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The Davis-Kaser Co's Summer Clearance Sale

Opened July 21st and is now in full swing!
Full particulars of this event will be found in the Walla Walla newspapers—Sundays editions of July 22nd. Copies of our advertisements will be mailed upon request, to any address. Because of the unusual price reductions to be made during this sale it will pay you to have a copy

A Postal Card will bring it to You

Sale goods may be ordered by mail (subject, of course, to previous sale) and such orders will carry our sweeping guarantee of absolute satisfaction.

The Davis-Kaser Co.
Home Furnishing Department Store
Complete Furnishers of Homes, Offices and Schools—10-20 Alder St.
Walla Walla Wash.

"Well, Say!"
I thought you fellows had quit the Tire Business."

was the remark of a customer one day last week. It opened our eyes. Perhaps you are thinking so, too. We never "quit"—we did "close out our stock" as advertised. We have no money tied up in it now.

We represent some of the best tires made. We back these tires because we are backed: Firestone, Republic Kelly, Springfield and others.

Grain tanks ready. Get your binder twine now.

Watts & Rogers
Just Over the Hill

The **First National Bank** of Athena
Conducts a General Banking Business
Capital and Surplus, \$100,000
We are always prepared to care for the proper needs of our Customers.

ESTABLISHED 1865
Preston-Shaffer Milling Co.

AMERICAN BEAUTY FLOUR

Is made in Athena, by Athena labor, in one of the very best equipped mills in the Northwest, of the best selected Bluestem wheat grown anywhere. Patronize home industry. Your grocer sells the famous American Beauty Flour

Merchant Millers & Grain Buyers
Athena, Oregon. — — — Waitsburg, Wash.



We carry the best **MEATS**
That Money Buys
Our Market is Clean and Cool
Insuring Wholesome Meats.
READ & MEYER
Main Street, Athena, Oregon



Beautiful New Home of Otho Reeder, on Lower Third Street.

The above picture is of Mr. and Mrs. Otho Reeder's new home under construction on lower Third street, just north of the Sanders home. The drawing is by the Tum-a-Lum Lumber Company architect and is an exact production of the bungalow, as it will appear when completed. The house

will be conveniently arranged inside with a large living room and fire place, central reception hall and panel wainscoted dining room, with buffet kitchen and breakfast room on first floor, three bedrooms, bath and sleeping porch on second floor. Full basement will

be provided with laundry, fuel, fruit and furnace rooms. The front porch will be carried across to form porte cochere. Mr. Charles Scott has the general contract and complete plans, as well as material, is being furnished by the Tum-a-Lum Lumber Company.

ABSOLUTE PROOF MUST BE GIVEN

To obtain exemption or discharge from the draft will not be quite the simple matter that some people have thought it, says a Portland Special. The government does not desire to draft men who have persons actually dependent upon them, or whose exemption on other grounds is clearly desirable. Neither does it intend that any man who should go shall be exempted. Absolute proof in the form of sworn affidavits and supporting affidavits, of the truth of every claim for exemption, will be required.

Exemption will not be regarded as claimed because of any statement made on the registration card. A new claim, supported by affidavits, must be made in each case.

Incidentally, no claim for exemption or discharge may be made by any man until he actually has been called up by his county exemption board for physical examination.

For example, a man who expects to be called at some future time cannot make his claim for exemption now. The exemption boards are strictly forbidden to receive or consider claims from men who have not been called up for examination.

For another thing, whether a man makes a claim for exemption or not, he positively MUST appear before the local board for physical examination on the day set in the notification sent him by the board.

A man has seven days from the mailing of this notice in which to make application to his board for exemption.

He then has ten days more in which to file proofs.

Following are the only grounds for exemption:

1. That you are an officer, legislative, executive or judicial, of the United States, a state or territory or the District of Columbia. And in every case exemption will not be granted unless specifically claimed.

2. That you are a regular or duly ordained minister of religion.

3. That you were on May 19, 1917, a student preparing for the ministry in any recognized theological or divinity school.

4. That you are in the military or naval service of the United States.

5. That you are a subject of Germany, whether you have taken out first papers or not. In such case, you will not be accepted for draft even if you desire to enlist. The regulations on this point are positive.

6. That you are a resident alien who has not taken out first papers.

Following are the only claims for discharge that can be considered by local exemption boards:

1. That you are an elective county or municipal officer.

2. That you are a customhouse clerk.

3. That you are employed by the United States in the transmission of mails.

4. That you are an artificer or workman employed in an armory, arsenal or navy yard of the United States.

5. That you are employed in the service of the United States, under certain conditions.

6. That you are a licensed pilot regularly employed in the pursuit of your vocation.

7. That you are a mariner actually employed in the sea service of any citizen or merchant within the United States.

8. That you are a married man with a wife or child dependent on your labor for support.

9. That you have a widowed mother dependent on your labor for support.

10. That you have aged or infirm parents dependent upon your labor for support.

11. That you are the father of a motherless child under 16 dependent upon your labor for support.

12. That you are a brother of an orphan child or children under 16 dependent upon your labor for support.

13. That you are a member of a well organized religious sect or organization, organized and existent May 18 1917, whose then existing creed or principles forbade its members to participate in war in any form.

Claims for exemption on the ground that you are employed in a necessary industry including agriculture, cannot

SLACKER ROUND UP IS NATIONAL ORDER

Declaring that thousands of men of draft age evaded registration and have escaped the call to the Army, Attorney General Gregory has instructed all United States Attorneys to begin a round up of the slackers and start criminal prosecutions.

The Attorney General says that from reports made up to July 16 it appears that thousands of men escaped and emphasized the importance to the Government of prompt, thorough and country wide search, followed by vigorous criminal prosecution.

District attorneys he says, are not expected to make a house to house canvass, nor a comparison of the registration lists of each county, but are to engage the assistance of local officers, voluntary organizations whenever that can be done. When slackers are found they are to be registered and to be assigned by lot to the serial numbers of persons exempted.

The following is taken from a recent issue of the Kalispell, Montana, Inter-Lake: "One of the pleasing wedding events of the season occurred this morning at ten o'clock at the home of Rev. O. D. Harris, when he united in marriage Roy D. Maxwell, of Great Falls, and Miss Laura Anne Smith of Walla Walla, Miss Smith is an old friend of Mrs. O. D. Harris and Mrs. L. W. Smith, Mrs. Harris' sister.

The bride room was decorated in sweet peas and Shasta daisies, neatly interwoven in ferns. The bride wore a traveling suit of cream serge and a picture hat of pink. Miss Thele Stephens accompanied with a wedding march at the piano, and after the ceremony Mrs. Harris sang, "I Love You Truly." The couple left on the noon train for Walla Walla, from whence they will return to Great Falls. They were accompanied by Miss Dorothy Starret, of Walla Walla, a cousin of the bride."

\$50,000 for Round Up

Fifty thousand dollars will be expended by Pendleton in putting on the 1917 Round up, September 20, 21, 22, which insures the very best in contests, horses, steers, performers and contests worth seeing. Special Pullman trains have already been engaged and will come from Portland, Spokane and St. Paul. The attendance will be equal if not greater than 1916. The railroad have granted the usual special rate of one and one third fare for the round trip from all points in the northwest. The railroad officials assure the management there will be no falling off in attendance and the only question with them is whether or not they will be able to furnish the equipment.

New Potatoes Sprouting

Hundreds of residents of the Inland Empire who this year planted home gardens for the first time have been perplexed and dismayed, upon opening hills, to find potatoes about half developed, yet sprouting new vines.

Professor O. M. Osborne, head of the agricultural department of the Lewiston State normal school, states that there is no known remedy. He attributes the cause to abnormal climatic condition and advises digging the potatoes even though not fully developed. The sprouts should be removed and the potatoes placed in cool cellars.

War Bread Is Sampled

Students and members of the faculty of the Summer school of the University of Oregon sampled various kinds of war bread, prepared by Miss Winifred Kerr, who gave the last of a series of lectures on food economy suggested by Herbert C. Hoover, National food director. Potatoes, beans, peas, squash, bran, brown unpolished rice, corn, oatmeal and rye are among materials used in making war bread, for which recipes were given.

ADMINISTRATOR ON FOOD AGREED

Conferees on the food bill late Monday agreed to President Wilson's demand for one food administrator instead of a board of three, as proposed by the Senate. The individual administrator will not be subject to confirmation.

The State conferees yielded and agreed to strike out the Senate amendment for a three member board and accepted the House provision for one man control.

In agreeing upon a single food administrator the conferees adopted a compromise provision that a board of three members, appointed by the President and one of whom shall be an agricultural college man, shall administer to the section for minimum prices for wheat, stipulated in the bill to be \$2 per bushel for next year's crop.

President Wilson declared previously his opposition to amendments to the bill now in conference providing for an administrative board of three instead of one and for the creation of a Congressional committee on expenditures in the conduct of the war.

The President's position was made clear to Senator Chamberlain. The President considers the committee on conduct of the war a reflection on himself and insisted that there can be no question of the greater value of an individual food administrator over an administrative board of three.

Plans for the investigation of the production and distribution of breadstuffs were completed at a conference of Federal trade commission officials, Department of Agriculture experts and representatives of the food administration.

The inquiry into grain production will be made largely by the Agricultural Department. The trade commission will seek particularly to find law violations and uneconomic methods in the manufacture and sale of flour and bread.

4 More Poisoned At Bend

Four more cases of poisoning are reported among children at Bend, believed to have been caused by the eating of candy found in the ruins of a hotel recently destroyed by fire. It is thought the candy absorbed toxic substances generated by the heat.

Only one death, that of 5 year old Henry Coullar, has so far been reported, and physicians hope that the lives of the others may be saved.

HERE IS YOUR TAX IF PRESENT BILL PASSES

Here are the taxes YOU as an individual citizen will have to pay if the revenue bill passes in its present form.

Income Tax — If unmarried with an income over \$1,000; if married, with income over \$2,000

War Profit Tax if engaged in business as an individual in partnership or stockholder in corporation with net profit over \$5,000.

Tax on automobiles, motorcycles, motor boats, yachts, letters, postcards and second class mail.

Stamp Taxes—Bonds and certificate of indebtedness, parcel post packages, stock certificates, stock transfers, future sales, time drafts, notes, bank checks over \$5, deeds, custom entries and withdrawals, steamship tickets, voting proxies, powers of attorney, etc.

Coffee, tea, cocoa, sugar, molasses and all substitutes.

Whiskies, beer, wine and liquors.

Cigars, cigarettes, cigarette papers and tobacco.

Mineral water, soda water, and other soft drinks.

Freight, express and railroad tickets.

Telegrams and long distance telephone messages.

Tennis racquets, golf clubs, baseballs and bats, fishing rods and other sporting goods and games, including playing cards.

Extracts, perfume, cosmetic, tooth paste and other toilet articles.

Patent medicines.

Tickets and admissions to ball games, theaters, cabarets and other amusements.

German Fat \$4 A Pound

Information concerning food costs in Germany received Monday at the offices of the food administration show that many edibles, particularly those containing fats, are selling at almost prohibitive prices. Fat for frying is bringing more than \$4 a pound. Goose fat is sold at \$5.36 a pound.

Fowls are generally high. Fresh foals bring \$1.01 a pound; larded goose breasts, \$2.08; salted goose legs, 94 cents; young country laying hens, \$3.33 each, and well fed geese, \$1.10 to \$1.19. The egg ration at Hamburg for one week was one egg for each person. Horses are in great demand for food and horse flesh sells at from 53 to 56 cents a pound.

Lister Asks For Troops

Governor Lister does not feel that state guards are sufficiently organized and drilled to take up the duty now being performed by the Federal troops, nor that they could do this work with the same efficiency," says George Donald, of North Yakima, a member of the State Council of Defense, who has just returned from Olympia. Mr. Donald says Governor Lister has proposed to the War Department that troops now doing guard duty in this state be retained in this service. He expects to have an answer to report to the council tomorrow in Olympia.

Walla Walla Fire Fatal

With their home wrapped in flames, the Joe Thomas family, living in the northwestern part of the city, were awakened about 1 o'clock Sunday morning too late to rescue their 11 year old son, Buster Thomas, who was sleeping in an upstairs room. The house was destroyed with all its contents and the body of the boy had not been recovered an hour after the fire. The cause of the blaze is unknown.

Free Methodist Services.

The tent meetings closed last Sunday night. Many expressed themselves as having received much help during the meeting. We have secured the opera house on east main street for Sunday services and there will be preaching there every Sunday at 8:00 p. m. Preaching at Waterman school house, Sunday at 8:00 p. m. A cordial welcome to all.

Geo. T. Klein

MOTOR VEHICLE LAW EFFECTIVE

The new motor vehicle law passed by the last legislature became effective Wednesday.

Considerable misapprehension has been experienced from reports received as to the effect of the fees under the new law, as it is generally considered that this law will have the effect of doubling the fees on motor vehicles.

This, however, is a misconception of the law, as the fees, with the exception of fees for motorcycles, remain the same as now, up to January 1, 1918, when the fees will be doubled.

Fees on motorcycles will be \$1.50, or half the present fees. Motorcycle fees are now \$3 and will be \$4.50 between January 1 and August 1 of each year.

The law is made so that provision is made that after August 1 of any year fees provided for in the law are cut in half, while between January 1 and August 1, the fees are double those now provided by law.

The fees, starting August 1, may be arrived at by cutting the fees shown in the following table by half, although between January 1 and August 1, the fees shown in the table will prevail:

Motorcycles and motor bicycles \$4.00

Electric vehicles for pleasure 6.00

Electric service vehicles 10.00

All steam, gasoline and other hydro carbon operated vehicles, except motor trucks for what ever use up to twenty-six horsepower 6.00

In excess of 26 horsepower and inclusive of 36 horse power 10.00

In excess of 36 horsepower and inclusive of 40 horsepower 15.00

In excess of 40 horsepower 20.00

On all motor trucks the following rates shall be paid:

Over one and one half tons and under two tons 15.00

Two tons and under two and one half tons 18.00

Two and one half tons and under three tons 21.00

Three tons and under three and one half tons 24.00

Three and one half tons and under four tons 27.00

Four tons and not over five tons 30.00

Over five tons 35.00

The new fees do not apply to dealer's cars at any time, according to a ruling of Secretary Olcott's office.

The new law also covers the laws of the new provisions relative to the handling and operation of motor cars.

Driving is restricted to 25 miles an hour with the exception of within 100 yards of horse drawn vehicles on country roads, when a maximum speed of eight miles an hour is prescribed. It prohibits driving of machines by intoxicated or incapable persons, and children under 15 years of age, unless accompanied by an older person. It is made unlawful to throw or deposit in roads or streets any bottles, glass, nails, tacks or other substance likely to injure or damage any person, animal or vehicle.

The fees collected shall be turned over to the motor vehicle fund and this fund is to be used by the State Highway Commission in paying the interest and retiring principal on road bonds.

The Christian Church.

"The Heart of Things," and "Trying To Play Double," will be the respective themes at the Christian church Sunday, 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. These themes have some of the "pep" that is so much needed in sluggish times. Come and take a tonic. It will do you good. It beats lounging around without any thing worth while to think about.

Geo. Gerking at the head of the Bible school, will begin moving things at 10:00 a. m. sharp, with the Junior Choir in place ready for the music of the morning. Classes for everybody, and there should be every body in a class. If you have not been to Bible school for these months or years start in Sunday morning, and learn a lesson from God. D. Errett, minister.

COMPARE PRICES

See what we are selling you new Fall Merchandise for. Our fall stock is practically complete in all lines. We're selling for less than one-man merchants can buy for.

Oilecloth, all color20	Dover bleached muslin08	9-4 Pequot sheeting40
House lining05 .06 1-2	Suburban bleached muslin10	10-4 Peppercill sheeting39
"Berlin" fancy ticking39	Hope bleached muslin11	10-4 Pequot sheeting49
Hamburgh fancy ticking33	Special bleached muslin12 1-2	Calico all colors07 1-3
"Ariston" fancy ticking35	Fruit of Loom bleached muslin15	Galitita all colors22 1-2
Picket Stripe ticking13 1-2	Lonsdale bleached muslin15	Apron gingham08 1-3
White outing12 1-2 1-5	Lake side Cambric bleached muslin18 60	Percales, 27 in10
Colored outing in a big range of patterns12 1-2 1-5	60 Berkeley Cambric21	Percales 30 in10
Unbleached toweling09 1-3 to 18	Lonsdale Cambric21	Percales 36 in13 1-2
Half bleached toweling10 to .14 1-3	100 Berkeley Cambric24	Percales fast colors 36 in10 1-2
Cotton batts, one half pound15	8-4 Peppercill Sheetting28	Dress gingham12 1-2 1-5
Cotton batts one pound25	8-4 Pequot Sheetting28	Bleached Table Damask69 to 1.08
Cotton Batts three pounds89 .98	9-4 Peppercill sheeting35	Renpew Colored Damask59
Coats thread 200 yd04	9-4 Fox Croft sheeting35	

NOTICE—THESE ARE "EVERYDAY PRICES" ONE PRICE TO ALL.

J. C. Penney Co.
THE GOLDEN RULE
175 BUSY STORES