## **WHAT DID A PENNY BUY IN 1934?**



## Newspaper advertisement 1934, Concrete, WA

During the 1930's, the general store continued to be an important part of Skagit County communities. It was difficult time. Banks had closed and millions of people were out of work. People everywhere were poor. Still, people celebrated their holidays as best they could.

1) Prices in 1930 are very different from today. Look at the newspaper ad from above. How many nickels do you need to buy the following items?

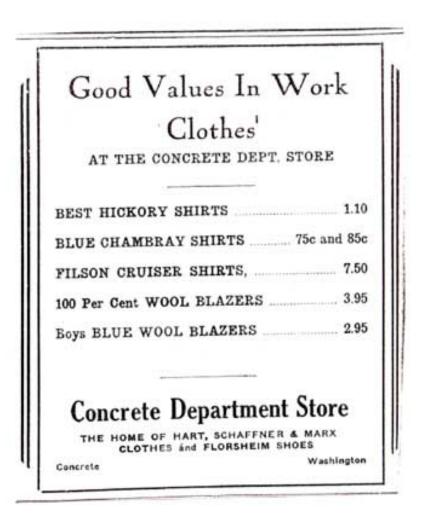
Cranberries	nickels
Mincemeat	nickels
Celery	
Dates	nickels
Sweet potatoes	

2) What items can you pay with dimes? List them.

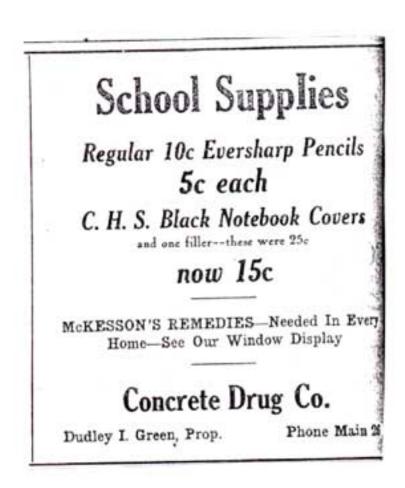
3) What items do you need to pay with nickels, dimes or pennies? List them.

4) Your dad is a logger. He needs some new clothes for a chance to work at a logging camp. He has only \$10.00 to spend. What can he buy? Look at the ad to the right to find the prices. Then write the item you want to buy. Add up the prices when you are done.

Name of item	Price



5) You're going back to school. You earned \$1.00 picking berries. What can you buy? Will you have enough to go to the picture show? Look at the ads below and decide.





## EALR's

MATH 1.1 understand and apply concepts and procedures from number sense. ECONOMICS 1.1 comprehend key economic concepts and economic systems