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SEASONABLE HINTS



We Suggest Early Christmas Shopping

There is a great deal of satisfaction in buying your dry goods from us, and we have prepared to supply your Christmas gift goods; especially presents you want to give that will be useful and will be appreciated

For Father, Son or Brother:

A nice suit of clothes, from \$5.00 to.....	15.00
An overcoat, prices from \$7.50 to.....	15.00
A pair of Kelley-Buckley shoes.....	3.50
A nice pair of dress gloves, 1.00 to.....	1.50
Iron-Clad Hose in silk or mercerized, per pair 25c and.....	50c
A beautiful tie 25c to.....	50c

We are showing some sets of ties, hose and belts at a price of 50c to.....	1.25
See them	
A pair of one-piece, pure pearl cuff buttons, per pair 25c and..	50c
We suggest a half dozen linen handkerchiefs for father, son or brother each.....	15c

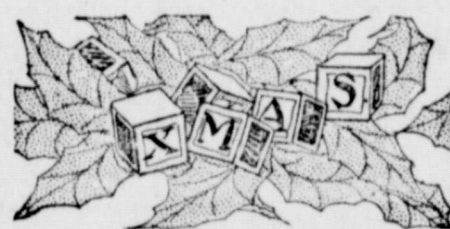
For Mother, Sister or Daughter:

A nice coat suit, from 6.00 to.....	15.00
A nice 3-4 length coat or a long pony skin coat at 4.49 to	13.50

Buy mother or daughter a nice pair of Selby shoes for Xmas.	
Iron-Clad Hose in silk and mercerized, per pair 25c and.....	50c
Pretty silk scarfs, prices from 25c to.....	1.50
Something new in belts and sashes, 50c to.....	2.00
We are showing ladies house shoes in all colors, prices per pair 1.25 to.....	1.35
They make useful presents	
A nice leather lined purse at 1.25 to.....	2.00
would be nice	
The latest thing in lace collars 35c to.....	50c
See our line of ladies linen handkerchiefs, each.....	25c

From this date until January 1 we will make special prices on any item of winter merchandise to make our invoice as light as possible for the first of January. It will pay you to see us before making your purchases, for WE WILL SAVE YOU MONEY.

KENNEDY BROTHERS THE STORE FOR EVERYBODY



ECHOES OF OUR 'POSSUM WALK

MANY INTERESTING ITEMS CLIPPED FROM THE MESSENGER'S EXCHANGES

Quite a number of our citizens visited the possum barbecue at Grapeland last Friday. All report a nice time.—Elkhart Record.

Grapeland's 'Possum Trot' was the most unique affair ever pulled off in the state. Two hundred 'possums' marched in line and not one of them sulked.—State Topics, Houston.

Grapeland's "Possum Walk" was a grand success, and the novel entertainment was enjoyed by thousands of visitors as well as homefolks. Let us hope for another celebration next year.—Lovely Light.

Cuero has an annual turkey trot, and Grapeland has come to the forefront with the newest—a 'possum trot. The next thing in order now is for some place to inaugurate a grasshopper hop.—Timpson Times.

Grapeland has broken into all of the big papers, as a result of its recent 'possum trot, and its name is now known all around the circle as the town that put something new into the gaiety of nations.—Palestine Herald.

Grapeland pulled off a new stunt last week, by having a 'Possum Walk. Now we have heard of the Grizzly Bear, Tango, Turkey Trot and many other dances,

but this 'Possum Walk is a new one on us.—Livingston Enterprise.

Grapeland pulled off a very successful "Possum Trot" last week, and there were thousands present. The next day the little animals were barbecued and a great crowd was present to participate in the feast.—Lufkin News.

Grapeland had a Possum Trot last week in which two hundred possums took part. Some of them wanted to sulk when the parade started, but they soon got in line and performed their part in a creditable manner. Cuero has made a success of her annual turkey trot, but it takes Southeast Texas to furnish the possums.—League City News.

Cuero put on the turkey trot and made herself famous, Grapeland put on the 'possum walk and derived considerable notoriety, and Jacksonville observed Good Roads Days in a creditable manner and accomplished much good and received much comment. It is now up to Palestine and Tyler to wake up and do something to get on the map. The world is looking out for towns that have the get up and go and the slow towns will have a hard time staying in the race

if they go it "rabbit fashion."—Jacksonville Reformer.

Grapeland pulled off her "Possum Walk" on Wednesday and Cuero had her turkey trot last week. We will try and see if we can't get up some kind of a stunt for our town.—Harlingen Star.

That is the way to take Harlingen off the map and put it in the people's heads. A town or city needs a trademark as urgently as does any commodity and a nickname that describes some quality peculiar to the town draws to that place those who are partial to the thing in which the town specializes. An opposum enthusiast would be more likely to go to Grapeland than anywhere else and a turkey lover would repair to Cuero. Every town should specialize in the best it has, give that a name and make the dot on the map mean something.—State Press, Galveston News.

Without intending to discredit press reports that the 'Possum Walk at Grapeland was a decided success, we would like to be enlightened on the method adopted to make them walk. The 'possums we trained with on the Leon and Lampasas were never known to walk when captured, but devoted their entire time and energies to imitating a dead one until your attention was called from them for a brief second, when they immediately vanished in very thin air. The Bell county brand resorted to a trick worth two of walking by laying down

on the job and passing up to you to leave or tote them.—Houston Post.

Crockett was well represented at the Grapeland possum parade and Masonic cornerstone laying. If there is anything but the best of feeling, as some would have you believe, existing between Grapeland and Crockett business people, there was no evidence of it on either one of those days. In fact, there has never been any ill feeling at this end of the line and the Courier knows of no reason why there should be any at the other end. But back to the possum parade. It was a very creditable affair and unique in its nature. Poultry wire netting kept the possums in line and several hundred of them were turned loose to perambulate the business section of the town. Grapeland has become famous by her possum parade. The laying of the Masonic cornerstone was an interesting event of the last day. The Courier editor regrets that, on account of other engagements, he was unable to be present.—Crockett Courier.

The paragrapher in the Galveston News in eulogizing the "possum walk" which occurred at Grapeland a few days ago, said in part: "Most possums scratch their way up trees, come down when they (the trees) are shaken and fight dogs." Now as we realize that the News man must have been deprived of the privilege of studying possumology from close quarters, we will

let him down light, but gently remind him that we have shaken many a leaf and branch from a tree, only to see mister possum's tail-hold tighten, and as to fighting dogs, why they "possum."—Bronson Light.

Those possums wooed by the gentle editor of the Bronson Light in the forest nocturnal, not to say primeval, are not the proper sort of possums at all, and State Press declines to have anything to do with them. Any possum that will play dead and refuse to fight is a very inferior sort of possum, lacking in the dignity of gentlepossumliness. State Press will not deny that some possums play possum, but they do it merely occasionally, that is to say, they play at it, but do not make a business of it. It may be that the benighted possums in the vicinity of Bronson are addicted to such low habits and if so State Press washes his hands of them.—State Press, Galveston News.

Grapeland, a town as enterprising as any you would care to find in the progressive state of Texas, has just foisted a great joke and, as the saying goes, "got away with it." It was a joke at which everybody laughed, of which no one was the butt—but the last laugh will tintinnabulate in Grapeland. Strange as it may seem, and contrary to the declaration of King Solomon,

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THE DEVIL'S PARAGRAPHS

JOHN R. OWENS, EDITOR

A man ceases to be a man when he is drunk

Some girls are so fond of sports that they are foolish enough to marry them.

Of course a fellow ought to keep a secret, but he ought not to be blamed for telling just one if he has a hundred or more in his care.

When you see a man who is loyal to his home paper you will see a man who is loyal to his town and who works for its up-building.

Gabe Toots sez: "Take a little walk down their street and you can see day by day that their wimmenfolks has swapped off a little more self-respect for some more style."

Just because some men who are now rich had to borrow money to obtain their marriage license isn't any reason that it should be practiced now, on account of the high cost of living.

"President Wilson's smile has been put in storage and will be kept sealed for one hundred years," reads a news item in a daily paper. Of course he can do without it as long as Mexico continues to act ugly, but he will need it again when the war is over.

The "Devil" omitted his paragraphs last week on account of not being fully recovered from the effects of the "Possum Walk."

Mrs. Pankhurst was arrested immediately after she returned to England. We imagine she will stay in America longer the next time she pays us a visit.

Central Texas has suffered a great loss of property and lives. How thankful the people of East Texas should be that they have never had such a disaster befall them.

A clean up day is needed in Grapeland. After advertising the town as we have it is our duty to clean it up and keep it clean. Why let it get filthy and invite sickness?

Grapeland has a hog law, but only those who have been living here a long time know it. A stranger would not believe it if you told him, as the evidence would give him a good reason to doubt it.

A fellow enjoys running his credit alright, but he feels lots better after settling up his debts. So bring in the dollar you owe for the Messenger, and see if it doesn't make you feel better.

Thanksgiving and Christmas come so close together that you hardly have time to recover from the effects of the Thanksgiving turkey until the Christmas turkey's gobble is heard in the barn yard.

The Bonham Favorite asks: "What has become of the old fashioned ham sandwich that used to contain a slice of ham?"

It has been replaced by the new sandwich, which is made hamless.

When a young man tells a girl that he is not worthy of her she usually marries him for the purpose of proving to his own satisfaction that he told the truth. —Chicago Daily News.

It is easy to tell whether a man is dead broke or has plenty of money by the expression on his face when some charity worker asks him for a little donation.

When children cough a great deal it is time to take notice or something serious will develop. A few doses of Ballard's Horebound Syrup may ward off a spell of sickness. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by A. S. Porter. Adv.

For Sale

Two desirable corner lots in Sycamore Addition. Three new residences have been completed near them. For price and terms apply to JNO. R. OWENS.

California Woman Seriously Alarmed

"A short time ago I contracted a severe cold which settled on my lungs and caused me a great deal of annoyance. I would have had coughing spells and my lungs were so sore and inflamed I began to be seriously alarmed. A friend recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, saying she had used it for years. I bought a bottle and it relieved my cough the first night, and in a week I was rid of the cold and soreness of my lungs," writes Miss Marie Gerber, Sawtelle, Cal. For sale by all dealers. adv

Land For Sale

We have several thousand acres of cut-over land that is now being offered to actual settlers at low prices and on liberal terms. Will sell in tracts of forty acres or more. Located in Cherokee County and within one hour to two hours drive of Alto, the best market in East Texas. Good farms all around our lands and schools and churches nearby.

Write us what you want and we will give you full description, prices and terms. Blount-Decker Lumber Co., Adv. Alto, Texas.

How To Bankrupt The Doctors

A prominent New York physician says, "If it were not for the thin stockings and thin soled shoes worn by women the doctors would probably be bankrupt." When you contract a cold do not wait for it to develop into pneumonia but treat it at once. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is intended especially for coughs and colds, and has won a wide reputation by its cures of these diseases. It is most effectual and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers. Adv.

Notice

All children coming to the shop during the week can have their hair cut for 25c, on Saturdays 35c. Come in the week and save the dime. J. W. Caskey. (Advertisement.)

Purify the sewers of the body and stimulate the digestive organs to maintain health, strength and energy. Prickly Ash Bitters is a tonic for the kidneys, liver, stomach and bowels. A. S. Porter, Special Agent. Adv.



IMPORTANT Announcement

To Our Customers and the General Public:

Beginning January 1, 1914, the following prices will prevail:

Loin and round Steak, per lb. . 17c

Chuck, per lb. 16c

Roast, per lb. 13c

This slight advance in price is due to the continued increase in the price of cattle.

THE CITY MEAT MARKET

J. B. LIVELY, Proprietor.

BOTH PHONES.

FREE DELIVERY

HORSES and MULES



Another Car Load Just Received.
Be Sure to Look them Over
Before you Buy

Calhoun & Leaverton

HERBINE For the Bowels

A Cure for Chronic Constipation, Torpid Liver and Irregular Bowel Movements.

Constipation is the most common disorder of the bowels. It affects both sexes and all ages but is more prevalent among women because their duties in the household require less physical exercise than the occupations of men; therefore women suffer most from its baneful effect.

A constipated person is an easy victim when exposed to any serious disease—Pneumonia, Typhoid Fever, Malaria, Rheumatism, Small Pox, Yellow Fever and Bright's Disease gather their annual harvest of death among those who are habitually constipated. Even though they escape these diseases, such persons are always ailing more or less. They have headaches, bad digestion, dizziness, vertigo (blind staggers), tallow complexion, flatulence, loss of strength; and no energy at all. Herbine has a most admirable effect in the bowels; it is cooling, purifying and regulating. It puts a prompt check on biliousness, wind in the bowels, nervousness, heartburn, bad breath, low spirits, drowsiness in the daytime and nervous wakefulness at night.

Price 50c per Bottle.

JAMES F. BALLARD PROPRIETOR ST. LOUIS, MO.

For Weak Sight or Sore Eyes, use Stephens Eye Salve. It cures.

SOLD AND RECOMMENDED BY

A. S. PORTER, DRUGGIST

HIGH QUALITY AND Low Prices At Wherry's

I still have some of the goods left that I bought for about half their real value. It will pay you to come and select what you need in that line.

Prices reduced on everything in Shoes, Dry Goods and notions. Special low prices on sweaters. Men's, Ladies' and Children's sweaters going at a BARGAIN.

If you need any domestic, gingham or outing, don't buy until you see me. 10 per cent reduction on all dress goods.

Remember that these prices are not given to reduce too large a stock. Neither are they given for your special benefit. I am doing this because I think it will help me in my business. It is up to you to take advantage of these low prices:

Take your time, don't rush. This is not one of the 10 day sales that are so often pulled off in Grapeland.

These prices will continue as long as I think it is paying me to continue them.

W. R. Wherry

"Quick Sales, Small Profits and the Golden Rule Applied to Business"

J. W. CASKEY
TONSORIAL ARTIST

Your Business will be Appreciated

Shop in Lively building just around the corner off Main st. Laundry basket leaves Wednesday and returns Saturday

PORTER'S
Drug Store

AGENT

Galveston Daily and Semi-Weekly Farm News.
Houston Daily Post and Semi-Weekly Farm and Fireside.
RENEW WITH US



Only 12 Shopping Days Until Christmas

Do You Realize that it is so Near?

Yet your Christmas shopping troubles will be few if you will only come to the VARIETY STORE to do your gift buying.

The good part about coming here is that you can buy every present you need at such a saving in the total cost.

We have toys and play-things for the little folks and a large variety of gifts for grown-ups. You can go through the store and "load up" for the entire family and the friends you want to remember.

In addition to this, we carry a large line of fruit, all kinds of nuts and the famous "Red Band" Candies.

We have plenty of fire-works.

Please give us a call and let us show you through. You will readily see the advantage of shopping here.

The Variety Store

"The Place Where You Can Buy Most Anything."

ABSTRACTS

You can not 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
CROCKETT, TEXAS

Unclog the Liver Headache Goes

To put your upset liver in fine shape, to drive poisonous waste from bowels and cure constipation use

HOT SPRINGS LIVER BUTTONS

from the famous Hot Springs, Ark. Take one each night for a few days; you'll eat better, work better, sleep better, your eyes will brighten and your skin grow clearer. 25 cents.

Free sample LIVER BUTTONS and booklet about the famous Hot Springs. Rheumatism remedy and Hot Springs Blood Remedy at

A. S. PORTER

CHILDREN CRY

Frequently and for no apparent reason when they have worms.

WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE

is the remedy needed.

It destroys and removes worms, strengthens the stomach and restores healthy conditions. A few doses brings back rosy cheeks, vigor and cheerfulness.

Price 25c per Bottle.
Jas. F. Ballard, Prop., St. Louis, Mo.

SOLD AND RECOMMENDED BY

A. S. PORTER.

Dr. Sam Kennedy PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON

Office in Leaverton's Drug Store
Main Street

Don't forget to use a little Prickly Ash Bitters whenever the stomach or bowels are disordered. It quickly corrects such troubles and makes you feel bright and cheerful. A. S. Porter, Special Agent. Adv.

ASK YOUR DRUGGIST ABOUT IT

There is a New Remedy that Takes The Place of Calomel. Recommended and Guaranteed By the Druggists

Porter's drug store never sold a remedy that gave more satisfaction than Dodson's Liver Tone—a mild vegetable remedy for constipation, sour stomach and lazy liver.

Folks who have suffered for years rather than resort to dangerous calomel have found after one trial that this pleasant-tasting vegetable liquid gives them a long sought relief without bad after-effects.

Dodson's Liver Tone is guaranteed by Porter's drug store to be a safe liver stimulant and to be absolutely harmless—without bad after-effects. You will find many persons in this locality who have tried it and every user will speak a good word for Dodson's Liver Tone. It livens up a torpid liver and makes you feel fresh, healthy and clean.

The price of a large bottle is 50 cents—money back if not pleased. The success of Dodson's Liver Tone has brought many medicines into the field that imitate its claims, and some have name very similar and package same color, but remember Dodson's Liver Tone is guaranteed by Porter's drug store and they will give you back your money if you want it. Adv.

"Doctor" M. L. Clewis, Clothes Specialist. All troubles of any kind of wearing apparel carefully treated. Give him a trial. adv.

A bad liver robs you of energy, strength and ambition; you feel half-sick all the time and, moreover, you are an easy mark for pneumonia, chills, yellow fever, typhoid fever, or some other serious disease. You need a good liver tonic and regulator and Herbine fills the bill completely. Try it: You can't help noticing how quickly you feel its beneficial effect. Price 50c. Sold by A. S. Porter. Adv.

Stating Facts In Advertising

A newspaper is no stronger than it's weakest advertisement and an ad should be no better than the goods it describes. The buying public is only interested in facts, and exaggerations should be eliminated from all advertising copy. The person who takes time to read the ads of a paper seeks only store news. He has no desire for fiction but is interested only in sound business arguments. To prepare convincing ads the writer must believe in the article advertised. He must be a little better convinced of the merits of the product than the customer who merely buys and uses it.

This is the platform of the merchants who occupy advertising space in this paper. They have confidence in themselves and their business. Their only weapon of attack on the consumer's buying desire is sincerity. For store news replete with business facts pursue the ads of this issue.—W. Holt Harris.

A coated tongue, foul breath and clogged condition in the bowels suggests the use of Prickly Ash Bitters. It is just suited for such ailments. A. S. Porter, Special Agent. Adv.

Rev. J. F. Cagle and family left Tuesday morning for Bay City, where they will reside in the future. During his stay among us as pastor of the Christian church, Bro. Cagle, and his family, made many warm friends who regret very much to see them leave. Our best wishes go with them.

The cold snap Monday morning no doubt was the cause of the death of many fat porkers, and now the folks will enjoy some good old sausage.

EVERYTHING SHE WANTED



In the Spirit of Christmas Jollity

By
S. E. KISER

Many a woman is known by the Christmas presents she takes back to be exchanged.

If there is a Christmas season in heaven the department store clerk will hardly want to go there.

The woman who looks for the price mark on her present generally gets mad if she finds it.

A good thing about some Christmas presents is that they don't last more than a day or two.

People who put off buying things they really need until after Christmas hardly ever find them in their stockings.

Some people don't permit their children to believe in Santa Claus because they selfishly want all the credit themselves.

If Santa Claus were a woman Christmas would always have to be postponed for a few days while she administered the finishing touches.

Lucky Givers.
With happy hearts some people give
And never mind the price;
They know the gifts they will receive
Are sure to be as nice.

A Warning to Liars.
"What was the happiest moment of your life, dear?" she asked.
"It was when you said yes, darling," he replied.
She sighed and permitted her cheek to rest against his breast for a long time. Then she said:
"Harry, do you remember that diamond ring we looked at in Blazem's? I was there yesterday and they had it still. What a splendid Christmas present it would make."
After he had reached the next room he whispered to himself:
"That's always the way. Never told a lie in my life without having immediate cause to be sorry for it."

Why the Colonel Gave It Up.
"Colonel," said the beautiful grass widow, "why is it you so strongly object to the exchanging of Christmas presents?"
"I'll tell you," he replied. "I used to be as crazy as other people over the sending of gifts. There was a girl that I thought a good deal of in

those days, and a sister of mine who had been married only a couple of years was made glad by the arrival of a little one only about a month before Christmas. I thought a nice present for her would be a book on the care and nursing of infants. So I bought it. At the same time I bought a very handsome volume of poems for the girls."
"Yes?"
"They got mixed. I believe this Christmas present business is all foolishness."



Candor.

"If I were to catch you under the mistletoe would you try to get away?"
"Of course I should—but I feel almost sure that I should not succeed."
—S. E. Kiser.



An Exchange.

"What did your mistress give you for Christmas?"
"A box of cheap handkerchiefs."
"What did you give her?"
"A week's notice."



A Lucky Man.

He sees the sun through spreading rifts,
He hears the wind sing songs of cheer,
His wife will buy no Christmas gifts
And have them charged to him this year.



FAIR WARNING TO SANTA CLAUS.
There ain't no Santa Claus, I guess, or if there is, why he

Don't know so very much about book-keepin', seems to me.
I ast him fer some rabbits and a pair of skates one year,
And all he left was nothin' but a little sister here.

And last year when I wrote to him I said I'd like a sled
And one of these here spaniel dogs that's kind of brownish red;
But blame the luck, I didn't git a solitary thing
Except a cap and overcoat and plated napkin ring.

I've wrote him this year that I want a hook-and-ladder truck
And magic lantern and a goat that I can train to buck,
And mebbe a four-bladed knife, if he has one to spare,
But I've told him plain and honest that I don't want things to wear.

I'll try to keep be-levin' till he comes a round once more,
But he's got to do much better than he ever done before;
If he brings another sister in the place of what I'd like,
Why, I'll quit be-levin' in him from that minute, the old Ike!



THURSDAY, DEC. 11, 1913

Grapeland welcomes the visitor and extends the glad hand to new comers.

The floods of the Brazos and Colorado rivers and their tributaries is something appalling. The loss of life will be heavy and the damage to property will run into millions.

Why is it that people will live in such districts as those now flooded, and risk their lives and the loss of their property, when this and other sections of East Texas are the veritable Paradise of the universe and above the high water mark?

If you intend to pay your poll tax, why go ahead and pay it. If you keep putting it off the time will slip by and you'll be left out in the cold. The tax collector will be here tomorrow and next day, and it will afford you a splendid opportunity to perform this patriotic duty.

Frank Leaverton and A. B. Spence, who attended the Masonic Grand Lodge in Waco, returned home Saturday night. They were in the flooded district about Waco and report conditions in a bad way. They were delayed getting home on account of the crippled conditions of the railroads.

County Clerk O. C. Goodwin was mingling with his Grapeland friends Saturday, and paid the Messenger force an appreciated visit. Mr. Goodwin was elated over that part of the finance committee's report, which gave him a "clean bill of health." Mr. Goodwin has made us a good and efficient clerk, and we feel sure the people will be slow to let him go.

Rub the joints with Ballard's Snow Liniment to relieve rheumatism. It penetrates the flesh to the bone conveying its soothing and restorative influence to the spot where the pain exists. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by A. S. Porter, Adv.

Pure and unadulterated china—rings like a new dollar—at the Variety Store. You can't beat it in price and the very thing to give "her" for Christmas. Adv.

S. J. Stanford is again mingling with his many Grapeland friends, after having spent a month in a hospital at Beaumont, where he was operated on for gall-stone. Mr. Stanford was stricken while in the "big thicket" on a hunting trip with a party of Grapeland people.

G. W. Johnston returned last Thursday night from St. Jo, Mo., where he had been looking after some business matters. Mr. Johnston formerly lived at that place. He also informed us that he made arrangements to greatly increase the capacity of his sawmill, and make some improvements; also that two other parties would be interested with him in the manufacture of lumber.

The Possum Walk
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Grapeland found something new—but under the moon, and not the sun. Grapeland found the "possum walk." Now this is contrary to the habits of the possum—most possums scratch their ways up trees, come down when they (the trees) are shaken and then fight dogs. Walking is diametrically opposed to all this. It has never been denied that possums could almost talk. Take a Texas possum and garnish him properly with Texas "yaller yams" and that possum will appeal to you with the diction of Demosthenes. But a possum walk! The subject was gently broached. "It can not be done," was the response. "You may talk of a turkey trot, like Cuero's, but a possum walk is ridiculous. A possum is not a stately animal at all and it will not walk." But Grapeland was the town that put the polish in the possum. Its enterprising citizens hiked forth in the stilly night and when they returned, Lo! Ten score possums dangled at their belts. There were mutterings of disbelief and yammerings of ridicule, but the possum walk directors blandly continued fattening the parade. When the parade stalked through Grapeland's streets it was as fat a parade as any you might yearn to behold; it fairly wobbled! That was the first day, and the disbelievers came, saw and were conquered. It was whispered about that the parade was to fulfill its mundane mission on the morrow. The news of this went through the land and when the

day of sacrifice came there was not enough rain in the heavens to dampen the ardor of that crowd who were determined to see the end of that parade, long as it was, though Jupiter Pluvius poured down bucketfuls upon their heads. Grapeland has found something new.—Galveston News, Sunday, Nov. 30th.

NEWS FROM OAK GROVE

(Delayed)
Nov. 30.—There was a good rain fell in this community yesterday, which put the ground in good shape for plowing. There isn't much farm work being done in this community yet.

Rev. J. F. Lively preached a fine sermon here today. A very good congregation was out to hear him. The Sunday School at this place is doing fairly well.

Mr. S. H. Willis and family of Malakoff came in Friday to visit his brother-in-law, S. T. Parker and family. Mr. Willis has purchased land west of Elkhart and will make that country his home. Mr. Willis formerly lived in this county and moved to Henderson County six years ago.

We noticed several of the young folks from New Prospect community at church today. Among them were Lenard Parker, Joe and John Hudson, also Hooker Brown of Livelyville.

We had a good acorn crop and then if the Editor can get away from the "Devil" he has an invitation to come over and help eat spare-ribs and back-bone.
OLD TIMER.

Our Big Unloading Sale

Is still going on and hundreds of people are taking advantage of the low prices we have put on our stock in order to UNLOAD it.

Staple Dry Goods

- 10c dress gingham per yd. 8¹/₂c
- 10c extra heavy outing, per yd. 8¹/₂c
- 10c quality cotton flannel per yd. 8¹/₂c
- 12 1-2c quality cotton flannel 10c
- 10c cotton checks for 8¹/₂c
- 6c cotton checks for 5c
- 10c quality brown domestic 8c
- 9c quality brown domestic 7c
- 7 1-2c quality brown domestic 6c
- 6c quality brown domestic 5c
- 20c quality feather tick for 16²/₃c
- 16c quality feather tick for 12¹/₂c
- 10c mattress tick for 8c
- 10-4 Pepperell Sheeting for 22c
- 20c Genuine Meritas Oil Cloth 17c
- All Standard brand calicos per yd. 5c

Grocery Department

- We are offering you prices that can not be beat.
- 21 lbs. Standard granulated cane sugar 1.00
 - 7 lbs. good green coffee for 1.00
 - 6 lbs. good roasted coffee 1.00
 - 8 bars Clairette soap for 25c
 - 4 cans Giant Lye for 25c
 - 4 cans Good Luck Baking Powder 25c
 - 7 boxes Battle Axe Soda for 25c
 - 4 boxes Arm & Hammer Soda 25c
 - 1.00 bucket coffee for 75c
 - 7 boxes Gold Dust for 25c
 - 1 can Airo Syrup for 50c
 - 1 sk. High Patent flour for 1.25
 - 1 sk. Extra High Patent flour, every sack guaranteed 1.35
 - 1 box New Club Shells for 40c
 - 1 box Smokeless Shells for 60c
 - 20 lbs. good rice for 1.00

Traylor Bros.

"Keep the Price Down"



Big Xmas at Keeland Bros.!

Over 10,000 Xmas Presents to be Sold!



A present for every member of the family at Sale Prices!

Everything in the house to go in this Sale!
KEELAND BROTHERS

Booth Lowery

Noted Lecturer

Second Number of the Lyceum Course, will be at the

School Auditorium Friday Night, Dec 12

"A humorist who is not coarse;
A Satirist who is not crude;
A scientist who is not tedious;
An orator who is not Sophomoric."

Adults 50c. Children 35c

LOCAL NEWS

Plenty brick at Darsey's.

Read Wherry's ad on page 2. (Advertisement.)

See those nobby fall samples at Clewis' tailor shop. adv.

Drop in at Wherry's and get your money's worth. Adv.

Just arrived, one car of cypress shingles at \$1.75 per thousand. Adv. T. H. Leaverton Lbr Co.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Moore of Crockett visited in Grapeland this week.

Hulls and meal are POSITIVELY CASH—NO CREDIT. Don't ask it. J. W. Howard. adv

Cypress shingles, \$1.75 per thousand. Let us show them to you. Adv. T. H. Leaverton Lbr. Co.

Mrs. Geo. E. Darsey and Misses Mary Lou and Lucindy spent the week-end with relatives and friends in Crockett.

Car of brick at Darsey's.

Don't forget that good flour at Wherry's. Adv.

Ladies' work a specialty. adv Clewis, the Tailor.

Get Darsey's prices on brick.

Misses Edna and Fannie Driskell spent Sunday in Crockett.

We will deliver meat every morning. Phone us your orders. Adv. J B Lively.

M. E. Darsey, O. W. Davis and A. S. Porter spent Sunday in Crockett.

For the highest quality and the lowest prices go to Wherry's. (Advertisement.)

If you desire satisfactory work, carry your old clothes to Clewis. adv

Wherry's stock is not the largest in town, but his prices are the lowest. Adv.

HOG LOST—Poland China sow, dark spotted, weigh about 200 pounds, unmarked. If found please notify by phone. Adv. T. S. Goodnight.

Miss Addie Eaves has returned home from Reagan, where she has been for some time visiting her sister, Mrs. Ethridge Payne.

Bazaar

The Baptist Ladies will conduct a bazaar, beginning Thursday (today) at noon. They have secured the rest room at Wherry's store for the display of their goods, and solicit the patronage of the public. Adv.

For Sale

I have a big lot of frost proof cabbage plants for sale; price \$2.00; per thousand delivered at Grapeland. Place your orders at once. J. R. LUCE, Adv. Grapeland, Rte. 2.

Cured of Liver Complaint

"I was suffering with liver complaint," says Iva Smith of Point Blank, Texas, "and decided to try a 25c box of Chamberlain's Tablets, and am happy to say that I am completely cured and can recommend them to everyone." For sale by all dealers. (Advertisement.)

Open Evenings

Beginning tonight (Thursday) the Variety Store will remain open every evening until Christmas. This will give those who are pressed for time during the day to do their shopping without the usual rush. We want you to visit us and bring the children so they can see and enjoy Santa Claus. We have both of our show windows dressed in unique designs, portraying vividly the spirit of Old Santa and the joyous Christmas time. Come to see us and bring the children.

adv. THE VARIETY STORE.

Holiday Excursion Fares via I & G N Railway

Tickets on sale at 1-3 fare to all points in Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Oklahoma and to Memphis, Tenn., on Dec. 23, 24, 25, 26, 31, 1913 and Jan. 1, 1914; return limit, January 6, and to St. Louis, Chicago, Washington, Kansas City, all points in the southeast, and to certain points in Colorado on Dec. 20, 21, and 22; return limit January 18. For further information see ticket Agent, I. & G. N Ry. Adv.

Removal Notice

I have moved my leather repair shop to the building next door to the building formerly occupied by the Messenger. I am well equipped to repair shoes, harness, saddles, and repair any kind of leather goods, and solicit your business. Prices reasonable and satisfaction guaranteed. Adv. J. P. Royall.

Business Lots For Sale

I offer for a limited time a few business lots in the coming business district of Grapeland. These lots will be sold on easy terms and if you are interested it will pay you to see me at once as only a few lots will be sold at present prices.

Adv. Geo. E. Darsey, Grapeland, Texas.

For Sale At a Bargain

64 acres of land, one mile S. E. of Grapeland, 30 acres in cultivation, under wire fence, very good house and barn, good well of water. Come and see us at once. Adv. Grapeland Land Co.

Peas Wanted

I am in the market for peas, and will pay \$27.00 per ton in the hull. See me if you have any to sell. Adv. J. W. Howard.

John D. Morgan was in this part of Houston County Friday and Saturday on a business trip. John stated that he wasn't "going" to be a candidate to succeed himself next July, but that he was "already" a candidate. In our opinion, if the people are wise at the polls next year, they will let this office of District Clerk alone, as it is being filled about as good, if not better, than if a change should take place. Anyway, John Morgan is known all over the county, and there isn't much doubt of him being retained by the people.—Houston County Herald.

You are invited to hear Booth Lowery at the school auditorium tomorrow night. Mr. Lowery is a lecturer of national reputation and is sure to please you. He has several subjects from which he lectures, among them being "Simon Says Wig-Wag" and "Tolerably Good People." No doubt he will choose one of these subjects for his engagement here. Come and hear him and go home feeling better.

MONEY TO LOAN

We Handle Real Estate.

If you want to buy or sell a farm or borrow money on it, call on us. We buy Vendors Lien Notes.

WARFIELD BROS.

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CROCKETT, TEXAS

YOUR HANDS ARE TIED WITHOUT A BANK ACCOUNT



YOU will not be able to answer the call of opportunity. You are not ready for the emergency. True you cannot get enormously rich by saving, but you can get desperately poor by not doing so. BANK WITH US.



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GRAPELAND, TEXAS

Cash Grocery Co. NEW GOODS every Day

Fresh Mackerel, Pickled Pigs Feet, Barrel Pickles, Canadian Turnips, Cabbage, Potatoes, Onions, Swift's Premium Hams and Breakfast Bacon, Cottoline, Snowdrift and Crusto Cooking Oil.

Remember you can get your FRUIT CAKE complete from us.

Fresh car Mountain Peak Flour, plenty of Clipped Oats, Chops, Bran and Wheat Shorts. Buy What Shorts and reduce your feed bill. WE DELIVER the GOODS. Phone us your orders.

The Cash Grocery Co.

Bring Your Deposits Here

And be convinced that we can and will be of much help to you if courtesy and accomodation is of value.

A bank account strengthens your credit, and gives you a better standing in the financial world and community in which you live. It also demonstrates that you have some system about your business. Remember the place.

The GUARANTY STATE BANK

GUARANTY FUND BANK

Wood For Sale

I have some 2-foot wood, stove wood and heater wood for sale. See me for prices. Adv. BEN BROOKS.

Notice

I will be at Grapeland Friday and Saturday, December 12th and 13th, collecting 1913 tax. Geo. H. Denny.

Big SWEATER SALE at Brooks'

Reduced Prices on Sweaters!

LADIES

\$3.75 Sweaters now\$3.00
3.00 Sweaters now 2.75
2.50 Sweaters now 2.00
2.25 Sweaters now 1.90
2.00 Twearers now 1.75

MISSES

\$2.00 Sweaters now\$1.75
1.50 Sweaters now 1.25

BOYS

\$1.00 Sweaters now90
.60 Sweaters now50

MEN'S

\$1.75 Sweaters now\$1.50
1.50 Sweaters now 1.25
1.25 Sweaters now 1.00
1.00 Sweaters now90

10 per cent off on all ladies and men's heavy underwear

J. J. BROOKS

Wedding Bells?

LET US SUPPLY THE INVITATIONS.

You Can Sleep In the Dark, but You Need the Light to Do Business. And ADVERTISING Is the Great Source of Business Light ::

How About Your Subscription?

Has It Been Paid in Full?

If so, then this ad is not meant for you, but we flash the "S. O. S." call of distress to those who have not remembered us, and urge them to come to our assistance at once! Don't let the approaching New Year find you in arrears with your local paper.

A Newspaper that is a Newspaper published in a Country worth while. . . . \$1.00 per year

THE MESSENGER

HANDBILLS?

We Print Them

MOST OF THE WORLD'S KNOWLEDGE IS BASED ON NEWSPAPERS. YOU MUST READ THEM IF YOU WOULD KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON.

RIPPLES ON THE TRINITY

Dec. 8.—The ripples on the river are running high, but in the main are still in the channel, but are crawling out in the low places. However, Mr. Allen informed us yesterday eve that it was falling and it may be that the water here may have time to move on before the Dallas water gets here and avert an overflow.

We are glad to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stevens among us for another year. They are church and Sunday School going folks.

Xmas is coming as fast as the clock can tick whether we aim to make merry and have a good time or not, or whether all are ready for it. We expect to have a tree, and the following committees have been appointed to get it and put it up: Glen Beazley, C. C. Smith, Lenard Kent. To dress the tree: Miss Jesse Meriwether, Miss Kleber Beazley and Mrs. G. B. Kent. G. B. Kent is master of ceremonies and we hope he will add a committee on instrumental music, for nothing adds to the merriment of the holidays, as music and it is in order now.

Mr. James R. you are due 50c for the norther and as the Lord sent it, you owe it to Him, and the only way you can give it to Him is to give it to some of His children and as I claim to be one of the family it would not be unreasonable for us to expect a check from you.

Mr. Fulgham and little grand-

son, Master Dick Stewart, of Colmesneil spent a few days with his son, P. L. Fulgham last week.

Another new baby on the river, a baby girl, which came to Mr. and Mrs. Jim West on or about the 1st, and this ends the crop of babies for 1913 in our midst.

Miss Mollie Moore has been spending a while with her sister Mrs. J. L. Chiles.

A little comment on the Possum Walk, and we are through. Will say that it more than met our expectations. But from the size of most of the 'possums the boys must have done a big lot of moonshine hunting, and we hope that next year the board will put more space between the Thanksgiving and the 'possum trotting services.

As this may be our last for this year, we will wish all a merry Xmas. Cordially,
ZACK.

Fit His Case Exactly

"When father was sick about six years ago he read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Tablets in the papers that fit his case exactly," writes Miss Margaret Campbell of Ft. Smith, Ark. "He purchased a box of them and he has not been sick since. My sister had stomach trouble and was also benefitted by them." For sale by all dealers. — Adv.

Notice

All those who owe me and wish to settle same will find their account at the Guaranty State Bank. I would appreciate it if you would call there and settle it. Adv. W. B. TAYLOR.

PEBBLES FROM ROCK HILL

Dec. 8.—Everybody got three days lay off from their work last week on account of rain, and we had plenty of it too.

Now the wind is coming from the north with such icy feeling it makes us feel like winter is here in full blast.

Bro. J. I. Weatherby, our pastor last year was sent back for next year. We feel proud to get him back and hope to make this (his fourth and last year) the best of the time spent with us. He preached at Antrim Sunday morning. Only a small crowd was present on account of not knowing whether he would be sent back or not.

Mr. and Mrs. Lusky Gray and Mr. and Mrs. John Willis visited Mrs. Lucy Willis Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Weisinger entertained their young friends Saturday night in the way of a tacky party. A large crowd was present and quite a pleasant time was spent by all. Mr. Joe Miller won the prize for being the tackiest boy, and Miss Nora Williams won the prize as being the tackiest girl.

The choir met Sunday night and had prayer meeting and put in some good time singing hymns of praise.

Mr. Charlie Streetman made a pleasant trip to Salmon Sunday and reports a nice time.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Helms, a boy; Mr. and Mrs. A. U. Streetman a boy. All doing nicely.

Mr. Henry Kyle of Dailey was in our midst Sunday.

Mrs. A. R. Willis spent Saturday night with Mrs. Lucy Willis.

Mrs. Daisy Gee visited Mrs. Mack Thomas Sunday.

LITTLE ITEMS.

For coughs and colds use Ballard's Horehound Syrup. It acts soothingly in the irritated lungs and throat. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by A. S. Porter. Adv.

Miss Roxie Powers returned to her home in Elkhart Sunday, after spending several days here with friends.

Letter to Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus: I hope you will get around this year. Now, I am going to tell you what I want you to bring me. I want you to bring me some fire crackers, roman candles and some skyrockets. I want an air gun and some English walnuts, some almonds, butternuts, candy and apples. I want you to bring me some toys too. You can get a lot of toys at the racket store.

FRANK GRANBERRY.

Rev. W. N. Warlick was up from Holly a few days this week looking after business matters.

WATCH

The Show Windows at Porter's Drug Store

If you don't see there what you want in our line, come in.

We have it if it is in our line. If not, we believe we can tell you where to get it.

"Porter Says So"



The Joys of Christmas

Come from giving gifts that are practical. We have them. Shop now!

In Sterling Silver we have

Manicure Sets,
Gentlemen's Sets,
Toilet Sets,
Military Sets,
Smoking Sets,
Water Sets,

In Persian Ivory

Manicure Sets,
Toilet Sets,
Mirrors,
Brushes,
Soap Boxes,
Combs,
Trinket Boxes,
Carving Sets.

1847 Silverware

Knives and Forks,
Tea Spoons,
Table Spoons,
Butter Knives,
Sugar Shells,
Berry Spoons,
Cream Ladles,
Cold Meat Forks,

Clocks, Casseroles, Jewel Boxes, Umbrellas, Cut Glass. In fact we have a complete line of nice and useful things for gifts for all.

SHOP EARLY

D. N. LEAVERTON

DON'T RUSH



ANY TIME'S LUCKY FOR HOME BUILDERS

who sidetrack procrastination for action and decide definitely on their building plans. The kind of lumber you would be satisfied with is as cheap now as you will ever see it and, at the prices we are quoting on the quality you would expect, we say with all emphasis—"BUILD NOW." With our knowledge of the different woods and their application to home building we can doubtless show you how you can attain your ideal home at a much less cost than you think. Price-per-thousand for lumber is very misleading to the inexperienced, but when a plan is figured judiciously and the right lumber specified in the right place the total cost is often a pleasant revelation. Our business requires this exacting knowledge and we are sure we can satisfy you in price, quality and service. Let's talk it over. We have everything from joist to shingles.

THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME

T. H. LEAVERTON LUMBER COMPANY

COULD SCARCELY WALK ABOUT

And For Three Summers Mrs. Vincent Was Unable to Attend to Any of Her Housework.

Pleasant Hill, N. C.—"I suffered for three summers," writes Mrs. Walter Vincent, of this town, "and the third and last time, was my worst.

I had dreadful nervous headaches and prostration, and was scarcely able to walk about. Could not do any of my housework.

I also had dreadful pains in my back and sides and when one of those weak, sinking spells would come on me, I would have to give up and lie down, until it wore off.

I was certainly in a dreadful state of health, when I finally decided to try Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I firmly

believe I would have died if I hadn't taken it.

After I began taking Cardui, I was greatly helped, and all three bottles relieved me entirely.

I fattened up, and grew so much stronger in three months, I felt like another person altogether."

Cardui is purely vegetable and gentle-acting. Its ingredients have a mild, tonic effect, on the womanly constitution.

Cardui makes for increased strength, improves the appetite, tones up the nervous system, and helps to make pale, sallow cheeks, fresh and rosy.

Cardui has helped more than a million weak women, during the past 50 years. It will surely do for you, what it has done for them. Try Cardui today.

Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper. J-66

A Record Breaker

Our daily attendance this fall has been the largest in the history of the institution, and from present indications our January attendance will be a record breaker. With our new building and additional teachers already employed. We have plenty of room and plenty of teachers. Our work is practically all taught on the plan of "learn to do by doing" thru individual instructions. This enables us to handle any number of students to the very best advantage. Students who are deficient in arithmetic, grammar, spelling, etc., get special instructions in each of these subjects without extra cost. By our method of individual instruction, the student who is slow and backward in his work is not discouraged by trying to keep up with the student who has had superior advantages, neither is the bright student who has had special advantages held back on account of the slow students, but each is worked to his full capacity, therefore both are delighted with their work.

If you can't persuade someone else to buy you a scholarship as a Xmas present, buy it yourself. It's a Xmas present that will prove of untold value to you. We are daily placing students in positions where they are earning from \$600 to \$1500 per annum with promotion ahead. Finish a course of bookkeeping, business administration and finance, shorthand or telegraphy with us and we'll get you the position, and there are no ifs or ands about it; we have got to do it if we expect your support in securing future patronage. The cost of a complete unlimited course including tuition, books and board is only from \$95 to \$120.00.

Get a copy of our large illustrated catalog, giving facts and figures as to what our former students have accomplished and what their employers think of them. Fill in your name and address and state course in which you are mostly interested and mail to the Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas, today and receive catalog.

Name
Address
Course interested in

(Advertisement.)

Community Co-Operation

Copyrighted Farm & Ranch—Holland's Magazine

Advertised goods must have quality. The advertiser makes no profit on your first purchase of his goods, as that profit is consumed in his advertising to you to induce you to try his products. He depends upon your repeat orders for his profits, and he cannot expect repeat orders unless your first trial of the advertised article reveals to you the satisfaction-giving qualities promised in the advertising. To advertise a worthless article would thus be the worst kind of folly.

Moreover, the advertiser who has built up a reputation for his product has a large sum of money invested in the advertising and

the good will that it has created. This good will is paying him back a fair interest on his investment in repeat orders for his goods. By this investment of his advertising funds he has placed himself in a position where he does not dare to reduce the quality of his product, because to do so would mean the loss of both his principal and the interest.

The manufacturer of unadvertised goods, unknown brands, can and in many instances does reduce the quality of his product for he has no advertising investment or reputation at stake, for his goods are sold and bought, not on a quality basis, but on a price basis alone.

Home Efficiency Means Skilled Purchasing.

Home efficiency is as important as business efficiency and the problems of the average housewife require as much thought and study as those of the directing head of our largest industrial institution. The efficiency of the housewife, like that of the successful business man, is measured by the distance she makes her dollar travel, and her success is dependent upon her ability to buy. She must exert every effort to make each penny do its full duty.

There is no shorter road to

efficient buying than by consulting the ads of the newspaper. Fifteen minutes spent in this manner will go a long way towards lowering the high cost of living and is well worth the time it takes. Acquire the ad reading habit and be directed to the places where your dollar is above par.

J. L. Chiles of Reynard was here Saturday and paid us a pleasant call. Before the "Possum Walk" Mr. Chiles was a "doubting Thomas," but he was here that day and witnessed the unique stunt, and now declares that possums "can sure walk."

WHEN YOUR BACK ACHES

It is a sure sign that something is wrong with your kidneys, you should take

PRICKLY ASH BITTERS

IT IS A POWERFUL KIDNEY REMEDY

It is a kidney tonic and liver stimulant of the highest order. It relieves the strain on the suffering kidneys, puts new life in the torpid liver, helps digestion, eases the aching back and makes you feel well and strong again.

Sold by Dealers in Medicine.

Price \$1.00 per Bottle

Prickly Ash Bitters Co., Proprietors, St. Louis, Mo.

Darsey's Store News.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY IN THE GRAPELAND MESSENGER.

EDITED BY DARSEY'S SALES FORCE

Darsey's Store, Grapeland, Texas, Dec. 11, 1913

A USEFUL CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR EVERY MEMBER OF THE FAMILY AT DARSEY'S. OUR SPECIAL PRICES WILL SAVE YOU MONEY

Our Twenty-Fifth Anniversary

December, 1st, marked the close of our first twenty-five years of business at Grapeland. The past quarter century has marked the growth of this store as well as the growth of the town. In 1888, when this store was first started, there was hardly anything here to induce settlers to come. It was then that the town was rightly called Grapeland, for where many of the modern residences and stores stand today, there were only sand jacks covered with grapevines. We have watched this town grow from a little country village to one of the most up-to-date and most enterprising little cities in Texas. Her fertile fields and rich valleys still offer many undeveloped resources and her supply seems inexhaustible, for in all of our twenty-five years at this one place, we have never known a complete failure in the crops.

As the town has grown, so has this store. When this store was first started, it was on a small scale in a frame building. In a few years, as the business began to grow, new lines were added and larger room was required. Then our first brick store was erected, the first brick in Grapeland, but it soon became

too small to carry our volume of business, and we erected another joining the two with arches. In a few years, another brick was erected, for the use of our dry goods department. To meet the demands of the town for more buildings and to consolidate our departments under one roof, we erected still another brick store, joining the three with arches. This building, which, though divided by three walls and connected with arches, was one of the largest general merchandise stores in Texas. After the fire in March, we erected a large sheet iron building that we used as a temporary store building until our present building was completed. Our present building is pronounced by all as one that would be creditable for any city. We have everything arranged for the comfort and convenience of our customers. This building, with our big warehouse gives us a floor space (not counting our smaller houses) of over fifteen and a half thousand square feet.

As has been the custom of this store for the past few years to celebrate its anniversary with a big money saving sale, we take this method to announce to you our big twenty-fifth anniversary sale, which will be the biggest money saving sale ever launched

in this county. We have gone through our stock of goods and have made low prices on everything, and extend you the invitation to come and take advantage of the many bargains offered. This sale at this particular season of the year, gives you a great opportunity to get your cold weather supplies at a bargain, and offers you many useful things for Christmas gifts, at a great saving.

We have put on this sale for both your and our benefits. Our prices can't be beaten, if you consider the quality. Come and take advantage of the bargains offered. This sale begins Saturday, December, 13th, and closes Wednesday, December, 24th.

THE FURROW

is a farm magazine, issued monthly, for the benefit of farmers who are interested in profitable farming. It is full of useful helps and hints. If you do not get it send us your name and address and we will send it to you FREE as long as you want it. Address all cards to Advertising Department, Darsey's Store, Grapeland, Texas.

DON'T FORGET—you can get what you want at our store at a great saving. Our special prices are money savers.

Bring us your turkeys while the demand is good.

We received another big shipment of trunks Wednesday.

You can find just the piece of hardware you want at our store.

The price of eggs still goes up. We can use all you have to sell.

ORIOLE and WHITE WAVE flour in sacks or barrels. A can of Calumet Baking Powder free with every sack. A trial will convince you.

Free Tickets!

For the COZY THEATRE

Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 16-17

To the first 100 men clipping this ad and mailing the coupon attached to us we will mail ABSOLUTELY FREE a ticket to the Cozy Theatre good on either of the above dates. We have made arrangements with the management to show three reels of pictures in addition to featuring "That Million Dollar Look." This reel is worth going miles to see. Address all coupons to Advertising Department.

Name.....

Address.....

These tickets are for men and young men only.

Mail Coupons in by Monday, December 15th..

"That Million Dollar Look!"

Go and see this Wonderful Photo-Play--To Appear at the COZY Theatre Next Tuesday and Wednesday Night, Dec. 16th and 17th.

At our own private and personal expense, we have brought to this town one of the greatest picture-plays that has ever been produced.

For years, we have been waiting and hoping for some book, or play, or sermon that would make clear the powerful lesson that this picture shows. It is a lesson that means greater success—business success, social success, personal success to every man who will take it home to himself and apply it in his daily living.

We brought this picture to the Cozy because we believe that every red-coruspled American man who sees it can reap a profit from it and become a bigger man through it—and we want to do our share to get it before as many folks right here at home as we can. Read our FREE ticket offer.

We are not going to spoil your enjoyment, your "thrill" and your excitement by telling you here what the story is. Wait and enjoy the surprise for yourself. We're simply going to go on record with the statement that it will grip you from the first exposure to the last scene—and make you say a hundred times "Why wasn't this picture ever thought of before?" Men have lost untold opportunities, have sacrificed dearest ambitions; have handicapped the hopes of years, purely and solely through a lack of knowledge that this picture vividly and dramatically imparts. Men have euchred themselves out of big business gains, have closed the door to countless success chances, have defeated themselves, not only in business, but in politics, in society—YES, EVEN IN LOVE—because they never studied and mastered the lesson that this picture makes clear to them. If you want to play the game of success skillfully and victoriously; if you want to be a dominating factor in life's power circles—Then dont fail to see "That Million Dollar Look" at the Cozy Theatre Tuesday and Wednesday nights.

GEORGE E. DARSEY

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