you getting along, I hope you are well and if you haven't had the flu take good care of yourself for you might get sick and can't come, I will have a good fire for you. I want you to bring me a large doll, some gloves, painting pencils and bring Hubert a gun and an express wagon, fire crackers and some sparklers, bring Lucilla a doll and a little broom and bring all of us some fruits and candy, nuts and raisins. Hope you will have good weather for Xmas, so good bye.  
Irene Gee.

**NOTICE TAX PAYERS**

Heretofore you have paid your school tax with your county and state tax, but this year we have our own collector—Mr. Paul Kennedy, who will be found at Kennedy Bros. store. We urge that you call on him and pay your school tax, as the money is needed to keep our school going. Please bear in mind that when you pay your county and state tax that your school tax is not paid. One per cent discount will be given on payments during December.  
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W. D. Granberry,  
President Grapeland  
School Board.

Crockett, Texas, Dec. 2, 1918.  
Dear Santa Claus:

I am going to tell you what I want you to bring me Christmas. I want you to bring me a doll trunk or a doll machine, and I want you to bring my sister a doll and bring us both some fruit, candy and fireworks. Be sure and bring my little sister a doll and some fruit and candy. My little sister is a year old and I am 10.  
Vera Jones.

**TEXAS NEWSPAPER IDEAS**

Sovereignty is under every man's hat; that's the Alpha of Americanism, declares the Waco Times-Herald.

Charley Chaplin is married and now a lot of stunts he used to consider funny will be grim realities to Charley, says the San Antonio Light.

The Galveston Tribune thinks that to leave Kaiser Bill in Holland would be to pave the way for "a return from Elba" with a modern setting. And civilization can not afford to take any risks.

With nothing to do at all, no excitement or anything, the lads on what was the firing line need those home comforts the war agencies provide more than when the war was on, reminds the El Paso Herald.

Some people think the advertising in a newspaper is a pick-up for the publisher. While it is a little on the order of preaching—all profit—it takes a little preparation, such as setting the type, making up forms, arranging for paper, etc., before the ads can be used, the same as a preacher's work is all profit after he puts in several years at school, invests all his savings in a swallow-fork coat, standing collars, etc., and works six days of the week figuring up a couple of sermons for the brethren and sisters on the seventh day. It's owing to how you look at it whether advertising and preaching are pick-ups.—Groveton News.

**DANGEROUS EXPERIMENTS**

A man rocked a boat to see if it would tip. It did.

A laborer stepped on a nail to see if it would go through his shoe. It did.

A man looked into the gun to see if it was loaded. It was.

A press hand kept his foot on the treadle to see if it would repeat. It did.

A woman looked into a patent medicine booklet to see if she was sick. She was.

Last June a helper smelled escaping gas and lit a piece of oily waste to find the leak. He found it.

A man failed to order his suit from Clewis—got it elsewhere and it did not fit.

**WANTED TO BUY**

I am in the market for peanuts and peanut hay. If you have any to sell be sure to see me and get my price before you sell.  
J. W. Howard.

When fame comes to the average man it roosts upon his monument.

**COTTON EXCHANGES MAY BE CLOSED**

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 1.—Charles J. Brand, head of the cotton distribution committee, plans immediate action for a more rigid regulations of short selling on the New York and New Orleans cotton exchanges, according to a statement made public here Saturday night by J. J. Brown, president of the cotton States advisory marketing board. More rigid requirements of delivery also will be demanded, the statement said.

"The drop of approximately \$5 a bale in cotton Saturday was without reason and can not be explained as a result of legitimate trading on the basis of supply and demand," according to Mr. Brown's statement, and officers of the marketing board today asked Mr. Brand "that some corrective action be taken by the governmental agency which he held to be in a position to remedy the trouble."

Mr. Brand replied that he would take up tomorrow the question of restrictions on short selling and delivery requirements.

"Unless such rulings are made at once," Mr. Brown said, "we shall insist that the exchanges be closed."

**COTTON REPORT**

There were 24,232 bales of cotton ginned in Houston county from the crop of 1918, prior to November 14, 1918, as compared with 29,986 bales ginned to November 14, 1917.

**FOR SALE**

100 acres good upland, small improvements, 5 miles south of Crockett, 1 mile of switch. Small cash payment and easy terms on balance. Will consider good 5-passenger car as first payment. See me this week.  
Nat Patton,  
Crockett, Texas.

Symptoms of kidney disease should receive instant attention, as neglect is dangerous. If your back aches or you have trouble with the urine, begin taking Prickly Ash Bitters. It is a dependable kidney remedy. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Wade L. Smith, special agent.

We are glad to report that Dave Leaverton is gradually improving and we hope he will soon be able to be out. Mr. Leaverton has been real sick for several weeks, being a victim of influenza, which was followed by pneumonia.

**A VALUABLE LESSON**

"Now, little boys," said a Sunday school teacher as he beamed at the little faces before him, "what lesson can we learn from the busy, busy bee?"

"I know, said Tommy.  
"Yes, Tommy," said the kindly faced man, "and what is it."  
Promptly said Tommy: "Not to get stung."

**MARKETING EGGS**

Market white-shelled and brown-shelled eggs in separate packages.

Ship or deliver eggs at least twice or three times weekly.

Small or dirty eggs should be used at home.

When taking eggs to market they should be protected from the sun's rays.

Infertile eggs will withstand marketing conditions much better than fertile eggs.

**STYLES ABOUT THE SAME**

If Eve came back to the world today,

After being away this many a year,

She'd probably turn to Adam and say,

"The styles haven't changed very much my dear."

**PROLONGING HUMAN LIFE**

In the effort to lengthen the span of human existence care should be taken and precaution used in the care of the body as you would a valuable piece of machinery :: ::

**See Us For Drugs**

All kinds of Toilet Preparations  
Sundries of all kinds :: :: ::

**D. N. LEAVERTON**  
**The Leading Druggist**

**LOCAL NEWS**

Renew your subscription.

Darsey pays cash for chickens, eggs, butter and other produce.

Ney Sheridan and family of Crockett visited here Sunday.

Valuable premiums given away free at Darsey's.

Read our advertisement on the local page this week. McLean & Riall.

You get real values in furniture and stoves at Darsey's.

A goose that lays the golden egg has no chance with a hog.

Read how to get A DOLLAR for your old shoes at McLean & Riall's.

Darsey's Anniversary Sale will save you money on furniture.

Send in your subscription now and live happy the rest of the year.

Attractive prices at McLean & Riall's on a variety of merchandise. Read the ad in this week's paper.

Rain and influenza are bad competitors but the low prices are drawing big crowd to the Anniversary sale at Darsey's.

Cleve Sadler has returned home from an army camp in Maryland, having received an honorable discharge.

O. Caskey and family have moved to town and are occupying the residence recently purchased from Robt. Bobbitt.

You can save from \$2.50 to \$10 on that cook stove by buying at Darsey's.

Miss Ona Lundy of Lovelady is visiting relatives in Grapeland this week.

Original Hiwaiian music at the high school auditorium Wednesday night, December 11.

S. H. Lively has sold his interest in the merchantile firm of Lively Bros. to L. F. Lively, and the firm is now known as Lively & Lively.

Paul Weisinger was in town Wednesday morning after medicine, Mrs. Weisinger and one of the children being sick with influenza.

The best lyceum attraction of the season is the Hiwaiians. Don't fail to hear them Wednesday night, December 11, at the auditorium.

Rev. G. H. Farmer, who has recently been called to the pastorate of the Christian church, spent several days here this week, and will fill his appointment Sunday.

**TAKEN UP**

Two red sow shoates about 6 months old. The owner will please call and get them and pay cost. C. T. Stockbridge, Route 1.

**KENNEDY BROTHERS**  
**4 - DAY SPECIALS**

We are going to offer for the next four days the **GREATEST VALUES** and **BARGAINS** that was ever offered in the town of Grapeland. Look them over and come to see us. We will be glad to wait on you.

**PEPPERELL SHEETING**

When you want the best for the least money come and see us. Pepperell Sheeting that every one sells on sales for 62½ a yard, our price. . . . . **55c**

**COTTON FLANNEL**

We offer you the best grade of Cotton Flannel that 30c can buy for only. . . . . **20c**

**CHEVIOTS**

We offer you for these four days the very best Cheviot that sells for 25c & 30c these four days. . . . . **20c**

**GINGHAMS**

You will find our extra good 25c values of Gingham that we are offering for this special at only. . . . . **15c**

**BLEACHING**

You must not fail to see this Bleaching 36 inches wide and extra good value at 25c only. . . . . **15c**

**LADIES' COLLARS**

We have on display a beautiful line of Ladies' Collars that are the season latest for 50c to \$2.50. Call and look them over.

**LADIES' COAT SUITS**

1 Ladies' Coat Suit that sold for \$25.00, in this special for . . . . . **\$18.00**

**SHOP NOW**

You will find many other things at our place for your Christmas shopping and at prices that will please you. Do your Christmas shopping early while you can get what you want.

**NECK WEAR**

You will find the largest assortment of newest Neck Wear that was ever shown in the town, prices from. . . **50c to 75c**

**MEN'S PANTS**

You must be sure to see the good values that we are offering in Men's Pants at this time. Priced from \$1.75 to \$4.50 the strongest line of wash Pants in America. **SEE THEM.**

**BOY'S CLOTHING**

You had better see the good prices made on these Boy's Suits for the next few days. Our regular \$12.50 Suits for \$9.50, our \$10.00 Suits for . . . . . **\$7.90**

**OVERALLS**

You will find at our place the best Overall that \$2.50 will buy anywhere. We are making a special price of only **\$2.00** **GIVE ONLY THE THINGS THAT ARE USEFUL**

You'll find this store a good place to come for the things men want; for the things they buy for themselves.

Our name in any article is a sign of quality; it means that whoever gets your gift will have respect for your taste.

- Here Are Some Suggestion:**  
Handkerchiefs Silk Hosiery  
Belts Shirts  
Collars Neckwear  
Underwear Caps  
Gloves Hats

Hart Schaffner & Marx ulsters, fur coats, Chesterfields, box coats. Hart Schaffner & Marx suits for business men, young men.

This country has a lot to be thankful for this Christmas; but thoughts of our boys away from home and of those who wont come back should make us all prety serious; no one is going to feel like giving and doing useless things this Christmas.

Make our store your headquarters when in town and if you need merchandise we are in a position to save you money on your purchases

**KENNEDY BROTHERS**  
**THE STORE FOR EVERYBODY**

You can get cash for your eggs at Darsey's.

The hit of the season will be the Hiwaiians December 11.

Butter brings money at Darsey's.

When a busy man has leisure he always does some other kind of work.

Misses Alma and Mary Belle Howard were pleasant visitors to the Messenger office Wednesday.

McLean & Riall are "pulling" a unique shoe stunt for next Friday and Saturday. Read about it in their page ad of this issue.

Oscar Beazley and family of Oklahoma spent several days in the Reynard community this week visiting relatives and friends.

Don't buy your furniture until you get prices from Darsey's.

Business is a mantle that covers a multitude of queer transactions.

Miss Mary McLean of Crockett was the week end guest of Misses Eula Mae and Lucretia Riall.

Your cash register checks are redeemable with useful and valuable premiums at Darsey's during the big Anniversary Sale.

Drs. Chas. C. Hill and Sam Kennedy arrived home Monday from Ft. Riley, Kan., having been honorably discharged by the government. We understand that Dr. Kennedy will leave in a few days for Chicago to take a post-graduate course.

**THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT**

The American government is made up of three separate and distinct departments, the legislative, the executive and the judicial. The duties of one department can not be overtaken by either or both of the other departments. The purpose of this was to hold the government within prescribed bounds. Merge the departments and there would be no limit to unholy ambition. We see the wisdom of the framers of the American government by contrast with Germany and Austria as revealed these past four years. It were impossible to conform our system to that of England, for the reason, as Mr. Gladstone pointed out, England has a king to fall back on, while we are wholly dependent on our constitution, and once we for-

**Catarrh Cannot Be Cured** with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions, and in order to cure it you must take an internal remedy. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Hall's Catarrh Cure was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years. It is composed of some of the best tonics known, combined with some of the best blood purifiers. The perfect combination of the ingredients in Hall's Catarrh Cure is what produces such wonderful results in catarrhal conditions. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. All Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

sake that, we are completely lost. Mr. Borah has well said that ours is the only real republic ever on the face of the earth, and hence the imperative necessity, if we would enjoy freedom of holding fast to the original pattern.—Waco Times-Herald.

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